

**"DAVAR" AND "HAARETZ" PROHIBITED
IN POLAND.**

Warsaw.

The Polish Government prohibited the circulation of two of the largest Hebrew papers in Palestine, the "Davar," official organ of the Palestine Labour Federation, and "Haaretz."—J.T.A.

VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY.

Vienna.

Dr. Desider Friedman was re-elected President of the Vienna Jewish Community for a period of four years at the first meeting of the new Executive. Dr. Jakob Ehrlich, a Councillor of the Vienna Municipality, and Engineer Robert Stricker, were elected Vice-Presidents for a period of one year.

The Executive of the Board of the Vienna Jewish Community consists entirely of Zionist members.

The Winter Relief Department of the Vienna Jewish Community is expected to spend 150,000 schillings for relief purposes this year. The Department is distributing coals and food among the needy members of the community and provides clothes and food for children. The Department also helps the needy members of the community with the payment of their rates, and has opened free restaurants in several districts of the city.—J.T.A.

**BRIT HACHAYAL LEGALISED IN
CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.**

Prague.

The Czecho-Slovak authorities have legalised the Brit Hachayal in Czecho-Slovakia.

Mr. Z. H. Waxman, head of the World Executive of the Brit Hachayal, is expected to arrive in Prague shortly in order to assist the organisation of the Brit Hachayal in the country.—J.T.A.

**SHALOM SCHWARTZBARD'S MESSAGE
TO FRANKFURTER.**

Paris.

Shalom Schwartzbard, the Jewish watchmaker, who was acquitted of the murder of General Petlura in Paris in 1927, sent a cable to David Frankfurter, who was sentenced to eighteen years' imprisonment for the murder of Wilhelm Gustloff, stating that "in spite of everything, be of good cheer, be strong and go proudly on your martyr's way."

There were no comments in the French press on the Chur verdict, while the Jewish press in Paris attacks it as unjust.—J.T.A.

**FAMOUS CONDUCTOR NOT TO APPEAR
IN GERMANY.**

Bucharest.

In an interview published by the Bucharest French daily "Le Moment," M. Pablo Casals, the famous Spanish cellist and conductor, states that he will not go to Germany as long as that country is ruled by the Nazis.

"When the Nazis expelled the great Bruno Walther," declared M. Casals, "I decided not to put my foot on German soil as long as the liberty of thought and the liberty of art do not exist in that country."—J.T.A.

**Defamation Trial in
Denmark****CHIEF RABBI TO GIVE
EVIDENCE**

Copenhagen.

Proceedings in the trial of six Fascist editors for publishing anti-Jewish defamations have been of a purely formal nature and have taken up only a very short time. In view of the fact that the Danish court procedure is very slow, the verdict is not to be expected for many months.

During the proceedings it was pointed out on behalf of the court that the reports about statements of prominent Danish theologians were not correct and that it was the counsel for the accused and not the court who demanded that Chief Rabbi Dr. Friediger should be invited as a witness, in order to be cross-examined about the truth of the different "incriminating" quotations from the Bible and the Talmud published in the Fascist press.

It is considered likely that the reason for the demand for the cross-examination of Chief Rabbi Dr. Friediger was that the counsel of the accused Fascists wished to make use of his personal appearance in the court, in order to defame his personal character and the Jewish religion. In place of Dr. Friediger, however, the solicitor and the secretary of the Jewish community of Copenhagen, Arthur Henriques, appeared in court and lodged an official protest against the invitation, and demanded that the counsel for the accused should give in writing the questions which they wanted to put to him.

The counsel for the accused, Mr. Pontoppidan, insisted, however, on the personal

*(Continued in Third Column).***The Legal Position of
the Jewess**

London.

Mrs. Asher Feldman presided at the winter meeting of the General Committee of the Council for the Amelioration of the Legal Position of the Jewess. The meeting, which was crowded, was held at the residence of Mrs. H. Irwell, London.

After the business items and a short resumé by the Hon. Secretary, Miss Hands, of the Council's recent activities, the meeting was privileged to hear an address by Rabbi Dr. Isidore Epstein, B.A., Ph.D., D.Litt., of Jews' College, on "Some Fundamental Principles of the Jewish Laws of Marriage and Divorce." The Rabbi replied to a number of questions and a hearty vote of thanks to him was accorded on the motion of Mrs. Lionel D. Barnett. Votes of thanks were also accorded to the Chairman and to the hostess for her genial hospitality.

The General Committee of the Council meets at least twice annually. It will be remembered that its members were addressed last June by the Very Rev. Dr. J. H. Hartz, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire, on "Marriage, Divorce and the Position of Women in Judaism."

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appearance of Chief Rabbi Dr. Friediger, and he assured the court that he would personally guarantee that no attempt would be made to insult the Chief Rabbi.

In conclusion an agreement was reached whereby the counsel for the accused consented to give his questions in writing beforehand and Mr. Henriques consented to the personal appearance of the Chief Rabbi.—J.T.A.

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