

ANTI-SEMITISM IS DECLINING IN CANADA, SURVEY SHOWS; NO LONGER A CAUSE FOR CONCERN

MONTREAL, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism does not present an immediate menace to the Jewish community of Canada today, according to a survey made public here by Saul Hayes, executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Mr. Hayes points out that overt acts of prejudice are rarer now than at any time since Hitler came to power, and, although there is no immediate cause for undue concern, the resources of the Canadian Jewish Community are mobilized currently in the defense of the Jewish position. Among the highlights of the survey are the following:

1. The assumption that anti-Semitism is more prevalent among French Canadians than among the English-speaking population is not valid; perhaps French-Canadians are more frank and inclined to admit prejudice than the Protestant Anglo-Saxon element.
2. So far as the bulk of French Canadians is concerned, the Jews are judged by the extent to which they align themselves with the French Canadians linguistically, culturally and politically.
3. Jews do occasionally encounter difficulty in buying and renting homes, although this cannot be considered a typical occurrence in Canada.
4. There is no discrimination in hotels in Canada except in vacation resorts. Discriminatory practices in Canadian resorts are roughly equal to the situation in the United States. Such practices appear to be increasing in frequency both in Ontario and Quebec.
5. Discrimination against Jews in social and business clubs again would be best described as running parallel to similar practices in the United States. There is no discrimination against Jews in civic organizations and public facilities.

In a foreword to the survey, Mr. Hayes mentions that in the years before the war, under the stimulus and with the assistance of foreign anti-democratic groups, there was waged an extensive and successful campaign to separate Canadian Jewry from the rest of the Canadian community by arousing hatred for the Jews. The effects of this campaign were widespread and lasted well into the war period.

ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT SETS DEADLINE FOR LEGALIZATION OF STATUS OF VISALESS IMMIGRANTS

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Immigrants who entered Argentina illegally up to July 8 of this year when President Juan Peron granted them a pardon must legalize their status by October 1, 1949, the Director of Migration announced today.

The announcement warned that any person failing to register with the Migration Department and obtain the necessary documents is liable to deportation to his country of origin or any other nation which will agree to take him. Thousands of Jewish DP's who arrived in this country since the end of the war are affected by the ruling.

PALESTINE ECONOMIC CORPORATION SENDS PREFABRICATED HOUSES TO ISRAEL FOR TESTING

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Three types of small pre-fabricated houses are being sent to Israel for testing by the Palestine Economic Corporation, it was announced today. The houses will be set up by the end of August in various locations to ascertain their suitability for Israel's climate as well as to determine the cost for a large-scale assembly program.

HASHOMER HATZAIR MEMBERS RELEASED BY POLICE IN ARGENTINA; WARNED NOT TO INSULT BEIGIN

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Ten members of the Hashomer Hatzair who were arrested here last week for distributing leaflets calling the Irgunists "Fascist murderers" were released today.

Police authorities stated that they have warned members of the Hashomer Hatzair who had been conducting a propaganda campaign against Menahem Beigin, former Irgun leader, since his arrival in Argentina, that they would not tolerate enitement to violence against members of a parliament of a country which maintains friendly relations with Argentina.

"El Estado Judio," organ of the General Zionists, appeared today with an article protesting the Hashomer Hatzair action. The article states that "internal Jewish conflicts need not be aired on the streets of Buenos Aires". Emphasizing that the General Zionists do not agree with the political line and methods of the Herut Party in Israel, of which Beigin is a leader, the article says that the distribution of insulting anti-Beigin leaflets by the Hashomer Hatzair was "a cruel injustice".

More than 1,000 persons attended a reception given here for Mr. Beigin by the Macabbi, the largest Jewish sports club here. Principal speaker at the reception was Dr. Moises Goldman, president of the Macabbi organization.

FIRST VOLUME OF \$3,000,000 ENCYCLOPEDIA APPEARS IN ISRAEL; WEIZMANN GETS FIRST COPY

TEL AVIV, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- The first of a 16-volume Hebrew General Encyclopedia appeared here today. The first copy was presented by the publishers to President Dr. Chaim Weizmann and the second went to Premier David Ben Gurion.

The printing of the 16 volumes will cost more than \$3,000,000, it was revealed at a press conference. Subscribers will be sought not only in Israel but all over the world, including the United States. The publication of all 16 volumes will be completed within five years.

The first volume contains 1,024 large-sized pages. More than 200 researchers and authors, among them Nobel Prize winners, participated in its publication. The Encyclopedia's editorial staff is manned by 35 editors, headed by Prof. M. Klausner. The publishers of the work are Massada & Company.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE COUNCIL DECIDES TO ESTABLISH COOPERATIVE FARM; WILL MAINTAIN SCHOOL

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- A plan to establish a farm cooperative on a strictly religious basis was announced here today by the Sabbath Observance Council. The farm would begin to function within three months, the announcement said.

The Council will also consider plans for the opening of a Hebrew-English school for children and a night school for adults on the farm, the announcement stated. The by-laws of the cooperative pledge to "fully uphold and practice American democratic laws in accordance with the Bill of Rights, uphold the Hebrew traditional Sabbath and holidays along with all legal holidays, and Hebrew dietary regulations."

POLISH GOVERNMENT AWARDS "MEDAL OF MERIT" TO DIRECTOR OF OSE IN POLAND

WARSAW, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Dr. M. Golenbiowsky, director of the Jewish Health Society OSE in Poland has been awarded the Polish gold "Medal of Merit". The award was made by the Polish Vice-Minister for Health at a ceremony opening a new 250-bed OSE sanatorium for tuberculosis patients at Otwock.

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