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MERRIMAN STARTS JEWISH SIDE OF CASE WITH ISAIAH BRAUDE, MEMBER OF TEMPORARY ZIONIST EXECUTIVE DURING OUTBREAKS, FIRST WITNESS

Chief Accountant Relates Details of Events Leading Up to Riots as Sir Boyd | Project Depends on Ort's Supplying Uses His Testimony to Confirm Javash Case; Braude | Project Depends on Ort's Supplying of Raw Material; Will Relieve Sharply Questioned by Arab Counsel

By GERSHON AGRONSKY

(Staff Correspondent, Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 10—That Sigfried ory and to permit Rutenberg to leave Hoofien, general manager of the or Europe.

Anglo-Palestine Company had sent a solemn warning to Vladimir Jabotinsky chief of the Zionist Revisionists, at the Zurich Congress last July, that a catastrophe would result from the agitation of the "Doar Hayom," Hebrew daily of Jerusalem, was made known yesterday when Sir Boyd Merriman began the formal presentation of the Jewish case at the Inquiry Commission hearings with Isaiah Braude, chief accountant in charge of the Zionist Executive office while the other members were attending the Zurich Congress, as the first witness.

Hoofien, together with Horowitz, a law partner of Harry Sacher, a member of the Zionist Executive, and Braude formed the temporary Zionist Executive. Braude told about Hoofien's cable to Jabotinsky saying "the 'Doar Hayom' has ignored the decisions of the Zionist Congress regarding the Wailing Wall and is calling for revolt and violence. Although not many are likely to follow the lead of the paper, a catastrophe may result that will be of no benefit. I urge you to cable to the editors to change their attitude otherwise the responsibility will be on their heads and yours." In response to this message Jabotinsky instructed the "Doar Hayom's" editors to abate their agitation, declared Braude. This they did, he continued, in an article on August 8 in which they renounced violence but denounced the secret diplo-macy of the Vaad Leumi, the National Council of Palestine Tews.

Braude's evidence covered familiar ground since Merriman had already, brought out most of these facts during the cross-examination of the government witnesses, particularly II. C. Luke, Acting High Commissioner during the riots. Merriman, however, used Braude's testimony to confirm parts of the Jewish case which had not entirely appeared owing to the re-luctance of the government witnesses and also to trace from the Jewish viewpoint all of the developments leading up to the outbreaks. The only other Jewish witness that had hitherto appeared was Pinchas Rutenberg, president of the Vaad Leumi, who was interposed during Luke's giving of tes-

Until an accident put on him the responsibility during a critical period Braude said that he had had nothing to do with political matters. Within a week of the departure of the responsible members of the Zionist Executive

to Zurich Braude said he found him self precipitated into the Walling Wall crisis because the Moslem building activities had started again and because of the agitation over the build ing by the Iewish press. Zionist Executive Was Very Active

Braude told of immediately pressing Luke to issue a communique, which the government's letter notifying the Zionist Executive that the Moslem construction work was authorized was confidential. He also explained that

Harry Sacher's reply of July 7 re-(Continued on Page 3)

## Emil Ludwig Lectures at Hebrew University (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 10-Emil Ludwig, the noted biographer and writer who is visiting Palestine, lectured yesterday on history and fiction at the Hebrew University. His lecture was rich in thought and form.

He was greeted by Prof. Joseph Klausner of the Hebrew University On behalf of the miversity men.

Later he was the guest at a lea party given by the Hebrew writers.

There he was welcomed by David Yellin and Mordecai Ben Hillel. Replying to the greeting, Ludwig said that until 1915 he had been far from Judaism, when he came nearer, owing to his friends Arthur Ruppin and Richard Lichtheim, both prominent Zionists. He wished the University and its faculty "peace, what you most need after the horrors."

#### \$150,000 Assigned for Loans to Merchants and Manufacturers

(Towish Telegraphic Agency) Jerusalem, Dec. 10-The Emergency Relief Committee has assigned \$150,000 for loans to merchants and manufacturers. Sixty thousand dollars has been spent for the refugees in Jerusalem for timony in order to refresh Luke's mem- feeding and clothing them.

Soviet Considering Plan for Separate Artels for Jewish Artisans, Formerly Traders

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Declassed Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Dec. 11—The Jewish Tele-graphic Agency learns today from re-liable sources that the Soviet government is considering permitting the organization of special artels (cooperative factories) of Jewish artisans, who, as ex-traders, were expelled from the regular artels which are provided with work by the government cooperatives. The project will be realized on condition that the American Ort, the society for the promotion of technical trades among the Jews of Eastern Europe, provides such former traders with raw materials.

If the project is carried out, it will be a tremendous relief for the expelied artisans, for it will give them all of the legal rights of artisans in dwellings and taxes, it will solve their unemployment problem and it will make them independent of the government cooperatives, which make a sharp thistinction in granting raw materials between those artisans who were artisans before the Revolution and those artisans who prior to 1917 were traders. This project will open up a wide field of new activity for the Ort.

Should this plan for special artels of Jewish artisans be consummated, it will mean the end to a situation which to the expelled artisans has been tragic. On the one hand, the government has been coercing all artisans into joining cooperatives, and on the other hand the Jewish Communists have been actively engaged in demanding the expulsion of the Jewish artisans who were once traders. The government's desire to reduce the number of declassed, a majority of whom are Jews, by organizing them in cooperatives, has been opposed by the action of the Yevsektzia, the Jewish section of the Communist Party, and its organ, the "Emes," who insisted on (Continued on Page 4)

## Soviets Name Jew Land Commissary (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Dec. 10-The new land commissary at Yakovlev, who was appointed yesterday, is a lew, Jacob Epstein, 33. He was formerly the editor of the peasant papers, "Bednota" and "Krestianskaya Gazette." Lately he had been acting commissary of labor and peasant inspection. Epstein is the author of three works on agrarian problems.

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#### 2,000 Crowd Theatre to Pay Homage to Peretz Hirschbein

Two thousand people crowded the Civic Repertory Theatre in New York Sunday while other thousands were turned away at the reception given to I'cretz Hirschbein by the Yiddish Culture Society. In a speech lasting an hour and a half Peretz Hirschbein described the situation of the Jews all over the world. He has just returned from a five-year trip around the world. Hirschbein laid special stress on the fate of the Jews in Palestine and Russia.

While admiring the pioneer spirit of I'alestine he said he deplored the Jewish chauvinism there which is resulting in Arab antagonism. He was enthusiastic about Soviet Russia where he declared the Jews were being regenerated. He made an appeal for Jewish colonization, especially for Bira Bidjan where the Jews have a great future, he declared.

H. Laivik on behalf of the Pen Club. David Pinski on behalf of the Yiddish Culture Society, Ben Ami on behalf of the Jewish Actors' Club, and Ben Zion Goldberg on behalf of "The Day," wel-comed Mr. Hirschbein.

# PLAN NEW PALESTINE COLONY TO HONOR NATHAN STRAUS

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)
Atlantic City, Dec. 10-Jews are being asked to cooperate in a plan now under way to interest New Jersey Jewry in the establishment in Palestine of a citrus colony in honor of Nathan Straus, philanthropist. Preparations are being made for a state meeting in December to discuss the feasibility of organizing a New Jersey division of what is known as the Nathanyah colony in Palestine.

# Magistrate Rosenbluth Is Reappointed Until 1939

Magistrate Abraham Rosenbluth has been reappointed for another term. He will hold office until 1939.

# Support of N. Y. Federation of Jewish Philanthropy

More than five hundred delegates of fraternal and industrial organizations participated in a conference Sunday at Temple Emanu-l, New York. A resolution to devote themselves and their organizations "arduously to the task of strengthening, and at the same time widening the base of the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies," was unanimously passed. It was submitted by Morris Finestone, Secretary of the United Hebrew Trades.

Sol M. Stroock, former president of the Federation, was chairman. He declared that justice was the watchword of the Jews throughout the ages. "Every Jewish man, woman and child," he said, "belongs to our Federation whether he contributes or not. Membership in Federation is automatic for all Jews in the community. Every Jew must avail himself of the privilege of registering his membership by material support.

Among the speakers who addressed the conference were Judge Otto A Rosalsky, chairman of the Jewish Com-munal Survey; Jonah J. Goldstein, chairman of the New York District of the Zionist Organization of America and trustee of the Federation; Henry Hyman, grandmaster of the Indepen-dent Order Free Sons of Israel: Morris Finestone; Judge Jacob Panken, who voiced endorsement of the federation by the Workmen's Circle; former Congressman Nathan D. Perlman, Grand Master of the Independent Order Brith Abraham; Loney Haskell for the Jewish Theatrical Guild; Judge Gustave Hartman, former Grand Masstudents from New Haven, Cleveland Abraham, Joel Krone, Harold A. Le-bair and Dr. Nathan Krass, rabbi of be known as the Rabbinical Seminary to Congregation Emanu-El.

## Metropolitan Jewish Centers Discuss Plans for Extending Work at City Convention

Discussion of plans for the extension of Jewish Centre, Y. M. H. A. and Y. W. H. A. work, which included incidentally a condemnation by Dr. David Snedden of Teachers' College, Columbia University, of the junior high school system of vocational guidance, occupied the attention of the conven-tion of the Metropolitan League of

Jewish Community Association Sunday afternoon at the Federation Building. Dr. Samson Benderly, director of the Bureau of Jewish Education, urged that the Jewish Centres and similar organizations undertake the task of training youths to be "creative Ameri-can Jews" who would not base their faith entirely upon tradition. These "American Jews," he said, should create the basis for Judaism under modern American conditions. He declared that in New York City the physical equipment of the community centres had now been developed to a point where its further development was not as important as the development of the right type of leadership in the centres. Rabbi D. de Sola Pool of the Spanish

and Portuguese Synagogue urged that both Reform and Orthodox Jewish congregations work out some means of giving young men and women an opportunity to be more active in the work of the synagogue.

Sol M. Stroock, president of the league, and the other officers were reelected

# NEW RABBINICAL SEMINARY TO OPEN IN CLEVELAND (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Cleveland, Dec. 10—With the arrival here today of Rabbi J. Levenberg and Rabbi S. Kramer, together with 40 students from New Haven, Cleveland and College of Talmud. The Seminary

# Many City and State Notables Join Thousands in Synagogue as Rabbi Stephen Wise Eulogizes Late Assemblyman Maurice Bloch

The funeral of Maurice Bloch, lead- a short eulogy. er of the Democratic minority in the Assembly and prominent young law-yer of this city, who died last Thursday morning after an operation for appendicitis at Roosevelt Hospital. was held Sunday afternoon at the Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East Eighty-seventh Street.

While about 2,000 persons, including men and women prominent in public life, representatives of numerous religious and philanthropic organizations and a delegation of members of the State Senate and Assembly, filled the sanctuary of the Free Synagogue, Rabbi Stephen Wise delivered a eulogy over the rose-blanketed coffin of the young man who had been his close friend. Dr. Gabriel Schulman, rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, officiated at the services and also delivered

Before and during the services in the temple, a crowd of several thousand persons stood in the street outside, completely filling Eighty-seventh Street from Madison to Park Avenue. A detail of 120 patrolmen, besides the regular motorcycle escort, was neces-

Speaking of Mr. Bloch's public career, Rabbi Wise referred to him as a man of utmost promise and superlative integrity. He recalled that only six years ago he had performed the ceremony of marriage for the dead leader.

Rabbi Schulman spoke of the work Mr. Bloch had done as a trustee of the synagogue in obtaining the new home in Eighty-seventh Street three years ago. He then pronounced the farewell and benediction.

# MERRIMAN STARTS JEWISH SIDE OF CASE WITH ISAIAH BRAUDE, MEMBER OF TEMPORARY ZIONIST EXECUTIVE DURING OUTBREAKS, FIRST WITNESS

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gretting that the government's deci- and also to refute Vincent Sheean's son on "one portion of the question colored description of the scene at the before rendering a comprehensive decision covering the principal matter at issue" was also confidential. Braude revealed that while the Jewish public was under the impression that the Zionist Executive had been inactive while the Moslem construction was under way the Executive had strongly protested "that in the opinion of this Executive partial treatment of this problem is almost certain to lead to avoidable difficulties, misunderstandings and probably injustice."

That Harry Sacher had also deplored the innovations at the Wailing Wall such as the calling of the Moslems to prayer by the Muezzin at the Wall and the shouting and beating of drums which annoyed and disturbed the Jews at prayer and that the temporary Excentive had protested against making a thoroughfare of the Wall's pavement and against a new Moslem place of worship near the Wall and against the limiting of the hours for Jewish prayers was made known by Braude. Here Merriman read cables that had been exchanged between Jerusalem and Zurich showing that the temporary Executive enjoyed the full cooperation of the Vaad Leumi and the Chief Rabbinate.

Braude testified concerning cable from Zurich dated July 31 which mentioned the fact that there was no prospect of reversing the decision regarding the building of the Moslems at the Wailing Wall. He also told about the incidents at the Wailing Wall on August 3 when an Arab as sailant was sentenced to seven days in prison for attacking a Jew and about two other Arabs whose case for injuring another Jew never came to trial.

A somewhat unfortunate impression a somewhat untortunate impression was probably created by Braude's straight-forward evidence on the Pro-Wailing Wall Committee, which was headed by Prof. Joseph Klausner of the Hebrew University, the Commissioners having before them the testimony about the Jewish Committee, which resembled somewhat the Mufti's committee to protect the Moslem Holy Places

# Braude's Testimony Nails Arab Charges

During the first week in August Moslem opinion was inflamed, con-tinued Braude, as shown by the Muf-li's cables to London. While the Zionist Executive was anxious with the approach of Tisha B'Ab nevertheless it passed off quietly, Professor Klausner himself delivering a calming speech on Tisha B'Ab eve. While Braude's evi-Tisha B'Ab eve. While Braude's evidence about the Jewish procession on the Jewish procession of Tish B'Av and the Moslem counterdemonstration contained little that was not already known Merriman used the witness's testimony to nail the Arab accusations that persons in the lewish procession carried iron bars,

Wailing Wall on the eve of Tish B'Av.

Chairman Shaw was interested to know why Braude, in his draft of a cable to Zurich which he had discussed with Acting High Commissioner Luke. had said "seriously auxious over out-breaks again by agitated crowds." To Shaw's question of "which crowds" Braude said the Jews because the tension, already very great, had been greatly heightened with the stabbing of Misrachi.

#### Girls in Procession Showed Its Peaceful Intention

At this point a discussion ensued over the reference in Braude's cable to girls forming a part of the procession. Silley, one of the Arab counsel, denied any evidence of this existed but Mer-riman offered to produce it. This may prove to be an important point that will show the entirely peaceful nature of the Jewish procession since girls would not have been permitted if trouble were expected.

Commissioner Shaw opened the day's proceedings with a strong rebuke to the English edition of the "Felestin" for an "offensive attack" on Sir Boyd Merriman, insinuating that the counsel for the Jews, although allegedly out-pointed by the Mufti was not unhappy because he would get his fee just the "This must not occur again," same.

said the Chairman. Emil Ludwig attended part of this morning's sittings occupying a seat in the foreign press section.

Facing a vicious attack in the crossexamination by the Arab counsel which centered on the flag-raising at the Wailing Wall demonstration on August 15 Braude denied that the Zionist flag signifies that the Jews intend to take possession of Palestine. He declared that Jamal Husseini had admitted during the meeting in Luke's house that the intoning of the Muezzin had been started in retaliation for the Jews "arrogance" at the Wailing Wall-Brande said that Jemal had added that it was possible to reach an agreement with regard to the door but that he had objected to it first because Misrachi had not been buried in the deadof the night, thinking that the Jews had postponed the funeral until the davtime in order to engineer trouble, second because the speech made outside of the Zionist office was a trouble starter and in the third place because of the activities of the Zionist controlled group of Chalutze Hamizrach.

Explains About Misrachi's Funeral Braude said that he had explained

P. M. and that the Zionists who wanted a night funeral had made every effort with Saunders to arrange it but that the boy's family had pre-vented it. Braude's explanation of his (Continued on Page 4)

#### House of Commons Discusses Pledges to Arabs that May Void Balfour Declaration

James de Rothschild Asks if Such Promises Were Made but Gets No Direct Reply (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 10—James de Roth-schild asked the Foreign Secretary yesterday in the House of Commons whether the British government had made any promises or pledges to the Arabic-speaking population of Palestine or of the neighboring countries which might invalidate in any way the Balfour Declaration or the clauses of the Palestine Mandate as approved by the League of Nations.

Drummond Shields, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, replied that Great Britain's position had been fully stated in a recently issued White Paper wherein the British government had stated that there was nothing in its policy to invalidate the Balfour Declaration. Amid cheers from the opposition benches, Rothschild asked that the Arab leaders be informed that this is the policy of the British govern-

At this point, Col. Howard Bury started the question: "Wasn't it be-cause on October 24, 1915, Sir Henry MacMahon—" and the rest of the question was lost in the roar of protest emanating from the ministerial benches, Kenworthy shouting across the floor to Bury, "Sit down, you sheik!" Sir William Davidson, managing to make himself heard on a point of order, declared that "this matter is so very important that we ought to have a reply." Rothschild repeated his demand for an answer to his ques-

Replying to Rothschild, Shields said that the facts he had stated before were perfectly well-known as the position which the British government had taken in the matter. Answering Bury. Shields declared that no pledge had been made to the Palestine Arabs and that the British government had always taken the view that Palestine had been excluded from Sir Henry MacMahon's pledge in 1915. Bury wanted to know whether it wasn't def-initely stated in Sir Henry's letter that he agreed to include Palestine which always had been Arab. Shields gave no answer to this query.

# UNITED JEWISH CAMPAIGN MOURNS CAPT. FRANK CONNES

In the death of Captain Frank Connes, who died last week, the United Jewish Campaign lost one of its ablest workers. In 1917 Captain Connes served as an official interpreter for the U. S. Government in Russia and Roumania. He was a member of the Near East Relief Commission in 1920 and he had travelled extensively in Russia and Eastern Europe investigating social and economic conditions. He was a great advocate of the work of the Joint Distribution Committee.

#### Merriman Starts Jewish Case With Isaiah Braude, Member Temporary Zionist Executive

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speech before the Zionist office enlivened the hearing. "I ran at the head
of the funeral trying to get Dr. Lurie
to make a speech that would quiet the
crowd but he was too overcome with
grief. I rushed down and finding a
crowd near the office of the Zionist
Executive, I led groups away, quieting
them. Then I noticed a big fellow
lifted up on the shoulders of some of
the people. He was very excited and
wanted to make a speech of the world
told him to say that he believed that
is necessary. He was so excited that
is necessary. He was so excited that
is recessary. He was very excited and
the repeated what I told him verbatim,
quieting the crowd. And that is what
they called an inciting speech."

Continuing the witness described his efforts at the Arab-Jewish meeting in Luke's house to issue a calming statement. "I was so impressed with the friendliness of Husseini that I wrote a tentative statement for both Jews and Arabs to sign. That there should be quiet was the only thing on my mind, I used the words 'friendly rela-tions' but when I read them out I saw an ironical smile on Auni's face and I crossed out the phrase. Here is the original. See the crossed out words. Luke thought that a third draft might be possible but Auni objected that the time had not yet come for the Jews and Arabs to put their names down on paper. I suggested separate statements the same in substance to be is-sued to each of the peoples and Luke said he thought that sounded reasonable but Auni declared that we should settle everything or nothing.

# Questioned About Complaints Against

Preedy, government counsel, again questioned Braude regarding the Zionist Executive communique and the telegrams sent to Zurich that declared that the British police had been too violent in dispersing the crowd at the Misrachi funeral. Braude insisted that while it was necessary for the police to charge the crowd, individual police the crowd had dispersed. The Commission appeared to resent the sharp language in which this Zionist dispatch was couched.

Merriman declared "the suggestion has been plainly made that the Jews were trying to stir up trouble in ordere to get sympathy and money and hence all of the Zionist leaders went to Zurich, leaving Jerusalem to trouble. Braude termed this charge "too rid!-culous for intelligent attention."

Hopkins of the Commission, asked Praude, "how, in your opinion, was it jossible to prevent the tromble?" Braude insyered "firm action by the government was needed." To back this up Braude cited the "Don" Hayom's" story of the wounded Jew who was brought to the police station by a

#### Bishop McConnel to Speak at Religious Symposium in Pittsburgh Synagogue

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Pittsburgh, Dec. 10—Bishop Francis
J. McComell, ecclesiasical head of the
Methodist Episcopal Church of New
York, formerly holding the same position in Pittsburgh, will be the first
speaker in a symposium on "The Pittsburgh,
and the Modern World,"
planned by the Men's Brotherhoed of
Temple Rodef Shalom, Fifth and
Morewood Avenues, when he presents
the viewpoint of Protestantism this
Wednesday evening. December 11.

Wednesday evening, December II.
The attitude taken by Jewry on this
same topic will be given by Rahbi
Abba Hillel Silver, of the Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio, on February 19, and a
prominent member of the Catholic
Church, not yet announced, will conclude the symposium with an address
on the Catholic outlook on modern
religion.

policeman who declared he "would rather see him dead," and said that a firm government would have punished the police if the story was true or punished the newspaper if it was untrue. Braude charged that runnors that the Jews wanted the Mosque of Omar started the riots. Commissioner Snell asked Braude

Commissioner Snell asked Braude whether "by firm action do you mean the suppression of rumors on both sides?" Braude replied that he was "cqually afraid of Jews killing Arabs as he was of Arabs killing Jews.

# Auni Examines Braude About Zionist

The Arab counsel tried repeatedly to get Braude to admit that the opening of a door in the Wall was no new danger but Braude said "so far as I am concerned you could fill the Wall with loors but the danger lies in the possibility of abusing the privilege, the door creating a thoroughfare in a closed area." Auni then asked "what about the flag-raising at the Wall? Do you think that any Arab looks at the Zion-ist flag with love?" Braude replied 'it does them no harm." Auni con-tinued and asked "do the Jews carry this flag with the thought in the back of their heads that it will some day be the flag of a Jewish state?" Braude said "whose thoughts must I be aware of?" Hammering away at this point Auni asked "is the Zionist flag as na-tional as the French flag is French and what does this flag mean?" To this Braude replied "you are trying to make me say that this flag is like the flag in front of an army but such is not the case. Some boys and girls wanted to demonstrate and they thought to do it more decoratively with a flag. From my point of view the govdemonstrations as a precautionary measure but since it allowed them I saw the Jewish demonstration come of peacefully."

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government.
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had declared that all declassed Jess
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## Jewish Student Wins Rhodes Scholarship at Reed College (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Portland, Ore, Dec. 10—Maure Goldschmidt, a senior in Reed Collect. Portland, has been named the Rhodes Scholar from the state of Oregon He won out over a field of eight contestants. Mr. Goldschmidt, who is only 20, is prominent in local Jewish organizations.

# ASK POSTHUMOUS D. S. M. FOR LATE JULIUS KAHN (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Dec. 10—A posthumous award of the Distinguished Service Medal to the late Julius Kahn, for many years chairman of the House Committee on Military is sought in a joint resolution proposed by Grentative W. Frank James of Michigan, now head of that committee. Mr. Kahn's seat as a member from the fourth California district is now held by his widow, Mrs. Florence Prac Kahn, who is a member of the Military Affairs Committee.

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