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## NEW RIOTS IN HUNGARIAN COLLEGES AS PARLIAMENT DISCUSSES NUMERUS CLAUSUS

Hungarian Universities Closed until Parliament Concludes Debate on Numerus Clausus; Bethlen Will Consider Vote on Bill as Vote of Confidence in Government

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Feb. 14.—To prevent further attacks on Jewish students and on Christian students who ignored the call to a strike issued by the anti-Semitic students to protest against the proposed modification of the numerus clausus bill, Minister of Education Klebelsberg yesterday ordered the closing of Hungarian colleges and universities.

The institutions of learning will be closed during the debate in parliament on the Government bill to modify the numerus clausus. It is expected that the debate will last until the end of the month.

Budapest, Feb. 13.—New anti-Jewish riots broke out today in the colleges at Szegedin and Budapest as a protest against the proposal now being discussed in parliament to modify the numerus clausus law.

The Christian students, who were called out on strike laid siege to the college entrances, ejecting Jewish students and studious Christian students who ignored the strike call.

The posting of anti-Semitic placards was prevented by the Budapest authorities when students attempted to place the signs throughout the city.

It was learned today that members of the Hungarian Government party

## DIAMOND'S TRIAL DELAYED BY NEW INVESTIGATION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 13. — The trial of Jacob Diamond, who invaded St. Paul's Church on Christmas morning, wrecking the altar, which was scheduled to take place soon, will in all probability be postponed.

This was clear when the investigating judge started a new inquiry, calling the relatives and friends of the accused for interrogation. It was stated that Diamond had declared these persons had assisted him in his plan to attack the church.

Several persons who were present in the church at the time of the invasion, stated before the investigating judge that to them Diamond appeared normal.

have decided to vote for the Government bill to modify the numerus clausus law. This decision was brought about by the statement of Count Bethlen, Prime Minister, that he will consider the vote on the numerus clausus bill a vote of confidence in the Government. None, however, of the party members has agreed to take part in the discussion defending the bill.

## DEAD SEA CONCESSION IS RAISED IN COMMONS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Feb. 13.—The question of the Dead Sea concession was again raised in the House of Commons yesterday.

Replying to an inquiry by Gazelet, Col. Amery, Colonial Secretary, said that the Crown Agents for the Colonies are continuing the negotiations for granting the concession to exploit the salts of the Dead Sea.

## CENTRAL VEREIN DECIDES ON PRACTICAL COOPERATION IN PALESTINE UPBUILDING

Hold Long Debate on Principle of Zionism; Exclusion of Pro-Palestine Committee Members Demanded but Rejected; Professor Praises Business Initiative of American Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 14.—Cooperation with Zionists in the practical work of the upbuilding of Palestine was decided upon as the program of the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith at the sessions of the bi-annual convention of the organization concluded yesterday.

The Central Verein, the largest German Jewish organization, reached this decision following a debate which lasted all day, during which the principles involved were thoroughly discussed.

A report on the subject was submitted by Dr. Ludwig Hollaender, director of the Central Verein, who declared that the Central Verein is an organization of German citizens who hold similar views on matters of religion. The organization, therefore, cannot identify itself with the principle accepted by the Zionists, German Jews are Germans and not a part of a "Jewish nation." Palestine, however, represents a partial solution of the Jewish economic problem and for this reason

## POLISH GOVERNMENT STOPS EMIGRATION; UNITED STATES, PALESTINE ARE EXCEPTIONS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 13.—The wave of emigration from Poland will be stemmed by the Polish Government in accordance with an official ordinance issued here.

The ordinance directs the authorities to stop in toto or partly emigration from Poland to overseas countries in accordance with the conditions prevailing in those countries. The ordinance was issued, it was stated, because it was found that during the last year the majority of emigrants from Poland were unable to find employment in the countries of immigration, so that their condition in their new environment to which they were not adjusted, was worse than in their native country.

The ordinance does not apply to the wives, parents and children who are proceeding to join their husbands, sons or fathers. It is not applicable to those emigrants who wish to proceed to the United States and Palestine. Partial restrictions are placed on emigration to Brazil and Argentina.

cooperation in the practical work is possible, he argued.

The Zionist delegates who participated in the discussion argued that the Central Verein is a body intended to be a defense organization against racial hatred and anti-Semitism. The Zionists are included in this program.

The extreme anti-Zionists opposed this view and introduced a resolution asking for the exclusion from the organization of Rabbi Leo Baeck, Chief Rabbi of Berlin, and Georg Bernhard, editor of the "Vossische Zeitung" who have joined the German Pro-Palestine Committee.

Mr. Bernhard, who participated in the discussion, pointed to the common religious lot of all Jewry as a historic fact which cannot be denied or ignored. The issuance of the Balfour declaration and the practical upbuilding of Palestine are effective weapons against anti-Semitism, he declared.

The convention finally decided to

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### CHARGE AUTHORITIES USE PRESSURE ON JEWISH POPU- LATION IN POLISH ELECTION

Chassidic Rebbe Urges Support for  
Government List

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 13.—That the Polish authorities are exercising pressure on the Jewish population with regard to its attitude in the forthcoming elections was charged in a report of the Jewish campaign committee of the national minorities bloc in the district of Biala-Podlaska.

The committee, in a report to the central committee in Warsaw, charged that the district chief called a meeting of rabbis and members of kehillah executives of the region, instructing them to refuse permission to the minorities bloc to hold mass meetings and assemblies in the synagogues and houses of study which are the property of the community. He recommended at the same time that all support be given to the list of the Agudah-Volks party bloc. The committee charged that the district chief threatened the Jewish population with reprisals if these instructions were ignored. Several of the rabbis, the committee stated, have complied with the instructions and issued a call to their followers to support the list given preference by the authorities.

Support for the Government party or the so-called Pilsudski list on the part of Jewish voters was fore-shadowed today by the publication of an appeal issued by the Alexanderer rebbe.

In his statement, the Rebbe, who has

### J. D. C. NOT IN POSITION THIS YEAR TO AID JEWISH COLON- IZATION IN PINSK REGION

Land Would Have to be Gotten Free;  
Present Commitments Don't  
Allow New Projects

There is very little likelihood that the Joint Distribution Committee will be in a position during 1928 to aid the project of settling Jews on the land in the Pinsk region if the swamps are drained, according to communications of Dr. Joseph Rosen, agricultural expert of the committee, and Joseph C. Hyman, secretary of the committee, made public by Z. Tygel, executive director of the Federation of Polish Jews in America.

The Federation of Polish Jews at its semi-annual meeting three months ago passed resolutions requesting the Joint Distribution Committee to have Dr. Rosen investigate the land settling possibilities for Polish Jews in the Pinsk region and to appoint a special committee which would proceed to Poland to determine the conditions on the spot.

In reply to the request Mr. Hyman in a communication to the Federation of Polish Jews, declared:

"The committee reviewed with great interest your suggestion that the settlement of Jews on the land in Poland be given immediate consideration. It is natural that the success of agriculture under varying conditions. In Russia, has caused groups of Jews in Poland and other countries where conditions, political and economic, have not yet opened such possibilities, to hope that they, too, might find similar opportunities for settling on the land. The reconstructive relief which this organization has been able to render in various countries has taken different forms under varying conditions. In Russia, a spontaneous agricultural movement, fostered by economic and political conditions, made possible emphasis on agricultural work. The Russian Revolution upset theories of private trade and made available land on a large scale for new settlement. One of the officers of the Joint Distribution Committee, at the Chicago Constructive Relief Conference, pointed out some of the differences between conditions in Russia and Poland with regard to land settlement. In Poland, the Govern-

many followers in Warsaw and in Lodz, urges his followers to vote for the Pilsudski list. A vote cast for the government list will be in compliance with the command of the Prophet Jeremiah: "Seek the peace of the city wherein you dwell," the Rebbe declared.

The Sunday issue of the "Hajnt," the paper which advocates support for the national minorities bloc, was again confiscated by the authorities.

ment has not made land available for agricultural work and the conditions prevailing do not indicate that the very small sums which the Joint Distribution Committee has for further work in Eu ope can practically be applied toward the encouragement of large scale agricultural work.

"The appropriations which the Joint Distribution Committee can make for Eastern Europe for the year 1928 are very modest. They have been reduced substantially from the applications made to us by our European Director. Our commitments are such that there are no free funds available for any further projects and we shall require the assistance of all those persons interested in our activities to meet our minimum budgets. The committee at this time faces a large deficit and has to meet notes which fall due shortly and against which the committee borrowed substantial sums from the banks. In these circumstances, unless we were to discontinue further assistance to the orphan and child care institutions, all further help to the loan kassas, all further aid to the Gemiloth Chessed kassa free loan societies, unless we were to stop entirely subventioning the cultural and educational institutions in Poland and lump whatever allotments were thus made available for all these purposes, into one sum for the project which you propose, the committee could find practically no funds whatsoever for any additional activities. The committee must be guided by its financial situation, and by the amount of moneys which it receives from the country for its program. Its present commitments are such that practically without taking on any new programs whatsoever, it will still need to observe the most careful economies in order to meet these obligations. The committee, in view of all these circumstances, can not embark upon the project which you urge," the secretary of the Joint Distribution Committee declared.

Dr. Rosen in a statement made to the Federation of Polish Jews last October, declared:

"From what I know there are three to four million acres of swamp land in the Pinsk district belonging partly to the Government and partly to private land owners, which can be drained and turned into farms. We are actually draining the same kind of land in White Russia which adjoins the Pinsk district, and are settling people there.

"Under similar conditions, the present cost of draining the land amounts to \$40 or \$50 per acre. With improved methods by using American machinery for ditching and clearing the land, the cost can be reduced to about \$30 per acre. To make a living each family must have about 25 acres of this land.

## OZET TO UNDERTAKE JEWISH COLONIZATION IN SIBERIA; COMMISSION GOES TO BUREYA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Feb. 13.—The Ozet, the society for settling Jews on the land, has decided to undertake activities for settling Jews in the region of Bureya, Siberia, in accordance with the proposal of the Comzet, the governmental department for settling Jews on the land.

A despatch from Moscow relates that the Ozet has decided to despatch a special commission to the Bureya region to take the first steps for organizing the operations. The commission, which will soon proceed to Siberia, is composed of Samuel Weizmann, brother of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Mr. Raschkes, prominent in the Jewish section of the Communist party, and Mr. Robinson. A group of 22 Jewish families in Smolensk has volunteered to go as pioneers to the Bureya region.

## VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY DECREASING, FIGURES SHOW

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Feb. 13.—A general decrease in the strength of the Jewish community of Vienna is seen by statistics made public here.

Jewish births in Vienna amounted to 1579 in 1927, as compared with 2,557 in 1924, while the death rate increased from 2,695 to 2,739 in 1927. Secessions from the Jewish community, either to a state of Jeffersonlose or to join another faith, amounted to 1,063 in 1927, an increase from the 881 in 1924. Marriages decreased in the same period, 1159 Jewish couples having married during the past year. In 1924 there were 1,470 marriages. In the first month of this year there were 125 births, 234 deaths and 66 who left the Jewish community. Twenty-three persons returned to the Jewish community.

Figures show that only 38 percent of the Jewish population was born in Vienna.

Mayor Walker, it is announced, will open the annual affair of the Israel Orphan Asylum to be held at Madison Square Garden on March 24. Judge Gustave Hartman is president of the institution. The show and ball is staged annually for aid toward the support of the asylum.

As you see, under these conditions if the land does not have to be purchased, the initial cost of the farm, under best conditions, would be about \$750. In addition to this, the buildings and live stock and machinery, would cost at least another \$750, making the cost of settling a family about \$1,500, provided the land can be secured free of charge.

## COMMUNISTS SAY PALESTINE GOVERNMENT TREATS POLITICAL PRISONERS HARSHLY

Incite Demonstration in Jerusalem; Question Up in Commons

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 13.—Alleged harsh treatment of political prisoners by the Palestine government was the cause for a demonstration which took place Sunday.

Several hundred workers, incited by Communist propaganda, marched through the streets of Jerusalem bearing banners protesting against the beating of political prisoners.

The government in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent here declared that no fagellation is practiced or intended as punishment for political prisoners. The Communist group among the workers distributed proclamations calling upon the Workers Council in Jerusalem to proclaim Monday as a day of general strike in protest.

London, Feb. 13.—The House of Commons heard questions and replies today with regard to the propaganda of the small Communist group among the Palestine workers.

Col. Josiah Wedgwood asked the Colonial Secretary whether there is any evidence of Communist activity in Palestine among Moslems or Jews directed against Great Britain.

Col. Amery in reply declared that there is a comparatively small Communist party among the Palestine workers, containing both Jews and Arabs. They are conducting a certain amount of propaganda directed against the British mandate, but their influence is comparatively slight. The High Commissioner is fully aware of the position and His Majesty's Government can leave the matter in his hands, the Colonial Secretary stated.

## LEAGUE MAY ARBITRATE DISPUTE OVER BEQUESTS OF JEWISH MILLIONAIRE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Feb. 13.—The League of Nations may be called in to arbitrate a controversy between the governments of Austria and Czechoslovakia over the bequests made in the will of the late Jewish millionaire, Schweiger, who died here, disposing of a fortune of twenty million shillings.

Because Schweiger was a Czechoslovakian subject and because he left a large portion of his legacy to relatives living in Moravia, Czechoslovakia is claiming a share in the death duties. The Austrian government, however, insists that since Schweiger had long been a resident of Vienna, where he died, the death duties belong exclusively to Austria.

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## JUDENITSCH PLANNED POGROM IN LENINGRAD, REVEAL ARCHIVES REVEAL

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Feb. 14.—The Jewish community in Petrograd would have been the prey of pogromists and Jewish property would have been distributed among the soldiery if the plans of General Judenitsch, head of one of the White armies, had not been frustrated.

This was revealed today when interesting documents from the archives of the Reval kehillah were made public.

The documents revealed that in 1919 General Judenitsch when marching upon Petrograd, issued an order promising the soldiery the property of Petrograd Jews and "freedom of action," after the city would be taken.

## 4 INJURED, MANY ARRESTED IN CRACOW STUDENT RIOTS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Cracow, Feb. 13.—Three Christian students and one Jewish student were seriously injured and scores of Jewish and Polish students arrested in new riots which broke out yesterday in Cracow's historic square, Sukiennice.

The trouble started when a group of thirty Jewish students, wearing the insignia of the Jewish Student Society, at the University of Cracow, were attacked by a large group of Christian students because they continued to display their fraternal insignia, notwithstanding the protests of the Polish student body. In the free-for-all fight, passersby were attacked. The police were called out to restore order, making many arrests from both camps.

The Jewish students, it was stated, decided not to surrender to the demand of the Polish students and new riots are feared.

## MOSES FROSTIG, ZIONIST LEADER OF GALICIA, DIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Lemberg, Feb. 14.—Moses Frostig, former deputy in the Polish Sejm for Eastern Galicia, died yesterday at San Remo, Italy. He was forty years old.

Mr. Frostig who was the editor of the Lemberg Yiddish daily, "Tageblatt," was elected to the second Polish Sejm on the Zionist ticket. He took a leading part in Zionist activities in Eastern Galicia.

A \$75,000 Building Fund Campaign for a Jewish Community Center in Gloversville, N. Y. was launched on Monday.

A gift of \$100,000 from Lucius N. Littauro will be made at the close of the drive it was learned. This gift will mean the construction of a Jewish Community Center for Fulton County.

Joseph Bachner was chosen, chairman of the campaign committee. The drive will be conducted by Joseph Bower, of the Jewish Welfare Board. The campaign will continue for one week.

## CENTRAL VEREIN DECIDES TO COOPERATE IN PALESTINE

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adopt the thesis of Mr. Hollaender, which calls for cooperation in the practical work without identification with the Zionist ideology.

The convention rejected the proposal of the anti-Zionists to exclude Rabbi Baeck and Mr. Bernhard.

The decision of the convention, it was stated, will not be binding on the anti-Zionists, who will, it was declared, continue to combat the nationalist ideology of the Zionists.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—The bi-annual convention of the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith was opened here yesterday in the presence of 340 delegates. Dr. Brodnitz presided over the sessions.

According to a report submitted by Samuel Weiner, secretary of the Central Union, the organization is composed of 20 state federations which embrace 178 local organizations.

Interesting opinions with regard to the part played by Jews in Europe and the United States in the economic life of the countries were presented by Professor Hirsch, who submitted a paper on the Jews' role in the world's economic life. The speaker recently returned from the United States. He found there business methods that were superior to those in Europe. The speaker praised the business initiative of American Jews who, he stated, play an important role in the new conception of the world's business. The Jews of America are not an isolated group in the business field, but are marching ahead in the interest of all humanity.

## MEMORIALIZE CONGRESS ON BEHALF OF COUNT HATVANY

The House of Representatives was asked to request the State Department to investigate the anti-Jewish persecution in Hungary in a petition submitted by the Federation of Hungarian Jews of America.

The petition was submitted in connection with the sentence of seven years imprisonment imposed upon Baron Ludwig Hatvany, Hungarian Liberal of Jewish origin, whose case was termed "a second Dreyfus case." The treatment accorded to Baron Hatvany by the Horthy government upon his return to Hungary, has called forth wide resentment in Liberal and in Jewish circles in Hungary. Baron Hatvany, who was converted to Christianity, was persecuted because of his Jewish origin. The petition, which has been published abroad against the Horthy regime, contending that the fact that he was converted Christianity is not sufficient to enable it to be returned to him, was signed by Baron Hatvany in one of the most important ways.

## PALESTINE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN NEW YORK ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1928

Efforts with a view to consolidation of the various agencies active in the placement of Palestine products in the United States into one central agency were decided upon at the annual meeting of the Palestine Chamber of Commerce in New York held recently.

After a discussion of the report of the past year's activity, the Executive Committee was instructed to take steps in this direction and a special committee, headed by David Podolsky as chairman, was elected for this purpose.

The following were elected to serve as officers for a period of one year: Judge Jacob S. Strahl, Honorary President, Samuel Mason, President, David Podolsky, First Vice-President, Joseph Pines, Second Vice-President, Max Fanwick, Treasurer, Ezekiel Rabinowitz, Secretary, Marcus D. Mason, Asst. Secretary. The directors elected were: Herman Bernstein, Louis Germain, Jacob Ish-Kishor, Leopold Kehlmann, David Surdur, and Sol Friedland.

## WIDER SCOPE CAMPAIGN PROGRESSES IN MID-WEST

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Cincinnati, Feb. 14.—Eighty per cent of the quota of District No. 6 for the L.O.B.B. Wider Scope Committee fund has been raised, according to a report made public by Alfred M. Cohen, international president of the L.O.B.B. District No. 6 comprises: Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Central Canada.

Pledges totalling \$15,100 were obtained by members of the B'nai B'rith in South Bend, Ind., for the L. O. B. B. Wider Scope Campaign fund. This was announced in a report of Sidney G. Kuzworn, past president of District No. 2 and member of the Executive Committee of the I. O. B. B.

## BERNARD BRESLAUER NOTED GERMAN JEWISH LEADER, DIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 13.—Justitar Bernard Breslaer, prominent German Jewish leader, died here yesterday at the age of 77.

Herr Breslaer was one of the founders and honorary president of the Liberal Jewish community in Berlin. He was a staunch champion of Jewish rights and the founder of several Jewish organizations. He was a recognized legal authority.

Amalgamation of the Jewish Educational Society and the San Francisco Talmud Torah has been effected. The Educational Society has absorbed the San Francisco Talmud Torah and is now the only agency promoting Jewish education in San Francisco. At present the officers of the society Harry E. Simon was named president, Rabbi Jacob Nath. Louis I. Newman, vice president, M. L. Hoppin, treasurer and Michael M. Krasin, executive director.

## CONFERENCE ON FIVE DAY WEEK IS CALLED BY UNION

A conference to further the five day industrial week has been called by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, to be held February 20 at the Hotel Manhattan Square.

The organizations which have been invited to send representatives to the Conference include: the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; the New York Diocese of the Catholic Church; Synagogue Council of America; Jewish Sabbath Alliance of America; American Federation of Labor; the Central Trades and Labor Council of Greater New York; United Hebrew Trades and Association of Employers.

The Committee in charge of the Conference is composed of: Capt. N. Taylor Phillips, Chairman, Rabbi Dr. B. Drachman, J. H. Lookstein, A. I. Shuchatowitz, and M. Shuchatowitz; Dr. Samuel Friedman and Harry G. Fromberg.

## KURT EISNER'S WIDOW SUES BAVARIAN STATE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Munich, Feb. 14.—The suit brought by Madam Eisner, widow of the late Kurt Eisner, premier of Bavaria, who was killed by political opponents, against the Bavarian state demanding a pension, began here yesterday.

No pension had been paid to the widow who, because of her lack of means, was unable to file suit claiming the unpaid pension. Privilege has now been granted to her to conduct the suit without costs.

## KEREN HAYESOD INCOME IN JANUARY INCREASES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 14.—An increase in the income of the Keren Hayesod over the previous month was seen when the figures for January were made public. The amount of \$42,006 was received during January as compared with \$40,294 during December.

The income for December was nearly twice as much as that of the previous month. The total receipts for November were only \$24,857.

Allentown, Pa. has been selected as the place for the 1928 convention of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Y. M. H. A.'s and Y. W. H. A.'s, following a meeting of the Executive Committee. The convention will be held September 2 and 3. The Federation includes the associations of Delaware as well as Pennsylvania.

The new community center, being erected in Allentown at a cost of \$250,000, will be completed in time to house the convention. It was announced.

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