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CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION CHALLENGES RUTGERS TRUSTEES ON BERGEL REPORT

NEW YORK, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- If Leinhard Bergel is not reinstated to the German faculty of the New Jersey State College for Women, the American Civil Liberties Union will take the issue before the State Legislature, it was announced today.

The Union challenged the decision of the Rutgers University trustees' committee which held that Bergel was dismissed for incompetency, in a report of the union's observers at the hearings in New Brunswick, N.J.

In a letter to the Board of Trustees accompanying the report the Academic Freedom Committee maintained that Bergel was a competent teacher, that Dr. Hauptmann, head of the German Department who dismissed Bergel, was violently pro-Nazi, that Bergel was plainly anti-Nazi and that Dr. Hauptmann was prejudiced against him.

"We appeal to you to reject the report of your committee and to reinstate Mr. Bergel," the letter said. "We regard the issue as of such importance in an institution of public character that in case you do not see fit to act, we will be regretfully obliged to take the issue to the committee of the New Jersey State legislature concerned with the policies of the university. We shall also refer the report, together with a copy of this letter, to the American Association of University Professors for such action as they may see fit to take.

The letter was signed by Reinhold Niebuhr, William C. Bagley, Henry R. Linville, Horace M. Kallen and Frederick L. Redefers.

S.B. FINKEL NAMED DIRECTOR OF HEBREW UNIVERSITY FRIENDS

NEW YORK, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- Dr. A.W.S. Rosenbach, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, today made public the appointment of Samuel B. Finkel of Boston as director of the organization.

Mr. Finkel, who is also president of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, will be in charge of activities in the American office of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He succeeds Herbert Askwith.

Previously he served as Massachusetts State Senator, State Representative, principal of a Boston college preparatory school and public school teacher. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School.

VICTIM OF "ARYAN PARAGRAPH," JEWISH ACTOR SUES FILM COMPANY

VIENNA, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- Germany's "Aryan" paragraph found an echo in an Austrian court today when Ernst Deutsch, Austria's most prominent actor, brought a breach of contract suit against an Austrian film company for breaking its contract with him on the grounds his "grandmother was not an "Aryan."

The attorney for the company told the court the action was necessary in order to comply with the requirements of the German authorities, since it was intended that the film be shown in Germany. The attorney said the German authorities require that casts of films shown in the Reich be entirely "Aryan."

The court deferred its verdict in order to establish whether Deutsch had missed other engagements because of this contract.

The actor had been engaged by the company for a leading part in "The White Wife of the Maharajah," and had received 4,000 Austrian shillings (about \$800) as his first two months salary. At the last minute he was notified that his contract would be cancelled unless he could produce evidence that his grandmother was "unimpeachably 'Aryan'."

Before Prof. Max Reinhardt left for the United States, Deutsch had played diversified roles in his Deutsches Theater in Berlin. His first great success was in 1916 when he played the title role in von Hasenclever's drama, "Sohn," at the Dresden Residenz Theater.

BREACH IN UNITED ANTI-SEMITIC FRONT IN RUMANIA

BUCHAREST, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- A serious breach in the recently united front established by the two leaders of Rumania's anti-

Semitic movement, Prof. Alexander Cuza and Prof. Octavius Goga, has developed over a disagreement between the two on the question of attending the Nazi Party Congress at Nuremberg, it was learned here today.

Prof. Goga who had joined last July with Prof. Cuza in forming the Christian Party was opposed to accepting the invitation extended the party's leaders by the Nazis. Prof. Cuza insisted that the party be represented.

The split is expected to have serious consequences for the future of the anti-Semitic movement in Rumania. It constitutes, also, a powerful setback for the German Nazi Party's foreign department which in its efforts to bring about a united anti-Semitic front in Rumania has been spending much money for propaganda among the German minority.

On July 9 last it was announced that the leaders of two anti-Semitic parties had reached an agreement and shortly thereafter the Christian Party was organized. Prof. Cuza's organization was known as the League of Christian National Defense. Prof. Goga was head of the Rumanian Fascist Organization. The purpose of the merger was to further the demands for anti-Jewish restrictions by the Rumanian Government.

READING CALLS PALESTINE'S DEVELOPMENT EXTRA ORDINARY

LONDON, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- "The development of Palestine in practically every field of economic activity has been extraordinary during the past few years, and in this development electricity has played a leading part," the Marquess of Reading, chairman of the Palestine Electric Corporation, declared at the general meeting of the company here.

He reported that the company had obtained 13,463 new electric power consumers in 1934 and that sales of energy increased by more than 70 per cent. The gross revenue increased from £221,128 in 1933 to £363,900 in 1934, he said.

STEIN DECLINES POST AS COUNSEL TO ZIONIST EXECUTIVE

LONDON, Sept. 16. (JTA) -- Leonard Stein, who was named counsel to the Zionist Executive at the World Zionist Congress in Lucerne, has notified the Zionist Organization that he is unable to accept the post, it was learned today.

DANIELS NAMED RECTOR OF DUTCH UNIVERSITY

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- Prof. L. Polak Daniels, noted Dutch-Jewish physician, has been appointed rector of the State University of Groningen for 1936, it was announced today.

ORT TO LAUNCH \$500,000 CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- A \$500,000 campaign for funds to further the activities of the American ORT Federation, the Society for the Promotion of Agriculture and Mechanical Trades among Jews, will be launched in the near future, it was announced today by Dr. Henry C. Moskowitz, chairman of the Organization's board of directors.

David A. Brown, who will be chairman of the campaign, will sail on the Berengaria Thursday to survey ORT activities in Europe.

MOSLEM CONGRESS OPENS IN GENEVA

GENEVA, Sept. 15. (JTA) -- With forty delegates from all European countries except Turkey in attendance, the Moslem Congress opened here today behind closed doors.

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