REPORT JEWISH COMPANY LEASES 55,000 DUNAMS
OF TRANSJORDAN LAND FOR 99 YEAR PERIOD

Area Report by Arab Press to Be Abdullah's Own Land; Jewish Agency
Executive Declines to Comment; J.T.A. Learns They Have Basis
in Fact Although Based on Inadequate Information

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, Jan. 16—The Arab press reports today that a Jewish company
has leased from Emir Abdullah of Transjordania, 55,000 dunams of his
own land for a period of ninety-nine years.

This report is taken very seriously in Arab circles and the Arab National
Party has called a meeting in Jeru-
salem “for fighting the Zionist danger.”

The Jewish Agency Executive de-
velops to make any comment upon this
report. The Jewish Telegraphic Agency
learns, however, from a most reliable
source, that while the Arab reports are
based on inadequate information, they
nevertheless have basis in fact.

It is known that the Jewish Agency
Executive has been following closely the
developments in Transjordania, for a
considerable period. Important steps
have been taken, it is understood, which
may ultimately develop into historic sig-
nificance, but these steps cannot be made
public at present, the Jewish Telegraphic
Agency understands.

The problem of the Jewish position
in Transjordan and the total exclusion
of Jews from that territory has been
repeatedly discussed at most of the
Zionist Congresses and the sessions of
the Permanent Mandates Commission of
the League of Nations ever since Sep-
tember 1922 when the Council of the
League approved certain exceptions
to the Mandate in the form of an Annex
to the Mandate. This latter document
excluded Transjordan from the opera-
tion of those provisions of the Mandate
which related to the Jewish National
Home. It has been since pointed out,
and notably in a memorandum submitted
by the Jewish Agency to the British

Dr. Bernstein Arrives
To Take Up His Duties

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PARIS, Jan. 16—Dr. James Bern-
stein, of New York arrived in Paris
yesterday and proceeded to take
up his duties as the new European
director of the activities of the Hias.
Dr. Bernstein replaces Aaron Ben-
jamin who resigned this office.

Neville Laski Elected President
Of Board of Deputies; Victory
For Non-Zionist Group

Defeats Major Nathan, Candidate
of the Zionist Group; Replaces
Goldsmid

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, Jan. 16—Neville Laski,
prominent Manchester attorney and
brother of Professor Harold Laski, the
well known political scientist, was yester-
day elected president of the Board
of Deputies of British Jews, succeeding
D'Avigdor Goldsmid, who held the
office for seven years.

Mr. Laski, by a vote of 128 to 79, de-
feated Major Salomon Nathan, mem-
ber of Parliament, who was also a can-
didate for the post.

Mr. Laski's election is interpreted as
a victory for the non-Zionist faction
of the Board of Deputies. Mr. Laski
is known to be a non-Zionist and in
some circles is even regarded as an
anti-Zionist.

Major Nathan was the candidate of
the Zionist group represented in the
Board's membership. It was hoped
that a Zionist would be elected as more
truly representative of the preponder-
ant Zionist complexion of the Board.

The retiring president, while a non-
Zionist, was the Chairman of the Brit-
ish section of the Jewish Agency for
Palestine.

Eight Jewish Students at
Lemberg University Arrested

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LEMBERG, Jan. 16—Eight Jewish
students in the philosophic depart-
ment of the University of Lemberg were sud-
denly placed under arrest yesterday. No
reason was given for the action of the
authorities.

The Jewish philosophy students have
recently incurred the ire of the rector
of Lemberg University because of a
sharp resolution of protest against the
anti-Semitic riots adopted by them. It
is believed that yesterday's arrests have
some connection with this.
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AMERICAN PALESTINE CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED
AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE ATTENDED BY 500;
LIPSKY ELECTED CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Conference Appeals to American Jewry to Give Primacy and Priority to Keren Hayesod So That Its Budget May Be Covered and Reconstruction Activities in Palestine Maintained; Distinguished Leaders Attend Conference; Addresses by Warburg, Adler, Lipsky, Rothenberg, Wise, Schulman, and Nathan Straus, Jr. Lipsky in which he expressed regret that “the tremendous pressure of public work makes it absolutely necessary for me to remain in Albany over this weekend.”

The 1933 effort to raise funds in the United States to maintain Jewish re-construction activities in Palestine was launched Sunday at the National Conference on Palestine, which brought together at the Hotel Astor more than 200 representatives from all parts of the United States. The drive will be known as the American Palestine Campaign and its receipts will go for the budget of the Palestine Foundation Fund, the financial instrument of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. The Conference appealed to American Jewry to give “primacy and priority” to the Palestine Foundation Fund.

Louis Lipsky was named Chairman of the Board of Directors and, active National Chairman of the American Palestine Campaign. The other National Chairmen are Judge William M. Lewis, Philadelphia; James Marshall, Morris Rothenberg and Nathan Straus, New York, and Elihu D. Stone, Boston.

The Honorary Chairmen are Dr. Cyrus Adler, President of the American Jewish Committee; Governor Herbert H. Lehman, Federal Judge Julian W. Mack, Felix M. Warburg and Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

Other officers of the American Palestine Campaign include Honorary Vice-Chairmen, a Board of Directors and a National Committee of Two Hundred. The Treasurers are Jacob M. Cohen, Abraham Lieblovitz and Harry L. Glickman.

The conference was attended by leading Zionists and non-Zionists. Speakers included Felix M. Warburg, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Cyrus Adler, Morris Rothenberg, Nathan Straus, Jr., Rabbi Samuel Schulman, Judge William M. Lewis, and Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

Messages urging a united front of American Jewry in the interests of Palestine were received from Nahum Sokolow, president of the World Zionist Organization; Dr. Chaim Weizmann, former head of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who is coming to the United States shortly, and Governor Herbert H. Lehman.

In opening the conference, Mr. Lipsky was elected Chairman of the American Palestine Campaign, announced that during 1932 the sum of $753,696.98 had been raised in cash for the Jewish Agency. Of this amount, Hadassah, Women’s Zionist Organization of America, has secured $386,762.54.

Governor Herbert H. Lehman, who was elected Chairman of the American Palestine Campaign, and who said that he would “be very glad indeed to serve,” sent a message to Mr. (Continued on Page 4)

Roumanian Convention Votes
Support to World Congress

The United Roumanian Jews of America went on record as supporting to the fullest extent the forthcoming World Jewish Congress, which is scheduled to convene next year, at its 26th annual convention, held at the Hotel Astor on Sunday. More than 200 delegates, representing 22 organizations with a total membership of 50,000 unanimously supported the resolution. The convention also voted to urge upon the various Jewish parties in Roumania that they send delegates to the forthcoming World Jewish Congress.

At the close of the sessions A. D. Braham was re-elected president of the organization, Leo Wolfson was re-elected as honorary president and Herman Spier was re-elected Executive Secretary.

The convention passed a number of resolutions aiming to better the situation of the Jews in Roumania. One resolution suggested that the Roumanian Government inaugurate a policy of help and encouragement toward the Jewish population, with a view toward the development of the country’s resources, the colonization of Jewish families on the land, and the training of the Jewish youth in the ways of labor and industry.

This resolution was prompted by the belief that “such a condition that “an early return to at least moderate prosperity could be brought about through helpful cooperation between the Roumanian Government and its Jewish population.”

In a political resolution, the Roumanian Government was taken to task for its failure to cooperate with the delinquents in the Sorocu and similar incidents in which a number of Jews were the victims of cruel and inhuman treatment. The convention urged the Roumanian Government to take such measures as to insure that similar acts (Continued on Page 4)

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Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1933.
Nazis Gain Nine Seats in Lippe; Victory May Have Important Effect on Nazi Policy
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, Jan. 16—The National Socialist Party gained nine seats in the Diet of the state of Lippe Detmold, won nine of the twenty-one seats, gaining 38,944 votes of the total of 98,500 cast. Buoyed by this victory, Adolf Hitler, who took a personal part in the election campaign, may decide against supporting the postponement of the Reichstag until March and may bring about new elections by voting non-confidence in Chancellor von Schleicher.

Memorial Services Held For Baron Gunzburg
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PARIS, Jan. 16—Memorial services for Baron Horace Gunzburg, the noted Russian Jewish philanthropist, on the occasion of the centenary of his birth were held here yesterday at the Great Synagogue.

Addresses were delivered by Rabbi Julien Well, Henri Slishberg and Saul Ginsburg.

Nazi Central Organ Fined for Insulting Jew
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

VIENNA, Jan. 16—The central organ of the National Socialist Party was fined 200 schillings, with an alternative of four days' imprisonment for its editors, for insulting a Jewish merchant.

The court ruled that while the term "Jew" was not insulting, the intention to create contempt through its use constitutes contempt.

1200 Clergymen Attend Invitation Performance of "Yoshe Kalb"

Twelve hundred clergymen of New York members of the Jewish and non-Jewish faiths were the guests yesterday of Maurice Schwartz at the Yiddish Art Theatre at an invitation performance of "Yoshe Kalb".

Leaders of the various denominations in New York attended the performance of the play which is a dramatization of a novel by I. J. Singer, which has been enjoying popularity at the Yiddish Art Theatre.

Polish Artisans to Bar Communists from Workshops
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

WARSAW, Jan. 16—Jewish Communists will in the future be expelled from the workshops according to a resolution adopted by the Jewish Artisans as a measure of self defense.

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...recently been leveled at it that it has been ineffective. He also reported that Mrs. Warburg, now in Palestine, is "full of enthusiasm" for the work being done there. During the course of his remarks he said:

"Although the Jewish Agency for Palestine may not have achieved all the economic and political objectives which its sponsors had in view, it has, nevertheless, been an important factor in cementing Jewish communities throughout the world. If the Agency's effectiveness cannot be measured by the stimulation it has given to Jewish development in Palestine, its possibilities may be judged by the harmonium situation which it has produced in our own country. Any institution which can create a common platform, on which Jews of all shades of opinion may unite, may be termed a success. By pointing in the direction of a united front, the Jewish Agency has had a valuable influence in indicating the proper frame of mind in which all Jewish problems must be approached.

"I have received the best of reports in regard to the spirit prevailing in Palestine. Mrs. Warburg and my son have just ended a most pleasant stay in Palestine and they left the country with a great deal of regret, full of enthusiasm and admiration for the spirit of the people and the actual achievements there.

"We might well regard what we are doing in Palestine as an investment in the social stability of the world as well as of the Jewish people."

"It was not very pleasant, but last night I heard an official of the American Government bragging of the fact that more people left the United States this year than came."

"It has now come to the point where we speak of emigration and not immigration. This condition does not mean prosperity for a country. Therefore, if in Palestine, the immigration is larger than that of any nation comparatively, we know that the work in Palestine is progressing.

"This, probably, best indicated by a reference which I saw in a recent issue of "The Near East and India", which pointed out that during the last year there had been brought into Palestine from Jewish sources some 2,000,000 pounds for business purposes. In addition, 1,000,000 pounds were deposited in Palestine banks because of the belief that the money was safer than elsewhere."

"That the Jew in Eastern European countries is "still made the scapegoat" was the charge made by Rabbi Samuel Schultman, of Temple Emanuel, New York, in an address reviewing the position of the Jew in the world today with...

Professor Cohn's Duties at Breslau Assured by Senate; To Be Protected by Government
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BRESLAU, Jan. 16—Professor Ernst Cohn, by the majority vote of the Senate of the University of Breslau and consent of Rector Brockelmann, will be permitted to resume his lectures, beginning today.

The students at the University, the Nazi faction of which have been creating repeated disturbances against the Jewish professor, have been called upon to observe order. The government, it was announced, would undertake sharp penalties against those responsible for disturbing the peace.

The question of Professor Cohn's teaching activity is now considered closed after a long controversy which involved the Ministry of Education of Prussia, after the Senate had decided that Professor Cohn's teaching activities could no longer be tolerated. This decision was adopted after repeated attacks on the closing of the University and after Professor Cohn had replied to a newspaper inquiry concerning his view on the right to asylum in Germany of Leon Trotsky, the exiled Soviet leader. Professor Cohn declared that he considered all spiritual workers are entitled to asylum provided they do not engage in political activity. This statement precipitated the declaration of the Union...

New Roumanian Premier Restores Minorities Ministry
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BUCAREST, Jan. 16—The Ministry for National Minorities, which was abolished by Premier Maniu, who resigned his office last week, has been restored by Dr. Alexander Vadu Voicu, who succeeds Maniu as Prime Minister.

M. Serban has been appointed undersecretary for the Minorities. He himself is not a member of any minority group.

3,721 Polish Jews Went To Palestine in 1932
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WARSAW, Jan. 16—A total of 3,721 Polish Jews went to Palestine in 1932, it was revealed here yesterday.

This represents an increase of 2,682 over the number of Jews who left Poland for Palestine in 1931.

At a special joint meeting of the Congregation of Jews in Israel of Athens, Syria, and of the Temple Beth Israel of this city, the president of the Sisterhood presented the Congregation with a check of $500, signifying that the Temple is free from debt. The Sisterhood, through the efforts of its members, raised the funds needed in order to make the donation.

Max Michael, president, presented at the meeting and announced that this is the first time in the history of the Congregation that it is relieved of the burden of debt.

Rabbi Abraham Shusterman is the rabbi of the congregation.
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pecial reference to the possibilities of a solution in Palestine.

Declaring his belief that the Jewish Agency for Palestine "if strengthened can become the official unifying force of world Jewry," Rabbi Schulman said that "we cannot afford, at this critical time, to weaken the hands of the Jewish Agency. The Agency itself is an instrument of great value, not merely for the work in Palestine, but for the promotion of Jewish unity. To break down the Agency, despite the excellent private enterprises which are helping to develop Palestine, would be to undermine the foundation upon which the settlement (in Palestine) rests. By the work for Palestine, in which Zionists and non-Zionists are united, we hope to be led into an even greater influence for Jewish cooperation in the world than exists now."

That the Jews must depend upon themselves for the rebuilding of Palestine and that they have no right to look to Great Britain, the Mandatory Power, as "the colonizing power," was the warning given to the National Congress by Rabbi Wise, President of the Jewish Agency. He also urged that Jews should not "clamor for the impossible when so much is that possible remains undone for want of means and the will to do it."

Nathan Straus, Jr., in his address, called the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine "the only realistic attempt at self-emancipation that has a place in the immediate purposes of the Jewish people."

"I believe Palestine constitutes the one symbol of Jewish unity today. Palestine itself is becoming self-supporting, and must be given the support it needs to maintain the existing community. The funds are needed to enable the community to grow, to enable it "in our time" to become the home of a large, self respecting people, living those ideals of social justice first given to the world by the Hebrew prophets."

"A great many of the projects created and sponsored by the Palestine Foundation Fund have today become pivotal factors in the country's development," Morris Rothenberg said. "These enterprises have been responsible for the influx of private capital and the growth of an impressive economic structure. The entire project represents an enterprise which needs only temporary assistance to become a self-sustaining Jewish structure and a source of spiritual values of which the Jews the world over may be proud."

"It is to obtain the necessary funds toward the maintenance of this splendid constructive work as well as for the conduct of the health and sanitation activities of the Hadassah that the American Palestine Campaign of the Jewish Agency seeks to obtain in the United States what is an insignificant amount compared to the vast sums which are being raised for local purposes in this country at the present time."

Rabbi Wise said that "all that youth has in Europe is the challenge of an utterly hopeless one unless they fix their eyes on a land which is not a land for Jews in need, but a land which needs Jews, a land wherein Jews can meet needs and solve problems and create a new order of life just as the surplus of 700,000 is, after all, a challenge to the fiscal systems and the economic order for life in Western lands. Another ten or twenty years there will be greater moral and spiritual deficiency in the lands, but everything that we Zionists do, everything that you prepare to do, everything that the Jewish world will do in Palestine, will create a moral and spiritual surplus upon which Jewish life the world over can live."

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will not be repeated. It also expressed the hope that the Government will bring about wholehearted cooperation between all elements of the Roumanian population.

The convention had listened to B. C. Vlaicu, head of the People's Ort Federation, who was the principal speaker at the afternoon session, a resolution was passed calling upon constituent organizations to come to the assistance of the ORT with a view to giving effective aid and assistance in the reconstruction of Jewish life in Roumania, through the systematic reorientation of the people towards manual labor and industrial occupations.

Other resolutions adopted by the convention called upon constituent organizations and members to support Jewish cultural and philanthropic organizations and the strengthening of all Jewish communal organizations in the United States; members were urged to contribute liberally to the American-Palestine Campaign.