

## NOW— EDITORIAL NOTES

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### Nazi Sportsmanship

The American Olympic Committee has voted unanimously in favor of accepting Germany's invitation to participate in the Olympic Games in Berlin, in 1936.

The motion of acceptance reads as follows:

"In the light of the report of Mr. Brundage and the attitude and assurances of the representatives of the German government and the German Olympic Committee we accept the invitation of the German Olympic Committee to participate in the 1936 Olympic Games at Berlin and at Garmisch-Partenkirchen."

Mr. Avery Brundage, president of the American Olympic Committee, visited Germany and brought back a number of written answers to his questions, which were read at the meeting, and which indicated the Committee's decision. The answers to Mr. Brundage's questions were prepared by the Nazi commissar for sports, von Tschammer and Osten. The trouble with the whole affair is that the questions were not properly worded, and that the answers were evasive.

Thus Mr. Brundage asked the Nazi sports commissar:

"Can you assure me that all rules regulating Germany and the Olympic Games will be observed without reservation?"

Herr von Tschammer and Osten answered:

"It is the general understanding that Germany as the host nation will observe all the Olympic rules scrupulously because it is a member of the Olympic organization of the world, and it is also certain that the preparations will be made in strict accordance with the Olympic protocol which is prescribed for us and with due observance of the code of true hospitality."

Then Mr. Brundage asked:

"Specifically I ask you if all visitors and athletes, without consideration of rank, religion or race, will be received and treated cordially and with respect in Germany at the Olympic Games?"

"However in his suit by the different nations as competitors and visitor is sent by him, all I can assure you will be treated as guests of Germany, and that respect will be shown."

Finally Mr. Brundage asked: "You are aware that the question of the participation of the nations in the Olympic Games has been discussed widely and vehemently. Can you inform me how Germany will handle this question, especially the participation of the German Jews?"

To which the Nazi sports commissar replied:

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## Hearst, Grown Fond of Nazis, Is Silent on Jewish Question

Returns Here on Board  
Hitler's Pet Liner,  
S. S. Bremen

By ADRIAN J. BERKOWITZ

While William Randolph Hearst's national string of newspapers is building news of more or less importance into its scareheads, Mr. Hearst himself elects to ignore a situation of true scarehead proportions, with which he has had personal contact.

This purring giant of American sensationalism, with a party of ten including Marion Davies, returned to the United States yesterday. He was aboard the Nazi liner Bremen. That in itself is news to the millions of readers, Jewish and non-Jewish, who have

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WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

## Poland Suffers Signal Defeat On Minorities

League Declares Council Alone May Modify Existing Pacts

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

GENEVA, Sept. 27. — Poland suffered a disastrous defeat here today when the Sixth Commission of the League of Nations submitted a report to the League Assembly declaring in unequivocal language that existing minority treaties are modifiable by the Council of the League only, and that as long as the Council does not modify them, all signatories must observe the treaties. The report was presented to the Assembly despite the fact that the Polish delegation withdrew their original proposal to generalize the minority treaties by applying them to all European members of the League. It came as a direct reply to Poland's renunciation of the minority clause.

In conjunction with the Polish

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## Czech Police Seize Slayer Of Dr. Lessing

Captured Nazi Accused of Part in Murder of Philosopher

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAGUE, Sept. 27. The Czechoslovakian police today arrested Ernst Sternkopf, a Nazi, on murder charges in connection with the assassination on August 31, 1933, of Professor Theodor Lessing, famous German-Jewish philosopher.

Professor Lessing was slain as he lay sleeping in the bedroom of the Marienbad villa which had been his home since his flight from Germany on the accession of the Nazis to power. His two murderers escaped to Germany, where they were given a tumultuous ovation at the Nuremberg Nazi congress.

Sternkopf was seized by the police immediately on his return here today from Germany. The police, who have prosecuted a di-

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## Nazis Oust Ewald, Grab Control Of German-American Vote Unit

By HY WISHENCRAD

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The Nazi bludgeon that has been clubbing members of the German-American societies here into the ranks of a Hitlerite phalanx since last May when Victor Ridder was ousted from the presidency of the German-American Conference, swung again yesterday and landed with crushing force upon the head of another prominent leader of that body who was suspected of being lukewarm in his affections for the local Nazi movement.

The victim of the Nazi bludgeon is Dr. Louis A. Ewald, a surgeon, who only a few days ago had been named by the German-American Conference to act as chairman of its political committee.

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## Wide Attack Greeted Decision On Games

Ancient Polish Synagogue Destroyed by Flames

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, Sept. 27. — The Jaslo Synagogue, oldest in Galicia, Poland, which contained a number of valuable historical and art objects, is completely destroyed by fire, London papers reported today.

A. J. C., Maccabiah Voice Disapproval

Deplore U. S. Willingness to Participate in Berlin Olympics Meet

By MORRIS WEINER

The American Jewish Congress and the United States Maccabiah Association were the first organizations to publicly register protest against America's acceptance of the Nazi bid to the 1936 Berlin Olympic Games.

The storm of protest and indignation from Jewish and non-sectarian organizations that has been brewing for the past year and a half was expected to be ready to burst and inundate the country with righteous objections.

The American Jewish Congress addressed a request to the Board of Governors of the Amateur Athletic Union calling upon it to review the situation in Germany with regard to the free participation of the Jews in the Olympics at its annual meeting in December. Their contention was based on the ground that the assurances given to the American Olympic Committee were not in accordance with the facts.

The protest, signed by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, honorary president of the American Jewish Congress, Dr. Bernard S. Deutsch, president, requested further that an opportunity be accorded the American Jewish Congress to present publicly before the convention "full and incontrovertible evidence to the effect that Jews are not free to engage in athletics and sports on the same footing as the Nazi athletes."

The American Jewish Congress expressed great dismay at the decision of the A. O. C. to accept the Reich invitation. The Congress held that the A. U. has an inescapable responsibility to review the facts for itself and decide whether it can qualify American athletes for the Olympics if they are held in Germany.

The A. A. U. went on record last November at its Pittsburgh convention condemning the discrimination of German Jews in sports and taking the stand against acceptance of the bid to participate in the 1936 sport games. This body controls amateur track and field, wrestling, swimming and many other sports and should refuse to certify its members the American Olympic Committee could not possibly send a team abroad.

The United States Maccabiah Association declared in a statement by David White, executive director of the movement in America, that no Maccabiah team would participate in the tryouts and competition for the American team should the Olympics be held in Germany.

Charles L. Ornstein, one of the two Jewish members of the American Olympic Committee who delivered an impassioned plea against acceptance of the Reich invitation at the A. O. C. meeting, said that the Jewish Welfare Board, whom he represented, would take the only logical stand and follow the lead of the

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## Repeat Ghetto Law, Vienna Jews Urge

Inform Schuschnigg Schools Edict Is Causing 'Great Apprehension'

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

VIENNA, Sept. 27. — A plenary session of the Vienna Jewish community held here last night unanimously decided to request the government of Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg to abolish at once the separate schools for Jewish children introduced by law at the opening of the public schools this year. The resolution adopted by the Jewish community declared that the ghetto to schools were causing the "greatest anxiety and apprehension among the Jewish population."

The Zionist groups within the community further resolved to ask the Austrian government for financial subsidies in order to set up a system of "positive" Jewish education.

The law creating ghetto schools was passed at a secret session of the Austrian cabinet on July 4. Not only were the Jewish leaders left in complete ignorance of the passage of the law, but they left an interview with the Chancellor convinced that such a scheme would never be put into effect.

When schools opened all Jewish children were directed to separate Jewish schools, from which all Protestant and Catholic children were removed. Even the children of Jewish converts to Christianity were sent to the Jewish schools, thus setting up a "non-Aryan" school division in the most approved Nazi fashion.

committee, the avowed purpose of which is to recommend to the 200,000 members of the conference the proper candidates they should vote for at the coming elections, was made on Sunday. According to the first reports of the committee which comprised eight members, it eschewed any relationship whatever with local or foreign pro-Hitler factions.

The obvious insincerity of this denial of a Nazi taint to the political body was immediately exposed by the Jewish Daily Bulletin which pointed out that at least two of its members are prominently connected with Nazi activities here. One is Dr. Herbert Schuch, national president of the Friends of New Germany, the second is C. K. Froelich, president of DAWA, the anti-Jewish boycott organization and of the United German Societies, a thoroughly

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## RIBBON HOTEL

## Nazis Accused As Smugglers Of Propaganda

### Use Advertising Shroud, House Body Told; Data Presented

Evidence of Nazi propaganda smuggled into this country under the guise of commercial advertising was forwarded yesterday by the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, of which Samuel Untermeyer is president, to Chairman W. W. McCormack of the House committee investigating Nazi propaganda activities here.

"Pamphlets, speeches and other printed matter preaching Nazi doctrine," it was pointed out by the League, "are flooding the country disguised as commercial matter. The propaganda material is enclosed, was circulated by letters from industrial firms so that they go through the mails appearing like business transactions.

In "Practically Every Mail" importing firms have reported to us that practically every mail from Germany offering products for sale has official propaganda literature enclosed."

Among the items forwarded to Chairman McCormack were advertisements for a German laxative for babies sent to the Luxe Product Syrup Corporation of Brooklyn. Enclosed with the tissue, lauding the qualities of the stomach ache remedy and quoting testimonials as to its efficiency, were copies of the speech of Adolf Hitler delivered before the Reichstag on July 31 and copies of the speech recently made by Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, in Warsaw.

**Attack Gushes Vitrol**  
The Goebbels' pamphlet carried a vitriolic attack on the Jews. It said in part:

"It should be borne in mind that, before we came into power, the Jews in Germany exercised a parasitical influence on the whole of intellectual life. They possessed most of the movable and immovable capital invested in the country. They had the press, literature, stage and film absolutely and unreservedly in their hands.

"In large towns, for instance, in Berlin, they represented up to seventy per cent of the total medical and legal professions. By imposing excessive interest rates they brought agriculture to the verge of ruin. They made public opinion. They controlled the stock exchange and had Parliament and the political parties under their protection. At the same time they represented only nine-tenths of one per cent of the population. It will be understood in the light of these facts that the defensive measures against them were inevitable."

## Thrift House Enter Federation Drive

### Rally Hears Announcements; Group Workers Under 'Red' Division in Five Teams

Volunteer workers of Thrift House will become active participants in the campaign of the Women's Division of the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, it was announced at a rally yesterday afternoon. The rally, attended by more than 100, was held at Thrift House, 9 West Fifty-seventh street. Mrs. Julius Ochs Adler, chairman of Thrift House, stated that the volunteers of Thrift House would be organized into five teams under the "red" division.

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"You can imagine, Mr. Brundage, that the question which you have raised has also concerned me deeply and has been given my special attention. Your visit in Germany was in order to inform you on this point. Therefore you have been given the opportunity to study the regulations of the government about this question, as well as to make the acquaintance of the leaders of the Jewish sports organizations. In all frankness I have given you a complete insight into these things and I hope that you will draw conclusions for America in the same honest manner. The leaders of the two great Jewish sport organizations have undoubtedly told you that they are now entirely satisfied with the regulations laid down by the leaders of German sport concerning the treatment of Jewish sport clubs in the German sport system. To settle definitely all misunderstandings about this question, now and in the future, I declare with all frankness that no Jewish sportsman will be excluded from the Olympic team of Germany, provided that his ability and performance are good enough. That is the only reason which may be assigned for non-admission."

Then comes the climax of

these Nazi assurances:

"Adolf Hitler, the President and the Chancellor of the German government, has the definite will and wish—and that is the law for the German people—that the Olympic Games will surely be held in Garmisch-Partenkirchen and in Berlin in 1936. Adolf Hitler wishes that every nation—all peoples and every athlete who enters the German stadium in 1936 will be received and treated politely and hospitably. Will you please inform America accordingly?"

And Mr. Brundage has informed America accordingly. He reported that he had conferred with representatives of Jewish sport organizations in Germany and was assured that there would be no discrimination. According to The New York Times, Mr. Brundage, at the meeting in New York, cited as the deciding argument "the opinion of a German Jewish banker of international renown whose name he was not permitted to mention on this most question. He had said that the sports angle only should be considered."

Mr. Brundage might have asked the Nazi sport representative this question:

"Are you now according fair and equal treatment to sport organizations and their members

in Germany, regardless of race or creed?"

A truthful answer to this question must contain the admission that there is discrimination even in the field of sports in Germany on racial or religious grounds. The statements made to Mr. Brundage by Jewish sport clubs in Germany or by a prominent Jewish German banker can hardly be regarded as voluntary and unprejudiced evidence in a land that is ruled by ruthless terrorism and espionage.

The truth is that the Nazis today are discriminating against Jews in the field of sports and athletics, even though certain attempts have recently been made to camouflage the issue and to give the impression that the disabilities imposed upon Jewish athletes and sports organizations had been removed. Even the latest decree, which permits sports clubs to admit "non-Aryans," provides that the officers and employers must be "Aryans."

The assurances of the Nazi sports commissar, like the assurances of Reichsfuhrer Hitler, that they will accord fair treatment to participants in the Olympics Games in 1936, regardless of race or creed, cannot be taken seriously in view of the fact that they are now violating all the rules and principles of honorable sportsmanship.

The long list of these violations has been published in The Jewish Daily Bulletin. The case

against the American Olympic Committee's participation in the Olympic Games in Germany in 1936 has been presented by Samuel Untermeyer clearly, truthfully and logically. The American Olympic Committee has been hoodwinked by the Nazi representatives.

To ask the Nazis whether they will observe all rules and regulations for the Olympic Games in 1936, whether they will treat participants and visitors fairly, without reservation and without discrimination, in 1936, while they are violating these rules and regulations, practicing discrimination in 1934, is equivalent to asking a criminal, who is still committing his crime, whether he would give assurances that he would be an honorable gentleman two years later and join other honorable gentlemen upon terms of equality.

Nazi land is today violating all rules and regulations of honorable sportsmanship not only in the field of sport but in almost all other fields—in science, in the arts, in commerce and labor and industry as well as in international relations. Germany under the present regime has repudiated her moral and financial obligations. She has added new "scraps of paper" to the notorious "scrap of paper" of 1914.

Nazi promises must be judged in the light of Nazi performances. The American Olympic Committee was taken in by meaningless Nazi promises.

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## Jewry Must Abandon Face!

By WILLIAM B. ZIFF

This is the last of a series of six articles, presented in the belief that the viewpoint of the younger American Jew, with his roots in this country, is of vital interest at this time.

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The question of Zionism will loom more among any Jewish horizon. Our attitude as a group, just as it is must be non-political, must be neither pro—nor anti-Zionist. It has room in its membership for people of all shades of Zionist opinion, as well as those who are bitterly opposed to Zionism.

However, regarding Zionism in so much the same manner as Jewish rights are surveyed anywhere else in the world, we must take the attitude that what is ours shall not be taken away from us. Certainly England, by written promise, dedicated herself to the support of this proposition and at the same time the promise was made meant the establishment of a Jewish country. This was at a time when Jews were being bitterly persecuted in Russia and England evidently sought to win the support and sympathy of Jews in the neutral countries, who felt that a haven

land, with all its hypocritical sympathy, would be created for the Jewry of tomorrow, since she is deliberately sabotaging the only effort which will enable the ruined and terrorized Jews of mid-eastern Europe to change the hell they are in, a condition might eventuate which would cause English politicians to change their attitude.

Immediate notice, therefore, should be served upon them that, if they adhere to their contract, a Jewish Palestine would like nothing better than to be a free and integral portion of the British Empire. England would have a loyal and devoted State bordering the highly strategic Suez Canal. If they did not adhere to their word, a united Jewry can be made to understand the condition and to see England with single-minded bitterness, much as the Irish did.

Can Get Wide Support  
In all countries priests, ministers and pastors of all denominations have been interested in the defense of the Jewish adventure in Palestine, as indeed a great many are now. It is, incidentally, part of the Protestant credo that the minimum will only be reached when Palestine once more becomes Jewish and the decided sympathy of a large body of Protestants can be subsequently cultivated and gained.

We should point out to the world that all people the Jew, with his natural inclination towards personal independence, is the most natural anti-Communist. Only where the Jew is broken and in despair, willing to turn towards anything which will rescue him from chaos, will he turn like many of the Russian Jews under the Czar to a political philosophy.

The Jews in Palestine, if left to their own artifices, will develop into a sober, industrious people, a bulwark against international disorder.

It will be argued that there is not room for the persecuted Jews in Palestine. The reply will have to be that whether there is or not we should not yield a jot of what is ours.

A Virile People  
Moreover, the Jews are basically a virile, conquering people. Pacifism is only a passing phase with Jewry. Once established in Palestine the Jew will seize the great, mighty desert that lays waste outside its borders to make room for his tortured brethren in the Diaspora. There is room in this vast desert needing only energy to make it fertile, for all the Jews in existence and still leave space for ten times as many Arabs as there are. A virile nation will certainly not allow an arbitrary Mandate boundary to box them in, and in this respect can be relied on to settle their own problems.

This new nation might even become a haven for the persecuted Christian refugees of Europe, who will certainly experience the tortures under the Romans if the

ing Nazi tide establishes itself everywhere, so it need no longer be afraid of the opinion of Christians. Christianity is, after all, the child of Judea and a Jewish nation, built on the Jewish traditions, could not allow these refugees from pagan torture to perish.

No one who is even half an observer can avoid realizing that our young Jews are being taught to be self-seeking and contented. Individual ambition has become our Mammon. The old fierce, proud soul of Judah has become a dispirited, unrecognizable thing.

History will again teach the cold lesson which it has unflinchingly taught in the past, that a loss of faithfulness, devotion and the spirit of individual sacrifice constitutes an actual degeneration. Its fingers clutching us as a group will finally clutch us each individually; the unfortunate of Germany, Hungary, Poland, Rumania and Algeria can bear mute testimony to this.

Our realism is not realism at all as history is proving once more. It is simply a mad seeking of individual shibboleths and a courting of destruction.

As an undisciplined mob with no hegemony of spirit, no factor of unity save the suppressive devices of our enemies—we are a pitiful, uninteresting lot. If Jewry is interested in even the most elementary axioms, it will stop cringing and wailing. It will become proudly aware that the principal condition to happiness and survival is an inherent strength and binding force of its own.

Will Hate Self  
Otherwise outward coercion must finally reduce its soul to object terms. Churning desperately for relief from unbearable persecution Jewry will turn half its detestation upon its mother for bringing it into the world. Hatred and pitiful, it will hate itself. Its emotions shattered, our people will be hung far from the path of world destiny. Its broken soul will grovel in the future annals of mankind until deserted one by one by its spiritually-maimed sons, it will deservedly perish.

This is the swift harsh coming of tomorrow, senility and death upon Jewry. We justify our right to live. The world's frontiers are shrinking. There is no longer room for the weak and timid to hide. Unless we reach back again into our Jewish way of life, becoming once more strong, vital, disciplined and haughty, fate will spew us into oblivion.

Men of fibre and courage would not dare leave this formidable prospect to their unfortunate children. Proudly they will take up the challenge for the future determined that the coming generations at least shall not be stricken with the disease of this one. From their bold, eager eyes will gleam the determination that their children will be care-free and happy.

## Demands That Chicago Hotel Make Stand Clear on Nazism

(Special to the J.D.B.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—“The DAWA is surely a Hitler organization, and I still hope that the Stevens Hotel will be frank enough to say either that they do or do not wish to support Hitlerism in America.”

In this manner, Dr. James M. Yard, secretary of the Chicago committee for the Defense of Human Rights Against Nazism, sums up his letter to John Thos, “maitre d’hotel” of the Stevens Hotel, and asks for a definite statement from the hotel as to its stand on Nazism.

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