

## WARSAW RABBINATE ADMITTED 21 PROSELYTES, FORMER CHRISTIANS, IN NINE YEARS

Figures Issued As Result of Dispute With Government

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Oct. 4.—Twenty-one proselytes, sons of Christian parents, were admitted to Judaism by the Warsaw rabbinate in the period June 1918 to January 1927, according to figures given out by the rabbinate bureau here. The others who were admitted to Judaism were either former converts or sons of converts. The 21 former Christians admitted, represent only a small fraction of the number of applications made to the Rabbinate.

These figures were given, out in connection with the dispute which has arisen between Jewish leaders and the Polish government as to the right of the Jewish community to admit proselytes when they express their desire to become Jews.

The Warsaw Rabbinate displayed extreme caution and unwillingness to admit proselytes. The first application was made in 1918 by a Polish officer in the German army. He submitted evidence that his desire to embrace Judaism is not caused by any ulterior motives and he was admitted. During the entire period the rabbinate acted favorably mainly with regard to requests of such applicants who were of Jewish origin.

Since the issuance of the last government ordinance prohibiting the Jewish community to admit proselytes, the consideration of such applications was discontinued. There are, however, many applicants of Christian origin who continue to appear at the offices of the rabbinate inquiring as to when the prohibition will be lifted. Representations have been made by Jewish leaders to the government concerning the ordinance which they consider unconstitutional.

## TIBERIAS HOT SPRINGS ARE NATIONAL NOT MUNICIPAL PROPERTY, PLUMER RULES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 4.—The hot springs of Tiberias cannot be considered municipal property but are national property. This was the ruling of Lord Plumer, the High Commissioner, in the dispute between the municipality of Tiberias and the Palestine government.

The High Commissioner rejected the plea of the Tiberias municipality and ordered the demolition of buildings near the springs. A concession for the development of the springs along modern lines will soon be granted by the government, it was stated.

## NEW ZIONIST EXECUTIVE APPEALS TO JEWRY FOR GENEROUS SUPPORT IN DIFFICULT TASK

Will Seek Consolidation Through Balanced Budget and Economies, to Make Possible Unemployment Relief and Later Expansion, Statement of Policy Declares; Is Confident of Palestine Government's Sympathetic Support

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Oct. 4.—The policy of the new Zionist Executive elected by the Fifteenth Zionist Congress after a prolonged deadlock centering around the choice of candidates for the Jerusalem triumvirate was outlined in a statement issued yesterday, the first official document of the new body.

The statement, which is signed by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Dr. M. D. Eder, Col. Frederick H. Kisch, Louis Lipsky, Nahum Sokolow, Felix Rosenbluth, Harry Sachse and Miss Henrietta Szold views as the chief task of the Zionist administration the necessity of consolidation, which requires the balancing of the budget so that the way may be paved for a period of expansion of Zionist work.

The Executive expresses confidence that it will have the cooperation of the Palestine and British government and calls upon all factions of the Zionist movement for cooperative effort

## AMERICAN MEMBERS OF JEWISH AGENCY EXPERTS RETURN FROM PALESTINE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Mass., Oct. 4.—Four members of the Jewish Agency Palestine Experts Commission including Professor Elwood Mead, Dr. Jacob G. Lipman, Knowles Ayerson, horticulturist of the government experiment station in Hayti and Professor Frank Adams of the University of California who spent six weeks in Palestine in a survey of the colonies giving special attention to the study of agriculture and farming, returned today on the steamer President Adams. Arthur T. Strahorn, soil technologist in the Bureau of Soils, the fifth member of the commission, will return from Palestine in six weeks.

Professor Mead, speaking for the commission, declared that any statement for publication in anticipation of the report which the commission will file might prejudice the report. He stated the report will be in the hands of Louis Marshall and Dr. Lee K. Frankel, one of the American members of the Jewish Agency commission, and

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and, when necessary, sacrifices for accomplishing the task facing the Zionist movement.

The statement declares that the Zionist Executive took office under difficult circumstances but it is confident that the task can be successfully performed if it will have the steady and determined support of all to whom the building of a Jewish Palestine is dear. The vital task of the new Executive is consolidation and expansion. The first obligation the new Executive has assumed is that of balancing the budget and introducing such changes and economies which are necessitated by the present financial conditions and the dictates of efficiency.

"The new Executive represents no party and will serve no other purpose but the welfare of the Jewish Palestine as a whole; it will be governed by no prepossessions and will be free from bias. Therefore, the Executive expects the generous cooperation of all elements of the movement. If decisions will be made which call for sacrifices, the Executive is entitled to ask for the support and cooperation of all, including those of whom the sacrifice is required," the statement declares.

"Palestine must in the first instance be called upon for self-abnegation, but because of the fact that Palestine will ultimately enjoy the fruits of these sacrifices, the Executive is confident that Palestine will give it a generous measure of cooperation.

"The problem of unemployment is grave and urgent. Special financial efforts are being made and nothing will be spared within the limits of financial stability to mitigate the sufferings caused by unemployment. The spiritual values of the Jewish National Home are as dear to the new Executive as they were to any of its predecessors. It will preserve them inviolate.

"The Zionists of the Diaspora have also a duty to perform. They must provide the means for accomplishing the task with which they have entrusted the Executive. While inviting

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Booklet Describes World-Wide Service  
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A booklet entitled, "J. T. A. its function, its importance and service to American Jewry," by William Z. Spiegelman will be off the press in a few days.

Describing the history, the scope and character of the work of the only Jewish news agency in existence, the booklet tells a graphic story of how Jewish news is gathered and distributed. It presents the background of the world-wide service and demonstrates the manifold directions in which the Jewish Telegraphic Agency extends its usefulness.

A chapter dealing with the function of the American branch, states:

One aspect of the American branch of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency is of particular interest to American Jews.

A superficial knowledge of Jewish history suffices one to know that the centers of Jewish life in the past two thousand years have been shifting from empire to empire and from state to state as the trend of mankind's history proceeded. Observers of Jewish life in the Post-War period have reached the conclusion that the cultural, religious

oversky, who were waiting below for a train. Ruskin came down from the pole and asked the two: "Are you Jews?" When Bichowsky replied, "Yes, and if so, what of it?" Ruskin took out his knife and attacked them. Vilensky died within two hours.

When Ruskin was arrested several of the station officials attempted to establish that he was drunk, but the murderer was indignant at this and stated, "No. I was sober and I killed these Jews consciously. My only regret is that they were two instead of ten."

The death of Vilensky, who was a scion of the family of the famous Geditschev Rabbi, Levi Itzhok, caused wide mourning in the Far Eastern Jewish community. The Chailar Jewish community sent the body of the victim to Harbin where the funeral was held on July 14. General mourning was proclaimed by the community and all Jewish stores and shops were closed for the day.

Leaders of the Jewish community in Harbin submitted a memorandum to the Chinese Governor General concerning the increased anti-Semitic propaganda of the Russian monarchists. The murder was traced to the anti-Semitic propaganda conducted by the Russian monarchist press. Four distinctly anti-Semitic, appear in Harbin.

and philanthropic center of Jewish life has been transferred to America.

The American Jewish community numbering close to four million, emerging from the initial stages of adjustment to the environment of the New World, is today the leading Jewish community in the world. All projects, all plans, all ideas, depend for their success or failure on the support of American Jewry. The eyes of the Jews of the world are focussed on the Jewish activities of American Jews. The precarious position in which many Jewish communities in Europe, Asia and Africa have found themselves following the World War, is due to the fact that they could not find, as speedily as necessary, the formula of adjustment which became essential due to the fundamental changes in the structure of the commonwealth with the changes wrought by the cataclysm.

The strides in the direction of cultural, economic and social adjustment made by American Jewry in the past decades is of tremendous constructive value to the Jews of the world.

The manner in which American Jews have coped with the problem of social service, their incomparable contribution toward social welfare through the Federation system, their helpfulness in introducing into American life the Community Chest idea, their unparalleled per capita contribution to philanthropic causes, their world wide interest in humanitarian effort, their attempt at solving the Jewish education problem, their contributions to the economic upbuilding of the Republic, their leadership in civic affairs—are an outstanding example to Jews and non-Jews the world over, which, if properly known and emulated, would solve many perplexing problems of the so-called national religious or ethnic minorities.

Since the principle of religious and personal liberty was incorporated into the Declaration of Independence, America has become the world's leader not only in reiterating this ever-renewed principle, but in including it as an integral part of the basic law and by making the government the guardian for its application.

Max J. Kohler, prominent New York attorney, in a conclusive study submitted recently to the Jews, showed in detail how America influenced Europe in embracing this principle. The spirit of equal opportunity to all men, the principle of fair play, the total lack of discrimination against Jew so far as the branches of the government are concerned, the atmosphere of American life comparatively free from anti-Semitism — equipping the Jew with freedom in all branches of life and receiving in exchange most valuable contributions in all fields of human endeavor—is an inspiring tale which is daily broadcast to all parts of the world

CHINESE COURT SENTENCES  
RUSSIAN TO LIFE IMPRISON-  
MENT FOR MURDERING JEW  
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Harbin, Oct. 4.—Life imprisonment to be spent in penal servitude was the sentence imposed by the Chinese court on Ruskin, a Russian who murdered Levi Isaac Vilensky, a Jewish refugee from Russia, and seriously injured his brother-in-law M. Bichowsky, at the railway station Chailar because they spoke Yiddish to each other.

Ruskin confessed in court that he never saw Vilensky or Bichowsky before and that he killed them just because they were Jews. Great interest was displayed on the part of the Jewish community of Harbin in the trial and by the Russian colony consisting chiefly of former officers of the White Army who exercised their influence in an attempt to secure an acquittal for Ruskin, formerly a member of the monarchist army.

The attack on Vilensky and his brother-in-law, who was associated with him in his railway contracting work, was made at the railway station of Chailar, where there is a Jewish community of about 100 families. Chailar is a center where many former monarchist officers of the armies of Attaman Semionow Kalmikow and Anenkov have found refuge and where they continue their pogrom agitation.

Ruskin, who was employed as an electrician was on a telephone pole repairing wires near the Chailar railway station. He overheard a conversation in Yiddish between Vilensky and Bich-

## WARBURG AND BROWN INVITE PROMINENT LEADERS TO ATTEND CHICAGO CONFERENCE

Agenda of Two-Day Deliberations Includes Reports by Marshall, Rosen, Kahn, Baerwald, Becker; Meeting To Be Known As "Constructive Relief Conference"

Prominent leaders of national and local Jewish communal and philanthropic activities in practically every city of the nation have received invitations to attend the Constructive Relief Conference of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Jewish Campaign to be held in Chicago Oct. 22 and 23.

The call to the conference was signed by Felix M. Warburg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, and David A. Brown, national chairman of the United Jewish Campaign, and read:

"A Constructive Relief Conference has been called under the auspices of the United Jewish Campaign and the Joint Distribution Committee, in the City of Chicago on Saturday evening, October 22nd, and Sunday, October 23rd.

"This Conference, through the courtesy of the Chicago leaders, is to be held at the new Standard Club, considered architecturally one of the finest buildings in Chicago and acknowledged generally to be the finest club building in America.

"This Conference has been called the Constructive Relief Conference because it is our hope that the reports to be made

by the service of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

This service brings the name of America into every distant corner of the world. Jewish leaders in all countries eagerly absorb the description of events in America, the achievements of American Jews, their large-scale plans to alleviate human suffering, the co-operation of non-Jewish Americans in these endeavors, the attitude of the United States government in this matter, the growth of the Jewish communities, the results of Jewish research, the conclusions of Jewish studies, the spirit of helpfulness and understanding which prevails.

Due to the efforts of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, no detail of this absorbing story, standing out unique in the history of the Jews, is lost to Jewish readers in all parts of the world. In the service of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency it is not subjected to the perchance picking up which must unavoidably be marked by inaccurate translations, distortions and misunderstandings.

The American branch of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency tells the majestic story, daily, through trained, efficient writers and observers of life, thoroughly familiar with international conditions, thus preventing the possibility of American events being viewed through "European" eyes and European events being viewed through "American" eyes, guarding the proportion and the color of the occurrences described.

will be of such a nature that they will evidence the constructive angles of our work and in addition will show conclusively how our temporary relief has been blended in with our constructive effort.

"Complete reports will be made by Felix M. Warburg, Herbert H. Lehman, Paul Baerwald and David A. Brown, covering the activities of the United Jewish Campaign and the Joint Distribution Committee.

"James H. Becker of Chicago who, in the company of Mr. Warburg, visited the Jewish agricultural settlements in Russia, will report his observations and impressions, and Mr. E. M. Newman, the noted travelogue lecturer, who visited Russia this summer and is the first man to bring out uncensored pictures covering every phase of Russian life, has agreed to show those pictures that cover the Jewish colonies and give a brief talk on his impressions from actual contact with the Jewish settlers there.

"Dr. Joseph A. Rosen who took the last conference by storm with his recital of the work in Russia and the part that it has played in the rebuilding of thousands of lives in that country, has been prevailed upon to remain in the country until this conference, so that he may report in person on the accomplishments of our agricultural program up to date.

"Dr. Morris D. Waldman, President of the National Conference of Jewish Social Service, who lately was sent into Poland as the personal representative of your National Chairman to make a study of the social, economic and political situation of the Jews in Poland, will return in time to present up to the minute conditions of the Jews in that country where many millions of our funds have been spent during the past years.

"While it will be impossible for Dr. Bernhard Kahn, our European Director, to be with us in person because of the necessity of his remaining in Europe at this time, yet his detailed report concerning the activities of the Joint Distribution Committee throughout Eastern Europe will be presented at this Constructive Relief Conference.

"Mr. Louis Marshall who, throughout all of the years has played a most important part in the raising of funds through the collecting agencies and the distribution of these funds through the Joint Distribution Committee, has once more agreed to present the problems of both organizations covering the work of the present and that of the near future.

"Last but not least—the program of his Conference has been so arranged as to allow sufficient time for reports to be presented in person by our State Chairmen, State Treasurers and by the leaders of our campaigns in all parts of the country.

"Those of us who have been living

## TURKEY NOT EMBARKING ON ANTI-JEWISH COURSE. JUSTICE MINISTER SAYS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Oct. 4.—The Turkish Minister of Justice, Achmed Zaki, who passed through here on his way to Central Europe denied in a press interview today that the Turkish authorities or the Turkish people are planning a campaign of persecutions against the Jews in the country.

"It is true that words hostile to Jews on one side and expressions unfriendly to Turks on the other were uttered and that skirmishes occurred but it is ridiculous to assert that Turkey is embarking upon a course of anti-Semitic action," he declared.

"The contrary is true. Turkey, of all the countries in the world, is the most friendly to the Jews. This was proven by the procedure of the Turkish administration of justice in the recent trial of nine Jews in connection with the funeral of the Jewish girl, Elsa Niego," the minister stated.

## KERENSKY PLANNED JEWISH CORPS TO FIGHT BOLSHIEVIK REVOLUTION, ARCHIVES SHOW

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Leningrad, Oct. 4.—A Jewish corps in the Russian army consisting of volunteers was planned by Alexander Kerensky in the first days of the fight between the Mensheviks and the Bolsheviks prior to the fall of the republican regime. This disclosure was made by the Soviet authorities here on the basis of documents found in the military archives.

The corps was planned as a part of the military force which was to be created to fight the Bolshevik revolution. Joseph Trumpeldor, the Palestine Jewish pioneer who died a heroic death in defense of Gallilee was to have been the chief of staff of the Jewish corps.

The first organization of Jewish university graduates to be formed in Montreal was started in the incorporation of the University Lodge of the Zionist Order of B'nai B'rith. The purpose of the society is to bring together the men who graduate from the university with a view to holding discussions of communal Jewish problems.

and working close to the United Jewish Campaign and the Joint Distribution Committee realize that the Constructive Relief Conference will be, without question, as important a gathering of Jewish men and women as has ever been held in the history of America.

"Because of the significance of this Conference we believe that it is your duty to set aside the 22nd and 23rd of October as a special contribution to the work of these two organizations, about which Herbert Hoover said that 'it has accomplished the greatest piece of human engineering in the history of any people.'"

## MIZRACHI WILL LAUNCH CAMPAIGN FOR \$500,000

The Mizrahi Organization of America will launch a campaign to raise \$500,000 for the support of the religious institutions in the settlements and colonies in Palestine and the institutions of the Mizrahi workers organization in Palestine, it was announced yesterday.

For this purpose a delegation headed by the Mizrahi world leader, Rabbi Meyer Berlin, will come to America in November. The delegation will open the campaign in New York City and will visit the larger Jewish communities of this country.

The decision to create a special fund to provide for the religious needs of the new Yishub and the maintenance of the Mizrahi agricultural and educational activities in Palestine was adopted at the party conference in Basle as a result of the present inability of the other Zionist funds to make the necessary provision for the religious institutions. Similar campaigns will be conducted in other countries.

A conference of orthodox congregations of the Eastern States was called by the Mizrahi to consider ways of organizing Orthodox congregations for the upbuilding work in Palestine. The conference will be held in New York, November 27th.

## JEWISH AGENCY EXPERTS RETURN FROM PALESTINE

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the Zionist Organization within a week or two.

The Commission was greeted at the pier by Elihu D. Stone, president of the New England Zionist Region, Dr. Maurice B. Hexter, Robert Silverman and Mendel N. Fisher. The members of the commission left immediately for Washington.

The report, it was stated, will embrace a survey of the colonization activities in Palestine. It will also cover recommendations for the extension and improvement of agricultural activities with special bearing on economic problems. A special part of the report will be filed with Secretary of Agriculture Jardine.

The members of the commission were gratified at the assistance given them by all concerned in Palestine. They will meet in Washington this week to complete their report.

Radio messages were received by the commission while still on board the President Adams from Louis Marshall and the Zionist Organization.

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## OBSERVANCE OF YOM KIPPUR BEGINS TONIGHT AT SUNDOWN

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, will be ushered in tonight at sundown.

The Day of Atonement brings home with great emphasis and force the doctrine of sin and repentance, which is the basic principle of all religions. Just as the birth of the altruistic spirit marked the point of departure between man and animal, so the development of the doctrine of repentance marks a turning point in the history of the human race. Judaism has canonized this moment of history which saw the birth of new hope for human progress.

Judaism holds that man has the God-given power of repentance. Fate plays no part in man's life. The Day of Atonement gives eloquent testimony to this fundamental doctrine of Judaism, since it visualizes the fact that the doors of repentance are ever open.

The Day of Atonement is the supreme holy day of the Jewish religion. It touches the heart of all the Jews and exercises upon them an influence unapproached by any of their other important holy days. It is, above all others, the one day on which they lay aside their earthly affairs in order to spend a day of devotion in the House of God amid fasting and prayer.

The Jewish Daily Bulletin will not appear tomorrow in deference to the Holy Day.

## LEAGUE UNION TO DISCUSS ROMANIA-JEWISH QUESTION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Sofia, Oct. 4.—The Jewish question in Roumania will be discussed at the general council of the International Union of League of Nations Societies which will open here October 7.

This point is one of the first on the agenda of the Council. Another question of interest to Jews is the report on the proposed international legislation for the category of stateless. The Hungarian Premier, Lajpacher, will attend the council sessions.

Pope Plus received Charles A. Levine in special audience in the small throne room of the Vatican on Monday, Oct. 3.

Levine was accompanied only by M. Wrangel, a nephew of the Russian General Baron Wrangel, who is serving as his social secretary.

The Pope said he was greatly pleased to greet the trans-Atlantic flier and then blessed Levine, his family and all future flights.

Levine on entering the Pontiff's presence, the Associated Press reports, bent his knee and kissed the papal hand. He told the Pope the honor of having received was the greatest he had ever experienced.

Levine's reception in the small throne room of the Vatican marked the first time any American has been received in this room without conforming to the rigid dress regulations of the Vatican.

He went bareheaded from his hotel to the audience wearing the same blue business suit in which he flew to Europe.

## HEBREW UNION COLLEGE ANNUAL IS PUBLISHED

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Cincinnati, Oct. 3.—The fourth volume of the Hebrew Union College Annual has just been published, according to announcement made by the Department of Synagogue and School Extension of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. It contains sixteen articles prepared by scholars in various parts of the world. Seven contributions are in German and one in Hebrew, the others in English.

The volume was edited by a Board of Editors of which Rabbi David Philipson is chairman. Associated with him on the Board are Drs. H. G. Enelow, Jacob Z. Lauterbach, Jacob Mann, Julian Morgenstern and William Rosenau.

## DR. WEIZMANN ARRIVES IN JERUSALEM TODAY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 4.—Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, is expected to arrive here on Wednesday. Following his visit here Dr. Weizmann will proceed to South Africa in November.

## New Zionist Executive Issues Statement on Policy

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The cooperation of every element of the Jewish people, the new Executive will strive likewise for cooperation with the administrative authorities responsible under the mandate for the government of Palestine and the promotion of the establishment of the Jewish National Home. The Executive believes that it is assured of sympathetic support and understanding from the British and Palestine governments."

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