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NEW FRENCH CITIZENSHIP LAW BECOMES EFFECTIVE

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Paris, August 17. — Greater unity and homogeneity in the ranks of French Jewry are expected to result from the new French naturalization law which became effective yesterday.

According to the provisions of the new law, wide facilities are granted for the acquisition of French citizenship. Instead of the ten years residence prior to naturalization required by the former law, applicants need only show evidence of three years residence in the country. In special cases citizenship will be granted after one years residence.

It is expected that the majority of the considerable immigrant Jewish population in France will become citizens of the Republic. It is also expected that this new measure will tend to abolish the division existing between French and foreign Jews. Under the statutes of the kehilla's, educational and philanthropic Jewish organizations are open only to French Jews. For this reason the Russian Jewish group in Paris was recently compelled to form a separate Kehillah.

POLICE HALT ANTI-JEWISH RIOTS AT GERMAN RESORT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, August 17.—Serious anti-Jewish riots were perpetrated yesterday at the resort Harzburg, Hanover.

Twenty two members of the National Socialist Party who came from Hanover, distributed pogrom literature in Harzburg and attacked Jewish residents and guests. An attack was made on Solomon's department store, where the windows were smashed and several persons injured. The police arrested five of the hooligans.

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

Berlin, July 28.—The synagogue at Hanover last Thursday night was painted over with huge swastikas, the emblem of the anti-Semitic organization, and with inscriptions reading "Kill the Jews," states the "C.-V. Zeitung," the official organ of the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith.

The police have offered a reward of 500 Marks for the arrest of the perpetrators. It is reported that paint-marks have been traced to the headquarters of the Nationalist Socialist Party in Hanover.

CONFERENCE ON JEWISH RIGHTS OPENS ITS SESSIONS IN ZURICH

Nahum Sokolow Elected Chairman; Americans Win Against
Voelkist Proposal to Extend Conference Scope

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Zurich, August 17.—The Conference on Jewish Rights convoked under the auspices of the American Jewish Congress with a view to reorganizing the Committee of Jewish Delegations in Paris to act as a central body for the protection of the rights of the Jewish populations guaranteed in the minority treaties, was called into session to-day in the presence of 60 delegates. The American delegation representing the American Jewish Congress was the largest delegation present.

The program and the scope of the conference were a matter of thorough discussion at a caucus of the American delegation held yesterday morning. Judge Hugo Paas of Chicago and Max Steuer of New York presided over the American delegates' meeting.

Preliminary skirmishes, foreshadowing the differences prevailing among the various groups attending the conference, took place at yesterday's unofficial meeting prior to the formal opening of the conference to-day.

Nahum Sokolow, chairman of the Zionist Executive, was unanimously elected chairman of the conference. It was also decided to elect six vice-chairmen. At the preliminary session a heated discussion developed when H. D. Naumberg, Warsaw writer, Deputy Szabad of Vilna and Mr.

Tschernichow, representatives of the Voelkist group, proposed that the agenda of the conference include a discussion on the general economic situation of the Jewish populations in European countries and to appoint a special committee to submit a report of this subject.

The American delegates opposed the inclusion of this point in the agenda. It was argued that a discussion on this subject would involve a debate on the question of the work of the relief organizations. It was also seen as a veiled attempt on the part of the Voelkists to attack the Zionists. Deputies Gruenbaum and Farstein, who are participating in the conference, supported the view of the American delegates. The proposal was rejected by a majority vote, the preliminary conference deciding that the agenda include only a discussion on the legal disabilities affecting the economic position of the Jewish population.

Much time was consumed at the preliminary conference to inform the delegates on the purpose of the conference. Some of the American delegates proposed the creation of a new permanent organization of wide scope to include not only Jewish minority right questions but general Jewish welfare.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Jacob Fishman, Dr. A. Coralnick and Bernard G. Richards explained to the meeting that the purpose of the conference is to reorganize the Committee of Jewish Delegations which was established during the Peace Conference and which still continues to function, that it become more representative of the Jewish communities, leaving to the minorities themselves the right to decide how they

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AMERICAN COMMISSION IN ROUMANIA FINISHES STUDY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, August 17.—The commission sent by the American Committee on the Rights of Religious Minorities to investigate the situation in Roumania has concluded its work, it was learned here to-day.

CHASSIDIC RABBI INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Prague, August 17.—Rabbi Schapiro, leader of a considerable Chassidic following in Munkacz, Carpatho Russia, was hurt in an automobile accident in Carlsbad, according to reports received here.

The Rabbi, who was in Carlsbad on his vacation, was seriously injured.

HADASSAH CHIEF SURGEON IN JERUSALEM RESIGNS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, August 17.—Dr. Carry, Chief Surgeon of the Hadassah hospital in Jerusalem, resigned from his post.

Dr. Carry stated his resignation was in protest against the autocracy of the local Hadassah management.

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POLICE STAGE RAIDS ON JEWS IN HUNGARY TOWNS

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Budapest, August 17.—What virtually amounted to anti-Jewish raids were carried out by the Hungarian police in the last few days in the towns and villages in Northern Hungary. The gendarmerie and police surrounded Jewish homes and synagogues and arrested 321 persons on the charge of being aliens. Among those arrested are persons who have lived in Hungary for the past thirty years. The action of the police called forth a vigorous protest on the part of the Jewish population. Deputies of the government have addressed appeals to the authorities to stop the anti-Jewish raids.

Budapest, August 17.—A statement issued by the Hungarian State Police today denied that the raids made by the police in Northern Hungary had an anti-Jewish purpose. It was learned that the raids were conducted on the instructions issued by the Ministry of Interior. Homes and synagogues were entered in the search for aliens.

The Jewish community of Szerencz submitted a protest to the Ministry of the Interior against the raids, declaring that the police in their course molested the Jewish population and invaded the synagogues during prayer.

A permit was issued by the Bureau of Building Inspection to Irwin & Leighton for the construction of the new synagogue building of Rodolph Shalom Congregation, Philadelphia. The cost of the building will be \$1,000,000. Simon & Simon are the architects of the new synagogue.

LEADER OF RABBIS' CENTRAL CONFERENCE SCORES MISSIONARY PROPAGANDA

Discusses Budapest and Warsaw Conferences; Raises Question
Whether Good-will is Not Used as Screen

A protest against the decision of the International Missionary Council to increase conversion propaganda among the Jewish population in Europe, taken at the Budapest and Warsaw missionary congresses held under the chairmanship of Dr. John R. Mott, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in New York, was expressed by Dr. Abram Simon of Washington, former president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. In a communication to the Jewish Daily Bulletin, Rabbi Simon writes:

"The article under the caption '40,000 Hungarian Jews embraced Christianity since the war' arouses deep interest and concern. I am not in a position to correct the accuracy of round numbers. In respect to the whole matter, however, permit me to indicate the following interesting items:

"First: As a sample of the accuracy of the information given out at that famous Budapest conference let me quote the following from the Press-Chief of the conference. 'Our aims are to realize peaceful relations between Jews and Christians and to convert Jews to Christianity. Nothing is more characteristic for our method that many of our members are of the Jewish religion and that many of the most eminent figures amongst our leaders are Chief Rabbis of high standing. Wherever our organization went, peace between Jews and Christians was brought about. Dr.

SECRET ANTI-JEWISH ORDER FORMED IN GREAT BRITAIN

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, August 17.—An attempt to transplant the spirit of the Ku Klux Klan into Great Britain is being made by a group of Britishers who have established a distinctly anti-Jewish order which is to be known as the White Knights of Britain.

The order will be secret and according to the program of the promoters its members must prove that their parents and grand-parents were of British blood, must declare they believe that "Jews are a menace to Christian civilization" and their belief in God in the Christian sense and their belief in the supremacy of the white race.

Some of the papers featured an interview with Lucien Wolf who termed the plan of the order "silly." English Jews do not regard the order as a menace but rather as a joke as no real anti-Semitic feeling exists in Great Britain, it is asserted.

Klausner, professor of Jerusalem University, will lecture on the life of Christ, and the Chief Rabbi of New York, Nathan Wise, will take part in the discussion.

"Second: For another side light permit me to quote a letter of April 7th from a minister in Budapest. 'It is not popular teaching anymore to convert Jews in Anti-Semitic Budapest, and I learned from many sources that a number of Baptized Jews are seeking re-admission to Judaism. A young Scottish pastor has started a similar mission in Cluz (Kolozvar) Transylvanian Roumania, but with little success. Would that time were ripe for liberal Judaism to be taught and preached in these countries to save many from a forlorn position'.

"Third: We must remember that because of the duress and the agony following the close of the war many Jews found it expedient to accept formally the Christian religion. Since the war and since conditions are growing more stable a new phenomenon of 20th century Marranism has made its appearance. We must recall that the Jewish papers have to publish the list of converts because, under the Hungarian law, the people are taxed according to their denominational label, and that they have to have some label or other.

"Fourth: In view of the leadership on the part of Dr. John R. Mott of the International Missionary movement, I wonder with what intellectual and moral consistency the Jewish people can continue the financial support of the Young Men's Christian Association of which Dr. Mott is general secretary.

"Fifth: This whole movement sounds a warning to us Jewish people to be on our guard lest good will be used as a screen to hide the mask of conversion. At the same time it should arouse the Jewish people all over the world to help their brethren remain true to their ancestral faith," Dr. Simon concludes.

WILL ISSUE NEW EDITION OF MENDELSSOHN'S WORKS IN 1929

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Aug. 17.—A new edition of the works of Moses Mendelssohn, German Jewish philosopher who started a new era in Jewish history, will be published on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of his birth. The anniversary will be celebrated in 1929.

A committee of prominent German Jews was formed for the purpose of preparing the edition. The committee

THREATENS RIOT IF IRISH MOTION PICTURE IS NOT WITHDRAWN

Irish Newspaper Publishes Articles Attacking Jewish Producers of Film It Terms Objectionable

A threat of a riot against the moving picture, "The Callahans and the Murphys," a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production in several New York motion picture theatres was made by the "Irish World," weekly newspaper published in New York, in its issue which will appear on Saturday, August 20.

Irish individuals and societies have for the past few weeks been carrying on an agitation for the withdrawal of the Metro-Goldwyn of the picture which it is claimed is offensive to the Irish. The objectionable features of the picture are said to be scenes in which Mrs. Callahan and Mrs. Murphy are shown in a beer drinking contest in the course of which they succeed in disposing of the entire contents of a keg. The scene takes place at a picnic and is followed by a free-for-all fist fight. The other objectionable feature in the film is said to be a close up of Marie Dressler, who acts the part of Mrs. Callahan.

Prior to the release of the film the Metro-Goldwyn company declared that it had obtained the endorsement of Catholic organizations and an officer of the Daughters of Erin, an Irish women's organization. It was stated that the amount of \$500,000 was involved in the production. When further objections were raised, the Metro-Goldwyn company offered to revise the film in accordance with the suggestions of the "Irish World." Last Monday afternoon the revised version was shown in one of Loew's theatres before Owen Bohan, Assistant District Attorney, and prominent Catholic priests of the New York Diocese and a representative of the "Irish World."

Reporting on this revised version the "Irish World" says:

"While much of the beer-drinking scene has been 'cut,' the facial distortions of Marie Dressler remain in evidence throughout the film. These alone are sufficient to condemn the production. They are an insult to every conception of Irish womanhood.

"We suggest that our readers in New York and Brooklyn demand that the authorities cause the withdrawal of the picture in order to prevent

a riot before the end of the week."

The controversy with the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corporation gave the Irish World ground for publishing an article in the current issue entitled "Plain Words to Movie Directors," in which it attacks what it terms "the Jewish motion picture producers," stating:

"Conflicting reports are coming from the camp of the enemy, in which the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corporation of 1340 Broadway, New York City, and Warner Brothers, 1600 Broadway, New York City, and the Loew companies in general, are conspicuous among the Jew organizations that have aroused Irish indignation all over the country by the indecent liberties they have presumed to take with the modesty and grace of Irish womanhood. It is a horrible thing to connect the low-class men, of which some of these organizations are a collective type, even in the mind, with the glory of Irish feminine innocence and beauty. To think of these dirty Orientals presuming to maul and paw our women in public, to hold them up to ridicule in moving pictures, to pick out German and Jew actresses, brutal in countenance and in manners and to give them the names of women honored in Irish history, to place Irish girls in an atmosphere of swinish filth such as would occur only to a producing director of the most ignorant and ruffianly type, is insupportable to any decent Irishman. It will arouse repercussions of which these dull men will do well to take heed. The sort of men who go round taking liberties with women who live in a different world from theirs and who have no use for them, are courting a speedy disaster. We do not know what there is about the Loews and the Warners that is going to save them from Irish indignation if they do not take their dirty hands away from the mothers and the sisters and the daughters of Irishmen.

"If Marcus Loew and Abraham or Jacob or Izzy Warner want to make money by holding women up to indecent laughter let them confine their showmen's talents to the Rebeccas and the Marthas of their own families. If they want filth and stupidity and indecency they needn't go out of the Ghetto to find it. If they want grotesque figures, Hester Street is full of them, and Marcus Loew is well acquainted with it. But they are not going to put their filthy hands on Irish women any more, or if they do they will do it at their peril. We

YIDDISH COLUMN APPEARS IN CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Aug. 17.—A Yiddish column in the Christian Science Monitor was published in the newspaper's edition of yesterday. The appearance of Yiddish in the organ of the Christian Science church is believed to be the first attempt of the paper to attract the Yiddish reader. The column appears in the section, "The Home Forum," which frequently prints translations of the articles in languages other than English.

The article, entitled "Courage in the Crisis" advocates the principles of Christian Science and urges the reader to acquaint himself with the work, "Science and Health with a Key to the Scriptures," the work of the founder of Christian Science, Mary Baker Eddy.

give fair warning to the Loews and the Warners. Let them take their hands away from the women and the children of the Irish race. The men will be able to take good care of themselves.

"We select the Loews and the Warners for particular mention because the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corporation, which is only one of several Loew companies to others of which we will refer later, and the Warner Bros. have particularly distinguished themselves by the freedom with which they have sought to hold Irish people up to ridicule."

The "Irish World" then outlines the following plan of campaign for the withdrawal of the picture.

"Individual and isolated protests will have little effect.

"In every town, city or section where 'The Callahans and the Murphys' is advertised for showing, a committee or delegation should wait upon the mayor or whatever other official has charge of theatrical performances and, as American citizens of Irish birth or parentage, demand that permission for the showing of the film be refused.

"The same committee should also visit the management of the theatre and tell him that the showing of 'The Callahans and the Murphys' will be a deliberate insult to his patrons.

"The point to make clear to theatre managers is that it is not necessary for him to show this picture. He has no excuse for insisting upon its exhibition. He can easily secure another picture to take its place.

"Let every theatrical manager be made clearly to understand that, if he insists upon showing this vile caricature of an Irish woman, he, at least, cannot insist upon the Irish people in his neighborhood attending his theatre either during the performance or at any time afterwards."

has issued an appeal to all persons who are in possession of manuscripts or rare editions of Mendelssohn's works or of letters to or from him to communicate with the committee. All communications are to be addressed to Dr. Julius Guttmann, Berlin N.W. 87, Wullenweberstr. 2.

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are to be organized and be represented on the reorganized Committee of Jewish Delegations. Rabbi Wise expressed his hope that in time the Committee will be joined by those organizations which are now staying away.

Among the latest arrivals to the conference are M. M. Ussishkin, head of the Jewish National Fund; Dr. Z. H. Chajes, Chief Rabbi of Vienna; Professor Simon Dubnow, well known Russian Jewish historian; Deputy Nurok of Riga, Isaac Gruenbaum, Deputy Farbstein, Dr. Szabad, Vladimir Tiomkin and Colonel Tadger.

Among the American delegates are Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Judge Hugo Pam, Judge Gustave Hartman, Emanuel Hertz, Dr. Joseph Tannenbaum, Max D. Steuer, Max Hollander, Bernard G. Richards, Jacob Fishman, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Silverman, Dr. A. Coralnick, Leo Wolfson, Herman Speier, Rabbi Brickner, Mr. Oppenheimer, Rabbi Heller.

In a statement issued to the press following the preliminary conference, according to a cable report to the "Jewish Morning Journal" Dr. Wise declared: "It is indeed a happy day in Jewish life when Jewish representatives of the western hemisphere meet with the Jewish representatives of the so-called minority right countries. The first proof that the conference will disappoint its opponents is the almost unanimous decision of the preliminary conference not to take up any question which is not in its sphere and not to undertake a discussion on the general economic situation of the Jews in Eastern Europe."

ALEXANDER CUZA RUNS FOR RE-ELECTION IN BESSARABIA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Aug. 17 — Alexander Cuza, leader of the Roumanian anti-Semites, who was defeated at the last elections, may be reelected to parliament.

His candidacy was proposed in Belco, Bessarabia. The government party has put forward no candidate, the only opponent of Cuza being the candidate of the National Peasants Party. It was stated that Cuza's reelection depends on whether he will obtain government support.

JEWISH YOUTH IS AWAKE TO DUTY, COUNCIL TOLD

"The Jewish youth of America is awake to its responsibilities," declared Mrs. Leonard B. Schloss, Chairman of the Department of Junior Auxiliaries of the National Council of Jewish Women, in reviewing the work of the National Council of Junior Sections.

"Those who are pessimistic about the spirit of our youth today need only contemplate the activities of the Council Junior Sections to be rid of their misgivings," Mrs. Schloss declared. "The most gratifying feature of this movement among our Jewish youth is that its duties and obligations have been self-imposed. Our young women come to us and ask us to guide them in a program of work. They find in our religious, civic, educational and philanthropic projects and purposes the inspiration they need for harnessing their energies to the welfare of Judaism, the community and the nation."

There are at present more than 100 Junior Sections. The objective of the national Junior organization is to establish a Junior Section in each of the 237 cities in the United States and Canada that have Senior Council Sections.

The Junior biennial convention will be held in Nashville in October.

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