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## COLONIAL SECRETARY SAYS HE IS NOW CONSIDERING TRANSJORDAN LAND LEASE; TRANSJORDAN ASSEMBLY SUDDENLY POSTPONED

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister Acknowledges Negotiations Between Emir Abdullah and Jewish Group; Much Importance Attached to Sudden Postponement of Assembly Which Was to Have Heard Plea for Legalization of Land Leases to Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Colonial Office is now giving consideration to the proposed lease of Transjordan land to Jews, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, Secretary of State for the Colonies, declared today in Parliament.

The statement was in reply to a question by Colonel Josiah Wedgwood who asked whether the Palestine Administration or the Transjordan government had offered any objections to the lease of land to Jews.

Sir Philip acknowledged that negotiations for the lease of a certain area of land in Transjordan had been carried on between Emir Abdullah and a Jewish group. "I am now considering the matter and am unable to make a

further statement," the Colonial Secretary declared.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, Feb. 9.—The opening of the Transjordan Legislative Assembly, scheduled for today, which was to have heard Transjordan Arab leaders press for the legalization of leases to Jews, was suddenly postponed today.

Considerable importance is attached to this summary and surprising action in view of the subject matter of its agenda.

The Assembly was already open and the flag had been raised when the Secretariat announced that the Assembly would not meet.

No date for the resumption of the session was set and the members were sent home mystified.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, Feb. 9.—An Arab group, calling itself "Arab Executive of Transjordan," wired Emir Abdullah of Transjordan and the Palestine High Commissioner that "public opinion watches with anxiety Zionist intrigues" and that it would welcome any scheme to develop Transjordan provided the plan is carried out by Arabs and the Jews are prevented from taking possession of the land.

The "Falastin" accuses Emir Abdullah of encouraging the Jews in their efforts to secure a lease on Transjordan land despite his cancellation of the option and his denial of any intention to lease his own lands.

The Arab organ asserts that Emir Abdullah's denial is insufficient.

## Dr. Nahum Sokolow Received by King Fuad

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

CAIRO, Feb. 9.—Nahum Sokolow, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine was received by King Fuad today.

Dr. Sokolow is visiting Egypt enroute to Europe, following a stay in Palestine.

## Organized Nazi Mob Attacks Take Place in Thuringia; 2 Jews Injured

Mob, Exhorted by Nazi Leader, Attacks Jewish Quarter, Smashes Windows; Injures Two Merchants

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, Feb. 9.—Nazi attacks on Jews and Jewish homes, of a pogrom nature, occurred in Gersfeld, Thuringia. A Nazi mob assembled in the market place of the town where they were exhorted by a Nazi leader, Heun, to "drag the Jews from their houses."

The Nazis stormed the Jewish quarter, smashed the windows and in one case dragged a Jewish merchant, Bacharach, from his dwelling into the street where he was severely beaten up and sustained grave injuries.

Another Jewish merchant, who dared to offer resistance to the Nazis, was also seriously injured.

Bacharach is a man of standing in his community and had no political affiliations.

## Moscow Kehillah to Undertake Baking of Matzoth for Soviet Jews

Only Those Who Receive Aid from Relatives or Organizations Will Be Able to Secure It Due to High Costs

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

MOSCOW, Feb. 9.—The Jewish Community of Moscow has undertaken to bake matzoth for the Passover consumption of the Jewish population of Soviet Russia which desires matzoth and is in a position to pay for it, according to a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by Albert Fuchs, recognized as the head of the Jewish Community.

No Jewish Community exists officially, but Mr. Fuchs is the chairman of the synagogue and the Jewish Cemetery and as such is regarded as the head of the Jewish Community.

Neither individual bakers nor government cooperatives will undertake to bake matzoth this year as few desire to be identified with religious matters.

The Moscow Kehillah has therefore set up a matzoth bakery, with the necessary machinery, in a Jewish cemetery, fifteen kilometers from Moscow.

The matzoth problem however is not  
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## Anti-Semitic Disturbances At University of Warsaw; Jew and Professor Injured

Attacks Occur as a Protest Against Project to Limit Autonomy of Universities

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

WARSAW, Feb. 9.—Anti-Semitic disturbances, broke out yesterday at the University of Warsaw in connection with the proposal to limit the autonomy of the Universities.

A Jewish student was severely beaten up during the disturbances.

The disturbances started first as clashes between the pro-government students, who support the measure, and the National Democrats, members of the opposition party. Later they developed into an attack upon the Jews who suffered most heavily.

A Professor Tadeusz Czarnecki was also attacked and injured, because he favors the limitation of the University autonomy.

Police were permitted to enter the University campus and dispersed the rioters.

The National Democrats have been agitating against the Jews ever since  
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**Jewess Called "Outstanding Citizen" of Des Moines**

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DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb. 9.—Mrs. Max Mayer, director of the Jewish Community Center, won the Des Moines Tribune Community Service award, an annual trophy to the most outstanding citizen in the city.

Mrs. Mayer's award was based on the verdict of a jury of 36 representatives of civic, professional, fraternal, and religious organizations. A silver cup, symbolizing the award, will be given to her at a public ceremony to be announced later.

In addition to being director of the Jewish Community Center, Mrs. Mayer, who is the third woman to receive the award since the idea was conceived 12 years ago, is prominent in women's clubs and civic organizations throughout the city. She is well known as a public speaker and as an executive in political and economic groups.

**"Current Events" to Publish Hebrew Supplement**

In response to a demand on the part of many Hebrew schools for a Hebrew Supplement, the Jewish Current Events, published by the Jewish Daily Bulletin Company, has decided to issue a Hebrew page for those schools and groups that desire it.

The Hebrew Supplement will be edited by the Jewish educator, Kalman Whiteman, and will be under the supervision of a special committee of educators consisting of Israel S. Chipkin, the Director of the Jewish Education Association, New York; Ben Rosen, Director of the Associated Talmud Torahs, Philadelphia; Israel Konowitz, Principal of the Down Town Talmud Torah, and David Rudavsky of the New York Bureau of Jewish Education, New York.

**Hearn's to Give Percentage Of Proceeds to Hadassah**

Hearn's Department Store will turn over a percentage of the net income from all departments on Wednesday, February 15th, to the drive being conducted by the New York Chapter of Hadassah, it was announced by Mrs. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the Campaign Committee of the annual Donor Luncheon of Hadassah which will take place on March 20th at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

The arrangement has been made by the Hearn store through the efforts of Mrs. M. Levine and Mrs. Robert Weil. Mrs. Felix M. Warburg will open the sale at 9:30 A.M. and will assign three hundred Hadassah members as saleswomen at the various counters in the store, which, for the occasion, will be decorated in Zionist flags.

There will also be on display literature and photographs showing Hadassah medical and health work in Palestine.

Among the saleswomen will be Mrs. Stephen S. Wise, Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman, Mrs. Rebekah Kohut, Mrs. Abram I. Elkus, Mrs. David DeSola Pool, Mrs. Bernard S. Deutch, Mrs. S. Liebowitz, and Mrs. Sol Rosenblom.

The window display is being arranged by Mrs. Samuel Lamport.

Jack Pearl, Broadway star, will be on hand to serve customers.

**Rabbi Lazaron Urges Civil Marriages in Maryland**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 9.—Arguing in favor of the civil marriage bill now pending in the House of Delegates of the Maryland General Assembly, a number of clergymen, including Dr. Morris S. Lazaron, rabbi of the Madison Avenue Temple of Baltimore, appeared yesterday before the House Judiciary Committee.

The spiritual leaders said they felt the marriage contract was basically a civil instrument and that they saw no reason why persons with no religious convictions should be obliged to appear before a minister to be married. They urged passage of the measure as in line with separation of church and State and recalled that Maryland and West Virginia were the only two States in which a religious ceremony is required.

Only one opponent of the bill, sponsored by Delegates Emanuel Gorfine and Richard M. Baker appeared at the hearing.

**To Hold First Jewish Conference on Camping**

The first conference on camping arranged by the new department of health and camp activities of the Jewish Welfare Board will be held on February 19th at the 92nd Street Y.M.H.A.

The conference will be addressed by Ben Solomon, Samuel Leff, Janet G. Weisman, Samuel S. Solender and Jacob Mirviss.

**"Yakhin" Organizing New Colony in Palestine**

The American office of "Yakhin", a Palestine agricultural contracting cooperative affiliated with the Histadruth, is organizing now a group of planters for a colony under the name of "Heiruth Gimel".

Two similar groups were organized by "Yakhin" during the years 1931 and 1932, under the names of "Heiruth Aleph" and "Heiruth Beth". The two groups consist of 85 American Jewish families. The new group will consist of 50 families. The land for the colonies is furnished by the Jewish National Fund in the district of Sharon known under the name of "Wady-Havarit".

The three settlements are built on the principle of a Moshav. The National Fund supplies each settler with 20 dunams of land, ten of which are planted with citrus fruits and the balance used for mixed farming. The plantation work is done by the "Yakhin" on behalf of the settlers. Each settler is to invest the sum of 563 Pounds, the sum being paid in monthly instalments during a period of six years. In addition to the above sum, the settler has to advance to the National Fund the sum of 120 pounds, which money is used for amelioration work. The Jewish National Fund undertakes to repay this amount at the end of five years. In accordance with the estimate of the "Yakhin", a sum of 325 pounds will be required for the purpose of building a house and a complete farm equipment.

The "Yakhin" has succeeded in obtaining a contract from the American Achoza Aleph, to plant 800 dunams of orange groves in the new colony known under the name of "Gan Yavne."

**Valuable Synagogue Windows Smashed by Vienna Nazis**

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

VIENNA, Feb. 9.—Valuable stained glass windows of a synagogue at St. Poeltner, lower Austria, were smashed yesterday and the northern side of the synagogue damaged by Nazis.

The police have offered a reward for the capture of the Nazis.

**Youth Fund for Palestine Opens National Drive**

Young Judaea announces the opening of the National drive by Keren Hanoar L'Eretz Yisroel, Youth Fund for Palestine, for a minimum of \$1,000 for the development of scouting in Palestine.

Young Judaea, through its Keren Hanoar Committee has sent \$750 to be utilized for the purpose of organizing a permanent Scout Leaders Training Camp in Palestine. The Keren Hanoar Committee, consisting of Miss Henrietta Szold, Dr. I. B. Berkson and Louis Ehrlich, is giving direction to the project in Palestine.

## Police Report Dr. Meller Confessed "Nazi Attack" Was Invented by Her

Confession Allegedly Declares Whole Story Was Made Up by Her; Ascribe It to Pathological Imagination

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

VIENNA, Feb. 9.—The police department yesterday announced that the alleged attack upon Dr. Rose Meller, physician and poetess, ascribed to fanatical Nazis, never took place and was the invention of the pathological imagination of Dr. Meller.

Dr. Meller has confessed that she fabricated the entire tale of how a young Nazi came to her clinic, ostensibly as a patient, and when she began to examine him, stabbed her, shouting the vengeance of the Brown House.

The alleged attack on her and the list of prominent Jewish writers on a Nazi proscribed list, were part and parcel of the same inventiveness, she confessed, according to the police.

Police guards had been stationed outside the homes of prominent Jewish writers after the alleged attack.

The Nazi press today utilizes this incident for a renewed anti-Semitic agitation.

## U.S. Jews Contributed Half Of K. H. Income in Decade

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM.—Until the summer of 1932, the Jews of the United States contributed half of the total income of the Palestine Foundation Fund, according to figures made public by the fund.

At present the income of the Keren Hayesod from the United States is the lowest compared with other lands.

Of the total of \$4,714,440 received by the Keren Hayesod in Palestine from April 1921 until July 1932, the sum of \$2,395,977 came from the United States.

South Africa ranks next to the United States, having contributed the sum of £391,138 during the same period.

## Convention of Young People's League This Week-End

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—A four day convention of the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America will open here tomorrow evening, continuing until February 13th.

The convention headquarters will be at the Hotel Adelphia. The Philadelphia branch is arranging for a reception to the delegates who are expected to come from many parts of the United States and Canada.

## Havana Celebrates Bialik's Birthday

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

HAVANA.—The sixtieth anniversary of Chaim Nachman Bialik, the distinguished Hebrew poet, was celebrated here with a special program arranged by the local Zionist organization.

## J. D. B. NEWS LETTER

Action Taken Against Organ Owned  
by Member of Greek Cabinet  
Creates a Stir

By Our Salonica Correspondent

SALONICA. — The unprecedented action taken by the Public Prosecutor in instituting an action against the publishers of "Makedonika Nea" for disseminating anti-Semitism through the medium of their paper has aroused considerable sensation far beyond the limits of Greece. A government action of such a nature is unique, not only in Greece but hardly known in any other country in the world. Even more surprising in this particular instance was that the action was brought while M. Tsaldaris was prime minister, although the actual owner of "Makedonika Nea" was a member of his own government, namely, the Minister for War.

The trial developed, however, beyond the limits foreseen even by the Public Prosecutor himself, and it is not impossible that the change in the Government which occurred since the action was brought until the trial was actually heard contributed to this. The Public Prosecutor, in his charge, while the Tsaldarist government was still in power, in lodging the action, did not demand any punishment for the publishers, but desired only that an injunction should be issued against them preventing them from disseminating anti-Semitism in the future.

He wished, the Public Prosecutor declared, to prove simply that the Jews, like all other citizens, would be given protection by the law, and to give a warning to those, who, like the directors of "Makedonika Nea," seemed to be in ignorance of this. The Court, however, was of the opinion that a sentence would be the most efficacious warning, and sentenced M. Missolonghitis, who had declared that he alone was responsible for the article in question, to one month's imprisonment and costs, or a fine of 1,200 drachmes.

Various Jewish witnesses testified that the campaign of the "Makedonika Nea" was calculated to stir up elements against the Jews and provoke anti-Semitic outbursts. An ingenious piece of evidence was given by one M. Velonis, a witness for the defense. Turning to the Bible, which was placed before him for the purpose of the oath, he exclaimed: "This Bible prophesies that the Jews will return to the land of Canaan. Whether they wish it or not, with or without their consent, God will compel them to return. The Jewish people will be condemned to disappear if they do not work for the reconstruction of their national home in Palestine. M. Louvaris and M. Missolonghitis are instruments in the hands of God. Their attacks are helping forward the divine purpose of sending the Jews back to

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## Right of Palestine Women To Elect and Be Elected Questioned in New Ordinance

Municipality Law Would Empower  
High Commissioner to Decide  
on Election Rights

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM.—The right to elect and be elected which Jewish women in Palestine have enjoyed for the last decade is questioned in the new municipality ordinance shortly to be proclaimed in Palestine as a preliminary to the establishment of a Legislative Council.

The new ordinance grants the High Commissioner the power to decide at his discretion whether or not a woman has the right to active and passive participation in municipal elections.

Under the present practice, Jewish women, in contrast to Arab women, have been permitted, in centers populated by Jews, to take part in municipal elections on an equal status with the men.

In a number of such centers, particularly in Tel Aviv, they have been elected to important municipal posts, especially to such posts as are connected with child care, education and social service.

Such rights may be cancelled in the future inasmuch as the High Commissioner may not find it politic to make distinctions between Jewish and Arab women. The latter are prohibited by religious tradition from participating in public functions.

Jewish women of Palestine do not however intend to permit the cancellation of their rights to be carried out without putting up a stiff campaign.

## Hungary Permits Schechita Without Stunning

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BUDAPEST, Feb. 9.—Following representations made to the government by the Jewish Community, the Minister of Agriculture announced that Schechita would be permitted without previous stunning of the animals.

This is an exemption from the law adopted at the insistence of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The law provides that animals must be stunned before killing.

## Vienna Kehillah Gives Women Franchise

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

VIENNA. — A motion introduced by the Zionist parties, who in the last elections in December obtained a majority on the Board of the Vienna Jewish Community, to give universal franchise in future Jewish community elections to both men and women, was carried by a big majority at a plenary meeting of the Community Board.

The motion has been transferred to the Statutes Commission, to carry it into effect.

## Anti-Semitic Disturbances At University of Warsaw; Jew and Professor Injured

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the measure to limit the autonomy of the universities was first projected early last month.

The Jews were charged with being responsible for this projected action on the part of the government which followed the serious anti-Semitic riots throughout Poland.

## Palestine Youth Festival To Be Held Here Monday

A Palestine Youth Festival, the third annual function of this kind, will be held in the Kaufman Auditorium of the Y.M.H.A. on 92nd Street, Monday afternoon, February 13th.

The Festival is being arranged under the auspices of the League of Jewish Youth of which Judah Lapson is Director, and which is sponsored by the Bureau of Jewish Education. More than 1,000 High School and college students will attend the Festival.

Admission to the Palestine Youth Festival is not based on a fixed sum, but is made possible to the League members on the basis of what has been termed a "Palestine Scroll," which, in effect, is an envelope containing a sum equivalent to the total number of pennies corresponding to the number of years reached by the pupil. The Scrolls will be deposited in a giant J.N.F. box which will be placed in the center of the Auditorium and a procession around the box will be a feature of the entertainment program.

The proceeds of the Festival will be applied for the planting of trees in the George Washington Forest in the name of the League. The proceeds of last year's festival were applied for the inscription of the League in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund.

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## Kolo Gets Complaint On Communal Elections

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

WARSAW—The Club of Jewish Deputies in the Polish Sejm has received a report from Wlocawek describing the action of the local officials who three times interfered with local Community elections.

The report declared: "Following the Community elections of 1931, in Wlocawek there was elected as head of the communal administration Simon Srebrnik, a member of the Mizrachi, with Herman Levi, a general Zionist, as deputy chairman. . . . These elections were not, however, confirmed by the Polish authorities who ordered new elections.

"The second elections produced the same result which the Polish authorities once more failed to approve. When a third election produced the same results as the two previous elections, the authorities appointed their own nominees as chairman and deputy chairman of the Community, H. Krushinski and H. Janower, both adherents of the Agudath Israel."

The Agudath Israel is the pro-government party. The action of the authorities was followed by the expulsion of the remaining members of the Community administration and the submission of a protest to the authorities in Warsaw against the official interference with their rights.

## Meeting of Congress National Executive

A meeting of the National Executive Committee of the American Jewish Congress will be held on Sunday afternoon, February 26th, at the Hotel Commodore, it was announced by Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, Chairman.

The meeting, according to the letter of invitation, is being called for "a consideration of the problems confronting the Jews in the United States. It will deal with the economic, social and cultural problems of the Jews in America and the question of the form of Jewish community organization in the United States."

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Palestine and of building up their existence as a national unity."

The Public Prosecutor called as witnesses M. Elie Benosiglio, the president of the Jewish Community; Yontov Yacoe, legal councillor to the community; Asher Moissis, president of the Communal Assembly; the President of the Commissariat of the Jewish National Fund, M. Daniel Allalouf; M. Mercado Covo, Professor of Jewish history, and M. Isaac Covo, a paper merchant, who had already had an argument with the directors of the paper, and who had been threatened by them with an anti-Semitic campaign.

## Moscow Kehillah to Undertake Baking of Matzoth for Soviet Jews

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solved by this arrangement, owing to the high cost of flour and of production. Each person desiring matzoth will have to supply his own flour, buying it in the open market, where the prices are most high or securing it from the Torgsin stores, paying with foreign currency. In addition they will have to arrange for its transport to the bakery.

As a result, it seems likely that only those who will have matzoth who are able to procure flour from the Torgsin with the assistance of relatives or organizations abroad.

## Will of Mrs. Lasker Bequeaths \$32,500 to Charity

The sum of \$32,500 is bequeathed to charitable institutions in the will of the late Mrs. Nettie D. Lasker, mother of Albert D. Lasker of Chicago, former chairman of the United States Shipping Board.

Mrs. Lasker whose estate was evaluated at \$558,173, left the sum of \$25,000 to be disposed of among her executors among charities selected by them.

The sum of \$5,000 was bequeathed to the Lasker Home for Homeless Children and \$2,500 to the Galveston Playground Association.

## New England United Synagogue to Meet

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

BOSTON, Feb. 9—The Annual Convention of the Eastern New England Branch of the United Synagogue of America will take place on February 12, in Boston.

Rabbi Louis M. Epstein, of Brookline, Mass., is Chairman of the Arrangements Committee.

The Eastern New England Branch of the United Synagogue embraces over 110 Congregations, Sisterhoods, Men's Clubs and Young People's Leagues in Eastern Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Maine.

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