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POLISH PARTIES MOVE FOR ABOLITION OF CZARISTIC RESTRICTIONS IN POLAND

Radical Peasants and Socialist Deputies Lead Support to Jewish Club
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 25—Prospects for the speedy abolition of the anti-Jewish legal disabilities in Poland, based on the old Czaristic law, loom large since the Club of Jewish Deputies, long pressing for legislation on this point, has been joined by the Polish Radical Peasant Party, Wyzwolenie, and the Polish Socialist Party, P. P. S.

The deputies of the three parties in the Polish Sejm jointly introduced a bill in the form of an urgent motion for the abolition of all national and religious restrictions based on the Czaristic laws. It is expected that this bill will be acted upon during this session of the Sejm.

The urgent motions introduced previously on several occasions by the Club of Jewish Deputies were postponed on various pretexts, leaving the Jewish population under the disabilities complained of. The hope was expressed today that the present bill, having for the first time the official support not only of the Jewish Club but of Polish parties, will have a better fate, and finally be enacted into law.

Warsaw, Feb. 25—Among the 10,288 men employed in the postal service in Congress Poland, there is only one Jew. This fact was brought to the attention of the Minister of Posts, Miedziński, by Senator Koerner, at a meeting of the Budget Commission of the Polish Senate.

The Minister in explaining this fact stated that there are two reasons why Jews are not to be found in the postal service, first, because preference is given to ex-service men and secondly, because Jews are not "physically fit for the difficult work of letter carriers."

The Jewish deputies recalled, in connection with this reply, that when the same question was raised in the Budget Commission of the Sejm, the same Minister of Posts, Miedziński, replied that "the Ministry is quite ready to engage Jewish letter carriers, but the Jews do not want to undertake such difficult work."

JEWISH SMALL TRADERS HOLD CONVENTION IN WARSAW

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Feb. 25—The Association of Jewish Small Traders in the Republic of Poland opened its annual convention here today.

According to reports submitted, the Association has 290 branches with a membership of 200,000. Two hundred and thirty delegates are present. Messages of greeting were read from the city government, the Club of Jewish Deputies, the Warsaw Kehillah and other organizations.

GERMAN ASSOCIATION OF LIBERAL JEWS DECLINES TO JOIN JEWISH AGENCY

Board Gives 3 Reasons for Refusal; Cannot Agree to Conception of Jewish National Home
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 25—The Association of Liberal Jews in Germany, the organization representing the Reform congregations, will not join the non-Zionists of other countries in participating in the extended Jewish Agency for Palestine under the agreement concluded between Louis Marshall and Dr. Chaim Weizmann.

At a meeting of the Board of the Association, which is composed of 37 congregations with a total membership of 8,000, a unanimous decision was reached to decline the invitation extended by the World Zionist Executive to join in the formation of the Jewish Agency which is to be composed of non-Zionists and Zionists, for the upbuilding of Palestine. Heinrich Stern is president of the Association.

In making public its decision the Board gave the following three reasons for its refusal to participate in the Jewish Agency:

1. The Palestine Mandate refers to the creation of a national home for the Jewish people and to the historic connection between the Jewish people and Palestine, while the Liberal Jews of Germany consider Jewry a religious community, being a part of the various nations among whom Jews live;

2. According to their views Palestine does not occupy a special place in the contemplation of the future Judaism. Palestine may be considered for colonization purposes in a general plan of settling Jews on the land in order to bring relief to those who are in need.

3. The settlement of Palestine may be justified only if the people who are now on the land are in agreement with the plan.

The Board further stated that this does not preclude the possibility of cooperation, but the ways and methods of such cooperation are dependent upon the removal of these obstacles by the Zionist Organization.

SOVIET PERMITS IMPORT OF 50 CARLOADS OF MATZOTH

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 25—The Soviet government will permit the importation into the country of 50 carloads of matzoth for the needs of Orthodox Jewish families during the coming Passover.

A statement to this effect was transmitted today to Rabbi Hildesheimer by the Soviet Embassy here. The Berlin Committee for the Supply of Matzoth expressed the hope that the quantity will be sufficient to provide 20,000 Jewish families in Russia.

TROFIMOV, MURDERER OF JEWISH WORKER IN PSKOV, TO BE TRIED ON MARCH 10

Factory Director Discharged; Arrested for Encouraging Anti-Semitism
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Feb. 25—The trial of Trofimov, who murdered the Jewish worker Bolsheminikov in a Soviet factory in Pskov, will be held on March 10.

The director of the factory, Metalist, was discharged from his post and arrested for encouraging anti-Semitism. An investigation disclosed widespread anti-Semitism among Pskov Communists and members of the Comsomol, Communist youth organization. Several were expelled from the party in the general clean-up which is being made.

The trial of Volinets and his associates, charged with anti-Semitic practices against Jewish workers in the construction of the Minsk university town, was begun on February 21. The defendants denied the charges. Witnesses, however, substantiated the accusation.

A group of re-emigrants from Palestine arrived in Odessa, according to a report published in the "Emes," Communist Yiddish daily. The group will settle on the land near Eupatoria, the paper stated.

A suggestion that anti-Semitism be fought by means of the radio was put forward by the "Comsomolskaya Pravda," organ of the Communist youth organization.

A former Petlura officer, Kuntzevich, was sentenced to two years imprisonment for persecution of Jewish workers in the paper factory in Kitaigorod of which he was the director.

Talmud, a Jewish student in the Odessa Chemical Technicum, was denied his diploma unless he consented to sign a paper to the effect that no anti-Semitism existed at the technicum.

HITLERITES INVADE JEWISH GATHERING AT KOENIGSBERG

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Feb. 25—A meeting of the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith, Koenigsberg Branch, was thrown into tumult and disorder when an armed group of Hitlerites, members of the anti-Semitic National Socialist Party, invaded the hall.

Police were called to eject the invaders. The ringleaders were arrested and charged with disturbance of the peace.

NEW DIRECTOR FOR MOSCOW YIDDISH THEATRE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Feb. 25—A new director to succeed Granovsky as head of the Yiddish Theatre has been named by the Commissar of Education. Mr. Somov will replace Mr. Granovsky, who is in Berlin.

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BULGARIAN JEWISH CONSISTORY DISAGREES WITH GOVERNMENT ON SCHOOL BUDGET

Demands Government Subsidy for the 21 Schools Under Its Control
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Sofia, Feb. 25.—The Jewish Consistory of Bulgaria, the body representing the Jewish religious congregations of the country, expressed dissatisfaction with an order issued by the Minister of Education concerning the budgets and maintenance of the national minorities schools in the country.

The order suggested that the Jewish schools be maintained on funds raised by the Jewish communities and by tuition fees received by the parents. The communities are to furnish two-thirds of the budget, while one-third is to be derived from fees. The Consistory demands that the schools be subsidized by the government.

Twenty-one schools with an enrollment of 3,525 pupils are under the control of the Consistory, with an annual budget of 7,500,000 Levas.

229 JEWISH IMMIGRANTS ENTERED CANADA IN JANUARY
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Montreal, Feb. 25.—Two hundred and twenty-nine Jewish immigrants entered Canada during last month according to figures just made public by the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society of Canada. Twenty-two boats which arrived at the ports of Halifax and St. John during the month brought 3,291 immigrants in all.

The Jewish immigrants were destined by provinces as follows: Quebec 84, 93 for Ontario, 5 for Nova Scotia, 24 for Manitoba, 5 for Saskatchewan, 6 for Alberta, 1 for British Columbia, 6 for Prince Edward Island, 5 for New Brunswick. There were ten detentions but these were admitted through the intervention of the Legal Aid Department of the Society.

ORADEAMARE. ORTHODOX AND LIBERAL GROUPS REFUSE TO AID KEREN HAYESOD

Decline to Lend Synagogue and Temple Facilities to Touring Delegation
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Feb. 25.—Both the Orthodox and Liberal congregations of Oradeamare, formerly known as Grosswardein, Transylvania, have refused to co-operate in the raising of funds for the Keren Hayesod. The congregations have declined to lend synagogue and temple facilities for a Keren Hayesod delegation which is now touring Transylvania, seeking funds.

The action of the two communities has called forth a wide controversy in Transylvania and Banat. The Orthodox Kehillah Board of Temesvare telegraphed to the Orthodox community of Oradeamare, voicing a sharp protest. The Temesvare Kehillah reminded the community of Oradeamare of the sympathy displayed by Jews everywhere when the Jewish population of Oradeamare was the victim of anti-Jewish excesses in December 1927.

CHARLES STEINBERG CLINIC DEDICATED AT HOT SPRINGS
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 25.—The Charles Steinberg Clinic of the Leo N. Levi Memorial Hospital, maintained at Hot Springs by the Independent Order B'nai B'rith, was dedicated yesterday. The clinic was erected in memory of Charles Steinberg of St. Louis, by his son, Louis Steinberg, of St. Louis.

The formal dedication was preceded by a banquet Saturday evening at the Eastman Hotel. Dr. Nathan Krass of Temple Emanu-El, New York, was the principal speaker. Rabbi A. B. Rhine, executive secretary of the Levi Memorial Hospital, was the toastmaster.

At the dedication, addresses were delivered by Archibald A. Marx of New Orleans, president of the Levi Memorial Hospital Association, Judge A. B. Frey of St. Louis and Dr. Krass. The sum of \$10,000 was subscribed to the hospital at the dinner.

DROPSIE COLLEGE TO OBSERVE FOUNDER'S DAY
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 25.—Founder's Day at the Dropsie College, of which Dr. Cyrus Adler is president, will be celebrated Wednesday, March 6, at the college building.

Dr. Adler, Dr. Ephraim A. Speiser and Dr. A. A. Neuman will be the speakers.

Six unidentified men braved smoke and flames Friday night and saved the Holy Scrolls when fire swept the Congregation Ohel Moshe Chevra Chailim Synagogue, at Willoughby and Tompkins avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The building, valued at \$800,000, was wrecked. The damage was estimated at more than \$100,000. The blaze, believed to have been caused by an overheated furnace, had gained great headway when discovered by the six men, who had attended a late meeting and were waiting for a trolley car near by. They broke down the front door, groping their way through dense smoke and with debris falling around them, took the Torah from the Ark. They were near collapse when they reached the street.

CHASSIDIM AWED AND FRIGHTENED WHEN THEY SEE LATE RABBI IN FILM

Attend Movies for First Time; Want to Flee When Cossacks are Shown
(J. T. A. Mail Service)

London, Feb. 10.—Eight hundred and twenty six Chassidim from Koztk attended a private cinema performance in Warsaw, reports the "Observer." It was the first film, it says, they had ever seen. The film was a reconstruction of the life of Mendel, the miracle rabbi, who lived and worked at Koztk. No woman was allowed to attend the performance, which was kept secret. The audience, with their broad-brimmed hats, traditional long silk gowns, silk trousers and long beards, seemed to have stepped out of a long-forgotten past. At first the guests seemed to feel uncomfortable in the unusual surroundings, but after a time they gave reserved utterance to their emotions, warning some characters in the film who seemed to be in peril, reproving the misdeeds of others and applauding those whose moral behavior pleased them. When, however, the figure of Mendel appeared, they could no longer contain themselves; they rose to their feet in a body, applauding vehemently, and burst into an old Chassidic choral song which accompanied the production to its end. Fortunately, some critical stages passed without panic, especially one scene which showed a fight with Cossacks. Many spectators took it for reality, and showed signs of flight. But they were reassured, and the finale was greeted with stamping of feet and frenzied applause. It was rather difficult to induce the visitors to leave the hall, but finally they betook themselves to the station, and entrained direct to Koztk.

The film referred to appears to be the screen version of the novel "In Polish Woods" by the well-known Yiddish author, Joseph Opatoshu, a trilogy describing the historic process of Judaism in the last hundred years and depicting in part Chassidic life in its later period. The Chassidic Rabbis in Poland banned the novel, chiefly on account of the manner in which it portrays the Chassidic Rabbi of Koztk, Reb Mendele.

JUDGE MOSCOWITZ REFUTES CHARGES AGAINST HIM

Federal Judge Grover M. Moscowitz of Brooklyn will appeal to the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives for the right to appear before that body and defend himself against the charges of misconduct filed against him by Sidney and Joseph Levine through Representative Andrew L. Somers. He also will ask permission to reply to the charges made by J. C. Rochester.

No reply to the charges against him will be made in advance of his appearance before the Judiciary Committee, the Judge indicated.

The charges against Judge Moscowitz and Judge Winslow, in the Southern New York District, now under investigation by the House Judiciary Committee, follow an inquiry into the bankruptcy situation in New York.

J. D. C. APPROPRIATES \$310,000 FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS OF EAST EUROPE, RUSSIAN JEWS

Funds Allotted to Meet Present Situation and Future Contingencies

Cablegrams from Dr. Bernard Kahn, European Director of the Joint Distribution Committee, which were presented to the Executive Committee of that body at a recent meeting, confirm reports of dire suffering of large sections of East European Jewry, due to the extraordinarily rigorous winter conditions prevalent all over the continent, to crop failure and famine. These conditions have most seriously affected the Jews of Bessarabia, Moldavia, Lithuania, Poland and other sections, Dr. Kahn cabled. Announcement to this effect was made today by David A. Brown, National Chairman of the United Jewish Campaign.

Instancing the seriousness of the situation, Dr. Kahn stated that three-quarters of the Jewish population of South Bessarabia are in dire straits, and the same is true of the Jews of Middle Bessarabia and Kishineff.

At the same time, the Executive Committee of the Joint Distribution Committee received an urgent cablegram from Dr. Joseph Rosen, asking for immediate additional funds to meet pressing needs of large numbers of Jews in Russian cities, many of whom require palliative relief and aid in securing employment.

Many cultural institutions throughout Eastern Europe have sent the most urgent pleas for immediate help to prevent the break-down of their activities, Mr. Brown added.

To meet these emergencies, the Executive Committee of the Joint Distribution Committee decided that, notwithstanding the straitened condition of its treasury and the possibility that unless collections of pledges to the United Jewish Campaign are accelerated

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DR. LIBMAN ESTABLISHES JOHNS HOPKINS LECTURESHIP

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 25—Dr. Emanuel Libman, well-known pathologist and bacteriologist of New York, has given \$10,000 to the Johns Hopkins University to establish a lectureship in the department of the history of medicine.

Announcement of the gift was made by Dr. Frank J. Goodnow, president of the university, at the commemorative exercises of the university Friday afternoon at the Peabody Institute.

The lectureship, Dr. Goodnow announced, "is to be named the Hideyoguchi lectureship in honor of Dr. Noguichi, whose work in connection with the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research is so well known, and whose tragic death in the carrying on of medical research has so recently occurred."

CHASSIDIC RABBI DIES IN LEMBERG

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Lemberg, Feb. 25—Rabbi Leibusch Halperin, Chassidic leader, known as the Rebbe of Brzezany, died here.

J. D. B. NEWS LETTER

The Jews in the Belgian Congo

By Our Belgian Correspondent

Elizabethville, Katanga, Belgian Congo, Jan. 20.—The Belgian Congo is one of the largest and most sparsely populated territories in Africa. Its enormous area of nearly 2½ million square kilometres carries a meagre white population of 18,169, while the native population is approximately 10 million. To every 1,000 square kilometres there are thus 7.6 white persons and 4,000 blacks.

A large proportion of the white population is settled in the province of the Katanga, which adjoins Rhodesia.

The Jews in the Katanga number roughly between two and three hundred. The majority are Spanish Jews who came over from the Isle of Rhodes. There are, also, Roumanian, English, South African, Russian and Polish Jews. The language question is their most difficult problem. Three distinct tongues are spoken: French, Spanish and English. Thus their progress as a community is considerably handicapped by their inability to understand each other.

They show little interest or enthusiasm in Jewish affairs. Nevertheless, it is anticipated that a new synagogue costing £8,000 will shortly be erected.

The majority of the Jews are in business, having small stores. The two principal business houses started in the early days were in the hands of Jews, Messrs. Morris Pieters and I. Pieters. But a few months ago the latter sold out to a Belgian firm. Several other Jews are associated with the opening of Congo business. Elizabethville, the capital of the Katanga, was really opened only in 1911. Among the Jews in the wholesale trade are Messrs. Blumenthal Bros., Daniels & Co., R. Glasstone & Co., S. Salmon, Benator Bros. & Israel, J. & A. Alhadeff, Morris Pieters and several others. There are others up the river carrying on big produce business, dealing principally in rice, coffee, monkey nuts, meal, ivory and beeswax.

The two largest butcheries and cattle ranches have Jews at their head—the Elekat with Mr. B. Smith and the Mefrikat with Mr. B. Granat as managing director. Both these firms run extensive farms outside Elizabethville and control the output of the meat supply in the Katanga district. There are two hotels run by Jews, the Hotel Metropole by Mr. Sidney Davies, and the Grand by Mr. J. Kemp.

Likasi, a rising town, 90 miles from Elizabethville, is practically in the hands of the Spanish Jews, who are chiefly in the Kafir truck trade. The two butcheries in that town are branches of the Elekat and the Mefrikat.

The local paper, "The Journal" of the Katanga, is controlled by Jews, Messrs. Van Praag and Granat, who besides, do a big business in printing, etc. Up to a few months ago, when the Belgian firm started, they were the only local news agency.

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SENATE CONFEREES REJECT HARSH PROVISIONS OF THE JOHNSON DEPORTATION BILL

Rejection Kills Bill for This Session of Congress

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Feb. 25.—The Senate conferees rejected the harsh provisions of the Johnson Deportation Bill passed by the House, with the exception of a clause making it a punishable crime for a deported alien to re-enter or attempt to re-enter America unlawfully again, and a minor provision regarding the deportation of alien seamen.

Congressman Sabath opposed rail-roading through such a drastic and far-reaching deportation bill without further deliberation. Rejection by the Senate conferees kills the bill for this session.

Final action on the Copeland naturalization bill is being delayed by the refusal of Chairman Albert Johnson of the House Committee to sign an agreement relative to that bill. It is expected that he will give his final decision today.

REV. HOLMES MEETS ARAB LEADERS IN JERUSALEM

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Feb. 25.—Dr. John Haynes Holmes, pastor of the New York Community Church, who is in Palestine on a visit as the representative of Nathan Straus, met with Arab leaders today to discuss the Jewish-Arab relations in the country.

The Arabs, members of anti-Zionist bodies, expressed their opposition to the Zionist policy and to a continued immigration of Jews to the country. They also complained against the British government for the lack of representative institutions in the country.

SOCIALIST AND FASCIST PARADES PEACEFUL

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Feb. 25.—The two parades staged yesterday by the Heimwehr, Austrian Fascist organization, and the Socialists, passed peacefully. It had been feared that the demonstrations might lead to anti-Jewish outbreaks. However, no anti-Jewish placards were carried by the Fascist marchers.

SHIP ICELOCKED IN BALTIC WITH 780 ENROUTE TO U. S.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Copenhagen, Feb. 25.—The Baltic-American steamer, Lithuania, bringing 780 emigrants to America and Canada, is iceblocked in Baltic waters, radio messages received here state. A Danish icebreaker has been hurried to the rescue. The majority of the passengers on board the steamer are Jewish.

DENY BULGARIAN ZIONIST BODY HAS DISSOLVED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Sofia, Feb. 25.—A denial of reports which appeared in the press abroad that the Zionist Organization of Bulgaria had been completely dissolved was issued here today.

If you are pleased with the "Jewish Daily Bulletin," tell your friends to subscribe.

2,000 INCREASE IN JEWISH IMMIGRATION TO ARGENTINE

(U. T. A. Mail Service)

Berlin, Feb. 6.—In spite of the immigration restrictions imposed by the Argentine Government towards the end of last year, there was an increase of Jewish immigration to the Argentine, 2,000 more Jews than in 1927 having entered the country, states the report for 1928, submitted to the meeting of the Executive of the United Jewish Emigration Society Hicem (Hias-Ica-Emigdirekt), held here under the chairmanship of Deputy Oscar Kohn. Dr. James Bernstein, Dr. Joachimsohn, Dr. M. Krainin, Professor Mittwoch, Leo Motzkin, Edouard Oungre, Dr. J. Stern, J. Lestschinsky, and J. Dijour were present at the meeting.

This increase in immigration, the report says, is due to the increased activity of the various immigrant aid, labor employment and credit institutions, as well as the institutions for the liturgical and technical training of the Jewish immigrants established by the Hicem in the principal countries of South America during the past year.

Apart from South America, the Hicem carried on a strenuous activity in countries where immigration is subject to restrictions, in order to promote Jewish immigration there as far as possible. Particular mention is made in this regard of the work of the local committee in France in placing Jewish immigrants mostly coming from Poland in agricultural activity in France.

Important work was also carried on in the countries of emigration. More than 30,000 Jewish emigrants applied during 1928 to the various Hicem committees in Poland, Roumania, Lithuania, Latvia, Danzig, Belgium, Holland and France for information and assistance. Legal and consular aid was provided in more than 10,000 cases. Considerable reductions were also obtained for emigrants on their train and steamship fares.

Satisfactory results were attained in the work of training emigrants in the languages of the countries to which they intended emigrating. About 750 emigrants completed the courses in English and Spanish. The experiment of agricultural and technical training was also continued in the past year. The results so far obtained do not make it possible to draw final conclusions from the work, so the experiments will be continued this year.

Dr. M. Krainin reported on the budget plan for 1929, which was adopted. A report was also submitted on the situation with regard to the special \$40,000 fund for credit aid in the countries of immigration; \$26,880 of this fund, it was stated, having already been assigned to various credit institutions in the Argentine, Brazil, Uruguay and Australia. The Executive decided to make a number of special assignments, including £300 for a group of 60 Chaluzim who have with the assistance of the Hicem completed their agricultural training during the past

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it would be necessary to borrow money from the banks, prompt action was necessary, and it accordingly appropriated the sum of \$310,000 for additional relief work and to provide for other contingencies throughout Eastern Europe and Russia during the year.

For the relief of the situation in Bessarabia, the Joint Distribution Committee and the American Joint Reconstruction Foundation have, prior to this action, set aside sums for credit and emergency relief and are cooperating with other relief bodies, including the Alliance Israelite Universelle and the Hilfsverein.

In response to a number of requests from individuals and landsmanschaften desirous of making contributions toward the relief of suffering Jews in Bessarabia, the Executive Committee of the Joint Distribution Committee has authorized the following statement: "The Joint Distribution Committee is not in a position to accept and transmit remittances earmarked for specific individuals or towns, or for specific activities; it will be glad to accept contributions for general relief purposes in Bessarabia or other countries, subject to its general discretion and program. Persons desiring to make contributions for general relief in Bessarabia may forward checks directly to the office of the Joint Distribution Committee, 40 Exchange Place, New York City. In accepting such funds, the Joint Distribution Committee will assume only the responsibility of remitting them to its European office to be applied by Dr. Bernard Kahn to the general Joint Distribution Committee program of relief in Bessarabia."

Bernard Liebenstein, advertising man and former business manager of the "Jewish Morning Journal," and with "The Journal of Commerce," died Sunday, in his fifty-sixth year. He is survived by a widow, Ella.

For "The Journal of Commerce," Mr. Liebenstein prepared special sections surveying business conditions in Soviet Russia and Italy after visits to those countries.

Funeral services for Abraham Finkelstein, for more than twenty-five years clerk of the Manhattan Surrogate's Court, who died Saturday morning, were held Sunday. More than 500 persons attended, including a number of city officials. Interment was in Montefiore Cemetery, Long Island.

Mr. Finkelstein was 61 years old.

year and are now proceeding to Palestine.

Edouard Oungre reported on the steps taken by the Directors of the Hicem to facilitate Jewish emigration to Canada and Australia. He also reported on the present position of the Jewish refugees in Constantinople. It was decided to allocate £1,000 each to the Jewish organizations in Melbourne and Sydney as a fund to provide loans to Jewish immigrants. It was also decided to give a subsidy of \$6,000 to the Canadian Committee for its work.

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CLAIMS HE PRECEDED EINSTEIN BY 7 YEARS

Claim that he preceded Einstein by about seven years in connecting gravitation and magnetism is made by Capt. Thomas J. See of the United States Naval Observatory, Mare Island, Cal., states an Associate Press despatch from San Francisco.

"In January, 1929," says Capt. See, "Einstein announced the connection of gravitation with electro-dynamics, etc. through a new field theory. It is not new, however, for my published work on the connection between magnetism and electro-dynamics dates from 1917, and my mathematical formulae connecting magnetism with universal gravitation is not only given, but tested and numerically verified by application to the fields of the earth and sun in the *Astronomische Nachrichten Sondernummer*, November, 1922."

"I therefore anticipated Einstein by about seven years in the field theory of the earth and sun, which is tested and verified in a way that no truthful man can deny."

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Every year there is an increase of the Jewish population, but most of the new arrivals come from Rhodes. There is also a notable increase in the number of Jews from South Africa. While the Jews mix freely with the Gentiles, there exists, however, a slight strangeness among them towards each other, a strangeness particularly noticeable between the Ashkenazim and the Sephardim. There is no doubt that the language difficulty is responsible.

As far as the relationship between Jews and Gentiles goes, there is very little anti-Semitism from the Belgian side, but there is a good deal among a few of the British section, although it is not shown to any real extent, everybody mixing freely with everyone else. Socially, the Jews, strictly speaking, keep to themselves, although there are a few visiting Gentile friends.

As far as politics are concerned, there is no such thing, and no doubt this has a great deal to do with the progress in the Congo. The Jews as a whole are doing their share and are supplying a good bit of the capital needed to build up the country.

As regards sports, the South African and English Jews and Jewesses take part in all the various outdoor games, and a Jew has twice captained the Katanga Rugby side.

At the last British Empire Day celebration, four members of the committee of eight were Jews.

Taking it all round, the Jews hold their own in all respects and there is no question but that the Jews are doing their full share towards the progress now being made in the Congo. On the Day of Atonement it was remarked by the Gentile population that the town was dead with the closing of all the Jewish business houses.

More than 300 persons attended the opening of the Jewish Hour for the Aged at Waterbury, Conn. Rabbi Harry Schwartz and Rabbi D. Breslau of Temple Israel and Rabbi Harry Schwartz of Beth El were the speakers.