

News From All Quarters

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First Jewish Member of Canadian Government

Montreal, July 11th.

For the first time in Canada a Jew, David A. Croll, the Mayor of Windsor, in the Province of Ontario, has been sworn as a Minister of the Crown.

Mr. Croll, who is 34 years of age, has been appointed Minister of Municipalities and Welfare in the Ontario Government.

Palestine Loan Bill Receives Royal Assent

London, July 12th.

IN the House of Lords to-night a Royal Commission, consisting of the Lord Chancellor, the Earl of Onslow and Lord Stanmore, signified the Royal assent to the Palestine Loan Act, which now becomes law.

Helping Refugees to Find Homes

11 TO SOUTH AFRICA IN SIX MONTHS

Paris, July 12th.

THE Hicem reports that in the period January 1st to June 30th, 1934, it sent on under its control and in collaboration with the Refugee Aid Committees in France, Belgium, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Holland, Austria and Poland, 1,021 refugees from Germany to various countries.

561 were sent to Palestine, 316 to Brazil, 54 to North America and Canada, 28 to Paraguay, Uruguay, Peru and Chile, 22 to the Argentine, 15 to Central America, 11 to South Africa, 10 to China and 4 to Persia.

560 refugees were placed in various European countries for definite installation or professional re-adaptation. 144 expelled from adjacent countries were taken care of by the Hicem for later emigration, and 1,058 were repatriated.

The Anglo-Hicem sent on during the same period 412 refugees, making a total of 3,195 refugees helped on their way. Adding the 5,425 refugees who were helped to depart by the Hicem during 1933, the total number of German refugees helped to depart is 8,620.

"Merchant of Venice" in Venice

Rome, July 12th.

THE International Art Exhibition now being held in Venice is arranging an important open-air performance of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," produced by Max Reinhardt.

There will be a cast of about 200, and the performance will be held in the Campo San Trovaso. The performance will be of exceptional interest when played in the very city in which Shakespeare placed his characters.

Nazi Activity in America

New York, July 10th.

GEORGE SYLVESTER VIERECK, the author of "The Wandering Jew," appeared to-day before the Congressional Committee investigating the Nazi propaganda in the United States, and in reply to questions about his Nazi publicist work, he said that Hitler had protested to him: "I do not persecute the Jews, they are persecuting me."

He corroborated the evidence previously given to the Committee that he had received 1,750 dollars monthly from Carl Byor, the New York advertising man, and 500 dollars from the German Consul, Otto Kiep, for spreading Nazi propaganda in the United States.

Mr. Victor Ridder testified that the Nazi emissary, Heinz Spanknoebel, had tried to dictate to him the policy of his paper, the *Staatszeitung*, and he had him thrown out of the office.

New Appointment for Jewish Doctor

New York, July 16th.

DR. RABINOVITCH, the Jewish doctor, whose appointment as Chief Interne in one of the Montreal hospitals caused a strike of the internes (who objected to the appointment of a Jew), has now been appointed Surgical Interne at the Mount Sinai Hospital in Baltimore.

Franz Werfel's New Bible Play

CHALIAPIN AS MOSES

Vienna, July 16th.

MAX REINHARDT has acquired for production Franz Werfel's latest drama, "The Promised People," which deals with Biblical times—partly with the days of the Patriarchs and partly with the days of the Prophets. He is negotiating with the German composer, Kurt Weil, to write the music for the production. The first performance will be in the Albert Hall in London, with Chaliapin playing Moses.

The speeches in the play are partly recitative and partly sung.

Jewish World Conference in Geneva

Geneva, July 11th.

THE Committee of Jewish Delegations announces that the Jewish World Conference, called for Geneva, will be held not on August 6th to 9th, as previously arranged, but on August 20th-23rd. The postponement is at the express wish of the American delegates, to enable them to be fully represented.

Einstein's Daughter Dies

Paris, July 10th.

PROFESSOR EINSTEIN'S daughter, Ilse, the wife of Dr. Rudolf Kayser, the well-known journalist, has died in Paris after a long illness.

Celebrating Jewish Emancipation in Roumania

Bucharest, July 12th.

THE 15th anniversary of Jewish emancipation in Roumania was observed in Bucharest by a special service in the Great Synagogue, at which the Government and the city authorities were represented.

Chief Rabbi Senator Dr. Niemirower preached the sermon. Dr. Filderman, the President of the Union of Roumanian Jews, said that, after constant struggle, they had at last in 1919 achieved emancipation. This act of justice after the war signified for the Roumanian Jews, he said, recognition of their devotion and sacrifice for their Fatherland, Roumania. "The Jews of Roumania have always felt themselves part of the country and the nation," Dr. Filderman declared.

Senator Birman, the President of the Bucharest Jewish Community, Advocate Ornstein, the President of the Bucharest branch of the Union of Roumanian Jews, and M. Micu Zentler, the President of the Bucharest Great Synagogue, also spoke.

The Union of Roumanian Jews has issued a proclamation which says: "Fifteen years have passed since our emancipation. On this occasion we recall the great King and liberator, Ferdinand I, the heroes who fell for the Fatherland, and the immortal statesmen who took part in the historic act of emancipation. We wish to express anew to the whole country the gratitude which the Roumanian Jews feel to the creators of Greater Roumania, with whose names our citizen liberty and our equality is bound up for ever. At the present time, when there is talk of a revision of the Constitution, and our citizenship rights are placed in question, we find it more than ever essential to emphasize this our recognition, which is at the same time a manifestation of our citizen conscience."

Jewish Youth in Scandinavia

Copenhagen, July 14th.

THE annual congress of the Jewish Youth Organisations of Scandinavia will be held in Oslo from August 5th to the 8th. Ten Jewish Youth Organisations in Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland will be represented. The principal papers will be read by Rabbi Dr. Marcus Melchior, of Copenhagen, and Rabbi Julius Samuel, of Malmo.

The Jewish Youth Organisation of Oslo celebrates this year the 25th anniversary of its existence, and the Federation of Jewish Youth Organisations in Scandinavia celebrates this year its 15th anniversary.

Conference of Italian Rabbis

Rome, July 12th.

PROFESSOR SACERDOTI, Chief Rabbi of Rome, presided at the Conference of the Federation of Rabbis in Italy, held this week in Milan. The conference was welcomed to the city by the President of the Milan Jewish Community, Commandant Jarach.

The resolutions adopted by the conference include one which declares that the two thousand-year-old striving towards Zion is a fundamental element of Judaism. The conference decided to send greetings to the Council of the Federation of Jewish Communities in Italy, which is in the hands of the Zionists.

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