

WARNS OF DANGER IN HITLER AGITATION AMONG GERMAN PEASANTS

German Newspaper Warns Hitler Propaganda Will Lead to Violence
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 31.—A warning that if not checked, the anti-Semitic Hitler agitation among German peasants will lead to acts of violence, was sounded today in an article published in the "Welt am Montag."

The writer reports that at a recent meeting of German peasants in Schleswig-Holstein, one of a series where sabotage in the payment of taxes is being advocated, the chairman, Hamkens, exclaimed: "If we were in possession of weapons, we would drive the Jewish traitors out of the country." The audience responded to the chairman's appeal by shouts: "The peasant will rise, with God's grace, against the reign of the Jews."

The article asks the German authorities if they wish to wait until the fire is too large to be extinguished.

JERUSALEM MUNICIPALITY PROHIBITS BEGGING

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31.—Beggings in the streets of the Holy City was prohibited in accordance with a proposal by the Palestine Government. It is still uncertain whether it will affect the beggars at the Western Wall of the Temple, commonly known as the Wailing Wall. The Kheillah of Jerusalem was opposed to the application of the ordinance to the beggars at the Wall.

J.N.F. HAIFA BAY LAND PURCHASE REGISTERED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31.—The purchase of a considerable area of the Haifa Bay land by the Jewish National Fund was registered in the land registry of Acre.

The formalities which usually take some time, were hastened in order to facilitate arrangements for development. The headquarters of the Jewish National Fund continue to receive congratulatory messages from all sections of Palestine. Jewry on the completion of the purchase.

ATTEND ORTHODOX WEDDING; BARRED BY COMMUNISTS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Dec. 31.—Because they attended an Orthodox Jewish wedding, two Jewish workers of the village Perespe, White Russia, Zaitchik and Sadovsky, were expelled from the Communist party.

The accusation brought against them was that by attending the ceremony, they encouraged religious superstition and listened without protest to the singing of the traditional Hebrew songs, which are "contra-revolutionary."

FIGHT ON ANTI-SEMITISM ISSUE IN THE SOVIET ELECTION CAMPAIGN

"Communists Fight Ignorance, Alcoholism and Anti-Semitism,"
Reads Poster
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Dec. 31.—The fight on anti-Semitism has become a campaign issue in the Soviet elections which are now taking place in White Russian towns and villages.

"Communists, fight ignorance, alcoholism and anti-Semitism," reads a poster placarded in the streets of Bobruisk. The Communist press devotes much space to the anti-Semitism issue. Similar propaganda is broadcast in other White Russian towns.

Soviet leaders, newspaper editors and Jewish leaders in White Russia are in agreement that anti-Semitism in the district of Bobruisk is on the increase, especially in the factories. The leading source of the anti-Semitic propaganda is the glass factories, where, it is stated, it is being instigated by the Polish master workers, who have been entrenched in the industry for decades and who resent the entrance of Jews.

REVISIONISTS THREATEN BITTER CAMPAIGN AGAINST AGENCY EXTENSION PLAN

Claim Actions Decision Illegal and Not Binding on Z. O.
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Dec. 31.—Claiming that the decision of the Zionist General Council at its recent session in Berlin ratifying the Weizmann-Marshall agreement on the extension of the Jewish Agency is illegal and asserting that the Jewish Agency pact is an attack on the sovereignty of the Zionist Congress in relation to the Palestine work and the Zionist movement, the League of Zionist-Revisionists pledged itself to carry on a bitter campaign of opposition against the final consummation of the Jewish Agency extension plan. These assertions and threats were contained in a series of resolutions adopted by the League's third annual conference which closed its sessions here Sunday evening.

Vladimir Jabotinsky, who in his closing address predicted a hard fight during the election of delegates to the forthcoming Zionist Congress, was carried out of the hall on the shoulders of his enthusiastic, youthful followers.

Jabotinsky was reelected president of the League, while Meir Gossman of London and Richard Lichtheim of Berlin were chosen vice-presidents. To be or not to be, will be the problem faced by the Zionist movement, Jabotinsky stated, exclaiming: "You, Zionist brother, save your Zionism! Save the Zionist Congress. Guard the greatest of our national treasures!"

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POLISH-JEWISH CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES MEET IN WARSAW CONFERENCE

Express Gratitude for Aid Extended by American Jews
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Dec. 31.—Progress in the self-aid movement among Polish Jews was reported at the seventh annual convention of the Jewish cooperative societies in the Republic of Poland, which opened here Sunday night at the Nowosci Theatre.

Five hundred delegates, representing 533 cooperative banks, are attending. Ex-Senator Rosenstreich, who is presiding over the sessions, expressed the gratitude of Polish Jewry to American Jews for the aid given in the organization of the cooperative banks. The subsidy of one million dollars made available for the cooperative banks through the Joint-Ica Foundation has made it possible to develop the cooperative banks, which now have a total of \$6,000,000 at their disposal.

A congratulatory message was received from Dr. Bernard Kahn on behalf of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. Messages were despatched by the convention to President Moscicki and Marshal Pilsudski. Deputy Isaac Gruenbaum, who addressed the delegates in behalf of the Club of Jewish Deputies, stated that a strongly developed Jewish cooperative movement is a powerful instrument for maintaining the economic position of the Jewish population in the country.

Strife is expected to develop during the proceedings, as several groups are contending for supremacy in the administration. One hundred and twenty among the delegates are Zionists; fifty delegates come from Galicia.

KING RECEIVES NEW LATVIAN CONSUL FOR BULGARIA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Dec. 31.—The new Latvian Consul for Bulgaria, Mr. Klugman, was officially accepted by the Bulgarian Government and received by King Boris, according to word received here from Sofia.

On his way to Bulgaria, Mr. Klugman was honored by the Latvian consulate in Berlin, which arranged a reception in his honor.

A Latvian Jew, Mr. Brakeman, has also been appointed Consul to Portugal.

ELIEZER SCHEINBAUM, HEBREW SCHOLAR, DIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31.—Eliezer Scheinbaum, author of many philosophical works written in Hebrew, died here at the age of 75.

Mr. Scheinbaum settled in Palestine after the war, having come from Homel, Russia.

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**N. Y. COMMUNITY TRUST
ADMINISTERS FUNDS
TOTALLING \$4,500,000**
Seventeen Funds Include Memorial to
Jacob Schiff

The New York Community Trust administers seventeen funds varying in size from \$1,000 to \$2,000,000, according to a summary of its resources published for the first time. Their total exceeds four and a quarter millions. The income from approximately a million and a quarter is now being devoted to charitable purposes; the proceeds from the remainder will be similarly applied at the expiration of "life uses" presently in force. In the Westchester Welfare Foundation, a division of The Community Trust, funds aggregating \$153,780 are in hand.

The larger funds of the Trust include a half-million dollar Memorial to the late Jacob H. Schiff established by his daughter and applied in furtherance of visiting nursing service, and a trust of \$500,000 founded by Mr. and Mrs. Felix M. Warburg, primarily for the benefit of the University of Jerusalem.

Twenty-five banks and trust companies are associated in the Community Trust as eligible custodians of its funds and a central Distribution Committee, containing members named by the Senior Judge of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals and the Presidents of the Bar Association, Academy of Medicine, Chamber of Commerce and Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, supervises all disbursements of income. The Distribution Committee is empowered to amend the purposes for which any fund is employed in case originally designated objects should become impractical or obsolete.

Mrs. Rosebel G. Schiff, wishing to establish a memorial honoring her former teacher, Teresa E. Bernholz, of Manhattan Public School No. 9, created the first trust fund of the New York Community Trust, by placing

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**LEOPOLD STERN, PIONEER
JEWELER AND B'NAI BRITH,
LEADER, DIES AT AGE OF 80**
Was Active in Many Philanthropic
Undertakings

Leopold Stern, founder of the firm Stern Brothers & Company, New York, one of the pioneer, commercial, diamond-cutting firms in this city and honorary vice-president of the Montefiore Hospital, died on Saturday at the age of eighty.

The funeral was held Monday morning from Temple Emanu-El. Burial was in the family mausoleum in Beth-El Cemetery. Dr. Samuel Schulman, rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, officiated. The honorary pallbearers were Chief Justice Benjamin M. Cardozo of the Court of Appeals; August Oppenheimer, Charles Straus, William N. Rosendale, S. G. Rosenbaum, Samuel Sachs, Samuel Kridel, William Goldman, Otto Wormster and Harry Larter.

Mr. Stern was born in Mönzingen, Germany, on April 19, 1848, where he received his education. He came to this country in 1863 and was followed the next year by other members of the family, who joined him in Philadelphia, where they were engaged in the manufacture of jewelry for eight years. In 1871 he came to New York City and, with his father, Nathan, and a brother, Isidor, opened the firm of Stern Brothers & Co.

The firm was at first devoted to the manufacture of jewelry, but at the death of his brother, Isidor, in 1907, Mr. Stern sold the manufacturing branch of the business, and since then the firm has been engaged in the importation and cutting of diamonds.

Mr. Stern was much interested in the work of the hospitals in New York. He was a director of the Montefiore Hospital for twenty-five years and was later made a vice-president. He also was a member of the board of trustees of Bellevue and Allied Hospitals for twenty-three years and a member of the board of the United Hospital Fund.

Mr. Stern was active in Republican politics and voted as a Republican again for President McKinley and he was appointed as a member of the commission for the revision of the banking laws of the State of New York. He was a member of the Republican Club of New York for many years.

He was a member of the Bankers Club and a director of the Market and Savings Bank and the Maiden Lane Manhattan Lodge of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith and president of the Jewelers' Board of Trade for many years.

**CEMETERY DESERATIONS
SPREAD TO SWITZERLAND**
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Zurich, Dec. 31.—A reward of 500 francs for disclosures of the identity of persons who desecrated the Jewish cemetery, was announced by the Jewish community.

The cemetery at Friezenberg has on

**REV. HOLMES LEAVES FOR
PALESTINE TO DEDICATE
STRAUS HEALTH CENTER**
Pastor of Community Church Accepts
Invitation of Nathan Straus

The Rev. John Haynes Holmes, of the Community Church in New York, has accepted the invitation of Nathan Straus to dedicate the Nathan and Linda Straus Health Center in Jerusalem. Dr. and Mrs. Holmes will sail on January 7. The dedication will be held on January 31, Mr. Straus's eighty-first birthday.

The center is the gift of Mr. Straus to the Hadassah, Women's Zionist organization. Mr. Straus journeyed to Palestine two years ago to lay the cornerstone for the building.

The Community Church News, official monthly publication of the church, speaking of Mr. Straus's selection of Dr. Holmes, writes:

Mr. Holmes was selected by Mr. Straus for the mission of dedication largely because of the former's three sermons on 'Judaism and Christianity,' given in the Community Church in the winter of 1928. After hearing these sermons, Mr. Straus felt that Mr. Holmes, of all liberal ministers, could best strike the universal note of brotherhood and peace consonant with the occasion, since the center is to be not merely a Zionist center, but is planned to meet the needs of all people in Palestine—Jews, Syrians, Turks, Armenians and Greeks alike.

"He is therefore sending Mr. and Mrs. Holmes to Palestine and, in addition, has given to the Community Church a gift large enough to cover the services of a supply pastor during Mr. Holmes's absence."

**N.Y.U. INTRODUCES COURSES
ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Beginning February 4, 1929, a department for religious education will be introduced in the School of Education of New York University. An announcement to this effect was made by Dr. John W. Withers, dean of the school. Samuel L. Hamilton, formerly of the New Jersey Council of Religious Education, will head the new department.

Five courses will be offered. The courses are: 1. Introduction to religious education; 2. Principles of religious education; 3. Leadership in religious education; 4. Organization and administration; 5. Determination of the curriculum in religious education.

In explaining the purposes of the new department, Dean Withers said: "The university has started this department in the belief that the next great forward movement of the churches is in the field of religious education. We believe that systematic education in religion is an urgent need of our country at this time. Our unparalleled advance in science and industry and in material growth, we think, must be matched by advance in the moral and spiritual character of the people. New York University wishes to help meet this great need."

a number of occasions lately been broken into. It is believed that the action is that of anti-Semites.

WORKERS ORGANIZATION LAUNCHES \$300,000 DRIVE FOR PALESTINE SETTLERS

Palestine Is Open for New Immigration, Tel Aviv Mayor Reports

With the unanimous consent of 586 delegates, representing 34 states and 6 provinces in Canada, the National Jewish Workers Alliance, meeting in its fourth annual convention, pledged itself to raise the sum of \$300,000, in the course of the year 1929.

At a mass meeting and reception Sunday evening at the Manhattan Opera House, in honor of the Palestine Labor Delegation, bringing to a close the convention which opened on Saturday evening, the campaign was officially launched and the sum of \$75,000 raised.

The organization which has one thousand affiliated groups, and has in the last seven years raised \$435,000 for use of Palestine workers, voted to constitute itself a permanent body, functioning between campaigns and to enroll a contributors' group of 30,000.

The convention voted to establish a Technical Institute in Palestine in memory of the late Max Pine.

The convention went on record as favoring greater immigration into Palestine. It stated its unequivocal opposition to land speculation and its belief in the principle of land ownership as exemplified by the Jewish National Fund. The recent clash between the right and left Labor Wings in Tel Aviv on the Yiddish-Hebrew question was criticized, the Convention declaring it cannot sanction physical means to settle questions of principle.

An optimistic report on present conditions in Palestine was brought by David Bloch, Mayor of Tel Aviv, and Israel Meriminsky, Secretary of the Palestine Labor Federation. Despite the economic crisis, declared Mayor Bloch, industry has been strengthened in Palestine. Palestine is open for new immigration, he stated, appealing to American workers for support.

Unemployment has virtually ceased in Palestine, said Mr. Meriminsky. Organized labor, he said, now counts 32,000 workers in its ranks. As indication of the progress in the Holy Land he quoted the import and export figures for 1926 and 1927. In 1926, he pointed out, the exports amounted to the sum of \$6,500,000. In 1927, this amount was raised to \$9,500,000. In 1926 the imports stood at \$32,000,000, in 1927, at \$30,000,000. Despite the lack of immigration, there has been a natural increase of 15,000 in the Jewish population.

Others who delivered addresses were Dr. Chaim Arlesoroff, Dr. Shmarva Levin, Maurice Finestone, Secretary of the United Hebrew Trades;

A. Shipplacoff, Chairman of the Campaign; A. Binstock, I. Hamlin, Secretary of the Organization; Miss G. Meyerson, representing the Women's Group. Greetings in behalf of the Socialist Party of the United States were extended by Norman Thomas. A. Shipplacoff, Myer Brown, and Baruch Zuckerman served as Chairmen through the proceedings.

The following were elected campaign

NEW CAMPAIGN FOR TOTAL IMMIGRATION STOPPAGE UNDER WAY

Johnson Says Country Wants More and More Restrictions

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 31.—Intimations that a drive is already under way to bring about early Congressional action for an absolute stoppage of immigration into the United States are made by Representative Albert Johnson of Washington, chairman of the House Committee on Immigration and sponsor of the restriction act of 1924, in a statement which appears in "Eugenics," published here. "The country wants more and more restriction," Mr. Johnson says. "Both Senate and House will give substantial authority to a long time suspension bill."

Mr. Johnson appears as one of several contributors to a symposium in the magazine on the national origin provision. Dr. Lucian Sowe, of Harvard, who died Friday; Prof. Robert DeC. Ward, also of Harvard, and Madison Grant, author and trustee of the American Museum of Natural History, are other contributors. Mr. Grant is the only one to foresee with Mr. Johnson absolute suspension of immigration.

"No one acquainted with the fundamental truth of genetics as applied to humanity in eugenics can oppose the principle of immigration restrictions," Mr. Johnson says in opening his statement. "No one wants to see his country made the dumping ground for the weak and unfit of other peoples. I am now of the opinion that we are rapidly approaching the time when a suspension of immigration will be demanded. Exemption will be made only for the closest relatives. Should the national origins provision be put into effect the situation will be made more acute, and more groups in the United States will call for relatives.

"For instance, in Norway there are now standing in line waiting for visas 3,000 wives and children of alien husbands who have entered the United States since 1924 under Norway's annual quotas. Proposals to restrict immigration from Mexico, South America and Canada cannot be made on the same basis. To restrict from Mexico on 2 per cent of the 1924 Mexican population in the United States will not fit in with the national origins plan. We need no labor except domestic servants, and we cannot hope to help the future of the United States with the arrival of a continuous line of servants of all degrees. The country wants more and more restrictions."

ABRAHAM LANDA, EDUCATOR, DIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Geneva, Dec. 31.—Abraham Landa, who came here from Odessa, active in educational and communal work, died here today. Mr. Landa was for 25 years director of the Jewish schools.

officers: A. Shipplacoff, Chairman; Maurice Finestone, Vice-Chairman; Max Saritsky, Treasurer and I. Hamlin, Secretary.

ROSALSKY ANNOUNCES N. Y. CITY U. P. CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Albert Ottinger Assumes Chairmanship of General Committee

Nathan Straus is honorary chairman of the Greater New York Committee, which will shortly launch a drive for \$1,500,000 for reconstruction work in Palestine, according to an announcement made by Judge Otto A. Rosalsky, who is chairman of the Greater New York Committee. The associate chairmen for New York are Judge Max S. Levine and former Health Commissioner Dr. Louis I. Harris. The honorary chairman for Brooklyn is Judge Mitchell May, and the associate chairmen Judge Grover M. Moscovitz and Judge Algernon I. Nova.

Albert Ottinger, recently Republican candidate for Governor of New York, is chairman of the General Campaign Committee. Dr. I. M. Rubinow, Executive Director of the United Palestine Appeal, will supervise the various phases of the campaign. According to Judge Rosalsky's announcement, additional officers will be added after the first of the year.

In a statement made on the occasion of the announcement of the officers of the United Palestine Appeal campaign in New York, Judge Rosalsky said:

"The various elements of New York Jewry from which this year's campaign leaders have been recruited indicates the new attitude that has been adopted by American Jewry toward the work of rebuilding Palestine, as a result of the Non-Zionist Conference which was held in New York City in October. Differences of opinion with regard to the necessity for reconstructing the land of Jewish origin and the land of the Jewish future, have been forgotten in a common desire to enrich Jewry's contribution to civilization.

"Orthodox, conservative and reform Jews are now uniting on a program of rebuilding work in Palestine which is destined to do more in Palestine within the next few years than the very great achievements that were recorded there during the last decade."

A special conference on Palestine to be attended by rabbis and laymen of New York City Reform congregations, will be held at the Hotel Ambassador, New York, on Sunday afternoon, January 13, according to an invitation issued by Judge Rosalsky.

BULGARIA MAKES GRANT FOR QUAKE VICTIMS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Philippolis, Dec. 31.—A grant of half a million levas was made by the Reconstruction Commission to the Jewish Schools Council of Philippolis. The funds were allotted for repairs of the Jewish schools which suffered damage in the earthquake which rocked Bulgaria on April 18, 1928.

Threatening letters have been received by a number of Jewish merchants here. The letters warn the merchants to remove immediately all Jewish signs outside their shops. An investigation has been promised by the police authorities.

