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LIBERAL JEWS ORGANIZE IN POLISH SILESIA TO PROMOTE THEIR AIMS

Will Oppose All Efforts at 'Jewish Isolation' and Zionism
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, May 1.—The liberal Jews in Polish Silesia have organized in a Union of Democratic Jews for the purpose of promoting religious liberalism. According to the constitution adopted by the body, Judaism is a religion only and Jews are a religious, ethical and spiritual community.

The organization will seek to protect Jewish interests in the religious, cultural, economic and political fields. It will also take steps to combat anti-Semitism. The program rejects "all efforts toward Jewish isolation and especially Zionism."

The Union of Liberal Jews in Germany has sent a message of greeting to the new organization, expressing satisfaction with its aims.

"FIGHT ANTI-SEMITISM" MAY DAY SLOGAN IN RUSSIA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, May 1.—"Fight Anti-Semitism" is one of the slogans for the May Day celebrations adopted by the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

An incredible incident is related by the "Komsomolskaya Pravda," Communist youth paper. Two Jewish children were infected by a contagious disease by non-Jewish neighbors who did not want the children's parents to continue living in the apartment house. The person, a girl, guilty of causing the infection was arrested and proceedings were started by the authorities against the neighbors who instigated the crime.

COMMUNIST PROCLAMATIONS CONFISCATED IN PALESTINE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, May 1.—Communist proclamations issued by the Left labor groups on May 1 were confiscated by the authorities. May Day was observed throughout the country by the labor groups with a general strike. A small number of Arab workers participated.

Attempts made by the Left groups to arrange street demonstrations in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv were frustrated by the police. Several of the demonstrators were arrested.

STEPHEN WISE, IN BOSTON ADDRESS, RENEWS ATTACK ON WEIZMANN'S POLICY

Says Change in World Zionist Leadership Only Solution
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, May 1.—A change in the leadership of the World Zionist Organization was again urged as a solution to the present Zionist situation by Dr. Stephen S. Wise in his first public address on a Zionist topic since his resignation.

Speaking before the Avukah, Zionist students organization, at the Commander Hotel, Dr. Wise characterized an utterance of Dr. Weizmann in his address before a Detroit gathering as "an unforgivable disloyalty to the Jewish people, if he had been correctly quoted."

Taking as his text Dr. Weizmann's alleged phrase "A quarrel with Great Britain will last for five minutes and you won't quarrel again," Dr. Wise declared that "Great Britain will not do more than it will be compelled to do."

"The right kind of Zionist leadership is necessary and a firmer and more aggressive policy toward the mandatory power is essential if the Balfour Declaration is carried out. Unless this is done the minimum will be done by Great Britain to aid in the establishment of the Jewish National Home. How can any self respecting Jew speak in the terms attributed to the world? There will be no change or improvement in Zionist affairs unless the Zionist leadership will be changed," Dr. Wise said.

BERNARD BARON CREATES \$25,000 PALESTINE FUND

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, May 1.—Bernard Baron has contributed the amount of \$25,000 as a special gift to be put at the disposal of the Zionist Executive in Jerusalem, as a fund for constructive works.

HENRY ROSEN SUCCEEDS LATE SPIVAK AS DIRECTOR

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Denver, Col., May 1.—Henry Rosen was chosen Executive Director of the Jewish Consumptive Relief Society at a meeting of the board of trustees.

Mr. Rosen has been head of the society's New York office for many years. In his new post he will succeed the late Dr. C. D. Spivak.

WEIZMANN CALLS NATIONAL CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS PALESTINE SITUATION

President of World Z. O. Says Palestine Faces New Era of Progress

A national conference on Palestine has been called for Sunday, May 20, at the Astor Hotel, New York. The letter of invitation to the conference has been signed by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization.

At the conference Dr. Weizmann will report on the latest situation in Palestine. Reports on the response to the United Palestine Appeal campaigns in Jewish communities throughout the country will be presented.

The calling of the conference has been necessitated by the present situation in Palestine, Dr. Weizmann stated. In his letter of invitation which has been sent to the leaders in the cause for the up-building of Palestine, Dr. Weizmann writes:

"During my stay in America, I have been calling the attention of American Jewry to the fact that Palestine faces a new era of progress. The pioneers are imbued with a new spirit of hope and ambition. They see around them new sources of strength. Industries are being revived, and new capital is beginning to flow into the country.

"The announcement has been made that, thanks to special contributions coming from American Jews, unemployment from which we have been suffering for many months, will shortly cease. The crisis is being liquidated, but everything depends upon securing from the Jews of America, the continued remittance of their quota for the Palestine budget. The holding of the present position depends upon arousing the consciousness of responsibility of American Jewry.

"In order to ascertain the progress made by the United Palestine Appeal
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GOEBBELS, ANTI-SEMITES, GETS JAIL SENTENCE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, May 1.—Herr Goebbels, one of the leaders of the anti-Semitic Hitler movement was sentenced to three weeks imprisonment for insulting the assistant chief of police of Berlin, Weiss, a Jew.

Grotesque scenes were enacted in court when the accused asked the judge whether he was a Jew.

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N. J. ZIONISTS TO PRESENT

\$100,000 TO DR. WEIZMANN

AT STATE RECEPTION

Newark to Subscribe \$50,000, to

Launch Local Campaign

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Newark, N. J., May 1.—New Jersey Zionist leaders are planning to present a check for \$100,000 when the president of the World Zionist Organization will visit here on May 17. The decision to tender a state reception to Dr. Weizmann was taken at a conference presided over by Philip J. Schotland, state chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. Of the \$100,000 the sum of \$50,000 will be subscribed in Newark.

A local campaign to raise \$110,000 for the U.P.A. will commence here simultaneously with the visit of Dr. Weizmann. Last year the sum of \$100,000 was raised in Newark.

Newark's pledge of \$50,000 toward the \$100,000 to be presented to the world Zionist leader, was made by Bernard Miller, chairman of the Palestine Appeal in Newark.

The next largest share of the \$100,000 will be contributed by Jersey City, which has pledged the sum of \$20,000. Abraham Kantor, on behalf of Plainfield Zionists, pledged the sum of \$5,000; and like amounts were pledged by Philip Goldman, on behalf of Passaic; Louis Braines for Perth Amboy, and Abraham M. Herman for the Oranges. David Gordon

DEMANDS EQUALITY FOR
WOMEN IN SYNAGOGUE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Ill., May 1. — A proposal that women be permitted to join Jewish congregations as members of equal standing with men, was made by Mrs. Louis M. Epstein of Brookline, Mass., before the convention of the Women's League of the United Synagogue of America at the Stevens Hotel here. "It has become a disease among congregations to out build one another to such an extent that some have mortgaged their grandchildren" Mrs. Epstein said.

Rabbi A. M. Hersherman, speaking on Jewish education, proposed that just as there is a ceremony of "Bar Mitzvah" for boys who at the age of 13 are declared fully responsible, so there should be a similar ceremony for girls. He laid some of the blame for the present situation on the shoulders of rabbis, who, he said, have become "Jacks of all trades."

Others who discussed Jewish education were Dr. Alexander Dushkin, of the Board of Jewish Education of Chicago, who described the relationship of that body with the United Synagogue, and Rabbi Max Kadushin of Chicago.

Dr. Cyrus Adler reported that a committee has been organized at the suggestion of the highest officials of the Boy Scout movement of America to carry on religious activities among Jewish lads who are Boy Scouts. This committee, whose work is being privately financed, is composed of representatives of Orthodox, Reform and Conservative Jewish groups.

AMERICAN JEW GIVES HEBREW
UNIVERSITY RARE LIBRARY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, April 30.—A valuable collection of 4,000 rare volumes has been donated to the Hebrew University Library by Marcus Fechheimer. In 1925 Mr. Fechheimer presented the library with 6,500 volumes.

The present gift includes first editions of the Talmud and Maimonides and a Latin translation of the Mishna.

pledged \$3,000 for Paterson. Dr. David H. Maisel, Michael Jolin, Frank Schwartzstein and Philip Levine promised \$1,000 for New Brunswick and a like amount was pledged for Bloomfield by Abraham Lipton.

Buffalo, May 1.—The campaign to raise Buffalo's quota of \$50,000 in the United Palestine Appeal will be launched on May 6.

Samuel J. Schanzer, chairman of the Zionist District of Buffalo, heads the campaign. A mass meeting to organize the workers in the campaign will be held on Thursday.

GERMAN JEWS PREPARE FOR
PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, May 1.—The Jews should take an active part in the forthcoming parliamentary election campaign, Deputy Gertrud Klauerner says, writing in the "C. V. Zeitung," the organ of the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith.

All who are engaged in Parliamentary work, or follow it closely, she writes, know that Jewish questions are frequently involved. Attempts are often made to smuggle through clauses of an anti-Jewish character in the bills before Parliament and Deputies who would justly repudiate the suggestion of anti-Semitism might, unless the danger were pointed out to them in time, be trapped into voting for legislation which conceals anti-Semitic tendencies. Deputy Klauerner mentions the Schechita question as an instance.

The Central Union, she urges, should pay special attention to the books used in the public schools in order to see to it that wherever Jews are spoken of it should be in a spirit of objectivity and not with anti-Jewish bias, which would affect the attitude of the pupils towards Jews in later life.

Work of this kind should always be conducted, but during an election campaign it should be intensified. The Central Union should make it its task to keep in contact with those political parties which are fighting anti-Semitism and to support them in every way against the anti-Semitic groups.

SOUTHERN HADASSAH REGION
SUPPORTS MRS. LINDHEIM

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Birmingham, Ala., May 1.—A vote of confidence in Mrs. Irma Lindheim, national president of Hadassah, and endorsement of the National Board's action at its meeting in New York was taken at the Hadassah Southern Region Conference which closed its two-day sessions yesterday.

Representatives of the chapters of five States, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Florida, attended the conference.

EDOUARD BERNSTEIN, 78,
RETIRES FROM PARLIAMENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, May 1.—Edouard Bernstein, leader of the German Socialist Revisionists, declined to accept renomination at the Conference of the Social Democratic Party held here for the purpose of selecting Party candidates for the forthcoming Parliamentary elections. Mr. Bernstein, who is 78, refused to be a candidate account of his advanced age.

Tribute was paid him for his great work for the party and the movement, nationally and internationally, throughout his long life.

LIPSKY ANSWERS OPPOSITION CHARGES; POLITICAL MOTIVES BEHIND MOVE, HE SAYS

Asserts Opposition Seeks Control of World Zionist Organization as Well as of Z. O. A.; Relates History of Zion Commonwealth to Refute Criticism

That the opposition element to the Zionist Organization of America, which met in a conference in Washington, D. C. on Sunday, is motivated by political aims, which involve the control of the World Zionist Organization, as well as control of the Zionist Organization of America, was asserted by Louis Lipsky, president of the Zionist Organization of America in a statement made in reply to the charges directed against him at the conference. In his statement Mr. Lipsky pointed out that Judge Julian W. Mack was a member of the Board of Directors of the American Zion Commonwealth when the Zionist Organization originally decided to sponsor the Commonwealth as a Zionist institution.

Mr. Lipsky declared the statements made by the opposition with regard to the administration of the affairs of the American Zion Commonwealth not only a distortion of the facts but "greatly misleading." He said that Mr. Samuel J. Rosensohn, one of the opposition leaders, had been chairman of the Finance Committee when all actions taken with regard to the American Zion Commonwealth were ratified, and that it was Mr. Rosensohn who made many of the suggestions with regard to rehabilitating the American Zion Commonwealth through the funds of the United Palestine Appeal.

The opposition element now is composed, in the majority, of those men who had been ousted from the organization in 1921, when they had staged a fight against Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, Mr. Lipsky stated.

As to the charge of extravagance in the present Zionist administration, the statement declared that the expenses of the United Palestine Appeal have been "far below the expenses of the Palestine Restoration Fund, the fund raising agency during Judge Mack's administration."

The statement proceeds: "In particular, the opposition is aiming at the frustration of the efforts of Dr. Weizmann, backed by the Zionist Organization of America, to build up the Jewish Agency as the instrument of a united Jewry for the upbuilding of Palestine."

"The criticism with regard to the American Zion Commonwealth is, to say the least, a distortion of the facts and grossly misleading," Mr. Lipsky stated. "The American Zion Commonwealth was organized in 1917 as a Palestine land-selling and developing institution. It was not conducted for the profit of its shareholders or of any individual. It has had the moral support of the Zionist organization as far

back as 1918, when Judge Mack was president of the Zionist Organization of America, and was himself one of its directors. The American Zion Commonwealth made commendable progress up to 1926. It purchased Balfouria and developed it. It purchased Herzlia and developed it. It purchased Haifa Bay lands, which are regarded as enormously important for the future development of Palestine. It is responsible for the purchase and development of Afule. During the course of its career, the American Zion Commonwealth has purchased more land than is now possessed by the Jewish National Fund, the principal national land-buying institution of the Zionist organization.

"Then the large immigration of 1925 ceased, and Palestine suffered an industrial and financial depression. The American Zion Commonwealth found itself with large tracts of unsold land, that could not be completed. Any number of American Jews had purchased land from the American Zion Commonwealth, and there was danger that title could not be delivered. In addition, the American Zion Commonwealth had utilized all its credit in Palestinian institutions. The American Zionist Administration was faced with the alternative of either letting the American Zion Commonwealth fail, or giving it cooperation and support in extricating it from its temporary difficulties.

"It was the general opinion of almost all those who interested themselves in the matter that this was a responsibility not only of the Zionist Organization of America, but also an interest of the United Palestine Appeal, which would have suffered in prestige and in its collections had the many American purchasers been made to take a loss, or had their land not been delivered to them. It was therefore deemed advisable by all the authorities in the Zionist movement — including the London Zionist Executive, through Dr. Weizmann, and the Jewish Colonial Trust, through Dr. George Halpern, that it was the duty of the United Palestine Appeal to intervene and give its cooperation. Whatever money was authorized and advanced by the United Palestine Appeal is covered by the estimated assets, which when made liquid, exceed its liabilities. A plan is now being developed which will, when completed, in all probability return to the United Palestine Appeal the money which it has advanced to the American Zion Commonwealth.

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J.D.B. NEWS LETTER

Galveston Jewry Erects Community Center in Honor of Rabbi Cohen

(By our Galveston correspondent)

Galveston, Texas, April 15.—Jewish community interests are centered in the construction of the Henry Cohen Community House, a building which is being erected to honor Dr. Henry Cohen, rabbi of Temple B'nai Israel, who will celebrate the fortieth anniversary of his services here June 1. The building is made possible through pledges of members of his congregation and will be a testimonial to the service that Dr. Cohen has rendered, not only to the Jews of Galveston, but to peoples of all denominations, here and elsewhere.

The laying of the cornerstone of the Henry Cohen Community House took place in January. It is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy in time for the anniversary celebration.

Temple B'nai Israel, which the community house will adjoin was erected fifty-seven years ago. The Jewish community was founded here in 1868. Four rabbis have served the congregation, Dr. A. Rosenspitz, Dr. A. Blum, who subsequently became a prison chaplain in New York; Dr. Joseph Silverman, rabbi emeritus of Temple Emanuel El in New York and Dr. Cohen.

Dr. Cohen assumed his duties here June 1, 1888 and after ten years was elected to office for life.

The Jewish community of Galveston, numbering about 1,000 is active in civic and communal enterprises, Jewish citizens are leaders in all civic projects, occupying important positions in civic and commercial places.

At present I. H. Kempner is president of the Galveston Cotton Exchange and John Neethe, a prominent attorney is president of the board of school trustees. Mrs. I. H. Kempner also has served as a member of the board of school trustees.

At one time Mr. Kempner was mayor of Galveston, at the same time five other Jews were head of civic institutions. Mr. Kempner was a member of the board of city commissioners as finance commissioner, when the first commission form of government, which was subsequently adopted in other parts of the United States, was inaugurated here. Mr. Kempner is now chairman of the national advertising campaign committee, to advertise the industrial and resort facilities of Galveston.

Dr. Cohen is a member of the executive committee of prisons and

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LIPSKY ANSWERS CHARGES; SEES POLITICAL MOTIVES BEHIND OPPOSITION MOVE

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Commonwealth were conducted through the Finance Committee of the United Palestine Appeal, of which, since 1926—the period in which the matter developed—Samuel J. Rosensohn, one of the group of critics was chairman. It was on his motion, and at his recommendation that this appropriation on the part of the United Palestine Appeal was made. He acted as the attorney for the American Zion Commonwealth, when the appropriation referred to was made. These transactions also had the full, expressed approval of the Administrative Committee of the Zionist Organization of America, and all matters involving the signing of notes and their endorsement were ratified by the bodies concerned.

"In fact, a detailed report on the American Zion Commonwealth was made at the last annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America, in Atlantic City. At that Convention, the present Zionist administration was given an overwhelming majority vote of confidence. The Zionist delegates, after hearing all the facts, which have not changed since, gave their full approval to the policy adopted by their officers. It would have been a gross neglect of duty and responsibility if the American Zionist administration, and the United Palestine Appeal had not sided in the rehabilitation of the American Zion Commonwealth.

"The transaction regarding the Palestine Securities arose first out of the American Zion Commonwealth, and it involved the taking over of a going concern by an arrangement with the Zionist Organization of America. This activity was an attempt on the part of the Zionist Organization of America, through the Palestine Securities to develop a market for the sale of the mortgage bonds of the General Mortgage Bank of Palestine. Quite a large campaign was developed for the sale of these bonds. An influential group of business men was interested in the Palestine Securities. After subscriptions amounting to about \$250,000 had been received, it was found that there were difficulties to get the mortgage bonds issued in terms of dollars instead of English pounds. It became necessary for efforts to be made, on the part of the directors of the Palestine Securities, to secure the translation of the bonds from pounds into dollars. There were considerable delays, owing to the difficulties of moving the Palestine Government to agree to the proposition. In the meantime, however, time was lost and the subscriptions that had been secured in good faith dwindled away, and at the end of the period, the Palestine Securities was, as a result, left with a deficit. If there is any blame to be attached to this matter, it was due to delay in Palestine and not due to any act of the American Zion-

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throughout the country, and also to discuss various problems affecting the welfare of Palestine, an extraordinary conference is being called by the United Palestine Appeal to be held at the Hotel Astor, Broadway and 4th street, in New York City on Sunday, May 20.

"I urge the leading contributors to the United Palestine Appeal, and those who have taken a distinguished part in the work of raising funds for Palestine, to be present."

Supreme Court Justice Mitchell May has accepted the chairmanship of the testimonial dinner to be tendered to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, at the Unity Club, Brooklyn, on May 16. The dinner is being sponsored by leading Brooklyn Jews who hitherto have not participated in the United Palestine Appeal.

Representatives of six Reform temples were the guests of Judge Grover M. Moscovitz, Brooklyn chairman of the Palestine Appeal, at a luncheon conference at the Chamber of Commerce. Endorsement of the plan whereby Brooklyn Reform Jewry will pay tribute to the world Zionist leader was given in talks by Justice May, Rabbi Alexander Lyons of Temple Beth Elohim and Rabbi Louis D. Gross of Union Temple.

BROOKLYN RAISES ONE-THIRD OF B'NAI BRITH QUOTA

More than one-third of Brooklyn's quota of \$100,000 in the Wider Scope Campaign of the Independent Order B'nei Brith was subscribed at a "Hillel Night" dinner held Sunday at Union Temple.

Judge Edward Lazansky, Judge Mitchell May, Dr. Boris D. Bogen, James Waterman Wise, Professor A. Broderick Cohen and Rabbi Louis D. Gross addressed the gathering.

Traveling of four bronze tablets honoring those responsible for the new \$130,000 Educational and Recreational Center of the B'nei Brith Home for children at Fairview, Erie County, Pa., will be dedicated.

The ceremonies have been made a part of the convention program of the Grand Lodge of the B'nei Brith of District No. 3 comprising organizations in West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, which opens in Pittsburgh Saturday, May 26.

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NEW YORK JEW GIVES

\$60,000 GIFT TO YALE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

New Haven, Apr. 30.—The Louis Stern Memorial Fund will be established at Yale University through the gift of Benjamin Stern of New York of \$60,000.

President James R. Angell announced that the gift, made in memory of Louis Stern, brother of the donor, would be designated for research and publication.

"The value of the present gift is all the greater because of the donor's willingness to leave the university's hands so free in its administration," President Angell declared.

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prison labor of Texas, and was appointed by the governor of the State last June as a member of the Texas State prison board which is comprised of eight members.

Galveston is a city of 60,000 population and probably nowhere in the country is there a more friendly feeling existing between Jewish citizens and peoples of other faiths.

Prior to the restriction of immigration the Jewish Immigration Bureau, through the generosity of Jacob Schiff of New York, functioned here and admirable service was thus rendered to immigrants at the port of Galveston.

The Temple Society is the literary adjunct of Temple B'nai Israel, and was founded by the late Leo N. Levi, national president of the I. O. B. B., a former resident of Galveston and president of the local congregation. It fills an important place in the cultural life of the city.

In addition to Temple B'nai Israel, there are two Orthodox synagogues whose members are active here.

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