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AGUDATH ISRAEL WINS ANOTHER SEAT IN WARSAW JEWISH COMMUNITY;
 NOW HAS TWENTY REPRESENTATIVES ON BOARD; ASSIMILATIONISTS
 LOSE ONE OF THEIR TWO SEATS TO AGUDAH; BIG AGUDIST VICTORY
 IN LODZ BUT RECOUNT ORDERED ALL OTHER PARTIES DEMANDING
 ANNULMENT OF ELECTIONS ALLEGING IRREGULARITIES; ZIONISTS
 LEAD IN KIELCE LUBLIN AND RADOM.

Warsaw, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Chief Election Commission has awarded another seat on the Board of the Warsaw Jewish Community to the Agudath Israel, which now has twenty out of the total number of fifty seats. The seat has been transferred from the Assimilationists, who had secured two seats and now have only one.

In Lodz, the second largest City in Poland, the Agudists have won 15 seats out of the total number of 25, the other ten going four to the Zionists, two to the Folkists, two to the Alexander Hassidim, one to the Mizrachists and one to the Non-Partisans.

The elections may be annulled, however, all the parties, except the Agudath Israel, demanding the annulment on the ground that there were irregularities, alleging that many gave false names and voted as absentee electors. The Lodz District Chief has ordered an examination of the election cards.

In Kielce, the Zionist-Mizrachi Bloc has obtained three seats; the Agudath Israel three; the Non-Party Hassidim five; the Small Traders one, and the Artisans one. In Lublin the Zionists have six seats, the Agudah five, the Folkists three, the Artisans two, the Mizrachi one, the Non-Party Religious Group two, the Small Traders one and the Left Poale Zion one. In Radom the Zionists have six seats, the Agudah four and the Artisans four.

PALESTINE SENDS 24 LABOUR DELEGATES TO ZIONIST CONGRESS
 SEVEN REVISIONISTS AND THREE GENERAL ZIONISTS.

Jerusalem, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Palestine will be represented at the Seventeenth Zionist Congress by 24 Labour delegates, 7 Revisionists, 3 General Zionists, 2 Poale Mizrachists, 1 Mizrachist and 1 Yemenite, according to the final results of the elections which have just become known.

SOUTH AFRICA SENDS FIVE GENERAL ZIONISTS AND ONE LABOUR MAN
 TO CONGRESS.

Johannesburg, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Five General Zionists, two Revisionists and one Zeire Zionist have been elected in South Africa as delegates to the Seventeenth Zionist Congress.

Belgrade, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The elections in Jugo-Slavia to the Zionist Congress have resulted in the return of three General Zionists and one Labour representative.

JEWISH AGENCY COUNCIL TO MOURN DEATH OF ITS FIRST TWO CHAIR-
MEN LOUIS MARSHALL AND LORD MELCHETT: AGENDA OF JEWISH
AGENCY SESSION ISSUED: DR. CYRUS ADLER WILL SPEAK ON
PROBLEMS OF JEWISH AGENCY AND DR. WEIZMANN ON POLITICAL
DEVELOPMENTS.

London, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Memorial addresses in honour of the late Louis Marshall, the first Chairman of the Jewish Agency Council, and Lord Melchett, who was elected at the first session of the Jewish Agency held in Zurich in August 1929 as Joint-Chairman, and on Mr. Louis Marshall's death succeeded him as Chairman, will be delivered at the inaugural meeting of the second ordinary session of the Council of the Jewish Agency which is opening at Basle on Tuesday evening, July 14th., according to the agenda which was issued here to-day by the Jewish Agency office. The memorial addresses will be preceded only by the opening address of the present Chairman of the Council, Dr. Cyrus Adler, who will speak on the "General Problems of the Jewish Agency since the first meeting of the Council", and after the various speeches of welcome will be followed by the address of the President of the Jewish Agency, Dr. Ch. Weizmann, on the "Political Developments affecting the Jewish National Home during the last two years".

At the second session, on Wednesday morning, Dr. Arthur Ruppin, member of the Executive, will report on "The Practical work in Palestine done by the Jewish Agency in the years 1929-1931"; followed by the report of the Chairman of the Administrative Committee, Mr. Felix M. Warburg, and the address of Director Oscar Wassermann, Chairman of the Standing sub-Committee on Finance and Budget on "The financial aspects and problems of the Jewish Agency".

The Wednesday afternoon session is devoted to the debate on the reports, and the election of the Political, Budget, Organisation and Nomination Committees. The debate will be continued on Thursday morning, and Thursday afternoon and evening will be reserved for meetings of the Committees. The voting on resolutions and the elections will take place on Friday morning, after which the session will be closed.

GENERAL STRICKLAND NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PALESTINE
BRITISH COLONY IN PALESTINE BELIEVE: NOW COMMANDING
BRITISH ARMY IN EGYPT.

Jerusalem, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

General Sir Peter Strickland, the Officer Commanding the British Troops in Egypt, will probably be the next High Commissioner for Palestine in succession to Sir John Chancellor, who is expected to retire at the end of his three year period of office, which comes to an end this summer. This is the belief of the British Colony in Palestine, which sees the promotion of Sir Peter last week from a Lieutenant-General to the rank of a full General as lending support to its belief.

A far more likely candidate than any is Sir Peter Strickland, the "Palestine Bulletin" wrote last week. Most people, remembering Plumer, it said, want a soldier who will not be frightened by threats or stampeded into a course of policy that is not for the benefit of the country.

ARAB RAIDERS WHO BURNT JEWISH COLONY MOTZA IN 1929 RIOTS PUT ON TRIAL DESPITE PEACE PACT WITH JEWISH COLONY: ATTORNEY-GENERAL REFUSES TO ACCEPT PEACE PACT CONDITION TO WITHDRAW PROCEEDINGS AGAINST RAIDERS.

Jerusalem, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Notwithstanding the peace pact concluded at the end of March between the Jewish colony of Motza, which was razed to the ground in the disturbances of August 1929, when the members of one Jewish family named Macleff were burnt alive, and the Arab village of Colonia, from which the raiders came, the Attorney-General has declined to withdraw the proceedings against the fourteen Arabs who are accused of having attacked the house of Mr. Broza, the leading Jewish colonist of Motza. It was Mr. Broza who was the initiator of the peace pact between Motza and Colonia, one of the conditions of which was that the proceedings against the Arabs in connection with the riots would be dropped.

Since the Attorney-General insists, however, on proceeding with the case, the trial was opened to-day, and Mr. Broza and the members of his family who were called as witnesses, recognised some of the accused as having taken part in the raid.

The case has been adjourned until Monday.

MORE INCENDIARISM IN PALESTINE: ANOTHER TWO JEWISH THRESHING FLOORS BURNT DOWN.

Jerusalem, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Another two Jewish threshing floors have been burnt out at Tireh and Kititza, near Haifa. Incendiarism is suspected, but there is no clue to the vandals.

There have been several cases of threshing floors being burnt down in Palestine recently, particularly in the Wady Havarit area. A recent case was in the early part of this month, when the entire season's crop of the colony of Nathania, which is named in honour of the late Nathan Straus, was destroyed.

THE HAVOC IN PALESTINE CAUSED BY LOCUSTS: FIVE-YEAR LOCUST FIGHTING PLAN.

London, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

In 1929-30 this pest caused havoc by its invasions of Transjordan and Palestine, Syria and Turkey, Iraq, Sinai, Egypt, Sudan, Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda, Somaliland, India and Persia, the Empire Marketing Board recalls in reporting to-day a grant of £2,720, which it has made towards the cost of carrying out a comprehensive scheme of locust research under the direction of the Imperial Institute of Entomology. The grant is the result of the recommendation in the last report of the Locust Sub-Committee of the Economic Advisory Council that research on a wide scale should be undertaken to ascertain all possible information of the life history, breeding places, and periodicity of swarms of the desert type of locust. There are several known breeding places of these locusts. One of them is the Red Sea Littoral and the Sudan, and another is the area embracing the northern provinces of Kenya and Italian and British Somaliland. Research is to be centred on these two areas for the present.

Next week the Locust Sub-Committee of the Economic Advisory Council will consider the appointment of two entomologists at present in the service of the Sudan Government to

assist the work in that area. The work, though financed at the outset for one year, has been planned to cover a period of five years, and when finished it is expected to yield the most authoritative work on locusts ever undertaken. The cost of the inquiry will be small in comparison with the heavy losses suffered by countries which fall victims to invasions by the pest.

SATURDAY FOOTBALL PLAYING BY JEWISH TEAMS IN PALESTINE CAUSES BIG INDIGNATION MOVEMENT AMONG JEWISH ORTHODOXY: 2,500 AGUDISTS THREATEN TO PREVENT FORCIBLY SALE OF TICKETS: CHIEF RABBI KOOK ENDEAVOURING TO GET MATCHES WITHDRAWN: CLAIM OF BROKEN PROMISE NOT TO PLAY FOOTBALL ON SATURDAYS.

Jerusalem, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

A big indignation movement has been started among the orthodox Jews here against the action of the Jewish football teams in resuming playing matches on Saturdays, despite the promise given by them to stop this practice in order to make it possible for Palestine Jewish orthodoxy to join the united Jewish front in Palestine against the anti-Jewish National Home policy of the British Government. 2,500 Agudists have declared that they will prevent by force the sale of tickets to the sports ground of the Maccabee Football Club on Saturday. Last Saturday a similar attempt was made, but it failed because the police placed a strong guard at the box office. The Agudists declare that they intend, in spite of this to carry out their threat.

Chief Rabbi Kook had a conference this evening with leaders of Jerusalem Jewry to endeavour to get them to persuade the football team to keep the promise that no football matches should be played on the Sabbath.

MR. HARRY SACHER RECOVERED: LEAVES PALESTINE FOR EUROPE.

Jerusalem, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Mr. Harry Sacher, whose recent illness here caused serious concern to his friends, left Palestine to-day for Europe, having completely recovered.

JE' PRESIDING AT CONFERENCE OF INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS SOCIETIES.

Budapest, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Professor M. Limburg, the President of the League of Nations Union in Holland, who is this year's President of the International Federation of League of Nations Societies, is presiding at the Fifteenth Congress of the International Federation of League of Nations Societies, which is now in session in the Parliament building here. Professor Limburg has been a member of the Executive Committee of the International Federation for years.

The Palestine League of Nations Society is represented at the Congress by its General Secretary, Dr. N. Feinberg of Geneva, and the Jewish League of Nations Society in Austria by Dr. S. Frankfurter. There are a number of questions affecting the minorities problem on the agenda of the Congress.

ARCHDUKE JOSEPH CONDEMNS NUMERUS CLAUSUS IN HUNGARIAN HOUSE OF LORDS.

Budapest, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Archduke Joseph, speaking in the Upper House to-day, condemned the numerus clausus at the Hungarian Universities. There is no justification, he said, for trying to prevent anyone obtaining a university education. Besides, the numerus clausus is doing Hungary a great deal of harm abroad and is destroying Hungarian prestige.

Count Klebelsberg, the Minister of Education, replied that he had never approved of a numerus clausus on religious grounds, and that was why he had amended the numerus clausus law by removing the objectionable religious clauses. The universities are to-day open to anyone no matter what his religion, he said, the sole condition being that he must have obtained distinction in matriculation.

APPOINTMENT OF UNNECESSARY PROFESSOR OF ANTISEMITISM AT JENA UNIVERSITY WAS IN PRESENT TIME OF FINANCIAL DISTRESS ACT OF IRRESPONSIBILITY SAYS RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY FULL MEETING OF THURINGIAN PARLIAMENT.

Berlin, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Thuringian Diet adopted to-day the motion introduced by the Socialist Party recommended to it by the Budget Commission which accepted it a short while back condemning the appointment of the antisemitic theoretician, Dr. Guenther, as Professor of Raceology at Jena University by the Hitlerist leader, Dr. Frick, at the time he was Minister of Education and Interior. There is no real scientific need for such a Chair, the resolution says, and the establishment of an unnecessary Chair at a time of financial stress like the present is an act of irresponsibility.

JEWISH EMIGRANTS IN FRANCE IN BAD PLIGHT ON ACCOUNT OF PREVAILING UNEMPLOYMENT.

Paris, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The position of Jewish immigrants in France has become much worse since the beginning of this year, because of the general unemployment in the country, says the report presented to the meeting of the Central Relief Committee for Jewish Emigrants, which has just been held here, with the President, Professor Oualid, in the chair. M. Eduard Oungre, M. Dijour and K. Melamede of the Hicem were also present.

The Committee received applications in the four months of this year, the report said, from 5,186 persons as compared with 4,013 in the same period last year. Despite all the efforts made by the Committee to provide employment for the immigrants, with the particular assistance of the new branches at Lille and Marseilles, 217 immigrants had to be repatriated in the period January - April of this year, as compared with 169 in the same period last year, it being absolutely impossible to find employment for them or to secure permits for them to remain permanently in the country. The cost of their repatriation was met by Chief Rabbi Israel Levi, the Hicem, the Paris Welfare Committee and a number of individuals.

JEWISH SOVIET PAPERS ATTACKED BY "PRAVDA" FOR UPROOTING JEWS
FROM TOWNS AND SENDING THEM ON LAND IN CRIMEA AND SIBERIA.

Moscow, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The "Pravda" has come out to-day with a strongly worded criticism against the three principal Jewish newspapers in the Soviet Union, the "Emess" of Moscow, the "Stern" of Charkoff, the capital of the Ukraine, and the "Oktibr" of Minsk, the capital of White Russia, complaining that they have been conducting a wrong policy in the recent emigration campaign from the Jewish townships to the land settlement areas in the Crimea and Bureya. The "Emess" is sharply criticised for its policy of encouraging Jewish families who were already settled in their home towns in organised collectives to leave their collectives and emigrate. This was a grave mistake, the "Pravda" says. Only declassified Jews not yet attached to any sort of collective should have been sent out to the Crimea, while those who were half-established in their own home-towns should have been allowed to remain there.

The "Stern" likewise conducted a veritable crusade against the local collectives, the "Pravda" complains, ordering them to be broken up, and the members sent to the Crimea and the Bureya. This, it declares, is a direct perversion of the Leninist Nationalist policy, which guarantees every man the opportunity and the right to fuse with the economic life of the Soviet Union in his home Republic. The Minsk "Oktibr" avoided this mistake of breaking up the local collectives in order to obtain candidates to emigrate to the Crimea or Bureya, the "Pravda" says, but it started the emigration campaign late and did not conduct it with sufficient energy.

Altogether, the "Pravda" blames the Jewish press for the unpreparedness of the Comzet and the Ozet in receiving the emigrants, which resulted in hundreds of them having to go back to their old homes in the towns. It was the business of these newspapers to foresee such a catastrophe, the "Pravda" claims, and to urge that the proper preventive measures should be taken.

JEWISH ARTISANS URGED TO TAKE SERIOUSLY NEW SOVIET TAX RE-
MITTANCE DECREE AND HELP TO BUILD UP BIG ARTISAN INDUSTRY.
Moscow, May 28th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

An appeal to the Jewish artisans in the Soviet Union to take seriously the new tax decree issued by the Soviet Government, reducing the taxes imposed on artisans by one-third, and to proceed immediately to build up artisan industries which will increase the quantity of manufactured goods produced in the Soviet Union, which is to-day very small, is made to-day in a two-column article in the Jewish Communist organ "Emess" here.

Several times in the past the Soviet Government has announced concessions to artisans only to revoke them soon after on the ground that they would lead to a new Nep, and many Jewish artisans are therefore sceptical now of the new tax decree, and unwilling to return to their old occupations, fearing that the decree may be again revoked causing them only a great deal of disturbance and trouble. The "Emess" is anxious to dispel this fear by insisting that the Soviet Government is differentiating now between the real artisan and the "Nepmen speculators", who only snatched the chance of securing the artisan status to use it as a cloak under which to carry on illegal business transactions. Honest artisans, the "Emess" says, enjoy the genuine sympathy of the Soviet Government, which is anxious that they should go on producing, using local raw materials and adding to the sum total of manufactured products. The Soviet Union has 5 million artisans, the "Emess" says, and their production at the present time amounts to about 7 billion roubles.

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