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## Zionist Actions Committee Overwhelmingly Turns Down Proposal of Revisionists to Call Special Zionist Congress This Year; Dr. Weizmann Replies to Points Raised in Debate

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Mar. 20.—The Actions Committee of the Zionist Organization in session here yesterday overwhelmingly rejected the proposal of the Zionist-Revisionists to call a Zionist Congress this year. Only five votes were recorded in favor of a special congress.

Meer Grossman, Revisionist leader, arguing in favor of a congress to be held in September of this year, also pleaded for the creation of a special Political Committee, the membership of which would contain fifty percent of the Oppositionists and would be elected with powers to act until the next Congress. He denied that such a Committee would usurp the functions of the Zionist Executive. On the contrary, he said, it would strengthen the morale of the Executive.

Dr. A. Coranlik, an American member of the Actions Committee, opposed the plan for a special congress because he felt it would serve no purpose, for "if a political contingency arose, the Actions Committee could deal with it." Dr. Coranlik also said that political work should not be confined entirely to Great Britain, but more attention should be paid to the United States which, he thought, was a very favorable field for political work. Berl Locker, a Poale Zion member from Germany, also opposed a special congress, pleading that political activity should be dominated by the realities of the situation.

Replying to Mr. Grossman's interpolation, Dr. Arthur Rupp, a member of the Zionist Executive, and former colonization expert for the Ex-

ecutive in Palestine, emphatically denied that he had minimized or reduced the problem of colonization. To prove the correctness of his denial, he read all of the evidence which the Palestine Inquiry Commission had heard in private. Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, in reply to a number of points that had arisen during the political debate, said that "with a larger number of Jews in Palestine, the present

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## Catholic Archbishop Denounces Montreal Jewish School Bills As Infringements

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Montreal, Mar. 20.—The Jewish school bills now pending in the Quebec legislature were denounced as measures that infringed on Catholic and Protestant rights and might lead to the establishment of an exclusive laity teaching in Quebec schools by Archbishop George Gauthier of Montreal, addressing thousands of pilgrims at St. Joseph's Oratory yesterday. In a letter to the Provincial Premier Taschereau, Archbishop Gauthier said that "under no consideration whatsoever should any privileges be granted which might disturb the present school system."

In his address to the pilgrims Archbishop Gauthier asked why the Council of Public Instruction had not been consulted on the Jewish school bills. The main point of the present school regime, he said, is the confessional character of the teaching, but "this bill would introduce non-Christian religious teaching. The legislature has the right to create a non-Christian system only if the Catholics and Protestants are not prejudiced against it. Our fathers would feel aggrieved if they would see Christians and non-Christians sitting together in counsel," said the Archbishop.

"The real aim of the bills," he continued, "is to secure a share of the

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## German Communists Violate Synagogue in Hanover

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Mar. 20.—For the first time, a synagogue in Germany has been violated by Communists. In Hanover the following words were painted on the synagogue: "Here capital blesses the anti-Soviet war."

Similar inscriptions were also found on the Evangelical and Catholic churches of Hanover.

## MESSAGES OF SORROW AT PASSING OF LORD BALFOUR COME FROM WORLD OVER

### Albert Einstein and Gen. Smuts Pay Tribute to Father of Balfour Declaration

Messages of regret and sorrow at the passing of Lord Balfour continue to pour in from all parts of the world. Today, the Jewish Daily Bulletin and Jewish Telegraphic Agency received statements from: Dr. Albert Einstein, Jan. Christian Smuts, Alfred N. Cohen, president Independent Order B'nai B'rith; Judge William M. Lewis, Philadelphia; Sir Ronald Lindsay, new British Ambassador to the United States, Mrs. Rebekah Kohut and Dr. Nathan Krass, and A. L. Saltzstein, Milwaukee.

In Jerusalem, resident leaders of the Zionist movement also gave vent to expressions of sorrow and regret and everywhere Jews are planning memorial meetings for the author of the Balfour Declaration. Messages were also received from Tytus Filipowicz, Polish Ambassador to the United States, and Archibald J. Freiman, president of the Canadian Zionist Federation.

### Einstein Pays Tribute

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Mar. 20.—"No other man has done so much for the moral rebirth of the Jewish people as Lord Balfour," declared Dr. Albert Einstein today. "His name will continue to live with us as long as Jewry exists."

### Leaders in Jerusalem Mourn

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 20.—"Let our enemies rejoice at Lord Balfour's death," said Professor Joseph Klausner, writing in today's issue of the Hebrew paper "Doar Hayom." "But declarations such as the Balfour Declaration do not die with their authors. Historic facts are stronger than any individuals or any enemies," he writes.

Henrietta Szold, the only woman member of the Zionist Executive, said: "Lord Balfour's great spirit marches with our effort to realize the undertaking towards which he opened the door."

Joseph Sprinzak, member of the Zionist Executive, said: "During our wanderings among people whose hearts were filled with hatred towards us, we discovered in Lord Balfour one of the greatest of men who symbolizes forgiveness and mutual reconciliation."

Moses Novomejsky, the engineer who heads the company that owns the concession for the Dead Sea, today recalled Lord Balfour saying: "My political career and my part in English political history will soon be forgotten,

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## Robt. Silverstein, City Solicitor of Scranton, Dies Suddenly

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Scranton, Pa., Mar. 20.—Robert P. Silverstein, city solicitor of Scranton, died suddenly yesterday morning in his home here of a heart attack. The entire community was deeply shocked at the news of the death of Mr. Silverstein, who despite the fact that he had just passed his fortieth birthday, had been a prominent figure in the political and public life of the county for nearly twenty years.

Mr. Silverstein had served in a mayor's cabinet in three city administrations and for four years was assistant district attorney of Lackawanna county. He was a member of the Reformed Temple and a director of the Y. M. H. A. since its inception. All city offices were closed and members of the administration will attend his funeral in a body.

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## Ratify Election of Jew to Hungarian Senate

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Mar. 20.—The Hungarian Senate has ratified the election of the Jewish banker Frankel, as a member of the Senate by representatives of the Jewish orthodox congregations of Hungary. In order to become a Senator, Frankel first had to be elected rabbi, since according to the Hungarian law, only a rabbi could represent the Jews in the Senate. A great opposition to Frankel's election to the Senate arose as a result of this procedure, his opponents claiming that since he was not really performing the duties of a rabbi, he is not entitled to sit in the Senate.

However, the Hungarian Minister of Justice has now decided that the authorization as a rabbi which Frankel got from the Jewish community here is sufficient to entitle him to a seat in the Senate, even though he doesn't actually perform the duties of a rabbi.

## Raisin Here for Convention of Yiddish Culture Ass'n

Zalman Raisin, author of the "Lexicon of Yiddish Literature," and editor of the Vilna Yiddish daily, "Der Tog," arrived yesterday in New York on the "Aquitania," to participate in the first annual convention of the Yiddish Culture Association, which opens in New York next Friday. Mr. Raisin came here also in the interests of the Yiddish Scientific Institute of Vilna. On his arrival, he was greeted at the pier by a number of prominent Yiddish writers, as well as representatives of Yiddish culture societies.

## Hadassah Plans \$50,000 "Give-or-Get" Luncheon

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Mar. 20.—The Hadassah chapter here is completing arrangements for its big event of the year, a \$50,000 "give-or-get" luncheon for the Hadassah Medical Organization. It

## Leaders of German Jewry Warn of Dangers from Anti-Semitic Propaganda

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Mar. 20.—The dangers that face German Jewry today as a result of the inroads which the anti-Semitic National Socialist party is making on German life were described at yesterday's conference of the Central Association of German Citizens of the Jewish faith by President Brodnitz and Alfred Wiener.

The National Socialists led by Adolph Hitler are so well organized that they are getting control of entire communities, the Association's leader pointed out.

"They are busy organizing 'cells' in factories and among the peasants on the farms and have even injected their anti-Semitic propaganda among the children in the public school, among the members of the German Reichswehr and the police force."

Many small Jewish communities, the association's leaders declare, have been boycotted, terrorized and economically ruined as a result of this wide-spread and malicious anti-Semitic propaganda.

"Jewish families in a number of these small German towns fear to be seen on the streets after dark. The danger doesn't stop here, however, for the influence of the Hitlerites is spreading to the larger cities."

Because the parties of the "Right" in Germany are not fully aware of the dangers of the Hitlerite propaganda, and even support the National Socialists against the "Left" party, the Central Association, its leaders say, is the only organization in Germany which is trying to stem the flood of anti-Semitism by carrying on a counter-propaganda of enlightenment among Christians through speeches, pamphlets and brochures and by doing what it can to mitigate the trials of the terrorized Jewish families.

That the fears of the leaders of the Central Association are not unfounded is indicated from recent dispatches reporting that the Hitlerites are making concerted efforts to have anti-Schechita legislation adopted in various parts of Germany, and even going so far as to attempt the passage of a bill that would make it a crime for Germans to inter-marry with Jews. Repeated desecrations of Jewish cemeteries, interruptions of synagogue services and the refusal of large employers of labor to hire Jewish workers are other manifestations of the growing anti-Semitism in Germany about which the Central Association is concerned.

will be held on April 1 at the Stevens Hotel and will be attended by 1,000 persons, many of them outstanding figures in Jewish affairs in this country. Mrs. Robert Szold, national Hadassah president, will be the principal speaker. Miss Pearl Franklin, president of the chapter, is being assisted in the luncheon arrangements by a large committee of active workers.

## Unity of American Jewry Being Translated Into Action As Many Cities Plan Drives

The enthusiasm aroused throughout the entire country, by the national conference of the Allied Jewish Campaign in Washington, on March 8th and 9th, is, according to advice received at national headquarters from many sources, being translated into action. Reports have been received that preliminary steps are being taken in a number of communities for "drives" at the earliest possible dates.

This course is being urged by the chairman of the campaign, who pointed out that unless this is done it will be difficult for the beneficiaries of the Allied Jewish Campaign to carry out the projects to which they are committed. Another motive force is the solidarity of American Jewry that was given tangible form at the conference.

In a number of communities, the unification of Jewish effort has been carried another step forward by combining the local "drive" for the Allied Jewish Campaign with the annual campaign for the Federation. The first community actually to get under way with such a combined campaign is Detroit.

As an important means of stimulating quick action, national headquarters has requested all of the rabbis of the United States, Orthodox, Conservative and Reform, to make the Allied Jewish Campaign the theme of their sermons on Friday evening, March 28th and Sabbath morning the 29th.

Meanwhile assurances of cooperation are being received from many who, throughout the country, are recognized leaders of their communities.

From Los Angeles, Col. Irving H. Hellman, Chairman of the United Welfare Fund of that city, wired: "I have no doubt that the same enthusiasm which has characterized the response of the Jewish men and women of this country in the past for the causes represented by it, will manifest itself even more strongly in the Allied Jewish Campaign. Everyone welcomes the amalgamation of these two appeals. I am confident that the people of Los Angeles will respond as they always respond to an effort of the character."

Bernard B. Given, of Syracuse, who was New York State Chairman for the United Jewish Campaign, has

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## Morgenstern to Edit Bible Section of New Encyclopedia

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Cincinnati, Mar. 20.—Dr. Julian Morgenstern, president of the Hebrew Union College, will be editor of the Bible department and Prof. Jacob Lauterbach will edit the Rabbinics department of the new Jewish Encyclopedia, it was explained here yesterday by Rabbi Isaac Landman, editor of the new encyclopedia, at a luncheon tendered to him by Maurice Freiberg, an executive of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and one of the governors of the Hebrew Union College.

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but it is possible that my name will only remain in Jewish history owing to my connection with the Declaration of 1917."

High Commissioner Chancellor declined to issue a statement because it is not customary. The Rabbinate has telegraphed a request to Dr. Chaim Weizmann in London to convey its condolences to Lord Balfour's family. All of the Hebrew newspapers today carry a black border, while the Palestine Daily Bulletin, the only English daily in the country, says: "Most of us who came to the country since the war would not have been here but for Lord Balfour. His backing of Zionism gave the Palestine Mandate to Great Britain."

### Smuts Says Balfour Dead But Zionism Sure to Triumph

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Capetown, Mar. 20.—Although Zionism has lost the active advocacy and support of Lord Balfour, the cause which he had in his heart is certain to triumph, declared General Jan Christian Smuts, in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency yesterday. General Smuts, who was a member of the British war-time Cabinet that issued the Balfour Declaration, some weeks ago joined with Lord Balfour and Lloyd George in writing a letter to the "London Times," calling for a new commission to investigate the workings of the Palestine Mandate.

General Smuts said: "The present difficult phase will pass and Zionism will yet realize its dearest ideals with respect to the National Home. In years to come the name of Balfour will remain ever inseparably associated with the triumphs of Zionism. The Jewish cause has undoubtedly lost in Lord Balfour one of its most powerful supporters. He was not only the author of the original declaration of 1917 about the National Home but he was a convinced believer in the righteousness of Zionism and of its ultimate triumph."

"He gave striking proof of this firm belief on many an occasion, and only a few months ago, although very ill in bed, he signed a document, together with Lloyd George and myself, drawing the attention of the British government to the grave position of Palestine and the solemn and binding character of the obligation which the British government had undertaken towards the furtherance of the Jewish National Home in Palestine."

### Memorial Services Held in Palestine

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 20.—The hope that common mourning "for the man who meant so much to England and to us may wash away something of the strain" that last August's events had "unfortunately cast on the brightness of the relations between Jews and the people of England," was expressed here today by Col. Frederick Kisch,

chairman of the Palestine Executive, at a brief memorial meeting in the office of the Zionist Executive attended by members of the Executive and of the Vaad Leumi.

All Jewish national headquarters were closed this afternoon and the executive of the Vaad Leumi has asked the rabbinate to arrange for memorial services in all the synagogues Saturday. If Lord Balfour's funeral is held on a day other than Saturday, a general stoppage of all activity throughout the Jewish community of Palestine will be called.

A mass and memorial meeting has been arranged for the Hurva synagogue. Although the schools will not close on the day of the funeral, the teachers in all Zionist schools will address their pupils on Lord Balfour during the funeral hour.

The Zionist Executive here and the Vaad Leumi have sent messages to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Zionist Organization, to be conveyed to members of Lord Balfour's family. Both bodies will hand a message of condolence today to Sir John Chancellor, British High Commissioner. It is learned that the Jewish leaders do not desire demonstrations, especially in towns of mixed Arab and Jewish populations.

### Polish Minister Regretful at Loss

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Washington, Mar. 20.—Deep regret at the death of Lord Balfour was expressed yesterday in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by Tytus Filipowicz, Polish ambassador to the United States. Mr. Filipowicz said: "In Poland's dark days before the War, Lord Balfour was ever a friend and kept the Polish question to the fore during the struggle."

"His efforts culminated in his signature to the Treaty of Versailles, recreating Poland. Polish citizens of the Jewish faith will also join in mourning the passing of the great British statesman for the additional reason that Lord Balfour pledged the support of the British government to the movement to establish a Jewish National Home in Palestine."

### Canadian Zionist Chief Says Jews Have Suffered Irreparable Loss

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Ottawa, Mar. 20.—Archibald J. Freeman, prominent Canadian department store owner and president of the Canadian Zionist Organization, wired the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that it was "with sincere feelings of sympathy and regret that we learn of the great loss that the Empire has sustained in the death of Lord Balfour."

"Jewry the world over will mourn the irreparable loss of one who has ever been beloved by them. His Biblical inspiration created a vision which through his perseverance and loyalty has become a reality. The fulfillment

of so beautiful an ideal has only been made possible through the Balfour Declaration, the corner stone in the reestablishment of the Jewish National Homeland. No name, Jewish or non-Jewish, will go down in the annals of Jewish history in the last two thousand years as will that of Lord Balfour."

### Balfour Outstanding Personality of Age, Says Alfred N. Cohen

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Cincinnati, Mar. 20.—"All humanity will mourn the loss of so great a mind and soul," declared Alfred N. Cohen when informed of the death of Lord Balfour. "His contributions to philosophy, literature and ethics make him one of the outstanding personalities of our age, but to the millions of Jewish people throughout the world his memory will be sacred forever, mainly as the father of the epoch-making declaration which has created a Jewish National Home in the Holy Land, from which there shall again issue the beaconlight of Jewish religion, ethics and culture."

### Judge Lewis Says Jews Have Lost Loyal Friend

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Philadelphia, Mar. 20.—Judge William M. Lewis, Grand Master of the Independent Order of Brith Sholom, and national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, in a statement on the death of Lord Balfour, declared today: "It would be futile for me or for anyone of us to attempt to appraise the service which Lord Balfour has rendered to the cause of the upbuilding of Palestine and to the Jewish people generally. Deeply as we feel his worth, we are too close to the events that have transpired in recent years, events in which he took such a leading part, to appreciate their full import. This must be left to history. In his passing, the Jewish people the world over have lost not merely a loyal and steadfast friend, but one who understood and appreciated the spirit which has animated the Jewish people throughout the ages; that spirit which has given us uninterrupted continuity from antiquity to this day."

### Sir Ronald Lindsay

"The death of Lord Balfour is a great loss to Great Britain. From his early manhood onwards he was occupied with public affairs and he devoted to them one of the acutest intellects of the age. He had a remarkable philosophic and analytic outlook on the world and his treatment of every question was marked by profound wisdom."

### Dr. Nathan Krass

"In the death of Lord Balfour, Great Britain loses a statesman of the first rank, the world a great thinker and humanitarian, and Israel a cherished and faithful friend."

### Mrs. Rebekah Kohut

"The passing of Lord Balfour leaves the Jews of the world poor indeed. His death comes at a time when the

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situation would never have arisen because the greater the achievements in Palestine, the stronger we would have become politically. That is why we devoted our energy to the Keren Hayesod, viewing it as a tremendous political factor." This was his answer to those who had taunted him that there were more problems in America than in London.

Dr. Weizmann also said that he had always felt it necessary "to speed up the creation of values in Palestine which in the long run count more than anything else. Unfortunately, we were caught in a period of transition, which perhaps made the work a little more difficult for the moment, but there is no reason to lose courage; but, on the contrary, it should inspire the Jewish people to more vigorous effort."

"The success of the work during the last decade was a thorn in the eyes of our enemies, and, while on the one hand I am convinced that with a larger number of Jews in Palestine the August tragedy would not have happened, on the other hand, with a smaller number, the Jewish community would have been shattered, which again proves the urgent need of proceeding with the practical work." Declaring that he had complete faith in the Jewish people, Dr. Weizmann concluded by saying, "There may be differences regarding methods, but regarding the fundamentals of Zionism there is no divergence of opinion."

Isaac Gruenbaum, a member of the Polish Parliament, President of the Polish Zionist Federation, and one of the leaders of the radical Zionist group (in opposition to Dr. Weizmann), thought it fruitless to discuss the past and said that with the new epoch a new system should be evolved. Mr. Gruenbaum declared that the present policy "is lacking in initiative, as a result of which there is a shrinkage from Herzl's Zionism. Achad Ha'am's Zionism was sterile, too rationalistic and too calculated to be fruitful."

Pointing out that he differs fundamentally from the Revisionist conception, he expressed his agreement in many respects with Dr. Ruppin's colonization plan.

Nahum Sokolow, Chairman of the World Zionist Executive, did not share the view of M. M. Ussishkin, head of the Jewish National Fund, to single out colonization as supreme, maintaining that immigration and colonization are equally important. Mr. Sokolow said that only another wave of immigration could rescue the Jewish youth who would otherwise be lost due to the trying position of the Jews of Eastern Europe, not only in the material sense but also in the spiritual.

Kurt Blumenfeld, President of the German Zionist Federation, expressed his support of Dr. Weizmann's political views and objected to the continued allegations that the German Zionists tend towards a weakening policy in spite of the resolutions adopted at the Jena conference.

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very fact of his being was of greatest value to us. In the history of Jewry his name will remain forever as that of a friend with heart and vision."

### A. L. Saltzstein

"Lord Balfour was a great and honorable statesman and a friend of suffering humanity. His demise will be mourned the world over."

### Emanuel Neumann, President Jewish National Fund

"Whatever fate the inscrutable gods may hold in store for the Zionist movement and the Jewish National Home in Palestine, Balfour's place in Jewish history is secure and unique. His commanding figure will tower as that of the greatest benefactor of the Jewish race in the annals of Christendom. He did not merely seek to assuage the agonies of exile. He had a profound understanding of the moral and spiritual aspects of the Jewish problem, and he had the vision and courage to perform an act of statesmanship calculated to redress an ancient wrong and restore a disinherited people to its place among the family of nations."

### Rabbi Talks on Balfour Over Radio

The first discussion of what Lord Balfour meant to the Jews to be broadcast over the radio since his death, was given last night over Station WPCB by Rabbi Lazar Schofield, former Chief Rabbi of Nagy Karoly, Transylvania.

### Lodz Zionists Send Wire of Condolence to Family of Late Lord Balfour

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 20.—At a meeting of the Zionist Central Committee in Lodz, it was decided to send a telegram of condolence to the family of the late Lord Arthur Balfour and to direct M. Rosenblatt to represent Lodz Zionists at the funeral of Lord Balfour to be held in Scotland at the end of the week.

On Saturday there will be memorial services for Lord Balfour in the "Ohel Jacob" synagogue in Lodz. A Zionist delegation there will also present a resolution of mourning to the British Consul.

### Toronto Honoring Memory of Balfour

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Toronto, Mar. 20.—A Balfour memorial mass meeting will be held this Sunday in Toronto. The meeting will take place under the auspices of the local Zionist organization.

## Catholic Archbishop Denounces Montreal Jewish School Bills As Infringements

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neutral school taxes. In no other countries are minorities given similar rights," said Archbishop Gauthier, who claimed that there was danger in this bill if other provincial minorities should demand the same privileges. He felt that the greatest danger in the bill is that it might create a system for the teaching of secular matters only.

Cardinal Rouleau, Archbishop of Quebec, has also declared himself as strongly opposed to the Jewish school bills. In a letter to Premier Taschereau, he says that the project will cause difficulties in the Province, and though the bill is intended only to adjust the Montreal problem, he fears that it may result in an attempt to impose upon the entire Province a neutral school system which has been condemned by the Vatican.

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wired his cooperation. Mrs. Rebekah Kohut wired similarly.

Isidore D. Morrison, for years conspicuously identified with the United Palestine Appeal, wired: "Tens of thousands of our brethren in Eastern Europe and Palestine are looking anxiously to America, the only country which can effectively help in the work of rehabilitation and rebuilding. Surely we will not fail them."

Benjamin Schlessinger, President of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, has given assurance of labor's support.

Similar pledges of support have been received from Zionist districts and Hadassah chapters and regions, as well as from large numbers of individuals everywhere. Included among these is one from Dr. David Philipson of Cincinnati, Honorary President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

## Salt Lake City to Protest Soviet Religious Persecutions

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Salt Lake City, Mar. 20.—A huge interdenominational mass meeting to protest against the religious persecutions in Soviet Russia will take place in this city next Sunday. Arranged by the American Jewish Congress Committee, it is expected that five thousand people will attend the meeting, which will be addressed by prominent leaders of all religious faiths.

## Rabbi Heads Council of Social Agencies

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Scranton, Pa., Mar. 20.—Rabbi Bernard Heller, of the Madison Avenue Temple, was elected president of the Council of Social Agencies at its meeting in the Y. W. C. A. yesterday. Approximately forty organizations, practically all of gentle membership, were represented.

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