ROUMANIAN GOVERNMENT PROCEEDS TO PUNISH PERPETRATORS OF POGROMS

129 Tried by Court Martial; Government Commission Appointed to Estimate Damage
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Dec. 14—Vigorous measures to punish the perpetrators of the anti-Jewish pogroms in Transylvanian towns and in Jassy were taken by the Roumanian government, it was learned today.

In an official statement issued by the Council of Ministers it was declared that the chiefs of police in Grosswarden and Claussenburg were dismissed. Eighty students and forty other persons who participated in the riots will be tried by a court martial before which proceedings were started.

The measures taken by the government, however, have not brought the leaders of the anti-Semitic movement to a state of calm. A twenty-four-hour strike of the students throughout the country has been called by the leaders of the student movement to protest against the arrest of the culprits and their trial.

The government also announced that a special commission was appointed to inquire into the extent of the damage suffered by the victims of the riots. A bill will be introduced into parlia-

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MOND WILL VISIT PALESTINE TO MAKE EXTENSIVE STUDY
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 14—Sir Alfred Mond will proceed to Palestine the end of January for a prolonged stay to make a study of conditions prevailing in the country, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed today.

The statement was a denial of a report that Sir Alfred intends to come to the United States in February to participate in the campaign of the United Palestine Appeal.

WOMEN GET FRANCHISE IN ENGLISH SYNAGOGUES
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 14—The granting of suffrage to women seatholders in the synagogues affiliated with the United Synagogue in England was decided upon at a meeting of the Council of the United Synagogue last night.

A stormy session preceded the adoption of the resolution which was carried by a majority of sixty-six against fifty-four.

DR. ZEVI PEREZ CHAJES, CHIEF RABBI OF VIENNA, DIES AT THE AGE OF 51

Won Distinction For Achievements in Field of Jewish Learning; Leaders Noted Scholar

(Vienna Dec. 14) — Dr. Zevi Perez Chajes, Chief Rabbi of Vienna, one of the outstanding Jewish scholars in Europe and prominent Zionist leader, died last night. His death was ascribed to heart failure. He was 51 years old.

Vienna, Dec. 14—Funeral services for the late Dr. Z. P. Chajes will take place at noon on Friday. Dr. Leo Motzkin, chairman of the Zionist Actions Committee, is expected to arrive here to represent the committee at the services. It is also possible that Dr. Chaim Weizmann or Nahum Sokolow will arrive.

London, Dec. 14—A memorial meeting to the late Dr. Z. P. Chajes was held here today at the headquarters of the World Zionist Organization. Chief Rabbi Dr. Joseph H. Herzl, Dr. M. D. Edel-Lut Motzkin and Dr. Judah L. Magnes paid tribute to the late scholar and Zionist leader.

Jerusalem, Dec. 14 — Messages of condolence at the death of Dr. Z. P. Chajes in Vienna were telegraphed by the Zionist Executive here, the Vaad Leumi, national Council of Palestine Jews and the Hebrew University.

Dr. Chajes was born in Brody, Galicia, October 13, 1876. He was the son of one of the prominent Jewish families in Eastern Europe which has given a large number of religious leaders and scholars to the world. His grandfather, Zevi Hirsch Chajes, was the author of the "Atorath Zevi" and of "Introduction to the Talmud" and other works.

Dr. Z. P. Chajes gained fame at an early age as an "Illui" (bud of exceptional ability). His education was extensive both in Jewish and secular studies, having graduated from the University of Vienna and the Jewish Theological Seminary there. As a student he published two works, one on medieval Jewish literature and the other on the New Testament. He specialized in the critical exegesis of the Bible, being one of the strongest opponents of the "high criticism" methods employed by many non-Jewish scholars in Germany. As soon as he graduated from the Vienna Seminary he was invited to serve as professor of Hebrew at the University of Florence and to a post at the Rabbinical Seminary in that city. He later became Chief Rabbi of Trieste where he also held the post of professor at the University of Trieste.

Following the death of Dr. Moses Gimelmann, Chief Rabbi of Vienna, Dr. Chajes was called to the Chief Rabbinate of Austria.

His call to this position by the Vienna Kehillah, in which non-Zionists and non-nationalists were in power, notwithstanding Dr. Chajes' affiliation with the Zionist movement, was considered a high tribute to his leadership. In accepting this post Dr. Chajes made the condition that he should be freed from the functions usually demanded of the rabbi, such as attendances at weddings and funerals, leaving him free to pursue his studies and communal work. Among his many activities, Rabbi Chajes established the Jewish Institute of Pedagogy in Vienna.

Besides his research work in the field of Jewish learning, Dr. Chajes was a devoted champion of Zionism and an outstanding orator. He took a leading part in relief work during and after the war, in the work of the Committee of Jewish Delegations at the World Peace Conference and was most active in the councils of the international Zionist movement. For several years he held the position of chairman of the Zionist Actions Committee. He was a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University, taking particular interest in the Institute of Jewish Studies. Dr. Chajes was a member of the international committee of the Kohut Foundation. He visited the United States twice, his last visit being in 1924.

The fiftieth birthday of Dr. Chajes
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AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS TO PROTEST ROUMANIAN RIOTS

A conference of Jewish organizations in New York City will consider plans for a protest meeting against the anti-Jewish riots in Roumania was called by the American Jewish Congress. The date and place of the conference have not yet been announced.
PALESTINE COLONIZATION
WILL BE SUCCESS, SIR JOHN, JEWISH AGENCY EXPERT, SAYS
Noted Soil Expert Leaves Jerusalem
After Extensive Survey
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Dec. 14—Sir John Campbell, leading British soil expert and member of the Jewish Agency Commission, left Jerusalem today, following an extensive study on behalf of the Commission.

Jewish colonization in Palestine will be a success if the necessary funds and machinery will be secured, he declared in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "I found in the country human material which is of extremely high character. I found a good spirit among the colonists, both old and young, notwithstanding the prevailing crisis. Health conditions are satisfactory, especially reflected in the high birth rate."

Sir John will present his full report to the London Zionist Executive at the end of December.

Three children of Mrs. Eliza Guggenheimer, widow of Randolph Guggenheimer, share equally in the residue of her estate, estimated at more than $1,000,000. According to her will, filed for probate.

Hyman J. Biltz, president of Temple Emanu-El, and Sheerith Judah, was elected chairman of the American Pro-Falasha Committee at a meeting of the Committee presided over by Dr. Cyrus Adler.

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH BUREAU
EXPLAINS INTELLIGENCE
TESTS TO IMMIGRANTS
Replies to Congressman Celler's Inquiry; Immigration Act Requires
Tests Be Made

(Washington, D.C., Dec. 14.—An explanation of the intelligence tests applied by the United States Consular Service in Poland before granting visas to applicants was given by H. S. Cumming, Surgeon General of the Bureau of Public Health Service, in reply to an inquiry addressed to Secretary of State Frank B. Kellogg by Congressman Emanuel Celler.

Congressman Celler inquired as to whether the questions submitted by the American Consuls to the applicants are the usual type of questions on the basis of regulations issued by the United States Government and whether or not the Department has sanctioned the application of intelligence tests. Mr. Celler cited an instance where the mother of an American citizen, residing in Miadzol, Vilna, was asked upon application for a visa to answer the following questions:

"How many feathers has a goose more than a duck?" "What is the difference between a man and a woman?" "How many legs have three people and two children?"

The examiner gave the woman a piece of wood and asked her to carve something thereon. He gave her a pencil and paper and asked her to draw something.

To Mr. Celler's questions the Surgeon General replied:

"With reference to questions that are being propounded to aliens abroad as a part of the test of their fitness to come to this country, it is advised that questions of the general type as those contained in the list submitted are usually asked of those aliens who are selected for intensive mental examination. All aliens are not subjected to such intensive examination; only those are so subjected who are suspected of being mentally defective and the propounding of questions of this type is a part of their psychiatric examination. Considered as identities, these questions are manifestly ridiculous and readily recognized as such by people of normal intelligence. The psychiatric interest in propounding such questions principally attaches to the reaction that the questions produce in the alien's mind, with due regard as to its actual absurdity. The literal meaning of such questions is entirely overshadowed by the mental reaction that they are designed to produce. The propounding of questions of this type constitutes but a minor one of many phases of psychiatric investigation necessary to the proper determination of mental stability or lack of stability. Taken alone, they are of very slight import, but considered as part of a whole in psychiatric work, they fulfill a certain requirement.

"It is not possible to furnish you with a list of questions propounded to aliens under the above conditions. The various psychiatric examiners propound questions of this general type, varying the questions among themselves and from day to day. There are no such definitely worded questions prescribed by regulation, but the use of questions of this general type is prescribed as a part of special mental examination applied to aliens suspected of being mentally defective.

"The mental and physical examination of immigrants is prescribed under sections 3, 16, and 23 of the Immigration Act of 1917, approved February 5, 1917, and the conduct of such examinations is governed by the 'Regulations Governing the Medical Inspection of Aliens, 1927.'"

"The Immigration Act of 1924, approved May 26, 1924, prescribes the general procedure to be applied in the selection of intending immigrants abroad."

FEFLIX M. WARBURG GIVES
$10,000 GIFT TO JEWISH
EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
A gift of $10,000 was made by Felix M. Warburg to the Jewish Education Association, which is conducting a campaign for $500,000 for its work during the coming year in providing facilities for Jewish education.

In a letter accompanying his gift, Mr. Warburg said: "It is wrong for parents to suppose that by providing their children with luxuries they are furnishing them with the principles of life which they need. Any effort to open more school-rooms in the instruction of religion, be it in the Reform or Orthodox Wing, ought to be encouraged in every possible way."

The sixth annual dinner of the association will be held next Sunday at the Waldorf-Astoria, marking the conclusion of the $500,000 drive, of which Dr. Max Goldstein is chairman. Joseph Leblang is chairman of the dinner committee. The function will be in the nature of a Chanukah festival.
RELATIONS OF TENANTS AND LANDOWNERS IN PALESTINE TO BE REGULATED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 14 — Recommendations to regulate the relation between tenants cultivating the land under lease and the owners who desire to sell the land were made by the Jerusalem Committee for the Protection of Agricultural Tenants.

The committee in its report which was published today suggests that the landlord be required to give one year’s notice if he wishes the tenant to leave the land. The landlords are also to be required to compensate the tenant for improvements made on the land and to pay damages if the eviction causes any injury.

It was stated that the recommendations of the committee are soon to be incorporated in a government ordinance.

AGUDAH COUNCIL TO MEET IN BERLIN ON DECEMBER 27

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 14—The Central Council of the Agudath Israel, Orthodox Jewish world organization, will open its session here on December 27.

One of the points on the agenda is the convocation of the second general congress of rabbis and Agudah leaders, known as the Knessia Gdolah. The first Knessiah was held in Vienna in 1923 and it was decided to convene it again within five years.

One thousand young men representing twenty-eight temple clubs and Brotherhoods will hold a rally at the Hotel Adlon on Sunday evening, December 15th, to celebrate the Festival of Chanukah. Leaders of Reform Judaism, rabbis and laymen, will speak at the rally.

"Celebrating a great event in Jewish history, and having no other motive," Roger W. Straus, Assistant Secretary of the National Organization of Temple Brotherhoods declared in making public plans for the dinner and rally, "this meeting will demonstrate that the spirit of the heroes of old still lives in us. While our forefathers fought the tyrants and oppressors of their time, we will fight the tyranny of mass materialism and indifference which is striving to smother our religious fervor and love of the higher aspects of Jewish life and history in general."

Mr. Straus is cooperating in the plans for the dinner with a committee composed of Charles A. Kohn, President; Abraham N. Davis, Dr. Jesse Cohen, Abraham Z. Jaffe, F. Zipser; Herman Epstein, Dr. Harold Kern, Sydney Davis, and I. Walter Gendler.

The film "King of Kings" was withdrawn from the moving picture theaters in Detroit, Mich., for protest. Bookings for the notices to run for six months in Detroit have been cancelled.

A gift of $15,000 was presented to the Leo N. Levi Memorial Hospital of the Hebrew Sheltering Homes for the Aged, Spring, Ark., by Louis M. Steiner of St. Louis. The sum will be used toward the fund of the hospital to build a new clinic.

J.D.B. NEWS LETTER

St. Louis Jewry Records Lively Communal Activities

(By Our St. Louis Correspondent)

St. Louis, Dec. 11 — Two notable gifts in Jewish philanthropy within recent weeks have brought Jewish communal life in St. Louis to the newspaper headlines—Mark Steinberg’s gift of $100,000 to the “Y,” and Sydney M. Shoenberg’s gift of $300,000 to the Jewish Hospital.

The St. Louis Jewish Hospital is one of the most up-to-date hospitals in the country and has on its staff the best known physicians in St. Louis. It has a kosher kitchen which has become the sine qua non in Jewish institutions. Rabbi Abraham B. Halpern, of the B’nai Amoone Congregation, supervises the Kashrut. The "Y" is under the direction of Gilbert Harris.

The Hebrew schools system in St. Louis, along modern lines with the support of the Federation, is a recent movement here. Much younger than the systems in Cleveland, Chicago, Philadelphia. The result is that we cannot as yet claim a consistent educational policy.

Dr. Leon Harrison, outstanding Reform Rabbi, has just completed thirty-five years in Temple Israel, which was the occasion of a testimonial dinner in his honor, attended by five hundred guests.

The Midwest Conference on Palestine was held in St. Louis. Representatives from nine states came together to form the Midwest Region for Zionist work. In essence it was a union of forces between the Chicago and St. Louis Zionists, or to put it on a personal basis, a rapprochement between Prof. Gustave Klausner, of St. Louis, and Max Shulman, of Chicago. The interests of the Zionist Organization, the United Palestine Appeal, and the Jewish National Fund will be directed more intensively from these two cities. A quota of three-quarter million dollars has been adopted.

The third United Palestine Appeal campaign in St. Louis is scheduled for the month of March. Dr. Chaim Weizmann has been invited as the guest of the St. Louis Zionists. The campaign will be held for four weeks. Gustave Klausner, Samuel Kranzberg, M. J. Slonim will direct the campaign.

Chajes’ efforts that they remained loyal to Jewish ideals during the war and since then and that under his inspiring leadership not only his immediate followers but the entire Jewish world achieved something of the ideal for which he has given all his days.

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ment by the government asking for an authorization of the amount of 88,000 lei for the payment of damages, it was stated.

The Jewish communities in Romania are still under the effect of the events of the past week. A call issued by Chief Rabbi Niemerower, member of the Romanian Senate as the representative of the Jewish religion, ordered the setting aside of a day of mourning by the Jewish communities throughout the country because of the desecration of the synagogues and the Holy Scrolls.

The regrets of the Regency Council which is the supreme power in Romania since the death of King Ferdinand were expressed to Dr. William Filderman, president of the Union of Romanian Jews, at an audience granted by the Regents to the leader of Romanian Jews. Dr. Filderman was authorized to declare on behalf of the Regents that they disapprove of the anti-Semitic riots.

An Associated Press dispatch from Bucharest states that the prompt investigation by the Romanian authorities of the beating of Wilfred N. Keller, American citizen, at Oradea, has made it necessary for William S. Culbertson, American Minister, to make a trip to that place to investigate the incident. Foreign Minister Titeescu has promised Mr. Culbertson that full reparation will be made to Keller for personal injuries and business losses.

J. D. B. NEWS LETTER

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The Jewish Federation is carrying on a campaign to increase its income by $57,000 in order to save it from closing the year with a deficit. Julius Glaser is President of the Federation and Ferdinand S. Bach the Director. The "Kultur" Center houses the cultural activities of the Poale Zion and the National Arbiter Verband.

I. O. B. B. $300,000 BUDGET APPROVED BY EXECUTIVE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Cincinnati, Dec. 14 — A budget of $300,000 for the activities of the Independent Order B'nai Brith during 1928 was approved by the Executive Committee of the Constitution Grand Lodge at a meeting held yesterday.

Plans were made for the organization of a speakers' bureau. A considerable amount was voted for the Leo N. Levi Memorial Hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., to make it possible for that institution to erect a clinic.

The activities of the I. O. B. B. include the Hillel Foundations, the A Z A Junior Order of the B'nai Brith, the bureau in Mexico and the Anti-Defamation League. The A Z A has sixty-four chapters functioning in the United States.

In recognition of his generosity to French institutions George Blumenthal, New York banker, has been promoted to the rank of Commander of the Legion of Honor, it was announced by the French government.

Mr. Blumenthal was elected to the Legion in 1930. Two years ago he gave 1,000,000 francs to the faculty of Letters and Science at the Sorbonne. Previously he had given 700,000 francs to the Sorbonne. Last year he gave 1,500,000 francs to a Paris clinic for the treatment of children's throat diseases.

Madame Rachel Yenait Ben Zvi, head of the Chaluzah training school in Jerusalem, arrived in the United States on the steamer Berengaria. Madame Ben Zvi has come to the United States in the interest of the organized women workers in Palestine.

Steps towards unifying the curriculum in the elementary Hebrew Schools and Talmud Torahs in Greater New York, with the view of raising the standards in elementary Jewish education, were taken at the initiative of the Yeshiva, according to an announcement made public by Dr. B. Revel, President of the faculty of the Yeshiva. The first group of five of the leading Talmud Torahs in Greater New York have entered into an arrangement with the Teachers' Institute of the Yeshiva by which graduates of these schools will be given preference in admittance to the Teachers' Institute.

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