

ONLY ONE APPLICANT IN POLAND FOR PALESTINE TOURIST VISA

Economic Crisis Prevents Tourist Traffic to Palestine

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 9.—Only one person applied to the Palestine Office of the Zionist Organization in Poland for a visa to visit Palestine during the Pass-over holidays. Today is the last day on which applications can be made.

Last year the number of applicants was so large that the Palestine Office was forced to ask for additional certificates. The terrible economic situation in Poland is considered responsible for the disappearance of the tourist traffic from Poland to Palestine.

UPRISING IN AMMAN, CAPITAL OF TRANS-JORDANIA, REPORTED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 9.—The public here is considerably alarmed over reports which have reached Jerusalem of an uprising in Amman, the capital of Transjordan.

While there is little information available, the situation is nevertheless regarded as serious. A British military unit with armored cars was despatched to Amman.

London, Mar. 9.—The Colonial Office has no information with regard to the uprising in Amman, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learns.

The report concerning the uprising should be treated with caution, the Colonial Office stated.

CHICAGO B'NAI B'RITH LODGES DISCUSS PLANS FOR FUTURE WORK

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 9.—One hundred delegates representing ten B'nai B'rith Lodges of Chicago and vicinity met at the Palmer House to discuss the future activities and consider general Jewish problems.

Committees were appointed by Chairman William Sultan to study the various phases of problems confronting the Chicago lodges. Another convention is to be held in a few weeks to hear the reports and formulate the reorganization of the Chicago Central B'nai B'rith Council.

U. S. EXPORT OF AUTOMOBILES TO PALESTINE GROWING

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Mar. 9.—The United States is the principal country exporting automobiles to Palestine, according to a statement made today by Arthur Samuel, Secretary of Overseas Trade, in the House of Commons.

During the year 1924, 305 complete motor cars were imported into Palestine. The figure during the first ten months of 1925 amounted to 636. The majority of these were imported from the United States, the Secretary declared.

420 JEWISH EMIGRANTS PROCEED TO SOUTH AMERICA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 9.—Four hundred and twenty Jewish emigrants left today on a special train for Danzig where they will embark for South America.

PALESTINE GOVERNMENT LIFTS DUTY ON EXPORTS

Step Aimed At Facilitating Development of Jewish Industry in Palestine

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 9.—An ordinance abolishing the duty on all goods exported from Palestine was issued today by High Commissioner Plumer.

The ordinance does not include tobacco and antiques. Much importance is attached to this ordinance in Jewish circles as it is believed that it will facilitate the development of the Jewish industry in Palestine.

The recent closing of the Delphiner silk factory in Tel Aviv is believed to have been among the reasons which convinced the government of the necessity of immediate steps to facilitate and encourage industrial enterprises in the country.

BARLASSINA MADE HONORARY MEMBER OF KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 9.—Monsignor C. Aloysius Barlassina, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, who is in the United States on a tour, was made an honorary member of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, after he had spoken before the annual banquet of the LaSalle Assembly of the order.

In the evening, the Patriarch with United States Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, and Mayor William E. Dever of Chicago was present at a banquet attended by 1,500 members of the degree.

SLOVAK LEADER SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR TERMING MASARYK "TATELEBN"

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bratislava (Pressburg) Mar. 9.—The Slovak leader, Hlinka, was sentenced to eight days imprisonment by the Higher Court here. The sentence was imposed on Hlinka for having called Masaryk, the president of the Czechoslovakian Republic, "tateleben," (Yiddish expression for father dear), hinting at the legend of Masaryk's Jewish origin.

EIGHTY-TWO JEWISH SOVIETS ESTABLISHED IN UKRAINIA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Charkoff, Mar. 9.—Eighty-two Jewish Soviets were ratified by the All Ukrainian Executive.

The Soviets include 38 small towns, 30 villages and 14 settlements.

Kieff, Mar. 9.—A Jewish department has been established at the Kieff Educational Institute.

BRATIANTU GOVERNMENT POSTPONES RESIGNATION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Mar. 9.—The Bratianu government, which was expected to resign today, has, according to reports in the Bucharest papers, postponed its resignation until April.

SYRIAN REBELS RELEASE KIDNAPPED JEWS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Damascus, Mar. 9.—A number of Jews who were kidnapped last week by rebels were released today without ransom.

The kidnapping took place during a Jewish funeral procession here.

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JOINT FOREIGN COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER SUPPRESSION OF JEWISH RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION IN RUSSIA

Cooperation With American Jewish Committee Impossible At Present
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Mar. 9.—The question of the suppression of all Jewish religious instruction in Soviet Russia was raised by Lucien Wolf, secretary of the Joint Foreign Committee, in his report submitted yesterday to the monthly meeting of the Anglo-Jewish Board of Deputies.

The entire question will be further considered at a special meeting of the Board, when additional information will be received.

Concerning a proposal that the Joint Foreign Committee undertake to work in Russia in conjunction with the American Jewish Committee, Mr. Wolf declared that this is at present impossible in view of the fact that while the British government has recognized Soviet Russia, America has not granted its recognition.

FLOOD CAUSES DAMAGE TO VIENNA JEWISH QUARTER

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Mar. 9.—Many Jewish houses were damaged by a flood here, caused by the overflow of the River Danube.

Several villages along the river and two Vienna suburbs, Antokol and Zwierzynez, mainly inhabited by Jews, were covered by the water. The damage to property was great. It has not been ascertained whether any lives were lost.

A local citizens committee was established for immediate relief of the sufferers.

BIBLE BILL SHELVED BY VIRGINIA SENATE COMMITTEE

(Jewish Daily Eastern Mail Service)

Richmond, Va., Mar. 9.—The Senate Committee of Public Instruction and Education shelved the bill providing for the compulsory reading of the Bible in all grammar and high schools of the State. The Committee took the decision by a vote of ten to four.

KEREN HAYESOD INCOME \$170,000 DURING FEBRUARY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Mar. 9.—The income of the Keren Hayesod, the Palestine Foundation Fund, for February was \$170,000 (£34,180), a statement issued from headquarters of the Keren Hayesod declared.

DAILY DIGEST OF PUBLIC OPINION ON JEWISH MATTERS

[The purpose of the Digest is informative; preference is given to papers not generally acceptable to our readers. [Quotation does not indicate approval.—Editor.]

Historicity of Jesus Discussed in London

The opinion that the historicity of Jesus of Nazareth is finally established is expressed in a communication to the London "Morning Post" by Professor Charles G. Seligman, who holds the chair of ethnology in the University of London, according to the correspondent of the New York "Herald-Tribune" (Mar. 8).

Based on his remarks on the assertions of Prof. Seligman, the correspondent writes:

"The authenticity of the passage in 'The Jewish War' of Josephus referring to the founder of Christianity is definitely established. Professor Seligman declares, with the concurrence of Giesler and Salomon Reinach.

"It is now conceded that fragments of the Russian translation give part of the true text of 'The Jewish War.' The Russian version in question was translated from the Aramaic translation of Josephus from the original Greek text. This version, says Professor Seligman, was preserved in Mesopotamia whence it was carried to the South Russian Khazars about 900 A.D.

"When a century later the Khazars were compelled by the Russians to adopt Christianity, 'The Jewish War' was translated into Russian. The reference to Jesus which appears in the original of Josephus has been regarded hitherto as spurious, but the same passage appearing in the Russian version has now been pronounced genuine. The importance of this passage," says Professor Seligman, "is that it establishes completely the historicity of Jesus."

Urges Hakoah Clubs for American Jews

The creation in the near future in this country of Hakoah athletic clubs among the Jews, on the principle of the 400 Hakoah clubs in Europe, is predicted by George Daley, who writes the "Sport Talk" column in the New York "World."

Commenting on the forthcoming visit to this country of the Hakoah soccer football team of Vienna, which has won national championships in England, Austria, Poland, etc., Mr. Daley observes (World, March 6):

"With 400 Hakoah clubs throughout Europe aiming to build up the physical welfare of Jews it will not be long before half that number are established in this country. No doubt this soccer team is a sort of an advance agent to establish an entering wedge. I for one am behind any organization which aims to develop men in sports along wholesome and proper lines. There is fertile ground here for Hakoah clubs. I do not agree with Mr. Twiss that sports have 'barely touched' the Jews. On this side of the Atlantic, at least, they have taken to all games with eager appetite and much relish."

More Subways for the East Side

Immediate action to secure another subway for the East Side of New York is urged by the "Harlem Magazine," official organ of the Harlem Board of Commerce, in its March number.

In the course of its editorial on the question of solving New York's transit problem, the "Harlem Magazine" declares:

"Up to date, all subways planning so far as the Borough of Manhattan is concerned, has been confined to the West Side. This is all wrong and unfair. Something should be done at once to get another subway for the East Side of Manhattan with extensions in the Bronx and Brooklyn."

RELIGIOUS WORK LINKED WITH RECREATION IN TRAINING JEWISH CHILDREN

Nehr Tomid Society Aims to Establish New Principle Based on American and Jewish Ideals

An attempt to link religious work with recreational work as a new principle in the training of Jewish children constitutes the distinguishing feature of the program being carried out at the Nehr Tomid (Eternal Light) School, on 101st Street, an institution which was founded and is being maintained largely by Elias A. Cohen of New York.

The Nehr Tomid Society, under whose auspices the school is conducted, was organized, according to Mr. Cohen, to meet the need for an organization American in its conception and Jewish in its origin, looking toward the development of Character Building Schools for the American born Jewish child.

The school, which is meant to be the forerunner of other similar institutions, has an enrollment of over 1,000 Jewish children and the outstanding features of its program are:

Every child is taught first, the Ten Commandments; secondly, the Hebrew alphabet; thirdly, the Bible and its stories and a proper interpretation thereof in English, then the reading of Hebrew and its translation, so that the prayers and Bible in Hebrew may be understood. Ritual singing, the usual Hebrew hymns, as well as the English hymns from the Hymnal of the Union are also taught.

This work is done in the afternoons from 4 P.M. to 7 P.M. The evenings are devoted to cooking, sewing, drawing, the social clubs, etc. There are hikes into the country and in the Summer time all of the children will be taken to the mountains where there will be no work except that of learning about the great outdoors.

The children are allowed to come to the recreational work unless they partake of the religious work, nor can they do any of the Hebrew work unless they also share in the cultural and physical development work in the Settlement House which is called "Tranquillity House."

Owing to the fact that many of the children in the school are anaemic it has been decided to feed them milk and buns each day.

The school is free to all the children of the neighborhood. Each father and each mother, however, joins the sisterhood at \$1 a year, and an effort is being made to have each of the parents bring to the Nehr Tomid Society, the parent organization, annual memberships of not less than \$35 a year, which is the bare cost per child for the teaching staff.

N. Y. JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS CALLED ON TO COOPERATE IN \$6,000,000 U. J. C. DRIVE

Jewish organizations of New York City were called upon to aid in the drive to raise \$6,000,000 in New York for the United Jewish Campaign by Mr. William Fox, chairman of the New York drive. Mr. Fox issued an appeal to fraternities, Jewish Centers, Mutual Benefit Societies, Landsmanshaften, Youth Organizations, Women's Groups and other Jewish bodies to lend their support in the campaign which is to be launched on April 11th.

ATLANTIC CITY SUBSCRIBES \$35,000 TOWARD UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Atlantic City, N. J., Mar. 9.—More than \$35,000 of Atlantic City's quota of \$50,000 toward the United Palestine Appeal was subscribed at the opening meeting of the drive last night at the Hotel Breakers.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise delivered an impressive address.

Mr. Joseph B. Perskie was elected Chairman of the Atlantic City Committee, Mr. Max Silberman, Treasurer.

NEW YORK WORKERS CELEBRATE PASSING MILLION DOLLAR MARK IN UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

Chairmen and leading workers in the various sections of the Greater New York campaign of the United Palestine Appeal met Monday night at a dinner in the Broadway Central Hotel to celebrate passing the million-dollar mark in the city's \$1,500,000 campaign. Morris A. Zeldin, Director of the New York Campaign, announced that a total of \$1,019,382 had thus far been raised, which is the greatest sum ever raised in any single year in New York toward the upbuilding of Palestine.

Sectional leaders who reported included Samuel Kramer of Bensonhurst; Jacob Goell of Eastern Parkway; Dr. N. Balber of Williamsburg who spoke for Max Blumberg, Chairman of the Williamsburg section; Isaac Ipp of Borough Park; Morris Sapir of Brownsville and East New York; Dr. Maurice Eisenberg of Washington Heights; Israel Sachs of Harlem; J. J. Lessers of Yorkville; and Philip Luria of the East Side.

The various sections in the New York campaign have raised thus far the following amounts, it was announced at the dinner:

Far Rockaway, \$25,000; Jamaica, \$8,000; Richmond Hill, Richmond Hill South, Woodhaven and Ozone Park, \$5,500; Flushing, \$4,500; Huntington, \$4,300; Arverne, \$2,000; by Mrs. N. R. Lindheim, \$26,500; Mount Vernon, \$30,000; West Side, \$151,000; Bronx, \$70,000; Brownsville and East New York, \$88,000; Washington Heights, \$85,000; Harlem and Yorkville, \$76,000; East Side, \$56,000; Borough Park, \$60,000; Eastern Parkway, \$56,000; Williamsburg, \$34,000; Bensonhurst, \$43,000; Flatbush, \$35,000; Manhattan Beach, \$16,000; Mapleton Park, \$8,000; Brighton Beach, \$3,100; South Brooklyn and Bay Ridge, \$4,000; Yonkers, \$6,000; Staten Island, \$1,500; Portchester, \$1,000; Special Committees, \$60,000; Main Office, Jewish National Fund, \$28,000; and Main Office, Hadassah, \$17,482.12.

Speakers at the dinner included Chaim Nachman Bialik, noted Hebrew poet, now visiting in this country; Nahum Sokolow, President of the World Zionist Executive; Dr. Schmarya Levin, Zionist orator from Palestine; and Morris Rothenberg, National Chairman of the Palestine Foundation Fund who presided.

JEWISH NURSES IN WARSAW EXHIBIT HEROISM, SAVING VICTIMS FROM FIRE

The nurses' training school maintained in Warsaw by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee had an opportunity recently to give a public demonstration of devotion to duty, a statement issued from the headquarters of the United Jewish Campaign declared.

Due, it is said, to a short circuit, a terrific explosion occurred a few weeks ago in one of the huge ammunition factories in the Polish capital. While the rest of the city was still panic stricken, the Jewish pupils of the school, headed by the director, Miss Lillian Greenwald, formerly associated with the Henry Street Settlement, were rushing toward the scene of the disaster in which 38 women were severely burned, a number of them since succumbing to their injuries. Regardless of the danger to themselves from recurring explosions, the crashing of walls, the flames and poison-laden smoke the girls made their way into the burning building and carried out the injured whom they removed to the Jewish Hospital to which the nurses' training school was attached.

So favorable was the impression made by the bravery of the Jewish nurses, that the hospital and training school were honored by visits from the Polish Minister of War, the Mayor and Vice-Mayor of Warsaw, the Minister of Public Health and other high dignitaries who came to express their gratitude, the statement declared.

NATHAN STRAUS, JR. HEADS HAKOAH RECEPTION COMMITTEE

Nathan Straus, Jr., has accepted the chairmanship of the Reception Committee which will welcome the Hakoah soccer team to America next month. Dr. Henry Moskowitz is taking a leading part in effecting arrangements for the series of games in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and other cities.

The New York State Football Association, the United States Football Association and many other representatives of amateur athletics are negotiating for games. The Brooklyn Wanderers, the Sparta Club of Chicago and the Hungarian Football Club of Buffalo, are among the soccer squads which have applied for matches.

The Jewish Welfare Board through its national headquarters, has endorsed the visit of Hakoah and is taking steps to cooperate with the team on its American visit.

On their way to America the team will stop in Paris for a game with an all-star soccer team from France.

JEWISH COMMUNAL ACTIVITIES

Adolph Copeland was elected president of the Chicago Branch of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society of America. Other officers chosen are: Sieg. Natenberg and Albert Z. Halperin, vice presidents; Isador Tow and A. S. Roe, secretaries; and Joe Blonder, treasurer. Directors selected are Jacob Alexander, Harry Bernstein, Ed. G. Blonder, Emil Brande, A. Brody, J. T. Captor, William Durbslag, Joseph Fienberg, Joseph Friedman, William Katz, A. King, Jacob Lasker, Peter Leichten, Samuel Mann, Sol Mandel, A. I. Minkus, Herman H. Newberger, J. M. Sider, Wm. Silbermann, Hirsch, E. Soble, Louis Sussman, M. Teitelbaum, L. E. Toul, Morris Tower, Morris Udwin and D. H. Weitzenfeld.

The laying of the cornerstone of the Council House of the Jewish Council of Women in Los Angeles, Cal., was attended by more than 300 persons. Louis B. Mayer, Rabbi Edward Magnin and Rabbi Ernest L. Trattner were among the speakers.

The new building will serve as a meeting place and club building for the Los Angeles Council. Mrs. Lillian Burkhardt Goldsmith is president of the Council.

Plans are under way for converting the palatial home of the late Col. Enos A. Wall on the most exclusive residential street of Salt Lake City, Utah, into a Jewish community center. An option to purchase the place was taken recently. It is stated that the home cost \$300,000 to build. The plans which are being considered in connection with its conversion include the provision of a ballroom, auditorium, stage, banquet hall, class and club rooms, a gymnasium, swimming pool and handball courts.

A drive for funds has been started to pay for the property.

Jacob Schwolsky was named chairman of the campaign committee to secure funds for the erection of a synagogue for the congregation of Emmanuel Synagogue of Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Oscar Bernan of Cincinnati, Chairman of the American Building Committee of the Ezraeth Nashim Home for the Insane and Incurables, which is located at Jerusalem, is on her way to Palestine bearing a gift from her American Committee toward the erection of additional buildings for this institution.

The gifts previously obtained from the Jewish Women of Cincinnati and Detroit have been used to complete the convalescent home that has been in process of construction. This home is the only home in the Orient that meets the needs of incurable men and women who look to Palestine for the medical relief and care that they require. This institution has also rendered a constructive contribution to Palestine by taking care of people who have suffered temporary nervous breakdowns after their long and arduous trip to the Holy Land from Europe and elsewhere.

A special appeal is now being made in New York City

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for funds to provide equipment and to complete construction of the new buildings of the Home for Incurables and the attending physicians' residence. It is planned that the Home for Incurables will provide an auditorium for the Department of Psychiatry of the Hebrew University.

The campaign in Baltimore for a half million dollars for the erection of a new building for the Y. M. and Y. W. H. A. came to a successful conclusion on Monday. Five hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars were subscribed. Aaron Straus was chairman of the Committee and Frank J. Rubenstein, secretary.

With the view to advancing the cultural interests of Jews in Baltimore, a number of Hebrew literary groups have been organized in that city. Abraham Goldberg of New York, president of the Hebrew Cultural League of America, visited Baltimore to lead the work of forming the groups.

Representatives of the Jewish community of Miami, Fla., tendered a testimonial dinner to Dr. Joseph Jasim, editor, and Milton Malakoff, managing editor, of the "Jewish Digest," on Monday night.

The first Ohio convention of the United Synagogue of America will take place in Cleveland, March 21 and 22. Solomon Ulmer will be chairman of the convention. Rabbi L. Gross is directing the preliminary arrangements.

BREVITIES

A Concordat between the Holy See and the Roumanian Government has been practically concluded, according to a Vienna despatch. The Concordat is based on the passing of a new school law which enables the Catholic minorities of non-Roumanian nationality to retain their denominational schools and to receive instruction in their mother tongue, the Roumanian language being introduced into these schools in the third grade. The curricula of the denominational schools are subject to state supervision but no state support is given to them.

New sculptural works of Max Kalish, who has just returned from study in Paris, are being exhibited in Cleveland.

Mrs. Julia Drechsler, wife of the late Rabbi Sigismund Drechsler, former rabbi of the B'nai Teshurun congregation for twenty-six years, died in Cleveland, O.

Rome, Mar. 9. (J.T.A.)—Sir Herbert Samuel and Lady Samuel arrived in Rome today. Lady Samuel is proceeding to Palestine.

Charkoff, Mar. 9 (J.T.A.)—The synagogue in Stalin was turned into soldiers barracks, according to a report in "Der Stern," Yiddish Communist paper.

Samuel Diener, former Mayor of Culpeper, Va., died last Friday in Baltimore, Md. He was 65 years old. Mr. Diener, a native of Baltimore, moved to Culpeper 45 years ago, where he engaged in the clothing business and became active in the city administration.

Rabbi Samuel M. Gip, rabbi of Temple Beth-El, Providence, R. I., delivered an address before the faculty and student body of Rhode Island College of Education.

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