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MANY JEWS IN VIENNA LEAVE FOLD DURING HIGH HOLIDAYS; MOVEMENT CAUSES ANXIETY

**Influence of Anti-Religious Campaign
Seen as Cause**

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Oct. 7.—A considerable increase in the number of those who leave the Jewish community was observed during the High Holiday season. The Austrian law requires a formal declaration by every citizen as to whether or not he wishes to belong to the religious community.

The movement away from the community is causing anxiety among Jewish leaders here. Hundreds of individuals, including whole families, as well as some who were born in America but who have come here, have deserted Judaism.

In some circles the movement is ascribed to the influence of the anti-religious campaign carried on recently by the social democrats.

TAKE STEPS TO COMBAT RISING SUICIDE EPIDEMIC AMONG JEWS IN POLAND

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Oct. 7.—Measures to stop the wave of suicides among Polish Jews which has recently increased to alarming proportions are planned by communal leaders here.

Figures show that during the first half of the year 1927, 140 Jewish suicides were recorded in the city of Warsaw. These included children, some as young as ten years. Scarcely a day passes without a Jewish suicide in Poland. The number of suicides has grown to six times that of the pre-war period.

The Toz, society for the protection of the health of the Jewish population, plans to establish offices in the large towns, where those driven to despair may ask for assistance. The authorities will be asked to increase the number of homes for persons affected by mental diseases.

NEW PALESTINE CURRENCY WILL BE RELEASED ON NOV. 1

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 7.—The new Palestine currency, which will replace the Egyptian and the Turkish pound, will be introduced on November 1. A proclamation by the Palestine government made public today in the official Gazette sets the date for inauguration of the new currency for November 1.

HENRIETTA SZOLD BACK FROM BASLE; DISCUSSES OUTCOME OF CONGRESS

**Expects More Cooperation on the
part of American Jews**

Miss Henrietta Szold, American member of the Jerusalem triumvirate, arrived in New York Wednesday on the steamer "De Grasse."

"I am certain that the Jews of America, particularly those who have contributed to the Palestine funds in previous years, will cooperate with us now that American Zionists have been given a great share in the administration of Zionist affairs in Palestine. Failure at this moment is unthinkable," Miss Szold stated.

Miss Szold expressed satisfaction with the results of the Fifteenth Zionist Congress and with the achievements of the American Zionist delegation. "However," she said, "it would not do any harm for American Zionists to create a special fund for sending its delegates to the congresses. Such a fund would enable us to have delegates who are well versed in Zionist affairs and who would remain at the congress until the business is finished."

GROUP OF MOSCOW JEWS LEAVES CITY FOR LAND

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Oct. 7.—Another group of Jewish inhabitants of Moscow abandoned city life to settle on the land in Crimea. The group consists of 30 families numbering 127 persons.

Leaders of several synagogues in Moscow and other towns proposed to the Ozet, the society for settling Jews on the land, that the million rouble campaign of the society be aided by the sale of lottery tickets on the eve of Yom Kippur. The society declined to accept this proposal.

EMIGRATION FROM POLAND TO PALESTINE CONTINUES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Oct. 7.—Jewish emigration from Poland to Palestine continued during the month of September.

According to figures made public today 89 Jews left for Palestine during last month.

Warsaw, Oct. 5.—The Jews were the group which supplied the largest number of emigrants from Poland to overseas countries during the year 1926, according to figures published by the Emigration

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POLISH GOVERNMENT IN- SISTS ON WITHDRAWING CONCESSIONS FROM JEWS

**Finance Ministry Proceeds Despite
Assurances of Government**

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Oct. 7.—The question of the withdrawal of the concessions on monopolized articles from Jewish concessionaires, long threatening the economic existence of many Jewish families, is again becoming acute as December 31 draws near.

Notwithstanding assurances given by the government to Jewish leaders that the concessions will not be withdrawn, the Ministry of Finance insists on carrying out the withdrawal of concessions for the sale of alcohol and spirits. The Ministry refuses to prolong the stay beyond December 31.

In several instances the local authorities permit the spirit dealers to retain their shops by taking Polish war invalids as partners. According to the ordinance enacted by the Sejm, the concessions are to be withdrawn from the present holders and given to the war invalids. But in no case has a Jewish war invalid been proposed as a partner for the Jewish concessionaires.

The Jewish deputies in the Polish parliament intend to take up the matter with the government.

HITLER MOVEMENT GIVEN FINANCIAL SUPPORT BY FOREIGN ORGANIZATIONS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 7. — The anti-Semitic movement in Germany in recent years received the support of anti-Semitic organizations in France, Switzerland and Czechoslovakia, according to the findings of a special committee of the Bavarian diet.

The committee was appointed to investigate the background of the Hitler organization in connection with the trial of Adolph Hitler in May 1923. The evidence also shows that the movement was supported by several of the industrial leaders in the Rhine region. No account of the monies received was ever rendered by Hitler.

The question of whether financial support was received by the German anti-Semitic movement from Henry Ford was not cleared up. According to the testimony of witnesses Ford at one time met with the former editor-in-chief of the "Voelkischer Beobachter," the chief organ of the German anti-Semites.

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SCHWARTZBARD ACCUSATION ACT GLORIFIES PETLURA

The contents of the act of accusation against Shalom Schwartzbard, slayer of Petlura, were published in the London Yiddish paper, "Die Zeit," according to a cable to the "Jewish Morning Journal."

In the act of accusation, the French state attorney depicts Petlura as "a great personage, a Ukrainian patriot, a man of honest and moral purposes." The act, the report states, seeks to glorify Petlura's name, declaring that it is unthinkable that such a noble person as Petlura should have arranged or tolerated anti-Jewish pogroms. Schwartzbard is depicted in the act as a man without ideals.

Schwartzbard was given a disciplinary punishment of three days on bread and water because the prison authorities found a newspaper in his cell.

SCHIFF AND KAHN HONORED BY JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Tokio, Oct. 7.—Mortimer H. Schiff and Otto H. Kahn of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., New York, are among the American bankers who have been awarded decorations by the Emperor of Japan.

Mr. Schiff was awarded the second class order of the Sacred Treasure and Mr. Kahn, Third Class Order of the Rising Sun.

Rabbi Henry Joseph Berkowitz, associate rabbi of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Kansas City, Missouri, has accepted the offer of Congregation Beth Israel, Portland, Oregon to be its rabbi.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY SENDS GREETINGS TO TORONTO UN- IVERSITY ON CENTENNIAL

Fitch to Present Parchment In Behalf
of Hebrew University
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Montreal, Oct. 7.—Louis Fitch, vice-president of the Canadian Zionist organization, will represent the Hebrew University at the centennial celebrations of the University of Toronto, which takes place this week. Mr. Fitch has received a request from the governing body of the University to go to Toronto as its representative. He will take with him a parchment on which the official greetings of the Hebrew University are extended to the Canadian university.

The greetings, which are in Hebrew, read as follows:

"To the distinguished Governors of the University of Toronto:

"This festival, with which the University of Toronto is celebrating the hundredth anniversary of its foundation, comes as glad tidings to all who revere wisdom and esteem knowledge.

"At the Centenary, the University may look back with pride on 100 years of continuous growth, during which the influence of its knowledge and wisdom has spread throughout the length and breadth of Canada.

"On this joyous occasion we would ask you to accept our sincerest wishes and heartfelt blessing—the blessing of the youngest among universities, a university which is doing pioneer work for the spiritual revival of the New Palestine in Jerusalem, the Holy City, mankind's spiritual centre, to an elder sister, who has behind her a century of fruitful work in the cause of knowledge and research in Canada, the New Country beyond the seas.

"It is our earnest prayer that the years which lie before your University may be years of continued expansion and prosperity, years in which you may further contribute, in peace and concord, to the glory of learning. May your house be blessed and may the fruit of your labors add to the honor of your nation and the pride of your land."

The document bears the signature of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, on behalf of the Board of Governors.

Ottavus Cohen, sixty-eight, prominent attorney of Charleston, S. C. and father of Ottavus Roy Cohen, short story writer, died on Thursday.

Mr. Cohen was born in Montgomery, Ala. He founded the Charleston Sunday budner. He was at one time editor of the Charleston World. Since 1902 he had practiced law in Charleston.

Under the name of the Jewish Community of Ventnor, N. J. a congregation was organized there and held its first services this week.

The chairman of the congregation is Emanuel Hyron and Glickman is secretary.

Plans have been adopted for the erection of a synagogue.

GERMAN JEWISH BODY TO COMBAT ANTI-SCHECHEITA MOVEMENT IN GERMANY

Agitation Renewed in Thuringia; Diet
Hears Report

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 7.—The Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith has started a campaign to fight the movement which is being carried on in Germany to bring about the prohibition of Shechita in connection with this movement Chief Rabbi Dr. Carlebach and Herr Aron Schwerner, Synagogue of the Central Union, addressed a public meeting attended by nearly a thousand people at the High School in Hamburg.

Dr. Carlebach said that the Jewish religion forbade all forms of cruelty to animals. Judaism prohibited the hunting of animals for sport. Judaism provided a day of rest for animals as well as for human beings. This spirit also dominates the Jewish laws of slaughtering animals for food. Shechita was the most humane form of killing. All experts agreed that the incision resulted in the animal immediately losing consciousness and that what some imagined to be movements by the animal after the incision were really only reflexes.

The movement to prohibit Shechita, Dr. Carlebach said, was inspired not so much by love of the animals as by the desire to curtail the liberties of the Jewish population. It was that which had to be fought.

Herr Schwerner said that there was a grave danger of Shechita being prohibited in Bavaria, unless something happened to prevent it at the last moment.

The Nationalists were moving resolutions for the prohibition of Shechita not only in all the Parliaments of the German States but in all the Parliaments of Europe. The Municipal Councils of the larger cities were being turned into battlegrounds for anti-Semitic agitation by the expedient of introducing resolutions to prohibit Shechita. It was undeniably a new manifestation of anti-Semitism and must be fought as such, he declared.

(G. T. A. Mail Service)

Berlin, Sept. 23.—The question of the prohibition of Shechita came up in the Thuringian Diet yesterday. Deputy von Bassewitz, who reported on behalf of the Commission, appointed to consider the question, said that the Jena Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals held that the killing of animals without their being stunned previously was cruel and should in its opinion not be tolerated any longer. Article 135 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic, however, guaranteed to all citizens the unrestricted exercise of their religion, and since the question of Shechita was to be raised also in other German States, he proposed that no definite attitude should be adopted on the question for the present, but that the Diet should confine itself to transmitting the memorandum of the Society for the Pre-

ZIONIST OPPOSITIONAL GROUPS RENEW ACTIVITY (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 7.—The Federation of Radical Zionists has decided to establish a Central Bureau in Berlin under the direction of Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Dr. Max Soloveitschik.

A Central Committee has been elected consisting of Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Dr. Soloveitschik, Deputy Isaac Gruenbaum, Mr. Abraham Polischewski, Dr. Mayer Klumel, Deputy Dr. Hartel, and Deputy Dr. Schipper, Poland; Robert Stricker, Dr. Leo Goldhammer and Dr. Israel Waldmann, Austria; Dr. Emil Margulies, Czechoslovakia; Deputy Dr. A. Insler Galicia; Dr. Marcus Kraemer, Bukovina; Dr. L. Mizrach, Roumania; and Dr. I. Wilenski and Dr. Derachyah, Palestine.

It has been decided to start publication of an organ in German of the Radical Zionist Federation.

CITY'S ASPECT CHANGED AS YOM KIPPUR IS OBSERVED

The whole aspect of New York City was changed on Thursday when Yom Kippur was observed.

During the twenty-four hours from sunset Wednesday to the blowing of the Shofar traffic on the streets and transportation lines seemed to lessen almost by half. There were markedly fewer people on the streets. Amusement places in many districts were closed, as were business houses, factories and stores.

JACOB EPSTEIN RETURNS TO U. S.; WILL SETTLE HERE

Jacob Epstein, famous sculptor, who has been a resident in England for the last twenty-five years, returned to New York, the city of his birth, Friday on the steamer Berengaria.

It was stated that Mr. Epstein plans to remain in America permanently if any encouragement is offered for his work. An exhibition of his work will be given in New York and in Buffalo.

Sam L. Warner, Vice President of Warner Brothers Pictures, Inc., motion picture producers, died in Los Angeles on Wednesday.

Sam L. Warner was one of those who went into the motion picture business when it was in its infancy, and with his three brothers, Harry M., Albert M. and Jack, built up the producing and distributing firm known as Warner Brothers.

vention of Cruelty to Animals to the Government for its attention.

In the course of the debate which followed, the only National Socialist present in the House, Denuty Marschler, moved a resolution that Shechita should be prohibited forthwith. Deputy Dr. Kiess moved an amendment that the House pass to next business. Both the resolution and the amendment were defeated. The proposal of the Commission to transmit the memorandum to the Government for attention was approved.

FORM COMMITTEE TO AID WARSAW PATHOLOGICAL INSTITUTE; SEEK \$25,000

A committee for the support of the Jewish Pathological Institute of Warsaw was formed Tuesday night at a meeting held at the office of Dr. I. W. Held, 2 East 59th Street, New York. Dr. S. L. Gross of Mount Sinai Hospital, presided.

At the meeting Mr. Julian Szorjt, delegate of the Warsaw committee, presented the appeal of the committee for a fund to help complete the building. An initial sum of \$10,000 was given some time ago by the J. D. C. for the building.

The amount of \$25,000 will be required to complete the building. The meeting decided to seek ways and means of raising the amount required. The committee elected consists of Dr. I. W. Held, chairman, Dr. Gross, Dr. J. J. Golub, Dr. Bernard Sachs and Oscar S. Rossner.

Benjamin Winter, who was present, assured the committee of the cooperation of the Joint Distribution Committee in this undertaking.

JEWS GIVE LARGEST NUMBER OF EMIGRANTS FROM POLAND (Continued from page 1)

Office of the Polish government. During that year 49,893 persons emigrated as compared with 38,449 in 1925.

The statistics give detailed information as regards sex, nationality, and the occupation of the emigrants for every month except January. Of the total number of overseas emigrants 30,182 were men and 13,741 were women, the other 5,970 persons not being classified according to sex. Apart from 10,656 emigrants registered as being of no occupation and 9,847 whose occupation is not known, the principal trade groups represented among the Polish overseas migrants in 1926 were agricultural workers (19,377), industrial workers (6,536), commercial employees (1,093), and domestic servants (1,035).

Among the emigrants were 19,600 Jews, 13,757 Poles, 10,454 Ruthenians, 527 White Russians, and 418 Germans, no details being given concerning the other 5,128 persons.

The principal countries of destination of these emigrants were Canada (15,810), the Argentine Republic (44,425), followed by the United States (8,249), Palestine (6,840), Brazil (2,490), other American countries (1,491), and Australia (339). It is stated with reference to these figures that they underestimate the real situation and that the true figures of Polish and foreign emigrants leaving Poland in 1926 should be about 10,000 persons for the United States, 16,500 for Canada, 15,000 for the Argentine Republic, and 3,000 for Brazil.

The Polish provinces supplying the largest contingents of overseas emigrants in 1926 were Tarnopol (8,121), Lvov (7,123), and Warsaw (5,778).

CHARLES LEVINE MAY FACE \$500,000 SUIT ON HIS RETURN

Unless a settlement is effected out of court a civil suit against Charles A. Levine may be brought by the government to recover more than \$500,000 in connection with war contracts, it was declared at the Department of Justice, a dispatch from Washington to the Herald Tribune states. Counsel for Levine and government attorneys are attempting to effect a settlement without recourse to the courts.

The case against Levine grew out of freight charges on war surplus material which he sold for the government on commission, it was stated. The government's contention is that Levine deducted the freight charges out of the government share of the proceeds of the sale, and made no reduction from his share for transportation charges.

The Department of Justice has completed the documents for a civil suit to recover from Levine and had intended filing the action in the courts upon the return of the flyer to this country.

New York City will officially welcome Charles A. Levine upon his return from Europe late this month. Grover A. Whalen, Chairman of the Mayor's Reception Committee, stated. Levine is expected to sail for home on the Leviathan, Oct. 11.

There was some question whether Levine, who flew to Europe with Clarence D. Chamberlin in the Columbia, would be given an official reception. Mr. Whalen said there had been insufficient time to make plans for the Levine reception, but that there surely would be one.

"Levine will be welcomed in the manner which his accomplishment deserves," said Mr. Whalen.

It is understood that Levine will be welcomed by Mayor Walker at City Hall.

HEBRAISTS IN EASTERN EUROPE TO MEET IN RIGA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Oct. 7. — An attempt to strengthen the Hebraist movement in Eastern Europe will be made at a conference of Hebraists which will be held here on October 14. The conference will be presided over by Dr. Michelson.

Representatives of the Hebraist organization in Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia and Poland will attend. It is planned to establish a permanent bureau for the spread of Hebrew culture in the Baltic countries. It is also hoped that this movement will serve as a basis for a Hebrew world conference to be held in Jerusalem.

A gift of four concerts by the New York Philharmonic Society in the Newmark, N. J. public schools next spring, as part of the regular school curriculum, has been made by Mrs. Felix Gold. The four concerts are of the same type of children's concerts which have been presented at Aeolian Hall, New York. They will be directed by Ernest Schelling.

AMERICAN DELEGATION HAD NO PROGRAM AT BASLE CON- GRESS. GOLDBERG CHARGES

A different view of the proceedings of the Fifteenth Zionist Congress and the role of the American Zionist delegation was taken by Abraham Goldberg, whose address from the Administration Committee at the last Zionist convention in Atlantic City aroused considerable comment among certain groups of Zionists.

Mr. Goldberg, who returned to New York last week, declared in a statement he issued that "there was a great disappointment at the Zionist Congress when the American delegation, of which so much was expected and which was numerically the strongest of all the other countries, had no real program to follow. Had no real solution to the crisis that Palestine is facing and simply satisfied itself with demanding a few changes in the personnel, as well as in matters of economy. These demands were readily conceded, but as a program it appeared pure and poverty-stricken. It

seems to me that American Jews in general and the Zionists in particular have not yet realized the great role imposed upon them by destiny, that they are the guiding stars for the drifting Jewish ships. Our failure would not be a failure in one part of Jewry, but might mean extinguishing the hope of Jewry the world over.

"At the Zionist Congress in Basle the delegates were ready to receive any message the American delegation would impart and any solution they might offer.

"I do not want to speak ill of the delegation of which I was a member, but I must say in the interest of truth that what we had to offer in the nature of a solution to the great problems confronting our government was very skimpy and devoid of any comprehensive planning. We were more differently prepared to the next congress, for we want to save the prestige of this institution which was created by the best blood of our race. The last four congresses have not managed to raise this prestige. This congress was a disappointment in the ranks

Councillor Leo Lillenthal, one of the leaders of Liberal Jewry in Germany, died a few weeks before his seventieth birthday. He was for many years a syndicus of the Berlin Jewish community. In the last few years, he was a member of the Executive of the Federation of Jewish Communities in Prussia, where he took charge of the legal side of the work of amending the Jewish laws in Prussia of 1910 with a view to bringing about the formation of a Federation of Jewish Communities in the German Reich Republic.

The Philadelphia Federation of Jewish Charities will get \$104,000 by the will of Etienne Hano providing the testator's heirs do hairs. Other bequests are made to charity in it, which will dispose of an estate valued at \$1,047,000.

of Jewry. The congresses in the next years will be only when American Jewry will make them," Mr. Goldberg declared.

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