

400 STRANDED JEWISH REFUGEES TO BE ADMITTED TO PALESTINE

Result of Agreement Between United Evacuation
Committee and Palestine Zionist Executive
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 2.—At least 400 of the 4000 Jewish emigrants stranded at Constantinople and other ports will be admitted to Palestine as rapidly as possible, in consequence of an agreement between the United Evacuation Committee of Paris and the Palestine Zionist Executive.

The emigrants who have long been waiting for permission to proceed to Palestine, are to be assisted by the United Evacuation Committee. Each family is being provided with travelling expenses and a guarantee furnished to the Zionist Executive for their maintenance during their first year in Palestine. In addition, immigrants following certain trades are to be supplied with tools, and a certain sum of money is being deposited with the Zionist Executive, which may be used as a loan to help the immigrant to establish himself.

The Evacuation Committee has voted the sum of \$8,000 for the transfer of these 400 persons to Palestine, part of the money already having been received by the Palestine Zionist Executive. Representatives of the Zionist Organization at Warsaw, Liban, Riga, Danzig, Rotterdam, Southampton, Hamburg and Bremen, have been requested to include the nominees of the Evacuation Committee in the labor schedule, "provided there are no legal, moral or physical objections to their entry into Palestine."

IMMIGRATION OF JEWISH TEACHERS FOR YIDDISH SCHOOLS IN RUSSIA SOUGHT

Communist Party Central Committee Deals With
Problem of Lack of Teachers

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 2.—Students of general educational institutions and pedagogical seminars, who know Yiddish, will be appointed as teachers in the Jewish schools in the Ukraine, according to a decision of the Central Committee of the Communist Party in Ukraine.

This decision was taken because of the lack of Jewish teachers in the Jewish schools. The students will be appointed to fill posts in the newly established schools. The Bureau has applied to the All Union Central Committee of the Communist Party, that a part of the students of the Moscow and Leningrad pedagogical schools should be delegated to teach in Ukraine and that steps be taken to facilitate the immigration of Jewish teachers from abroad.

During the year 1925, 798,400 Yiddish books were published in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, according to figures made known here today. Of this number 196,000 were text books, 220,000 were of political content and 193,000 were periodicals.

UNITED JEWISH CAMPAIGN IN MISSOURI ORGANIZED

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

St. Louis, Mo., Mar. 2.—Edward B. Meissner was chosen State Chairman for the United Jewish Campaign in Missouri at a meeting held at the Columbian Club here Sunday night.

Sydney Schoenberg was elected City Chairman and Aaron Waldheim, Vice Chairman. David A. Brown was the principal speaker at the meeting. Missouri's quota in the campaign is \$700,000.

TURKISH JEWISH LEADERS URGE GOV- ERNMENT INQUIRY INTO CHARGE OF DISLOYALTY

Jewish Delegation Proceeds to Angora; Will
Present Plan for Reorganizing Jewish
Communities

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Constantinople, Mar. 2.—A delegation of Turkish Jews left for Angora, the seat of the Kemal Pasha government, to express the loyalty of the Turkish Jews toward the Republic of Turkey and to protest against the anti-Jewish campaign conducted by the press.

The delegation consists of ex-deputy Mazliach of Smyrna, Abraham Galante, professor at the University of Constantinople, Messrs. Gadd Franco and Simon Levy, attorneys, and Henri Soriano, founder of the B'nai B'rith High School in Constantinople.

While at Angora the delegation will appear before the Government Council and present a plan for the future administration of the affairs of the Jewish communities in the Turkish Republic on the principle of separation of secular and religious matters.

The demand that an official inquiry be made by the government into the alleged despatch by 300 Jews in Turkey of a message of loyalty to Spain be made immediately, was voiced in a telegram sent to Angora yesterday by leaders of the Jewish community in Constantinople. The demand was formulated on behalf of 22,000 Jews of the Galata, Pera and Chichli districts of Constantinople and was signed by Marco Naoum, president of the Kehillah, and Philon Fresco, secretary.

"An official inquiry into this matter must be made immediately, since the charge of disloyalty affects the honor and the future of the Jewish population in the Republic," the Jewish leaders urged in their telegram.

PROFESSOR KOKOVZEFF, RUSSIAN HE- BREW SCHOLAR, LEAVES FOR ENGLAND TO STUDY HEBREW MANUSCRIPTS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 2.—Professor Pavel Konstantinovich Kokovzeff, noted Russian Hebrew scholar, will shortly leave for England for the purpose of studying the Hebrew manuscripts at Oxford and Cambridge universities.

Kokovzeff, a non-Jew, was born in Russia in 1861. He is a scholar of Oriental literature and languages, and was a pupil of David Khvolson. He has held the chairs of Jewish, Syrian and Chaldean literature at universities in Russia. In 1911 he was professor at the St. Petersburg University. In 1923 he became a member of the staff of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

Among the great number of Professor Kokovzeff's works, are: "Notes on Moses Ibn Ezra," published in 1895; "Notes on Tanchum of Jerusalem," and "Comments on the Book of Jonah."

HABIMAH THEATRE GIVES FIRST PER- FORMANCE OF "DYBBUK" IN WARSAW

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 2.—The first performance here of the "Dybbuk" by the players of the Moscow Hebrew Theatre, Habimah, was given last night.

The performance was directed by Michael Kachouk. The theatre was crowded and Jewish and

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SOVIET GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO ALLOW PALESTINE EMIGRATION OFFICES TO FUNCTION IN RUSSIA

Rejects Petition for Hebrew School Society
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 2.—The functioning of Palestine offices for the purpose of regulating the emigration of Jews from Soviet Russia to Palestine will not be permitted by the Soviet Government, the correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned here today from an authentic source.

The statute providing for the establishment of a society to regulate emigration from Russia to Palestine was not ratified. Although an official answer has not yet been received by the petitioners, the refusal is said to be definite. It was further learned that the petition for the establishment of a society for opening Hebrew schools and publishing Hebrew books and journals was similarly rejected.

The petitions to allow the establishment of a Palestine emigration society and for opening private Hebrew schools were submitted to the authorities by Professor David Schor, who is now in Palestine, and other Jewish leaders. When the petitions were submitted last year, facilities in these directions were promised. The proposed statutes passed several authorities without encountering any opposition and it was expected that they would be finally ratified by the Wzisk, the Central Executive Committee of the government.

The conference of Kehillahs, which was scheduled to take place in Leningrad the middle of March, was also abandoned, because of unforeseen circumstances, it was learned here today.

Announcement was made in Rochester that close political friends are urging Representative Meyer Jacobstein to become a candidate for the Democratic Senatorial nomination next fall, and that Mr. Jacobstein is disposed to make the effort.

It was stated that Mr. Jacobstein has a good chance of being elected.

Maxwell Bodenheim, it was revealed, has been expelled from the Grub Street Club, a society of poets, because of a difference of opinion between him and members of the club.

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise's daughter, Justine, is participating in the leadership of the millworkers' strike in Passaic, N. J. About a year ago Miss Wise, who worked in the mills under an assumed name in order to conduct an investigation of the working conditions, charged that the operators maintained a blacklist of those to whom employment was to be barred at all mills, and that spies were used to keep the employees in subjection.

Work on the new \$150,000 synagogue to replace the present Temple Beth-El in Birmingham, Ala., has begun.

DAILY DIGEST OF PUBLIC OPINION ON JEWISH MATTERS

[The purpose of the Digest is informative: Preference is given to papers not generally accessible to our readers. Quotation does not indicate approval.—Editor.]

Harvard Professor Advised to Read Jewish News from Europe for Causes of Crime

Dr. William McDougall of Harvard is advised by the "Jewish Morning Journal" (March 2) to read Jewish news from Roumania, Poland, Hungary and other Central and East-European countries, to find a refutation of his idea, expressed last Sunday in Philadelphia, that the mingling of many races, with a consequent clash of ideals and the smothering of a single ideal, is largely responsible for crime in the United States.

"A much worse 'crime wave' than that in New York," writes the paper, "is now going on in Roumania where the educational system in the universities has been shaken by 'patriotic' students who are making pogroms against the Jews. The race bigotry there is clear to everyone, it is not necessary to 'philosophize' it out of ancient history or to 'philosophize' it into a racial mingling which the 'hold up' man does not understand.

"Poland came nearer to a caste system (which Dr. McDougall thinks saved India's ancient civilization) than any other European country, yet neither her past nor her present can serve as an encouragement for others to follow her example."

While the "Jewish Morning Journal" points to the situation in Eastern Europe, the New York "World" (March 2) cites examples in this country proper and refers to Australia and Canada to prove that Dr. McDougall is wrong.

Those sections of the world where many races mingle are not necessarily sections most strongly marked by crime, the "World" explains. "In our own country, for example, there is the case of West Virginia. Here, perhaps, survive the purest American strains now extant; here is a relatively small proportion of foreign-born population—and yet, under certain conditions, West Virginia can be the most lawless of our States. Again, comparing Chicago and New York, one finds the foreign-born population of Chicago proportionately much less than that of New York, yet Chicago is notoriously the most lawless of our large cities. Again, going abroad for our data, Australia is a stamping-ground for many races, and is, in addition, a much newer country than our own. Yet Australia is more law-abiding than we are. And finally, having a look at Canada, where two hostile races manage to get along in comparative peace, we see that this clash of racial ideals cannot be a primary cause of crime."

Hakoah Seen As Pioneer in International Sport

The forthcoming visit here of the Hakoah, the all Jewish soccer football team of Vienna, is seen as "the forerunner of some international competition of a decidedly interesting nature," by W. O. McGeehan, sports editor of the New York "Herald-Tribune," who writes about the Hakoah in that paper of March 2.

Pointing out the virtues of soccer football and emphasizing its growing popularity in Europe, Mr. McGeehan remarks:

"This game of soccer or association football, is well adapted for an international sport. It is played all over Europe and in South America. It is one of the events at the Olympic Games. But the opportunities in this game seem to be sadly neglected. It has remained for the Hakoah Sport Club, of Vienna, to do some real sport pioneering.

"The supporters of the plan hope that this visit will result in an interchange of visits between the Hakoah club and soccer teams from the United

JOSEPH BARONDESS HONORED AT BANQUET

\$25,000 Baroness Fund to Be Raised

Tribute was paid to Joseph Baroness, well known New York communal leader, by 1,200 representative Jews, at a banquet given in the ballroom of the Manhattan Opera House on Monday night.



Joseph Baroness

The dinner was given on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of Mr. Baroness' participation in communal work. Mr. Herman Bernstein, editor of the "Jewish Tribune," acted as toastmaster.

Addresses were delivered by Judge Otto A. Rosalsky, Rabbi Z. H. Masliansky, David N. Mosessohn, Abraham Goldberg, Judge Julian W. Mack, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Stephen

S. Wise, Dr. Nathan Ratnoff and Miss Deborah Garfinkel.

The history of the Jewish community in New York in the last thirty years was reviewed and the growth of the institutions which accompanied the immigration of East European Jews, in which the guest of honor had actively participated, was depicted. Mr. Baroness delivered a short address.

Mr. Bernstein read numerous messages of felicitation, one from Reuben Brainin, from Jerusalem.

Jean Baroness, daughter of Mr. Baroness, sang. The choir of the Herzliah Hebrew Academy sang an ode dedicated to him. Others appearing in the musical program were Cantor Adolphe J. Weisgal and Professor I. Piroschneko.

Establishment by friends of Joseph Baroness of a fund to perpetuate his name here and in Jerusalem was announced at the dinner.

It was announced the fund will amount to \$25,000, \$10,000 of which is to be used to create a scholarship in the name of Mr. Baroness in the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus.

The remainder of the fund is to be used toward construction of a new building for the Herzliah Hebrew Academy for Girls, now located in an old building at No. 41 Canal Street.

Beside Mr. and Mrs. Baroness at the speakers' table sat his mother, Mrs. Fanny Baroness, who is over 90 years old, Herman Bernstein, Nathan Bijur, Thomas W. Churchill, Lyon Cohen, Bird S. Coler, Dr. Maurice Fishberg, Alexander H. Geismar, Abraham Goldberg, Dr. George Alexander Kohut, Mrs. George Alexander Kohut, Dr. Joseph Krinsky, Solomon Lamport, Edward Lazansky, Arthur Lehman, Col. Herbert Lehman, Rev. Israel Herbert Levinthal, Louis Lipsky, Judge Julian W. Mack, Rev. Z. H. Masliansky, Israel Matz, David Mosessohn, Dr. Nehemiah Mosessohn, Mlle. Maxa Nordau, Samuel Palley, Dr. Nathan Ratnoff, Judge Otto A. Rosalsky, E. Schmerler, Rev. D. Twersky, Ludwig Vogelstein, Felix M. Warburg, Philip Wattenberg, Benjamin Winter, Dr. Stephen S. Wise and Rev. Abraham Yudelowitch.

CHURCHES ARGUE RIGHT TO RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

No instruction in religion is, in effect, instruction in irreligion, is the argument made in the brief which the Greater New York Federation of Churches and the State Sunday School Association has filed in the suit of Joseph Lewis, president of the Free-thinkers' Society, against State Commissioner of Education, Frank P. Graves. The brief was made public by the association Monday.

The suit was brought by the Free-thinkers' Society to obtain a mandamus to compel the Commissioner of Education to forbid the prevailing practice of excusing children from public schools for an hour or a half hour each week, at the request of their parents, to attend religious instruction at such places as they approve.

The matter was argued before Supreme Court Justice Staley in Albany on February 13, and the court allowed two weeks for an exchange of briefs and two weeks more for reply briefs.

The brief of the Federation of Churches and the Sunday School Association cites the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court holding unconstitutional, as a violation of the rights of parents, the Oregon compulsory school law, requiring all children to attend public schools. The brief argues that the right of the parents to direct the training and nurture the character of the child is one of the most inalienable liberties guaranteed under the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

The brief further argues that where the local school boards do permit children to pass school time in religious instruction elsewhere "there is no effort to establish either a church or a religion by law or to teach any sectarianism in the public schools."

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States. Certainly, it is good and promising pioneering in the field of international sport."

The "Citizen" of Brooklyn, commenting on the Hakoah, observes that "while comparatively unknown in America, the Hakoah Club has won European championships in the last two years in soccer, hockey, wrestling and swimming."

EXTERMINATION OR ADAPTATION TO SOIL IS FATE OF RUSSIAN JEWRY. DR. ROSEN CABLES

Extermination threatens large masses of Jews in Russia unless they adapt themselves to farming as speedily as possible, declared Dr. Joseph A. Rosen, head of the Agropoint, the agency of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee in Russia, in a cablegram to Felix M. Warburg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, made public yesterday from National Headquarters of the United Jewish Campaign.

Dr. Rosen's cable was sent after he had completed an inspection and selection of additional land in the Odessa, Cherson, Crimea and Krivoy-Rog districts totaling 230,000 acres on which 15,000 more Jews will be settled this Spring.

"The Spring movement to the land has already begun," Dr. Rosen cabled, "but the fifteen thousand for whom we will be able to make provision this season is pitifully small compared to the vast number who are clamoring in vain for an opportunity to escape from the cities and begin a new life.

"The economic pressure which is driving the Jews out of the cities is creating a desperate situation. Stores are disappearing and Jewish artisans are unable to earn even as little as the 50 roubles a month which is the minimum on which a family can keep above the starvation line. Small traders earn about twenty roubles a month at the highest, but most of them average from 10 to 15 roubles. In a town like Vinnytsa, for example, which has a Jewish population of 5,000, not over 500 make a living. From 40 to 60 per cent of all of the Jewish artisans are entirely without work. This applies to all the towns in the Odessa, Kiev, Podolia, Wolhynia, Gomel, and other provinces.

"The saddest part of it all," Dr. Rosen stated, "is that this is not a temporary crisis such as faces the Jews in other countries, but it is a permanent situation. For the Jews of Russia it is a case of extermination or soil-adaptation. The adaptation possibilities are very real. Every dollar that is spent here in aiding the Jews to adapt themselves to farming life brings permanent improvement of conditions, yet although some 60,000 have registered at our offices in the hope that they would get the opportunity to go on the land this Spring, we are able with our limited means to take care only of 15,000. The rest we are compelled to leave behind to drown in an ocean of misery. The agony of these drowning people willing to do any kind of work and who must look on helplessly while a real opportunity for salvation slips away from them because the little money that is needed is lacking is heart-breaking. In heaven's name see to it that their fortunate American brethren do not fail them."

BERNARD FLEKNER EN ROUTE TO PALESTINE

President of Palestine Economic Corporation
Going to Study Conditions to Determine
Future Activities

A cable was received by the Palestine Economic Corporation here, announcing the arrival in London of Mr. Bernard Flekner, its president, who is en route to Palestine in the interests of the Corporation.

Shortly after the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palestine Economic Corporation, in which the plans for taking over the assets of the Palestine Cooperative Co., Inc. and of the Reconstruction Office of the Joint Distribution Committee in Palestine were approved, Mr. Flekner left for Palestine.

Mr. Flekner has been in Palestine before, but in view of the rapid changes in economic needs and business opportunities of the country, decided to make another trip at this time so as to have first hand knowledge of the present day problems in the light of which the Corporation may undertake new enterprises in addition to carrying on the work previously initiated by the J. D. C. and the Palestine Cooperative Co., Inc.

Habimah Theatre Gives First Performance of "Dybbuk" in Warsaw

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Polish intellectual leaders were present, including theatrical critics of the Polish and Jewish press. The performance was received with great enthusiasm.

The Habimah players will remain in Warsaw for two weeks and will then leave for a two months' tour through Poland.

Dr. Klumel greeted the Habimah players on behalf of a reception committee. A banquet was given by the Hebrew society, Tarbut, following the performance.

The English version of the "Dybbuk" given by the Neighborhood Playhouse in New York, is based on the Habimah production.

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