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PRO-PALESTINE COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED IN AUSTRIA; NOTED STATESMEN MEMBERS

British Ambassador Guest of Honor at Luncheon

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Feb. 17.—An Austrian Pro-Palestine Committee, composed of prominent statesmen and civic leaders, to further the work of upbuilding Palestine as the Jewish National Home, was formed here last night.

Count Mensdorff, Austrian representative to the League of Nations, was elected president of the committee. Other members of the committee's presidium are: former Prime Minister Von Beck, former Ambassador Dumba and Johann Kremetzki. A luncheon in honor of the presidium of the Pro-Palestine Committee will be given on Saturday by Baron Louis Rothschild at the Rothschild Palace. The British Ambassador in Vienna will be the guest of honor.

President Hainisch and Prime Minister Seipel today received Nahum Soblow, chairman of the Zionist Executive, prior to the issuance by the Government of a pro-Zionist declaration.

Among those who have become members of the Pro-Palestine Committee are Dr. Sigmund Freud, Professor Pick, president of the Vienna Kehillah, and Herr Benedict, editor of the "Neue Freie Presse," which was at one time a strong opponent of the Zionist movement and which had on its staff the late Dr. Theodor Herzl, founder of the Zionist organization.

The work of the Pro-Palestine Committees in the various European countries was viewed as a valuable help not only for the reconstruction of Palestine

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CONNECTICUT U. J. C. CONFERENCE TO MEET IN NEW HAVEN

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

New Haven, Feb. 17.—The Connecticut State Conference of the United Jewish Campaign will take place on February 26, at the Harmonie Club, here. The conference was called by Abraham S. Ullman, acting state chairman, to receive a report from each community in the State, and to hear a report by David A. Brown on the work being done abroad.

DISCUSSION IN HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT ON NUMERUS CLAUSUS TO LAST ANOTHER WEEK

Democratic Leader Indicts Government; Numerus Clausus is Black Ingratitude To Hungarian Jews, He Declares; Charges Government Is Playing Double Game; Stormy Scenes Accompany Debate

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Feb. 17.—The discussion of the Government bill to modify the numerus clausus law limiting the number of Jewish students in Hungarian universities and colleges will last another week besides the six days of debate which have already been held in the House.

Ten more speakers, representing other factions, will have to be heard on the question, since their parties insist they must make clear to the country their stand on the vexing numerus clausus issue. The surprising thing is that notwithstanding the flow of oratory during which the elements of racial and religious hatred were dominant, the students calmed down and have called off the strike which they announced when parliament took up the Government bill.

Lectures have been resumed in the colleges and universities and, when it was desired, no disturbances occurred.

Stormy scenes were enacted in the House during the indictment of the Hungarian Government by Deputy Pakots, Democrat. "The numerus clausus," he exclaimed, "is the child of stupidity, reaction and contra-revolution. The Jews lived in Hungary before the Magyars. Hungarian Jews have played a glorious part in the history of the country. It is nonsense to speak of defending the Hungarian race against a Jewish onslaught by imposing restrictions upon the right to learn. The most aristocratic families of Hungarian nobility are the offspring of racial mixtures," he declared.

"Count Klebelsberg, Minister of Education," Deputy Pakots continued, "is a German of Tyrol. Count Bethlen, the Prime Minister, is of French origin, the Hungarian race-purifiers are themselves Germans or Slovaks."

At this point the speaker was interrupted by Prime Minister, Count Bethlen, who took exception to Pakots denunciations. He particularly attacked the statement made by the Democratic leader that the Hungarian

Government had displayed the blackest ingratitude toward Hungarian Jews, since it was Hungarian Jews who helped the Government by obtaining a loan for it and thus enabling it to obtain a majority in parliament. "The Jews in Hungary have been repaid for that service by the introduction of the numerus clausus," Pakots charged.

In concluding his address Deputy Pakots declared that "the more Hungarian Jewry will be persecuted, the more will it win the sympathy of public opinion abroad. The Government," he said, "is guilty of playing a double game, one abroad and another for home consumption."

Deputy Gaal, representing the Agrarians, declared he will vote against the Government bill because he believes that the only just thing to do is to abolish the numerus clausus law altogether. "The terror of the young student is a disgrace. I am not a philo-Semite," he added, "but I will never cast my vote for an injustice, just because it aims at the Jews," he declared.

PALESTINE WILL HAVE AIR MAIL SERVICE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 17.—Air mail to and from Palestine will be introduced by the Imperial Airways Company. The Palestine Government has authorized the company to operate a regular air mail service to and from Palestine.

The agreement with the company is for five years, it was stated.

87,000 JEWS IN POLAND ARE ENGAGED IN AGRICULTURE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 17.—Polish Jews engaged in agriculture number 87,000, according to official figures made public here.

This number is engaged in farming, gardening and in dairy farming. They are mainly resident in Galicia, Polesie, Grodno, the Vilna district and Volhyn.

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I.O.B.B. ANNOUNCES PLAN TO EXTEND ITS ACTIVITIES TO JEWRY OF SOUTH AFRICA

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Cincinnati, Feb. 17.—The extension of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith to South Africa is being considered, according to a statement of Alfred M. Cohen, president of the order.

Mr. Cohen made public a letter from Johannesburg urging the establishment of a lodge in South Africa, where the Jewish population numbers 62,000.

"Of this number Johannesburg has a Jewish population of 23,000 and Cape Town about 12,000," the letter states. "The Jewish community is highly organized. Johannesburg has 14 synagogues, supports an orphanage and a home for aged Jews. It has in addition many benevolent societies. Jews occupy high positions in civic and Masonic life.

"Johannesburg retains two Jews as members of Parliament. A Johannesburg Jew is a judge of the supreme court. Johannesburg is the headquarters of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, the S. A. Zionist Federation and the South African Jewish Historical Society. In the opinion of those associated with me, the establishment of a Lodge of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith would be the keystone of our communal structure."

J.D.B. NEWS LETTER

Jewish Activities In San Antonio Show Marked Progress; \$300,000 Temple Dedicated

(By Our San Antonio Correspondent)

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 13.—Marked by the dedication of a \$300,000 building by Temple Beth El, the past twelve months have been a period of progress for San Antonio Jewry. Formation of a new congregation and the launching of a \$35,000 campaign for the Jewish Social Service Federation have taken place during the last month.

Dedicated on April 29, 1927, the new Temple Beth El stands as a monument to the local reform congregation's existence since its establishment in 1874. The auditorium of the new temple has a seating capacity of 1,000, while the balcony provides for the seating of an additional 200.

Adjoining the temple is a community center, in which are located the religious school rooms, the rabbi's study, a library, and an auditorium.

Dr. Ephraim Frisch is rabbi of Temple Beth El, and has been the congregation's spiritual leader since December, 1923. Rabbi Samuel Marks is rabbi emeritus of the temple, having served actively from 1897 to 1920.

Morris Stern, Sr., is lay leader of the congregation. Mr. Stern has been president for several years, and was active director of the campaign necessary to "put over" the new temple idea.

Congregation Agudas B'nai Israel was formed last month by residents of the south side district, who found it an inconvenience to attend the city's other Orthodox synagogues, Agudas Achim and Rodfei Sholom. Erection of a synagogue and the securing of a rabbi and cantor is on the plan of the congregation's early activities. Worship is now being held in temporary quarters.

Local and national philanthropies will be taken care of by the \$35,000 fund which the Jewish Social Service Federation is now soliciting. The campaign, under the general chairmanship

HUNGARIAN ZIONISTS HAVE NATIONAL CONFERENCE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Feb. 17.—The national conference of Hungarian Zionists was called for April 8 and 9, in Budapest. This is the first national conference of Hungarian Zionists, the organization being only recently legalized. Previously the organization of Zionists was prohibited in the country.

of D. J. Straus, is almost completed.

The fourth anniversary of the Hebrew Free Loan Association was marked by a banquet held on Jan. 22 at which over 350 members were present. This organization, has made \$250,000 loans, totalling \$2,435, since its inception.

Death claimed Rabbi S. Solomon, spiritual leader of Synagogue Rodfei Sholom, on Dec. 26. Rabbi Solomon, who was 72 years old at the time he died, came to San Antonio thirty years ago to occupy the pulpit at Synagogue Agudas Achim, a position he held for eighteen years.

San Antonio's 1928 United Palestine Appeal quota was announced at a meeting addressed by Mrs. Lindheim, at \$10,000.

Rabbi Lewis Browne, author of "Stranger Than Fiction," "This Believing World," and "That Man Heine," is one of the eight internationally-known speakers whom the San Antonio Open Forum, a non-sectarian cultural society, is bringing to the city this season.

Reorganization of the Ladies Aid Society for European Orphans and the Pioneer Women Society, two organizations that had been inactive, has been effected during the last week.

Prof. Wesley Peacock, president of the Peacock Military Academy, located here, has recently announced the discovery of two Jewish geniuses among his students. Prof. Peacock has been giving psychology tests to pupils in all of the public schools of San Antonio and in his own academy, and finds Robert Blieden of Beaumont, Tex., and David Katz of New York City to have mental ages beyond their years. Blieden, a 14-year-old boy, is said to have the mentality of a 20-year-old man, while Katz, 9 years old, has the intelligence of a person 16 years old.

Absorption of the San Antonio Jewish Weekly by the Jewish Record, also published locally, took place on October 21. The Jewish Record is now in its fourth year.

The Second Annual Convention of the New York Branch of the United Synagogue of America will take place Sunday, March 18th, in the new temple of the Ansche Chesed Congregation, West End Avenue and 100th St., New York. It has been announced by Rabbi Samuel M. Cohen, the Executive Secretary.

The New York Branch of the United Synagogue of America includes eight affiliated synagogues throughout the State of New York, with a membership of approximately 12,000.

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BOSTON UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL DRIVE FOR \$250,000 TO BE LAUNCHED THIS WEEK

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Feb. 17.—Governor Alvan T. Fuller of Massachusetts and Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, will open the United Palestine Appeal campaign here on Washington's birthday, February 22, 1928 at the Boston Chamber of Commerce. The Campaign is for \$250,000, Greater Boston's quota towards the United Palestine Appeal Campaign.

On Wednesday afternoon, Morris Rothenberg, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the United Palestine Appeal, will address a conference of all New England Zionist districts, United Palestine Appeal Committees, and other key workers.

The amount of \$25,000 was forwarded this week by the local United Palestine Appeal Committee to the national office. Jacob Rabinovitz is chairman of the United Palestine Appeal Campaign. Elihu D. Stone, president of the New England Zionist Region will preside at the emergency conference.

FRENCH CANADIAN PRIEST MAKES CONTRIBUTION TO PALESTINE CAMPAIGN

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Montreal, February 17.—The pastor of a French church in Montreal is the first contributor to the United Palestine Appeal for one-half million dollars, which the Canadian Zionist Organization is to launch on March 18. The Rev. W. T. Halpenny, pastor of the Eglise Unie du Sauveur, in sending his contribution, wrote: "I am intensely interested in the object of your organization. I think it is one of the most significant movements of modern times." Mr. Halpenny's contribution was entirely voluntary.

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The Jewish Daily Bulletin warns its friends throughout the country against an imposter who, going by the name of Abe Goldberg, solicits subscriptions for the paper and claims to be the representative of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. The man, last heard of in Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit, is not and has never been authorized to solicit subscriptions for the Bulletin and does not represent the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in any capacity whatsoever. Prospective subscribers are warned against paying for subscriptions to anyone who does not present proper credentials for 1928.

Readers of the Bulletin are urged to warn their friends against this imposter.

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but for the elimination of anti-Semitism, in the addresses and messages by prominent European statements which were delivered and read at the constituting session of the committee.

Herr Breisky, vice-chancellor of Austria, declared in his address that the Austrian people have the warmest sympathies for the ideal of a Zion rebuilt. They see in it a work of human welfare with which they sympathize. French Minister Dodart, in his message, declared that the work of the Pro-Palestine committees is capable of bringing about a change in the appreciation of Judaism and to effect public opinion in Europe to such a degree that anti-Semitism will remain merely a name of a disease which has long disappeared.

Count Bernstorff, German statesman, in his message stated that the non-Jews who became affiliated with the Pro-Palestine Committees also exercise the function that they as friends of the movement, bring about a realization in the Jewish world, of its own obligations toward the rebuilding of Palestine.

Prince di Scaleta of Italy sent a message wishing success in the "common purpose."

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