

AGRICULTURAL EXPERT ARRIVES TO STUDY PALESTINE COLONIZATION METHODS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 16.—Three problems, the solution of which will determine the successful upbuilding of Palestine as the Jewish national home, are outstanding, in the opinion of Professor Franz Oppenheimer, agricultural expert from Berlin who arrived here.

Professor Oppenheimer came to Palestine at the invitation of the Zionist Organization to study the present colonization methods. He will stay here a month.

The three problems are: the profitability of agriculture, the labor question and the Arab question, Professor Oppenheimer stated in an interview with the representative of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

WAHABIS MAY RULE TRANSJORDANIA, ARAB PAPER STATES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 16.—Transjordanian may soon come under the rule of Ibn Saud, victorious leader of the Wahabis, according to the information of the Arab paper, "Maraat el Shark."

Many Transjordanian tribes, including the tribe of the B'nai Sacher, Emir Abdullah's chief supporters until now, are favoring Wahabism. Negotiations between the tribe leaders and Ibn Saud with a view of invoking his rule over Transjordanian are going on, according to the paper.

COL. LEHMAN GIVES \$50,000 FOR UNITED JEWISH CAMPAIGN

A gift of \$50,000 was made to the United Jewish Campaign of New York by Colonel Herbert H. Lehman, according to an announcement made by William Fox, chairman of the \$6,000,000 drive in New York City. Colonel Lehman's gift was made known in a letter to Mr. Fox in which he says that the sum is the largest he has contributed for European relief, and declares that he has done so because of the desperate plight of the Jews abroad.

Colonel Lehman is chairman of the Reconstruction work of the Joint Distribution Committee.

WOMEN'S CONVENTION IN BUCHAREST DISTURBED BY ANTI-SEMITES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Mar. 16.—Order in the convention of Roumanian women's organizations in session here, was disturbed over the question of anti-Semitism.

During yesterday's session Madam Gavrilesco, a noted anti-Semitic leader, appeared on the platform to address the delegates. Many of the delegates refused to let her speak. Cuzist students who were present in the hall started a counter action, which led to a fight. The military detachment, called to restore order, arrested the students who caused the disturbance.

PALESTINE GOVERNMENT GIVES OFFICIAL RECEPTION TO BRITISH PILGRIMS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 16.—An official reception in honor of the British pilgrims, members of the Order of St. John, was given last night at the Government House.

An impressive parade through the streets of Jerusalem took place Sunday afternoon. Services were held in the St. George Cathedral, with the participation of Lord and Lady Plumer.

JEWISH COMMUNITY IN ROME OPENS HOME FOR JEWISH STUDENTS

Victims of Numerus Clausus in European Countries Aided in Italy

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Rome, Mar. 16.—A "mensa," a home for Jewish students from Poland, Roumania, Lithuania, and Hungary, studying at Italian universities because of the numerus clausus in their countries, was opened here.

Attorney Angelo Sereni, president of the Jewish community in Rome, opened the home with impressive ceremonies.

"Italian Jewry feels its solidarity with its persecuted brethren and is ready to extend to them its help," he declared in his address.

The Jewish students present at the ceremony despatched a telegram of thanks to the Italian Ministry of Education for its hospitality.

JEWISH POPULATION PARTICIPATES IN SOVIET ELECTIONS, COMMUNIST PRESS STATES

Elections Accompanied by Lively Discussions With Zionists

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 16.—Extraordinary interest in the Soviet elections in Ukrainian villages was displayed by the Jewish population, according to despatches from the cities where the elections are taking place, to the "Isvestia," the official organ of the government.

Ninety per cent of the Jewish population participated in the elections. The Jewish communist press points out that for the first time Jewish women were elected to the Soviets and it is the first time that certain classes of the population which were hitherto unrepresented, participated in the elections.

There were lively discussions and fights with the Zionists on account of the elections, the Communist press states.

ALFRED M. COHEN, PRESIDENT OF I.O.B.B., FETED IN CHICAGO

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 16.—Seven hundred members of the Chicago lodges of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith honored Alfred M. Cohen of Cincinnati, President of the Order, at a banquet given at the Hotel Sherman last night.

Rabbi Louis Mann, a son-in-law of Mr. Cohen, presided. Boris D. Bogen and former Governor Morrow addressed the gathering.

The banquet followed a meeting of part of the Executive Committee of the Anti-Defamation League and an inspection of the headquarters of District Grand Lodge No. 6 at Chicago. Guests were present from lodges outside of Chicago and telegrams were received from many prominent members of the Order.

Mr. Cohen in his address pleaded for unity in Jewish life, through the I. O. B. B.

GENERAL AVERESCU WILL FORM NEW ROUMANIAN CABINET

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Mar. 16.—General Averescu will probably be entrusted with the task of forming the new Roumanian cabinet, it was stated here today.

The four year mandate of the present government will expire on March 27. In the meantime, the government is rushing through parliament the electoral reform bill.

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UNITED PALESTINE CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED IN WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

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Springfield, Mass., Mar. 16.—The campaign for the United Palestine Appeal for the region of Western Massachusetts opened here with a mass meeting which was addressed by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, National Chairman of the Appeal.

The following communities were represented: Holyoke, led by I. Kaplinsky, M. Stein, B. Evertz and B. Wolman; Pittsfield, where the Appeal is led by K. Halperin and B. Lightman; Westfield represented by Sam Sminkowitz; North Adams represented by Louis Solomon and Samuel Richton; Northampton where the leading workers are Louis M. Cohen, Lewis Berger and Harry Astmann; Ware and Palmer represented by Louis Feinberg and Samuel Kaplan; and Greenfield where I. Michaelman and A. N. Shor are the principal workers.

The Western Massachusetts region is being led by Nathan E. Goldstein of Springfield as Chairman while the officers of the Springfield Committee are the following: Honorary Chairman, Rabbi Samuel Price, Rabbi A. Gorelich and Nathan E. Goldstein; Chairman, Harry M. Ehrlich; Vice-Chairmen, Herman Isenberg, Mrs. Abraham Cheiffetz, Morris Alpert, Ephraim Granstein, Mrs. Louis Cantor and Louis Feinberg; Treasurer, J. D. Kingsberg; Secretary, Nison Riskin; Campaign Director, Maurice Firth.

Youngstown, O., Mar. 16.—Over \$20,000 has already been raised by this community for the United Palestine Appeal. The Chairman, Mr. Oscar Altschuler, addressing the workers yesterday, expressed confidence that the full quota of \$25,000 would be raised.

It is expected that the entire Jewish population of Youngstown will be solicited. Mr. Altschuler is assisted by the following members who comprise the Youngstown Campaign Committee: David Fish, Vice-Chairman; J. Klivans, Chairman Initial Gift Banquet; Mrs. I. Kamenetzky, Executive Secretary; Isidore Kadis, Campaign Director.

350 JEWISH EMIGRANTS LEAVE FOR PALESTINE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 15.—Three hundred and fifty Jewish emigrants left Poland on a special train yesterday. They will embark for Palestine at Constanza.

Governor Henry L. Whitfield of Mississippi, signed a bill prohibiting teaching in State supported schools of "Mississippi that man 'ascended or descended from a lower order of animals.'"

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.]

American Zionists Must Assume Leadership of Zionist Movement, Says "Rundschau"

The emphasis laid by Mr. Lipsky, in his statement recently, upon his return from Europe, where he conferred with Weizmann and the other members of the World Zionist Executive, that American Zionists must assume the leadership in the Zionist movement, is commented upon by the "Juedische Rundschau" of Berlin, organ of the German Zionists.

Pointing out that the fate of Palestine reconstruction lies in the hands of the American Jews, owing to the economic ruin that has befallen the Jewries in Europe, the "Rundschau" declares:

"We here on the old continent fully appreciate this situation and we understand that the Americans, upon whose shoulders the ever increasing responsibility is falling, must also assume the formal responsibility. Mr. Lipsky's assertion that America must take over the leadership will undoubtedly arouse the enthusiasm of our steadfastly working American friends."

Referring to Mr. Lipsky's observations on the question of the Jewish Agency, the "Rundschau" writes: "Hitherto the Jewish Agency has been primarily an American affair. We continental Zionists who advocated the extension of the Agency regarded the problem as a purely practical one in the light of the American situation. The securing of larger means for the reconstruction of Palestine through the cooperation within the sphere of the Jewish Agency of the friendly non-Zionists in American Jewry, seemed to us worth striving for. Recent developments, however, have changed the mood in America."

The "Rundschau" believes the American Zionists will shortly revise their position on the matter of the Jewish Agency and concludes: "In this American question it is necessary to reserve judgment. If the Americans will drop the Jewish Agency then a new grouping will take place no doubt within the Zionist Congress."

Says Intermarriage Cannot Solve Problem of Jew and Gentile

That intermarriage cannot solve the problem of the relations between Jews and Gentiles is the opinion expressed in an article in "Liberty" magazine (March 13) by Franklin Fargo, who discusses the recent marriage of Irving Berlin and Ellin Mackay.

In the course of the article, which is the first of a series dealing with the relations of Jews and Gentiles in the United States, the writer says:

"The Christian does not discourage the marriage of his children with Jews more sincerely than the Jew proscribes such unions. Perhaps, being less jealous of his identity because of a sense of superior strength, the Christian is not always so severe in his objection to such intermarriage. The Jews, lacking a nation in fact, must combat all invasions of their homogeneity if they are to present a worthy strength.

"Whether Gentile or Jew, one may not separate himself, as a knife shears away a leg, an arm, or an ear, from his traditions, which may be older in centuries than the possessor of those traditions is in years."

In celebration of his ninetieth birthday, Abram G. Hutzler of Baltimore, Md., was the guest of honor at a dinner at the Phoenix Club, about 150 persons from Baltimore, New York and Newark attended. The speakers included Jacob S. Rosenthal, of New York; Rabbi Edward L. Israel, of the Har Sinai Temple; Albert Berney and Jacob S. Frank.

OUR DAILY NEWS LETTER

Visiting the Jews Where Wells Are Still Treasure-Houses

(Special Correspondence from Dr. Edward N. Calisch)

En Route to Suez, Feb. 18.—It is literally true that the Jews are scattered over the face of the earth. But though we have been told this time and again, it is a distinct surprise to personally meet Jews in such out of the way places as Aden, Burma and other cities of the East.

Riding down the street in Raugoon, Burma, I saw a firm-name over the door, Manook and Cohen. I stopped and went in to inquire. I was informed that there were about one thousand Jews in Raugoon, that they had a fine communal organization and a good synagogue. I did not have time to visit it. India has about 20,000 Jews, of whom 7,500 are in Bombay. There is a distinct Jewish quarter in Calcutta as in Bombay. Physically the Jews are indistinguishable from the native Indian, whether Hindu or Mohammedan. In fact the better class of Indians, mostly look like dark-skinned Jews. In Bombay the Sassoon family is the head of the community. The old synagogue, on Fort Street, in the heart of the business section, was built by the Sassoons. It is now a rather shabby building, with the synagogue on the upper floor and the ground floor given over to offices. There were less than 50 worshippers on the Sabbath morning I attended. But they had two very beautiful cases for the Sifre Torah, one of gold and one of silver.

Manila, P. I., has a communal organization, but not much religious activity, while at Singapore, the religious side seemed the stronger. A handsome synagogue, built by a Mr. Myer, serves the community. It presented a curious sight to western eyes in the large number of Yahrzeit lamps that hung on chains from rods stretched across the building. They are large glass bowls, in which a light is had from a wick floating in coconut oil. The outstanding figure in Singapore Jewry is Mr. Victor Clumeck, who occupies a fine position in the general community as well. His father-in-law, Mr. D. Frankel, is one of the pioneers of the community and even now, a patriarch of past 75 years, lives on his large rubber and coconut plantation some miles out of town.

But the greatest surprise came to me at Aden, just as one turns into the Red Sea going north. Aden is as uninviting as sterile mountains and barren ground can make a land. There is not a bit of indigenous vegetation in sight. The barrenness is brought forcibly home when one passes the cemeteries. There are three of them, almost side by side, Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan—and not a green spot or leaf in any of the three.

I stopped in front of a curio store and the merchant came out to show his wares. He was dark-skinned, in Turkish costume, fez on head. But I noticed the "peicos" curling down from under the edge of the fez. I gave the age-old greeting; it was answered, and at once an entente cordial was established. There are from 12,000 to 15,000 Jews at Aden I was told who have lived there for many years, coming originally from Yemen. They have a number of synagogues, with Rabbis, and the usual charitable organizations—but I am inclined to discount the number given me. I believe there are less than 5,000, which was the estimate given by another coreligionist with whom I talked. But this aside, I cannot see how anybody wants to live at Aden. As in Biblical Canaan, wells are treasure-houses, and fresh water is a precious commodity to be paid for, to be contracted for, and doubtless often to be fought for. There are immense banks on the mountain side built to catch rain water—but it has not rained there now for over two years.

AMERICAN JEWS AT FORK OF ROAD, DR. SMERTENKO SAYS

Must Accept Challenge of Present-Day American Conditions

"The challenge to American Jewry is not made by Jews; it is simply recognized by Jews. It is made by the non-Jew, both friendly and anti-Semitic. Each side expects the Jew to declare himself and each one is entitled to a reply. Hence the Jew can no longer blunder along, trusting to events to create a pattern for him where he really is only groping in the dark," declared Professor Johan J. Smertenko, in an address before the Y. M. H. A. of Perth Amboy, N. J. Professor Smertenko's address was one of a series of lectures arranged by the "Jewish Daily Bulletin." "He must make out the chart for his future himself and have it clear enough so that all can read, good enough so that his enemies will hesitate to attack him, and intelligence enough so that his friends will applaud it. When the Jew answers the challenge thrown down by conditions in present day America, he will not only be helping himself but he will, as usual, be rendering a service to all minorities the world over, and not the least service he will render thereby to America."

"Present conditions in American life, as well as their own intelligence, have made the thinking Jews recognize that they are at the fork of the road. American Jewry can choose only one of two ways of living; it can seek contemptibly but unsuccessfully to merge with the mongrels that form the lower stratum of American civilization and be despised of all the higher elements in American life as well as to fail in contributing anything vital to this life and its culture; or it can, on the other hand, proudly take its place as a distinctive but integral unit in the population of the United States and render to the culture and development of America such inimitable services as it has once before given to European civilization," he declared.

JAMES N. ROSENBERG CONFERS WITH SECRETARY HOOVER BEFORE LEAVING FOR EUROPE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Mar. 16.—James N. Rosenberg of New York, Vice-Chairman of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, conferred here yesterday with Secretary Hoover with regard to work the committee is doing in Europe, particularly in Russia and Poland. Secretary Hoover expressed great interest in the plans and said he would assist the committee as far as circumstances permitted.

Mr. Rosenberg said the committee had cooperated for several years in relief work in Russia under the direction of Mr. Hoover, and the work of the committee was now being continued on reconstructive lines, chiefly in agriculture.

Mr. Rosenberg will sail Saturday night on the Conte Rosso for Europe, where he will make a survey of the field and confer with Government officials in Russia and Poland and with the European heads of the committee.

A Jewish community center will be erected in Oklahoma City, Okla. The property recently was purchased for this purpose.

The building will be a two-story structure and will cost about \$30,000. Construction work will start immediately.

The congregation of Rhodphai Sholem Synagogue, Holyoke, Mass., celebrated its 25th anniversary.

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FIRST GAME OF HAKOAH SOCCER TEAM TO BE PLAYED IN PHILADELPHIA

The Hakoah Sport Club, the all-Jewish soccer team from Vienna, will open its American tour in Philadelphia. The team will arrive on Saturday, April 17.

The opponents of the Jewish team will be the Philadelphia club of the American Soccer League.

After playing in New York, Newark, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston, and St. Louis, the team will again meet a picked American Soccer League team in Philadelphia, the contest to be played during the Sesqui-Centennial celebration.

BRIVITIES

The House Committee on Elections voted to dismiss the crutest over the seating of Representative Nathan D. Perlman, Republican, from the 14th Congressional District in New York City on Monday. After a long executive session Representative Don B. Colton, of Utah, made the brief announcement that dismissal had been agreed on.

Representative Perlman's election was contested by Dr. W. J. Sirovich, of New York, in addition to contesting the election, made application for a reopening of the case. This was voted down by the committee. Representative Colton expects to file a report for the committee within the next few days.

The kitchen of a temple of the moon goddess, Nin-Gal, at Ur-of-the-Chaldees in Mesopotamia, with pots, clay pans and other cooking utensils just as they were left in 2038 B.C., when King Sinsu-lanu of Babylon captured the city and burned the temple, was unearthed by the joint expedition of the Museum of the University of Pennsylvania and the British Museum, Dr. George B. Gordon, director of the University Museum at Philadelphia, announced.

Another important discovery in the excavations at Ur reported yesterday was a statue of the goddess Bau, patroness of the poultry yard, a squat and solid figure who sits in an elaborately flounced dress on a throne supported by geese. Dating back more than 4,000 years, this is the only female figure of such early date ever found in Mesopotamia.

The temple in which the kitchen was found, with the signs of a meal in preparation, is that of the moon goddess Nin-Gal. All during January more than 200 men were employed in digging and clearing away debris from the mound which enclosed the temple site.

"Now we have almost finished," reported Major C. Leonard Woolley in his message to Dr. Gordon, "laying bare the really magnificent structure built originally in mud brick by Sinsu-lanu, king of Ur, (in about 2250 B.C.), and rebuilt in fine burned brick 150 years later by Enanatum."

A symbolic three act play, written by Deena Spivak Strates, was produced at the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Sanatorium in Denver, Colo., on March 14.

The scenes are laid on the grounds and in the medical building, where characters symbolical of the growth, progress and spirit of the institution appeared. Twenty-six patients were included in the cast.

A large audience witnessed the performance.

Maxa Nordau, daughter of Dr. Max Nordau, will lecture on "Herz and My Father," tomorrow evening at Cooper Union Auditorium, New York. The lecture is under the auspices of the East Side Zionist District.

Further light may be shed on the Einstein theory of relativity next June as a result of photographs to be made in Sumatra. Dr. John A. Miller, head of the Svarthmore College Eclipse Expedition, said upon his arrival in Boston.

Dr. Miller, with other members of the expedition, returned from Sumatra. He brought with him fifty-one photographs of the eclipse of Jan. 14.

The cameras were left in Sumatra and in June, when the sun is farthest away from the spot it occupied this winter, some one will return to re-photograph the skies at night, taking in the stars included in the eclipse. If the Einstein theory that light rays are bent by large heavenly bodies is true, Dr. Miller said, the stars should occupy two different positions on the two sets of plates.

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JEWISH COMMUNAL ACTIVITIES

The Astoria Center of Israel, Astoria, L. I., was dedicated on Sunday afternoon. Rabbi Israel Goldstein, president of the Board of Jewish Ministers of New York City and Judge Frank P. Adel of Queens were among the speakers. A dedication banquet was held in the evening at which the campaign for membership and maintenance was launched. The dedication celebration continues throughout the week.

The Jewish Educational Association and the Jewish Welfare Board of New York City have been instrumental in the development of this Jewish Community Center. The cost of the building and equipment is about \$175,000. Samuel A. Halperin is Executive Director of the Center. Isaac Baer is President.

The Book of Job as dramatized from the Bible by Prof. Horace M. Kallen of the New School of Social Research, will be presented at the Free Synagogue House, 49 West 68th Street, New York, by a group of well known Broadway actors, headed by Sam Jaffe, who has a leading part in "The Jazz Singer." The play will be given afternoons and evenings, Sunday, April 11, and Sunday, April 18th, the proceeds to go to the United Palestine Appeal.

The prologue, epilogue and choruses have been arranged by Lou Sorin of the Provincetown Players and the Charles Frohman Co. Mr. Jaffe will portray "Job" and the other members of the cast include Nat Freyer, Howard Lang, and "The Jazz Singer," Earl House and Ben D'Arion of the Ben Great Players.

Articles of incorporation of the Tri-City Jewish Charities have been filed in Davenport, Iowa.

The purpose of the corporation is to "provide a permanent and efficient method of collecting, administering and distributing funds for charitable purposes among Jewish people and institutions and such other individuals or organizations as the board of directors may from time to time determine; and to put into practical and efficient operation such a system of philanthropy and to use such methods for communal undertakings as may be expedient to elevate the moral social and intellectual condition of the Jewish people."

E. P. Adler is president. Max Sosna is vice-president. Ben Comenitz is secretary and Moritz Landauer is treasurer. Mrs. Ralph L. Hillman is superintendent of social service.

The new Jewish Community Center in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., was dedicated in the presence of 200 persons. Joseph S. Savotkin was chairman of the dedication committee.

The annual entertainment of the Israel Orphan Asylum will be held at the New Madison Square Garden on Saturday evening, March 20th. Judge Gustave Hartman, President and founder of this institution, will preside.

The patrons include Col. Michael Friedman, Franklin Simon, Mrs. William Randolph Hearst, Louis Wiley, Congressman Ogden L. Mills, Senator Simon Guggenheim, C. C. Dula, Irving T. Bush, Charles Sabin, Mrs. John T. Pratt, A. D. Julliard, E. E. Sinclair, Charles D. Hilles, Charles H. Silver and Albert Blum.

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