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Death Sentences of 5 Nazis Commuted to Life Terms By German Government

Commutation of Death Sentence Which Precipitated Anti-Jewish Attacks Seen as Concession to Hitler

BERLIN, Sept. 2-The German Govonment the death sentences imposed upon five Nazis on August 27 by the summary court at Beuthen for the murder of a Communist workman.

The verdict of death brought about anti-Semitic attacks by the Nazis and elicited threats by Adolph Hitler as well as a direct demand to Chancellor von Papen that the sentences be commuted. There is no appeal from the verdict

of the special courts named to deal with terrorizers under an official emergency decree signed by President Paul von Hindenburg, and the government alone is able to act.

The commutation of the death sented here as an indication that the von Papen government is making concessions to Adolph Hitler, fearing serious consequences should the death sentence be

Vaida Voevod Assures League To Combat Anti-Semitism Jews To Be Treated "With Solicitude"

Jewish Population to Be Treated in Accordance with Premier's Program to Maintain Peace and Order

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PARIS—Assurances that the Jew-ish population in Roumania will be treated with all solicitude are offered by Premier Alexander Vaida Voevod in a ident of the League to Combat Anti-, Hugenberg to Dismiss All

"I want to assure you that the Jewish minority in Roumania will be treated by my program which is to preserve peace and order among the various social and ethnical sections of my country," the Roumanian Premier declared.

"You may be assured," he said, "that I shall act in the same way as when I was Minister of Interior. I shall endeavor to pacify the extremist movements and cheek

groups."

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Wulfin Two-Year Sentence Rescinded; Gets Instead Two Months Imprisonment

Appeal Against This Verdict Expected: Judge Says Neither Anti-Jewish Nor Anti-Polish Riots Took Place

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency) VILNA, Sept. 2-The Court of Appeal yesterday rescinded the two-year sentence imposed on April 19 on Shmuel Wulfin, Jewish student found guilty of participating in the events leading to the Waclawski, during the anti-Semitic riots

Instead the court imposed a sentence of two months imprisonment on Wulfin. The remission of the two-year sentence, and the new verdict, was accompanied by a curious statement by the presiding judge, who found that no anti-Polish and no anti-Jewish disorders took place in Vilna last November, but that Wacbetween chauvinistic elements.

Wulfin is not satisfied with this ver-dict and a new appeal will be entered, it is expected. The prosecutor demanded eighteen

months imprisonment for Wulfin. He charged that the Jewish press inflated a small affair involving individuals and not the Jewish people as a whole.

It is true, the prosecutor stated, that "we have anti-Semitic National Democrats, but the Jews are not all saints."

Counsel for Wulfin, Smiarkowski, asserted that the anti-Semitic National Democrats attacked the Jews. While the Jews probably defended themselves in some places, it cannot be said that they were animated by race hatred.

Another member of Wulfin's counsel, Czernichow, repudiated the charge that

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Jews Employed on Papers (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, Sept. 2-Siegfried Breslawer, editor-in-chief of the "Lokal Anzeiger," one of the chain of newspapers owned by Dr. Alfred Hugenberg, leader of the German National Party, has been dismissed from his post, it was learned

here yesterday.

Dr. Hugenberg, whose party has frequently allied itself with the National Socialists, in their anti-Semitic outbursts, will dismiss all Jewish journalists em-

Revisionist Commissions Fail to Come to Agreement After All-Night Session

Congress Expected to Close Tonight; Jabotinsky and Grossman May Settle in Geneva

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency) VIENNA, Sept. 2-After an all-night session, the Commissions appointed to deal with important resolutions to be presented to the plenum of the congress of the World Union of Zionist Revisionists, were unable to come to an agreement. As a result, the congress will not close before Sunday at the earliest, it is understood.

There were no sessions today, in order to permit the Commissions to finish their work.

It is learned that an agreement has been reached on the important matter of the budget.

It is reported here that Vladimir Jalawski's death followed some quarrels botinsky and Meier Grossman, president Union, may settle in Geneva, Switzer-(Continued on Page 4)

Official Says No Ground for Apprehension for Jews Living In French Mandated Territory

Official of Foreign Ministry States Investigation Discloses No Disquieting Events Current in Syria

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency) PARIS - An investigation into the anti-Semitic boycott propaganda conducted in Damascus has failed to reveal anything of a disquieting nature.

This statement is made by M. Alex-andre Leger, Director of the Political and Commercial Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs here, in re-Telegraphic Agency.

There is no ground for any apprehension concerning the safety of the Jewish population residing in the French mandated territory of Syria, M. Leger

He stated further that the French High Commissioner in Beirut has no knowledge of any anti-Semitic incidents. The League for Combatting Anti-Se-

mitism, which conducted a separate inquiry into the report that anti-Semitic boycott propaganda was being conducted, has also informed the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the incidents were ployed on his numerous papers, it is of, a very slight and insignificant character.

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Cleveland Jewry to Honor Memory of Rebecca Gratz By Dedication This Month

Bas Relief to Be Erected at Entrance to Gardens in Memory of Jewish Philanthropist; Was Scott Heroine

(Tewish Daily Bulletin)

thropist of the early 19th century, will he honored here on September 25 by the dedication of a bronze bas relief tablet bearing her likeness at the entrance of a new section of the Hebrew Cultural

Dedication ceremonies of the new unit, to be known as the Rock Garden, are being arranged by the Gan Ivri League in celebration of the fifth anniversary of the founding of the Hebrew Gardens. The occasion will also mark the centenary of the death of Sir Walter Scott, to whom Rebecca Gratz served as the inspiration for the character "Rebecca" in "Ivanhoe."

The Gan Ivri League was organized in 1927 for the development of the He-brew Garden. Mrs. Jennie K. Zwick, chairman, announces that the Federation Association and other women's organizations will be represented on the dedicatory program.

The character and service of Rebecca Gratz was described by Washington Irving in 1817 as devoted to philanthropy, to the cause of Jewish education and to literary achievements. Her friendship with Irving sprang from their (Continued on Page 4)

Central Jewish Organization (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

HAVANA, Sept. 2-A central Jewish organization to deal with the needs of Cuban Jewry, with headquarters in Havana, will be established in line with a resolution adopted at a conference held

here with the participation of representatives of various Jewish groups.

The conference was called at the initiative of the Association Adath Israel

A second conference is to be held shortly when plans for the constitution of the organization will be formulated.

Szold Received by Brandeis; Addresses Memorial Meeting

BOSTON, Sept. 2-Robert Szold, vice-president of the Zionist Organization of America, was the principal speaker at a meeting arranged as a memorial to Theodor Herzl under the auspices of the Brookline Zionist Or-

ther M. Andrews, of the Governor's Augustus Holzman, president of the

Enroute to Boston, Mr. Szold stopped in Chatham, where he spent several hours with Justice Louis D. Brandeis. Mr. Szold said he found Justice Braning a keen interest in the upbuilding of the Jewish national homeland.

Lehman Donates Land To Aid Unemployed

HARRISON, Sept. 2-An acre of land from his estate at Purchase has been given to the township of Harrison by Lieutenant Governor Herbert H. Lehman, for the purpose of aiding the

The land will be used for the widening and improving of Barns Lane and Lieutenant Governor Lehman, promidate for governor of New York State and will be the first Jew to hold this

Flatbush Parochial School

Re-opens for Fall Term parochial school, located on Coney and will continue tomorrow. Isaand Avenue and Avenue I, will respon on September 12 for the fall term, Unemployment, Lay Leade

with a registration of over 200 children The school is chartered and supervised extended all the rights and privileges of ancee of Irving, who passed away at a public school. In addition to the seceighteen in New York after a lingering ular education, the students receive a illness. Miss Gratz had been a friend complete Hebrew training in a truly

Jewish Painter Named to Swedish Royal Academy

(Tewish Telegraphic Agency) STOCKHOLM, Sept. 2-The Jewish painter, Isaac Gruenewald, has been appointed professor at the Royal Academy of Art in this city.

Professor Gruenewald, who is 42 years of age, is regarded in Sweden as the most significant representative of the younger generation of painters in the country.

He studied for many years in Paris, where he was a pupil of the great A census of the Jewish population is his first one-man exhibition in Stockalso to be held, it was announced. number of works, portraits, landscapes, water colors and drawings. He is prisense has led him to the theatre, where Delilah," "Midsummer Night's Dream," "Oberon," and other productions.

Gruenewald is well represented in the Stockholm National Museum, and the

His latest exhibition in Stockholm was a record with an attendance of over 30,000 visitors.

Dr. Ariel Benzion Elected

To Spanish Academy (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) PARIS, Sept. 2-Dr. Ariel Benzion,

Zionist worker and literateur, has been elected correspondent member of the drid in recognition of his literary work and more particularly because of his re-cent book "The Zohar in Moslem and Christian Spain," it was learned here

The volume, which carries a preface by Sir Denison Ross, principal of the School of Oriental Studies of the University of London, is a study of the Zohar from the historical point of view and is at the same time a philosophic and poetic contribution to Jewish litera-

A Spanish edition of the volume is scheduled to appear shortly and will have an introductin by the Spanish phi-

Pennsylvania "Y" Federation Convention Opens Today (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

ALLENTOWN, Sept. 2—The Pennsylvania State Federation of Y. M. H. A.'s, Y. W. H. A.'s and Jewish Community Centers, affiliated with the National Jewish Welfare Board, will open The Yeshivah of Flatbush, a Hebrew its 23rd annual convention here today

The program includes conferences on of the convention is a banquet on Sunby the State Board of Education and is day evening, which will be addressed by Dr. Mordecai Soltes. Israel Krohn, of Easton, is president of the State Fed-eration, and Dr. Philip R. Goldstein, Campaign Director of the Welfare Board, is the field secretary.

Synagogue Treasures Believed Confiscated Listed For Sale in Soviet Catalogue

Rabbi Hildesheimer Calls for Excommunication of Jews Who Make Purchases from This Catalogue

(Iewish Telegraphic Agency) BERLIN, Sept. 2-Numerous German

from Moscow an official Soviet cata-logue of valuable Jewish manuscripts that are offered for sale, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned yesterday.

Rabbi Meier Hildesheimer, leading opinion that the offerings are part of synagogue treasures confiscated during the seizure of the synagogues through-

Rabbi Hildesheimer has issued an appeal to the world not to buy the treasures listed. He also calls upon the Rabbinate of Poland and Lithuania to excommunicate any member of the Jewish faith who makes purchases from this Soviet catalogue.

Jewish Girl Wins \$500 Prize (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 2-A seventeen-year-old Jewish girl of this city, Grace Smelo, won a \$500 prize offered by Antioch College for the best essay on "What College Is For."

Miss Smelo, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Smelo, took first place

over 903 contestants. Miss Smelo was graduated from the Cheltenham High School last spring. She was a member of the debating team

of her school and editor of "The Chel-tonian," student publication. Judge Lester W. Roth Re-elected in Los Angeles

(Jewish Daily Bulletin) LOS ANGELES, Sept. 2-Lester W. Roth, appointed to the Superior Court of Los Angeles by Governor Rolph, was re-elected to the post by a clear majority at the primary elections here. Judge Roth is prominently identified

with Jewish communal activities in this city. He is the president of the Jewish

Judge Isaac Pacht, who was also apcontend for office in the regular election, although he received more votes than any of the other candidates.

Isadore Urfirer, Commander of Lake Placid Isadore Urirer, Commander of Lake Placid Post, No. 325, of the American Legion, has been awarded the Essex County Commander Membership Trophy for obtaining the greatest increase in post membership in the country during the fiscal year just closed. Commander Urfrer won the prize by in-creasing the membership of his organization 50 per cent during the past year.

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New Book Presents Comprehensive Study of Transjordania Question

of discussion at the recently concluded sessions in London of the Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization was that of Transjordania as a

justice that Transjordania has now become quite modern, while George Hal-pern stated that "Transjordania" has now become "koshered."

There was a time, however, as M-

of discussion in Zionist ranks. Only in leadership of the Zionist movement that Transjordania is bound up with the whole future of the delicate question of

In Jewish circles and even in Zionist circles the history of Transjordania's separation from Palestine is not very Over 903 Contestants well known, its juridical aspects, and the Emir Abdullah's operetta government.

For years it was impossible to find in any language a single work devoted to this question

It was only in 1929, just prior to the sixteenth Zionist Congress, that a bro "The Iewish Irridenta." This brochure contained in brief and concise form important material relating to these questions. Recently a young Jewish jurist, S. Fishelev, submitted to the University of Toulouse a thesis for his doctorate degree entitled "The International Sta-

The book represents an important and useful source and is an earnest exposition of the whole complex problem with the exception only of its economic aspects. The writer has utilized all offi-English Parliament and the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations, the English and French press and legal will be used as a source by those who have a living interest in an understanding of the Transjordanian problem.

fact that Transjordania was included in and France during the World War, the territory now known as Transjordania became part of the so-called Occupied Enemy Territory Administration, under the rule of King Feisal, who then occu-A complicated situation developed,

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Poland Decorates Nathaniel Spear, Jr. for Efforts Toward International Co-operation

Honored with Cross of Order of Polonia Restituta; Pittsburgh Polish Consul Presents Award

The Consul of Poland at Pittsburgh, Jan Lech Byszewski, on August 16 dec-Spear & Company, with the Chevalier's

In conferring this high honor, bestowed upon Mr. Spear by the President of the Republic of Poland, Consul

"It is indeed a great honor and my personal pleasure to inform you, that tuta, has seen fit to recognize your un-(Continued on Page 4)

Rabbi Raffalowitch Formally Confirmed As Grand Rabbi (J. T. A. Mail Service)

RIO DE JANEIRO-The Grand Rabbi of Brazil, Dr. Isaiah Raffalo-witch, formerly Minister in Liverpool, who is the official representative of the Jewish Colonization Association (Ica) in Brazil, has now been officially proclaimed as Chief Rabbi.

Although Dr. Raffalowitch has been has been generally recognized as the recognition on the part of the various independent communities in the differ-

Recently, however, a local Jewish paper questioned the position, and in

behind the Chief Rabbi.

A big meeting was held, representing every Community in the Republic, at which declarations were signed by the representatives of the Communities, and in some cases by every member of the Community, confirming Dr. Raffalowitch pressing to him the wholehearted sup-port of Brazilian Jewry.

Congregation Shaarey Zedek, of Detroit, of which Dr. Abraham M. Hershama is rabb, which Dr. Abraham M. Hershama is rabb, of Chicago as canto, beginning Stancalder Holy Day services. Cantor Somediar succeeds Rev. Elish Zaludkowski, who resigned his Rev. Elish Zaludkowski, who resigned his Day Zedes Consender Season of Congregation Shaary Zede Somediar leaves his post with Congregation Anshe Emer of Chicago, of which Rabbi Solomo Geldman is spiritual leader.

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tions of the world, by bestowing upon you the Chevalier's Cross of that Order.

"Congratulating you most heartily upon this high distinction, which my country has conferred upon you, I now take pleasure in decorating you, on be-half of the Ambassador of Poland at Washington, with the Chevalier's Cross

"I am very grateful for the opportunity of bestowing this high distinction upon you in the presence of the members of your family, and your good friends and associates, who have honored us with their presence.

"Happy indeed am I, that my coun try, always mindful of the work of the individual towards the furtherance of tion, has singled you out for reward for your truly constructive work.

"I regard today's event, which has brought to this Consulate such a discitizens, as another strong link in the

"Accept, Mr. Spear, my sincere felicitations and wishes of all success." In his reply to Consul Byszewski, Mr. Spear said:

Through you, as the representative in Pittsburgh of the Republic of Poland. I want to convey to your Government my deep appreciation of the high honor which has been conferred upon me. It is my earnest wish that the bonds of good feeling between the Republic of Poland and the Republic of the United States of America be further strengthened-that Poles and Americans may become more cognizant of the unlimited possibilities for friendship between their respective countries and that these nations may progress toward their fullest development in uninterrupted Universal

Mr. Spear, who recently moved to New York City, is chairman of the tions Committee of the American Lewas graduated from Yale in 1919.

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however, when the French drove King Feisal from Damascus and the question of which country Transfordania was to belong to was abated. It is interesting to recall how the English press insisted upon the inclusion of Transjordania in the British and not in the French Mandate. The London Times wrote on

September 19, 1920, Transjordania is the natural frontier of Palestine. The Manchester Guardian of February 24, 1920 declared that from a historical and eco-nomic standpoint, Transjordania is an organic part of Palestine.

In March of 1921, the influential French journal "The French-Asian," wrote that the English are endeavoring to revise the frontier question in order "to guarantee complete success for something which is not English in the ordinary sense of the term, but truly international, viz. the forthcoming Zionist government."

The English demanded Transjordania in the name of Jewish government to be established, but the very first step England took was contrary to the inde-pendence of Palestine. In 1920, the first High Commissioner for Palestine, Sir Herbert Samuel, established in Transjordania local autonomous councils, When it was discovered that this form was unfortunate and that anarchy reigned Emir Abdullah was approached in March of 1921. The latter took over Amman, whence he sought to march on abroad. On the contrary, the Jews are Syria to recover that country from the collaborating in the interests of Poland. French. The English asked Emir Ab-He complained against the unequal treat dullah to take over the administration of the country and restore order for a lah's tenure of office continued for a longer period and England began to think of a basis for further separating held by the District Court.

The first draft of the mandate for Palestine contained 27 paragraphs, none final text of the Mandate consisted of 28 paragraphs, paragraph 25 of which empowered the mandatory government, with the consent of the Council of the League of Nations "to withhold or set aside, in the territories between the Tordan river and the eastern boundary of Palestine, the employment of such mandate agreements which are found to be

unapplicable because of local conditions." the mandate relating to the duty assumed of helping to establish a Jewish national homeland in Palestine. On April 26, 1923, Sir Herbert Sam-

uel, in the name of the British government, declared: that Great Britain is willing to recognize the independence of Transjordania under Emir Abdullah.

On February 20, 1928, a pact was concluded between Great Britain and Emir Abdullah which completed the separation of Transjordania from Palestine, Cleveland Jewry to Honor Memory of Rebecca Gratz By Dedication This Month

(Continued from Page 2) of Miss Hoffman's mother and had known Matilda from childhood. Irving remained unmarried and the

tragedy of his betrothed's death affected his whole life. While visiting Scott, Irving described Miss Gratz's service as a leader in charitable institutions and her devotion to her faith. After the appearance of "Ivanhoe" in 1819, Scott wrote to Irving: "How do you like your tured compare well with the pattern given"

William Thackeray regarded Miss Gratz as the "sweetest character in the whole range of fiction."

The sculptor of the bas relief likeness of Miss Gratz is Miriam E. Cramer, The most famous early American artists painted the likeness of Miss Gratz, in-cluding Gilbert Stuart, Sully and Malbourne. A large boulder near the entrance of the newly developed rock gar-den section of the Hebrew Garden has been selected for the tablet now being designed by Mrs. Cramer.

Wulfin Two-Year Sentence Rescinded; Gets Instead Two Months Imprisonment (Continued from Page 1)

Iews are damaging the Polish name ment accorded to the participants in the November disturbances, pointing out for the anti-Jewish riots have not been punished, while Jewish students were

Revisionist Commissions Fail to Come to Agreement After All-Night Session (Continued from Page 1)

Vladimir Jabotinsky has been persist-

Dr. Fishelev marshals a brilliant array of facts to prove that England openly violated Article 25 of the manonly to a temporary situation in its procles of the mandate and does not refer to the establishment of an independent government. In taking this action, Britain is contravening the text and the spirit of the mandate, he asserts.

It is also contrary to Article 5 of the Mandate, which makes the mandatory government responsible for the unity of