

LORD PLUMER RESIGNS POST DUE TO SHARP DIFFERENCES WITH THE COLONIAL OFFICE

Rumor Sir Gilbert Clayton Will Succeed Him as High Commissioner
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, June 26.—The retirement of Lord Herbert S. Plumer, from the post of High Commissioner of the Palestine Government was announced by the Colonial Office today. Lord Plumer will retire from his post in the fall, following a three months' leave which will begin in July.

Rumors as to the possible successor for the Palestine High Commissioner-ship are current here, the name of Sir Gilbert Clayton, former Civil Secretary of the Palestine Government, being prominently mentioned.

London, June 26.—Lord Plumer refused to serve another term as High Commissioner of Palestine owing to sharp differences with the Colonial Office concerning the division of costs for the Transjordanian frontier force between the British Exchequer and the Palestine government, states the London "Daily Express," publishing a report from its Jerusalem correspondent.

Lord Plumer considers the present position intolerable, in view of the deficit of the Palestine budget of more than £1,000,000, which necessitates a reduction of 15 percent. in all services, the correspondent writes.

H. C. Luke, the present Chief Secretary of the Palestine government, has arrived in London from Sierra Leone. He will proceed to Jerusalem to assume the duty of Acting High Commissioner until the appointment of a successor to Lord Plumer.

The recommendations of the Joint Palestine Survey Commission have the businesslike precision one naturally expects from any report signed by Lord
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ROUMANIAN GOVERNMENT BARS ZIONIST FLAG

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, June 26.—Jewish Boy Scouts will not be permitted to carry the Zionist flag in their parades, according to an order issued here by the Roumanian authorities.

The order states that the Zionist flag will not be permitted at any public occasions and then the Jewish Boy Scouts must carry only the Roumanian flag. The Department of Education is charged with the task of enforcing the order and imposing fines if it is disregarded.

PEACE COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY JUDGES, SUGGESTS SLATE FOR NEW ZIONIST ADMINISTRATION

New York Delegates Meeting Expresses Confidence in Lipsky; Statists' Resentment; London Zionists Comment on Withdrawal

With Louis Lipsky, who held the leadership of the Zionist movement in the United States since 1921, eliminated by his own statement from any post in the Zionist Organization of America, a slate for the new administration was prepared and is being suggested by the Committee of Nine, appointed by the judges who probed the charges of the opposition against the administration.

The slate was agreed upon at a meeting of the Committee of Nine, in which the opposition, the administration and the Citizens Committee on Peace and Reconstruction, are represented. The Committee was in session Saturday evening until early Sunday morning at the house of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. No official statement was issued by the Committee as to the composition of the slate. It was, however, stated on good authority that the Committee agreed on a Board of Directors who, with an administrative committee of forty and an advisory council of 150, would direct the affairs of the Zionist Organization of America.

The following are the nominees to the Board of Directors whose names are to be suggested to the convention: Dr. Louis I. Harris, New York Health Commissioner; Judge William M. Lewis of Philadelphia, Abram Liebovitz, Judge Julian W. Mack, Israel Matz, Dr. Nathan Ratnof, Samuel Rothenberg of the Brooklyn Jewish Center; Jacob Siegel and Dr. Israel S. Wechsler.

A meeting of the present Administrative Committee of the Zionist Organization of America was called for yesterday afternoon to ratify the slate. This was necessary, it was declared, before the judges committee renders its report as the result of its inquiry. As this issue goes to press the Committee is still in session.

Asserting that only the Zionist convention has "supreme authority" in matters pertaining to the Zionist movement and its administration, a group of New York delegates to the forthcoming Zionist convention, at a meeting held Monday night at the McAlpin Hotel, adopted a resolution expressing resentment "at any attempt to curtail its functions and usurp its authority."

This resolution has reference to the

suggestion of a slate by the Committee of Nine and declared that it was "a violation of the fundamental principles of democracy of the Zionist movement."

Expressing renewed confidence in Louis Lipsky and protesting against a "campaign of slander and vilification," the delegates went on record as opposing the commission form of administration. The meeting was presided over by Leo Wolfson. A "steering committee" of eleven headed by Mr. Wolfson was appointed to present the group's views at the Pittsburgh convention. Among those who addressed the meeting were Abraham Spicandler, Ephraim Caplan, Dr. I. Miller, Charles Cowen, William Edlin, Dr. Maurice Eisenberg and Mrs. Hyman.

Cable despatches from London declare that Dr. Chaim Weizmann has left London for the Continent and that before his departure he had expressed his amazement at the latest developments in the Zionist movement in the United States. Regret was expressed among British Zionists at the cable despatches announcing Louis Lipsky's statement withdrawing from leadership.

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London, June 26.—Rumors to the effect that an extraordinary Zionist Congress would be convoked this year in Zurich were denied by Felix Rosenbluth, head of the Organization Department of the Zionist Executive.

The rumors are due to the fact that negotiations have already been started in Zurich to obtain a meeting hall for the Zionist Congress to be held next year, Mr. Rosenbluth explained.

SEVEN JEWISH MERCHANTS

ARRESTED AS NEPHEM

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, June 26.—Seven Russian Jewish merchants are among the fifteen nepmen arrested in Odessa several days ago on charges formulated by the local Soviet. They were arrested for charging high prices on merchandise. Among the prisoners are Alperowitch and Glanz, former millionaire merchants, the brothers Hendelman, the brothers Kantorowitch and Fliederman.

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FELIX WARBURG REPORTS TO ROTHSCHILD ON RESULTS OF AGENCY COMMISSION Says Perfect Harmony Exists between Zionist and Non-Zionist Commissioners

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Paris, June 26.—Felix M. Warburg, one of the American members of the Jewish Agency Commission, arrived here following the completion of the Commission's deliberations in London. Mr. Warburg stated he is completely satisfied with the results achieved. Perfect harmony existed between the Zionist and non-Zionist members of the Commission, which dwell not on political topics, but only on economic questions. He is sure that if the expert plan is carried out, it will bring prosperity to the Jewish homeland.

Mr. Warburg called on Baron Edmond de Rothschild and discussed with him the economic problems of the Palestine upbuilding work. Baron Edmond was extremely interested in the report of the Commissioners. Mr. Warburg left for Germany.

Berlin, June 26.—There is only one word to say with regard to the results of the Commission and that is "Good," declared Herr Oscar Wassermann. He is satisfied with the positive results of the deliberations, he said.

DR. DAVID LVOVITCH, ORT LEADER, HERE FOR VISIT

Dr. David Lvovitch, Ort leader, arrived in New York on Monday on the steamer Corinthia from Berlin.

RABBINIC ASSEMBLY DEBATES MARRIAGE ANNULMENT ACCORDING TO JEWISH LAW

Rabbi Acting Alone Cannot Grant Annulments in Opinion

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Long Branch, N. J., June 26. — No rabbi has the right to annul a marriage that has been performed by a rabbi, whether Orthodox or Reform, and annulment can take place only by a rabbinic council, according to a paper presented by Rabbi Louis M. Epstein of Boston to the second day's session of the Rabbinical Assembly of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America at the Hotel Scarborough here today.

"In the last few years," declared Rabbi Epstein, "we have heard too often of easy and ready relief, offered to Jewish women in matrimonial difficulties by rabbis who have established their reputation in that specialized field, relief from the Jewish marriage bond, by the annulment of their marriages. Such action is often desirable in view of the disadvantage of the Jewish woman before the Jewish court, when she sues for divorce. But one has a right to suspect some irregularity in the procedure, when he finds rabbis making a specialized profession of it, and when, contrary to Jewish usage, they act single handed, consult none of their colleagues and publish no responsa in support of their action.

"According to conditions as they are today, the power of Beth Din cannot be vested with the officers of any congregation or with any individual rabbi. The power of a Beth Din today can belong only to a rabbinic organization."

Discussion on the paper was led by Rabbi Julius Greenstone of Philadelphia.

Whether gifts from a non-Jew to a synagogue should be accepted was the subject of discussion by the convention delegates. A resolution adopted recommended that such gifts may be accepted.

A meeting of the Committee on Constitution, of which Rabbi Norman Saltz is chairman, adopted a resolution that the constitution be amended changing the name of the body from the Rabbinical Assembly of America to the Rabbinical Assembly of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Amendments to other clauses of the constitution are occupying the attention of the committee.

Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary submitted the report of the placement committee. Of the graduates of the Jewish Theological Seminary during 1927-8,

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HEBREW UNION COLLEGE TO ERECT LIBRARY AND MUSEUM IN CINCINNATI

Fund Already Raised; Union Board Votes \$625,000 Budget

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Atlantic City, N. J., June 26. — The erection of a library building in Cincinnati, the presentation of a budget calling for the expenditure of \$625,000 for Reform Jewish religious activities in this country, and the criticism of the indifference and lack of responsiveness of New York Jewry to the promotion of Jewish cultural work were the features of the meeting of the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations held here at the Hotel Ritz Carlton on Sunday. Ludwig Vogelstein, of New York, chairman of the Executive Board, presided.

The valuable collections of the library of the Hebrew Union College will be adequately housed, Mr. Vogelstein declared in his report. He announced that a quiet campaign had been conducted during the past few months and that sufficient funds had already been raised to start the erection of a new building on the campus of the Hebrew Union College. The campaign for the new building, which will cost \$250,000, was carried on under the leadership of Mr. Marcus Aaron, of Pittsburgh, Pa., chairman of the Library Building Committee, and Adolph S. Oko, librarian of the College.

The idea, Mr. Vogelstein said, was suggested by Mr. Ben Selling, of Portland, Oregon, who started the campaign with a contribution of \$25,000. During the past six years Mr. Selling has made gifts to the library totalling more than \$100,000. Following Mr. Selling's gift, considerable impetus was given to the fund by gifts of \$50,000 from Julius Rosenwald, a bequest of approximately \$30,000 from

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ROSENWALD GIVES \$75,000 FOR JEWISH EDUCATION BUILDING

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, June 26.—A central education building to house the College of Jewish Studies, the Central Hebrew High School and an elementary practice school for teachers will be erected here by the Board of Jewish Education.

A fund to meet the building cost of \$125,000 is being sought here. Julius Rosenwald has offered \$75,000 on condition that the remainder is raised. Charles Rubens, chairman of the building committee, announced that the building will be erected during the coming school season.

BRITAIN PUBLISHES REPORT ON PALESTINE STATUS TO LEAGUE COMMISSION No Unemployed Jews Became Public Charges; Sees Continuation of Work

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, June 26.—The report of the British Government as the Mandatory Power for Palestine, submitted to the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations has just been made public here.

Palestine in 1927 suffered from financial stress, seriously affecting the Jewish settlement, the report states. This was aggravated by drought and the earthquake.

Public security was maintained in the country and the administrative reforms continued. There is no financial crisis in the country, but early improvement in the financial situation is improbable. During the next few years, the government faces the problem of how, without overburdening the people, to find the means to maintain an efficient administration and public security and meet its debts.

The Zionist subscription funds and private capital influx were smaller in connection with the decrease in Jewish immigration, because the latter stimulates Zionist enthusiasm everywhere. Nevertheless, further restriction of immigration is necessary because Palestine cannot absorb so many and there are not sufficient supplies available for the population's economic needs. The large immigration caused a rise in immovable property values and increased the cost of settling Jews and an abnormally high outlay of Jewish private capital investments.

The subsequent adjustment of the local supply and demand, resulted in a general decline in values, tighter credit and harder new investments. Nevertheless, Zionism has already achieved remarkable results. This is wrong to suppose that the economic progress, which was well aided by Jewish enterprise and capital, has been retarded, as the export values were greatly above those of 1926. For the first time since the war, more agricultural products were exported than imported. The orange area was almost doubled during the last four years, soap, flour and cement industries were expanded and increased their exports.

The tobacco industry is flourishing. Twenty new companies were incorporated and thirty new cooperatives registered. The quality of the agricultural products has improved.

The Zionist schools have been stressing Hebrew and unduly retard or accelerate other subjects. Their English is usually below the proper standard.

No unemployed Jew became a public charge directly, the report declares, as the Jewish Agency distributed an average of \$7,000 monthly for unemployment relief.

GRATZ COLLEGE AND HEBREW EDUCATION SOCIETY MERGE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Philadelphia, June 26.—The merger of the Hebrew Education Society and Gratz college into one institution of learning is announced by Dr. Solomon Solis Cohen.

The twenty-eight annual graduation exercises of Gratz College held yesterday were declared by Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach, president of the College, to be the last. Nine students received degrees.

In his statement Dr. Solis Cohen, chairman of the new Board of Overseers, stated that as a result of this merger Gratz College will be expanded to include three departments, a normal course, a college course and a course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Hebrew Pedagogy. The merger was made possible by a special grant voted by the Federation of Jewish Charities.

HERBERT LEHMAN GIVES

\$52,000 TO WILLIAMS COLLEGE

A gift of \$52,058 from Colonel Herbert H. Lehman of New York, of the class of '99, for the construction of a new dormitory to be named Lehman Hall was among the gifts announced at the commencement exercises of Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.

WEST B'NAI BRITH LODGES OPEN CONVENTION

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Spokane, Wash., June 26. — The sixty-fifth annual convention of District Grand Lodge No. 4 of the Independent Order B'nai Brith was opened here Sunday at the Davenport Hotel with 250 delegates in attendance.

Judge J. M. Golden of San Francisco, chairman of the Anti-Defamation League for District No. 4, reported on the work of the League. Mrs. Bessie Copeland, president of the women's lodge and Samuel Edlestein, chairman of the Spokane Committee were the speakers at the opening session.

OBJECT TO 'KING OF KINGS' IN AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Melbourne, June 26.—The Australian censors found no portion of Cecil de Mille's film, "King of Kings," offensive to the Jewish people, although the Jewish community here is greatly concerned over the showing of the picture which raised such a storm of objection in Europe and America.

When labor member Maloney asked the Premier whether the film was passed by the censorship board, without the elimination of the portion held objectionable to the Jewish people and likely to create anti-Jewish feeling, the Premier replied that the censors had found no portion which should be deleted.

ORDER SONS OF ZION ELECTS NEW ADMINISTRATION AFTER A HEATED DEBATE

New Yorkers Win Leading Posts; Deplores Tactics in Zionist Controversy

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Long Branch, June 26. — Factional differences brought the convention of the Order Sons of Zion to a high pitch of excitement yesterday when election of officers took place. A new personnel, with two exceptions, will lead the organization next year. Five officers, all New Yorkers, were chosen unanimously: Max Perlman, Nasi; Samuel Markiewicz, Sgan Rishon; David Podolsky, treasurer; Samuel Weinstein, counsellor; Dr. Solomon Neumann, chief medical examiner.

Samuel Markiewicz was chosen Egan Rishon after Louis Weiss and Louis Hochberg, both of Newark, withdrew as candidates in the interest of harmony. Hochberg withdrew with the proviso that neither Weiss nor S. L. Diener also of Newark, be named to the executive committee. Weiss, who was chairman of convention committee, asserted his withdrawal was due to the belief that he would be the only Newark candidate for the post of Sgan Rishon.

Choice of Sgan Sheini and Maskir or secretary, and ten members of Executive was determined by closed ballot. Louis Rinsky, New York, was chosen Sgan Sheini and Harry Pine, Newark lawyer, Maskir. The following, all from New York, were elected to the executive committee: H. Danelson, A. Arkin, H. J. Kahn, M. Danzis, Leo Wilson, H. J. Abramson, Dr. Schwartzberg, H. Abramowitz, M. Herbst and B. Shelvin. M. J. Altschul, New York, headed the election board.

The question concerning the Judea Insurance Company did not figure openly in yesterday's sessions. Late last night, however, delegates held a session running well past midnight, at which complaints against the company were aired. It was asserted that the Judea, which was organized by the Order, has become a private enterprise, over which the Order has no control, and it was urged that control over the company be regained in order that the interests of Palestine may be safe-guarded. It is understood that a committee of representative members has been appointed to adjudicate this matter.

The following resolution concerning the present Zionist situation was unanimously adopted: "Resolved that the Order Sons of Zion in convention assembled deplores the methods employed in the controversy now raging between the so-called 'opposition' and the present administration of the Zionist Organization of America. We believe that such methods are not productive

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twenty-nine have been placed in pulpits. With regard to the eight graduates of the last semester, two have accepted positions, two are about to be placed and four have no posts. Seven Rabbis have been engaged by congregations which either never had a rabbi or were recently organized. The positions of the new rabbis yield an annual income of from \$2,500 to \$5,000 and over. Twenty-nine pulpits are today unoccupied. Sixteen rabbis recently changed their posts.

At the afternoon session Rabbi Louis Finkelstein of New York presented a paper on "Can Maimonides Still Guide Us?" "Aspects of Jewish Nationalism in the Bible" was the subject of a paper by Rabbi Simon Greenberg.

Another meeting of the Assembly is to be held later in the summer and a committee consisting of Rabbi Epstein of Boston, Rabbi Greenstone of Philadelphia, Rabbi Drob of Philadelphia, Rabbi Liebovitz, Rabbi Jacob Cohen, Rabbi Louis Finkelstein and Rabbi Morris Levine was appointed to arrange for the next meeting.

A recommendation presented to the convention was to the effect that the Executive Council be elected for three years and that the Council be composed of eight standing committees, including a committee on Jewish law, on publication, Palestine and membership. The convention is to vote on this recommendation.

Memorial services for the late Dr. Zevi Chajes of Vienna were held this afternoon, presided over by Dr. Alexander Marx of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Rabbi Louis M. Levitsky was toastmaster at the convention banquet held last night. "Experiences by Which We Profited" was the subject of the addresses at the banquet.

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Melchett, says the 'Evening Standard' in an editorial on the report.

They bring sentiment down to facts and show clearly how much needs doing before the experiment of a Jewish home can be realized, writes Lord Beaverbrook's paper. "The Jews of the world will have to find a million pounds annually. Frankly, we cannot see them doing it. Palestine has room for not more than 83,000 farms and its scope for development even with the help of Imperial preference is narrow," the paper declares.

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the estate of Mrs. Jennie Kutz, of Brooklyn, N. Y., \$25,000 each from Ludwig Vogelstein and Adolph S. Ochs, of New York City, and an anonymous gift, of a very considerable amount. In Chicago a group headed by James Davis and Jacob M. Loeb pledged \$23,000.

The Hebrew Union College library and museum has absorbed several important collections.

Plans for the new building are now being drawn and ground will shortly be broken for the library and museum.

A budget of \$625,000 is being requested by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliated bodies for its enlarged activities for the current year. This represents an increase of \$100,000 over the budget expended last year. The budget was presented by Mr. Jacob W. Mack, of Cincinnati, chairman of the Budget Committee. Of the sum asked, the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati, requested \$300,000 representing an increase of \$25,000 over last year's budget. The sum of \$133,000 sought for the Synagogue and School Extension Department and its allied enterprises, this sum representing an increase of \$20,000 over last year's demands. The Executive Board is in need of \$96,000 for its various activities, and a request for \$18,000 was made by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and \$14,000 for the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods. For the New York office and the seven religious schools conducted in that city, \$24,000 net is wanted.

Funeral services were held on Monday for Elie Rosenberg, lawyer and active in communal and civic affairs, at the Riverside Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Rosenberg, who was fifty-two years old, died Saturday. Rabbi Herbert Goldstein, who conducted the services said: "His many-sided charitable activities speak for him. He was a successful Jew; he reached without sacrificing any of his loyalty to Judaism. He was a confessing, professing and practical Jew."

Gedalia Bublik, president of the Mizrahi Organization of America, has just returned to New York from a six weeks' tour to the Northwest and South in the interests of the Mizrahi.

He visited Cleveland, Toledo, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Des Moines, Kansas City, Omaha, New Orleans, Savannah, Atlanta, Cincinnati, Akron, Canton, Rochester, Syracuse. In these cities Mizrahi Societies were re-organized and new ones established.

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of any good; and have a tendency of disseminating rancor, strife, dissatisfactions and ultimate distrust in the entire Zionist movement. The delegates assembled express their hope and desire that at the coming convention of the Z. O. A. at Pittsburgh, some way may be found by which all factions and forces may be united to work in harmony for the common cause of Zionism."

A recommendation that the camps admit members who do not desire insurance; a recommendation that there be special committees on cultural work to sponsor Jewish activities among the youth and that the Order assume only the business management and should not interfere in the artistic program and management of the Bezalel Art school was referred to the incoming administration.

A resolution deploring the alleged flogging of prisoners in Palestine jails was adopted to be brought before the Zionist convention in Pittsburgh.

CORRECTION

An error occurred in the report of the luncheon to be given to Dr. Wise and Louis Lipsky following the Avukah convention to be held in Pittsburgh, Pa. It was erroneously stated that the luncheon would be given at the William Penn Hotel, New York City instead of Pittsburgh.

Justine Wise Tulin, daughter of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, was one of the thirteen members of the 1928 class of Yale Law School, who have been elected to membership in the Order of the Coif, the national legal honor society for students in law.

The cornerstone for the recreation building of Temple Emanuel, Fort Richmond, S. I., was laid Sunday. Borough President John A. Lynch, Judge J. Harry Tierman, Dr. George P. Mord and Rabbi I. A. Miller were the speakers at the ceremony. The building is being erected at a cost of \$125,000 to house the recreational and social activities of the congregation.

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