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HAIFA NOT SLATED YET AS TERMINUS FOR MOSUL PIPE LINE, STATEMENT SAYS American, English and French Inter- ests Clash on Choice

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 4.—A denial of reports circulated for foreign press correspondents that an agreement has been reached for slating Haifa as the terminus of the Mosul oil pipe line was issued here by the Turkish Petroleum Company.

The company authorized the Jewish Telegraphic Agency to state that no decision favoring Haifa has as yet been taken.

A dispute concerning this matter has been going on for the past few months among the shareholders of the company. The French oil companies, which hold an interest in the Turkish Petroleum Company, insist on Alexandretta, Syria, as the terminus for the pipe line, while the English and American interests favor Haifa.

CONFERENCE OF RELIGIOUS LIBERALS STARTS FIGHT ON SUNDAY CLOSING BILL (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 4.—A special meeting of the Southern California Conference of Religious Liberals was called recently for the purpose of discussing the Luskford Sunday Closing Law now being proposed before Congress and which if carried will make it prohibitive to work in the District of Columbia on Sundays.

The conference, which is composed of members of many Jewish, Unitarian and Universalist churches in Southern California, is opposed to the spirit of the law which it carried at the national capital would be an opening wedge on the part of religious fanatics leading to similar legislation in the future, a statement issued following the meeting declared.

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DR. SCHWARTZ APPOINTED TO HEAD DENVER SANITARIUM (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Denver, Feb. 4.—Dr. Herman Schwartz, noted tuberculous specialist of New York City and member of the staff of the Mount Sinai Hospital, has been appointed superintendent of the Jewish Consumptive Relief Sanitarium here. Dr. Schwartz, who for four years directed of the Workmen's Circle Sanitarium at Libertyville, New York, will assume charge in Denver in two weeks.

MAVROMATIS GIVEN YEAR IN WHICH TO REALIZE JERU- SALEM ELECTRIFICATION

He May Sell Concession to Rutenberg,
It is Believed

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 4.—The long drawn out issue of the Jerusalem electrification plan, held in check by the dispute between the Greek engineer, Mavromatis, and the British Government, will soon reach a climax, according to a report of the "Davar," Hebrew labor daily.

According to the report, the Colonial Office has granted engineer Mavromatis a respite until the end of 1928. Following the expiration of this term, the concession granted to Mavromatis by the Turkish Government will be declared invalid if operations have not been started. A report is current that Mavromatis intends to sell the concession to the Sir John Jackson Company, Ltd. of London. The Jewish Telegraphic Agency learns, however, that Mavromatis is expected to arrive in Jerusalem in April to start negotiations with engineer Pinchas Rutenberg of the Palestine Electric Corporation, with a view to selling the concession to him.

JEWISH COMMUNISTS START NATIONWIDE CAMPAIGN FOR SIBERIA COLONIZATION PLAN Zionist Weekly of Vienna Attacks New Plan as Bluff

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Feb. 4.—A vigorous campaign to popularize the plan of the Comzet for starting Jewish colonization work in Bureya, Siberia, was undertaken by the Jewish section of the Communist party, despatches received here from Moscow declare. A series of mass meetings will be arranged in the most important centers of Jewish population in Russia to advocate the plan.

The "Emes," Yiddish Communist daily, states that many Jews resident in Moscow have signified their intention to migrate to Siberia to take up work there.

Vienna, Feb. 4.—The Jewish colonization plan in Bureya, Siberia, was strongly attacked in this week's issue of the "Nene Welt," Zionist weekly published in German under the editorship of Robert Stricker.

"The Siberian project is another soviet play with the 'Jewish State' idea, following the near collapse of the Russian-American Crimea bluff," the paper states.

ROUMANIAN GOVERNMENT APPEASES ANTI-SEMITIC PROFESSORS IN BUCHAREST

Shortens Terms of Expulsion For Con-
victed Anti-Semitic Students

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Feb. 4. — Peace in the ranks of the faculty of Bucharest University, which had split over the question of the expelled students found guilty of the anti-Jewish excesses, was restored by the efforts of the Government. A group of anti-Semitic professors had demanded reinstatement of the expelled students, while another group objected to this proposal.

In mediating between the two groups it is learned the Government succeeded in settling the question by a secret order in which the terms of expulsion for the convicted students were shortened and other punitive measures made milder.

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

Bucharest, Jan. 18.—The court martial in Oradea mare has, according to a report in the "Dimineatza" here, taken action for libel against the newspapers "Kleety Ujsag," "Elenzek," and the "Uj-Kelet," for having written that they knew from the beginning that the minorities, not the students, would be made the scapegoats for the disturbances in Oradea mare. The court martial feels that this is a reflection on its administration.

The "Uj-Kelet" is the organ of a Jewish group in Transylvania.

SYNAGOGUE DESTROYED IN BIG FALL RIVER FIRE Rabbi Risks Life Twice to Rescue Holy Scrolls

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Fall River, Mass., Feb. 4.—The only house of worship to suffer in the fire which razed six city blocks here yesterday was the new Temple Beth El, which had been dedicated in September. The synagogue, valued at \$100,000 was insured for only \$35,000. One wall remains of the building.

As the building was swept by flames Rabbi Norton Goldberg, rabbi of the temple, plunged into the building to rescue the Holy Scrolls. Forced out by the smoke he resisted persuasions to remain at a safe vantage point but ran again into the building and emerged through the flames bearing the Scrolls. Accompanied by the caretaker, Samuel Slotoff, the rabbi succeeded in rescuing valuable volumes from the temple

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CAMPAIGN FOR JAFFA ORANGE URGED BY FRUIT COMMISSION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 4.—A publicity campaign for the Jaffa orange is one of the recommendations made to the Palestine Government by the Fruit Commission, under the chairmanship of J. E. F. Campbell, Commissioner for the Southern District, which was appointed recently by Lord Plumer to make recommendations for the better preparation and marketing of local citrus and other fruits.

The Commission also recommends the establishment of a Fruit Research Station, immediate commutation of tithe followed by the earliest possible substitution of the tithe by a land tax, simplification of customs formalities and trade representation in the United Kingdom.

CONSIDERABLE WIDENING OF HAIFA HARBOR PLANNED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 4.—The coast at Haifa will be widened by 150 metres into the sea, and the depth will be some 12 metres, in connection with the Haifa harbor construction, it is learned. A special dockyard will be built for the repair of ships. It is calculated that vessels of a maximum displacement of 5,000 tons will be capable of being moored to the quays.

One million and a half tons of stones will be quarried for the needs of the harbor in the two quarries acquired for this purpose by the Government in the vicinity of Haifa. Part of the stones will be brought to the site of building operations by boat and part by train.

AGRO-JOINT ISSUES REPORT ON MEDICAL WORK IN RUSSIA; CARES FOR 255 SETTLEMENTS

Eight Central Stations Serve Population of 45,267

The medical system which the Agro-Joint has instituted for the Jewish colonists in the Crimea is detailed in a report from Dr. Joseph A. Rosen to David A. Brown, made public at United Jewish Campaign Headquarters in New York. The Agro-Joint has taken into account the new environment and climate, and the different conditions facing these former traders, especially in the beginning of their efforts at farming, and provides for this by adequate medical attention.

Medical centers were established at the beginning of the colonization work. In order to facilitate the work, the Agro-Joint divided the colonization area into eight divisions, each division having a central medical institution. The medical department of the Agro-Joint employs ten physicians, thirteen assistants, and other helpers. They serve 255 settlements with a population of 45,267 persons, each settlement being not much over twelve miles from the center.

The Agro-Joint not only supports its own medical institutions in the colonies but also helps two medical centers of the People's Commissariat in Crimea. Last year it spent the sum of 45,747 roubles. Six dental clinics were organized in the Agro-Joint regions. Two of them are in the Crimea, three in the Cherson region, and one in Krivoi-Rog.

In addition to giving medical aid, these medical centers give out general information on hygiene. During the last year, 192 lectures were given on hygiene, epidemics, and contagious diseases. Inspection is also made of the homes of the colonists, and the school houses, to insure proper sanitation and 3,700 inoculations were made against small pox.

The variety and type of the diseases treated in the medical centers is of especial interest because they reflect the general health conditions of the colonists. The largest number of patients are between the ages of 21 to 50, indicating the general health of the children in the colonies. The figures show that the workers who carry the heaviest burden of the colonization work in the new colonies, are those who most often need the health centers. Most of the diseases are internal, yet there are many cases requiring surgical attention. These are not frequently of a serious character, being the result of accidents which occur to the colonists in their new work.

A study of the cases treated by the medical centers, shows 1,964 are confinement cases, 1,635 are cases of dis-

REGENT OF ABYSSINIA TO BE PRESENTED WITH SET OF JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA

Pro-Falasha Body Welcomes Naming of U.S. Minister to Ethiopian Country

The American Jewish Committee will present a set of the Jewish Encyclopedia to Ras Tafari, Prince Regent of Abyssinia, in appreciation of his interest in the program carried on by the American Pro-Falasha Committee among the Falashas in Abyssinia.

The presentation will be made in behalf of the American Jewish Committee by Mr. Jacques Faitlovitch upon his arrival at the court of the Prince Regent, Rabbi J. Max Weis, secretary of the committee, announced.

The decision of President Coolidge to appoint a Minister to the Abyssinian Empire was greeted by Hyman J. Reit, chairman of the American Pro-Falasha Committee.

In his letter addressed to the President, Mr. Reit stated:

"I wish to express the gratitude of the American Pro-Falasha Committee in the announcement of your decision to appoint Mr. Addison E. Southard as Minister Resident and Consul General to the Abyssinian Empire. This appointment will enable us to have the co-operation and counsel that we urgently require in carrying on our program among the Falashas in Abyssinia. We intend to enlarge the scope of our work with the realization that we shall enjoy the special facilities and information that we can obtain through the diplomatic service now extended to that country.

"Your appointment reflects an admirable selection because of Mr. Southard's special qualifications for the post he assumes."

case of the eyes; 1,291 patients were treated for nervous ailments; and 6,593 other cases. Of these latter, only 221 are cases of venereal disease. During the past year, the medical institutions of the Agro-Joint had 80,992 visits, of which number 9,614 were visits the physicians made to the homes. The hospitals received 1,036 patients, each one using the hospital bed on an average of six days.

The Agro-Joint plans to open a medical center in the Yevpotorie region in the near future. From now on, these centers will be built in proportion to the expected natural growth of the colonies, and in those cases where the new colonists have not their own medical institutions, they will be able to make use of the hospitals in the older colonies.

These centers built by the Agro-Joint are not the only medical institutions of the colonists. In serious cases, people go to the towns where they receive medical attention from hospitals and clinics of Jewish medical societies which were organized and are sup-

J.D.B. NEWS LETTER

Jews in Yugoslavia Enjoy Political and Social Equality, Reports to Communities Congress Show

(By our Belgrade Correspondent)

Belgrade, Jan. 10.—The third congress of the Jewish communities of Yugoslavia, Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, was held recently at Belgrade, the capital of the Kingdom, under the presidency of Dr. Friedrich Pops, the vice-chairman of the Association of Yugoslav Jewish Communities.

This congress was called to review the activities of the association during the past year, and to discuss plans for future action.

Among those present were the Minister of Public Education, Dr. Kosta Kumanudi, who, as Minister of Public Cults, had granted a charter to the association; Dr. Dragolyoub Janjitch, representing the Minister of Public Cults; Dr. Isaac Alkalay, the Chief Rabbi of Yugoslavia, Dr. David Alkalay the president of the Zionist Organization of Yugoslavia, and Dr. Solomon Alkalay, president of the Sefardic Jewish Community.

After telegrams of greeting were sent to His Majesty King Alexander and to Dr. Hugo Spitzer, the chairman of the organization, Dr. Pops gave a survey of the activities of the association during the past year which he characterized as normal. The association, he said, has not only become the legal representative of Judaism in Yugoslavia but has succeeded in gaining influence in every respect. Its relations with the Ministry of Public Cults were cordial throughout as the association was called to lend its help to the authorities on all Jewish religious problems.

Mr. Janjitch, representing the Minister of Public Cults, said that "in a country whose foundations are strictly democratic, the Government is called upon to give equal treatment and consideration to all recognized denominations, and the same policy will be followed in future. All Yugoslav citizens are equals legally and socially."

The Chief Rabbi of Yugoslavia, Dr. Isaac Alkalay said: "The role played by religious communities is of utmost importance. These legal units in our country ought to be the staunchest

ported by the Agro-Joint. Such societies, under the name of "Yemso" are to be found in the larger cities. The colonists of Crimea usually go to Simferopol for medical attention. Others go to Cherson, Krivoi-Rog, and Ekaterinoslav, the last having a large medical institution which is visited not only by the nearby townspeople but also by the colonists living at a distance.

supporters of our moral and spiritual strength and also the surest protectors of our traditions and of our religious, cultural and social development.

"This association serves to aid in the normal work of our communities, to be in a way the regulator and shelterer. As the representative of Judaism in our Kingdom I, along with other rabbis, offer our counsel for the solution of all problems which make up the substance of our religion and traditions."

Dr. David Albala the delegate from Belgrade, stated: "Our association is an important organization. In this country, we do not need an organization for the protection of our personal freedom. It must be emphasized that the Jews enjoy the same rights as those of other citizens. We need not fear for our security as there is nothing to threaten it. Words of gratitude ought to be expressed from this tribune to our country, particularly at this moment when Jews in neighboring countries, in Hungary and Roumania, are being persecuted."

Ing. O. Grof, delegate from Sarajevo, reported that the association was founded in 1919. It was then thought that there were 150,000 Jews in Yugoslavia. Statistics later showed that there are but 64,000, of whom 16,000 are tax-payers. "This fact must be taken into consideration in our planning of organization activities," he said. "Miracles cannot be expected of us."

"It is unpleasant to see," he continued, "the fact of our social equality constantly underscored. This is unnecessary. We Jews are a strong economic factor in this country." He requested the association to endeavor to prevent the creation of dissident communities in the cities, as is the case in Zagreb, where there are four separate communities.

Dr. Isaac Alkalay said that the work on the Jewish Seminary is under way and the Government has promised its material assistance.

The Rabbi from Sarajevo, Dr. Levy, urged that the association should not confine itself to the purely administrative work, but show more activity in the solution of cultural problems.

Dr. Hugo Kon, a delegate from Zagreb, suggested that the list of communities which have defaulted in payment of contributions be published. Laza Avrammovich, the treasurer, objected to such procedure.

The representative of the Minister of Public Cults pointed out that the State budget provides about 7.50 dinars for every Roman Catholic, 12 dinars for every Orthodox, 14.90 for every Mohammedan, and 20 dinars for every Jew. The Ministry is ready to lend its help to expand the authority of the association, and aid materially towards the establishment of a Jewish Seminary.

PROFESSOR GARSTANG WILL ADDRESS PALESTINE EXPLORATION SOCIETY TONIGHT

Felix M. Warburg, Sam A. Lewisohn, Arthur Lehman and Dr. Cyrus Adler, in behalf of the officers and directors of the Palestine Exploration Society, will give a dinner tonight at the City Club to Professor John Garstang of the Institute of Archaeology of the University of Liverpool and formerly head of the Department of Antiquities of the Government of Palestine. Professor Garstang will deliver an address on the significance of excavations in Palestine.

The officers of the Society are Elisha M. Friedman, Chairman, Dr. David de Sola Pool, vice chairman, Arthur L. Malkenson, Treasurer, Rabbi J. Max Weis, Secretary. The directors are Howard Goodhart, Arthur Lehman, Sam A. Lewisohn, Judge Julian W. Mack, Walter E. Meyer, Dr. Bernard Revel, Roger W. Straus, Joseph Strock, Ludwig Vogelstein, Felix M. Warburg, and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, of New York City; Oscar Berman, Cincinnati; Rabbi James G. Heller, Cincinnati; Rabbi Felix A. Levy, Chicago; Leslie V. Marks, Cincinnati; Dr. Julian Morgenstern, Cincinnati.

KLAN PLANNING TO ABOLISH SECRECY ALONG WITH MASK

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb. 4.—Along with the general abolishment of the mask by the Ku Klux Klan, which is scheduled to take place February 22, will go the secrecy of the organization, according to a statement issued here by Dr. W. A. Hotelen, lecturer and Klan propagandist of Birmingham, Ala., who said he had been authorized to make official announcements for the body.

The statement denied the report that the robe and helmet would be abolished, and declared that the unmasking did not result from any anticipated anti-masking legislation in Alabama, Georgia, Indiana or Pennsylvania.

In reply to questions, Dr. Hotelen said in effect that the Klan's policy will be opposed to demonstrations and parades, although such action might be taken by members on special occasions. However, marchers will go unmasked.

The second annual convention of Texas Rabbis will take place on March 12 and 13 in Beaumont. Rabbi Abraham Schechter of Houston is president of the organization.

It was pointed out that although the work of the organization was not extensive until now there is a strong probability that the forthcoming year will witness greater results and increased cooperation of all Jewish communities in Yugoslavia.

Dr. Hugo Spitzer was chosen chairman of the association, Dr. Friedrich Pops, Semaja de Majo and Dr. Hugo Kon, vice chairmen, Laza Avrammovich, treasurer, Dr. H. Kon, executive secretary.

PUBLISH HEBREW MEDICAL DICTIONARY IN JERUSALEM (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 4.—The first Hebrew Medical Dictionary, entitled Thesaurus Medicus Hebraicus, has been published here. It was compiled by Dr. Alexander Malchi, who spent eight years on the work.

The Latin text is given with an adequate Hebrew translation. It gives numerous terms used in allied branches of science, such as botany, zoology, physics and chemistry. There are about four thousand terms in all. The author has used all available sources, beginning with ancient Hebrew literature and going up to the neologisms of modern Jewish scientists of Palestine. He has himself created many Hebrew terms in medical terminology.

Synagogue Is Destroyed In Big Fall River Fire (Continued from Page 1)

building. The upper stories toppled as they came out of the burning building. The temple had been purchased from the Union Methodist Episcopal parish. Many thousands of dollars were spent in remodeling the building which was considered one of the finest houses of worship in Southeastern New England.

Conference of Religious Liberals Fights Sunday Closing Bill (Continued from page 1)

A committee was appointed consisting of Rev. E. Burdette Backus of the First Unitarian Church, Rev. Shepherd of the First Universalist Church and Rabbi Isaacson of Temple Israel, Hollywood, to draw up resolutions of protest and to work out a practical method of opposing the passing of the bill. Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, president of the Conference, called the meeting.

The Jewish Community Center at Allentown, Pa. which is now being completed at a cost of \$250,000, will be dedicated on May 6, Hyman Rockmaker, U. S. Commissioner, announced at the meeting of B'nai B'rith Lodge No. 918. Work on the building is being rushed so that the dedication may take place at the same time the city will celebrate its advent into the 100,000 population class.

Max Klee, wealthy Chicago clothing merchant and director of the Jewish People's Institute of Chicago, who died last Sunday, left \$550,000 according to his will which was filed for probate before Judge Henry Horner. The will directs that \$40,000 be divided among Jewish charitable organizations of Chicago and that \$10,000 be spent for relief work abroad.

A bequest of \$7,500 was left for Jewish charities or any charitable work designated by the widow in the will of the late George B. Friend, millionaire clothing merchant of Chicago who died last week.

The bulk of the estate was left to his widow, Mrs. Sarah Friend and to his two daughters.

'MANCHESTER GUARDIAN' VOICES OBJECTION TO CRE- ATION OF ARAB AGENCY (J. T. A. Mail Service)

London, Jan. 23.—"It is interesting that, just at the time when the Palestine Survey Commission is about to complete its work in the Jewish interest, with the implication of the subsequent formation of an extended Jewish Agency, a move on the part of the Arabs should be reported from Palestine to form an Arab Agency analogous to the Jewish Agency," the "Manchester Guardian" writes today commenting on the report regarding the intention of the Palestine Arabs to ask for a renewal of the offer of an Arab Agency.

"Apparently," it says, "the Arabs are resolved to have some institution which shall represent to the Jerusalem Government their political and economic intentions."

"When Sir Herbert Samuel in 1923 offered to the Arabs, by way of placating their antagonism to the Zionist experiment, such an Arab Agency as is now proposed, they definitely refused it," the paper continues. "But in the meantime two things have taken place among the Arab population of Palestine: the old, uncompromising 'Arab Executive' has lost a good deal in prestige, and the constant emigration of Jews from Palestine has had a reassuring effect upon Moslem and Christian opinion, which no longer fears domination by the Jews."

"It is said that the new Arab party which is advocating an Arab Agency is prepared, while not recognizing the Balfour Declaration, to cooperate with the Government. Whether these hopes which are indeed not new, for such rumors have been spread about in previous years will be realized at the forthcoming Arab Congress in Palestine remains to be seen. It should be noted, however, that alarm is being expressed in certain Jewish quarters at the possible consequences of the formation of an Arab Agency," the paper declares.

PALESTINE VISUALIZED AS BI-NATIONAL STATE (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 3.—The conversion of Palestine into a bi-national state in which Jews and Arabs should live as two communities enjoying absolutely equal rights regardless of their numerical superiority at any time, is the aim of the B'nai Shalom Society of Jerusalem as explained in a pamphlet entitled "Our Aims" which has been issued here defining its attitude on the problem of Jewish-Arab relations.

Dr. Ruppin, Dr. Martin Buber, Dr. Hans Kohn, Dr. Epstein, A. D. Gordon, Dr. Bergman, P. Benjamin and others contribute articles expressing their views on the meaning of the Jewish National Home and putting forward the possibility of Arab-Jewish cooperation

I.O.B.B. STARTS WIDER SCOPE CAMPAIGN IN NEW YORK

Organization of the Wider Scope Committee's campaign in Greater New York under the auspices of District No. 1 of the I. O. B. B. began on February 1. Headquarters have been established at 261 Broadway. Maurice P. Davidson, Wider Scope Chairman for District No. 1, Dr. Boris D. Bogen, and an executive committee including Louis Fabricant, treasurer; Prof. A. Broderick Cohen, secretary; Prof. Clarence G. Bachrach, Samuel Kramer, James N. Rosenberg, William Chorosh, Harry I. Arrow, Abram I. Elkus, Charles Hartman and Maurice Bloch, will direct the campaign.

The campaign is expected to be terminated at the end of March. A national conference of the Wider Scope Committee will be held in New York City during the campaign.

FOUND JEWISH CREDIT COOPERATIVE IN BERLIN (J. T. A. Mail Service)

Berlin, Jan. 20.—A Jewish Credit Co-operative Bank to assist the Jewish middle class and small traders in Berlin, has been founded here under the name of the Bank Ivria. The Presidium consists of Dr. Kareski, Dr. Altschul and Dr. Taitzlin. Dr. Brutzkus, Dr. Klee and Dr. Kollenschner are among the members of the Supervisory Council.

The bank will begin to function as soon as it has obtained a subscribed capital of 200,000 Marks. Half of this sum has already been subscribed, and the bank is expected to begin work during February.

That the disorderly acts of persons concerned, condemned by the board at the time of occurrence, in no way reflect the policy of the hospital administration, but was purely the personal act of those concerned and reprehensible as it was, did not merit introduction of class or sectional feeling was declared in a statement issued by the Medical Board of Kings County Hospital replying to charges made against the institution in the report submitted to Mayor Walker by Commissioner of Accounts James A. Higgins.

Michael M. Zarchin was appointed executive secretary of the Jewish Educational Society of San Francisco.

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