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Plan for Separate Jewish School System in Montreal Abandoned, Lt. Gov. Says (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Quebec, P. Q., Dec. 3.—"I am happy to announce that the legislation adopted last year relating to Jewish schools will not have to be put into force. Protestants and Jews in Montreal have come to an understanding, thanks to the conciliatory spirit brought to bear upon the matter. The government of the Province of Quebec is grateful to those who have brought it about."

This was the message delivered by the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec yesterday at the opening of the session of the Provincial Legislature. The terms of the understanding were not divulged.

It is understood, however, that the government will present legislation aiming to fix definitely the status of the Jewish minority of Montreal in school matters and to abolish the bill creating a Jewish school commission which was passed last year and which has become useless because of the agreement between the Jewish and Protestant School Commissions.

It is also understood that new legislation based on the 1925 agreement, according to which 2 per cent of the neutral panel taxes will be turned over to the Protestant School Commission for the education of Jewish children, will be introduced. It is also said that Montreal Jews will be given no status as a national minority, but will be regarded as a separate religious group.

The chairman of the Montreal Protestant Board of School Commissioners, when questioned today on the report of an understanding between the Jewish Protestant school groups, stated that nothing can be said at present on these matters, intimating though that a joint statement will be forthcoming on the matter in the near future.

"The Jewish school question has practically been settled and a splendid settlement has been made, the terms of which will be announced within the next few

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Melchett Not to Run For

English Z. O. Presidency (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 3.—Lord Melchett, president of the English Zionist Federation, today informed the Federation that he will not be a candidate for re-election because of his health and because he prefers the election of a younger and more active man. Lord Melchett recently resigned as chairman of the Council of the Jewish Agency and of the Agency's political commission as a protest against the White Paper.

It is believed possible that Lord Melchett will be proposed for the honorary vice-presidency of the English Zionist Federation.

Ukrainian Official Denies Pogroms Occurred in Zhitomir (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Dec. 3.—There were no pogroms in Zhitomir or anywhere else in Russia, the plenipotentiary representative of the Ukrainian Republic in Moscow told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today, following inquiries regarding the report in yesterday's London Daily Express, that as a result of disorders in Ukraine the Red Army had begun pogroms on the Jewish population.

"Pogrom rumors are spread from Berlin from the same source and for the same purposes as rumors about peasant uprisings, Red Army mutinies, the bombardment of the Kremlin and other such nonsense; and they are just as true," the Ukrainian representative declared.

The Moscow officials of the Agro-Joint declared that if anything had happened they would certainly know about it as the Kiev office of the Agro-Joint is in close touch with Zhitomir, where the pogrom was alleged to have taken place.

Einstein, on Board Belgenland, Pleased with Gift of Oyster Shell Engraved with Mogen David; Resents Reporters on Ship

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

On Board S.S. Belgenland, Dec. 3.—Almost as soon as the S. S. Belgenland left Antwerp yesterday, its most distinguished passenger, Professor Albert Einstein, who is on his way to the United States, went to the main deck to get a view of the fast receding port of Antwerp. As the ship pulled out Professor Einstein said to the correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, "now let's go on deck. I must watch the steamer pulling out."

Shortly before he went to his cabin, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency's correspondent asked Professor Einstein whether he would debark at New York. Smiling but emphatically the scientist said, "no." But Frau Einstein intervened and said, "of course we would not attend any dinners there, but we do want to see New York."

After ten minutes on the main deck Professor Einstein returned to his flower-filled three-room cabin. There was scarcely room to move as flowers, gifts and bon voyage cables cluttered every available spot. Poking around among the gifts that had been sent him from almost every part of the world, Professor Einstein came upon one object that appeared to impress him greatly. It was an oyster shell engraved in Hebrew with the Shield of David. He appeared to be more pleased with this gift, which was from an anonymous admirer, than with all the others put together.

But the great scientist did not waste much time with gifts or farewell mes-

Sir Isaac Alfred Isaacs Appointed Governor-General of Australia by Great Britain (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Dec. 3.—Sir Isaac Alfred Isaacs, recently appointed Chief Justice of Australia, was today named governor-general of Australia. The appointment of Sir Isaac marks the first time that a native Australian has been chosen for the highest office in the Dominion. Sir Isaacs was born in Melbourne in 1855. This is also the first time that a non-Protestant has been selected as the representative of the British Crown in Australia.

The selection of Sir Isaacs as governor-general climaxes a long and brilliant legal and public career dating back to 1892 when he was a member of the legislative assembly of Victoria. In 1901 he became a member of the federal house of representatives. During these years he also served as acting-premier of Victoria, attorney-general of Victoria

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sages. After a few moments he turned to his research assistant, Dr. Walter Mayer, and said "now to work." In a few minutes both were deeply immersed in their mathematical routine from which they fondly hope they will not be disturbed until the Belgenland reaches New York.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

On Board S. S. Belgenland, Dec. 3.—"Why can't I have privacy like any other human being?" Prof. Albert Einstein angrily asked this morning when a number of American newspaper correspondents joined the S. S. Belgenland at Southampton to escort Einstein to New York. Emphatically notifying these unwelcome co-passengers that he would not say a word to anyone, Professor Einstein disappeared into his cabin and instructed the steward not to permit anyone to bother him.

Frau Einstein agreed with him. She told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency's correspondent who cabled to New York that "anything reported in our name on the Belgenland is untrue. My husband is tired of being hunted. We have begged the newspapers not to molest us, at least on the steamer. We feel miserable being trapped even at sea."

During the entire day Professor Einstein shut himself up with his assistant, Dr. Walter Mayer. He appeared only in the evening for dinner and later took a walk on deck with his wife, secretary and assistant, all of them keeping themselves isolated.

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9 Yiddish Theatres to Close Unless Employees Accept Forty Percent Wage Slash

Nine Yiddish theatres in New York will close on Sunday night unless their employees in all departments are willing to accept a 40 per cent reduction in wages immediately. This was the ultimatum delivered by the managers of these theatres to the 700 members of the Jewish stage unions on Tuesday.

About 150 Yiddish actors are included in this ultimatum. The theatres which are threatening to close their doors are the National, Second Avenue, Folks, Public and Odeon in Manhattan; the Lyric, Roland and Hopkinson in Brooklyn; and the Prospect in the Bronx. Other unions who are affected by this ultimatum besides the actors are those of the stage hands, musicians, doormen, ushers, dressers and chorus.

The intended reduction is aimed at the stage hands, who are said to receive the highest wage, according to one manager, who said that in some theatres the actors have already taken a voluntary reduction with the promise of a return to normal scale as soon as business has improved.

It was also stated that conditions in the New York Yiddish theatres are worse this year than ever before, in spite of the fact that the price of tickets has been reduced. Cheap prices charged by neighborhood movie houses, unemployment and the fact that Jewish audiences are more and more turning to the English-speaking stage of Broadway are adversely affecting the Yiddish theatre, it was stated.

Passfield May Talk on Palestine in House of Lords

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
London, Dec. 3.—The question to be raised in the House of Lords today by Lord Islington about the Jewish National Fund's land leases may result in considerable discussion on Palestine as well as a statement by Lord Passfield who thus far has kept silent because as a Lord he is able to speak only in the House of Lords and not in the House of Commons.

Ussishkin, "Grand Old Man of Zionism," and Head of Jewish National Fund, Welcomed by Mayor Walker's Committee

While Mayor Walker's committee, and scores of prominent New York Jews stood on the windy deck of the Macom singing Hatikvah, the Jewish national song of hope, Menachem Ussishkin, called "the grand old man of Zionism," stepped from the Bremen, and clambered down the side of a buoy, to be received literally in the arms of the welcome committee.

Rabbis, Zionist officials, and municipal officials were waving American and Jewish flags. They cried "Live! Ussishkin!" and the burly, 67 year old leader was taken into the cabin of the official reception boat.

Inside, men and women were singing Am Yisroel Chai! (The Nation Israel Lives.) Photographers called to Ussishkin to "greet America with a smile!"

"Let America greet me with a smile!" he responded.

Hon. Samuel Levy, member of the New York Board of Education, answered with the official smile, as head of the reception committee appointed by Mayor Walker. He made a short speech of welcome. Ussishkin responded in Hebrew, which was translated for the committee.

"This is not the first time I have had the honor of being on this boat," he said. "Ten years ago I came with a committee to America. I am glad that in America our welcome has not worn off." Mr. Ussishkin referred to his presence here in 1921 as a member of a Zionist delegation which included Prof. Albert Einstein, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, and Dr. Shmyra Levin.

Menachem Ussishkin is president of the World Jewish National Fund, which is the organization of the Jewish nation, within the Zionist movement, for the purchase and holding of land in Palestine. The Jewish National Fund owns at present more than 300,000 dunams of land; it has done much draining and afforestation work. The land is given for use to settlers, but belongs in perpetual trust to the Jewish nation.

To Consult with Zionist Leaders

During his stay of several months here, Mr. Ussishkin will consult with Zionist leaders and address many meetings to strengthen the work of the Jewish National Fund.

He is sturdy, and does not show his advanced years. A close-clipped beard emphasizes the round contour of his face. His eyes are blue, and remain wide-open and quiet while he speaks.

His first concern was for news of Palestine. "I have been away two weeks," he said. "Has anything important happened?"

He was given the latest details, and then he was questioned in turn. "Of course there is absolute refusal among the Jews of Palestine to accept the White Paper," he said. "There will be no change from that stand."

Palestine Jews Determined

"But the political situation has not affected the determination of the settlers to build a Jewish National Home

in Palestine. If their determination can be affected by transitory political events, it can be affected only in the way of strengthening. They are working in an eternal tradition; politics pass."

He was greeted by Emanuel Neumann, president of the Jewish National Fund of America; Montrose Strassburger, assistant corporation counsel, and Bernard A. Rosenblatt, chairman of the New York Zionist Region. The "grand old man" admitted that his passage had not been of the best. "But I am feeling better," he said.

Menachem Ussishkin then issued statement concerning his coming here.

Asks Support of U. S. Jews

"At the most important moment in the history of our nation I come to my brethren, to the American Jewry," he said. "We stand at the crossroads. We are confronted with the sign 'to be or not to be.' After two thousand years of hope for the return to the land of our fathers and the renewal of lives as we lived them in the olden days, the League of Nations at last, with all solemnity, opened a way for us to back to the land that was taken from us, and to give rest and peace to the hundreds, thousands, and millions of Jews who, while doing no wrong, were persecuted in the many countries of Europe and Asia. The League of Nations entrusted Great Britain with the carrying out of this task. Now it is 13 years since this promise was made, and again the waves of unjustifiable and unjustified hatred rise against us. Attempts are now being made to nullify this pledge and to break this promise. With unparalleled hypocrisy they pretend to justify the breach of this promise and the turning of the Balfour Declaration into a scrap of paper by raising a false cry of condemnation in the alleged defense of the 'unfortunate Arab fellah.'"

"As one of those who stood in the ranks of the Zionists from the first day of the inception of the modern Zionist movement, I find it my duty at this moment to come to my brethren in America to call on them in the name of the chalutzim of Palestine, in the name of the 180,000 Jews of Palestine, to save the honor of our people, which is threatened by our enemies."

"You, the Jews of the United States, you who are numerically the strongest part of our people, you with your great political influence and financial strength, have it within your power to become the deciding factor of our future. You must stand in defense against the enemies about us, and prevent their intrigues from destroying all our work."

"I am confident you will make every effort to continue and to increase the constructive work in Palestine, even under these most trying conditions. Keep off destruction. Keep on construction." That is my call to you. I am confident it will find an echo from among you."

It was 10:30 at night when Mr. Ussishkin landed. An escort of limousines took him to the Commodore Hotel.

Anti-Semitic Troubles Renewed in Galatz, Spread to Braila

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Dec. 3.—Yesterday's anti-Semitic student disturbances in Galatz spread today to Braila, where the students held a Congress and were also renewed in Galatz itself. The new disturbances, however, were not confined entirely to Jews. A chauffeur who refused to drive the anti-Semitic students was beaten and shipping officials were also beaten because they refused to permit the students to overload a vessel.

In Braila where a number of the anti-Semitic students were taken on a charge of molesting the Braila district-attorney, the judge declared "from a national point of view I am in full sympathy with you." The judge offered his apologies to the students for fining them a thousand lei, adding that the students must be polite to government officials. Encouraged by the judge's attitude the students lodged an appeal against the fine.

During the day a number of Jewish shops were broken into and in the Strade Regalla a number of them were damaged, but timely action by the police prevented the spread of the trouble.

Isaac Frank, Inventor and Philanthropist, Dead at 75

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Pittsburgh, Dec. 3.—Funeral services for Isaac W. Frank, pioneer steel leader, inventor, engineer and philanthropist, who died here yesterday in his 76th year, will be held tomorrow at Temple Rodeph Shalom. A native of Pittsburgh, Mr. Frank began his engineering career in the employ of the Keystone Bridge Company in whose service he helped draft the plans for the Manhattan elevated railways in New York.

For a time he was employed by the government in Mississippi. Later he became interested in the manufacture of rolling mill machinery. He was a founder of the Lewis Foundry and Machine Company, the Frank-Kneeland Machine Company, and the United Engineering and of the American Sheet Metal Company, now a link of the United States Steel Corporation.

Mr. Frank was active in Pittsburgh civic and Jewish life. He was a trustee of the University of Pittsburgh, the Irene Kaufman Settlement and the Montefiore Hospital.

Jewish Laborers May Have to Work Saturday or Quit Jobs

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 3.—The 150 Jewish laborers employed in the Athlit quarries, mining stone for the Haifa harbor works, may have to violate the Sabbath or else give up their jobs, if a decision promulgated today by High Commissioner Chancellor is permitted to stand. This decision, communicated through the resident engineer, M. Thompson, suspends work on Sunday, hitherto permitted to the Jews in lieu of work on Saturday. The Jewish laborers include a self-contained unit of 90 workers.

Wise and de Haas, in New Book, Attack White Paper as The Great Betrayal

That the Passfield White Paper is a violation by Great Britain of an agreement she entered into with the allied and associated powers, including the United States, whereby the establishment of the Jewish National Home was publicly avowed as one of the aims of the World War, is the direct charge made by Dr. Stephen S. Wise and Mr. Jacob de Haas, in a book *The Great Betrayal*, of which they are joint authors, brought out yesterday by Brentano's. The book, which is dedicated to Nathan Straus, was planned by Dr. Wise immediately upon the issuance, on October 20th last, of the Passfield White Paper.

Dr. Wise and Mr. de Haas charge in *The Great Betrayal* that the White Paper is the climax of a conspiracy by permanent functionaries of the British Colonial Office to nullify the League of Nations' Mandate to Great Britain, which recognizes the historic connection of the Jewish people with Palestine, by transforming that country into a British Crown colony. In this conspiracy to make Palestine a British possession in defiance of the League, hatched before the signatures to the Mandate had time to dry, British military officers, including General Allenby and officers of the Palestine Government, have participated.

A historic document bearing on the war aims of the allied powers in the Near East quoted by the authors is the following statement issued by the British government during the war, a half year prior to the issuance of the Balfour Declaration.

"It is proposed that the following be adopted as the heads of a scheme for a Jewish re-settlement of Palestine in accordance with Jewish national aspirations:

"1. Basis of Settlement. Recognition of Palestine as the Jewish National Home.

"2. Status of Jewish Population in Palestine Generally. The Jewish population, present and future, throughout Palestine is to possess and enjoy full national, political and civic rights.

"3. Immigration into Palestine. The Suzerain Government shall grant full and free rights of immigration into Palestine to Jews of all countries.

"4. The Establishment of a Chartered Company. The Suzerain Government shall grant a charter to a Jewish company for the colonization and development of Palestine, the company to have power to acquire and take over any concessions for works of a public character, which may have been or may hereafter be granted by the Suzerain Government and the rights of pre-emption of Crown lands or other lands not held in private or religious ownership and such other powers and privileges as are usual in charters or statutes of similar colonizing bodies.

"5. Communal Autonomy. Full autonomy is to be enjoyed by Jewish communities throughout Palestine in all matters bearing upon their education, religious or communal welfare."

Anti-Semitism Crops Out Among French U. Students

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Paris, Dec. 3.—Anti-Semitism among French university students, hitherto unknown in modern France, is reported today from the university town of Tours. The students' general organization decided to tax the so-called foreigners one franc for dinner in the students' hostel. The Jewish students, who number 120 out of 300 members of the association, decided to resign and form a separate union.

This is the direct result of a growing anti-Semitism among the students who for some time now have refused to lend text-books to Jewish students or work with them in the laboratory. Under pressure of the students a number of boarding houses have refused to accept Jewish boarders.

The agitation is led by a professor in the school of medicine, Dr. Bosc, who recently published an article in the *Medical Journal* demanding that the university bar the "crows of the Danube."

David A. Croll Elected to Mayoralty of Windsor

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Windsor, Dec. 3.—David A. Croll, local Jewish attorney, was yesterday elected mayor of the city in the municipal elections, thus making him the second Jew to be chief executive of a Canadian municipality. Windsor has a Jewish population of about 1,000. Croll, who is 30 years old, is president of the Windsor Talmud Torah, a member of the board of directors of the Shaar Hashomayim synagogue and a leader in every communal enterprise.

He is now the central figure in a movement to organize a Jewish philanthropy federation in Windsor. Mrs. Croll, a former Detroit girl, is president of the Windsor Hadassah.

Carl Binhak, Composer and Musician, Dead

Carl Binhak, a violinist, teacher, composer and conductor who for 25 years was the organist and choirmaster at the New York Hebrew Orphan Asylum as well as the conductor of the Glee Club and orchestra at that institution, is dead at his home in New York City.

Born in Prague, Czechoslovakia in 1874, Mr. Binhak came to America soon after his graduation from the Prague Conservatory and obtained a position as violinist with the Anton Seidl orchestra. Later he played under Walter Damrosch and was for many years a member of the Metropolitan Opera House orchestra.

Hecht Heads Boston Committee on Jobless

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Dec. 3.—Simon E. Hecht, head of the board of overseers of the public welfare of the city, has been named chairman of the Boston group of the Massachusetts emergency committee on unemployment, is the announcement made by Mayor James M.

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and a member of the convention that framed the Australian constitution.

Brilliant Career

He served in the house of representatives until 1906 when he was appointed a justice of the High Court. In 1921 he became a privy councillor. Three years later he was named to the judicial committee of the privy council, the highest legal tribunal in the British Empire. In 1928 he was knighted. During the second Deakin government, from 1905 to 1906 he was attorney-general of the commonwealth of Australia. Last March he was named Chief Justice of Australia.

When the British government began looking for a successor to Lord Stoneham as governor-general last April, Sir Isaac was prominently mentioned. The Labor government of Australia, headed by Premier Scullin, favored a native Australian and supported Isaacs. There then arose considerable opposition to the projected nomination of Sir Isaac because certain political circles felt that an appointee from England would mean an important link with Great Britain. It was felt that a native Australian would be less disinterested than an Englishman. Nevertheless, Sir Isaac had the support of all groups, including the Catholics.

The matter of a new governor-general, however, was left in abeyance until Premier Scullin came to London for the Imperial Conference. Sir Isaac's name was the only one submitted to the British government by Premier Scullin.

The appointment of Sir Isaac marks the second time that a Jew has been named Crown representative of one of the British possessions, Lord Reading (Rufus Isaacs) having been Viceroy of India.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Melbourne, Dec. 3.—The Australian press, which hitherto almost without exception had been opposed to the appointment of Sir Isaac Isaacs as governor-general because they regarded it as severing the link with Great Britain, today offers guarded comment on Sir Isaac's appointment. The papers generally agree however, that if any native Australian were to be appointed, Sir Isaac is the most suitable and the best qualified.

Prussian College Authorities Plan End to Student Riots

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 3.—Plans to eliminate all disorders at German universities were made today at a conference of university officials called by M. Grimme, Prussian minister of education. The rectors of the various colleges and universities voiced the opinion that by banning politics they could rid the schools of disorders such as the recent anti-Semitic outbreaks at the University of Berlin.

Jews Refuses to Swear on King James Bible

Refusing to take the oath on the King James Bible which is customarily used in court rooms, Philip Meirowitz, witness for Rabbi Moses Weinberger, Inc., in an anti-trust suit in the Federal Court against certain matzoth manufacturing companies, demanded that a Hebrew Bible be procured for him. Only after a Hebrew Bible was brought into court was Mr. Meirowitz sworn in and the trial proceeded again. The suit was brought by the plaintiff company, which deals in matzoth and matzoth meal, against Horowitz Brothers and Margaret, Inc., B. Manischewitz Company and members of the three families, the plaintiff demanding \$50,000 damages.

Official Sees Jews Active in Consolidating Polish State

The Jews of Poland are gradually becoming a more active factor in the work of consolidating the Polish State, writes a prominent Polish statesman, Tadeusz Holowko, recently chief of the Eastern division of the Polish Foreign Office, election commissioner of the government party in the Eastern provinces, and one of the closest friends of Marshal Pilsudski, in the Kurjer Wileński.

Mr. Holowko, who is expected to become vice-president of the Government Party in the new Sejm, says, "Jews are gradually becoming a more active factor in the consolidation of the Polish State in the Eastern provinces. In a number of election districts there, the Jews could not get a single mandate, even if they voted 100% solid for a united Jewish ticket, because of the election regulations. The Jews understand that the government list now combines all who want the consolidation of the Polish State without distinction of nationality or religion.

"The Jews understand that Marshal Pilsudski opened a new era in Poland and that it would have been unthinkable for the names of Minberg, Wishlicky and Mendelson, and in Lemberg the name of the president of the Jewish community, to be together with that of a Catholic on the Government list before the coup d'etat of May. The exchange of letters between Premier Slawek and Kirschbraun deeply impressed the Jews here just as did the letter of Kirschbraun to Marshal Pilsudski, a letter full of the State spirit and written with dignity and with conscientious emphasis of the attitude of Jewish society."

Touching on Zionism, M. Holowko says that if the Zionist Executive feels that the Polish government should assist the Zionist movement merely because it is in the interests of Poland that more Jews should emigrate to Palestine, then the Zionist Executive "must turn its interest towards the National Democrats (anti-Semites). They, too, want the Jews to emigrate to Palestine and that they should be treated in Poland as foreigners, as 'citizens of Palestine'."

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days," declared Peter Bercovitch, Jewish member of the Quebec Legislature. But although the terms of the settlement have not been divulged, it is known that it gives the Jews no more rights than they had in the Protestant schools before the Jewish School Bill was passed and deals a blow to the hope of the separatists to create a Jewish school system.

Leaders of Montreal Jewry who have for years been agitating for separate Jewish schools, claiming that only in that manner will the Jews obtain the rights to which they are entitled under the Quebec system of denominational schools, are now making last-minute efforts to delay the forthcoming Protestant-Jewish understanding.

Steuben Society Repudiates "Christian Stock" Letter

The recently published letter from the political committee of the Steuben Society alleging to have put the Society on record as supporting George F. Ewald's appointment as a magistrate because he had been "selected so carefully by the Steuben Society from its Christian stock in our ranks" was repudiated by the Steuben Society at a recent special meeting, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learns today.

The letter sent by O. P. Spennath, John J. Meyer and Dr. Francis Schirp on official stationery was declared by the Steuben Society to have been issued without its knowledge and authorization. The contents of the letter as revealed during the office-barring trial of Martin J. Healy and Thomas T. Tommamy were characterized as a gross violation of the principles of the Steuben Society both in fact and in spirit.

This letter has created considerable stir in the ranks of the Steuben Society which is a non-sectarian organization composed of American citizens. The Society has many Jewish members. Among the Jews who have played a conspicuous role in the activities of the society are former Magistrate Oberwager and David Meyer.

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