SPEAKER OF POLISH SEjm URGES JEWISH DEPUTY TO WITHDRAW HIS PROTEST

Wielicki's Rejection of Roumanian Order, Center of Discussion (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Dec. 8.—The rejection of a Roumanian honor by the Jewish deputy Waclaw Wielicki, in a letter he addressed to King Ferdinand, continues to hold the attention of parliamentary circles in the Polish capital.

Speaker Ratay again asked Deputy Wielicki to discuss the matter yesterday. The speaker pointed out that Deputy Wielicki received the Roumanian order as a Jew but as a member of the Polish parliamentary delegation and he should not have insulted the monarch of a country allied with Poland. He urged the Jewish deputy to withdraw his letter to the King.

Deputy Wielicki, it was stated, declared that he acted in accordance with the dictates of his conscience and that he is willing to submit the matter to the decision of the Club of Jewish Deputies at its general meeting.

WORKERS WIN IN TEL-AVIV MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS: 66% OF VOTERS AT POLLS (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Tel Aviv, Dec. 8.—Elections to the municipality of Tel Aviv, the first Jewish city in Palestine, were held yesterday. The returns showed that the elections were a victory for the workers party which was in office prior to the election. Notwithstanding the fact that the house owners boycotted the elections, a large number of the inhabitants participated in the vote. Seventy-five thousand tickets, or 60 per cent of the population entitled to vote, took part in the elections.

Fourteen candidates of the workers party were elected, three representing the Association of Polish Jews, seven representing the Zionist Revisionists, five of the Orthodox group, four of the center group, the members of the Synagogue Association and three of the Poale Zion.

VOTE OF JEWS IN LATVIAN SEjm DEFEATS GOVERNMENT (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Dec. 8.—The government of Latvia, headed by Premier Ulimans, was defeated in parliament yesterday when a majority vote expressed lack of confidence in the government.

The defeat was caused by the vote of the Jewish deputies, who took an opposition attitude in view of the rejection of the citizenship bill as a result of which many thousands of Jews resident in Latvia were placed in the position of "men without a country."

BRITISH COMMONS PASSES PALESTINE £4,500,000 LOAN BILL IN SECOND READING (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Wedgwood Urges British to Active Assistance in Jewish Effort

London, Dec. 8.—The bill authorizing the Exchequer to endorse the Palestine and East African loans was passed by the House of Commons yesterday in its second reading.

The discussion which developed in the House was devoted mainly to the African loan, although the Palestine loan was also touched upon in the debate.

Col. Leopold H. Amery, Colonial Secretary, said that the Palestine loan was principally intended for the payment of money already spent and also for the development of harbors and the purchase of the railway system from the British government. A progressive policy of development is being pursued in Palestine, the Colonial Secretary stated.

William Graham, former assistant finance minister of the Labor Government, declared that the Labor Party is not opposed to the loans. S. Saklawya, Communist member of the House, introduced a resolution that the bill be rejected. Captain C. T. Foxcroft expressed the view that the British government "favoring the imported Zionist Jew at the expense of the native Jew and Arab" in Palestine.

A strong note was injected into the debate by Col. Josiah Wedgwood, who urged the British Government to abandon its passive policy in Palestine and lend active assistance to the Jewish efforts in the country.

"I have just come back from Palestine where I have investigated the possibility of Jews and Arabs getting together. I have inquired whether the Arabs are suffering through the inactivity of Jews. The only result of the Jewish immigration upon the Arabs in the towns was the increase in the standard wages of the workers in the towns and the raising of their cultural status," Col. Wedgwood declared.

"The rich Arab enfeebles, who are generally Christians, are hostile to all immigration. Jews and Zionists. They even want no Britishers, no western ways and no western population. They prefer a docile population. We cannot allow the development of the country to be checked because of a few reactionaries who prefer that Palestine be Asiatic rather than European.

"The Jews of the world are subscribing on a gigantic scale to the rebuilding of their homeland and we should recognize that in a practical way for the Jews to acquire land, rebuild agriculture and industry there. We have entered into (Continued on Page 4)

BELGIUM, AUSTRALIA AND JAPAN SIDE WITH ENGLAND VS. MANDATES COMMISSION

Join with England in Objection to Petitions (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Geneva, Dec. 8.—The attitude of several members of the League of Nations, in addition to that of France, New Zealand and South Africa, in the controversy between the Arab and Mandates Commission and the League Council on the jurisdiction of the Commission over mandated territories was made known today.

The secretariat of the League of Nations received the replies of the governments of Belgium, Australia and Japan to the effect that they are opposed to giving the commission the right of hearing petitions from mandated territories. The governments are also opposed to allowing the Commission to take direct a detailed questionnaire to the mandatory powers. The tone of the Belgian reply was less emphatic than that of the others.

AMSTERDAM CELEBRATES 300TH ANNIVERSARY OF HEBREW PRAYER BOOK

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Amsterdam, Dec. 8.—An exhibition on the occasion of the three hundredth anniversary of the publication of the Hebrew prayer book here is being arranged at the library of the Sephardic rabbinical school.

The exhibition will be opened in January. A part of the display will be devoted to the works of Menasseh ben Israel who was greatly interested in Hebrew printing.

The catalogue of the exhibition will be printed in English, French and German.

PROF. JOFFE, RUSSIAN JEWISH SCIENTIST, TO LECTURE IN U.S. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Dec. 8.—Dr. Joffe, professor at the Leningrad Academy of Science, is sailing for the United States on December 11.

Prof. Joffe will lecture in America on scientific subjects. His tour will extend over six months. It was reported some time ago that Dr. Joffe was invited by the Rockefeller Institute to go to America and lecture on the invention of a process for condensing electrical energy.

CZECH UNIVERSITY TO HAVE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL DEPT. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Prague, Dec. 8.—A Jewish theological department will be founded at the Czech University.

The purpose of the department is to enable students to prepare for the rabbinate in their home country, instead of having to go to Germany.
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American Jews Show Inspiring Readiness to Help, Jean Fischer, Now in This Country, Observes

Consolidation of the work done so far in Palestine and proceeding with the reorganization of the administration of affairs in Palestine is the outstanding need of the hour in the opinion of Jean Fischer, Belgian Zionist leader and director of the Jewish Colonial Trust, who is now in the United States. Mr. Fischer, who has been a member of the Zionist Actions Committee for the past twenty years and has given substantial sums for Palestine, has come to the United States at the request of Dr. Chaim Weizmann in the interest of various Palestine financial projects. He was an initiate associate of Dr. Max Nordau and Theodor Herzl and is well known as an exponent of political Zionism.

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The Habima arrived in the country on Monday for a four-week tour, and will make its first appearance next Monday night at the Mansfield Theatre, West 47th Street, in "The Dybbuk." Other plays in their repertoire are "Jacob's Dream," "The Golem," and "Deluge."

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Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8.—Jules E. Mastbaum, leading Jewish citizen of Philadelphia, died at the Jefferson Hospital here yesterday at the age of 54 following an illness of one week. He was president of the Stanley Company of America and head of the real estate firm of Mastbaum Brothers and Fleisher. He was a member of the Board of Governors of Dropsie College. He headed the $3,000,000 building fund campaign of the Federation of Jewish Charities last year and the United Jewish Campaign in this city.

Today an entire city is shocked in mourning for the man who, having attained the utmost rung on the ladder of success, never forgot those who stood on the lowest level of that ladder. In his own life he symbolized the highest conception of charity. Jew and Gentile alike found him a generous benefactor. His benevolences were conducted on a tremendous scale of which the public was never aware.

The news of his death, following an operation for abdominal infection, was a tremendous shock to the community. Personal services will be held Thursday at 2 P.M.

Mr. Mastbaum died at 4:35 yesterday afternoon, in the arms of his mother, Mrs. Fannie Mastbaum. He is survived by his wife and three daughters, Jules E. Mastbaum, July 7, 1873; son of Levi and Fannie Mastbaum. He attended the public schools of the city, then went to the Central Manual School from which he was awarded a scholarship to the University of Pennsylvania, and finally earned $80 a week as a clerk in the Gimbel Store. He rose rapidly through the Gimbel Milwaukee store, came to the Philadelphia Gimbel Store and became its president, representing, earning $7,500 a year, the largest amount ever paid to any Gimbel employee.

In 1901 he entered the real estate business with Felix Isman at $50 per week and commissions. In 1907 he married the then Miss Florence Lasker of New York City, who had moved to Philadelphia to do charity work. He became interested in the exhibition of moving pictures. Out of a temporarily occupied store, at 8th and Market Street, Mastbaum made a moving picture house with a five-cent admission charge, and had faith in the future of the movies. In 1911, Mr. Mastbaum became interested in the Regent Theatre of this city. From small beginnings it grew

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The results of the fourth annual Essay Contest, conducted by the Department of Immigration and Naturalization, were announced. The contest, which was sponsored by the Women's Americanization League and the Women's Council of Philadelphia, was open to women born in the United States. The prizes were Mrs. Bessie Goldsboro of New York; Mrs. Lillian Rusoff of Philadelphia; Miss Pauline Klemperer of New Haven, Conn.; and Mrs. Mary Klotz of Nashville. The judges, who are the judges, are the judges of the judges, are the judges of the judges, are the judges of the judges, are the judges of the judges, are the judges of the judges, are the judges of the judges, are the judges of the judges.

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