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CLEMENCY RECOMMENDED BY COURT IN GERMANY FOR MURDERER OF TWO JEWS Defendant Pleaded Act was Motivated by Patriotism.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 14. — Alois Klein, a German merchant of Neuhofwald, Upper Silesia, was sentenced to death by the court of Oppeln for the murder of two Jewish merchants, David Kirschbaum and Max Kegen in 1921.

The defendant, pleading guilty, offered the explanation that he killed the two Jewish coal merchants because he believed they were in sympathy with Poland in the dispute over the Upper Silesian territory. Two other persons who were implicated in the murder believed likewise, he declared. The others as well as he, belong to the German Self-defense body formed in Upper Silesia against the Polish invasion.

The court recommended clemency for the condemned man.

GERMANS OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY OF PREUSS'S DEATH

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 14 — The memory of Hugo Preuss, late German Jewish jurist and statesman, author of the Weimar draft of the constitution of the German Republic, was honored yesterday on the first anniversary of his death.

A guard of honor was stationed at the grave, which was visited by the members of the executive of the democratic party and of the Reichs-banner organization and other social and political societies. Wreaths bearing the Republican colors were placed on the grave.

DREYFUS CASE IS USED AS ARGUMENT FOR DEMOCRACY

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Mass., Oct. 14.—In the debate between Bertrand Russell, noted English philosopher and Professor Durant on the question: "Is Democracy a Failure?" which took place at Boston Symphony Hall, the Dreyfus case was brought up for discussion by both eminent thinkers.

Dr. Russell declared that it was in democratic France that the injustice was righted and would have been impossible if it was not for the democracy that prevailed in France, while Professor Durant insisted that the "Socialist party and the intellectuals," and not the people of France brought about the vindication of the Dreyfus case.

SCHWARTZBARD TRIAL BEGINS TUESDAY, PARIS COURT ANNOUNCES

One Hundred Witnesses To Be Heard; Baptized Jew Will Represent Petliura's Widow at Trial

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Paris, Oct. 14.—The trial of Sholom Schwartzbard, slayer of Semion Petliura, will begin Tuesday, October 18, the day when Shmuel Atzereth will be observed, according to an official announcement in the Paris court.

It was learned today that many synagogues in Paris will hold services for the victims of the Ukrainian pogroms at the memorial services on Tuesday.

Judge Flory will preside at the trial. The public prosecutor will be Raynard

Campink. The trial is expected to last until October 29.

The case is officially described as an assassination trial. In the court records Schwartzbard's first name is given as Samuel due to the mistake of the French officials at the time of his arrest. The demand for admittance to the courtroom is exceedingly high. In view of the limited space it is likely that many Jewish newspapers throughout the world will not be able to have their representatives admitted. The admittance cards are being distributed through the Paris Association of Foreign Correspondents.

The testimony of 100 witnesses is expected to be presented to the court. Czeslaw Poznansky, a Baptized Jew, attorney of Warsaw, arrived here today to represent Petliura's widow at the trial on the civil aspects of the case.

HEBREW TEACHERS MEET IN PITTSBURGH; TO FORM NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 14.—The convention of teachers and principals of Hebrew schools in the United States was opened here last night with fifty delegates present. The purpose of the convention as outlined by Dr. N. Tourof is to form a national Hebrew teachers and principals organization. The organization would have as part of its task to further the introduction of a uniform program of teaching in all Hebrew schools, to publish pedagogical periodicals and to attempt to familiarize parents with the aims of the Hebrew school. The organization would also participate in the Zionist movement and the Hebrew renaissance.

In welcoming the convention to Pittsburgh, Mr. Abrams, principal of the Pittsburgh Hebrew Institute, laid emphasis on the apparent change in the aspect of Jewish institutions in the United States. "The Synagogue and the temple are gradually losing influence," he asserted. "A supreme effort must be made to organize the educational forces in American Jewry," he urged. Dr. S. Feigin welcomed the convention on behalf of the Hebrew teachers' organization in Pittsburgh. The praesidium elected consists of Dr. N. Tourof, and Messrs. Abrams, Friedman, Chaggi and M. Halevi.

TWO BOYS HELD AS DESECRATORS OF JEWISH CEMETERY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 14.—Two boys, one 17 and the other 15, were arrested by the police of Gerolzhofen, Bavaria, charged with having desecrated the Jewish cemetery of that city. The older boy has a police record.

The Jewish community of Gerolzhofen had offered a reward of 300 marks for the apprehension of the vandals.

Berlin, Oct. 12.—Two more Jewish cemeteries were desecrated in Germany, according to reports received here.

The Jewish cemetery of Frankfurt was partly destroyed and a number of tombstones were demolished. On several of the tombstones Swastikas, the emblem of the Hakenkruetzer, were painted and the name, Judas Iscariot, was inscribed. Similar outrages were committed at the Jewish cemetery at Bockenheim.

BRANDES ARCHIVES PLACED IN DENMARK'S STATE LIBRARY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Copenhagen, Oct. 14 — The library and archives of Georg Brandes, late Danish Jewish writer and critic, was transferred to the state library in this city and installed in a special room assigned for that purpose. A bust of Brandes by Max Klinger was also placed in the room.

In the collection is all of the correspondence of the late critic, including letters to and from Nietzsche, Strindberg, Anatole France, Georges Clemenceau and Romain Rolland.

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THREE JEWS IN MEXICO ARRESTED FOR CONDUCT- ING RELIGIOUS SERVICES (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Laredo, Texas, Oct. 14.—L. Gurevitz, Samuel Saruk and Joseph Flantzman, who were arrested in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, for conducting services on the High Holidays in a private home, were ordered released by Secretary of State Tejada.

Nuevo Laredo has no synagogue and the three Jews, with 11 others gathered at the home of a Jewish resident of Nuevo Laredo to hold New Year services.

In the midst of the service four Mexican immigration officials entered and placed the three Jews who were leading the service under arrest.

Jews at Laredo, learning of the arrest, appealed to the embassy at Mexico City. The embassy refused to intervene.

LABOR FEDERATION FAVORS RESTRICTED IMMIGRATION (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Los Angeles, Oct. 10.—A policy of rigid restriction of immigration was favored by the American Federation of Labor when the Convention in session here approved the report of the Executive Council urging a restrictive immigration policy. The convention recommended that the Council watch carefully immigration developments in the next Congress and support any legislation for rigid restriction.

During the recent high holidays, 56 senior students of the Yeshiva, Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, preached in the synagogues of forty-eight communities throughout the country.

LOUIS LIPSKY SEES DANGER IN SEPARATE FUND RAISING EFFORTS OF ZIONIST GROUPS

Objections to the decision of several Zionist factions to launch separate campaigns in the United States during this winter were voiced by Louis Lipsky, president of the Zionist Organization of America.

In a message addressed by Mr. Lipsky to the sixteenth Poale Zion Labor Party convention now in session in Chicago, he points out the danger which is involved for the Palestine fund raising endeavor if such a course is pursued.

"The Poale Zion, aided by the Zeiri Zion, will this year devote themselves, I understand, to the Palestine Workers' Fund, which is intended to augment the financial support of workingmen's institutions and activities in Palestine," Mr. Lipsky said. "The public is probably also aware of the fact that the American Mizrahi intend this year also to appeal to the public for a fund of \$500,000, for the maintenance of Mizrahi institutions and activities in Palestine.

"This raises an interesting and disturbing question. At the Basle Congress a resolution was introduced by the center groups aiming to prohibit all parties represented in the Congress from raising separate funds for institutions and activities already provided for, in part, by the Keren Hayesod budget. The resolution was defeated by a combination of the Left, the Right and Radical delegates. The Poale Zion and Mizrahi are therefore within their legal rights in raising separate funds for institutions and activities in which they are especially interested. Nor can there be any question of the right of Hadassah, which maintains a Medical Organization in Palestine, to collect funds for the institution in which it is interested.

"What is the effect of this system? All responsibility for raising the funds of the Keren Hayesod in America devolves upon the U.P.A., which becomes, by reason of the devotion of the parties to their own separate funds the exclusive responsibility of the Zionist Organization of America," he said. "It is true that the parties will ask for representation on the U.P.A., which will doubtless be given to them, but what is the practical value of such representation if the membership of the parties will be absorbed in the collection of their own separate party funds? The result is bound to be the inevitable separation of the parties from the activities relating to the Keren Hayesod. In other words, the parties will aid in the framing of the Keren Hayesod budget of the Zionist Congress, but with the adjournment of the Congress, their obligations cease. There will thus arise three or four

TWENTY-TWO JEWISH COUN- CILLORS ARE ELECTED TO LODZ CITY GOVERNMENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Lodz, Oct. 12.—Twenty-two Jewish councillors were elected to the City Council of Lodz in the municipal elections concluded Monday. The Council consists of 75 members. The socialist party secured a majority.

Of the Jewish councillors elected, six represent the Jewish labor party Bund which received 13,993 votes; five the Agudath Israel which polled 11,367 votes; four the Zionist party which received 11,037 votes; three the Lehi Poale Zion with 7,076 votes; two representing the non-partisan Chassidic group which received 4,679 votes and two the Histadruth and the Voelkist party.

SIR PHILIP SASSOON IS ON A VISIT IN AMERICA

Sir Philip Sassoon, Under Secretary for Air of Great Britain, arrived in the United States on Thursday on the steamer Mauretania.

Sir Philip said he was here on a private visit, and that after stopping for a few days in New York he would go to Washington. He will make a tour of the flying fields of the United States.

Newman Goldstein of Niagara Falls, N. Y., was appointed chairman of the local harbor board. He has undertaken to pilot through the newly established Port Authority of the Niagara Frontier, a water way on the upper Niagara river sufficient to meet requirements of large vessels of great tonnage. Mr. Goldstein is cooperating with Senator Charles Frieburg, chairman of the Port Authority committee.

Among the candidates for alderman endorsed for election by the Citizans Union in its recommendations to voters made public yesterday are the names of Ray F. Zucker, Anna Ingelman, Milton C. Baldrige, Joseph Reich, Sadie E. Rivkin and J. Irving rier.

distinct separate Zionist Organizations in America, with only one of them discharging to the full its obligations to the funds established by the Zionist Congress.

"The time has come for a discussion of plans for the unification of the Zionist movement in America. A form of such unification is found in Germany. Just as all parties are bound together in the Zionist Congress, the decisions of which are accepted as authoritative and final, so too, with proper safeguards for parties, an all-inclusive American Zionist Organization should be formed with proper consideration of the rights of parties. Unless something of this sort is done, we shall soon be involved in rivalry and competition to the detriment of all Zionist interests," Mr. Lipsky declared.

HUNGARIAN MAYORS PAY TRIBUTE TO JEWISH CITIZENS ON HIGH HOLIDAYS

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

Budapest, Sept. 25.—Mayors of several Hungarian towns have issued messages to the Jewish population in connection with the High Holidays, in which they speak highly of the services rendered by Jewish citizens to Hungary and of their patriotism to their fatherland.

The Lord Mayor of Budapest, Dr. Franz Ripka, writes: "The energies maintained by the Jews in the face of indescribable difficulties for centuries past represent values which must stand high in the eyes of all who look at facts with a sober eye. The Hungarian nation, too, is passing at present through a very serious crisis. I am convinced that the Hungarian Jews can render great service to the fatherland if their abilities are placed at the disposal of the national cause."

In his message Dr. Koloman Bencs, the mayor of Nyiregyhazs, declares: "According to the records of our town, the first Jewish merchant to settle here after the re-settlement of the town in 1753, came in 1840. Since that time to the present day, the Jewish population has lived in complete harmony and in the best relations with the rest of the population. They fought together with us in the War of Liberty of 1848, suffered with us in the terrible epoch of absolutism, hoped with us in the revival of the sixties and worked with us in the development and beautification of our town."

Mayor Alexander Hodobay of Miskolc declared: "The Jewish citizens of the town of Miskolc, our records show, fought with us in the War of Liberty of 1848, and in the Great War, proving their patriotism by laying down their lives and shedding their blood."

The Mayor of Kaposbar, Dr. Georg Veteck, stated: "Of the patriotism of the Jews of Kaposbar, I want to say that as in every other town, the Jews in our town gave their heroes who fell on the field of honor."

SOUTH AFRICAN ZIONISTS SEND \$50,000 TO PALESTINE

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

Johannesburg, Sept. 8.—A cable was received by the Executive Council of the South African Zionist Federation from the South African Delegation at the Zionist Congress in Basle, conveying the urgent request of Dr. Weizmann and Mr. Sokolow that an immediate extraordinary remittance of £10,000 be sent to the Keren Hayesod.

The Federation took immediate action and as a result the amount mentioned has been forwarded by cable to the Keren Hayesod headquarters.

CHAMPIONS KOL NIDRE TEXT.

(Communication to the Editor)

Sir:

I read with much interest, the recent action of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, and that of my dear friend and teacher, Prof. Mordecai Kaplan, in reference to the substitution of the 130th Psalm for the traditional Kol Nidre on the eve of Yom Kippur service.

It may interest you to know that in our congregation, which is one of the old and very large Reform congregations of America, we have reintroduced the traditional Kol Nidre, (melody and words) in place of the hymn "Oh Come Day of God" which the Union Prayer Book substituted for it. And we did it, not because we believe in the ritual formula which the Aramaic Kol Nidre prayer expresses, but rather because especially on Yom Kippur we wish our congregation to feel a sense of unity with Catholic Israel—to use one of Dr. Shechter's pet phrases).

Certainly there is no Synagog melody and no prayer in our ritual, perhaps with the exception of the Shema Yisroel, which is better known to Jews the world over. And is it not camouflaging to sing the tune of Kol Nidre to the words of "O Come Day of God" or "M'ma Makim"? To separate the words of Kol Nidre from the melody is like trying to retain the soul without a body.

The Kol Nidre gives every Jew who hears it, a thrill, and makes him feel that he is at one with all Israel. In these days of "Pisur Hanefesh" and "Pisur Haut" we need to emphasize mostly the sense of Jewish religious unity and Jewish solidarity. It is true that the contents of the prayer do not express any "deep religious yearnings," but ought we not to consider as more important, what people read into a prayer rather than what they read out of it?

The Kaddish prayer is also couched in Aramaic, and when translated, does not begin to have the significance that the people read into the prayer. Yet the Kaddish has become one of the most important parts of our ritual service and helps to bring people not only back to religion, but back to the Synagogue, because of the associations and meanings which have become associated with the prayer in these many years. Would Dr. Kaplan suggest that we eliminate the Kaddish and substitute a psalm for it?

I fully appreciate Dr. Kaplan's efforts, but I fear me that he is making, in respect to what he did with the Kol Nidre, the same mistake that the early Reformers made—the mistake of overrationalizing and underestimating sentiment, not sentimentality. Kol Nidre should have a place in our Yom Kippur ritual, because of the beautiful sentiment which our people have associated throughout the ages with the prayer. The fact that the folk legend about the "Anusim" grew up around this prayer, is an illustration of the love which the people had for the prayer, and for their desire to retain it and give it meaning, after it had lost its original significance.

Experience familiar with the history of religion, and with the tendency of a people in their fondness for certain ceremonials, to constantly pour new wine into old bottles—to give new meanings to old forms—in order to continue the form. People are always more conservative than their leaders, and they are especially conservative in religion, because they associate the mys-

NEW CAMPAIGN OF GERMAN JEWISH ORGANIZATION HILFSVEREIN, OUTLINED

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

Berlin, Oct. 3.—The aims of the new campaign of the Hilfsverein der Deutschen Juden were explained at a press reception given by Dr. James Simon, president of the organization. Representatives of the German press as well as of newspapers abroad were present.

Dr. Simon stated that the Hilfsverein is now planning to again take up its reconstruction work on behalf of the Jews in Eastern Europe and also in the Orient. He spoke of the recent tour of inspection of the Jewish colonies in Russia made by Dr. M. Wischnitzer, General Secretary of the Hilfsverein.

Emigration to the Western and overseas countries has been replaced in Soviet Russia by an internal migration movement which was made necessary by the economic transformation through which the Jews are passing," Dr. Simon stated. "It is for the Jews of Russia a question of their very existence. The Agro-joint, the Ica and a number of other organizations are cooperating in this colonization work."

"The decision of the Hilfsverein to participate in the work has been received in Russia with gratification," Dr. Simon stated. "There are a number of activities which still have to be carried out in connection with the work. There is a lack of hospitals, ambulances, baths, schools, kindergartens and creches. It is also necessary to extend the workshops in the Jewish trade schools in towns. German technical science is able to help considerably in this respect," he declared.

In describing the work of the Hilfsverein, Dr. Simon sketched the history of the organization since its formation in 1901, dealing in particular with its political activities abroad and the relief work conducted during the war by the late Dr. Paul Nathan in association with Dr. Bernard Kahn. He described the model school organizations carried on at one time by the Hilfsverein in the Orient and the present work which consists mainly of emigrant aid, the maintenance and education of orphan children and assistance to foreign students.

tical, the intuitive, and if you plane, things of sentiment, with religion. To ignore and to deliberately run counter to this most natural tendency in the evolution of religion, is to say the least, a psychological blunder.

Let us apply more psychology and less logic in our efforts to reform Judaism.

Yours sincerely,
BARNETT R. BRICKNER,
Rabbi, English Ave. Temple
Cleveland, O., Oct. 10, 1927.

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STATISTICS ON JEWISH SUICIDES PUBLISHED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Oct. 14.—The Statistical Section of the Jewish Scientific Institute here has just issued figures giving the proportion of suicides among Jews.

In the year 1923, it states, the number of suicides for every hundred thousand Jews in Berlin was 68, in Budapest 48, in Vienna 45, in Warsaw, where the economic crisis caused an increase in the number of suicides, seventeen, and in Lodz 7 were recorded.

The number of Jewish suicides in Berlin was larger than the number of non-Jewish suicides. In 1925 there were 15 suicides for every hundred thousand Protestants and 32 suicides for every hundred thousand Catholics, while there were 68 suicides for every hundred thousand Jews.

The number of suicides among the Jews of Berlin has been increasing steadily since 1922. In 1922 there were 61 Jewish suicides in Berlin, in 1923 72, in 1924 96, and in 1925 117. In 1925 there were 215 Jewish suicides in the whole of Prussia, and 17 of these were in Berlin, which has 43 per cent. of the Jewish population of the country.

Hospitals and other public institutions, provided they accept the conditions laid down, will eventually receive the bulk of the estates of Henry Stern, formerly known as Jacob Stern, who died Oct. 2, under the terms of his will filed for probate in the Surrogates' Court.

The will establishes two trust funds of \$200,000 each, one for his sister, Ida Stern, and one for an old employee, Louis K. Zilberstein, of the Manchester, N. Y. Upon their deaths the principal is to be divided into seven parts: for the Montefiore Hospital, Home for Hebrew Infants, Educational Alliance, Hebrew Technical Institute, United Hebrew Charities, and the Hospital for Joint Diseases, all of New York, and the Sanatorium for Hebrew Children at Rockaway Park, N. Y. These bequests, however, hinge upon the next clause in the will, which says:

"Each institution (in case it is one in which physicians shall practice at any time) shall make a binding rule to the effect that any and all physicians at any time practicing for remuneration in the respective institutions shall be required to pay toward the maintenance and support of such institutions a sum of money equal to 10 per cent. of the gross fees which shall at any time be received by said physicians for services performed by them in said institutions."

If the seven legatees falling under this contingency fail to agree to this their bequests are to go to the Salvation Army, which receives \$100,000 outright.

Mrs. Rozalia Schwimmer was denied citizenship in the Federal District Court, Chicago. Her petition was denied by Judge George B. Cooper when Mrs. Schwimmer raised the question as to whether she would kill an enemy soldier of the United States by declaring "I would not kill a man even if he tried to kill me."

It was a negative answer to the question: "Would you bear arms for your country in case of war?" that

PALESTINE GOVERNMENT ISSUES REGULATIONS ON CHANGES OF RELIGION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 14.—A draft Ordinance to provide notifications of changes of Religious Community has been published in the "Official Gazette."

The Ordinance stipulates that if a person intends to change his Religious Community and desires legal effect given such change he shall obtain a certificate from the head of the Religious Community which he desires to enter to the effect that he will be received into that Community. He must signify his intention to the District Commissioner of the district in which he resides.

The District Commissioner, on being satisfied as to the identity of the applicant and on the production of a certificate from the head of the community which the applicant desires to enter, shall register the change of community and shall give the applicant a certificate of such registration. A copy of the certificate of registration shall be sent by the District Commissioner to the religious head of the Community which the applicant intends to enter and to the religious head of the Community to which he formerly belonged.

No change of Community of a person under the age of 18 years shall be deemed to have legal effect unless the consent of the parent or guardian of such person has been obtained and is communicated to the District Commissioner. If there is doubt as to the age of the person, the District Commissioner of the district in which he resides in consultation with the local religious authority of the Community which the applicant desires to leave, shall decide the matter.

A change of community duly registered under this ordinance shall not affect any liability of the person changing his community which was incurred by him prior to the registration of such change by the District Commissioner.

Any Ottoman Regulations and any Regulations or Notices issued by the Government of Palestine prior to the date of the entry into force of the new Ordinance concerning the change of Religious Community no longer has effect.

caused Mrs. Schwimmer's application to be denied by the Naturalization Bureau. From that ruling she appealed to the District Court.

An appeal immediately was taken to the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Funeral services were held on Monday for the late Miss Judith Solis Cohen, well known short story writer and journalist. Funeral services were conducted from the home of her parents, Rabbi Leon H. Elman, Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Mikveh Israel officiated. Interment was at the Mount Sinai Cemetery.

Judith Solis Cohen was a pioneer in Jewish literary work for the blind in this country.

For eleven years, she was editor of the women's page of the Jewish Exponent. She was the author of numerous short stories and novelettes.

ZIONISTS TO REORGANIZE MERGER PLAN

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Philadelphia, Pa. Oct. 14.—A complete reorganization of all Zionist activities in Philadelphia is scheduled to take place in the near future. The reorganization is in line with the resolution adopted at the last Zionist Convention calling for a merger of Zionist activities.

William B. Leaf of Philadelphia was appointed by Louis Lipsky, President of the Zionist Organization of America, to formulate a plan of reorganization which would be used as a model plan in all the Zionist regions in America.

After a study of two months, a plan was submitted by Mr. Leaf and his associates.

The plan calls for the merger of all Palestine endeavor in Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey and Delaware into one organization, Benjamin Schwartz, Executive Director of the Regional United Palestine Appeal is to be the Executive Director of the entire unit.

The plan provides that the Zionist Districts of Philadelphia shall remain as at present constituted enjoying its autonomous rights as guaranteed by the Constitution of the Zionist Organization of America.

I. Irving Lipsitch, Executive Director of the Federation of Jewish Welfare Organizations of Los Angeles, was appointed one of the members of the Campaign Council of Three of the Community Chests of that city. The other two members are the General Manager of the Chest and the Financial Secretary of the Orthopaedic Foundation. The Campaign Council has the responsibility for securing \$2,750,000 in the Campaign which will commence October 31, as the Minimum Substantial Budget for the support of 150 organizations.

An effort will be made to secure in Honor Goal which will include all amounts given by subscribers in excess of their previous subscriptions.

The Jewish Federation, its constituent societies and other Jewish organizations received \$482,000 last year. Under the leadership of Ben R. Meyer, banker of this city, the Jewish population of Los Angeles, increased their individual subscriptions to the Community Chest, so that the total amount contributed by them is in the neighborhood of \$600,000.

Rabbi Louis Wolsey of Philadelphia will be one of the speakers at the Twelfth Annual International Goodwill Congress to be held under the auspices of the World Alliance for International Friendship through the Churches. The congress will be held at St. Louis, November 9 to 11.

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