All Jews in Russia to Have Matzoth as Anti-Passover Drive of Soviet Weakens

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Apr. 8—Every Jew in Russia, whether poor or rich, will have matzoth for Passover, an investigation shows. The investigation established that there is not a single city in which the Jews are not provided with sufficient matzoth. The matzoth bakeries are functioning freely and unmolested, even in the smallest towns.

Thus far the campaign to get matzoth is everywhere stronger than the anti-Passover campaign, and is conducted under the colloquial slogan of "pawm your last shirt and get matzoth." The local Communists are manifesting great tolerance, since the Central Committee of the League of the Goddess officers in Moscow has notified them to avoid administrative pressure in the anti-Passover campaign.

Many local government cooperative stores are making exceptions for the Jews and giving them a two-months' supply of flour on their bread cards to enable them to bake matzoth. In the townships of White Russia and Lithuania, it is reported that among those who are ordering matzoth are members of the local soviets as well as a great many artisans, including those who a week ago turned over their religious articles for the industrialization fund.

The Jewish Communist press reports particular activity in the matzoth campaign in White Russia, adding that in several townships the clericals are endeavoring to influence the school children to bring home again the religious articles that they collected and kept in the school buildings.

The Minsk "Oktyabre" reports from Turov and other townships in the Mo-

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"Bombs" Found in Garden of Gethsemane Old Turk Shells

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Apr. 8—The five "bombs" found on Saturday in the Garden of Gethsemane were today revealed as being shells for Turkish seventy-five millimetre guns used during the war. A police investigation showed that the shells, which are harmless, were dug up in the course of the ploughing season. They have been destroyed.

When the shells were first discovered, alarmist rumors began to spread through the city that it was part of a Jewish procession, one of the greatest Moslem festivals of the year, which will pass a route not far from the Garden. At the time, the police expressed doubt as to the veracity of the rumors.

Soviet Court Rules Children Need Not Support Parents If Latter Are Clericals

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Apr. 8—If their parents are engaged in clerical activities, children are not obliged to obey the Soviet law making it mandatory for children to support their parents, was the ruling today in a Soviet court in Minsk. The case arose when three rabbis brought charges against their children for non-support.

Rabbi Sadovsky, who has four sons who are artisans; Rabbi Segalov, who has one son who is a government employee, and Rabbi Chait, whose son is a teacher, complained to the court that their sons refused to support them as the Soviet law provides. At the trial, the sons of the rabbis declared that they had cut themselves off from all contact with their parents and wanted to have nothing to do with them, because they declined to recognize parental authority.

The court decided that although the Soviet law provides that children must pay a monthly fee from their earnings to their parents, children are not obliged to make such payments when they are involved in such religious affairs as solemnizing marriages and performing the circumcision rites.

Blood Ritual Libels Worry Jews in Two Polish Villages

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Apr. 8—Blood ritual libels have terrified the Jews of two Polish villages over the week-end. In Lubelski, near Lublin, a peasant, who had come to town for market day, stopped to sell his goods to the Jewish egg-dealer Druk. While taking care of his horses, the peasant left his 24-year-old daughter in Druk's house. The girl, noticing Druk's wife bolting the door in order to reach the cellar, accessible only through a trap door opening in the floor, became frightened, and breaking a window, shouted for help. Hearing her cries, her father dragged her through the window and the mob that assembled assumed a threatening attitude until the police dispersed it.

The second occurrence of this nature happened in Vileike, near Wilna, where a Jewish family by the name of Ginsberg were accused of killing their 20-year-old Christian maid for Passover ritual purposes. While the maid was on a visit to relatives in a neighboring village the accusation spread, and "witnesses" were found who swore that Ginsberg accused the girl. A mob broke into the Ginsberg house and demolished the place. When the girl returned later, those members of the mob who could be identified were turned over to the courts.

Poale Zion Statement to Labor Party Takes Issue with the Inquiry Commission's Report

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Apr. 8—A statement in reply to the report of the Palestine Inquiry Commission, submitted by S. Kaplan of behalf of the Poale Zion, a constituent part of the Palestine Labor Party, to the British Labor Party, has just been made public here, although it was received before Prime Minister MacDonald's statement in the House of Commons. Mr. Kaplan of is a member of the Zionist Executive.

The statement points out that "the evidence brought before the Inquiry Commission on major questions of economic policy was an endeavor on the part of the Arab Executive to side-track the Commission, that the Zionist Organization cared for the relief of unemployment by spending $1,000,000, that the Commission's conclusions regarding close settlement were without foundation and, finally, that biased information was used solely on information from the Arab Executive, that of the 11,000,000 dunams of land in Palestine, 5,000,000 are either bare, fallow or uncultivated, and that vast reserves of cultivable land are available in Transjordania, where the population is less than a third of that of Palestine."

The Poale Zion's statement concludes by declaring that "Jews and Arabs alike, and all the world, must learn that not only does the Mandate stand but that an administration must be set up in a time that is determined to supplement it for the good of both peoples."

Says Denmark's Progressivism Is Due to Its Jewish Citizens

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Apr. 8—Little Denmark, one of the most civilized countries in all Europe, should thank the Jews which were brought up in its midst for its progressivism, industry and vitality, writes Karim Michaelis, Danish author, who writes in the "Berliner Tageblatt."

Freiman Marks 25 Years as Synagogue President

(Ottawa, Apr. 8—A. J. Freiman, president of the Canadian Zionist Federation and millionaire department store owner, last night completed the celebration of his twenty-fifth year as president of the Congregation Adath Jeshurum, local synagogue. At a banquet in his honor Mr. Freiman protested against religious persecutions and declared that all should unite to preserve the high ideals of religion.
Class of 11 Non-Jewish Nurses in Detroit Clinic Master Reading, Writing and Speaking of Yiddish in 4 Months

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Detroit, Apr. 8—When Jews speak the Irish brogue, they are actors. But when Irish girls not only speak Yiddish, but read and write the language, that is news.

This has been accomplished, and so effectively as to make the achievement stand out as a miracle in language study. The heroines in our story are a group of eleven nurses, who are on the staff of the North End Clinic in Detroit, all but two of whom were born in Irish, Scotch, Italian, and Finnish extraction.

The two exceptions are Jewish girls who, with their gentle sisters, had to start with the Aleph Beth to learn the rudiments of the Yiddish tongue.

It all began this way: For some time Miss Helen Shaw, dietician of the North End Clinic, who is a Canadian non-Jewess, began to feel the need for a knowledge of the language of the group which made up the bulk of visits to the dispensary. She further found that a knowledge of Yiddish would be of great help to them in understanding their patients. Miss Shaw, accordingly, proposed to Mrs. Eleanor Johnson, director of the clinic, that a class in Yiddish be formed as a direct aid to the nurses, and indirectly to increase the efficiency of the clinic.

Dr. John Sadowsky, executive director of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Detroit, of which the North End Clinic is a participating agency, was very sympathetic to the plan which was finally approved by the Federation board. Through Bernard Isaacs, superintendent of the United Hebrew Schools of Detroit, Abraham Lachover, of the staff of the local schools, was assigned to what appeared as an impossible task, and in the five months that he has directed the Yiddish class, since January, 1929, he has made a difficult task easy.

Meeting twice a week, from 2 to 3 on Mondays and Thursdays, the class, which is conducted in the direct Yiddish method, is now able to read elementary Yiddish and to converse with its teacher. Not only that, but each of the nurses is able to write the Yiddish script with ease. One of the two Jewish nurses in the class, when she first started the course, knew not a word of Yiddish. Now she is capitalizing on her learning by writing to her letters home in Yiddish. She comes from a small town in the north-west whose Jewish population numbers two families.

Mr. Lachover is enthusiastic about this class.

"With the handicaps we encountered we have nevertheless succeeded in surmounting great obstacles," Mr. Lachover said. "It must be remembered that in my class are enrolled intelligent Christian young women. All of them have had a college education, and some are preparing themselves for the doctorate in medicine. The fact that these students were so eager to study from a children's textbook speaks very highly for the sincerity of the group. But whenever it is possible we try to apply the Yiddish language to the immediate health problems of the students, and in so doing I believe we have translated the various terms for the healing of scabies into Yiddish, and the girls were thus able to make practical use of their studies. We call the disease in Yiddish 'die beisende krankheit.'

"The study of Yiddish, and the fact that the students are in constant contact with Yiddish speaking people, has aroused in them a desire to know the customs and holidays of the Jews, and when holidays come around we make a study of them. Purim, Passover, and the other Jewish holidays, are as much a part of the curriculum as the medical courses."

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Dickstein Bill Approved by Senate Immigration Chief

(Western Telegraph Agency)

Washington, Apr. 8—Congressman Dickstein's bill to admit outside the quota American citizens' parents who are 55 years or more has found favor with Senator Gould, chairman of the Senate Immigration Committee. In a special session with Senator Dickstein, Senator Gould said that the bill was just and that when it came before the Senate Immigration Committee he would give it his prompt attention.

The Dickstein bill, which has been approved by the House Immigration Committee, is in the Senate. Congressman Dickstein is planning to have Senator Copeland introduce the same bill in the Senate and to bring it before the Senate Immigration Committee.

Lieutenant-Gov. Lehman's Brother Dies in Paris

(Western Telegraph Agency)

Paris, Apr. 8—Sigmund M. Lehman, brother of Governor Lehman, died in a Paris hospital yesterday morning of heart disease at the age of 71. The body will be brought to America for burial.

Since his retirement from the firm of Lehman, Bros., into Continental bankers, in 1909, Mr. Lehman had devoted most of his time to traveling, and with his wife he had been planning to return to New York on Wednesday. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and two other brothers besides the Lieutenant Governor, Judge Irving Lehman and Arthur Lehman of the firm of Lehman Bros., as well as three sisters.
THOMAS MANN PRAISES JEWISH COLONIES AS HE TOURS HOLY LAND FOR BOOK MATERIAL
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Apr. 8—Zionism was compared, in its ideals and purposes, to the Romantic movement among the Germans in the nineteenth century by Thomas Mann, eminent German author and Nobel Prize winner, who is visiting the Holy Land in order to gather material for a new novel to be based on the Bible story of Jacob and Joseph.

In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Mr. Mann declared that he found the Arab woman at Tel Aviv struck him most because in this all-Jewish city he found the Jews unlike Jews elsewhere. They seem, said Mr. Mann, “freer and happier.” He believes that Tel Aviv has a bright future because of the wide-awareness and intellectual- ity of its people.

The world-famous novelist in discussing the present situation, pointed out that the Jews are doing fine work but “they must not push their heads through the wall; they must go carefully. After all the Arabs have been here for over 1,000 years and they too have historical associations and rights to the land. But the Jew has not come to conquer the land for himself and to liberate his soul. Arabs and Jews can certainly live and build together.” Mr. Mann said he was deciding with Zionism but declared that he could be set down as “with spiritual Zionism.”

JEWISH SUES CONTROLLER OF IMMIGRATION FOR REFUSING ADMITTANCE TO PALESTINE
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Apr. 8—A. M. Hirschl, controller of immigration permits in the Palestine government, for refusing a Mrs. Bernstein, a Polish Jewess, permission to enter Palestine, opened today in the High Court. Her husband, who had lived in Palestine for nine years, arrived on April 6th with a visa from the British consul in Vienna.

On his arrival in Palestine, he was arrested and ordered to leave. The government’s advocate argued that under paragraph five of the immigration ordinance, the High Commissioner or his representatives is entitled to refuse entrance into the country to undesirable persons. Mrs. Bernstein’s attorney pointed out that her husband has a provisional citizenship certificate and hence should be allowed to enter together with his wife. The court adjourned after hearing these brief arguments.

JEWISH WORKERS IN COLONIES ON INCREASE
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Apr. 8—The latest statistics show that there are now 7,798 Jewish workers in the colonies, exclusive of those in the Jezreel and Jordan valleys. In September, 1922, these same colonies had only 4,832 Jewish workers.

NEW YORKER NAMED PRESIDENT OF STATE JEWISH WOMEN’S COUNCIL
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Rochester, Apr. 8—Mrs. Rebecca Seligman of New York City was elected president of the New York State Council of the National Council of Jewish Women which is holding its tenth annual convention here. Other officers elected are Mrs. Weil, Rochester, first vice-president; Mrs. Harry Grussmeyer, Binghamton, second vice-president; Mrs. Leo Muhlfield, Albany, recording secretary; Mrs. Judah Dresner, Yonkers, corresponding secretary; Miss Bertha Frensdorf, Syracuse, treasurer and Mrs. Mortimer Brenner, Brooklyn, auditor.

The 200 delegates in attendance, who represent 24 councils with 10,000 women in all parts of the state, participated in forums in all departments of the Council’s activity, including peace, immigration, vocational guidance, farm and rural work and service to the foreign born.

LEADING GERMAN STATEMEN AT HILFSVEREIN MASS MEETING
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Berlin, Apr. 8—Leading German statesmen were present last night at a great mass-meeting of the German Jewish Hilfsverein. Among those who attended were the president of the German Reichsbank, Luther; the Government Press Director, Zechlin; Police President Zorgelbig; Professor Albert Einstein; Eduard Bernstein; Bernard Kahn; many diplomats, ministers, Reichstag members and leading representatives of German commerce, finance and industry.

The speakers were: Consul General Landau, Katharina Kordoro Oheimb, Dr. Rudolf Breitscheid, leader of the Socialist faction in parliament; Minister of State Reinholt, State Secretary Schaeffer, and Willy Dreyfus. All the speakers praised the Hilfsverein for its work. It was shown that during the last few years the Hilfsverein spent fifty million marks for cultural purposes, won legal rights for East European Jews and saved large portions of East European Jews from destitution.

The non-Jewish speakers stressed the fact that the Hilfsverein can be regarded as an example of cultural work which binds the nations, and brings praise to the Jewish and German names. Paul Nathan, James Simon and Max Weilberg, leaders of the Hilfsverein were particularly lauded for their work.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS CALLS CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS INQUIRY COMMISSION’S REPORT
A special conference of all national and central Jewish organizations has been called by the American Jewish Congress to consider action on the report on Palestine issued by the Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry.

The conference will take place Tuesday evening, April 15, at the Hotel Astor. A telegram inviting the participation of all representative Jewish groups in American Jewry and calling attention to the grave situation precipitated by the unjust findings of the inquiry report of the Commission was yesterday sent out by the American Jewish Congress.

The announcement recalls that the American Jewish Congress played a leading role in the events which led up to the issuance of the Balfour Declaration in November of 1917; that the American Jewish Congress, in its report of November 1918, at its session in Philadelphia, was the first representative Jewish body to advance the idea of England’s assuming the Mandatory over Palestine; and that the representatives of its delegates at the Peace Conference in Paris were in a measure responsible for the acceptance of the historic right of the Jews to Palestine by the governments of the world and by world public opinion.

It is indicated that the Jewish hopes of a national renaissance in Palestine are now jeopardized by the findings of the Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry. It will be the function of the conference next Tuesday to formulate some plan of action whereby Great Britain may be persuaded to acknowledge the injustice of making the Commission’s findings the basis of its policy in Palestine. Arrangements for the conference were made yesterday following a meeting of officers of the American Jewish Congress with other representatives of Jewish public opinion.

“PRAVDA,” PUBLISHING GUMBERG’S LETTER, WHITENES HIS NAME
(Moscow, Apr. 8—In publishing a letter from Alex Gumberg, an official of the Russian-American Chamber of Commerce in New York, who some weeks ago it had attacked as having deserted Soviet interests, the “Pravda,” official organ of the Communist Party, is seen as whitening his name, for the “Pravda” seldom prints letters to the editor.

The “Pravda” makes no comment on the lengthy explanation signed by M. Gumberg, in which he denies that he gave up Soviet citizenship for American citizenship and he explains that he has lived in the United States since 1903, and terms the assertions contained in the “Pravda’s” attack as “absolutely false and malicious insinuations.”
Leo Schwabacher, Pacific Coast Pioneer, Dead
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Seattle, Apr. 8—Leo Schwabacher, prominent Jewish leader and philanthropist and one of the Jewish pioneers of the West, died on Sunday. The Schwabacher family is one of the most prominent Jewish families on the Pacific Coast.

At the beginning of the World War, when the Hias established a branch in Seattle to take care of the stream of Jewish war refugees that was coming to Seattle from China and Japan, Mr. Schwabacher became president of the Seattle Hias and did yeoman work in rendering aid to thousands of homeless Jews.

Jew Heads National Association of Florists
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)
Boston, Apr. 8—The Society of American Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists, in convention at Minneapolis, Minn., unanimously elected Henry Penn, Jewish florist of this city, as president of the organization for 1931.

All Jews in Russia to Have Matzoth as Anti-Passover Drive of Soviet Weakens
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The region that delegates to the local soviets are buying matzoth despite the fact that they themselves have previously carried on anti-Passover agitation. The Moscow "Emes" expresses itself as dissatisfied with the government cooperatives in Briansk and other cities, where flour is being granted for matzoth-baking purposes.

The Charkov "Shtern" tells of provincial Jewish workers and artisans who ask whether it is really necessary to fight Passover. They query, says the "Shtern," "isn't Passover a revolutionary holiday, the time when the Jews freed themselves from slavery? Is it not a mistake for Communists to ask the Jewish workers to denounce such a holiday?"

Replying to these questions, the "Shtern" says: "Passover is not a redemption holiday but a slavery holiday, by means of which the religious leaders, aim, through the invented story of the exodus from Egypt, to enslave the Jews to the belief that only God can help them from slavery and not that the people should help themselves. Thus Passover is a holiday of religious propaganda."

Arabs Fined for Holding Illegal Meeting
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Apr. 8—Of the sixteen Arabs arrested recently for holding an illegal meeting near the Mosque of Omar, one has been released and ten were fined $25 each. Four Jews and one Arab have been committed for hearing in the district court for endeavoring to form a communist society.

Non-Jewish Nurses, Detroit Clinic, Master Yiddish in 4 Months to Aid Patients
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preparation of their lessons. One of the star students, Miss Lilian Anderson, like the clinic's dietician, Miss Shaw, felt the need for knowing Yiddish before the class was organized, and studied elementary words with a Jewish nurse. When Mr. Lachower organized the class Miss Anderson knew two expressions: "Farkachet dem arbel" and "zetzt sikh avek" ("roll up your sleeves" and "sit down"). Today Miss Anderson is a pioneer in Yiddish study who has achieved her goal—she is able to read the printed word and write down the spoken word.

Because of the abundance of Hebrew words in Yiddish, some of these students are anxious to acquire a knowledge of Hebrew. Miss F. Anghela, a star Yiddish pupil, in Mr. Lachower's class, is already a proud possessor of a Hebrew primer and declares she is fascinated by the Hebrew pronunciation.

Now Mrs. Ford has another problem added to her job as director of the clinic. "What about continuing the course next season? And why can't we have a class in Hebrew?" asks her nurses. And the Jewish Welfare Federation may have to accede to the demands of those "Goyishe" Yiddishists if it is to avoid a linguistic war in the North End Clinic.

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