

## RABBI JACOB MAZE, LEADER OF RUSSIAN JEWRY, DEAD

**Was Pioneer Worker in Zionist Movement and Revival of Hebrew Language in Russia—Defied, With Scholarly Authority, Ritual Murder Tale in Beilis Trial—Wrote Memoirs of Great Value While Blind.**

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Dec. 20.—Rabbi Jacob Maze, Rabbi of the Jewish community of Moscow and one of the outstanding leaders of Russian Jewry in the last quarter of a century, died yesterday at midnight at the age of 65.

Rabbi Maze was born in 1860 in the state of Mogileff. He was graduated from the University of Moscow in 1886, having taken a degree in jurisprudence.

He began his public activities as a contributor to the Hebrew daily paper, "Ha'melitz". He was the founder of the first Zionist group in Russia in 1881 and helped to form the Chovevei Sephath Eiver. In 1893 he became Rabbi of the Jewish community of Moscow, which position he held until his death.

Besides his Rabbinical and communal activities, he was prominent in Russian civic life after the Revolution. In 1917 he was elected as a delegate to the Russian Constituent Assembly under the Kerensky Government.

Rabbi Maze, although known for his ardent Zionism and devotion to Jewish ideals, was respected by all parties and even by the Communists. A short-time ago Rabbi Maze contracted a severe illness which caused the loss of his eyesight. Realizing that he would die soon he began work on his memoirs, which contain valuable documents throwing light on the history and sufferings of Russian Jewry during the last fifty years.

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## ADOLPH HITLER RELEASED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 20.—Adolph Hitler, leader of the Bavarian "Putsch", who was sentenced to five years imprisonment, was among a number of political prisoners who were granted their freedom in Munich today by an amnesty.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—Col. Kriebel, associate of Adolph Hitler, was released from prison at the same time.

Three participants in the Bavarian Communist Revolution of 1919 were released. They are Gustave Landauer, Ernst Toller and Erich Muehsam, who is a noted German poet and Paolei Zionist. He was an intimate friend of Kurt Eisner.

## WILL REMOUND LASALLE'S GRAVE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The grave of Ferdinand Lasalle, father of German Socialism, will be remounded at communal expense on the occasion of the one hundredth anniversary of Lasalle's death, on April 11, 1925, according to a decision of the Jewish community of Breslau, where Lasalle is buried.

## PRINCE LOTFALLAH LOSES CASE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 20.—The high court jury in the trial of Prince Habib Lotfallah against Engineer Walker A. Harper in the suit for the return of £10,000 invested by the Prince in the Westminster Construction Company, rendered a decision stating that the Prince had no ground for his claim.

## ITALY AND BRAZIL CONCLUDE IMMIGRATION AGREEMENT

**Agreement Aims to Facilitate Emigration of Italian Farmers to Brazil.**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Despatch)

Rome, Dec. 20.—An agreement has been concluded between the Italian Government and the State of Sao Paulo after long negotiations concerning emigration questions, according to the Italian press.

This agreement provides that Italian emigration to Sao Paulo shall consist entirely of agriculturists exclusive of a very limited number of artisans, not to exceed 5 per cent of the total; that the cost of Italian emigrants' tickets shall be advanced by the Italian Government and subsequently refunded by the authorities of the State of Sao Paulo; that immigrants' wages shall be paid monthly or fortnightly; that sons of such immigrants shall be provided with facilities for learning Italian; and, finally, that when the head of an immigrant family dies its remaining members shall be repatriated. Furthermore, the free exercise of all rights granted to citizens by the Brazilian Constitution shall be effectively guaranteed to Italian immigrants, and a Health Service, the cost of which will be defrayed by an Italo-Brazilian Commission entrusted with supervising the application of this agreement, shall be set up in their favor on large agricultural estates.

The bases of this agreement have already been approved by the agricultural associations in Sao Paulo as well as by the Italian Commissioner-General of Emigration, and will come into force as soon as it has been ratified by the two Governments.

## REPORT OF MANDATES COMMISSION WILL NOT RESULT IN IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION, FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL BELIEVES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 20.—The report of the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations on Palestine has not been just to the British Administration and the Zionist Organization, declared a high official of the British Foreign Office before a gathering of press representatives at 10 Downing Street today. Asked whether the report of the Mandates Commission will result in a new policy of the British Administration of Palestine to restrict Jewish immigration into the country, the high official stated, "I am not yet certain."

"With regard to the selection of suitable immigrants for Palestine, Austen Chamberlain submitted to the Council information obtained from the High Commissioner, following which the Council recognized that the British administration of Palestine is already doing what this report recommends", the high official further stated.

## "PROTOCOLS" WILL BE TRIED AGAIN IN GERMAN COURT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 20.—A new trial concerning the authenticity of the infamous falsification, the "Protocols of the Elders of Zion", will take place here shortly.

Dr. Johannes Stanajek, Secretary of the Association to Combat Anti-Semitism, published an article in various newspapers, in which he stated that the Protocols were counterfeit. Captain Mueller von Hausen, the publisher of the German edition of the Protocols, took exception to this statement and started suit against the writer of the article.

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## JEWISH WELFARE BOARD HOLDS BIENNIAL CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—Tomorrow, Sunday, December 21st, will be a day of great events for the Jewish community here. All preparations have been completed for the Biennial Convention of the Jewish Welfare Board, which will be opened here tomorrow.

The Jewish Welfare Board was organized in 1917, to carry on the Welfare activities for the Jewish men in the service. This work it is still doing, laying special emphasis on the service to disabled veterans.

The work includes the conduct of religious services, the observance of the Holy Days, the distribution of prayer books, and any other Jewish activities.

In 1921 the Jewish Welfare Board was merged with the National Council of Y. M. and Y. W. H. A's, and thus became the national organization for the Jewish Center movement. This was a natural development since the "Y"'s during the war in most cases were changed into Jewish Welfare Board Organizations. Since that time, the Jewish Welfare Board has been furthering the Jewish Center idea throughout the country and has been meeting with the greatest success. It has helped make the "Y" a real community center and a vital force in American Jewish life through intelligent direction and advice. There are more than 300 associated organizations in the United States and Canada. During the past two and one-half years, thirteen organizations have acquired their own buildings with the assistance of the J. W. B.

Men prominent in Jewish affairs throughout the country will address the Conference. The principal speakers will be Judge Irving Lehman, Louis Marshall, Felix Warburg of New York, Hon. Alfred M. Cohen of Cincinnati, Dr. Cyrus Adler, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and Judge Horace Stern of Philadelphia.

On the same day the American Jewish Committee will hold an Executive Session of its Board of Directors and the Pennsylvania Federation of Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Associations has called a special conference. About thirty delegates are expected to be present.

The Eastern States Debating League, consisting of representatives from six states have also arranged for a special conference on Sunday.

A special feature of the Convention will be the banquet which will take place at 6:30 P. M. At this banquet the delegates will be the guests of the Jewish community of this city.

Dr. Cyrus Adler will act as toastmaster.

Alpha Mu Sigma, a national Jewish fraternity, will hold its tenth annual convention at the Hotel Plaza, New York City, to commemorate the tenth year of its founding.

DAILY DIGEST OF PUBLIC OPINION  
ON JEWISH MATTERS

## Sees Demise of Yiddishism

The question of the effects of the cessation of immigration on the future development of American Jewry is discussed at length by H. Lang in a recent issue of the "Forward". The picture of the present composition of American Jewry is given in this way by the writer:

"The grandfather, a former poor immigrant; the son, a modern American businessman; the grandson, a 'college-boy' who helps his father in his business. Linguistically, English is the uniting link between the three; the son occasionally hears the sound of Yiddish—the grandson never hears it."

With the stopping of the influx of east-European Jews Mr. Lang can see no hope for the growth here of the Yiddish language or literature, and he sums up his conclusions in the following words:

"Yiddishism with its schools and seminaries constitutes a weak instrument for restraining the stream of life which must flow into the melting-pot. It constitutes a weak force to counteract the 'Americanization' of the Jewish masses. We are doomed to abandon our immigrant modes of life, our Yiddish and everything that goes with this."

## A Foreign-Born American Patriot

Congressman Julius Kahn, who died last Thursday, is eulogized by the N. Y. "Times", which says of him:

"Mr. Kahn was one of the greatest and most inspiring examples of a foreign-born citizen who identified himself so intensively with American life that not even his natural sympathy for the people of the land of his birth could dim his ardent loyalty to the country of his adoption at a time which tried the souls of many others in like circumstances."

The N. Y. "Herald-Tribune", writing about Mr. Kahn, remarks:

"Julius Kahn did this country a great service during the war and in the days before the war. He had the real vision of a public servant. He exerted himself to the utmost to set our house in order and to defend America."

## "A New Hope"

Mr. S. Niger, writing in the "Day", welcomes the new Yiddish theatre, which was organized recently in this city under the name of "Unzer Teater", as a worthy achievement. This theatre is under the directorship of David Pinski, Peretz Hirschbein and H. Leivik, all of whom are well known Yiddish dramatists, and it aims to present only plays of the higher class. Mr. Niger, relating his impressions of the first performance, which took place on Dec. 9, says:

"It was proven that love, devotion, a comradeship atmosphere and aspiration toward perfection of style can accomplish, even without superior powers, something noteworthy and valuable. We feared that the new theatre would be a new disappointment. It is a new hope!"

## An Important Report

The "Jewish World" of Philadelphia lauds Mr. Louis Lipsky, who returned recently from Palestine, for the practical, matter-of-fact tone in which he reported his Palestine observations. Mr. Lipsky's address, says the paper, is indicative of the new Zionist psychology which is pivoted around the word *Work*.

"Mr. Lipsky's report will help to substantiate this fact. And this is more important than clever journalism and beautiful phrases, of which Mr. Lipsky is a master. His report is timely, interesting and worthy of close attention."

## OUR DAILY NEWS LETTER

**The Late Professor Neumark**  
(By Our Cincinnati Correspondent)

Cincinnati, Dec. 20.—Prof. David Neumark, who died here the other day, was one of the greatest Jewish scholars of our time. Yet, because of his deep modesty and his complete devotion to his studies, his reserved nature and his refusal to mix in public life and politics, his life is little known to the average Jew. Now that he has passed away it will not be out of place to give a few details of his career.

David Neumark was born in Sczerce, near Lemberg, Galicia, on August 3, 1866. His earliest education was received in "Chedar" and partly from his father, who was famed in that region of Galicia as a profound Hebrew scholar and as a Cabalist.

The young David was very ambitious and studious. He eagerly absorbed every bit of knowledge he came across; and it was not long before he became known beyond the limits of his own town as a prodigy. He was not content with studying the Talmud only. He felt an urge to go out into the world and study general philosophy and the sciences.

At the age of 21 Neumark left his home town and went to Lemberg where he entered the High School and studied until 1892 when he successfully passed the examinations and received his diploma. This opened the road for him to the greater fields of knowledge for which he had been craving. He went to Berlin now and entered the University, taking up the subject of philosophy, at the same time attending the school for the study of "Jewish science". He worked very strenuously and got by materially thanks to the numerous prizes which he won at the university. In 1896 he graduated from the University with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

In 1897 Neumark assumed the post of Rabbener in the city of Rakonetz, near Prague. At that time the young scholar was already known in many circles for his great knowledge and abilities and was called the "Jewish Kant". But he soon realized that he had to be in a large city in order to develop his personality and his potentialities to the full. He therefore returned to Berlin.

That was in 1904. At that time the Warsaw Hebrew organization, "Achioset", was preparing to publish "The Treasures of Judaism" and for this purpose a branch was opened in Berlin in order to collect and edit the material for the books that would be contributed by European scholars. As soon as Dr. Neumark appeared in Berlin he was appointed editor of the department of philosophy and Talmud.

David Neumark's first work of importance was written in Hebrew on the subject of Friedrich Nietzsche. In those days Nietzsche was little known among the Jews and his clear vigorous analysis of the Nietzschean philosophy created quite an impression. This, of course, was but the beginning. Neumark's real greatness as a Jewish thinker was demonstrated later in his works on the history of Jewish philosophy.

Those who have heard anything at all about Professor Neumark know that his "History of Jewish Philosophy" is considered to be a monumental work; which no student of Judaism can fail to read. Professor Neumark also wrote "The Philosophy of the Bible, in which book he attempts to describe in a popular style the philosophy of Biblical Judaism and its lofty principles. He is also the author of critical works on Jehuda Halevi, Spinoza and others.

It may be interesting to add that in his youth Professor Neumark wrote Yiddish dramas and stories. One of his dramas was accepted by Abraham Goldfaden, who promised to stage it, but the play disappeared and no one knows what happened to it.

## AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE WILL COOPERATE WITH FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES TO COMBAT ANTI-SEMITISM

A touching description of the plight of the Jewish communities in various European countries and details of the important work for the protection of Jewish rights which is being done by the Committee of Jewish Delegations at Paris were given in an address by Dr. Zevi Chajes, Chief Rabbi of Vienna and member of the Committee of Jewish Delegations, at the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the American Jewish Congress held this week at the Institute of Religion, under the chairmanship of Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

Following Dr. Chajes' remarks, Dr. Wise suggested that the Treasurer be authorized to immediately forward to the Committee of Delegations one thousand dollars towards its current budget. Upon a motion of Mr. Baroness, the suggestion of Dr. Wise was approved.

The meeting named a committee to make the necessary preparations for a reception to be tendered Dr. Motzkin, and Dr. Eisenstat upon their arrival in this country.

Exclusive of the contributions made by various other organizations, the sum of \$110,000 for the purpose of helping the stranded refugees was received by the Emergency Committee on Jewish Refugees, according to a report submitted to the meeting by Bernard G. Richards, executive secretary. Mr. Richards reported on the efforts now being made to have Congress adopt a bill permitting the holders of American visas granted to them prior to the enactment of the Johnson-Immigration bill and the wives and children of Debarred to come in to the United States irrespective of the quotas of their countries. He further reported of the steps taken to cooperate with the Federal Council of Churches, in connection with their declaration to combat Anti-Semitic propaganda in America.

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE JEWISH DAILY BULLETIN Sir:

I have read with amazement Rabbi Joseph Silverman's letter which appeared in the Daily Bulletin of December 17th. If "Rabbi" Katz, who has been arrested on the charge of illegally selling sacramental wine, will be proved guilty of that crime, I hope full punishment will be meted out to him.

As an orthodox Jew and in the name of Orthodoxy, I wish to denounce such HILLUL HASHEM in unmistakable terms.

At the same time, however, I like to state no less emphatically, that Rabbi Silverman and any other Rabbi who has abrogated Jewish law in his communal and private activity have thereby rendered themselves unfit to pronounce any opinion on what is or what is not Jewish law. On ground of logic, modesty and fairness, judgment of reformed Jews on any aspect of Jewish law which they have forsaken ought to be conspicuous by its absence.

Sincerely yours,

RABBI LEO JUNG.

## JEWISH COMMUNAL ACTIVITIES

Members of the Congregation Chavas Chessed of Philadelphia have purchased a site in Germantown, and will conduct a campaign for funds to erect a synagogue.

Germantown is the only locality in Philadelphia in which the Jewish community has no synagogue and community center.

Morris H. Starr, president of the Junior Council of the congregation, is heading the movement for the building of the synagogue.

## BREVITIES

President Coolidge sent a message of condolence to Mrs. Julius Kahn.

The Senate adopted a resolution expressing its profound regret, and on motion of Senator Johnson, Republican, Calif., as a further mark of respect, adjourned for the day.

The funeral of Rabbi Pincus Eichler of the Mogen David Synagogue, was held in Hoboken, N. J.

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## POALEI ZION LEADER HERE TO STIMULATE LABOR INTEREST IN PALESTINE REBUILDING

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

New York, Dec. 20.—"Jewish labor leaders, even those who have for a time been lured by radical tendencies, have come to realize the important place which Palestine will take in the life of the working Jewish masses", declared Berl Locker, Executive Secretary of the Poalei Zion World Federation, who arrived here yesterday.

Mr. Locker, who is in charge of the central bureau of the Poalei Zion in Berlin, recently visited Poland, Austria and England and his observations have led him to believe that the constructive task which confronts the Jewish working masses today, from which concrete results for the betterment of the Jewish labor situation will come, is the rebuilding of Palestine.

The purpose of Mr. Locker's visit to the United States is to stimulate a broader interest in this work among the Jewish workmen and to increase the number of American Jewish Palestine pioneers.

Mr. Locker stated that the Poalei Zion has active branches in Poland, Germany, England, Roumania, Argentina and Palestine.

### Rabbi Jacob Maze, Leader of Russian Jewry Dead

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Rabbi Maze was a scholar of note, a brilliant writer and a powerful orator. He rendered great service to the cause of the Jewish honor during the Beilis trial in Kieff in 1912, where he was called as an expert.

Dr. Arnold Margolin, chief attorney for the defense in the Beilis trial, and later Supreme Court Justice of Ukraina, who is now in New York, learning of the death of Rabbi Maze stated:

"I recall as if it were today, the moment when Rabbi Maze appeared before the Kieff court in the Beilis trial. Comparatively slight in stature, he offered a sharp contrast to the thick-set, unprepossessing Shimakov, and to the powerful figure of Zamislowsky, with his malicious and spiteful smile, who were seated on the benches reserved for the accusers of Beilis. Maze had scarcely begun to speak when the entire audience in the court-room, holding its breath, began to follow with rapt attention every word of this extraordinary lecture on the Jewish religion. Only his thoughtful, expressive eyes betrayed the profound indignation which was stirring within him as he denounced this contemptible charge brought against the Jewish religion. In everything else, in his manner of dress, in his general appearance, in his gestures, he preserved an almost classical calm, an academic dispassionateness, and very soon not a trace was left of the ritual charge so elaborately built by the prosecution.

"This was truly a fight of the Jewish David against Goliath, and David came out victorious.

"The Jewry of the world will never forget this brilliant and vigorous defense of its honor and dignity by Rabbi Maze at the Beilis trial. May his ashes rest in peace."

### MENNONITES LEAVE MEXICO

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

North Portal, Sask., Dec. 20.—About 1,600 Mennonites, who left the Wynard and Herbert districts of this province several months ago to form a colony in Mexico, have passed through this place on their way back to their farms.

Mexico offered no such opportunities as they had been led to expect through the glowing descriptions which induced them to migrate, the returning Mennonites said. The colonists carried with them their implements, stock and other farm equipment, chartering special trains for the trip.

## COPLEY SOCIETY TO EXHIBIT MANIEWITCH'S PAINTINGS

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Dec. 22.—The Copley Society of Boston, the most prominent art society in America, has decided to exhibit the paintings of Abraham Maniewitch, well known Russian-Jewish artist, who is at present in this country. The canvasses will be on exhibition in the salon of the Copley Society from January 1st to February 1st, 1925.

Mr. Maniewitch, whose work has received high praise from the art critics in Europe and in America, exhibited his paintings last year at the Anderson Galleries and at the Brooklyn Museum of Art, which purchased two of his canvasses for permanent exhibition. Some of Mr. Maniewitch's paintings have for several years now been on exhibition in Paris and London. "The Destruction of the Ghetto", one of his most striking pictures, has called forth a great deal of comment.

## REGRET INSULT TO NEGRO AT FEDERATION BANQUET

Regret was expressed over the fact that a Negress was barred from the testimonial dinner given Mr. Felix M. Warburg by the Theatrical Section of the campaign of the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropical Societies to raise \$1250,000.

Mrs. Harry Prampin, a Negress, who, with her husband, owns the Prampin School of Music, was asked by Harry L. Reichenbach, special representative for Paramount Pictures, to leave the banquet. Mrs. Prampin left, when her \$10 covert charge was returned.

In her letter of protest to Mr. Warburg she claims that she received repeated invitations to attend the dinner and, thinking because of her former affiliation with the stage as a vaudeville performer, her presence was desired, she sent in her acceptance.

Mr. Zukor, president of the Famous-Players Lasky Corporation and prominent in the campaign, stated in his letter of apology to Mrs. Prampin that if "any one in authority had been present", Mrs. Prampin would "not have been subjected to the discourtesy she experienced."

## DE HAAS HONORED AT RECEPTION

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Jerusalem, Dec. 1.—A reception was given at the Ex-Legation Club, Menora, in honor of Mr. De Haas who was one of the founders of the Jewish Legion in America during the Great War. Prof. Slousch and others delivered speeches of welcome, to which the guest of honor answered, recalling the memory of many interesting facts of that time.

## DE HAAN PASSPORT CHARGE DENIED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 20.—Press reports in which it was claimed that Dr. Israel Jacob De Haan, the late executive secretary of the Agudas Israel in Palestine, was at one time registered in a passport as a Catholic seem to be unfounded in fact, nor has it been proved that his wife would claim the transfer of his body to a Christian cemetery on the basis of such a passport entry.

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