

DAILY NEWS BULLETIN

(Cable and Mail Despatches)

Issued by the

JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY, LTD.

Ludgate House,
107/111, Fleet Street,
London, E.C.4.

Telegrams: Jewcorrau London.
Telephone: Central 6501-3.

Vol. XII. No. 287.

7 pages.

14th. Dec., 1931.

WAILING WALL AGAIN: JERUSALEM MOSLEM CONFERENCE EMPOWERS GRAND MUFTI AS ITS PRESIDENT TO PROTEST TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS AGAINST DECISIONS OF ITS WAILING WALL COMMISSION: JEWS MAY MENACE MOSQUE OF OMAR SAYS RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON MOTION OF EGYPTIAN EX-MINISTER IF THEY ARE SUCCESSFUL IN DEVELOPING JEWISH INDUSTRY IN PALESTINE: BOYCOTT OF PALESTINE JEWISH PRODUCTS BY MOSLEMS IN ALL COUNTRIES PROCLAIMED THEREFORE TO CHECK JEWISH PROGRESS.

Jerusalem, Dec. 12th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, as President of the Conference, has been empowered to-day by the Moslem World Conference now meeting in Jerusalem, to protest to the League of Nations against the decision of the International Wailing Wall Commission which was appointed by the British Government with the approval of the League of Nations to determine the rights and claims of Jews and Moslems at the Wailing Wall.

The Grand Mufti has also been empowered to inform all Moslem rulers and notables that the Conference regards with execration the present position of the Moslem shrines in Palestine under the terms of the Mandate.

A boycott in all Moslem countries against Palestine Jewish products as a means of protecting the Mosque el Aqsa (Mosque of Omar) from Jewish encroachment was proclaimed by the Conference to-day in adopting a resolution moved by Mohamed Ali, former Egyptian Minister of Wakfs. If the Jews in Palestine succeed in developing their industry, the resolution argues, they will be able to acquire more land in the country, and thus may even menace the Mosque itself, so that the boycott weapon must be used as a check to further Jewish progress.

∴ The Wailing Wall as being an integral part of the Haram - esh-Sherif is manifestly Moslem property, but it is not a Moslem sacred shrine, and so far as it is known the pavement in front of the Wall has never been a place for Moslem prayers, the League of Nations International Wailing Wall Commission declared in its report published in June, adding a note in which it stated that it was "unanimous in its pronouncements and decisions".

According to the terms of its appointment, the verdict of the Wailing Wall Commission was to be final and to admit of no appeal.

Before the Moslems oppose the verdict, they may usefully reflect that whatever their views as to the competence of the Commission, they have in all essentials won their case, the London "Times" wrote in an editorial when the verdict was published, and the "Manchester Guardian" in an editorial, likewise found that as "it happens the decisions of the Wailing Wall Commission are mostly in favour of the Moslem contentions".

"DETHRONE GRAND MUFTI" PALESTINE MOSLEM OPPOSITION CONFERENCE DECIDES: "WE ARE NOT AN OPPOSITION BUT THE NATION" RESOLUTION DECLARES: BUT PROCEEDS TO DEMAND INDEPENDENCE FOR PALESTINE PROTECTION OF MOSLEM HOLY PLACES AND PROTECTION FROM ZIONIST MENACE.

Jerusalem, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Conference of Palestine Moslem opponents of the Grand Mufti held at the King David Hotel here this afternoon was attended by about 1,000 notables from all parts of the country, including the Mayors of Jerusalem, Jaffa, Haifa, Gaza, Ramleh, and Nabulus, and two of the five members of the Moslem Supreme Council. The Mayor of Jerusalem, Ragheb Bey Nashashibi, presided.

The Conference decided to communicate with Moslem bodies throughout the world with a view to convening a general Moslem World Congress to be held in some Moslem kingdom, and meanwhile refusing to recognise the present Conference meeting in Jerusalem under the chairmanship of the Grand Mufti.

"We are not an opposition: we are the nation, one of the leaders of the movement, Omar Selah, declared.

In accordance with his declaration, the first resolution adopted by the Conference affirms that "this gathering of the Opposition is the Congress of the Palestine Moslem nation".

Fakhri Nashashibi and Moghanan Effendi, who appeared as Counsel for the Palestine Arab Executive before the Shaw Enquiry Commission, received press representatives, including the correspondents of the London "Times", the "Daily Telegraph", Reuters, and the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, and read out to them ten resolutions which have been adopted by the Conference, which, after declaring that the participants are determined to dethrone the Grand Mufti, proceed to reiterate the demands which were presented by the last Palestine Arab Delegation to London, claiming that these will lead to the independence of Palestine, the protection of the Moslem Holy Places, and the protection of Moslem Palestine from the Zionist menace.

MOSLEM CONGRESS IN JERUSALEM CAN HAVE NO EFFECT ON DEVELOPMENT OF JEWISH NATIONAL HOME AND NO REASON WHY JEWS SHOULD BE CONCERNED WITH IT WINSTON CHURCHILL SAYS TO J.T.A. ON ARRIVING IN NEW YORK: UNFORTUNATE PASSFIELD WHITE PAPER BEEN RIGHTED HE CLAIMS AND ALL LEADERS OF PRESENT BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN FAVOUR OF JEWISH NATIONAL HOME AND NO DISAGREEMENT AMONG THEM WITH REGARD TO BRITISH DUTIES TOWARDS ITS ESTABLISHMENT.

New York, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Moslem Congress in Jerusalem can have no effect upon the development of the Jewish National Home, Mr. Winston Churchill, former British Colonial Secretary, said to a J.T.A. representative to-day on arriving in the United States.

Great Britain is not worrying about this Congress, he said, and there is no reason why the Jews should be concerned with it.

The unfortunate Passfield White Paper has been righted, Mr. Churchill added, and at present all the leaders of the Government are in favour of the Jewish National Home, and there is no disagreement among them with regard to the British duties towards the establishment of the Jewish National Home.

JEWISH SETTLEMENT WORK IN PALESTINE GOES ON: THOUSAND FAMILY PLAN BEING CARRIED THROUGH: AGREEMENT FOR SELECTION OF FIRST 200 SETTLERS CONCLUDED.

Jerusalem, Dec. 12th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The thousand family settlement scheme is sufficiently advanced for an agreement to be concluded yesterday, providing for the selection of the settlers.

200 families will be fully colonised and simultaneously between 500 and 600 houses will be erected for further prospective settlers.

Mr. Julius Simon, Mr. Mohl and Dr. Maurice R. Hexter represented in the signing of the agreement the Palestine Economic Corporation and the Palestine Plantation Company, and Mr. Hartzfeld, Mr. Kaplan and Mr. Remez represented the workers.

ZIONIST ORGANISATION AND THE REVISIONISTS: OFFICIAL ZIONIST EXECUTIVE STATEMENT UTTERS WARNING AGAINST REALISATION OF CALAIS RESOLUTIONS OF REVISIONIST UNION DECLARING EXECUTIVE RESERVES RIGHT TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION AND TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS TO GENERAL COUNCIL TO PROTECT UNITY AND INTEGRITY OF ORGANISATION AGAINST ALL ATTACKS: DISCLAIMS INTENTION TO SUPPRESS OPPOSING VIEWS BUT SAYS IT WILL COMBAT INVASION OF ANARCHY WITH EVERY MEANS AT ITS COMMAND.

London, Dec. 12th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The unity of the Zionist Organisation, based on national solidarity, and its position within the Jewish people and in the external world, built up by more than thirty years of persistent effort, must be protected against disruptive tendencies, the Executive of the Zionist Organisation says in a statement issued here to-day on the resolutions adopted at the Calais meeting of the Revisionist World Union.

Conscious of their responsibility for the preservation of this unity, the statement proceeds, the Executive of the Zionist Organisation, while disclaiming any intention of suppressing opposing views within the Organisation, find themselves compelled to utter the warning that the Zionist Organisation will combat with every means at its command the invasion of anarchy into the spheres of organisation and politics.

The Executive regard it as their duty to point out the consequences which would have to follow upon the realisation of the Calais resolutions. They reserve the right to take such action as will appear necessary, and to submit proposals to the General Council with a view to protecting the unity and integrity of the Zionist Organisation against all attacks.

Membership of the Zionist Organisation involves compliance with its rules and decisions; the statement says, and is incompatible with membership of an outside body requiring acceptance of a discipline which may conflict with and take precedence over the duty of allegiance to the Zionist Organisation.

In regard to external political action, the Zionist Organisation adheres to the principle that separate negotiations with Governments and the League of Nations may be conducted by Zionist individuals or groups only with the consent of the Executive, and that in specific cases, where desired by the Executive, external political activities of other character may also not be undertaken without previous consultation with them. The responsible Executive elected by the majority of Congress are always prepared to grant to individual Zionist groups a certain latitude in regard to political activities as far as this is compatible with the general interest; they must, however, reserve the right to guard vital interests of the Jewish people from being jeopardized by deliberate disregard of these principles.

WE ARE THREATENED WITH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC ANNIHILATION
CENTRAL UNION OF GERMAN CITIZENS OF JEWISH FAITH SAYS
IN PROCLAMATION TO GERMAN JEWRY: BOYCOTT INVOKED AGAINST
US AND JEWISH CEMETERIES AND HOUSES OF GOD DESECRATED:
VIOLENCE OPENLY PREACHED AGAINST JEWS.

Berlin, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The increasingly acute political situation of the last few weeks and the growing spirit of enmity and of brutality compel us to issue this appeal, says a statement issued by the Central Union of German Citizens of Jewish Faith signed by Dr. Julius Brodnitz, the President, and Dr. Ludwig Hollaender, the Director.

We are threatened, it says, with political and economic annihilation. The boycott slogan is being invoked against us both in the cities and the small towns. Jewish cemeteries are being laid waste and our Houses of God are desecrated. At public meetings and in the newspapers people are openly incited to violence against Jews. The Boxheim documents reveal a mentality which hesitates at no villainess.

The Central Union of German Citizens of Jewish Faith has for years past been directing attention to these dangerous developments, the statement goes on, but short-sighted people pretending to know better tried to move the uncomfortable truth out of the way.

In spite of everything, the statement concludes, we do not lose hope for one instant. The justness of our cause is our strongest weapon. Millions of Germans are fighting at our side against the incitement and violence that are the unholy alliance of our time. We are confident of the support of our friends in all parts of the Republic, and we are endeavouring to be worthy of this confidence. To the last breath we shall do our utmost to keep the evil thing from German Jewry.

GERMAN JEWS HAVE LEFT THEIR NATIVE TOWNS WHERE THEIR FAMILIES
HAVE BEEN LIVING FOR GENERATIONS: COMPELLED TO UPROOT
THEMSELVES ONLY BECAUSE THEY ARE JEWS AND THIS HAS MADE
THEIR LIVES UNBEARABLE: FROM RITUAL MURDER TO CULTURAL
ANTISEMITISM WHOLE GAMUT EVEN RUN: MANY WHO DO NOT SUB-
SCRIBE TO ANTISEMITISM HAVE RANGED THEMSELVES UNDER
SWASTIKA BANNER IN SEARCH FOR RAY OUT OF PRESENT DISTRESS
REGLESS THAT IT WILL MEAN DENYING 600,000 GERMAN PEOPLE
THEIR RIGHT TO EXISTENCE AND EQUALITY.

Berlin, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

In these last few days German citizens have left their native towns in Mecklenburg, in which they and their families have been living for generations, says a call to the German people published in the "C. V. Zeitung", the organ of the Central Union of German Citizens of Jewish Faith. In the Mecklenburg State Museum hangs the uniform of one of the ancestors of these Germans, a man who fought as a volunteer in the German liberation wars. Is there any fault in them that they have been compelled to uproot themselves, to leave the soil to which they have been attached for centuries? The only reason is that they are Jews, and it is this fact that has made their lives unbearable. The masses of the people are looking for a scapegoat to blame for their present misery, and the Jew has been fixed on as the scapegoat. Ever since the Revolution, groups, leagues and parties have been engaged in defaming the German Jews. The gamut has been run from the lie of the ritual murder right up to cultural antisemitism.

Part of the blame for this state of affairs must be placed at the door of those millions of our German fellow citizens who for entirely different reasons than antisemitism have ranged themselves beneath the Swastika banner. They are seeking a way out of our economic and national misery, and they do not mind that the milestones along this road spell the denial to 600,000 German people of their claim to existence and to equality of rights.

It still seems possible to us to form a united front of decent-minded people extending beyond the party boundaries, which will be potent to save Germany from the horrors of civil war and of barbarism. As for those others who are deaf and dumb to all the claims of morality, let them at least reflect on what will happen when once the brutal instincts of the mob are let loose. In the looting which occurred in the Leipzigerstrasse in Berlin, shops were demolished belonging both to Jews and non-Jews, and the number of non-Jewish victims of the excesses in the Kurfuerstendamm is in excess of the number of Jewish victims. We consider it our duty, the statement concludes, to warn all people to be on guard to protect the public security of all German citizens.

BAPTISED JEWS SHOULD BE ADMITTED TO JEWISH STUDENT-NATION
AUSTRIAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION SAYS: JEWISH STUDENT NATION
SHOULD INCLUDE ALL JEWS - ZIONISTS JEWISH DEMOCRATS AND
JEWISH SOCIALISTS AND I WISH JEWISH STUDENT NATION TO ADMIT
ALSO JEWS BELONGING TO OTHER FAITHS: GERMAN STUDENT NATION
CAN BE NO PLACE OF REFUGE FOR JEWS NOT ADMITTED TO JEWISH
STUDENT NATION BECAUSE THEY HAVE CHANGED THEIR RELIGION.

Vienna, Dec. 12th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

It is my wish that baptised Jews should be admitted to the Jewish student nation, the Minister of Education, Dr. Czermak, said in a public address delivered here to-day, making it clear that he identifies national citizenship, on which his new student rights bill in Parliament is based (restoring the system of student "nations" which existed in the medieval universities), with the race-principle.

Exceptions may be made only in such cases, he went on, where the convert is of mixed parentage and has been brought up by a German parent who has been Germanic for generations.

The Minister of Education took the opportunity in the course of his speech to assail the Liberal and Socialist press, which is opposing his bill, dubbing it a German-language but not a German press.

I highly esteem the Jewish nationality, which has stood firm by the Jewish people in spite of its loss of its own land and language, the Minister said, and that is why I want to establish also a Jewish student nation, which will comprise all those students who belong to the Jewish people, Zionists, Jewish Democrats and Jewish Socialists, and I desire that the Jewish student nation should admit as members also Jews who belong to other religious faiths.

In any case, he said, the German student nation can be no place of refuge for Jews who are not admitted into the Jewish student nation because they have changed their religion. Besides, it is for the student nation itself to decide whom it will admit to membership.

The Liberal press makes a furious attack on the Minister for this speech, pointing out that by his definition of a Jew he excludes Disraeli from membership of the British people and Paine from membership of the German people.

ANOTHER JEWISH AFFAIR IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA: HORAK ACQUITTAL
FOLLOWED BY ARREST OF JEWISH GENDARME ACCUSED OF HAVING
SHOT TWO CHRISTIAN PEASANTS IN SAME PERIOD OF 1918 BOLSHEVIK
INVASION.

Prague, Dec. 12th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

A Jewish shopkeeper named Samuel Weissberger has been arrested by the gendarmerie at Michalovce, in Slovakia, on suspicion of having shot two Christian peasants in 1918, during the time of the Bolshevik invasion, when he was serving as an assistant gendarme.

In Jewish quarters the impression has gained ground that the charge has been manufactured as a sort of counter-blast to damp down the Jewish protests against the acquittal of Corporal Horak who was accused of having shot seven Jews during the same period.

THE WAY OF JUSTICE IN VILNA: JEW ACCUSED OF INCITING JEWS TO
REVENGE AGAINST PARTICIPANTS IN EXCESSES SENT TO PRISON
FOR TWO MONTHS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL WHO SMASHED JEWISH
WINDOWS ACQUITTED: OVERTURE TO 40 TRIALS ARISING OUT OF
NOVEMBER EXCESSES.

Warsaw, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The first two trials in connection with the anti-Jewish excesses which occurred in Vilna on November 10th. were held to-day, the accused being a 24 year old Jewish shopkeeper named Karpel Gelfer, who was charged with having incited Jews on the day of the excesses to take revenge on the hooligans who had attacked them, and a municipal official named Ignacy Karpowicz, who was charged with smashing three windows in a Jewish shop.

Gelfer was sentenced to two months' imprisonment less three weeks, which he has already served while awaiting trial, and Karpowicz was acquitted.

There are about 40 trials pending, arising out of the Vilna excesses.

ANTISEMITIC DEPUTY AND POLISH EX-MINISTER FIGHT DUEL OVER ANTI-
JEWISH EXCESSES.

Warsaw, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The duel between Deputy Stypulkowski, the National Democratic spokesman who defended the action of the National Democratic students in attacking the Jews during the sitting of the Sejm on November 8th., and ex-Minister Miedzinski, the Government Party spokesman who replied to his speech, denouncing him and his Party as "wild and irresponsible degenerates, who stand for things done only by the scum of the people and in no way reflect the feeling of the Polish nation", was fought to-day.

Deputy Stypulkowski, who is himself married to the daughter of a converted Jew, felt himself insulted by Deputy Miedzinski's denunciation, and sent his seconds to him the next day to challenge him to a duel. Pistols were used. Neither of the duellists was hit.

SENTENCES IN WARSAW WHITE SLAVE TRAFFICKING AFFAIR: BASKIN
AND HIS ACCOMPLICES GO TO PRISON: FICTITIOUS MARRIAGES
TO ENABLE ALIENS TO ENTER UNITED STATES.

Warsaw, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Baskin trial which has been dragging since 1929, when Maurice Baskin, a United States citizen was arrested, largely as the result of the investigations of the London Jewish Association for the Protection of Girls and Women, on the charge of going through fictitious marriages with women to enable them to enter the United States, was concluded here to-day.

Baskin was sentenced to three months' imprisonment. His accomplices, with the exception of one, Altschuler, who was acquitted, were given more severe sentences, Moses Iglicki being sent to prison for three years, Natanson for 2½ years, and Fishbein for one year, and the rest for three months.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS ASKED BY IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONER TO
TAKE ACTION TO PREVENT COLLUSIVE MARRIAGES FOR PURPOSE
OF ENTERING U.S.

Washington, Dec. 11th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The United States Congress was requested to-day by Mr. Hull, the Commissioner General of Immigration, to declare as a felony the collusive marriage of aliens to American citizens for the purpose of enabling the aliens to enter the United States. Under his proposal aliens who are parties to such marriages will be deported from the country.

JEWISH ASSOCIATION FOR PROTECTION OF GIRLS AND WOMEN RECEIVES
BIG BEQUEST UNDER WILL OF LATE LADY BATTERSEA: BEQUEST
ALSO FOR JEWISH BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

London, Dec. 12th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Jewish Association for the Protection of Girls and Women received a large bequest under the will of the late Lady Battersea, daughter of Sir Anthony de Rothschild, who died at the end of last month. Lady Battersea, who was Vice-President and Honorary Secretary of the Association, left £10,000 between Cromer Hospital (she lived in Cromer), the Metropolitan Hospital, the Jewish Association for the Protection of Girls and Women, and the Jewish Board of Guardians. She left another £3,000 to the Jewish Association for the Protection of Girls and Women, and £500 to the Jewish Board of Guardians.

The Pleasance and her North property is left in trust for Rose Marie de Rothschild on attaining 25 years of age.

There are various legacies to hospitals and friends, including a gilt and jewelled cabinet with the inscription "From Charles I. to Henrietta Maria", bequeathed to Queen Mary. The residue of the property is left between Lady Battersea's cousins, Lionel Nathan de Rothschild and Anthony Gustave Rothschild, who have been granted probate of the will.

Lady Battersea left her MSS, letters and correspondence and £300 to Miss Lucy Cohen, to go through them and destroy all such as she thinks ought not to be preserved.