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## GERMANS GAIN ANOTHER DELAY IN BERNHEIM CASE; FEAR BARGAIN AT EXPENSE OF JEWS

**British Aid Nazis to Secure Respite Until Friday; Davis Denies Nazis Offer to Modify Anti-Semitism; Motzkin Fighting Strong Single-Handed Battle**

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

GENEVA, May 24—Seeing their efforts for complete elimination of the Bernheim question definitely fail, the German delegation here this afternoon, in behind-the-scene negotiations, asserted its readiness to withdraw objections to the Bernheim petition on condition that the question of German violation of Jewish rights in the Upper Silesia plebiscite area, which the plea poses to the League of Nations Council, be taken up Friday instead of Thursday.

This gain in time, it was explained by members of the delegation, is necessary in order to communicate with Berlin on the working out of the text of a declaration which the German representatives will read to the Council when the Bernheim question is discussed.

It is learned that the British delegation, anxious not to antagonize the Germans, in view of the important disarmament question now pending, helped them secure acceptance of this compromise. It is now believed that the Bernheim plea will be taken up Friday instead of tomorrow.

### Diplomats See Bargain

Diplomatic circles interested in a frank discussion of the Jewish question feel that a bargain has been reached even before the question is taken up publicly, and express regret that the bargaining is being done at the expense of the Jews.

The Journal des Nations, foresee-

ing a bargain, warns the Powers today "not to commit a crime against humanity by offering the fate of thousands of Jews in exchange for other concessions."

The fear is expressed that postponement of consideration of the question until Friday will prevent the personal participation in the discussion of Sir John Simon, British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and Joseph Paul-Boncour, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, who may leave Geneva tomorrow. The importance of the discussions would thus be considerably minimized.

### Davis Denies Nazi Reports

Norman H. Davis, American Ambassador-at-large, authorized the Jewish Telegraphic Agency to deny (Continued on Page 4)

## Nazis Continue to Seize Books for Destruction

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, May 24—The Voelkischer Beobachter reveals today that ten thousand hundredweight of books, including two thousand Jewish and Marxist works, have already been collected for burning and repulping. The search for "undesirable" publications is still continuing, all houses, including cellars, are being searched for libraries hidden by their owners because of the value of the books.

Even the files of the Rheinische Zeitung, for the years of 1848 and 1849 have been confiscated because Karl Marx edited the paper in those years. They will not be destroyed, however, because of their historical value.

One printing shop, the Hitler organ reports, claimed damages of 85,000 marks for confiscated books, but the claim was rejected because the police acted within their rights and in accordance with government decrees.

## UNITED BRITISH RELIEF EFFORT LAUNCHED; ALL GROUPS JOIN TO AID GERMAN JEWS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, May 24—Five hundred representatives of various Jewish organizations participated in the opening of the United British Campaign raising funds in behalf of the German Jews. Anthony Rothschild presided at the meeting and the speakers included Dr. Chaim Weizmann, former president of the World Zionist Organization; Chief Rabbi Dr. Joseph Hertz, Claude Montefiore and Simon Marks, Zionist leader.

The conference marked a historic occasion in the life of British Jewry, uniting on the same platform, for the first time, non-Zionists and leaders of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, all in agreement on the importance of constructive work in Palestine as part of the program of relief for German Jews, although even at this meeting, a difference in view as to the part which Palestine can play in the situation, was noted in the various speeches.

Mr. Marks declared he hoped to announce before the end of the week that the first list of contribu-

tions would amount to a hundred thousand pounds, and that in all, the British appeal would raise a half million pounds and the united appeal for Palestine would reach five million pounds, which would go a long way in solving the problem of relief for German Jews.

Mr. Rothschild, outlining the intentions of the relief committee, declared places would have to be found in various places in the world for the German Jewish refugees. While German Jewish organizations within Germany can take care of needs there, he pointed out, the bulk of the expenditures must be, not for relief within the country, but for assisting the refugees out of Germany and their settlement in various countries and to take advantage of every opportunity offered by the Mandatory Power for the settlement of refugees in Palestine.

### Pessimistic Note

Dr. Weizmann, as well as Mr. Montefiore, struck a pessimistic note, both emphasizing that the (Continued on Page 2)

## Greek Govt. Abolishes Jewish Electoral College

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

SALONICA, May 24—The Greek Government announced last night that the separate Jewish electoral college would be abolished as contrary to the terms of the constitution. It also announced that in the future, proportional election methods would be applied to the Jewish districts of Salonica. The Jewish population has sought the abolition of the separate electoral college for many years.

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## **Palestine League Group To Ask Societies' Congress To Aid German Jews**

**JERUSALEM**, May 24—The Palestine League of Nations Societies, through its delegation, composed of Meyer Dizengoff, mayor of Tel-Aviv, and Dr. Ben-Zion Mossinson, will submit to the Congress of League of Nations Societies proposals regarding the Jews of Germany, particularly in reference to a League of Nations loan and to the opening of the doors of Palestine to refugees.

The leaders of the Jerusalem Jewish community met with the district commissioner last night and declared they refused to wait for the municipal elections. They demanded that the existing municipal council should be dissolved and a new one appointed on a basis in proportion to the population, or that a British commissar be named.

## **Kohler Heads B'nai Brith New Liaison Committee**

The B'nai Brith has appointed a committee to work in cooperation with the newly formed committee on policy of the American Jewish Committee, it was learned yesterday. Max J. Kohler will serve as chairman of the body. The other members are Albert Ottinger, Charles Horwitz, assistant corporation counsel; Louis Fabricant and Theodore Badman. Senator Alfred M. Cohen, president of the B'nai Brith, and Dr. I. M. Rubinow, secretary, are ex-officio members.

Joseph M. Proskauer, former justice of the Appellate Division, is chairman of the American Jewish Committee's policy group with which the B'nai Brith committee will work closely on matters regarding the German Jewish situation.

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present German Jewish situation must be accepted as a reality, Dr. Weizmann adding that there is a potential danger that "every refugee from Germany settling in neighboring countries will be a carrier of anti-Semitic germs." He stressed the already visible growth of anti-Semitic tendencies in countries to which the refugees have escaped and announced his conclusion that Palestine was the only safe and lasting refuge. He warned, however, that German Jews must be prepared to go through the same hard school as other settlers who have gone to Palestine.

Drawing an analogy between the anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia and Nazi Germany Dr. Weizmann declared that the former had been prompted by a small autocratic group while, in Germany, twenty million had voted for Hitler and as yet, no liberal German voice has been raised in favor of the Jews.

"Germany teaches us there is something anomalous in our position," he said. "The German Jewish problem cannot be approached from the philanthropic angle of a decade ago when American Jews spent eighty million dollars for Eastern European relief, but this is no solution, for should the political wheel turn, similar relief would be required again."

### **Tragedy of Assimilants**

Dr. Weizmann dealt at length with the tragedy of the German Jewish assimilants who do not consider themselves Jews but are being told by the Germans they are "foreigners."

"It needs love and forbearance to understand the soul of such men," he said. "Another feature of the tragedy is the German relapse after 150 years of emancipation. For this emancipation the Jews of Germany fought, giving for Germany all that they had, and more. Then a peculiar political constellation appears in the skies and all this is wiped out at one stroke."

Mr. Montefiore paid tribute to German thoroughness. "We often admired German thoroughness," he commented. "Now we have the misfortune to see the quality of this thoroughness turned to an evil and cruel end, plunging into misfortune and poverty six hundred thousand Jews."

"While part of the fund will be required to feed the hungry Jews in Germany," he said, "considerable sums will be expended also in Palestine. I should regard it as a crime to prevent a penny being spent in Palestine, just as I should regard it as a crime to spend a penny in Palestine which should be spent elsewhere."

"Only the German Jews must be thought of who have been wounded in their honor, their affection and their loyalty," he declared. "No man with Jewish feeling can close his ears to the cry of our brethren. We must accomplish something to alleviate this ocean of misery."

Dr. Hertz stressed the importance of supporting the religious institutions for Jewish education in Germany. All speakers pointed out that contributors are able to earmark their donations for whatever purposes they desire, whether for philanthropic purposes in Germany or for constructive work in Palestine.

### **Urges B'nai Brith Support of J. D. C. Appeal**

Members of the B'nai Brith, one of the world's largest Jewish fraternal organizations, are urged to support the German Relief Drive of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee in a communication from Dr. I. M. Rubinow, secretary of the order, to the membership in this country. The Joint Distribution Committee is seeking a two million dollar fund in this country for the relief of German Jewish victims of the Nazi regime. Rabbi Jonah B. Wise is chairman of the drive.

One million dollars of the fund will be sought in New York City where Dudley D. Sicher, former president of the New York Federation for Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, heads the local appeal.

### **Rabbis Aid HIAS Relief Fund**

The Hias Emergency Fund for the relief of Jewish refugees from Germany, has been endorsed by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada, the Federation of Hebrew Orthodox Rabbis of America, and the Assembly of Hebrew Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada.

The three Rabbinical organizations have issued an appeal to congregations throughout the country to make appeals in their respective synagogues on Shevuoth, May 31 and June 1.

The Hias Emergency Fund was created by the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society in response to appeals from abroad to render immediate assistance to the Jews who have escaped from Germany to neighboring countries.

### **Hebrew Technical Institute**

The Hebrew Technical Institute will hold its forty-fourth commencement exercises tonight in the large hall of Cooper Union, at Astor Place.

## Seek to Appeal Consular Immigration Decisions

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, May 24.—An attack on the unlimited authority granted consuls in immigration visa matters was made yesterday by Isadore Hershfield, Washington representative of the Hias, when he appeared before the House Immigration Committee in support of the Dickstein bill enabling an official appeal to the Secretary of State from refusals by consular authorities to grant immigration visas.

Assistant Secretary of State Wilbur J. Carr, who appeared in opposition to the bill, declared that the rulings of consuls were invariably fair and that there was no need for creating appellate procedure.

The Hias representative called for abandonment of the doctrine of "consular infallibility."

The hearing yesterday followed a previous hearing on the bill introduced by Congressman Sol Bloom to grant a two-year stay to Germans now in this country who do not wish to return to Germany because of political conditions there. A number of representatives of the so-called "patriotic" societies appeared in opposition at that time. The committee has taken no action on either of the bills pending and it is doubtful whether Congress will find it possible to act on either of them before adjournment.

## Social Workers to Meet In Detroit Next Month

The National Conference of Jewish Social Service, in which social workers from every section of the United States and Canada will participate, will be held in Detroit from June 8 to 11.

The program of the Conference will include several joint sessions with the National Association of Jewish Center Executives and the National Council for Jewish Education. National and international relief and reconstruction problems, along with reports on recent developments affecting the Jews in Germany will be presented and discussed.

## Sending Funds to Russia

A warning against organizations advertising transmission of funds to individuals in Soviet Russia was issued here yesterday by the general representative of Torgsin in the United States. The warning points out that claims that money orders will be paid in higher rates than the official are incorrect and misleading and that it is illegal to exchange roubles at a rate other than the official. It advises dealing with authorized agents only.

## Hitlerism a Denial of A Common Civilization, Says Prof. J. B. S. Haldane

(J.T.A. Special Correspondence)

LONDON, May 12.—"I have just come back from Spain, where I attended a Conference of the Society for Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations, and while there I heard German and Austrian professors expounding the Nazi philosophy," Professor J. B. S. Haldane, famous biologist, told London University students. "They showed the contributions of various racial elements to their national cultures, but they refused to recognize any moral and intellectual common ground of humanity as a whole. The essence of Hitlerism is a denial of a common civilization, a view as much against religion as it is against logic."

"We found in Spain that we could meet the Fascists on the common ground of discussion; but it was impossible so to meet the Nazis; for they said 'If you are not Aryans, then you cannot expect to understand us.' Hitlerism is a more dangerous doctrine than Bolshevism or Fascism."

"We must protest against Hitlerism," said Professor Haldane, "but we must see that our protests reach the British Government. If everyone would write to his local member of Parliament, a small but definite effect might be produced. We have been told that our Government can not interfere in the internal affairs of other nations—that is all nonsense. There is ample precedent for interference. I was among those who protested against the Treaty of Versailles in 1919. But today I think however wrong French policy may have been in the past, if Hitler is allowed to obtain with his methods what Stresemann failed to obtain by pacific means it would be an endorsement of the ways of violence. As for individual action, we should entirely boycott German goods and the shops that sell them, not relenting until German merchandise has been removed. We must remain within the law, must show that it is possible to beat our opponents by legal means and pacific methods."

"Those who can, should support an exiled and jobless German if possible. Soon we must raise funds for the support of the German Jewish intellectuals. We must fight anti-refugee propaganda. Hitler's supporters say that refugees are taking work from British hands. Nothing could be falsier. Students and research workers, on the contrary, not only are throwing no one out of work, but they are making work for British labor."

"But acts of violence by individuals here can do nothing but harm; we must protest against them."

## Melbourne Professor Says Jews Exploit Vice

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

MELBOURNE, Australia, May 24.—A violent anti-Semitic attack was launched here last night when Professor S. Osborne, head of the medical faculty of the University of Melbourne, addressing students of the university, declared that the German side of the Jewish excesses had been suppressed but that Jewish exploitation of vice was really responsible.

Osborne asserted that he was being swamped with applications from Jewish students in the United States anxious to proceed to Melbourne to study here because of the exception of Columbia University, American universities restricted the number of Jewish students.

## Central Conference to Hold Annual Sessions

The forty-third annual conference of the Central Conference of American Rabbis will open in Milwaukee Thursday, June 22, and continue until the following Tuesday, it was announced yesterday. Preceding the conference, the executive board of the conference will hold an all-day session.

Among the matters to be taken up at the sessions, it was learned, will be the report of the committee headed by Dr. William Rosenau of Baltimore, "upon the advisability of instituting united counsel and action among the Jews of all lands with respect to Jewish needs and rights." The committee was instructed last November to study the situation and report to the conference which meets next month.

The Commission of Social Justice, headed by Rabbi Edward L. Israel of Baltimore, will also report to the conference, as will the Committee on International Peace, of which Rabbi Max C. Currick, of Erie, Pa., is chairman.

Dr. H. G. Enclow, of Temple Emanu-El, New York, will read a paper on "A Century of Progress in Reform Judaism." Rabbi Morris Newfield, of Birmingham, Ala., president of the organization, will preside over the meeting and deliver his official report at the first session. The other officers of the conference are Rabbi Samuel H. Goldenstone, Pittsburgh, vice-president; Rabbi Isaac E. Marcus, recording secretary; Rabbi Harry S. Margolis, St. Paul, corresponding secretary, and Rabbi David Marx, Atlanta, treasurer.

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definitely rumors prevalent in Geneva that Count Rudolf Nadolny, head of the German delegation at Geneva, had assured him in behalf of the German delegation that the German Government was ready to modify its anti-Semitism and reinstate the ousted Jewish officials, professors and professional men.

"Count Nadolny never mentioned such a thing to me," Mr. Davis told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent. "All we discussed was disarmament. We did not touch the Jewish question because we did not come to it."

The rumors that the German Government had made such a statement were widely circulated here last night, and several correspondents, it was learned, cabled stories to that effect. It is believed that they were started by interested German circles with the purpose of alleviating the situation and modifying the atmosphere in connection with the Bernheim petition over violation of Jewish rights in Upper Silesia.

"The German manoeuvre is good for one day only," a prominent member of the delegation of one of the important Powers commented to the correspondent, concerning the postponement which the Germans obtained yesterday.

### Two Injured in Inquiry

Telephonic advices to Geneva last night revealed that two Jews had been seriously injured at Gleiwitz last night during an "inquiry" which local German authorities started among the friends of Franz Bernheim in order to obtain evidence supporting the German claim that Bernheim is not a native of Upper Silesia and was not entitled to petition the League under the terms of the Polish-German convention governing the plebiscite area.

Dr. Leo Motzkin, chairman of the Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization, who with Dr. Emil Margulies, noted Czechoslovakian Jewish leader, presented the Jewish petitions to the League, is waging a strong single-handed fight

here to counteract the manoeuvring of the German delegation. Nevertheless, it is felt that the absence of American and British Jewish representation here is weakening Jewish chances and the question is being asked in diplomatic circles why the American Jewish Congress has not sent a representative in time to support the petition.

The committee of three, which is considering the other two petitions presented by Jewish organizations, is awaiting developments in the Bernheim case. It is learned the committee is inclined to bring up the petitions even if the Bernheim plea is ruled out by the Council.

The League has also received, from G. G. Knox, president of the League commission for the Saar region, a complaint against Nazi activities and a demand that measures be taken to protect officials in the Saar, including the Jews.

### B'nai Brith District One Holds Annual Convention

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

NEW LONDON, Conn., May 24—Frank Goldman, of Lowell, Mass., was elected president of B'nai Brith, District One, which comprises New England, New York and eastern Canada, at the 81st annual convention here. Governor Wilbur Cross, of Connecticut, addressed the delegates at the banquet held in connection with the convention.

Speaking on current events in Germany, Governor Cross said, "there was no more impressive commentary on what happened than that Germany should repudiate Einstein, the greatest scientist since Isaac Newton."

Other officers elected were: Horace Cohen, of Montreal, first vice-president; Charles Horowitz, of New York, second vice-president; Wilfred D. Feiga, of Worcester, Mass., third vice-president; William B. Asher, of New York, treasurer, and Lawrence White, of New York, secretary. Joshua Kantrowicz, of New York, was elected chairman of the board of governors of the home at Yonkers, N. Y.

The council of Women's Auxiliary Lodges, of District One, elected Mrs. Lillian Nathan, of Springfield, Mass., as president; Miss Fannie Klein, of New York, first vice-president; Mrs. Harriet Schwartz, of New London, second vice-president; Mrs. Ray Pyser, of Springfield, secretary; Mrs. Frances Winer, of Boston, treasurer; and Mrs. Miriam J. Goldberg, of Boston, monitress.

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