

News of the Jewish World.

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By Air Mail.

Jasha Heifetz in Palestine.

Jerusalem.

Jerusalem turned out in force to attend a concert given by Jasha Heifetz, the famous Jewish violinist, at the New Edison Hall. The High Commissioner, General Sir Arthur Wauchope, was present in the audience. Heifetz was given an enthusiastic reception.

Ex-Deputy Farbstein in Palestine.

Jerusalem.

Ex-Deputy Farbstein, leader of the Polish Mizrahi and member of the Jewish Agency Executive, has arrived in Palestine to take up his duties on the Executive. He was met by representatives of the Jewish Agency, the Keren Hayesod, and the Mizrahi Organisation, and by some of the leading Polish residents in Palestine.

The "New Inquisition" in Russia.

Jerusalem.

The new inquisition under which the Jews are suffering in Russia is more cruel than was the Inquisition in Spain, Mr. Ch. N. Bialik, the famous Hebrew poet who has just returned to Palestine after a tour of over eight months in Europe, declares in a letter which he has addressed to the Jewish press of the world, calling upon world Jewry to protest vigorously against the Russian inquisition.

Mr. Bialik and Mr. Mayer Dizengoff, the Mayor of Tel-Aviv, have jointly appealed to Rabbi Dr. Stephen S. Wise, the Honorary President of the American Jewish Congress, to arrange protest meetings in America. A series of protest meetings will also be held in Palestine.

Jewish Pedlars in Upper Silesia.

Warsaw.

For more than three years Jewish pedlars from Congress Poland have been complaining of the difficulties put in their way in Polish Upper Silesia, by the application of an old German law by the authorities there, prohibiting non-residents of the province from peddling within fifteen kilometres from the frontier. As almost the whole of the Upper Silesia is not more than fifteen kilometres from the frontier, Jewish pedlars coming from Congress Poland were not allowed to sell their goods in Upper Silesia.

Deputy Wislicki, one of the Jewish members of the Government Party, intervened with the Governor of Upper Silesia, who issued special permits last year to a number of Jewish pedlars giving them the right of free movement in the frontier districts. The discrimination is still applied, however, against the majority of pedlars.

Following renewed intervention by Deputy Wislicki, the Governor has now issued an order that all pedlars who are Polish citizens are free to move and trade freely in all parts of Upper Silesia, without any hindrance.

Meeting of Actions Committee Demanded.

Warsaw.

After considering the present political situation in the Zionist movement, the Central Committee of the Polish Zionist Federation has decided to ask the Zionist World Executive to call a meeting of the General Council (Actions Committee) by April at the latest.

Jewish Students Compelled to Abandon Studies.

Warsaw.

Seventy per cent. of the Jewish students in Warsaw are destitute and find themselves compelled to give up their studies, because they have no money to pay their university fees or the small amount they need for lodging in the Jewish Students' Home, or for food. A great number of Jewish students have already left the University and are returning to their homes in the provincial towns, where they have no prospect of doing anything to earn their living, and will live on their impoverished parents.

Fifty Thousand Unemployed Jews.

Berlin.

There are fifty thousand unemployed Jews in Germany, the Central Union of German Citizens of Jewish Faith announces, on the basis of a questionnaire which it issued to all the Jewish communities in the various towns and districts throughout Germany.

Hindenburg "Not a True German."

Berlin.

The test of a true German is that he does not choose the same things as Jews, the "Voelkischer Beobachter," the chief organ of the Hitlerist Party, writes, and, therefore, it says, President Hindenburg, who has found common ground with the Jews and is standing as Presidential candidate on a platform which is supported by the Jews, is the colleague of the Mosse and Ullstein press, and the rest of the Jews, and therefore, he is not a true German, and no true German may vote for Hindenburg.

In Memory of General Sir John Monash.

Melbourne.

The Zionist Federation of Australia has decided to plant a Jewish National Fund wood in Palestine in memory of General Sir John Monash, the Honorary President of the Australian Zionist Federation, who died in October. The wood on which ten thousand Australian eucalyptus trees will be planted, will be situated between Haifa and Megiddo.

A Washington Forest in Palestine.

New York.

A Washington Forest of eucalyptus and pine trees will be planted in Palestine as a tribute from Jews and non-Jews in America to commemorate the bicentenary of General George Washington, the first President of the United States.

The decision was adopted at a Conference of Jewish communal leaders, convoked by the Jewish National Fund, in order to consider a suitable method of celebrating the Washington bicentenary. Several thousand people were present.

President Hoover sent a message to the Conference, expressing his approval of the project, and other messages favouring a Washington Forest in Palestine were received from Mr. Henry Ford and from many members of the United States Senate.

A cablegram was also read from the High Commissioner of Palestine, General Wauchope, welcoming the decision.

Passover Relief Work in Russia.

London.

Thirty-six tons of flour have been placed at the sole disposal of the Russian representatives of the London Federation of Jewish Relief Organisations in connection with the arrangements which it recently concluded with the Russian authorities for the issue of Passover parcels to destitute Jews in Russia, according to a communication which the Federation has just received from the Government Department concerned. The flour will be issued in accordance with instructions from London. Other articles of Passover food, such as sugar, tea, and oil, will also be issued in addition to the flour.

In view of the extreme distress now prevailing among the declassed Jews in Russia, the Federation states, thirty-six tons of flour will not meet even one-tenth of the applications which are being received, and funds are urgently required for further purchases of flour and other commodities. The Federation has therefore decided to launch immediately a Passover Relief Appeal, the funds of which will also be used to provide Passover relief for the destitute Jews in Poland.

Revisionist News.

London.

Dr. Z. Tiomkin and Mr. J. Schechtman, members of the Executive Committee of the Revisionist World Organisation, who resigned at the last meeting of the Executive Committee, are remaining members of the Organisation, the Revisionist Central Office states.

It was decided at the meeting of the Executive Committee, it is announced, to issue a Black Book containing documents and other evidence of breaches of the Mandate committed by the Mandatory Power, which will be presented to the League of Nations and its States Members.

It was also decided to hold the next Revisionist World Conference on July 24th, probably in Vienna.