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MAJORITY RUSSIAN JEWS HOLD BOURGEOIS VIEWS STATES YEVSEKZIA RESOLUTION

Yiddish Section of Communist Party
Plans New Crusade in Jewish Centers
for Class War Doctrine
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Jan. 25.—The presence in Russian Jewry of a tendency toward the Right was deplored in a resolution adopted at the plenary session of the Yevsektzia, the Jewish section of the Communist party, which met here this week.

Declaring that the majority of Russian Jews still hold bourgeois views, the resolution urges the members of the section to strengthen the class war in Jewish towns and villages. It denounces "the tolerance" displayed in some circles of Jewish Communist workers toward the nationalistic tendencies, which seek union with the nationalists abroad.

The Jewish section of the Communist party proposes, it appears from the resolutions adopted, to undertake a campaign for the organization of the Jewish poor in the towns and villages and especially the poor artisans as a body to counteract the Right tendencies. Among the measures planned is the stimulation of self-criticism concerning the work in the Jewish towns and the strengthening of the Communist party leadership in the social organizations.

MANIU RECEIVES JEWISH STUDENT DELEGATION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Bucharest, Jan. 25.—A delegation representing Jewish students in Romanian universities was received today by Prime Minister Ionul Maniu.

The delegation asked that the government take steps to grant the Jewish student houses in the universities similar to those granted non-Jewish students and that appropriate subsidies for Jewish student homes be made as was promised by the government.

The Prime Minister stated he will request the respective cabinet members to figure out the needs enumerated in the students' memorandum and to give them favorable consideration.

EXECUTIVE TO MOVE TEL-AVIV UNEMPLOYED TO COLONIES

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Jan. 25.—An assurance that the Zionist Executive will make available a fund of \$4,500 for transferring from Tel Aviv the unemployed Jewish workers to the colonies was contained in a cable received from the Executive.

The promise was given in reply to the urgent pleas of the workers' organization.

GRANDFATHER FINED FOR CIRCUMCISING GRANDSON IN RUSSIAN TOWN

Parents, Government Employee, Objected to Rite
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Jan. 25.—Rabbi Abraham Chederiski of Perespy, near Minsk, White Russia, was fined 25 roubles yesterday by the Minsk court, on a charge brought against him by his son.

The Rabbi was found guilty of having circumcised his grandson in the absence of the child's parents, who are both employed in a Soviet institution and objected to the performance of the Abrahamic rite on their son.

The Rabbi's son, Joseph, advertised in the Minsk Yiddish paper, "Octiabr," a warning to the Mohelim that he will prosecute anyone who would aid his father by performing the circumcision. The Rabbi, however, persisted in his demands and taking advantage of the absence of his son and daughter-in-law from their home he sent the child's nurse from the home on a pretext and performed the operation himself without the aid of a Mohel as none could be found to take the risk.

Rabbi Chederiski who is one of the thirty-six rabbis who recently signed a declaration exonerating the Soviet authorities from the charge of religious persecution, appeared in court to defend his action. He quoted the paragraph in the Sanhedrin Aruch Jewish religious code, according to which the duty of observing the Abrahamic rite is incumbent upon the grandfather if the son refuses to obey it. The court showed leniency in giving Rabbi Chederiski a minimum sentence.

LUDENDORF AND WIFE CRUSADE IN GERMANY FOR RETURN TO PAGANISM

Christianity Is "Too Jewish" for Organ
Apostles; Edict to Be Their Bible
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Jan. 25.—A vigorous campaign throughout Germany for the renunciation of Christianity by the "pure blooded Aryans" and a return to the worship of the ancient pagan gods is now under way under the direction of General Erik von Ludendorff, former German war hero and present leader of the anti-Semitic movement in the country. He is assisted by his wife, Dr. Mathilde Ludendorff, who issued a statement yesterday declaring that "the most insidious enemies of Germany are the Jews and the Jesuits."

The bible of the Ludendorff pagans will be the Scandinavian Edict, being a collection of Norse folk lore.

Dr. Mathilde Ludendorff, who is to hold the position of high priestess in the new paganism, recently published a book entitled "Deutscher Gottglauben" in which it is declared that the Christian churches of Germany are heretical and un-Germanic.

ACHAD HA'AM'S DAUGHTER- IN-LAW FIGHTS TO ADMIT WOMEN TO PALESTINE BAR

Case Directed Against Chief Justice
Who Refused to Admit Mrs.
Ginsberg to Practice
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Jan. 25.—The fight for the admission of women to the Palestine bar will be carried to the Supreme Court of Palestine by Mrs. Ginsberg, daughter-in-law of the late Hebrew writer and philosopher, Achad Ha'am.

The case will come up in February and is directed against the Chief Justice who refused Mrs. Ginsberg permission to appear before the court, although she is a graduate lawyer. He impetred the Palestine advocates law as referring only to men.

WANTS IRAQ AIR FORCE TRANSFERRED TO PALESTINE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
London, Jan. 25.—Cannot the British air force now stationed in Iraq be transferred to Palestine or Transjordan?

This question was asked in the House of Commons yesterday by Col. Josiah Wedgwood. He asked whether the crisis in the Iraq cabinet is due to their wish that the British air force be removed. The member asked the estimated cost of removing the force and equipment to Palestine or Transjordan.

Replying, Colonial Secretary Amery declared that the main question at issue relates to the local forces and not to the air force, concerning whose removal no question has arisen.

BRITISH SCHOLAR VISITS HEBREW UNIVERSITY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Jerusalem, Jan. 25.—Appreciation of the research work now being carried on in the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus was expressed by Sir Edward Demison Ross, director of the School of Oriental Studies in London and professor of Persian at the University of London, who is now visiting Jerusalem.

He inspected the University and the Library, declaring that he is confident Jerusalem will become the most important scientific center in the Near East through the work carried on at the Hebrew University.

GOLDBLATT, JEWISH ARTIST, DIES IN VILNA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)
Vilna, Jan. 25.—Jacob Goldblatt, noted painter, died here. He was the founder of an art school in St. Petersburg.

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MOROCCAN JEWS PLEAD
FOR PRESERVATION OF
ANCIENT CEMETERY

Now Being Demolished in Military
Road Construction
(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Agadir, Morocco, Jan. 20.—Representations to the French authorities for the preservation of the ancient Jewish cemetery in Foute near Agadir, were made by leaders of the Jewish community here.

During the construction of a road, French troops have cut through the cemetery. Many tombstones were demolished. The leaders of the Jewish community pointed out that the grave of Rabbi Khafiz Malca is located in the cemetery and thousands of pilgrims visit it annually. They pleaded that the demolition of the tomb be prevented.

On January 20th, 1928, the Hebrew Union College School for Teachers in New York City will move to its permanent quarters in the new Congregation of Congregation Emma-Eli at East 64th Street, the new classrooms and offices of the School will occupy three of the eight floors in the new and beautiful structure recently completed by the Congregation.

Registration of new students for the Spring Semester will begin on January 26th at the School's new quarters. The entering class will be limited to fifty students.

The School offers an intensive course of study of two year's duration leading to a certificate qualifying the holder to teach in the Jewish religious schools.

Louis Wiley and Otto Marx of New York City gave \$5,000 each to the Endowment Fund being raised for the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. Dr. Italian Morgenson, President, announced. Adolph Debs is chairman of the \$20,000 Endowment Fund campaign.

Mr. Wiley, business manager of the "New York Times," made this gift in addition to \$1,000 which he recently gave to the college.

Alfred M. Cohen, former Senator of Ohio, who is Chairman of the Board of Governors, gave \$5,000 to the fund, and Alfred Mack, also of Cincinnati, gave \$1,000.

DINNER TO CONCLUDE
SEMINAR ON CHRISTIAN-
JEWISH RELATIONS

Catholics, Jews and Protestants to
Close 2-Day Seminar Jan. 31

Catholics, Jews and Protestants will dine together in the Hotel Roosevelt next Thursday evening, January 31, when the Seminar of the National Conference of Jews and Christians closes its two-day meeting at Columbia University. Protestant-Catholic, and Christian-Jewish relations will be frankly dealt with. Previous to the dinner, the relations of the religions will be discussed during four sessions at Columbia University. The dinner speakers will be Hon. Martin Conboy, who will deal with the privileges and responsibilities of religious liberty; Rabbi David Phillipson, of Cincinnati, on the contributions of religious universities to American civilization; and President Edward D. Soper, Ohio Wesleyan University, describing our moral obligations to be intelligent about religions other than one's own. Professor Carlton J. H. Hayes, historian of our times, Hon. George W. Wickersham will preside. This dinner is open to the public and reservations may be made by mail through the National Conference Office, 289 Fourth Avenue, New York.

President Nicholas Murray Butler, chairman of the Seminar Committee, will open the proceedings, 10 A. M. Wednesday, January 31, with an address in Earl Hall, Columbia. Mrs. Estelle M. Sternberger, Executive Secretary of the National Council of Jewish Women; Father J. Elbot Ross, Catholic Chaplain at Columbia University; Mr. Joseph C. Walsh, Professor H. B. Howe, and Rev. C. E. Slocum, have planned the agenda for the round-tables and called experts in the various fields.

These round-table discussions will study misrepresentation of religious beliefs and practices; political and social antagonisms; and vocational adjustments. The co-chairmen of the National Conference are Newton D. Baker, Carlton J. H. Hayes, and Roger W. Strass. Horace F. Howland, of the Farmers Loan & Trust is treasurer. Everett R. Chubbey is director. The Committee sponsoring the Seminar are: President Nicholas Murray Butler, Mr. John A. Agar, Mr. George Gordon Suttle, Professor Irving Fisher, Professor Carlton J. H. Hayes, Dr. Charles E. Jefferson, Mr. Ivy Lee, Mr. Adolph Lewisohn, Hon. Henry Morgenthau, Dr. Charles Clayton Morrison, Judge Morgan J. O'Brien, Father J. Elbot Ross, Rabbi Louis Wolsey. Applications for tickets to the Seminar should be addressed to the Registrar, 289 Fourth Avenue.

CHERNIAVSKY APPOINTED
TO HOLLYWOOD POST

Joseph Cherniavsky, leader and conductor of the Hebrew symphony orchestra, "Hazzimah," has been appointed musical director at the Universal Studios by Carl Laemmle.

Out at Universal City, Cherniavsky is in charge of the synchronizing of all Universal pictures.

GERMAN DREYFUS CASE
INSTIGATORS ARE RE-
MOVED TO OTHER POSTS

Dishonored Courts, Judge Says, Re-
ndering Verdict

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Jan. 25.—A verdict against Landesgerichtsdirektor Hoffman and Landesgerichtsrat Koelling, the instigators of the German Dreyfus case, who were tried before a disciplinary court, was rendered Thursday evening by Judge Tigges, president of the disciplinary senate. Small fines and a transfer to other posts were the penalties.

The disciplinary proceedings were ordered because of an accusation made by the defendants against Dr. Weiss, vice-president of the Berlin police, a Jew, that he had shown favoritism toward Rudolf Haas, Magdeburg merchant who was acquitted of the charges framed against him by Hoffman and Koelling. Judge Tigges stated that the two, who were in charge of the investigation of the Haas case, had no justification for their charge against Weiss, as the police showed an favoritism in protecting an innocent man. Hoffman and Koelling, the judge stated, had brought dishonor to the German courts.

MOND FINANCED EXPEDITION
MAKES IMPORTANT FINDS

(G. T. A. Mail Service)

London, Jan. 3.—Important finds in the excavation work by the Egypt Exploration Society carried on at Arman in Upper Egypt, the means of a find to which Roger Mond, brother of Lord Melchett, largely contributed are reported by the "Daily Telegraph," which recently published a special appeal in aid of the funds.

The excavation is a continuation of the work begun in the 1925-27 season by Robert Mond and W. B. Emery. The finds appear to establish that Alexander the Great and two Roman Emperors, probably Valerian and Maximus, were among the worshippers of the sacred Bull, Buchis, whose cult had its centre at Arman. Among the finds are two fragments of Stelae with enough to show that it is part of a typical Buchis Stela set up in the time of Darius Hystaspes, the Persian. The other gives the top only, with the opening date of the text, but happily the Cartouches beside the king's name are legible, and show that the monarch portrayed worshipping Buchis was Alexander the Great. Whether Alexander was himself responsible for the erection of the stone, or whether it was a formal act on the part of the priests, it is impossible to state. The last two Stelae bear the names of Roman Emperors, probably of the third century, who may be identified with Valerian and Maximus.

A quarterly magazine devoted to Jewish education will be published in February by the National Council for Jewish Education. The magazine, M. Deshaikin, executive director, Chicago Jewish Education Commission, is to be the editor.

The Editorial Board consists of Dr. Leo Horowitz, New York; Dr. Jacob Golub, Cincinnati; and Mr. Isaac Abrams, Chicago. The latter, who is treasurer of the Council, will be the business manager of the quarterly.

J. D. B. NEWS LETTER

DR. ROSEN, SAILS FOR RUSSIA
TO START SETTLEMENT WORK
UNDER NEW AGREEMENT

Says Soviet Press Campaign: Should Not Lead to Exaggerations of Anti-Semitic Danger

Dr. Joseph A. Rosen, head of the Agropint, the agency of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, sailed Friday at midnight on the steamer Paris to return to Moscow following a short stay in New York during which the new agreement with the Soviet government for the inauguration of the new settlement work in Crimea and Ukraine was signed.

To a representative of the Jewish Daily Bulletin, Dr. Rosen expressed his great satisfaction with the fact that the agreement has finally been put into shape. Although the arrangements under the new ten million dollar fund will provide an annual allotment for the Jewish colonization work in Soviet Russia which will be less than that which was expended during the past three years, it is important to remember that at least a minimum measure of expansion and settling of Jewish families on the land has been assured. Under the new agreement, \$1,000,000 a year will be expended out of the American \$10,000,000 fund, to be completed with a \$1,000,000 annual allotment by the Moscow government. There is a great deal of work yet to be done in this direction and the normal development of this activity will undoubtedly increase the number of Jewish families on the land and serve as a stimulus, perhaps, to further efforts in this direction which are not only possible but extremely necessary.

That the continuation of the work inaugurated in 1923 has been made possible, the thinks of Russian Jewry as well as American Jewry are due to the generosity and vision of Julius Rosenwald, Felix M. Warburg, Louis Marshall, James N. Rosenberg and a number of indefatigable leaders in behalf of Jewish relief work.

Asked about the frequent reports in the Soviet press concerning the anti-Semitic incidents in Russian cities and towns, Dr. Rosen stated that the significance of these incidents is often unduly overestimated. It would be an exaggeration to believe, because of these incidents and the intensive campaign carried on by the Soviet press against anti-Semitism, that these facts indicate any serious danger to the safety of the Jewish population. To render such a judgment on the basis of sporadic events gathered by the reading of a number of newspaper clippings from various towns would be unwise and unwarranted. The full life of great groups is never lacking in unpleasant incidents. What is important is the general trend and in this regard conditions in Russia have changed fundamentally. While there is no denying that anti-Semitism survived the revolution and will perhaps continue in one form or another, the great change which has occurred in Russia is this, that the Russian Jew, due to political changes, has lost his sense of fear. The

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Religious Laws on Burial Not Interfered with in New Jersey
By Our Jersey City Correspondent

Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 25.—The State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors recognizes the validity of Jewish religious law governing the burial of the Jewish dead and in general "does not consider the handling of a dead human body according to the ritual of any creed or faith as a violation of the laws of the State of New Jersey." This sentiment is embodied in a communication, sent by the Board through its secretary, Bert A. Waters, of this city to Alexander Harris, a lawyer representing a group of Jews of Atlantic City.

On January 3 last, the Atlantic City group headed by Rabbi M. Shapiro and Mr. Harris appeared before the Board and argued that according to a strict interpretation of the new sanitary regulations governing burial of the dead now in effect in this state, the "Chevra Kadisha" or burial societies could not supervise the last rites specified by Jewish law, known as the "Tahara"; only the undertaker or his assistants having the exclusive power. Rabbi Shapiro asked for an interpretation which would permit the demands of Jewish law to be complied with.

The letter sent by the secretary of the board now clarifies the situation. Mr. Waters' letter follows: "As per our agreement of January 3, 1929, to render to you an opinion of this board regarding the subject that you brought up before the commission at our meeting, this Board does not consider the handling of a dead human body according to the ritual of any creed or faith as a violation of the laws of the State of New Jersey.

"We do not consider especially in your case, the washing and dressing of a dead human body by experienced men performing the religious duties that you require, a violation. We only ask that any dead human body that you may have authority over, leaving the State of New Jersey, be arterially embalmed in the cavities, washed with a strong disinfectant and that every human body must be disposed of by a licensee of the State of New Jersey. This work can be done either previous to your religious ceremonies or after, as you may deem fit to meet the necessary requirements."

National Jewish Hospital Gets Science Award

Denver, Colo., Jan. 24.—The research department of the National Jewish Hospital has been awarded \$500 by the American Association for the Advancement of Science for one of the most outstanding contributions to the study of tuberculosis in the past ten years.

This was given in recognition of the work of Dr. H. J. Corpey, director of the hospital research laboratory, and one of the most prominent Jewish scientists in the country; and of Dr. Nao

NEW EINSTEIN THEORY
REVEALS FIELD FOR FASCINATING EXPERIMENTS

Aeroplanes Without Engines or Trip to Moon May Now Be Inquired Into Says U. S. Scientist

The most fascinating field of experiment that could be opened to man lies behind Einstein's new theory that electricity and magnetism are related to gravitation, declared Dr. H. H. Sheldon, head of the department of physics of New York University, according to the Associated Press. Dr. Sheldon said:

"Such things as keeping airplanes aloft without engines or material support, as stepping out of a window into the air without fear of falling, or of making a trip to the moon, as far as hindrance of gravitation is concerned, are avenues of investigation suggested by this theory.

"It gives us the one link that has been missing in our theories of relations of electricity, heat, energy, light, space, time, gravitation and matter. If it stands up as a proof that electricity and gravitation are virtually the same, we can attempt at last to insulate ourselves from the force of gravitation.

"We know how to insulate ourselves against electrical currents, and perhaps the day will come when it is no more unbelievable that we can insulate against gravitation.

"Here on my desk is a bar of permalloy, recently produced in the Bell Telephone laboratories here, and its new property is unusual sensitivity to magnetism. I place it above another magnet. It remains suspended seemingly by air alone, an inch above the magnet on my desk.

"Thus far this force of magnetism is the only means we have found experimentally of balancing the force of gravitation. Now Einstein comes with a mathematical law which shows a relation between magnetism and gravitation."

\$31,000 PLEDGED TO ORT
AT BROOKLYN DINNER

A conference dinner held at the Unity Club, Brooklyn, endorsed the launching of the Ort Credit Corporation, an institution with a working capital of \$250,000, for the purpose of rendering financial assistance to Americans who wish to send tools, machinery and raw material to their relatives abroad, so that they may be able to make up productive occupations. Pledges totalling \$31,000 were made by those present.

The conference was addressed by Supreme Court Justice Edward L. Brandeis, Supreme Court Justice Mitchell May, Dr. Henry Moskowitz, Dr. David V. Livotitch, and Dr. Joseph Rosen. Judge Algeron I. Nova presided.

Uyei, research chemist of the hospital. The discovery of a more accurate method of detecting the presence of tuberculosis bacilli was the work for which they received the award.

Comment accompanying the announcement of the award noted that use of (Continued on Page 4)

FORTHCOMING CONGRESS WILL CLOSE EPOCH IN ZIONIST MOVEMENT

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

London, Jan. 9.—An appeal for strengthening the Zionist Organization was contained in a proclamation issued by the Zionist Executive here. The months of Adar I and Adar II, from February 11 to April 11, are proclaimed as Shekel months, during which all Zionist Federations and separate unions are to conduct a big Zionist propaganda and to spread the sale of the Shekel.

"The Zionist Organization" the proclamation declares, "encompasses the whole globe. The world measures the strength of every democratic movement, and of ours too, by the number of its adherents. We know that hundreds of thousands of Jews, the majority of the Jewish people, are animated by the Zionist idea. But a great deal must yet be done in order that the triumph of Zionism as an ideal may find expression both in the medium of organization and in the growth of numbers. Only by unceasing propaganda can we win over our fellow-Jews to the aims and aspirations of the Jewish national movement and make them realize the loftiness of its mission. This task of conversion is now the supreme duty of all.

"We call upon you to utilize the coming months for a comprehensive convulsing campaign among all sections of the Jewish people. The strengthening of the Zionist Organization is a prerequisite for all progress and a guarantee for the ultimate success of our work. All Zionist groups are united in recognizing the necessity for the demand that the Zionist movement shall be powerful both in numbers and in spirit. Our collaboration with others will be fruitless if the driving force of Zionism and of the Zionist Organization declines or relaxes. The Congress opens on July 28. Only Shekolim remitted to the Executive by May 27 can, in accordance with the regulations, be taken into account in fixing the number of Congress delegates to be returned by the various countries. Only five months remain for intensive Shekel activity and the preparation of one of the most important Congresses in the history of the Zionist movement.

"The Executive, fortified by the renewed decisions of the General Council, is resolved to do everything in order to ensure the convening of the inaugural meeting of the Council of the enlarged Jewish Agency as soon as possible after the Congress. The Congress, we hope, will elect men and women who will represent the Zionist idea and Organization in the controlling organs of the enlarged Jewish Agency, and adopt decisions which will determine the lines of policy to be observed by the Zionist Organization within the new working alliance.

"The Congress signifies a turning point in the history of Zionism, the close of an old and illustrious epoch and the beginning of a new and still greater period. To link up such a close with such a beginning can be done only by a Congress which fully and

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the Irish potato in detecting the tuberculosis bacilli, which method is a part of their discovery, is being adopted by hospitals and sanitarium throughout the country.

Dr. Corper and Dr. Uyei first succeeded in their use of the potato for detecting the presence of the tuberculosis bacilli four years ago. At that time, only guinea pigs, coagulated eggs, serum and gelatin had been utilized for the purpose.

The guinea pig, which had been best for the purpose, had not been entirely satisfactory because of the necessity of feeding, which developed other diseases and because tuberculosis bacilli could not be discovered quickly enough, according to Dr. Corper.

The Irish potato solved the problem in furnishing a method that was quicker, simpler, more economical, and more accurate, according to Dr. Corper.

"All that is needed is an incubator and potatoes," he says.

The \$500 award will be used for further research to find an actual cure for the disease.

The next step, in Dr. Corper's opinion, is to discover what material in the potato stimulates the growth of the tuberculosis bacilli.

"If we can discover just what this material is—starch, protein, vitamins, etc.—we shall have advanced another step in the road to a cure." He indicated that knowledge of what constitutes such material will give doctors a definite idea of what part of the human tissue to strengthen for battle with the disease.

The research department of the National Jewish Hospital has been in existence a little less than 10 years, and was organized in the fall of 1919 by Dr. Corper, who came to the hospital with experience in the public health service of Chicago, and as a Major in the medical corps of the United States army.

This research department is the only one of its kind, working to find a cure for tuberculosis, and is supported by the contributions of Jewish philanthropists all over the country who give to the National Jewish Hospital.

worthily represents the Zionist Organization and movement in all their ramifications. Our appeal is, therefore, addressed both to all those who have the courage and confidence to believe that Zionism, in the working out of its new task, will convincingly manifest its power, as well as to those who may wish to express doubts and to make other proposals before the legitimate forum of the Congress. Our appeal to all is to make sure that their views are represented."

The proclamation is signed by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, the President of the Zionist Organization, Nahum Sokolow, Chairman of the Zionist Executive, Prof. Selby Brodetsky, Dr. Felix Rosenblueth, Colonel F. H. Kisch, Harry Sacher, Miss Henrietta Szold and Louis Lipsky.

DR. ROSEN SAILS FOR RUSSIA TO START SETTLEMENT WORK UNDER NEW AGREEMENT

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Russian Jew feels at home and as being there of right, not on sufferance. The Russian Jew feels entitled to live and to work in the country, just as any other citizen. The greatest stimulant of anti-Semitism is the Jew's fear of it. In Russia this fear is dying out.

In a statement Dr. Rosen issued he explained his stand on the Bira-Bidjan project. "I regret to notice that some of the Jewish press has been quoting me with reference to the Bira-Bidjan project, as being of an absolutely negative attitude toward the enterprise," he stated. "It has never been my intention to discourage anybody from giving moral support to this. What I wanted to bring out was that because of the great difficulties and tremendous size of the project, it is primarily a government enterprise. While the Agro-Joint, ICA and other organizations still have sufficient land in European Russia in proportion to the funds at their disposal and about twenty-five thousand families can still be settled in European Russia, this can hardly take care of the great mass of Jews seeking to go on the land.

"As a government agency, the Comzet must make plans long in advance and provide tracts of land for future settlement of much larger numbers of people. While conditions in Bira-Bidjan are much more difficult than in European Russia, still it is possible that after the government has invested there several million dollars and has improved roads, carried out preliminary work in preparing the ground, etc., it may become feasible to settle Jews there. I did not intend to disqualify the project. What I meant to say was that the government is entitled to the moral support of every one in carrying on this preparatory work.

"I feel I will be in a better position to discuss this after I have had an opportunity to acquaint myself with the Bira-Bidjan region which I hope to visit during the coming summer," Dr. Rosen said.

Maurice Mandelbaum, real estate operator, announced that Harris & Maurice Mandelbaum, Inc., had paid \$1,000,000 to J. Pierpont Morgan for the northwest corner of Second Avenue and 41st Street, New York.

"We bought the Morgan parcel on account of immense operations and building projects under way and imminent in that section," Mr. Mandelbaum said.

The 330x100-foot lot for which the Mandelbaums paid \$1,000,000 is covered now by old five-story tenements and a five-story garage for 600 cars, in which one floor is devoted to a gymnasium for chauffeurs.

The Mandelbaums have been operating extensively in the midtown area. Two years ago they paid \$2,000,000 for the Hotel Cumberland on the southwest corner of Broadway and 54th Street.

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