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## Admitting Z. O. Executive Has Made Mistakes, Brodetsky Warns Revisionists Against Independent Political Action; Lichtheim, Replying, Says Political Action Will Be Used When Necessary

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Prague, Aug. 12.—Warning the Zionist Revisionists against independent political action with governments or the League of Nations, Prof. Selig Brodetsky, a member of the Zionist Executive, appeared before the fourth conference of the Union of Zionist Revisionists and in a speech that was frequently interrupted and hissed by some and applauded by others, presented the view of the Zionist Executive on the present Zionist situation.

Using language that did not justify Great Britain's recent actions regarding Palestine and in a tone that sounded like self-criticism concerning the Zionist Executive, Professor Brodetsky admitted that "perhaps we have had too much patience but this patience will not continue any longer. Great Britain must understand that the Jewish people are losing or have al-

ready lost confidence in England.

"Whether England wants to or not we shall continue our work in Palestine. We hope, however, that the partnership which has existed between us and England for 13 years may also exist in the future. We have nothing against it if the British government wishes to help the Arabs, but we can not accept any policy that hinders our activities. We shall not accept any limitations."

### Says Congress Will Decide Policy

The spokesman for the Zionist Executive then explained that the British government had not only not assisted the Jewish work in Palestine but had hampered it by limiting its free action. Admitting that the Zionist Executive had made mistakes, Professor Brodetsky assured the Revisionists, the opposition within the Zionist Organization, that the world Zionist Congress, which will probably be held in December would decide exactly what the Jews should demand from the British government.

He cautioned the Revisionists against independent political action, saying that political activity was the task of only the Jewish Agency. He also pointed out that the propaganda that the Revisionists were conducting among members of the British parliament had resulted in tremendous harm

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## Revisionists Plan to Conduct Independent Political Activities

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Prague, Aug. 12.—The Zionist Revisionists meeting here for their fourth world conference have decided to conduct their own political activities independently of the Zionist Organization or the Jewish Agency, particularly in pleading the Zionist cause before governments and statesmen. This was disclosed by Dr. Robert Lichtheim in an hour's speech yesterday in which he outlined the Revisionists' attitude toward the Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency.

Dr. Lichtheim pointed out that although the Revisionists are still in the Zionist Organization "we nevertheless reserve for ourselves the right of independent action whenever we see that it is useful and necessary because we do not recognize either the Zionist Organization or the Jewish Agency as institutions able to judge what is good and what is harmful for political Zionism."

Devoting most of his address to bitter attacks against Dr. Chaim Weiz-

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## Another Rumanian Official Threatened If He Sentences Anti-Semitic Ringleader

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Aug. 12.—While a delegation of the Borscha Jewish relief committee today urged the government to issue special relief postage stamps, new anti-Semitic threats and agitation are reported from Transylvania and Bukovina. The Borscha delegation presented a memorandum for the special postage stamp issue to Premier Maniu who forwarded it to the minister of finance with a request for an urgent decision.

At Sighet in Bukovina, the president of the district court, received a number of anonymous threatening letters warning him that he would be killed if he sentenced Father Dumitrescu, the anti-Semitic priest whose trial is scheduled to begin shortly. The public prosecutor has begun an investigation into the threats. Three Jassy students were arrested after they had received a package containing leaflets condemning the trial of Zelea Codreanu.

At Brashov and Uj Kelet in Transylvania new Cuzist students' branches were formed. In Brashov only a few joined, mostly unemployed shop assistants. While the local priests refused to bless the Cuzists' banner, a military chaplain, Father Hociota, performed the ceremony. The leader of the Cuzists, M. Mihutiu then began the publication of an anti-Semitic paper, the "Trojan Sword" which was immediately suppressed by the district attorney and the banner of the Cuzists confiscated by order of the secret police.

## Assassin Fails in Attempt to Kill Head of Secret Police in Roumania

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Aug. 12.—An attempt was made to assassinate Victor Cadere, chief of the Roumanian secret police, and the personally delegated investigator of King Carol to probe the causes of the anti-Semitic outbreaks. The attempt was made while M. Cadere was sitting in a dining car on his way from Bucharest. The would-be assassin, M. Juncescu, a government employee, fired several revolver shots at M. Cadere but missed him.

Juncescu has been arrested but the reasons for the attempted assassination have not yet been ascertained. M. Cadere has been extremely active in discovering the secrets of the various anti-Semitic organizations and in rounding up some of their leaders, consequently it is believed the attempt

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## Poignant Scenes as Palestine Jewry Continues Commemoration of First Anniversary of Riots

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Aug. 12.—The commemoration of the first anniversary of the riots of last Summer continued today with the solemnization of the yahrzeit (death anniversary) of the Jews who were murdered in Hebron. The famous Hurva synagogue here was crowded with mourners who came to attend the rites at which Chief Rabbi Kook was one of the speakers. The memorials were everywhere well attended despite the government prohibition on mass demonstrations.

Memorials for the Jewish victims of the riots will be held all week in various towns and cities until the anniversary of the attack on Safed is reached. The Jews of Safed were attacked six days after the outbreak in Jerusalem.

Relatives and friends of the murdered Jews made pilgrimages today to the graves of their dear ones. Individual observances of the yahrzeit were common with the heart-rending cries of widows and piercing wails of orphans breaking the general silence. On some cemeteries relatives were dedicating tombstones. The most poignant observance was in the Hebron yeshiva where the bulk of the Jews were killed.

At the memorial services of the Agudath Israel in Jerusalem Rabbi Ben Zion Adler said that the suspension of immigration was tantamount to a decree of annihilation coming after "the murderers had launched their bloody deeds from the Temple hill." In Tel Aviv moving picture houses and other places of amusement were closed.

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### 3 Jewish Directors Honored in Screen's "Fifty Best"

Six moving pictures directed by three Jewish directors are included in the screen's "fifty best" of all time as selected by David Wark Griffith, famous director, for the New York "Evening Post." Ernst Lubitsch of the Paramount Company, Lewis Milestone of the Universal Company and Charles Chaplin of the First National, are the three Jews honored.

Of the pictures three were directed by Lubitsch and one each by Milestone and Chaplin. Those directed by Lubitsch that were selected are "Passion," "The Marriage Circle" and "The Patriot." The picture directed by Chaplin that won Griffith's praise was "The Kid" and Milestone's work was "All Quiet on the Western Front."

Sir Arthur Wing Pinero's "Mid-Channel" is included in a list of "the fifty best plays" which have been selected by Hatcher Hughes, assistant professor of English at Columbia University and author of the Pulitzer prize play, "Hell Bent for Heaven." This list is also published in the "Evening Post."

Pinero, famous British-Jewish dramatist, was born in London in 1855 and is descended from a Sephardic family. He started out as a lawyer, but soon left the legal profession for the stage.

### Report Trotsky Conferring with Soviet About Return to Russia

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Aug. 12—Leon Trotsky, Soviet leader who has been living in exile in Constantinople, will meet George Tchicherin, former Soviet commissar for foreign affairs, and A. V. Lunacharsky, commissar for education, at Franzensbad today for a special conference regarding his return to Russia, the Bratislava papers report, stating that Trotsky passed through Bratislava today on his way to Franzensbad.

### Official Program of New American Z. O. Administration Demands Fulfillment in Letter and Spirit of Balfour Declaration

The Zionist Organization of America demands the fulfillment in letter and spirit of the Balfour Declaration and the Palestine Mandate, and has accordingly instructed its delegates who will attend the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Jewish Agency at Berlin on August 29 to stand for a "firm and positive policy," according to the immediate official program which has just been adopted by the newly-elected administration of the Zionist Organization and which was made public yesterday in the form of a letter addressed to officers of the various Zionist regions and districts throughout the United States by Robert Szold, chairman of the administration.

The communication is the first official document issued by the new administration of American Zionists and states the ideological program as well as the prospective activities of the Organization. An indication of a firmer policy with respect to Great Britain is seen in the terms of the program, as well as the probability of more extensive commercial undertakings in Palestine promoted by American Zionist effort.

#### Expects Aid of All Sympathetic Jews

Referring to the union of Zionist forces that was created at the last Zionist convention at Cleveland, the document goes on to state that the Zionist Organization expects the cooperation not only of enrolled Zionists but of all American Jews sympathetic to Zionist aims but not actually registered in the ranks. This section reads as follows:

"We are encouraged to believe that not only the enrolled Zionists but great masses of Jews in sympathy with Zionism are prepared to stand up and be counted for the cause. We have therefore advised our delegates to the European gatherings that they can labor for a firm and positive policy in all things relating to the Jewish National Home with the assurance that American Zionists will rally to the cause and make whatever sacrifices of time, effort and money may be required.

"We need not tell you that all of us should stand squarely behind the Balfour Declaration, the Mandate, and all that which, in letter and spirit, is involved in the development of a real Jewish National Home in Palestine. We shall rely less on protestations of faith, than on efforts which, with your aid, will make evident that American Zionism is a firm rock on which our colleagues in Europe can rely, and on which the Yishub (Palestine) can build.

#### Deeds Not Words Count

"Needs not words count. There are a thousand things to do for the rebuilding of Palestine, and in that mass of work, the program of the Zionist Organization—difficult and complicated as it is—is merely one item. But the Zionist Organization of America is the instrument through which we, in co-

operation with the World Zionist Organization or the Jewish Agency, can make our contribution to what, beyond question, is the greatest task Jews have engaged in since the days of Ezra and Nehemiah."

The communication emphasizes eight points in the program of activities. These concern an increased membership for the organization, the immediate liquidation of the deficit, the holding of memorial services for the martyrs who died in the Palestine disturbances in August, 1929, cooperation with the drives of the Allied Jewish Campaign, the proposal to name a very large Committee on Economic Development in Palestine which would do a great deal for the practical upbuilding in Palestine; informing public opinion of the true aims and achievements of Zionism, and a political program which will be made public after the American Zionist representatives return from the international gatherings on Palestine being held in Berlin.

### Kosher Butchers' Association O.K. Market Chief's License Plan

John Shea, a supervisor of the New York City Department of Public Markets, has been suspended by Commissioner of Public Markets Thomas F. Dwyer after a hearing before Commissioner of Accounts Higgins during which Shea was accused of taking \$100 in graft from Julius Richter, a kosher butcher of Rockaway Boulevard Queens.

Commissioner Higgins, who is investigating the graft charges recently brought by kosher butchers against supervisors of the Markets Department, stated on Monday that he is still awaiting the list of names of 25 butchers of Brooklyn and Queens who, according to Oscar Glassberg, a Brooklyn kosher butcher, have been paying graft to supervisors of the Markets Department in order that the latter should not summon the butchers for violation of the kosher laws.

The Federated Kosher Butchers' Association of New York has approved the plan of Commissioner Dwyer for the issuance of licenses to kosher butchers, it was announced on Monday. This plan, it is believed in many quarters, would serve to eliminate graft-taking in the enforcement of the kosher laws.

### Roumanian Court Releases Anti-Semitic Agitator

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Aug. 12—The Czernowitz court today released Colonel Negulescu, notorious anti-Semitic agitator, who was arrested some weeks ago at the height of the anti-Jewish disturbances as one of the ring-leaders in the agitation in Bukovina. He was released until his trial takes place. The release was made with the consent of the public prosecutor.

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and he warned that the Zionist Executive would not tolerate a continuance of such propaganda which he declared, "is utilized by the enemies of the Jews who benefit by saying that the Jews are divided on Palestine affairs."

Professor Brodetsky concluded his address by saying it would be unwise to boycott the report of Sir John Simpson as the Revisionists urge. "We don't know what the British policy may be after Simpson's report," he declared.

### Dr. Lichtheim Replies

The great interest aroused by Professor Brodetsky's remarks made Dr. Robert Lichtheim's reply more significant. Dr. Lichtheim pointed out that Professor Brodetsky's speech "again convinces the Revisionists that the Zionist Executive has adopted the line of least resistance towards Great Britain. The Revisionists are therefore determined on independent political action with governments and the League of Nations under any circumstances."

Repeating that it was the duty of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the world Zionist Organization, and of the Jewish Agency, to resign, Dr. Lichtheim said, "The Zionist Executive had better remain silent when we begin our independent political action. It would be wiser for the Zionist Executive not to threaten us."

When Dr. Lichtheim had finished forty speakers registered for the general debate. The debate was devoted chiefly to the suggestion made by Meer Grossman on Sunday not to send too much money to Palestine. The speakers emphasized that such a financial boycott policy and passive resistance which aims at effecting the budget of the Palestine administration is very dangerous because it may also affect the interests of the Jewish community.

## Court's Ruling Aids Polish Jewish Women Whose Husbands Have Gone to United States

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Aug. 12.—Hundreds of Jewish women here and in other parts of Poland are extremely interested in yesterday's ruling of the Polish supreme court that divorces granted in America are illegal in Poland if the marriages were contracted in Poland. In such cases a Polish divorce is also necessary.

The husbands of these Jewish women are now in America and the women are to a considerable extent dependent on the money sent them by their husbands. The decision of the Polish supreme court makes it impossible for the husbands in America to rid themselves of their wives in Poland by obtaining divorces in the United States. Most of these Jewish women are unable to join their husbands in the United States because of the immigration laws. The supreme court's decision constitutes an important piece of protective legislation for these Jewish women.

## Hilfsverein Tells Maniu Its Work in Roumania Hindered by Anti-Semitic Troubles

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Aug. 12.—The relief work for the needy Jews of Roumania conducted by the Hilfsverein der Deutschen Juden is seriously hindered by the anti-Semitic disturbances in Roumania, the praesidium of the Hilfsverein today informed Premier Maniu in a letter signed by James Simon, M. Landau, Max Warburg and Willy Dreyfus.

The Hilfsverein "expresses the deep concern of German Jewry regarding the fate of the Jews of Roumania in connection with the occurrences at Kimpolung, Borschitz, Suceava, Balacana and elsewhere, the perpetrators of which remain unpunished and the Jewish victims uncompensated. We expect that the expression of concern on the part of German Jewry will draw the attention of the Roumanian government to the deplorable situation of the Jews. We hope the government will carry out its assurances of equal citizenship rights and prevent the anti-Semitic agitation and make it possible for the Jews to engage in their activities as equal citizens."

## Tel Aviv Turns Out to Mourn at Graves of Riot Victims

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Tel Aviv, Aug. 12.—Large numbers of Jews of all classes yesterday visited the graves of the six Jews who were ambushed and killed on the outskirts of Tel Aviv before the Arab attackers were repelled a year ago today according to the Jewish calendar. The visitors to the graves began coming early this morning. There were memorial services in the principal synagogues.

Recalling the tragedy of last August, the Hebrew daily, "Davar," says, "No compensation or revenge is possible for the blood spilled last year. The only recompense is loyalty to a suffering, tortured and persecuted people and to the vision of redemption and determination."

## Soviet Cabinet Assures Ort Regarding Declassed Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Aug. 12.—A revision of the status of the declassified Jews of Russia with particular attention to the problem of the Jewish youth is promised to the Ort, society for the promotion of technical trades among the Jews of Eastern Europe, in a letter from M. Gorbunov, writing on behalf of V. V. Schmidt, vice-president of the Soviet cabinet. The Ort had made inquiries concerning the voteless and declassified Jews.

The letter points out that the Soviet cabinet has already reinstated a considerable number of the declassified Jews and the technical difficulties to their admission to industry and to their receiving technical instruction in the professional workers' institutes have now been abolished.

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mann, president of the Jewish Agency and of the world Zionist Organization, and the Zionist Executive, Dr. Lichtheim declared that "not only the Zionist Executive but also the Jewish Agency have proved bankrupt. The Jewish Agency gave no idea of a new plan. It is a bluff and a swindle when people try to give assurances that the Jewish Agency has done something."

Dr. Lichtheim pointed out that while most Revisionists do not consider entering the Jewish Agency they are, however, ready to accept funds for Palestine from the non-Zionists who are the leaders of the Jewish Agency. In this connection he said that "these non-Zionists are less to be blamed than our Zionist Executive which agreed to the form of the Jewish Agency."

At the same time Dr. Lichtheim mildly criticized Felix M. Warburg, chairman of the administrative committee of the Jewish Agency, saying that Mr. Warburg is "responsible for supporting Dr. Judah L. Magnes and the Brith Shalom's policy of compromise with the Arabs."

The morning session listened to a report from the executive of the Union of Zionist Revisionists which was read by Oscar Rabinovitch of London. The report showed that the Revisionists now have 30,000 members. Mordecai Danzic, American newspaperman and only American delegate to the conference, was elected to the praesidium. Dr. S. E. Soskin was the day's chairman.

## 200 Students Apply for Hebrew Courses in Brooklyn Schools

When the Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Jefferson High Schools, both in Brooklyn, open this Fall, Hebrew will be included in the curricula of subjects as an elective course. Miss Celia Lewis will teach the class of 100 students that are expected to apply for it at the Abraham Lincoln High School, while S. Steicher will conduct the course at the Thomas Jefferson High School in Brownsville.

Altogether more than two hundred pupils have applied at both schools for the Hebrew course. Of the 135 pupils who elected the subject at the Thomas Jefferson High School only 65 were allowed to take it. Those rejected knew too much Hebrew to benefit from the course, it was said. During the first year of the experiment only elementary classes will be held. If successful, advanced courses will be established in these schools and the language will be introduced into other high schools throughout the city. Drs. S. Benderly and J. Newman are assisting both instructors in the preparation of the text to be used in the course.

The organizations which have done most to have Hebrew given as an elective course in New York City high schools are the Bureau of Jewish Education, the Jewish Education Association and Avukah, the American Zionist student organization.

## Russian Zionist, on Way to Palestine via China, Arrested on Charge of Espionage

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Harbin, Aug. 12.—The tragic experiences of an old Russian Zionist in trying to smuggle himself out of Russia so as to get to Palestine where his daughter is now living were revealed today with his arrest by the Chinese authorities here on a charge of espionage. After successfully making his way across the Russo-Chinese frontier three years ago, his inability to obtain a visa and his lack of funds for continuing his journey impelled him to return to Russia. As he was crossing the border he was arrested by Chinese frontier guards and held as a spy.

The aged Zionist who took such desperate chances to reach Palestine is Nathan Razumovsky, a native of Yelisevograd. Until 1917 he was editor of the Zionist paper, "Vestnik Sibirskikh Yevreyev," which was published in Tomsk. Three years ago he decided to reach Palestine by way of China. For three years he suffered hunger and privations in various parts of China hoping from day to day to obtain a visa to Palestine.

When all his efforts proved futile he decided to return to Russia, walking 80 kilometres to the Manchurian-Russian frontier where he was stopped by Chinese frontier guards and brought to Chinese military headquarters charged with espionage. The Jewish community of Harbin and old friends of his are seeking to have him released but their efforts have thus far been unsuccessful.

## Wise Joins Hayes in Movement to Rid Theatre of Obscenity

The movement started by New York Catholics under the auspices of Cardinal Hayes to rid the New York theatres of obscenity has the approval of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise as well as of Bishop William T. Manning, New York Protestant leader. In a statement which he issued from his summer home in Lake Placid, N. Y., on Monday, Dr. Wise stated:

"I am deeply interested in every undertaking to make the theatre what it has almost ceased to be—clean and decent and worthwhile. I have long noted with admiration the 'white list' plan of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York. Here is a field in which the churches ought to make themselves felt. And I believe that it is our business to give encouragement and support to those leaders of the theatre world who are not satisfied to be garbage distributors.

"I am sure that I speak for the best intelligence and the high standards of my people in pledging earnest and even enthusiastic support to any movement which will again make of the theatre a place of enchantment and beauty rather than a cesspool. It is only fair to add that in the last year or two we have had a number of notable and even noble plays, including the 'Green Pastures' and 'Journey's End' and not a few others."

## Consider Bira Bidjan Region for Collectives' Development with Not Only Jewish Settlers

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Aug. 12.—Bira Bidjan, Far Eastern Republic, where the Soviet government had planned to establish a Jewish republic, is now considered a prospective district for the development of general collectives with increased immigration not only of Jews, according to plans prepared by the Soviet land commissariat on the basis of the report rendered by a special commission sent to investigate Bira Bidjan in view of the repeated complaints and criticisms as to its mismanagement.

As a result of the investigating commission's report the land commissariat declared that the methods hitherto used for colonizing Bira Bidjan have been unsatisfactory and recommends a number of important changes to improve conditions.

The land commissariat suggests that its immigration department together with the Comzet, government department for settling the Jews on the land, and other interested organizations introduce within the shortest possible time practical measures to secure the immigration of 50,000 working Jews to Bira Bidjan within the coming year.

Finding that immigration to Bira Bidjan has hitherto been conducted without a plan and with scattered and insignificant numbers which adversely affected the development of the region, the land commissariat recommends the concentration of colonization in the vicinity of the large Soviet colonies and that the establishment of industrial undertakings be made in the neighborhood of the collectives and the artisans' and workers' settlements.

Bearing in mind that in the past failure to prepare the land for the settlements and the neglect in organizing them hindered the development of Bira Bidjan, the land commissariat recommended that before the immigrants arrive houses be built and the land parcelled out so as to prevent the settlers from wanting to return to their homes. An increase in the number and an improvement in the quality of the immigrants is also suggested.

A last suggestion of the land commissariat's plans for Bira Bidjan calls for the separation of Bira Bidjan into an independent administrative and economic center with its own district executive committee supervising. This recommendation is based on the fact that the existing system of organization cannot administer the growing problems of Bira Bidjan, including all of the aspects of economic life.

## Lessing Prize Goes to Jewish Professor

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Aug. 12.—The famous Lessing prize, valued at 15,000 marks, now awarded for the first time by the municipal government of Hamburg, was today granted to Friedrich Gundolf, prominent literary figure and professor of history at Heidelberg.

## Waterbury Jews Will Seek Injunction Against Religious Training in Public Schools

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Waterbury, Conn., Aug. 12.—When religious training is introduced into the public schools of Waterbury in September the Jews of this city will seek a permanent injunction from the Superior Court asking that religious training be barred so that it may not interfere with the regular routine instruction received by the children at home.

This was the reply of the Jewish committee, which has been fighting the school board's plan for religious training in the public schools, to the action of the school board in ignoring an official protest received three weeks ago. The school board decided not to answer the protest and to give religious education to all school children whose parents wish it.

The plan to seek an injunction against the school board replaces an earlier suggestion of a mass-meeting in which Christians were also to participate as the Jews are not alone in their fight against religious training in the schools here.

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to kill him may have something to do with his fight against anti-Semitism.

Juncescu's attack recalled the shooting several weeks ago of Dr. Constantin Angelescu, assistant minister of the interior, by Georg Beza, an anti-Semitic student, who attacked Dr. Angelescu in the ministry of the interior building. Threats against the lives of minister of justice Junian and other high government officials have been made recently by the anti-Semites.

The continuance of the terrorist activities is seen in an announcement today by the Bucharest office of the state railway to the effect that five attempts were made yesterday to derail trains on various lines in Old Roumania. There were no injuries but a number of cars were badly damaged. The secret police have begun an investigation.

## Liberals Win in Bucharest District Communal Elections

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Aug. 12.—The Liberal party won a complete victory in the communal elections in the second district of Bucharest today, an election which is considered a test of strength of the parties before the Parliamentary elections. The Liberals in conjunction with the Union of Roumanian Jews received 3,222 votes and elected ten candidates while the Jewish Nationalists received 600 votes and elected no candidates.

Dr. Adolph Stern and Horia Carp were elected on the Liberal ticket while two other Jews, M. Solomon and J. Milian, were elected on the government party ticket.