RUMANIA TO OUST ALIEN RABBIS; DEFER DISBARRING OF JEWISH LAWYERS

BUCHAREST, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The Ministry of Religions decided today to withdraw residential permits of all rabbis who are not Rumanian citizens. About thirty are affected.

The Ministry of Justice announced no decision will be taken on the question of expulsion of Jewish lawyers from the Bar Association until the return from Geneva of Foreign Minister Istrate Micescu, dean of the Bucharest bar. It is understood the Foreign Minister will visit London before the League Council convene next week.

Several Jewish lawyers were forcibly, evicted from the Bucharest Tribunal Building yesterday by a group of anti-Semitic attorneys. An armless Jewish war veteran and holder of several military medals was badly beaten.

(The Government instructed State theatres to aid in the Rumania-for-Rumanians movement by appropriate presentations which would "instinct the people," the Associated Press reported. The National Theatre at Bucharest responded by preparing to produce an old Rumanian piece, "Bloodsucker of the Villages," dealing with a Jewish character who swindles peasants.)

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CUZA URGES WORLD ANTI-SEMITIC CONGRESS

COLOGNE, Germany, Jan. 21. (Havas) -- Convocation of a "world anti-Semitic congress" was urged today in an interview given the newspaper Westdeutscher Beobachter by Alexander Cuza, Minister Without Portfolio in the Bucharest cabinet and co-leader of Rumania's anti-Semitic National Christian Party.

TWO JEWS SENTENCED BY PALESTINE ARMY COURT; 3 HURT IN ATTACKS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- For the first time since its creation last Nov. 18, an army court today sentenced two Jews, Abraham Aziz and Eliahu Brunn, to prison terms of five years each for possession of weapons in violation of emergency regulations. Brunn had accidently wounded Aziz seven weeks ago. Both pleaded guilty.

Two Arabs sentenced by military tribunals to death for possession of weapons and firing upon police will be executed in the Jerusalem prison tomorrow. The authorities
yesterday arrested Rassim Khalidi, secretary of the Arab Cooperative Societies and a cousin of exiled Mayor Khalidi, under the emergency regulations.

Two Jewish passengers, including a postoffice official named Tischenowski, were slightly injured yesterday when a bus en route to Mount Carmel was heavily fired upon. A bomb was thrown at another bus, but did not explode.

A driver was slightly injured when a lorry enroute to Jerusalem from Nablus was fired upon. Jewish workers returning from American-owned stone quarries to Jerusalem were shot at, but none was hit.

A military court released on $2,500 bail Frieda Kuva, 37-year-old German, who was arrested with two revolvers in her possession when she landed at Haifa to visit her Jewish husband, from whom she was separated after Hitler's accession to power in Germany.

CANADA OPEN TO JEWISH LAND SETTLERS, IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS TELL J.T.A.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Immigration officials told a Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent today that the gates of Canada were open to any Jew prepared to settle on the land.

Commenting on reports in the Jewish press regarding admission of Jews into the Dominion, officials said the fault was with Jewish relief organizations for making insufficient effort to negotiate with the Canadian Government on Jewish colonization.

Permanent settlement of Jews is possible, these officials stated, on Canada's vast fertile and virgin open spaces in the Canadian West or in the Northern regions of Ontario or Quebec.

Although the Canadian Government has welcomed Jewish immigrants prepared to settle on the land since 1867, only one and one-half per cent of Canada's Jewish population was on the land or connected in some way with Canadian agriculture at the beginning of 1938, it was stated.

Ecuador Decree Aimed at Non-Farmers

NEW YORK, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The presidential decree ordering the expulsion of Jews not engaged in agricultural or industrial activities beneficial to Ecuador is aimed at colonists who failed to settle on farms as stipulated in their special entry permits, the New York Times reported today from Guayaquil. The Times said 300 were in this category, but The Day quoted a cable from the HIAS-ICA Emigration Association in Ecuador as placing the number at 500.

NEGOTIATIONS NEAR CONCLUSION FOR TRANSFER OF PART OF ORT WORK TO SOVIET

MOSCOW, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The World ORT Union, organization for Jewish vocational retraining and rehabilitation, is nearing the conclusion of its negotiations with the Soviet authorities for transferring part of its activities in Russia to the Government.

The Ozet, Russian society for Jewish land settlement, will take over the work in the cooperative farms of the Crimea, the Ukraine and Biro-Bidjan, such as toy-making and millinery, while other agencies will take over activities in small townships, such as retraining.
After the completion of the negotiations, the ORT will have a reduced staff and will limit its activities in Russia to the training of the Jewish population for new trades, it being understood that trained artisans will join cooperatives immediately on completion of their training.

Reich Jewish Population Declined One-Third; 135,000 Left in 5 Years

London, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The Jewish population of Germany has declined by one-third since the beginning of 1933, the Union for Scientific Study of Population Problems reported today. A total of 135,000 Jews left Germany up to the end of 1937, according to the computation of Dr. Kurt Ziegenziger, published in the Union's organ, Population.

Of this total, 43,000 Jews went to Palestine, 30,000 to Western Europe, 20,000 to Eastern Europe, 15,000 to North America, 21,000 to South America, and 4,000 to South Africa and two other countries.

According to direct inquiries in various European countries, the number of German Jews in England is 4,000; France, 6,000; the Netherlands, 5,000; Denmark, 1,000; Austria, 1,500; Czechoslovakia, 1,000; Italy, 2,000; Sweden, 500; Norway, 300; Yugoslavia, 500, and other countries, 10,000.

Chicago Lifts Ban on Film Exposing Nazis

Chicago, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Police Commissioner Allman overruled the Chicago Police Board of Censors and released the March of Time film, "Inside Nazi Germany -- 1938," yesterday afternoon, thus obviating threatened court action to make possible its scheduled release today.

Roosevelt Greets Council of Jewish Women's 45th Anniversary Convention

Pittsburgh, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- President Roosevelt today greeted the National Council of Jewish Women in a message to its forty-fifth anniversary convention, opening at the Hotel William Penn Sunday night. The fifteenth triennial convention, which will last six days, is expected to be attended by about 1,000 delegates and guests from 200 cities.

"I send hearty congratulations to the members of the National Council of Jewish Women on the occasion of the observance of the Forty-Fifth Anniversary of their organization," President Roosevelt said. "Their achievements in the field of education, social service and philanthropy have been noteworthy. I trust as a result of the Fifteenth Triennial convention that the Council's good works will be increased and their influence extended."

Others greeting the Council on its anniversary and the eightieth anniversary of its founder, Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon of Chicago, were Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Governor George H. Earle, Mayor Cornelius D. Scully and Dr. Everett R. Clinchy. Speakers during the convention will include Assistant Secretary of State George T. Messersmith, Immigration Commissioner James L. Houghteling, and George Backer, vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee.
Jews contributed $53,000,000 for Palestine, Wise reports on eve of Washington Parley

Washington, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- World Jewry has contributed $53,000,000 and American Jewry $19,000,000 for Palestine since issuance of the Balfour Declaration, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, retiring chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, reported today on the eve of the opening of the National Conference for Palestine tomorrow night.

More than 1,500 delegates are expected at the Hotel Mayflower for the two-day sessions, which will mark completion of twenty years of Palestine rebuilding effort. Dr. Joachim Prinz, Ludwig Lewisonh and Ittamer Ben Avi will speak Saturday night on Palestine in relation to world Jewish problems. Housing Administrator Nathan Straus, Senator Robert F. Wagner, Rabbi A.H. Silver, U.P.A. chairman; Dr. Solomon Goldman of Chicago and Rabbi Philip Bernstein of Rochester will address the closing banquet Sunday. Dr. Bernard Joseph, Jewish Agency legal adviser and Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes, will speak Sunday afternoon.

Agudath Israel Resumes Cooperation with Jewish Agency

Jerusalem, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The orthodox Agudath Israel has decided to resume political cooperation with the Jewish Agency for Palestine, it was learned today. A resolution for cooperation was adopted by its world executive committee, and the Agudah has been assured representation on all Jewish Agency committees dealing with Palestine's future status.

$25,000 Contributed Anonymously to J.N.F.

Jerusalem, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- A person living in Northern Europe has anonymously contributed £5,000 ($25,000) to the Jewish National Fund, which purchases Palestine land, it was announced today.

United Front Sought to Defend Romanian Jews; Delegations Go to Geneva

Paris, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Several organizations sought today to reach a united front in defense of the Romanian Jews and other minorities against the program of Premier Octavian Goga's cabinet.

Delegations of the World Jewish Congress, the Alliance Israelite Universelle and the Committee for Defense of Jews in Eastern Europe, leaving for Geneva tomorrow to support their petitions on Rumania submitted to the League of Nations Council, decided to work hand in hand because of the seriousness of the situation. The three deputations will also cooperate with a delegation being sent from London by the Joint Foreign Committee of the Anglo-Jewish Association and the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

The Committee for Defense of Jews in Eastern Europe, whose delegation is headed by Senator Justin Godart, addressed a number of Jewish and non-Jewish organizations in Europe and America, including the American Jewish Committee and the American Jewish Congress, urging them to unite in a fight for the rights of Jews and other minorities threatened in Rumanian and East European countries. The Committee proposed a special conference in Paris in the spring to coordinate the activities of all organizations fighting for the rights of national minorities.

The Committee has submitted to the League a 100-page petition, signed by leading French statesmen and church leaders, requesting the Council to place the case against Rumania before the Hague Tribunal, and meanwhile to take steps to prevent execution of Rumanian anti-Jewish measures.