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Drop Tariff On Imports To Palestine

Duties on Raw Materials To be Returned if Made Into Export Goods

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, June 2—An important decree which will stimulate industry and export in Palestine is published today in the Palestine Gazette, providing for the repayment of customs duties to manufacturers.

All manufacturers who are paying duty on raw materials imported from abroad will have the duty repaid by the government after turning the raw material into commodities for export, the Gazette announces.

Widens Markets Scope

The effect of this decree will be to put Palestine manufacturers in a position to look for new markets and increase their exports to the countries of the Near East. Relief of customs duties, they will be enabled to compete particularly with Syria in the manufacture of confectionery and with Egypt in the textile field.

The decree is a result of the tariff negotiations conducted recently by the Palestine government with the governments of Syria and Egypt.

Negotiations started today between Jerusalem and the Palestine government to reduce the price of water until the water construction plan for Jerusalem is accomplished. The plan will not be put into effect before May, 1936, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed today, but the digging of a new pool will soon be started, in order to alleviate the immediate water shortage in Jerusalem.

Bar Convention Of State Party

Palestine Action Based On Alleged Failure To Register

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

TEL AVIV, June 2—The authorities today prohibited the convention of the Jewish State Party in Palestine on the pretext that the party is not registered by the government.

Formalities for registration of the party were completed a year ago. Leaders of the Jewish State Party therefore are at a loss to explain the government's charge that the party has not been registered.

Fires which devastated 1,000 dunams in crops in the Emek Israel elds near Haifa, were blamed on sparks from railway engines passing this district.

The danger of fires started by sparks from passing trains is causing great concern among both the authorities and the Jewish colonists. Three hundred dunams of crops were destroyed in the colony Merchavia alone as a result of today's fires.

Veterans Set Paris For 1st World Parley

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PARIS, June 2—The first world conference of Jewish War Veterans will open on June 12, it was announced today. The conference will last four days.

Representatives of Jewish War Veteran organizations in the United States, England, France, Austria, South Africa, Australia, Canada, Poland, Palestine and the Baltic and Balkan countries are expected to participate in the conference.

Mexico Urged To Strip Jews Of Citizenship

Property Confiscation Also Demanded by 'Golden Shirts'

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

MEXICO CITY, June 2—A petition requesting the withdrawal of citizenship from Jews in Mexico and the confiscation of Jewish-owned factories, will be submitted to President Cardenas by the Golden Shirts, a nationalistic organization, it was announced here today.

The announcement was made by Nicolas Rodriguez, head of the Golden Shirts, who were denounced recently by the Mexican president. The anti-Jewish petition will carry 200,000 signatures, Senor Rodriguez announced.

In addition to the withdrawal of citizenship from Jews, the memorandum of the Golden Shirts demands also that a law be enacted in Mexico prohibiting Jewish residents from participating in political activities.

The Golden Shirts organization is constructed along the same lines as the Nazis in Germany. The main organ of the anti-Semitic group is the weekly, Defensa, which has a large circulation and is outspokenly anti-Semitic. Special storm brigades are now being organized by the Golden Shirts for the sole purpose of eliminating the Jews from Mexico. Among the leaders of the Golden Shirts are also the former

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Nazis Drive Young Jews Out of City

Increased Propaganda Is Taking Effect in Cologne Area

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, June 2—Reports were coming in today of attacks on Jews in a number of villages in the district of Cologne as a result of the increased anti-Jewish propaganda there.

In one village all the younger Jews were ordered to leave their homes, while their elders were permitted to remain.

In the township of Ehrenfeld, a suburb of Cologne, signs were posted in the streets announcing that Jews are forbidden to enter the township. The Jewish population of Ehrenfeld totals 3,000.

1,307 Doctors Quit Reich

The German Medical Journal reports today that 1,307 Jewish doctors emigrated from Germany during the last two years. A third of this number went to Palestine.

The pupils of a local high school in Frankfurt-am-Main were urged today in the local Nazi press to declare a strike against the school administration for permitting J. Florsheim, a Jew, to continue to teach French, drawing and other subjects in the school.

"It is abnormal that a Jew should still teach in our schools," the Frankfurter Volksblatt says. The paper appeals to the parents to protest against the school administration and to encourage the children to walk out against their Jewish teacher.

Streicher Report Ridiculed

A report from Vienna that Julius Streicher will suspend publication of his anti-Semitic weekly, Der Stuermer, within six weeks, was ridiculed here today.

The report appeared in the Vienna newspaper, Weltblatt, and stated that General von Blomberg, head of the Reichswehr, demanded the suspension of the paper. Streicher at

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7 Get King's Birthday Honors; Amnesty for 14 Rioters of '29

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, June 2—A number of Jews of England, Canada, Palestine and Rhodesia are included in the list of recipients of honors to be bestowed on the occasion of the King's birthday tomorrow.

Among those to be honored are Hore Belisha, British Cabinet member, Mrs. Tillie Jacobson of Routh Rhodesia, Elijah Silverstone of Canada, Mrs. Nellie Soman of London, and Abraham Goldwater of Palestine. They will be made officers of the Order of the British Empire.

Honorary membership in the Order will be bestowed upon Mrs. Shoshana Persitz, head of the education department in Tel Aviv, and Isaac Elazari-Volcani of Palestine.

JERUSALEM, June 2—Amnesty to fourteen prisoners in Palestine was officially announced today on the occasion of the King's birthday tomorrow.

All fourteen will be released tomorrow. They were sentenced after the anti-Jewish riots in 1929. Thirteen are Arabs and one is a Jew, Simha Hinkis, who was found guilty of shooting an Arab assailant in self-defense during the riots.

In addition to the fourteen who will be released tomorrow, the sentences of other Arabs found guilty in connection with the anti-Jewish riots, have been reduced. Many who were sentenced to life terms will be released next year under today's amnesty. Yousef Orphali, one of the two Jews sentenced in connection with the 1929 riots, will be released August 1, 1936.

Lift Palestine Bars, Jews Ask League

Elect Brodetsky Head Of British Teachers

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LIVERPOOL, June 2—Prof. Selig Brodetsky, member of the World Zionist Executive, was elected today president of the the Association of University Teachers.

Prof. Brodetsky, who is one of the outstanding mathematicians in England, has been a member of the faculty of the University of Leeds for many years.

Brazil Invites Reich Refugees To Work Land

Acute Labor Shortage on Farms Moves Sao Paulo to Act

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

SAO PAULO, Brazil, June 2—The possibilities of Jewish immigration and colonization in Brazil were emphasized today when the administration of Sao Paulo decided to send a delegation abroad to bring land workers into the country.

The State of Sao Paulo is experiencing an acute shortage of land workers. Jewish leaders in Rio de Janeiro are therefore preparing a plan to settle Jews on land in this State as agricultural workers and to bring over Jewish refugees to Brazil for this purpose.

League High Commissioner James G. McDonald, who is now in South America for the purpose of negotiating for admission of German-Jewish refugees, is highly interested in the project now advanced by the Jewish community of Rio de Janeiro, it was declared here today.

Cites Benefits

Gratien Candance, the former Assistant Secretary for the French Colonies, today published an article in the Folia Damania, declaring that Brazil and especially Sao Paulo, would greatly benefit from Jewish immigration. M. Candance points out that Palestine has grown tremendously during recent years because of Jewish activities and that the neighboring country of Syria is still experiencing an economic crisis because it has no Jewish immigration.

The entire Brazilian press is full of praise today for Dr. Horacio Lafer, Jewish member of the Parliament, in connection with a law project introduced by Dr. Lafer to improve the economic condition of the country. Dr. Lafer is known as one of the best economists in Brazil.

Czechoslovak Jews Set July 28 for Zionist Vote

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAHA, June 2—Election of delegates to the World Zionist Congress at Lucerne Aug. 27 will be held July 28, it was announced here today.

Mandates Body Acts Today on Agency Petition

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

GENEVA, June 2—The Mandates Commission of the League of Nations, which opens its session here tomorrow, is asked by the Jewish Agency to provide for a larger immigration of Jews into Palestine, in a memorandum made public here today.

The memorandum, accompanied by a covering letter from Nahum Sokolow, president of the Jewish Agency, cites the following facts in support of its request:

1. The Jewish population in Palestine at the end of 1934 was about 300,000 souls, as compared with the 245,000 at the end of 1923.
2. A total of 42,359 Jewish immigrants entered Palestine during 1934, including 9,429 from Germany. The immigrants came from nearly fifty different countries.

Spent 35 Millions

3. The Jews spent in Palestine in 1934 the sum of \$35,000,000 to acquire 110,970 metric runams of land. Of this area 48,856 dunams were purchased from Jews and 62,114 dunams from Arabs. The Arabs received \$8,240,000 for their land.

4. There are today 160 Jewish settlements in Palestine, occupying an area of 1,300,000 dunams of land. Their population is 70,000.

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J. D. C. Starts Polish Survey

Dr. Schweitzer Arrives In Warsaw to Study Jewish Situation

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

WARSAW, June 2—Dr. David Schweitzer, one of the European directors of the American Joint Distribution Committee, arrived in Poland today with a party for the purpose of making a thorough study of the Jewish economic situation.

The party will proceed from Poland to Soviet Russia, in order to study Jewish conditions there.

Representatives of 600 Jewish communities in Poland were present today at a special conference called by the Jewish Community of law to devise a proper Jewish tribute to the memory of the late Josef Pilsudski.

Thousands here last night attended a meeting in honor of Dr. Chaim Zhitlovsky, New York Jewish writer and philosopher whose seventieth birthday is now being celebrated throughout the world. The meeting was arranged by the Jewish Writers Union.

A loan of 30,000 zlotys was granted by the government to the Judaica Library in Warsaw, to complete the building for the library which is adjacent to the Warsaw Choral Synagogue.

The Daily News Letter

'Aircraftman Shaw' and the Jews

By a J.T.A. Correspondent

LONDON. Lawrence of Arabia—the mysterious figure who haunts the history of the Near East of the last twenty years—the power behind Arab thrones and the carver of Arab kingdoms—was a friend of the Jews and a believer in Zionism.

The man who fought the Arab cause so bitterly during the Peace Conference and abandoned all the honors due him because he believed the Powers were betraying the Arabs, believed that a Palestine regenerated by the Jews would raise the whole status of the Middle East.

These revelations were made by L. B. Namier, former political secretary of the Jewish Agency, whose friendship with Lawrence date back to their college days, after "Aircraftman Shaw," as Col. T. E. Lawrence preferred to be known, died as the result of a motorcycle accident.

Quotes His Words

"He widely differed from those who love the Arabs as a stick with which to beat the Jews," declared Namier of Lawrence in an article in the Manchester Guardian. "In the ensuing conversation which I had with him on July 19, 1930, he said—I took down his words in shorthand and read them back to him afterwards:

"The problem of Zionism is the problem of the third generation. It is the grandsons of your immigrants who will make it succeed or fail, but the odds are so much in its favor that the experiment is worth backing, and I back it not because of the Jews, but because a regenerated Palestine is going to raise the whole moral and material status of its Middle East neighbors."

"He was prepared to testify on behalf of Zionism to the Cabinet," Namier reveals. "I repeated at the time (1930) the offer to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, but nothing came of it."

Story of Cairo Parley

Lawrence's description of the Cairo Conference in 1921 which settled the fate of Transjordan, lopping it off from Palestine as a native state, a fragment of history about which we shall learn more some day, is given by Mr. Namier, reporting the rest of his last conversation with Lawrence.

"Among other things, Lawrence told me that day the story of the Cairo Conference of 1921, and how Transjordan had come to be separated from Palestine. I put down in a minute what I heard from him and a funny story it was. Lawrence had a great sense of humor. But

the time has not yet come to publish it and I give here the bare gist of it.

The Transjordan Deal

"The decisions of the Cairo Conference were prepared by us in London over dinner tables at the Ship Restaurant in Whitehall. It was decided to include Transjordan in Palestine, to make it indistinguishable from Palestine, and to open it to Jewish immigration. Every point was decided at Cairo, as originally settled in London, except the one about Transjordan. When the conference met, Abdullah was marching from the Hedjaz to Transjordan with a view to attacking the French in Syria. To stop him would have required troops and money. It was decided to negotiate with him.

"There were three possibilities:

"To keep a British garrison in Transjordan;

"2. To establish there a native state under British direction;

"3. To let the French have it.

"As the Cabinet were absolutely opposed to British troops being sent across the Jordan and money being spent on operations, the first possibility was ruled out. Abdullah could therefore be stopped by persuasion only. Had he gone against Syria, the French, after having dealt with them there, could not have been stopped from occupying Transjordan, which had been used as a base against them. Therefore, the best solution was to have a 'British Abdullah' in Transjordan. The situation which had arisen in the Spring of 1921 left no other choice."

"And we had to foot the bill," I said.

"Yes," he replied, 'you had to foot the bill. But you would have been no better off if the French had taken Transjordan'."

Riots Were Avoidable

The terrible riots in Palestine in 1929 need not have taken place, in Lawrence's estimation, for he told Namier:

"If you had 400 decent British policemen in Palestine, there would be no problem."

"I asked him," Namier continues, "whether that did not depend very much on who commanded them. He thought not. Policemen go about the country on their own and are not commanded."

Lawrence also described Pan-Islamism in 'politics as a fiction and spoke at length of the future of the Jews in Palestine.

All Jews in Grenada

Give in Appeal Drive

(Special to the J.D.B.)

GRENADA, Miss., June 2—Every single member of the Jewish community here has made a contribution to the United Jewish Appeal campaign, it was announced by Louis Friedman, chairman of the local drive.

The one hundred percent contribution record includes not only Grenada, but the neighboring town of Coffeeville. Grenada claims the record of being the third city in the United States in which every Jewish family has contributed to the United Jewish Appeal Campaign.

Between the Lines

By B. SMOLAR

Arab Immigration Legalized

For the first time the Palestine Gazette, official organ of the Palestine government, listed this week fifty-seven Arabs as immigrants who legally entered the country from other Arab states.

The admission into Palestine of Arabs from other countries is a direct violation of the principle of absorptive capacity upon which the Palestine government is regulating the immigration quota for the Jews. If fifty-seven more immigrants are to be admitted into Palestine they must be Jews, not Arabs.

Jewish Majority Endangered

There is good ground for the belief that this small scale legal immigration of Arabs into Palestine will no doubt be enlarged by the Palestine government in time. What will then happen to the Jewish majority which the Zionists hope to attain in the country? How will the absorptive capacity of the country be determined then?

The fifty-seven Arabs who were admitted as immigrants did not come in as seasonal workers, as was once stated by the Executive of the Jewish Agency. Recognized as immigrants, they can now remain as long as they wish. They can even become Palestine citizens, after a two years' stay. They enjoy the same status as any Jewish immigrant.

A Poor Excuse

The explanation that they were admitted into Palestine to work in the Haifa harbor is, from a Jewish standpoint, no excuse at all. There are today thousands of young Jews in many countries who would be willing to do any kind of work if they were only admitted into Palestine. There are thousands of Jewish dock workers in Salonica who are clamoring for Palestine visas.

The innovation introduced by the Palestine government in granting immigration visas also to Arabs must therefore be looked upon as a failure on the part of the Executive of the Jewish Agency sufficiently to protect Jewish immigration interests. It is another blow at the Zionist Executive on the immigration front.

Failures of the Executive

The present Zionist Executive has on its records numerous achievements, but as regards its immigration front, it has suffered one failure after another. Only during the last few months the Palestine government has delivered the following blows at the Executive as far as the immigration regulations are concerned:

1. It has taken off 2,800 certificates from the recent labor schedule for alleged illegal entrants. Since on each certificate a minimum of two persons are admissible, this decrease in the labor schedule means that the Zionist Executive was permitted to bring in about 6,000 Jews less than the established absorptive capacity of the country provided for. In other words, at least 1,000 prospective Jewish immigrants a month were prevented from entering Palestine because of the inability of the Zionist Executive to prove that the illegal immigration into Palestine is much less than an average of 1,100 persons a month.

Cutting Visas in Half

2. In addition to the 2,800 certificates which the government deducted from the labor schedule, it has now, for the first time, limited "chalutzim" to come in on single visas only, without the right to bring in wives or hus-

World Press Digest

Reports 10,000 Jews Returned to Germany

The Manchester Guardian brings the following report from its Berlin correspondent:

The total number of Jews who have fled from Germany, according to the Secret Political Police, is 90,000. The number of "Aryan" refugees who, because of their political opinions, have fled abroad to escape Nazi vengeance is stated to be 20,000. About 10,000 German subjects—of whom it is stated ninety-nine per cent are Jews—have subsequently returned to Germany.

These statements are made by the Nazi Voelkischer Beobachter in the first of a series of articles on "The Winding-up of the German Jewish Question." Refugees who come back to Germany from abroad are placed in an internment camp or, as the Voelkischer Beobachter calls it, "an education camp." The reason for their internment, the paper declares, is to prevent the flooding of the labor market, since recently the numbers returning have greatly increased. The newspaper proceeds to attack the Jews, who are stated to have profited from the chaotic conditions prevailing after the war and succeeded in amassing capital from the pennies of

bands, as the case may be. Thus, of the 7,600 certificates which the Executive received for the next six months, more than half—4,283 visas—were for single persons only, representing a substantial cut in the immigration quota as compared with previous schedules, where no such limitation existed.

3. For the first time the government officially announced that individual applications for visas by employees as well as by employers can be sent directly to the government, ignoring the Zionist Executive and thus actually taking away the monopoly over Jewish immigration from the Executive.

Jewish Immigration Reduced

4. Numerous restrictions were also introduced for the first time by the Palestine government affecting Jews from Syria and other neighboring countries, at a time when no such restrictions exist for Arabs from the same countries.

As a result of all this, the legal immigration into Palestine for

the German public. When, however, the fiscal authorities, under growing financial difficulties, made serious efforts to tax the alleged profiteering Jews they sent their capital abroad. The Ministry of Economic Affairs estimates the amount of capital so lost to Germany at 400,000,000 marks, and this the article regards as very conservative. It adds that probably the effective damage caused to Germany is nearly 1,000,000,000 marks.

The article, which accuses the Jews of being responsible for the flight of capital in the winter of 1932-3 until its export was stopped, is significant in view of the renewed wave of anti-Semitism as recorded in a message at the end of last month. Another symptom is the agitation against Jewish shopkeepers, especially in Southern and Western Germany.

Hadassah Distributes

45,000 Shekel Cards

More than 45,000 Shekel receipts have been mailed to the members of Hadassah and Junior Hadassah, giving recipients the right to vote June 23 for delegates to the World Zionist Congress in Lucerne, it was announced yesterday.

the next six months will be much smaller than a year ago. Legal immigration of Arabs into Palestine, however, may rise since the government has embarked on a policy of giving immigration visas to Arabs from neighboring countries.

Gruenbaum Not to Blame

It would be a mistake to attribute the Zionist failure on the immigration front to Isaac Gruenbaum, the member of the Zionist Executive who is in charge of the immigration department. Those who are informed of the inside doings of the Zionist Executive know that Mr. Gruenbaum is the last person to be blamed. Other members of the Executive—those who for one reason or another never permitted Mr. Gruenbaum to fight his battle directly with the Palestine government—are, however, to be held responsible for the defeat on the immigration policy. They will have to answer for this to the next Zionist Congress and to the next session of the Jewish Agency in Lucerne.

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Rabbinical Assembly Replies To Attack on its Divorce Plan

The Rabbinical Assembly of America in a statement issued yesterday, made clear its attitude on the question of relaxing the Jewish religious divorce law affecting wives who have been deserted by their husbands.

The statement came in reply to the resolution adopted by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis several days ago attacking the Rabbinical Assembly. The attack was made by Rabbi Joseph Konvitz, president of the Union, who claimed that the Rabbinical Assembly violated the Torah by its resolution that before marriage husband and wife should conclude an agreement entitling the wife to a divorce if deserted by the husband for three years.

The statement of the Rabbinical Assembly follows:

"Were it not for the fact that the issue of the 'Agunah' is one of paramount importance for the maintenance of Jewish tradition in America and throughout the world, there would be no need to reply to the attack of Rabbi Joseph Konvitz upon the Rabbinical Assembly of America for having taken a step toward the solution of the problem. That the Agudath Habonim should have condemned us without trying to find out precisely what our resolution was is amazing. We shall overlook Rabbi Konvitz's attack and shall limit our reply to the problem of the 'Agunah' and to our supposed enactment.

Cites War Deaths

"As is well known, the right to issue a divorce is vested in Jewish law in the hands of the husband. When for any reason whatsoever he does not issue it, the wife cannot remarry. During the World War and succeeding pogroms, thousands of Jewish men disappeared from their families, having been killed with no witness to testify to the fact or having deserted their wives by escaping to other lands, condemning their wives to the perpetual tragedy and loneliness of the 'Agunah' status.

"The problem has been becoming acute in Western Europe and America as well, where a husband may desert his wife or, equally frequently, may receive a civil divorce and then refuse to give his wife a Jewish divorce ('get'), because of spite or because he wishes to extort money. Increasing numbers of these women are therefore tempted to disregard the Jewish law and remarry without obtaining a 'get', in spite of the fact they are married women in the eyes of Jewish tradition and are thus undermining the sanctity of the Jewish family.

Suggests Solution

"Can anything be done to deal with the problem? The Rabbinical Assembly of America and its Committee on Jewish Law consisting of eminent Jewish scholars, believes that Jewish law possesses the means to remedy this tragic situation. At its convention held in Rockaway Park, a plan was adopted to deal with the problem. In spite of the fulminations of Rabbi Konvitz, the following are the basic facts about the recently adopted resolution of the Rabbinical Assembly:

"1. The plan is not a 'reform' or break in the continuity of Jewish tradition. As a matter of fact, it is based almost entirely upon the practice of some Sephardic communities of the old world of unswerving Jewish loyalty and unquestioned learning.

"2. The proposal is not the offspring of an idle hour but represents the work of an outstanding expert on Jewish law, Rabbi Louis M. Epstein of Boston, Mass., who has studied the question for years and five years ago published a Hebrew work entitled, 'A Proposal against disintegrity.'

for the Improvement of the Status of Agunoth.' In this learned halachic work, all the Talmudic and post-Talmudic authorities were studied and their opinions evaluated with great brilliance and understanding of the law. Rabbi Epstein sent his pamphlet to over 1,000 rabbis in the United States, Europe, and Palestine, with an urgent plea to them to consider the merits of his proposal. Of the rabbis who replied, including Rabbi Kook, practically all agreed that the proposed plan was thoroughly in accordance with Jewish law but they felt diffident about putting it into practice. The Rabbinical Assembly should also have preferred to have had the plan sponsored by all exponents of traditional Judaism.

Waited 5 Years

"For five years its Committee on Jewish Law waited for others to take the lead in order to heal the rapidly widening breach in the walls of Jewish life. No such step was taken by the orthodox rabbinical body. At last we felt that this proposal, which is thoroughly in accord with Jewish tradition, ought not to go into the discard because of the unwillingness of older rabbis to take this responsibility. Even now we know that a large percentage of orthodox rabbis who possess learning and character, whose hearts are pained at the wholesale disregard of Jewish tradition and who are filled with a sense of responsibility and fair play will be ready to judge the plan on its merits. We hope and trust that they join with us in implementing it for American Israel.

"3. Our plan does not call for a conditional marriage as Rabbi Konvitz imagines it does, nor upon the issuance of a conditional divorce at the time of marriage. It is an arrangement where the husband who has the right to grant a divorce empowers one or several named agents to issue a divorce to his wife at any future time, should she become an 'Agunah'. In that case these appointed agents in accordance with his order and after direction of the duly accredited rabbinical courts, consisting of fully ordained rabbis, would issue a 'get' or divorce to the woman. That 'get' is absolutely and unequivocally valid from the standpoint of Jewish law.

"4. The plan is not retroactive and will not affect marriages already entered into. Far from harming Jewish law, our proposal will restore to it a vitality and sanctity which it has always enjoyed.

Defer Enactment

"We have postponed inauguration of this arrangement until the year 5695. This gives plenty of time to all those interested to study the plan and think there are any valid halachic objections, to be able to voice them.

"We feel certain that the overwhelming majority of the adherents to traditional Judaism who are devoted to the perpetuation of Jewish tradition and the advancement of Jewish life in our midst, will recognize both the integrity of our intention and the unimpeachable legal authority for our enactment.

"Copies of Rabbi Epstein's work may be had by rabbis upon application to the Rabbinical Assembly, Broadway and 122nd Street, New York City. In addition, an English and Yiddish publication explaining the entire plan is being compiled for the enlightenment of the Jewish public as well. We pledge all our energy to the task of implementing this proposal, feeling certain that except for those who are blind because they will not see, American Jewry will recognize in it a great step forward to guard our Torah

NEWS IN BRIEF

Chicago
S. D. Hurwitz, rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel of Phoenix, Ariz., has been named executive director of the Chicago branch of IIAS.

Doylestown, Pa.
Founders Day exercises were held here yesterday (Sunday) by the National Farm School. Among the prominent speakers were Senator James Pickney Pope of Idaho and Dr. William H. Finckler of Philadelphia.

Newark, N. J.
The Essex County Conference of Jews and Christians will meet tonight (Monday), it was announced by Rabbi Marius Ranson, president, to discuss alleged discrimination against Jewish and Catholic students in American colleges and universities. The meeting will be held at Ohel Shalom Synagogue here.

New Bedford, Mass.
Zionist delegations from all over New England are preparing to attend the annual Zionist convention of the New England region June 15 and 16, at the New Bedford Hotel here. Ludwig Lewisohn, writer, and Morris Rothenberg, president of the Zionist Organization of America, will be the principal speakers.

Perth Amboy, N. J.
The public campaign of the Jewish community of Perth Amboy to obtain its quota for the United Jewish Appeal was launched here yesterday (Sunday). The officers are: Harry S. Medinets, chairman; Isidore Jacobson, secretary; and Isaac Alpern, treasurer.

Pittsburgh
Miriam Abels has been elected president of the local section of the National Council of Jewish Women. Other officers include: Nancy Newman and Gertrude Schwartz, vice-presidents; Bernice Olbum, recording secretary; Sylvia Breman, corresponding secretary; Minerva Levinson, treasurer; Flora Koch, financial secretary, and Sylvia Losman, auditor.

New York City
Dr. Bernadr Marion was inducted as rabbi of the Sea Gate Sisterhood and Talmud Torah congregation yesterday. He spoke on "Hitler—the Best Friend Jewry Has Had in 500 Years."

William Stein has been elected to a second term as president of Young Israel of Brooklyn.

Abraham Beier was installed Saturday night as president of the Congregation of Lefferts Park, Brooklyn.

5 States Form Region To Push J.N.F. Drive

(Special to the J.D.B.)

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 2—A regional organization to help the campaign of the Jewish National Fund, comprising Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Oklahoma, was formed at a conference here today of representatives of Jewish groups in the five States. Harry Friedberg of this city, chairman of the provisional conference committee which issued the call to the meeting, presided. Mrs. Avis Shulman of Chicago was the principal speaker at the evening session which concluded the conference.

Bulletin Calendar of Events

Monday, June 3
Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, Pelham Parkway women's division, meeting at home of Mrs. Grossman, 2199 Cruger Ave. 8:30 p.m.

Jewish Institute of Religion. Meeting of Alumni Association to elect alumni representative on board of trustees.

Dinner for Gerhart Seger at Rosoff's Restaurant, 147 West Forty-third Street, 7:30 p.m. Toastmaster, B. C. Vladeck.

East Midwood Jewish Center, 1625 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn. Luncheon to Dr. Harry Halpern, rabbi of the Center, 12:30 p.m.

Rehoboth Lodge, No. 38, B'nai B'rith. Meeting at Vasa Castle Hall, 149th Street and Walton Avenue, Bronx.

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Golub Named Director Of Harrisburg Center

(Special to the J.D.B.)

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 2—Dr. Jacob S. Golub, director of the Board of Jewish Education at Cin-

cinnati, will be the new director of the Jewish Community Center here. He will assume office August 1.

Dr. Golub succeeds Paul Goldblatt, who resigned recently after ten years of service here, to accept a similar post at Omaha, Neb.

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Honor Stroock At Exercises Of School Here

Seminary's Degrees Go To Noted Scholars, 10 New Rabbis

Sol M. Stroock, chairman of the board of directors of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and chairman of the American Jewish Committee, was awarded yesterday the honorary degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature at the commencement exercises of the Seminary.

The same degree was also conferred upon Prof. Charles Cutler Torrey, professor emeritus of Semitic languages at Yale University, and Prof. Samuel Landauer, of Augsburg, Germany, professor emeritus in Semitics at the University at Strassburg.

Ten graduates received degrees as rabbis.

Addresses were delivered by Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of the Seminary, Prof. Mordecai Kaplan, dean of the Teachers Institute of the Seminary, and Dr. Israel H. Levinthal, rabbi of the Brooklyn Jewish Center and a member of the board of directors of the Seminary.

Prof. Louis Finkelstein delivered the invocation.

Urges Religious Reservoir

Dr. Adler in his address stressed the importance of religion at this time, when it is attacked both in Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany. He said:

"With the steady attempt on the part of Soviet Russia to save the Jews and destroy Judaism, with the steady attempt on the part of Nazi Germany to destroy the Jews and thereby to destroy Judaism, the obligation upon us in America to create a great reservoir for our religion becomes all the more the highest duty, not only for the salvation of our own souls but for the salvation of our faith for which we have in the past and are in the present engaging in a bitter struggle, not a struggle of violence but a struggle of the spirit."

Lists Achievements

Dr. Kaplan said in part: "The following facts and figures may help to give a concrete idea of what the Teachers Institute and its subsidiaries have achieved during the last twenty-six years. The total number of students who have been graduated is 570. Of these, more than 300 have been engaged at one time or another in teaching in Jewish schools, not only in this city, but also in many communities outside New York. At present about 100 occupy teaching positions, twelve are in high administrative positions as heads of bureaus, twelve are principals of schools, twenty-five are graduates of rabbinical seminaries, and occupy pulpits, and five are center and social workers."

Dr. Israel Levinthal said: "The fundamental prerequisite for today's rabbinic leadership, as it was throughout the past ages, is Jewish learning. The rabbi who is not steeped in the living waters of our Torah—our rich literature of the Biblical and Rabbinic ages—cannot enjoy the influence upon the masses of our people who look to him as their Rabbi—in its literal sense—their teacher and master."

The following prize-winners were announced:

The Laemmlein Buttenwieser Talmud Prize—"The Date of the Exodus"; value \$60. Divided between Eli A. Bohnen and Benjamin Tumin.
The Aaron Friedenwald Prize in Jewish Theology—"The Development of the Concept of the Chosen People"; value \$60. Divided between Irwin Hyman and Morris Adler. Honorable Mention—A. Elihu Michelson and Arthur T. Buch.
The Alexander Kohut Memorial Prize—"The Liturgical References in Seder Nashim"; value \$35. Awarded to Irving H. Perlman and Philip Pincus, who collaborated

Honorable Mention—Aaron Decter and Philip Listokin.

The David Scharps Memorial Prize in Talmud—to be awarded to the member of the graduating class who, in the opinion of the Faculty, shows the greatest appreciation and knowledge of the Talmud and the Commentaries thereof. Awarded to Morton H. Lewittes; value \$100.

The Moses Greenberg Prize in Bible—Value \$100. Divided between Arnold A. Lasker and Judah Nadieh.

The Lampert Homiletic Prize—Value \$35. Awarded to Morris Adler.

The Morris Greenberg Prize in Modern Literature—Value \$50. Awarded to Morris Adler. Honorable mention Morton Lewittes.

The William B. Hackenburg Prize—Value \$35. Awarded to Arnold A. Lasker.

The Irving Lehman Prizes in Public Speaking—Value \$50. Divided between H. Elihu Rickel and Irwin Hyman.

The Joseph Zubow Memorial Prize in Codes—Value \$40. Divided between Meyer Finkelstein and Arnold A. Lasker. Honorable Mention—Aaron Decter, Irving Ganz, Aaron M. Wise.

The Jacobson Memorial Prize in Hazanut—Value \$35. Divided between Jesse Finkle and Benjamin Tumin. Honorable Mention—Benjamin Kahn and Saul Kraft.

Honorary Degrees Given 3 At Institute's Exercises

The honorary degree of Doctor of Hebrew Letters was conferred on Mrs. Rebekah Kohut, Prof. Harry Austryn Wolfson of Harvard and Prof. James Alan Montgomery of Pennsylvania at the tenth annual commencement services of the Jewish Institute of Religion yesterday in the institute's auditorium, 40 West Sixty-eighth Street.

Prof. Wolfson, who occupies the Nathan Littauer chair in Jewish literature and philosophy at Harvard, Prof. Montgomery, an expert in Biblical studies, and Mrs. Kohut, author and social worker, were presented respectively by Judge Julian W. Mack, chairman of the institute board of trustees, Dr. Shalom Sueigel and Dr. Ralph Marcus. The awards were made by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, president of the institute.

With the auditorium, holding about 400, crowded to overflowing, Dr. Wise charged the graduates not to become professional defenders of the Jewish people, but to struggle for liberty and justice.

Ten graduates received the Master of Hebrew Literature degrees and were ordained as rabbis. Thirteen students were awarded prizes and fellowships. A luncheon in honor of the graduates was held after the exercises at which Frederick L. Guggenheimer presided. Speakers were Judge Mack, Dean Henry Slonimsky, Rabbi Jacob P. Rudin and Abraham I. Jacobson.

Following is the list of graduates awarded the degrees of Master of Hebrew Literature and Rabbi: Jerome R. Malino, Emanuel Green, Abraham Isaac Jacobson, Isadore Shalom Ravetoh, Maxwell Lawrence Sacks, Harold Irving Saperstein, Jerome Unger, Colman Aaron Zwitman and Saul Elchanan White.

In the presence of 500 persons, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun yesterday brought its religious school year to a close with exercises in the auditorium of the Community Center, 270 West Eighty-ninth St.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, rabbi of the Congregation, presided. Among the speakers were Isidor S. Schweitzer, chairman of the Religious School Board, Edgar H. Bauman and Rabbi Samuel M. Segal, educational director.

Diplomas were awarded to seven graduates of the high school department: Viola E. Buchbinder, Gladys B. Claster, Avram S. Goldstein, Arline S. Hillelson, Madeline B. Mantell, Maxine J. Mantell and Blanche A. Schwartz.

Ask Mexico to Strip Jews of Citizenship

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president of Mexico, Raquez Gonzales Garcia, and other Mexican "generals."

The number of Jews in Mexico today is estimated at 16,000. They consist mostly of Jewish immigrants from Russia and Poland who entered Mexico after the war. Since February, 1934, Jewish immigration into Mexico has been prohibited.

Agency Asks League to Lift Palestine Immigration Bars

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of whom 40,000 are engaged in agricultural work.

5. Approximately two-thirds of the entire Jewish population in Palestine is concentrated in the cities and reside in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Haifa and Jaffa.

6. A total of 170 new industrial developments were established in 1934, mainly by new arrivals. All of them are showing satisfactory progress, although they are hampered by the difficulty of obtaining skilled workers.

Brought \$50,000,000

The Agency's memorandum estimates that \$50,000,000 in new capital was brought into Palestine by Jews during 1934.

In the covering letter accompanying the memorandum Mr. Sokolow emphasizes that the year 1934 in Palestine was remarkable for its economic development. Mr. Sokolow points out that the number of Jewish immigrants admitted into Palestine under the labor schedule is inadequate to meet the ever growing needs of the Palestine labor market. He complains that the Palestine government has not given sufficient reason to the Jewish Agency for reducing the number of visas requester for Jewish immigrants, whenever such requests have been submitted.

Labor Need Underestimated

"The shortage of labor in Palestine, which has lasted three years, proves that the government underestimates the actual needs for Jewish labor," Mr. Sokolow states in his covering letter. "The effect of the labor shortage has been to cause a discrepancy in wages between those working in towns and those in the villages. As a result of this discrepancy in wages Jewish labor is flocking to the towns."

"There is no greater peril to the Jewish National Home than if a one-sided, predominantly urban occupational composition of Jewries of the Diaspora were to be reproduced in Palestine," Mr. Sokolow warns the Mandates Commission.

Other Recommendations

Mr. Sokolow's letter also demands that in addition to larger Jewish immigration, the Palestine government should be urged to do the following:

1. Open its civil service to more Jews.
2. Increase its aid to Jewish education in the country.
3. Assist in marketing of Palestine oranges abroad.
4. Place the large areas of Palestine land still available in the hands

Young Judaeans Hold Annual Track Tourney

New York City Young Judaea held its sixteenth annual track and field meet yesterday at the Pelham Bay Park Athletic Field. Several thousand children, leaders and active workers took part in the various athletic events. An exhibition of the events in which they competed was given by several members of the American Maccabi team which recently returned from the Jewish Olympics at Tel Aviv.

Nazis Drive Young Jews From City

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first resented this demand but was finally compelled to yield, the story relates.

"This report has no foundation," it was stated here today in diplomatic circles, "since Streicher is still in high favor." It was also explained that not only will Streicher not drop his Stuermer, but on the contrary, will soon open a special office in Berlin and may even transfer his publication to Berlin.

of Jewish colonization agencies.

Mr. Sokolow's letter praises the Palestine government for assisting the Jews in obtaining the concession of the Tuleh region, located on the Palestine-Syria frontier.

British Act to Curb Illegal Immigration

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, June 2—In order to prevent illegal immigration into Palestine, the government today appointed two officers of the Palestine Secret Police as officials of the Immigration Department.

Nine special policemen have been appointed in the Tulkarem district to guard the seashore. Sixteen British constables under a British officer have been named coast guards in the district of the Jewish colony Herzlia.

Fraternal Body Beat Slump, Leader States

900 at Atlantic City for 48th Convention of Brith Abraham

(Special to the J.D.B.)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 2—The Independent Order Brith Abraham has overcome the years of depression and is still the largest Jewish fraternal order in the world, Max Silverstein, its Grand Master, today told 900 delegates at the opening of the forty-eighth annual convention at the Garden Pier Theatre.

A message of greeting from President Roosevelt was a feature of the opening session. Judge Joseph Altman conveyed the greetings of Mayor Bachrach, who called upon the order to fight Nazi propaganda in New Jersey. Judge William M. Lewis of Philadelphia greeted the convention in the name of the Independent Order Brith Sholom, of which he is president, and urged cooperation between the two bodies.

Mr. Silverstein bitterly attacked "the troublemakers and unsuccessful office-seekers within the ranks of the Order". It is this group that is responsible for the reduction of the membership of the Order from 214,000 to less than 100,000 members, he said. It is this same group which circulated false rumors that the Order was about to be taken over by the Insurance Department for liquidation, he emphasized.

Brith Abraham, Mr. Silverstein reported to the convention, is now in a position where its reserve funds will be sufficient for a period of some 15 years.

2,989 Deaths in Year

Mr. Silverstein reported that the total deaths in the Order for the period commencing January 1, 1934, and ending May 31, 1935, was 2,989. It required about \$1,500,000 to pay the widows and orphans of the deceased. All endowment and disability claims have been promptly paid and all the funds of the Order are closely safeguarded, Mr. Silverstein stated.

Mr. Silverstein recommended to the convention that the Order continue its affiliation with the American Jewish Congress and help the Ort organization morally and financially in the productive work of helping East European Jews to adjust themselves to artisanship and colonization, in different parts of Europe.

The Grand Master also recommended that all lawful means be used to combat discriminatory immigration laws in America. He urged that the Order strive to bring about unity in American Jewish ranks and should endeavor to make peace between the American Jew-

HIAS Action Bars Expulsion Of 600 Families

Intervention in French City Saves Jewish Immigrants

Six hundred Jewish families, most of whom had come from Poland and who settled in the Department of the North, with Lille, France, as the center, and who were threatened with expulsion, will not be deported, it was announced yesterday as the result of prompt action taken by the Paris office of Hicem (HIAS-ICA).

As soon as the HIAS committee was dispatched to Lille, Mr. Lambert called upon the Prefect, the ground for this having been prepared by previous interviews with the French Minister of the Interior and other government officials.

The result of the intervention, the local office of HIAS said, was an agreement with the Prefect that henceforth no more expulsion of Jewish immigrants shall be made without first informing Chief Rabbi Berman, the HIAS representative in Lille, at least eight days in advance. An opportunity will thus be afforded Chief Rabbi Berman to plead the cases of the affected Jewish immigrants. Should the Prefect, after the hearing, render an unfavorable decision the case will be referred to the HIAS Committee in Paris for presentation to the Ministry of the Interior. In those instances where the decision of the Prefect is final, the immigrant will only have to leave the Department of the North and the HIAS Committee will then either find a place for him in some other part of France or have him repatriated.

During his stay in Lille, Mr. Lambert also visited the Polish Consul who expressed himself as highly pleased at the result of the HIAS intervention because he, himself, had been unable to secure any favorable results although supported by the Polish Ambassador in Paris.

Argentine Officials Pay Tribute to Maimonides

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BUENOS AIRES, June 2—The Governor and the Ministers of the State of Sante Fe participated today in a celebration in honor of Maimonides, the Jewish philosopher whose 800th birthday is now being celebrated throughout the country. The celebration took place in Rosario, the second largest city in Argentina.

ish Congress and the American Jewish Committee. For that purpose he suggested that the Grand Master of the Order should be authorized to call a meeting of presidents and heads of all national Jewish organizations in America and make an effort to have them unite in all problems involving Jewry and Judaism.

Max L. Hollander, Grand Secretary of the Order, in his message to the delegates informed the convention that immediately after the last convention the Insurance Department of the State of New York, without any advance notice, examined the books and records of the Order and after working for about two months submitted a report which declared that the examiners found the books of the Order well kept. Mr. Hollander concluded his address with an appeal for unity in the ranks of the Order.

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