

News of the Jewish World.

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Arab Claims to J.N.F. Land Dismissed.

Jerusalem.

The claim made by Arabs of the Gavarna Bedouin tribe to several thousand dunam of Jewish National Fund land in the northern part of Haifa Bay area, has been finally dismissed by the High Court on appeal.

Nazis Attempt to Prevent Dr. Weiss from Practising as Lawyer.

Berlin.

The persecution of Dr. Bernard Weiss by the National Socialists is being continued. Not satisfied with their victory in forcing the dismissal of Dr. Weiss from his position as Vice-President of the Berlin Police Force, they now demand that the right of Dr. Weiss to practice as a lawyer should also be denied him.

They point out that following the serious accusations against Dr. Weiss in the Prussian Diet and the National Socialist daily "Angriff," the High Court of Prussia decided that Dr. Weiss did not possess the moral qualities for the post which he occupied in the Berlin Police Force. "A man who does not possess the moral qualities required to be an official cannot be allowed to practice as a lawyer in the German courts either," they argue, asking why, in the circumstances, his application to practice as a lawyer was granted.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency is informed that although the court made certain allegations against Dr. Weiss, they did not by any means disqualify him as a lawyer. As far as actions brought against Dr. Weiss by his opponents are concerned, all accusations against him had to be withdrawn, and frequently the opponents themselves were sentenced for libel because of their accusations against Dr. Weiss.

None of the accusations made against Dr. Weiss regarding his moral character or his standing as an official of the State could be proved. In the circumstances it is unlikely that either the Ministry of State or the Reich Commissar will take any action against Dr. Weiss of the nature suggested by the National Socialists.

Complete Numerus Clausus of Lawyers?

Berlin.

The Nazi fraction in the Prussian Diet has introduced a motion asking for the rejection of the proposal submitted by the German Law Society to enforce a complete numerus clausus of lawyers, irrespective of race or religion, to relieve the overcrowding of the profession.

The Nazis propose instead that there should be a numerus clausus directed exclusively against Jews, permitting one Jew to be admitted to law, for every hundred non-Jews.

Split in Musical Guilds Due to Racial Discrimination.

Vienna.

A split in the Musical Guilds of Vienna has taken place as a result of the National Socialist campaign to introduce racial discrimination in this sphere of art. This campaign has been going on for the last six months. Nazi conductors have refused to play music by Jewish composers, even of Jewish converts like Mendelsohn and Mahler, and such numbers have had to be cut out also from the programmes of the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, which is controlled by the Government. Jews are also being excluded from concerts given by the official concert societies.

This boycott, which is conducted systematically but silently, is supported by the official musical societies. The Academy of Singing, however, which has many liberal elements among its membership, has refused to give way to the Nazi campaign, as a result of which the official concert societies have decided not to engage artists of the Academy and to substitute them by members of the German Aryan Singers' Unions.

In protest against the prevailing anti-Semitic discrimination, several prominent Jewish musicians have left the committees of these musical guilds. The split, which was inevitable with the introduction of anti-Semitism in art, is now an accomplished fact. Aryan concerts are boycotted by Jews and Socialists, and the other concerts are boycotted by National Socialists and other sympathisers in constantly growing numbers.

Women Franchise in Vienna Jewish Community.

Vienna.

An urgency motion introduced by the Zionist parties, who in the last elections in December obtained a majority on the Board of the Vienna Jewish Community, to give universal franchise in future Jewish community elections to both men and women,

was carried by a big majority at a plenary meeting of the Community Board.

The motion has been transferred to the Statutes Commission, to carry it into effect.

Professor Einstein's New Scheme.

New York.

Professor Albert Einstein has announced in an interview with Mr. Jacob Landau, the Managing Director of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, at Pasadena, that he is planning to organise a group of twenty-five of the greatest world minds to function in the best interests of mankind. Six of the members will be selected from America.

They must be supreme intellectuals, powerful personalities of international renown, and known for their liberal views, and the committee will raise its voice whenever mankind is confronted with grave problems.

Dr. Filderman Withdraws Resignation.

Bucharest.

Dr. Filderman, the President of the Bucharest Jewish Community and of the Federation of Jewish Communities in Old Roumania, has on the unanimous request of the Board of the Community, withdrawn his resignation. It was urged on him that in the present difficult situation the Community cannot spare his great experience and organising ability.

Dr. Filderman, who has just returned to Bucharest after an absence abroad for reasons of health, has resumed his functions in the community, and is now working at a reform of the community administration. It is hoped that the difficulties in the Bucharest Jewish Community will shortly be overcome.

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