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ALLENBY ARRIVES IN NEW YORK; EXPRESSES REGRET FOR WAILING WALL INCIDENT

Friendly Attitude Towards Zionism Unchangeable, He Says

Field Marshall Viscount Allenby, conqueror of Jerusalem, who was invited by the American Legion to come to the United States arrived in New York yesterday on the steamer Massachusetts accompanied by Lady Allenby.

"Dr. Stephen S. Wise was on the Mayor's Reception Committee launch, Macom, which met the distinguished guests at quarantine.

"My friendly attitude toward the rebuilding of Palestine as the Jewish National Home is well known to the Jewish people throughout the world. This attitude will not be changed," Viscount Allenby declared.

When asked for his opinion concerning the action of the Jerusalem police at the Wailing Wall on Yom Kippur, Viscount Allenby expressed regret at the occurrence. "It is regrettable that the Jerusalem police acted tactlessly on that occasion."

While in New York Lord and Lady Allenby will be the guests of Charles Crane. On Thursday morning the Zionist Organization will tender him a reception in the Italian Gardens of the Ambassador Hotel. Louis Marshall will make an address.

Viscount Allenby will be the guest of honor at a luncheon to be given Thursday by Nathan Straus, Dr. Stephen S. Wise and Judge Julian W. Mack.

ROUMANIAN STUDENTS TRIED FOR DISTURBING PEACE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Oct. 2.—Twenty Roumanian students were brought before the Military Court yesterday on the charge of insulting the Dean of the Bucharest University and of disturbing public peace.

Seven of the students, Sirbulejcu, Ruptureanu, Vidraschku, Staver, Diaconescu, Dumitruyanku and Karamitru were sentenced to one month's imprisonment. Two, Dumitrescu and Teodorescu received sentences of twenty days in jail. The other eleven were acquitted.

ZIONISTS RE-ELECT VICE MAYOR OF PRZEMYSL

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Cracow, Oct. 2. — Dr. Reichmann, Zionist leader, was elected vice-mayor of Przemyśl, one of the leading cities in Galicia, in the municipal elections just concluded.

MARSHALL DEMANDS OF MASSENA MAYOR PUBLIC APOLOGY OR RESIGNATION FOR ENCOURAGING RITUAL MURDER TALE

Failing This, President of American Jewish Committee Will Institute Proceedings in Supreme Court for Mayor's Removal from Office; Indignantly Brands Attempt to Plant Barbarous Accusation on American Soil; American Jewish Congress Also Intervenes in Matter.

Vigorous action to brand the attempt made by several public officials in the town, Massena, New York, to plant on American soil the barbarous ritual murder accusation against Jews was taken yesterday by Louis Marshall, president of the American Jewish Committee.

W. Gilbert Hawes, Mayor of Massena, was asked to issue a public written apology to the Jewish people in the United States for encouraging the ritual murder rumor and for permitting Corporal H. M. McCann to summon the rabbi of the local congregation to interrogate him as to whether or not "Jews offer human sacrifices."

The incident in Massena which gave rise to the rumor was the disappearance of four year old Barbara Griffith on Saturday, September 22, two days before Yom Kippur. The child was found on the following day unharmed in the woods a mile from her home. The child explained that she had lost her way while seeking her seven year old brother and that when night came she had fallen asleep. The twenty-four hour search for the child, occurring on the eve of Yom Kippur, created a situation of anxiety for the nineteen Jewish families in the town, due to the suspicion cast upon them by the rumors encouraged by the Mayor and Corporal McCann. When the child had been found, the Mayor offered an apology to a meeting of the local congregation which was not accepted as the matter, being viewed as of one of more than local concern, had been referred by the congregation to Mr. Marshall, as the president of the American Jewish Committee.

Supplied with the facts by several prominent citizens of St. Lawrence County and by an investigation made by a special representative of the Jewish Daily Bulletin sent to Massena, Mr. Marshall addressed a letter to Mayor Hawes, made public yesterday, in which the president of the American Jewish Committee brands with indignation the attempt at formulating a ritual murder accusation and declares that unless a public apology or resignation follows, he will find himself compelled to institute proceedings for the removal of the public officials in-

volved in the matter on the grounds of official misconduct. The case would be brought, under section 36 of the Public Officers law, before the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. Mr. Marshall's letter to Mayor Hawes read:

Marshall's Letter to Hawes

Oct. 1, 1928

"Dear Sir:

"Communications from several prominent citizens of your county, as well as from the representative of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, inform me that one of the most shocking exhibitions of bigotry that has ever occurred in this country took place in your village on September 23, 1928, and that you together with Corporal H. M. McCann of Troop B of the State Police were active participants in the outrage

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REFUSE PERMIT FOR FURTHER MANIFESTATIONS IN PALESTINE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 2.—The District Commissioner of Jerusalem rejected a request of the Orthodox Agudath Israel to hold a festival procession on the occasion of Succoth. The procession was to have been headed by the aged Rabbi Chaim Sonnenfeld.

The Commissioner stated that previously he had refused permission for a Moslem manifestation. It was stated that the government has decided to prohibit manifestations of any kind throughout the country.

Jerusalem, Oct. 2.—Protests against the Wailing Wall incident were voiced by Jewish colonists in Northern Palestine during the tour made by Acting High Commissioner H. C. Luke who, in the company of Col. Frederick H. Kisch and Pinchas Rutenberg, visited the Balfour Forest, Nahalal, Balfouria and the Jordan works.

At a reception tendered the Acting High Commissioner, Jewish representatives protested against the incident at the Wailing Wall. Mr. Luke declared that the government regrets the incident and hopes that such incidents will not recur. He praised the Balfour forest terming it one of the greatest Zionist achievements in Palestine.

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POLISH AND JEWISH WRITERS
HONOR SHOLOM ASCH

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Oct. 2.—Sholom Asch, American Jewish novelist, was the guest of honor at a banquet given by the Polish P. E. N. Club at the Hotel Europa. The gathering, which was the first occasion when the Yiddish and Polish writers got together, was presided over by Kaden Bandrowski, well known Polish writer.

Among those present were the well known Polish writers Sieroszewski, Gittel and Lechon. The toastmaster introduced the guest of the evening, Mr. Asch, as "the great Jewish poet, honorary member of the world P. E. N. Club." Mr. Asch in reply to the toast, stated that better relations between Poles and Jews will result from a better understanding of Yiddish literature on the part of Poles. "What we ask is not love, but understanding of Jewish ideals, which is possible through an acquaintance with Jewish literature. When Poland was deprived of its independence, Poland's spirit lived in Polish literature. The Jews, having no state, perpetuate their ideal in their literature."

ALLIANCE AIDS FOREIGN
STUDENTS IN FRANCE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Paris, Oct. 2.—The amount of 50,000 francs was allotted by the Alliance Israélite Universelle for the aid of foreign Jewish students who are studying in France. Many Jewish students, unable to gain admittance to universities in their native countries because of the application of the numerus clausus, come to France to continue their education.

CALL TO THE NON-ZIONIST
CONFERENCE ISSUED IN
INTEREST OF UNITED ISRAEL

Eyes of Entire Jewish World Focused on October 21, Says Marshall

The eyes of the Jewish world will be upon the deliberations of the National Non-Zionist Conference, to be held at the Hotel Biltmore, New York, on October 20-21.

This belief is expressed by Mr. Louis Marshall in a special message which he addressed to all those invited to attend the Conference. Mr. Marshall's nation-wide call reads:

"It is my earnest hope that this Conference will witness a fitting culmination of the efforts that have extended over the past four years to bring about the organization of an enlarged Jewish Agency for Palestine in pursuance of the Mandate conferred on the British Government. During this period two Non-Partisan Conferences concerning Palestine have been held in New York under my chairmanship; the Joint Palestine Survey Commission, consisting of Mr. Felix M. Warburg, Lord Melchett, Dr. Lee K. Frankel, and Mr. Oscar Wasserman, has been created; a body of eminent and unbiased experts has made a comprehensive study of the conditions obtaining in Palestine and has arrived at a series of conclusions as to how the economic development of the country may be accomplished. On the basis of the findings of these experts, their unanimous report, adopted by the Joint Palestine Survey Commission in London in June last, has been formulated.

"The Non-Zionist Conference to which you are about to be invited will be asked to act upon the report of the Commission. It will also be expected to determine the participation of American Jewry in the enlarged Jewish Agency which is to be established in accordance with the provisions of the Mandate for Palestine held by the British Government.

"I earnestly request you in the interest of a united Israel to make every effort to attend this Conference. The eyes of the Jewish world will be upon our deliberations."

The Warner Memorial Gymnasium, the gift of Harry M. Warner, Albert, Jack L. and Dave Warner, motion picture producers was presented to the Hebrew Orphan Asylum of New York.

The gymnasium will also serve as a recreation Centre.

Judge Samuel D. Levy, Samuel Strasbourer, president of the asylum and Harry M. Warner were the speakers.

The gymnasium is a memorial to the late Samuel L. and Milton Warner, brothers of the four surviving Warners, and sons of Benjamin Warner, who was a guest at the presentation exercises.

COL. HERBERT LEHMAN
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR
N. Y. LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Wins Over Several Prominent Jewish
Candidates

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Rochester, N.Y. Oct. 2.—Col. Herbert Lehman of New York City was selected as the Democratic Party's candidate for the Lieutenant Governorship of the State of New York at the Democratic State Convention here today. Mr. Lehman had been prominently mentioned as one of the possible nominees as Democratic candidate for Governor, Franklin D. Roosevelt was chosen to head the party's ticket.

Rabbi Philip Bernstein opened the Democratic State Convention here with a prayer.

The special correspondent of the New York "Day" at the Rochester convention reports interesting sidelights on what occurred in the nomination committee. According to the report, a heated fight preceded the selection of the candidate for Lieutenant Governor. John J. Raskob, chairman of the National Democratic Committee is reported to have proposed the son of Henry Morgenthau, former U. S. Ambassador to Turkey. At the intervention of some of the Jewish delegates to the Democratic convention, who pointed out Mr. Morgenthau's lack of popularity among New York Jews in connection with his anti-Zionist views and his report on the anti-Jewish pogroms in Poland, his son's candidacy was discarded. Friends of Nathan Straus, Jr. renewed the boom for him for this post and Congressman Meyer Jacobstein was also a strong contender. According to the report, Congressman Jacobstein introduced Governor Smith to the convention.

VILNA TROUPE PRESENTS
O'NEILL'S PLAY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vilna, Oct. 2.—Eugene O'Neill's play, "Desire Under the Elms" was presented by the Vilna troupe last night. The American Consul in Vilna attended the performance.

COMMUNICATION TO THE EDITOR

Sir:

I was very sorry to read that our Roumanian brethren are deprived of the benefit of the Jewish Bulletin. I am inclined to think that this measure was the Jewish embargo in Pera, (Greece) the mistake of an obscure official of the censure. The Roumanian government which is striving to annul the influence of all fanatical factions and accustom the country to a liberal policy, would not bar a publication which enjoys the esteem of prominent American and foreign diplomats including His Excellency Cretzian himself.

Intelligent and well informed Roumanian statesmen know that many diplomats all over the world consider as a colossal blunder on the part of the authors of Versailles Treaty to have granted to Roumania the oppressor of minorities a territorial aggrandisement at the expense of Hungary which was then known as one of the most liberal nations. The best test of a liberal government is its respect for the press.

Nissim Behar.

New York, Sept. 28, 1928

MARSHALL DEMANDS OF MASSENA MAYOR PUBLIC APOLOGY OR RESIGNATION FOR ENCOURAGING RITUAL MURDER TALE

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perpetrated.

"The facts as they have come to me are that on the previous day Barbara Griffith, a four-year-old child living in your village, disappeared; that she had at the request of her mother gone into the nearby woods to look for her older brother, and that she was found wandering in the woods about a mile from her home at about half past four on the following day. It was learned that, failing to find her brother at the place indicated, she went further into the woods, lost her way, became fatigued, fell asleep, and on awakening continued her wanderings until found by two young ladies who were looking for her.

"On this same Sunday, which was the eve of the Day of Atonement, which is the most important day in the Jewish religious calendar, Rabbi Berel Brennglass, the Rabbi of Congregation Adath Israel of Massena, was summoned by Corporal McCann to proceed to police headquarters, as the result of an arrangement between you and him, for the purpose of being interrogated. A mob of several hundred was awaiting his arrival in a state of unusual excitement. In accordance with prearrangement with you Corporal McCann proceeded to interrogate the Rabbi on the intolerable assumption that the Jews required the blood of Christian children for their holy days, and that this accounted for the disappearance of the little girl. One of the questions put was: 'Is tomorrow a big holiday, a fast day?' An affirmative answer having been given, the next question was: 'Can you give any information as to whether your people in the old country offer human sacrifices?' Thereupon the Rabbi, with great indignation, expressed his astonishment that any public officer in the United States would dare to put such a question. The Rabbi was then asked if there was a time when the Jewish people used human blood, to which he not only replied in the negative, but added that not only the use of human blood but also of animal blood was forbidden by the Jewish faith. Corporal McCann then stated that he did not wish the Rabbi to think that this idea originated with him, but that a foreigner had impressed him with it.

"You are probably aware of the annoyance, excitement and indignation aroused by this occurrence among the members of the Rabbi's Congregation, and the mental agony which they suffered when they learned that in this free country the accused blood accusation, which during medieval times wrought so much misery to the Jews, was directed at them. I am also informed that on Tuesday of last week you admitted of your own accord that

this procedure had been suggested by you to the mayor, and that both of you came to the synagogue on the afternoon of that day and apologized for the wrong done and were informed that the members of the Congregation could not accept the apology.

"To me it seems inexpressibly horrible that this vile slander, which has been demonstrated over and over again to have no foundation in fact, should be resurrected in this State of ours by public officers, upon whom rests the duty of protecting every member of the community against acts of bigotry and fanaticism and to prevent rather than to inspire sentiments calculated to lead to riots, violence and possible bloodshed. What has occurred does not merely affect the Jews of Massena, whose very lives were placed in jeopardy, but the entire Jewish population of this country and of the world is directly concerned in putting down the horrible superstition which, due to your action, might have resulted in one of those many calamities recorded on the bloody pages of medieval and even modern European history. The very thought that public officials in this day and age can seriously entertain the idea that adherents of one of the great religions of the world practice human sacrifice, is an abomination and betokens unfitness for public office. Fortunately the little girl was found before official irresponsibility culminated in mob violence.

"Some of the most distinguished Popes in history characterized this slander as a brutal and inhuman falsehood, the dissemination of which was forbidden in the strongest terms. A few years ago in the case of Mendel Beilis, which took place at Kiev in Russia just before the World War, the greatest authorities in science and history testified that there was not even the shadow of a reason to support such a belief. It was shown that of all people on earth the Jews were from the very beginning forbidden to eat even animal blood. (Genesis, c. ix., v. 3 and 4; Leviticus c. iii., v. 17; c. vii., v. 26 and 27; c. xvii., v. 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14; Deuteronomy, c. xii., v. 23, 24 and 25; c. xv., v. 23.) Beilis was triumphantly acquitted, even though the Czaristic Government, for political reasons, had bent all of its energies to secure a conviction. A few years previously Prof. Masaryk of the University of Prague, now the President of Czechoslovakia, wrote an immortal book in denunciation of the very superstition to which you now, as the Mayor of an enlightened community in this great State of ours, have attempted to give currency. At your instance a minister of religion has been shamelessly interrogated for the purpose of establishing that, on their holiest of days, the

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CALLS FOR CHAIRS OF EXPERIMENTAL RELIGION IN JEWISH EDUCATION INSTITUTES

Rabbi Fineshriber Discusses Need at Term Opening of Institute of Religion

Establishment of chairs for experimental religion in American Jewish educational institutions for the training of rabbis was advocated by Dr. W. H. Fineshriber of Philadelphia in his address at opening exercises Monday night of the seventh academic year of the Jewish Institute of Religion. Judge Julian W. Mack presided. Beside Dr. Fineshriber the speakers were Rabbi Abraham Dubin, Rabbi Harry S. Lewis and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the Institute.

In his address Dr. Fineshriber, who deplored what he termed the present chaotic *laissez faire* policy, stated: "Though no idolater of the past, I believe our forebears met this perplexity with keen insight. They surrounded us with Mitzvot, 613 commandments, providing for most of life's contingencies. Religion was not tangential to their life sphere but suffused and penetrated every act and thought. The whole of life was saturated with the spirit of holiness and dedication, and I dare say, though I have not to hand the facts to buttress my contention, that these methods were more fruitful than our present chaotic *laissez faire* policy.

"Nor am I pleading for a return to orthodoxy. That were impossible. The religion of our fathers was a religion largely of small towns and country-ides. Our life is more and more one of populous cities. Besides, the form and texture of life have changed. Commerce and industry, invention and communications, printing and education have revolutionized our thoughts and behavior. We cannot go back, but we can go forward triumphantly, as Abram did at God's command!

"Judaism has always reformed and reorganized itself, and we are but carrying on a hallowed tradition when, once again, we reconstruct our methods. But we must begin on a sound basis. Western civilization began in a laboratory. All of our material achievements and many spiritual ones are the fruitage of experiment. Why not apply the scientific method?

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NAME 2 JEWISH INSTRUCTORS AT AUSTRIAN UNIVERSITIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Oct. 2.—Only two Jewish instructors were appointed to posts in Austrian universities for the forthcoming academic year.

The appointment of only two Jews to the universities is viewed in Jewish circles as indicative of a discriminatory policy. It was pointed out that Jewish instructors are not promoted to the position of Associate Professors. Many Jewish scholars cannot achieve even the post of instructor, despite qualifications and often world-wide reputation, it was declared.

MARSHALL DEMANDS MASSENA MAYOR RESIGN OR PUBLICLY APOLOGIZE

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Jews of your town were engaged in a conspiracy to murder an innocent Christian child so that her blood might be used in an unholy rite. Such an attitude argues a woful ignorance not only of the very Bible which the Christian world has accepted, but of the long history, the ethics and the moral principles, and the customs and traditions of the Jewish people, of whom two millions live right here in the State of New York.

"As the President of the American Jewish Committee, I deem it my duty to demand of you an immediate and public written apology to the Jewish people for the terrible wrong which you have inflicted upon them, for this wanton attack upon their religion and upon their honor, and for the abuse of your official position in encouraging the circulation of this unspeakable calumny. This apology must be accepted in such terms as will meet with my approval, so that the world may know that the remorse which you have expressed is genuine. As further evidence, you should also resign from the office which you now hold. Unless you shall at once pursue one or the other of these two courses, I shall regard it to be my duty to institute proceedings which I have been authorized to take under Section 36 of the Public Officers' Law, before the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, for your removal from office on the ground of official misconduct. I shall wait for a few days for an indication from you as to whether it shall be necessary for me to adopt the latter course.

"Yours, respectfully,
(Signed) Louis Marshall
Mr. W. Gilbert Hawes,
Mayor of Massena.
St. Lawrence County, N. Y."

Mayor Issues Statement

Prior to the receipt of Mr. Marshall's letter by Mayor Hawes, the following statement was given by the Mayor to the representative of the Massena Telegraph Agency:

"On the evening of the disappearance of the Gelfin child the local police and state troopers in this vicinity were very active and all sorts of rumors were being circulated and these were being investigated by the officers. A Jewish young man named Shulkin appeared at the police station and made several contradictory statements giving very misleading information. His statements were such as to arouse suspicion and it was evident he had a damaged mind. As a result of the statements made by this young man the local police was asked to call at the police station. I knew that the Rabbi was going to be interviewed but did not know that he was going to be

asked to come to the police station. On his arrival the state trooper asked him certain questions which I understand he resented and claimed were an insult to his people and their religion. I did not send for the Rabbi; did not know the nature of the questions to be asked him and was not present at the interview. At that time I was in bed at my residence. The questions which were asked did not in any way reflect my thought or opinion on the matter, but were asked by the trooper as the result of some statement which had been made to him by some private person. I have daily business intercourse with the Jewish business men of Massena and am on friendly terms with them and have never entertained any feeling of prejudice against them on account of religion or otherwise, and so far as I know there is no hostile feeling in Massena.

"I have explained my position to a local committee of Jews and have stated to them that I regretted that the incident occurred, and that if I had done anything in the matter which was an insult to them or reflected on their religion that I offered an apology, and I again repeat that as my position. I feel that I am being accused with something for which I am not responsible and solely because I happened to be the Mayor of the village at the time of the incident."

Jewish Congress Also Acts

In a statement issued yesterday by the American Jewish Congress, it is revealed that the Massena incident was referred also by Mr. Jacob Shulkin, president of the Congregation Adath Israel to that body. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress addressed letters to the Commanding Officer of the State Police at Albany and to the Mayor of Massena, asking for a complete investigation of the circumstances and gave notice that a formal and complete apology would be demanded.

COMMUNICATION to the EDITOR

Your issue of September 23rd states that the first Hebrew text book in Latin characters will appear shortly. It may be of interest to your readers and also from an historical standpoint, to know that a few years ago while in Mexico City, I saw, in the possession of Prof. Francisco Rivera, a Hebrew grammar published at the end of the nineteenth or the beginning of the twentieth century, which was published in Latin characters exclusively and without a single Hebrew character. It was evidently published for the training of Catholic priests.

Sincerely Yours,
Rabbi Martin Melnikoff,
Temple Mt. Sinai
St. Paul, Texas.
Sept. 28, 1934

Miss Sylvia Stone, of Detroit, this year holds the only fellowship given to women on the staff of the Michigan Daily, student publication of the University of Michigan. Miss Stone, a senior, is women's editor of the newspaper, recognized as one of the three leading college dailies in America. She is a member of Alpha Epsilon Phi society.

CALLS FOR CHAIRS OF EXPERIMENTAL RELIGION IN JEWISH EDUCATION INSTITUTE

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ed to the religious life? Why not establish a Chair of Experimental Religion in this Institute and other Theological Seminaries? Its function should be on the basis of careful experimentation to determine what type of congregation organization is best suited to our times and needs. How can religious energy be transmitted to every individual and every home without excessive loss? How can we make religious education real and not illusory, both in respect to children and adults? How can we make our ritual more effective? What changes are imperative in our Book of Prayer? Do we need a new God-concept, framed in conformity with our new knowledge? What of changing ethical concepts? What kernel of truth lies in mysticism, and how does it dovetail into the religious life? What do we know of immortality? Is it a vague hope or is it founded on logic, psychological truth or psychic research? These are but fractional parts of the vast mass of inquiries, that thinking Jews and Christians are directing at us.

"I am aware that a huge literature deals with these problems, but much of it is historical research, personal or group opinions and propaganda. Surely, these are but pretexts to the real task of discovering truth. Only in the last generation has a beginning been made that savors of scientific method, and that has been done, not by theologians but predominantly by psychologists, by Starbuck, James, Leuba, and a few followers. It is no credit to us as ministers of religion that, having allowed in the past, so many cultural functions to slip from our grasp, we now permit lay scientists to take our one little eye lamb, the psychology of religion. No wonder, we are not taken seriously and are frequently relegated to mere functionaries and custodians of the dead. The present disciplines in the curricula of our Seminaries are, of course, highly important. To dig for Hebrew roots in the sciences of Arabic and other Semitic languages is a dignified, valuable and necessary task, preliminary to the understanding of our ancient culture, but to search for God and humanity and that is the supreme and essential work of the minister," he concluded.

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