

BUDAPEST CITY COUNCIL LENDERS SUPPORT TO ANTI- SEMITIC ORGANIZATIONS

Stringent Press Law Urged in Hun-
garian Parliament

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Feb. 18.—The city govern-
ment of the Hungarian capital is lend-
ing direct support to anti-Semitic or-
ganizations in the country, it was
charged by members of the Opposition
party at a stormy session of the City
Council Saturday.

The charge was made and confirmed
by members of the Christian Socialist
Party that the administration of the
Budapest street cars officially collects
from its employees membership dues
for the Awakening Magyars, anti-
Semitic groups.

The members of the Christian So-
cialist Party stated that this practice
will be continued.

Simultaneously, a heated fight is go-
ing on in Parliament over a bill which,
if passed, will silence all critics of the
government in power. A bill intro-
duced concerning new press regulations
would make unlawful the publication
by the newspapers of even parliament
reports which may be considered "im-
proper." This refers in particular to
the reproduction of remarks made by
members of parliament during debates.

KOLENBERG RELEASED FROM MOSCOW JAIL

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Feb. 18.—Kolenberg, the Jew-
ish young man who slew General Slas-
choff in revenge for his brother's death
at the hands of Slaschoff's troops, has
just been released from prison on bail,
it became known here.

According to rumor, which is believed
to be correct but could not be definitely
verified, Kolenberg will not be brought
to trial for his act.

It is stated that the government is
emarrassed and fears that the trial of
Kolenberg might be a repetition of the
Schwartzbard case and bring out the
facts of General Slaschoff's condoning
anti-Jewish massacres by his troops
while a commander in the White Army.
This might place the Soviet govern-
ment, which accepted General Slaschoff
following his return to Russia, in an
unpleasant situation.

SENTENCED FOR HOLDING COMMUNIST MEETING

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Tel Aviv, Feb. 18.—Sentences were
imposed on 17 workers, including 8
women, who were recently arrested on
the charge of holding an illegal meet-
ing. Fourteen of the workers were sen-
tenced to 15 days imprisonment or fines
of £3. One was sentenced to 30 days
or £6; two girls were acquitted.

BRITISH JEWRY TO TAKE JOINT ACTION ON ENTER- ING THE JEWISH AGENCY

Board of Jewish Deputies Votes Un-
animously for Conference to

Choose Delegates

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Feb. 18.—British Jewry in
as far as it is represented in the Board
of Jewish Deputies at its monthly ses-
sion Sunday went on record as favor-
ing speedy action for the organization
of the extended Jewish Agency for
Palestine, which is to be created under
the agreement between Dr. Chaim
Weizmann and Louis Marshall.

The Board decided to take upon it-
self the initiative of convening a rep-
resentative Anglo-Jewish conference
where arrangements will be completed
for the appointment of representatives
of the Anglo-Jewish community on the
governing body of the extended Jewish
Agency. Twelve delegates represent-
ing the Board of Jewish Deputies will
be appointed to be the Board's spokes-
men at the forthcoming conference, Mr.
D'Avigor Goldsmid, chairman of the
Board, stated.

The Board adopted the recommenda-
tion of its Law and Parliamentary
Committee concerning the Jewish
Agency, acting on the invitation of the
Zionist Executive, to take the initiative
in convening the conference, in order
to demonstrate the desire of the
Anglo-Jewish community to play its
part in giving effect to the British
Mandate over Palestine and to asso-
ciate itself with other important Jew-
ish communities in entering the ex-
tended Jewish Agency.

During the discussion an opinion was
expressed that the contemplated con-
ference be postponed until after the
Zionist Congress this Summer will have
finally ratified the plan for the exten-
sion of the Agency. It was further

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PLAN MONUMENT TO HERZL IN VIENNA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Feb. 18.—Friends of the late
Zionist leader and founder of the
Zionist Organization, Theodor Herzl,
have launched a movement for the
erection in Vienna of a monument to
him.

According to tentative plans the
monument is to be erected on the oc-
casion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of
Dr. Herzl's death. A large interna-
tional committee is being planned and
a plan for the monument has already
been prepared. Simultaneously, the
committee has undertaken negotiations
with the Vienna city authorities for
allocating a public site.

These details were given in a report
in the "Neue Freie Presse," but an in-
quiry of the correspondent of the Jew-
ish Telegraphic Agency in Zionist cir-
cles brought no verification.

FIXED CALENDAR LEAGUE IS CONFUSED ABOUT THIS YEAR'S CALENDAR

Overlooks Leap Year in the Jewish
Calendar

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Feb. 18.—On March 31, for
the first time in the past 347 years,
Easter Sunday will be celebrated by
all Christians during the Jewish Pass-
over, because the Synod of the Ortho-
dox Church, assembled at Bucharest,
has decided to advance by 14 days their
Easter date, bringing it to the Gre-
gorian Calendar's Easter Sunday, states
the International Fixed Calendar
League.

That decision, it says, heals the cleav-
age made during the Gregorian Reform
in 1582, when the Orthodox Churches
declined to leave out the Gregorian de-
creed 10 days, for the accumulation of
10 excessive Leap Days caused by
Julius Caesar's faulty reckoning of the
year's length he decreed as 365 1/4 days,
when it was only 365 1/5 days long.
The difference of a one-hundredth part
of a day has since 1582 accumulated
the four more days making the total of
14 days, which the Orthodox Churches
are leaving out of their Calendar from
Easter 1929.

This uniting fact will help the High-
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DIVIDED ON GOVERNMENT PRO- CEDURE ON JEWISH QUESTIONS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Feb. 18.—According to reports
published in the Roumanian press, Jew-
ish leaders there are divided on a pro-
posal made to the Maniu government
for evolving a method of dealing with
current Jewish questions in the country.

It is stated that Zionist leaders who
cooperate with Maniu, during the elec-
tions are negotiating with the government
for the appointment of a special com-
missioner to deal with current Jewish
questions or the establishment of a per-
manent governmental department for
this purpose. This proposal is opposed
in non-Zionist circles and it was report-
ed that a delegation of Transylvania
Jews, who recently were received by the
Prime Minister, protested against the
plan.

RELEASE FUCHS, MOSCOW KEHILLAH PRESIDENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Feb. 18.—Albert Fuchs, for-
mer merchant and president of the
Moscow Kehillah, who was arrested last
week on charges of mismanagement in the
Trudcredit, an association of artisans'
cooperatives, was released today
from prison.

The charges brought against him
were proved unfounded. Mr. Fuchs had
succeeded Isaac Urison, well-known
Moscow jurist, as head of the Trud-
credit. Recently Mr. Urison was simi-
larly arrested and released.

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CO-OPERATE WITH LEAGUE COMMITTEE TO AID REFUGEES

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Geneva, Feb. 18.—Several Jewish organizations were represented at the session of the advisory committee of the League's High Commissioner on refugee problems which met Friday in the headquarters of the International Labor Office.

The advisory committee elected six experts to represent it at the forthcoming governmental conference to deal with refugee problems. Lucien Wolf, secretary of the Joint Foreign Committee of the Anglo-Jewish Association and the Board of Jewish Deputies, was one of the six chosen.

Dr. Leo Motzkin and Z. Aberson, represented the Emigriradnik, Lucien Wolf the Jewish Colonization Association, and Mr. Pines represented the Association of Russian Jews in Germany. Mr. Aberson was chosen deputy member of the advisory committee.

SOVIET ASKS REMOVAL OF PLAY WITH ANTI-JEWISH TENDENCY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Feb. 18.—The removal of two plays entitled "Bribery" and "Destructive Element" performed at the Leningrad theatre, Satire, was demanded by the "Krasnaya Gazetta," Leningrad Communist organ.

The paper denounces the two plays for propagating anti-Semitism. In them Jews are represented as Nepmen and called swindlers and bribers. Russians are represented as exploited and repressed.

WARSAW KEHILLAH FOUNDS AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 18.—A Jewish agricultural school was opened here under the auspices of the Warsaw Kehillah.

The Ministry of Agriculture undertook to grant the school a subsidy of 500 Zlotys monthly, in addition to an initial allotment of 1,000 Zlotys.

JEWISH LABOR ORGAN COMMENTS ON FATE OF LEON TROTSKY

Says Jewish Socialists Do Not Regret
His End

Commenting on Leon Trotsky's exile to Turkey, the "Jewish Daily Forward," Socialist Jewish organ, terms the event "the greatest irony of fate imaginable."

"Trotsky, the former leader of the Communist world revolution, is now compelled to seek a haven of refuge in a capitalistic country under the protection of the capitalist law. The fact that during his period of power he did not succeed in transforming the other countries into a Communist 'paradise' is now fortunate for him, for where could he have gone if the Communists would have reigned not only in Russia but also in other countries?"

The paper continues: "We are the last to regret Trotsky's end. We know very well that he, perhaps more than anybody else outside of Lenin, is responsible for Russia's miseries and for rivers of innocent blood which were shed there. We know, too, that if Trotsky would have had an opportunity to carry out his present program, it would have been a new misfortune both for Russia and the world at large. Trotsky has now fallen a victim of the system which he himself created. He fell into the grave he dug for others.

"His political career is now probably ended. The only thing he can accomplish abroad is to help increase the splits in the Communist groups abroad and to demonstrate to the world through his own person the moral bankruptcy of the Communist dictatorship which has declared the chief hero of the Bolshevik revolution a traitor and has driven him into exile just because he demands freedom of opinion merely for the members of the Communist party," the paper declares.

MAYER GIVES DINNER TO OCHS AND MORGENTHAU

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Los Angeles, Feb. 18.—Adolph S. Ochs, publisher of the "New York Times," and Henry Morgenthau, former United States Ambassador to Turkey, were the guests of honor at a dinner given Sunday evening at the Ambassador Hotel. Louis B. Mayer, moving picture magnate, was the host.

One hundred and fifty prominent Jewish residents of Los Angeles were present. Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin acted as toastmaster. Edward A. Filene and Abraham C. Ratshesky of Boston addressed the gathering.

GREAT FAMINE SUFFERING IN NORTHERN LITHUANIAN

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Kovno, Feb. 18.—Suffering in northern Lithuania because of the famine is great, according to detailed reports submitted at a conference of merchants and manufacturers opened Sunday at Schavel. Jewish business men in that district have been ruined, the report stated.

RUSSIAN JEWISH COLONIES PREPARE FOR EXPANSION IN SPRING SEASON

Local Soviets Supplying Seeds to the Colonists

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Feb. 18.—Preparations for the spring seeding are being made in the Jewish colonies. These preparations are progressing well, according to reports received by the Agrojoint, the Ort and the Ica. The local Soviets are supplying seeds to the colonists.

At Kalininodorf the seeding area is being extended this year from 13,000 to 19,500 hectares. The colonists will get 36 tractors. In the Krivoy Rog region, representatives of 1,500 new colonists' families are expected. Forty-nine tractors will be supplied them. Because of the shortage of seeds, an order has been issued that settlers arriving after March 15 will not receive seeds.

The Ort colonies in the Odessa region are preparing 110 hectares for vine cultivation. The Ort colonies report that only 12% of those who came have left the settlements.

COLONEL PATTERSON HONORED IN TEL AVIV

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Tel Aviv, Feb. 18.—Col. Patterson, the commander of the Jewish Legion in Allenby's army, was given a reception Sunday by the Tel Aviv municipality.

In his address, Col. Patterson stated that the Christians who persecuted the Jews over two thousand years, are now obliged to help the Jews in the rebuilding of Palestine. The Jews have converted Palestine from a desert into a paradise and their final success is certain.

Col. Patterson visited Palestine prior to his setting in Egypt as the manager of the Egyptian branch of the Judea Insurance Company, Ltd.

RAISE \$25,000 AT OPENING OF FLATBUSH U.P.A. DRIVE

Opening the \$75,000 campaign of the Flatbush Division of the United Palestine Appeal, 250 guests at a dinner Sunday night at the Hotel Astor, New York, contributed \$25,000.

Albert Ottinger, former New York Attorney General and chairman of the executive committee of the \$1,500,000 Palestine fund drive, and Mrs. Archibald Silverman, vice-president of the Zionist Organization of America, were the speakers.

Mount Vernon has raised \$20,000 of its \$50,000 quota in the New York United Palestine Appeal campaign, it was announced at a dinner at the Masonic Temple, Mount Vernon.

Dr. Nathan Krass of Temple Emanuel; Dr. S. M. Rubinow, executive director of the Zionist Organization of America; Rabbi Elias Margolis of Temple Emanuel; Mount Vernon; Harry P. Fierst and Colonel Frederick H. Kisch were the speakers at the dinner.

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JOINT FOREIGN COMMITTEE STATES VIEWS ON STATUS OF RUSSIAN JEWRY

**Finds Soviet Laws, Though Intending
No Discrimination, Affect Jews Most**
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Feb. 18.—The Soviet laws in the fields of economics and religion, though they are not intended to bring about discrimination against the Jewish population in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, affect Russian Jewry worse than any other group of the population.

This is the burden of the report submitted by the Joint Foreign Committee, the body representing the Anglo-Jewish Association and the Board of Jewish Deputies in matters pertaining to the defense of Jewish rights, at the monthly session Sunday of the Board of Jewish Deputies.

The allegation that the civil, political and religious rights of the Jews under the Soviet regime are at disadvantage compared with that of other religiously inclined the Committee to send a mission to Russia in order to obtain information and relief, the report states. Although the inquiry shows that the law operating in Soviet Russia does not recognize any distinction between races and creeds, nevertheless, it is a fact that these laws operate more oppressively against the Jews than against any other group. This is due to the fact that the Jews belong mostly to an economically disadvantageous class under the Soviet rule. Under the general religious restrictions, the law affords certain possibility for religious education, but the impoverishment of the Jewish communities and the atheistic fanaticism of the Jewish section of the Communist party, the Yevsektzia, render this facility useless to the Jews, the Joint Foreign Committee declares.

The recently appearing anti-Semitism is a serious phenomenon, the report goes on, particularly among the Communist working classes. Although the government is sternly repressing the agitation, its presence is already effective, since it makes it difficult for Jewish artisans to retain employment in national factories. Foreign intervention would be futile and might only aggravate the sufferings of the Jews.

The only possibility for help consists in strengthening and extending the remedial agencies already established. These agencies concentrate at present on Jewish agricultural work, whereas it is necessary also to increase the support of the communal institutions such as hospitals, kitchens, day

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ISIDORE LEVY, GERMAN JEWISH PUBLICIST, DIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 18.—Isidor Levy, well-known German Jewish publicist and editorial writer of the "Vossische Zeitung" died here today at the age of 78.

The late Mr. Levy was one of the foremost champions of liberalism and crusader against anti-Semitism and bigotry.

J. D. B. NEWS LETTER

Washington Acts to Honor Memory of Oscar S. Straus

By Our Washington Correspondent

Washington, Feb. 16.—During the course of the hearing in the House Library Committee, when a resolution was favorably reported authorizing the erection of a memorial in Washington to the late Oscar S. Straus, it was suggested that the monument to Mr. Straus take the form of a fountain instead of a statue, in view of the fact that statues already predominate in Washington. Congressman Celler assured the Committee that this suggestion would be taken into consideration.

Congressman Celler, in the course of his remarks, reminded the Committee that Oscar Straus "was born out of this country and therefore was a citizen by choice," and added further: "We hear much in connection with immigration and immigrants. Here is a man who embraced citizenship in our land and reached the highest pinnacle of power. Surely, his history, his efforts and strivings, his humanitarian service and his great patriotism would be a great inspiration to those who come from foreign parts and I am sure would be a beacon light that would guide and encourage those who sought refuge or, for other reasons than religion or politics, came to the United States."

Mr. Celler also read from a statement made by President Roosevelt, an acknowledgment that "Mr. Straus was one of the two or three men who first set my mind, after I came in as President, in the direction of doing everything that could be done for the Hague Tribunal, as that seemed to be the best way to turn for arbitration."

At one point during the hearing, Congressman Gilbert of Kentucky asked Congressman Celler: "What part did Mr. Straus play in the great Jewish movement 'Back to Palestine'?"

Mr. Celler replied: "Mr. Straus died before the idea of Palestine as a homeland for the Jews had gained momentum. The movement had not reached the strength it now possesses. Mr. Straus, I believe—and it is only my personal opinion gathered from his writings and works—had not reached a conclusion that such a movement was the proper step for Jews to take. I do not believe he thought the Jews should return to Palestine in the mode and manner and fashion that the Balfour Declaration prescribes. I would not want to vouchsafe any opinion, directly or indirectly or remotely, as to what Mr. Straus's attitude on that problem would be."

"I think, however, that had he lived, and today he would have had a benevolent attitude toward the Palestinian movement; but he helped in an immeasurable degree the plight of his coreligionists the world over."

The report of the Library Committee, filed by Chairman Luce, recommending adoption of the Celler resolution, is high

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HOUSE PASSES JOHNSON DEPORTATION BILL; NOW GOES TO THE SENATE

**Defeat Sabath and La Guardia Amend-
ments to Bill**
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Feb. 18.—The House of Representatives late Saturday passed the Johnson Deportation bill, without a record vote, after defeating a motion of Congressman La Guardia to recommit the bill to the House Immigration Committee. A Committee amendment to the bill was adopted for the deportation of any alien who is convicted of selling or transporting intoxicating liquor and sentenced to imprisonment therefor for a term of one year or a number of lesser terms aggregating a total of one year or more. Another amendment was previously adopted making gunmen and bomb carriers deportable.

The debate preceding the vote lasted about an hour and a half, consideration of the bill having been resumed where it had been left off on Friday. Congressman Sabath continued his fight to amend various alleged defective and objectionable features of the bill, to which he called attention in the minority report which he filed several days ago. The effort of La Guardia to amend the bill so as to make only those aliens deportable who are convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude was also defeated. Congressman La Guardia denounced what he termed some of the excessively stringent provisions of the bill.

This bill, as well as the Free bill for placing expert technicians in the preference quota class and the Box bill, excluding aliens as temporary visitors who seek to enter for employment, both of which were passed on Friday morning, go to the Senate where early action on them is expected.

IS JEWISH OATH MINUS HAT VALID?—QUERY BEFORE RABBIS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 18.—Must a Jewish religious oath, rendered in court for legal purposes, be made by the individual with his hat on?

To answer this question a full session of the Warsaw Rabbinate was called. The matter, it was explained, has legal importance in view of a case which recently occurred in the Warsaw courts. A Jew who appeared as a witness in taking oath refused to wear his hat. The court was in doubt whether a Jewish religious oath, made by the person with his hat off, is valid. The President of the Peace Court directed an inquiry to the Warsaw Rabbinate.

HINDBURG SENDS COMRADE GREETINGS TO JEWISH VETS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 18.—Greeting them as comrades in arms, von Hindenburg, president of the German Republic, sent a message of congratulations to the Association of Jewish World War Veterans in Germany on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of their organization.

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argued that it would be advisable that the Board receive beforehand the constitution of the Jewish Agency.

To this argument Dr. Leonard Stein, political secretary of the Zionist Executive, replied that the functions of the Jewish Agency are defined in Article IV of the Palestine Mandate. As to the details of the plan, the exact constitutional machinery of the enlarged Agency and the distribution of seats on that body, it is only reasonable that the Zionist Organization should be desirous of consulting the respective Jewish communities before the final vote at the Zionist Congress. The Zionist Executive prefers this method to one by which the Jewish communities would be presented with a cut and dried program without having any other alternative than to take or leave it. The Board of Jewish Deputies, it was declared, would demonstrate its belief in the desirability of the Jewish Agency in a formal public manner.

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est Authorities of the Roman Catholic Church to assemble their Oecumenical Congress, as the Orthodox Churches have done, to consider the League of Nations' request that the date for Easter should be fixed and the Calendar simplified.

The first day of Passover this year occurs on April 25, and the last day on May 2. Eastern Sunday occurs on March 31. There is therefore no such coincidence of date as the statement of the International Fixed Calendar League reports. The fact that it is a leap year in the Jewish calendar has apparently been overlooked.

The controversy in the Orthodox Church in Roumania was over the question whether Easter may precede Passover. The majority of the priests in Bessarabia and Moldavia, and also the Metropolitans in these provinces, contended that according to tradition the Jewish Passover must always come first and Easter must follow after it. Easter ought never to occur before the middle of the Jewish month of Nisan. The observance of Easter, they claim, must always be so arranged as to observe the traditional relation with the Jewish Passover.

ARABS CLAIM LAND IN HAIFA BAY REGION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 18.—A claim against the government and the Haifa Bay Company has been launched by a group of Arabs of Manshiye near Acre.

The Arabs claim 200 dunams of land purchased by the Haifa Bay Company. The area is included in the Company's deed.

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in its praise of Straus. It read as follows:

"Oscar S. Straus was a statesman, diplomat, adviser of Presidents, champion of industrial harmony, advocate for universal peace. He had the distinction of serving under four administrations. He was minister to Turkey under Presidents Cleveland and McKinley, Secretary of Commerce and Labor under President Roosevelt, and ambassador to Turkey under President Taft.

"He was a 'citizen by choice,' having been born in Bavaria, December 23, 1830. He was brought by his father, Lazarus, to America two years later and the family settled in Talbotton, Ga., subsequently moving to Columbus, Ga.

"The boy, Oscar, received his education at Collinsworth Institute, Georgia, and afterwards graduated from Columbia College and Columbia Law School. He started to practice law in New York and then engaged in business. It was at the suggestion of Henry Ward Beecher that President Cleveland appointed him as minister to Turkey. As such he distinguished himself by his vigorous protection of Robert College and of mission schools in Turkey, Egypt and Syria.

"In the course of his second mission to Turkey he was enabled, through his influence with the Sultan, to prevent an insurrection of the Mohammedans in the Philippine Islands, thus saving the United States at least 20,000 soldiers in the field, and much loss of life.

"In 1902, President Roosevelt appointed him as a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Hague, to which post he was reappointed in 1908 by Mr. Roosevelt and in 1912 and 1920 by President Wilson.

"He was mainly instrumental in our breaking diplomatic relations with Russia because of her outrageous treatment of our citizens and proscription of them by reason of religion. No man has contributed more than he to American humanitarian diplomacy.

"Similarly, he influenced the drafting and the sending of the famous Hague note to the powers signatory to the treaty of Berlin in September of 1902 concerning barbarous treatment of religious minorities in Roumania, and thereby made Roumania realize the indignation and resentment of the civilized world at the wretched conditions prevailing in that country, conditions now happily removed.

"Straus rendered yeoman service in the promotion of industrial peace as a member of the National Civic Federation and as its vice president and furthermore as chairman of a New York Public Service Commission he frequently adjusted labor difficulties and prevented many important strikes.

"Fierce fighter for religious toleration, he wrote 'Roger Williams, the Pioneer of Religious Liberty,' which earned for him an honorary degree from Brown University. He also wrote the 'Origin of the Republican Form of Government of the United States of America.'

"President Roosevelt, in appointing

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nurseries and children's homes. However, the despatch of funds for the above purposes may encounter difficulties, the report states.

During the discussion, it was emphasized that Mohammedans and Baptists enjoy more religious rights in Soviet Russia than the Jews. A suggestion was made to ask the Trade Union Congress to intervene.

When a suggestion was made at the session that an appeal be issued to the Jewish community in England on behalf of Russian Jewry, the chairman emphasized that before an appeal could be issued, the Committee must be satisfied that the funds will reach the people intact, a matter which presents many practical difficulties. Political intervention is quite impossible and would only be harmful, he added.

Straus to his cabinet, said:

"I have a very high estimate of your judgment and your ability, and I want you for personal reasons. There is still a further reason: I want to show Russia and some other countries what we think of the Jews in this country."

"A monument or memorial to Oscar S. Straus would serve to remind us of his unflinching devotion to the ideals of our country and the rendering of great service in the light of those ideals. Furthermore, such a monument would serve to inspire us to emulate his example.

"In his autobiography, 'Under Four Administrations,' he says in his preface: 'I have also been influenced by a desire to bring a message of encouragement to the youth of our country, especially to those who may be conscious of handicaps in the face, not to lose heart, but to be patient, considerate, and tactful, and not to withhold the saving extra ounce of effort which often spells the difference between failure and success.'

"A monument to this noble character would encourage such of our youth as may be handicapped somewhat by religion and race, not to withhold the extra ounce of effort which often spells the difference between failure and success.'

"The memorial or monument is to be approved by the Commission of Fine Arts, and the site by the Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks. Its erection is to be without any expense to the Government."

The only resolution for the erection of a monument in Washington to a Jew within recent memory is that introduced in the House by Representative Charles A. Mooney, of Ohio, over a year ago, to erect a monument in honor of Haym Salomon. No action as yet been taken on this resolution, which is still pending before the Library Committee.

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