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Measure to Curb Autonomy Of Polish Universities Opposed at First Reading

Left Wing Joins National Democrats in
Opposition; Dr. Gruenbaum Returns
to Sejm; Scores Recent Disturbances

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

WARSAW, Jan. 13.—The government measure aiming at the partial abolition of the autonomy of the Polish Universities, to enable the police to enter the University campuses in the event of disturbances, came up for its first reading in the Sejm yesterday and encountered the joint opposition of the National Democrats and the Left Wing.

Dr. Isaac Gruenbaum, who left Poland to take up residence abroad, last year, returned to take his place as a member of Parliament and spoke strongly in favor of the curtailment of university autonomy.

Dr. Gruenbaum's appearance on the rostrum was greeted with a prolonged uproar. He charged the National Democratic Party with responsibility for the need of the measure because of its part in sponsoring street fights among the student youth.

It is ridiculous to advocate freedom for the universities in the light of the latest university disturbances, Dr. Gruenbaum asserted. It is impossible to adopt a criterion of freedom for professors who watch with indifference as men and women students alike are beaten up and tossed out of windows.

The modifications in the autonomy of the universities proposed by the government as an aftermath to the recent serious student disturbances, call for: police to be permitted to enter Uni-

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Jewish Marine Minister Attacked In Burning of "L'Atlantique"

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PARIS, Jan. 13.—M. Leon Meyer, the French Minister of Marine, is the target of attack by the entire Right Wing press which charges him with responsibility for the fire which burned France's newest steamer, "L'Atlantique" two weeks ago.

M. Meyer and two members of the Commission appointed to investigate the causes of the fire, all of whom are Jews, are accused of taking part in a Jewish plot to burn the vessel.

The "Tog" commenting upon this at-

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Deputy Landau to Press Investigation Into Shooting Of 5 Jews at Soroca Last Year

Mania Party Scored for Not Taking
Steps to Punish Guilty in Soroca
Case, Despite Plodge

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BUCHAREST, Jan. 13.—Deputy Michael Landau, Jewish representative in the Roumanian Parliament, yesterday announced that he will again press for Parliamentary investigation into the shooting, on January 8, 1932, of five young Jews, two of them girls, by Roumanian frontier guards at Soroca.

The five Jews and Jewesses were shot as they were seeking to cross the frontier into Russia. When the brutal killing became public property, the guards, supported by the Ministry of War, alleged that the Jews were Communists and were shot as they were fleeing when halted by the guards.

All these allegations were disproved by investigations conducted by Deputy Landau and by Deputy Mirescu, sent by the Social Democrats in Parliament to investigate the case.

After widespread criticism, Professor Jorga, then Premier of Roumania, repeatedly offered assurances that a government investigation would be carried out and promised the appointment of a Parliamentary Commission.

On March 16th, Jewish representatives in Parliament accused the Roumanian administration of using sabo-

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Fear Stettin Jewish

Physician Killed by Nazis

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

STETTIN, Jan. 13.—A Jewish physician of this city, Dr. Wolf, who disappeared after he had been summoned to treat a patient on Wednesday evening, is believed to have been kidnapped and murdered by Nazis.

Dr. Wolf is a leader in various Jewish organizations in Stettin. Recently he had been threatened and persecuted by the Nazis, and it is feared that they have finally carried out their threats.

French Yiddish Daily

Suspends Publication

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PARIS, Jan. 13.—"The Tog," Yiddish daily, published in Paris, has suspended publication, it was announced today.

The suspension is of a temporary character, it was pointed out.

German Minister of Interior Takes Steps to Curb Nazi Anti-Jewish Boycott Agitation

Instructs State Governments to Enlist
Police to Prevent Boycott Leaflet
Distribution Before Jewish Stores

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—Minister of Interior Dr. Franz Bracht took steps today to curb the anti-Jewish boycott propaganda of the Nazis, after he had received representations from the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith.

Dr. Bracht ordered the state governments to enlist the assistance of the police to combat the propaganda and to halt the distribution of boycott leaflets in front of Jewish shops. This latter effort has been undertaken by the Nazis in an effort to prevent non-Jews from purchasing in Jewish shops.

Dr. Bracht stated that the Nazi agitation against the Jews is disturbing to peace and order in the country and causes damage to the Jewish citizens of the land.

The Nazi boycott propaganda has made serious inroads in Jewish business in Germany which is particularly serious in the provinces.

The Nazi fraction in the Diet of Hesse today protested against the action of the police in Hesse in curbing the Nazi boycott campaign.

The Hessen Minister of Interior replied that this action was being taken because the agitation has resulted in repeated disturbances and gas bomb attacks such as those which occurred in Giessen and Mainz. For this reason the Federal government has forbidden the boycott agitation.

Asks Provision for Observing Jews in Forty-Hour Week

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, Jan. 13.—A request that provision be made for Jewish workers, who refrain from work on the Sabbath, in the forty-hour week now under consideration by the tri-partite technical conference convened by the International Labor Office, has been submitted by the Joint Foreign Committee to the British Minister of Labor.

The Minister has offered the Joint Foreign Committee that the British representative at the conference will, in

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**Lord Snell Speaks on Zionism
And Anti-Semitism Today**

Lord Harry Snell, former Under Secretary of State for India, and author of the minority report of the Shaw Commission, who is now on a visit to this country, will deliver a lecture this morning at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on "Zionism and the Revival of Anti-Semites."

Lord Snell, who is a member of the British Labor Party, was sent to Palestine, after the Arab riots of 1929, as a member of the Shaw Commission to investigate the occurrences on the scene. He objected to the findings of the Commission, which were severely criticized when published, and wrote a minority report, evincing sympathy and understanding of the Jewish position in Palestine.

**Congress Women's Ass'n
Drive Opens Today**

A Membership Campaign for the Women's Association of the American Jewish Congress will be launched today, Mrs. Stephen S. Wise, president, announced.

During the campaign period, speakers will be sent to the various Jewish women's organizations to acquaint them with the aims and work of the American Jewish Congress.

A meeting of the College Division of the Women's Association of the American Jewish Congress will be held this afternoon at 3:00 P.M. at the Jewish Institute of Religion.

The details of the Pageant Dedicated to the Women in Israel Throughout the Ages, to be given under the auspices of the College Division, March 26, will be discussed. Professor Carl G. B. Knauff who is producing the Pageant,

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**Testimonial Dinner to
Honor Jacob M. Loeb**
(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

CHICAGO, Jan. 13 — The Annual Meeting of the Jewish People's Institute will take place Sunday evening, January 15th, at the Standard Club. The meeting will be preceded by a dinner which will take the form of a testimonial to Jacob M. Loeb, the retiring President.

Mr. Loeb has been associated with the Institute for the past twenty-five years, twenty-two years of which he has acted as President. During his administration, the Institute has made tremendous strides. It has developed from a mere shell into one of the largest community centers in the United States. The Institute touches at one time or another during the year fifty thousand different individuals through its many activities.

The major activities are a School of Physical Education, Schools of Music, Art and Drama.

The Club Department consisting of young people's clubs, as well as clubs for adults, include over one hundred different groups, which meet regularly, with a total in population of over five thousand.

The Adult Education Department during its life-time has served literally tens of thousands of immigrants in the teaching of the English language, and through its citizenship department it has prepared for intelligent citizenship thousands of men and women who became citizens of the United States and who have been given an intelligent civic training. The Adult Education Department has likewise been conducting an accredited evening high school for many years.

During the past year a million and a quarter people in the aggregate have used its many facilities. It now occupies one of the finest community center buildings in the country, which was dedicated five years ago, at a cost of over a million dollars.

The Institute has also a roof garden used during four summer months. It has housed the first and only Day Camp in this part of the country. Some three hundred youngsters were given camping experience during the day. An aggregate of over one hundred thousand children and young people were served in this one activity alone.

The girls' camp of the Institute, Camp Chi, has served during the last twelve years seven thousand different girls.

The Institute's activities also include one of the finest specialized libraries in the country. It is a gift of Mrs. Heyman Schur in memory of her husband. This library specializes in the social sciences and in Judaica, and in this department it has the finest collection in this part of the country. As many as five hundred people a day use this library for reference purposes.

The Institute also houses a Museum

**Mrs. Sternberger Appeals
For Unity in Jewish Life**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

BOSTON, Jan. 13—Estelle M. Sternberger, editor of Jewish Women of America and the Woman's Review, was the guest speaker of the Boston Chapter of the Hadassah on Wednesday when the officers and members of the Boston Section of the National Council of Jewish Women were its guests.

In the course of her address, on "Woman's Pledge: A New Deal for The Race," Mrs. Sternberger stated that the problem of the Jew in all parts of the world could not be separated from their relationship to the problems of humanity, that the solution of the problems of Jewish communities everywhere affected the progress of civilization.

"We should have no hesitance in summoning the League of Nations to take note that one of its members, Poland, has violated the treaty protecting minority groups. Every forum of public opinion should be made to echo that protest, so that a fearless, fair and justice-loving Christian opinion might humble Christian Poland to write "Finis," to the story of the world's race persecutions.

"We who are more favored, even with all our problems, cannot shut out the rest of the world from our concern. We dare not fail our fellow-Jew in these hours. We must not turn aside from him because we are so tired-of hearing about his misery.

In speaking about Palestine, which she had recently visited, Mrs. Sternberger stated: "There is today only one land to which the Jewish migrant can go with any gleam of hope in his eyes, and that land is Palestine."

One fact is most gratifying to a woman observer in passing through Palestine, namely, that women are greatly in evidence in the life of Palestine.

Mrs. Sternberger appealed for unity upon the part of all groups in Jewish life for assuming the responsibilities that belong to all Jews regardless of their alignment.

of Jewish Antiquities, Ceremonial Objects and Rare Manuscripts, which is visited by thousands weekly.

While the policy of the Institute has always been to encourage those who make use of its facilities to pay a nominal amount for the services rendered, in the past few years it has done more than one-half of the work absolutely free for those who are economically dependent. It has offered free activities to over four thousand different boys and girls, young men and young women.

The testimonial dinner, which is being given to Mr. Loeb on his retirement by the Board of Directors and the membership of the Institute, is tendered in recognition of his distinguished and devoted service. Mr. Loeb is not only

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Iraq Scored for Intolerance Toward Jews; Charged With Infringing on Pledge to League

Jewish Youth on Scholarship Recalled to Baghdad Because of Zionist Sympathies

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The intolerant conduct of the Iraq Government toward Jews is strongly criticized in an editorial published in the "London Jewish Chronicle" today. It relates that the Iraq Government recently awarded a scholarship to a young Jew who had proved himself in many competitive examinations as the most brilliant student in Baghdad. The young man in question was sent to Liverpool to continue his studies there. It is now disclosed that he has suddenly been asked by the Iraq Legation to return to Baghdad. Moreover, the Legation have even requested him to refund the money advanced to him for the fare to Liverpool.

The "Jewish Chronicle" says that while the Iraq Government has hitherto offered no explanation of its procedure, the real reason underlying its conduct is suspected to be the fact that the student had written a letter to a friend in Palestine expressing his sympathy with Zionist aspirations. It points out that Iraq has assumed definite obligations towards the League of Nations respecting its minorities, and that discrimination of this sort can hardly be regarded as in keeping with its solemn undertakings. At the same time it recalls a recent refusal of the Iraq Government to deliver letters sent to Iraq by the Zionist offices in Jerusalem, necessitating the intervention of the British authorities.

The State of Iraq was formally admitted as a member of the League by the League of Nations Assembly on Oct. 3, 1932. It was then officially reported to the Assembly that Iraq had entered into the undertakings required by the League Council in regard to the protection of minorities.

On the same occasion, Viscount Cecil, representing Great Britain, which had relinquished its mandate for Iraq, declared that full attention had been given to the minorities question and that "the form of guarantees undertaken by Iraq was, perhaps, the most stringent of any of that kind."

Congress Women's Ass'n Drive Opens Today

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will outline the text of the five episodes and show a complete section of the Pageant. Professor Abraham Binder, who is preparing special music for the Pageant, will indicate the nature of the musical program.

Governor Moore has appointed Dr. Max Lentz, of Passaic, a member of the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry.

National Conference on Palestine Today; To Consider Status of Upbuilding Work

Palestine Foundation Fund Reports \$4,528,821 Expended in Last Eleven Years

With some five hundred Jewish leaders from all parts of the country expected to be in attendance, the National Conference on Palestine, to consider the status of the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, will open today at two o'clock at the Hotel Astor for an afternoon and evening session, with Louis Lipsky, National Chairman of the American Palestine Campaign, presiding and delivering the opening address.

Convoked by the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the body entrusted by the League of Nations with administration of the Jewish rebuilding activities in Palestine, today's national conference will also be the signal for the launching of fund-raising efforts for Palestine throughout the country. It has been announced that due to the financial pressure on the Jewish Agency, its campaign this year will be solely in the interests of the Palestine Foundation Fund, known as the Keren Hayesod, and in co-operation with the Hadassah, Women's Zionist Organization. No other Palestine fund-raising body will be included, as in previous years.

In addition to reports on American contributions to Palestine, and discussion of progress in Palestine, there will be addresses by Felix M. Warburg, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Cyrus Adler, Morris Rothenberg, Nathan Straus, Jr., Louis Lipsky, Judge William M. Lewis, Rabbi Samuel Schulman, Harry L. Glucksmann and others. Today's conference will also elect officers of the American Palestine Campaign for 1933.

The sum of \$4,528,821 has been disbursed by the Palestine Foundation Fund in Palestine during the past eleven years, according to Dr. Leib Jaffe, Director of the Palestine Foundation Fund in Jerusalem, in a report made public in connection with today's conference.

Dr. Jaffe's report says, in part:

"Agricultural colonization has been regarded by the Palestine Foundation Fund as its chief function, and it has, therefore, devoted 32 per cent of its total expenditures, or \$1,416,613, to this item of its budget. The number of settlements founded or subsidized by the Keren Hayesod was 57: 22 kvutzoth, 14 smallholders' settlements, 5 girls' training farms, 9 subsidized settlements, 4 Yeminite quarters and two agricultural experiment stations, at Rehoboth and at Gevath.

"For education, the sum of \$903,957 has been spent. Of this amount the Hebrew University received \$38,128, the National Library \$12,800, and the Hebrew Technical Institute \$40,015. The educational network of the Jewish Agency embraces 255 institutions,

Palestine Government Assigns \$36,000 for Loans for Winter Sowing

Agricultural Situation Described as Critical Owing to Draught and Dry Winds

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, Jan. 13.—The Palestine Government yesterday assigned a sum of \$36,000 to be distributed in the form of loans to cultivators for the winter sowing.

The loans have been necessitated by the agricultural situation which is termed critical, owing to the lack of rain coupled with dry winds. These factors, according to the government report, have ruined 200,000 dunams in the winter crop. As a result most areas must be resown. The situation further has caused an increase in the prices of agricultural commodities, the government report points out.

Prayers for rain are being recited in the colonies and in the synagogues in Jerusalem and at the Wailing Wall.

The draught which extends across the Jordan has also seriously affected the Transjordan grazing grounds where the Bedouins, depending on the pastures for their livelihood, are threatened with the loss of their flocks. So much so that the Palestine Government has in several cases allowed Bedouin tribes to cross into Palestine for pasturing.

with 917 school and kindergarten teachers, and 23,143 pupils. The Keren Hayesod is proud of its devotion to the cause of Hebrew education; we see in it no 'unproductive' investment. These are the most productive investments for the Jewish renaissance.

"The Keren Hayesod has done much for urban development, though not enough if measured by our desires and needs. As for the share of the Keren Hayesod in Tel Aviv, Jewish city of 46,000, without the \$103,000 invested by it in the electrification project, there might today have been no cheap power for its factories or homes or for electric lighting. For labor and public works in the towns and on the land, the Keren Hayesod has expended \$520,000. The Keren Hayesod has helped Jewish workers to make their way into all occupations existing in Palestine, and to introduce new pursuits previously unknown.

"The Keren Hayesod has had a large share in the redemption of the soil of Palestine, expending and investing for this purpose at various times \$32,760, \$22,253 and \$194,270.

"Other expenditures included \$417,989 for immigration and \$286,807 for health. The latter sum does not cover the Jewish expenditures for sanitation activities, for the Hadassah, Women's Zionist Organization, expended \$390,491 during that period."

Jewish Marine Minister Attacked In Burning of "L'Atlantique"

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tack, which is rare since it applies to high government officials, who have been free from the allegations of even the extreme anti-Semitic press in the past, asserts it is due solely to the fact that Minister Meyer is a Jew and that the two members of the Commission are Jews.

It is held unlikely that either the Socialist majority in the Parliament or Premier Paul-Boncour will be influenced by the attacks on the Jewish Cabinet Minister.

The "Tog" says, however, that it is symptomatic that even in a calamity of such a character, the press is unscrupulous in capitalizing it for agitation against the Jews and for sounding the cry of danger to the entire French Marine so long as it is headed by a Jew.

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versity buildings in the event of disturbances; appointments of professors to the faculties to be vested in the hands of the President of the Polish republic; student rioters to be placed on trial in the ordinary criminal courts instead of in the University Disciplinary Courts as at present; student organizations to be under the direct supervision of the Minister of Education; all student meetings to require the sanction of the Rector and to take place on the University campus only, while discussions of political questions are to be prohibited.

Annual Convention of Roumanian Jews Today

The twenty-fourth annual convention of the United Roumanian Jews of America will be held at the Hotel Astor today.

Reports dealing with the problems of the Jews in Roumania and with the activities of the organization will be presented by Leo Wolfson, Honorary President, A. D. Braham, President and Herman Speier, Secretary.

The afternoon session will be addressed by Dr. Joseph Tennenbaum, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Congress, Abraham Goldberg, B. C. Vladeck, President of the Peoples' Ort Tool Campaign and Abraham Hirsch of Philadelphia.

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Deputy Landau to Press Investigation Into Shooting Of 5 Jews at Soroca Last Year

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tage tactics in order to prevent the presentation of documents relating to the Soroca excesses to Parliament. The government was accused of dragging the case until the Easter Parliamentary recess in the hope that thereafter the matter would be permitted to drop.

Subsequent events have borne out these allegations, it is now pointed out. Until the present day, the government has done nothing to bring about an impartial investigation to establish the guilt or innocence of the frontier guards, it is asserted.

"Unser Zeit," Roumanian Jewish publication, airs its grievances in this connection against the National Peasant Party, whose leader, Dr. Iuliu Maniu, served as Premier of Roumania, until yesterday, when he resigned.

The paper recalls that the National Peasant Party representatives joined in the condemnation of the Soroca affair at the time of its occurrence and demanded that a government commission be appointed to probe the matter. Nevertheless, when the National Peasant Party came into control of the government, it did nothing in the matter, despite the fact that it is known that the Jews were deliberately trapped and murdered, the paper writes.

The Soroca affair occurred on January 8, 1932, when five Jewish unemployed youths, including two girls, seeking employment in Soviet Russia, attempted to walk across the frozen Dniester to Soviet Russia.

They were led by one Ion Mihalas, who had been recommended to them as specializing in facilitating the crossing of the Dniester. Mihalas, demanded 4,000 lei for payment to a certain Corporal of the Guards, who was to aid the Jews to reach the Frontier. The Jewish youths agreed to pay this sum.

An investigation conducted by independent agencies in Roumania revealed that as soon as the group arrived at a given point, the frontier guards surrounded them, ordered them to lie down and began firing immediately. This report asserted that the Jews were shot at a distance of from five to fifteen metres and were shot in the front, not as they were fleeing, as the Minister of War stated in an official communique, which referred to wounds in the back and side.

One of the group, Tichinovschi, lived for fourteen hours, and in a death-bed declaration made to the public prosecutor of Soroca, corroborated these facts.

Autopsies performed on the bodies indicated that each of the victims was riddled by bullets, many of them being in the face. One of the girls had as many as thirty bullets in her body.

Testimonial Dinner to Honor Jacob M. Loeb

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noted for his leadership in the Institute, but also a citizen of Chicago at large. He was a member of the Chicago Board of Education from 1913-1922, and President of the Board for a good part of this time. Mr. Loeb is Vice-President of the Jewish Welfare Board, which is a national institution interested in the development of community centers in the United States. He was chairman of the drive for the Jewish War Sufferers in 1921, which raised \$1,800,000. He was also chairman of the United Drive for \$2,500,000 for Jewish Philanthropy Purposes in 1922, and chairman of the Four Million Dollar United Drive for Jewish purposes in 1925. It was due to his efforts in these latter two drives that the Institute has been the beneficiary of a million and a half dollars, with part of which it was able to build the Lawndale District Building.

Asks Provision for Observing Jews in Forty-Hour Week

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formulating his stand, bear in mind the views of the Jews.

The Technical conference is considering a forty-hour week to be distributed equally over six days.

The Joint Foreign Committee asked that a clause be inserted in the agreement drawn up permitting Jewish workers to refrain from work on the Sabbath, and adding to their days of work an additional number of hours instead.

The International Labor Office met in Geneva on January 10th. At its meeting it received a petition from the Poale Agudath Israel, the labor section of the Agudath Israel, asking that in preparing for the forty-hour week, arrangements be made for Jews to work from Monday to Friday, so that the Sabbath would not be infringed upon.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

GENEVA, Jan. 13—Dr. Z. Zahn of Jugoslavia has been named a member of the Social Insurance Commission of the International Labor Office.

Edward Branstein, member of a widely known San Francisco, Cal., tea importing concern, has been reappointed a member of the United States Board of Tea Experts by Secretary of Agriculture Hyde.

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