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Week In Review

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FIGHTING RACE HATRED

Figuratively written on the walls of every legislative chamber in the land are President Roosevelt's words of warning that efforts to spread race hatred in this country are part of the Axis plan to drive a wedge into American unity.

So last week Senator Alexander Wiley of Wisconsin, charging that a flood of foreign-inspired anti-Semitic propaganda was going through the U. S. mails, introduced a bill which would require labeling of propaganda emanating from persons registered with the State Department as foreign agents. The Senator urged prompt consideration of the measure "in order that we may plug up an important loophole in our national defense—our mental defense."

And Governor Lehman, in his annual message to the New York State Legislature, asked legislation to prohibit discrimination because of race, color or creed in all businesses affected with public interest, warning that such discrimination weakened the foundations of democracy. He cited complaints he had received about racial discrimination in defense industries.

"I trust that during these critical times, when democracy has been destroyed in many lands and when our own democracy is being threatened, that the defense industries in New York State will insist upon non-discrimination in employment."

It will be recalled that Colorado recently dropped questions about religion from applications for employment.

Generally speaking, anti-Jewish agitation in the United States "struck a new low of disrepute during the past year," the American Jewish Committee reported at its annual meeting in New York. "There was a perceptible falling off of interest among those sections of the population which had formerly listened to the mouthings or read the scribbles of mischief-making rabble rousers and misguided fanatics."

Indicative of the trend was a report (which could not be immediately confirmed) that Father Charles E. Coughlin was leaving his pulpit at Royal Oak, Mich. The priest's influence has been steadily declining in recent months, and the hostility of broadcasters to his propaganda forced him off the air this year.

THE FUND-RAISING PROBLEM

With the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds meeting in Atlanta on Feb. 1, the problem of national Jewish fund-raising, in the light of the dissolution of the United Jewish Appeal, comes to a climax.

There has been a general feeling of regret throughout the country at the failure to renew the united appeal agreement. Editorials in Anglo-Jewish publications have been almost unanimous in declaring that the development was a serious setback for Jewish unity in the United States. Rabbi Emil W. Leppziger, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, has called for "such pressure as may retrieve the error."

NOTABLES TO ADDRESS PALESTINE CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON



All elements in American Jewry are keenly interested in the National Conference for Palestine which will meet in Washington, D.C. on Saturday evening, January 25th and Sunday, January 26th under the auspices of the United Palestine Appeal. Among the distinguished leaders who will address the sessions of the conference which is expected to make important decisions regarding the future of Palestine are (left to right)

Congressman John W. McCormack, Majority Leader of the House of Representatives; Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator; Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, who will sound the keynote of the conference and Dr. Bernard Joseph, Legal Adviser of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

UPA Sends Jews From Lithuania

As the first major undertaking of its \$12,000,000 war emergency campaign for the immigration and settlement of refugees in Palestine and its defense against the dangers of war, the United Palestine Appeal has completed arrangements to transport 1,000 Jews from former Lithuania to Palestine.

Britain Calls 1,400 Refugee Doctors

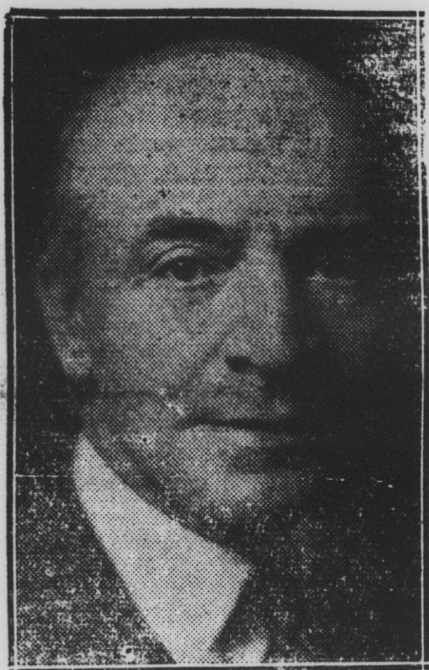
LONDON (JTA)—The British Government shortly will permit 1,400 refugee doctors from Allied countries to serve in the armed forces, hospitals, nursing homes, first aid posts and air raid shelters, it was reported. They will not be allowed to engage in private practice, however.

B'nai B'rith Cables Funds for Bombed Refugee Children

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A draft for \$1,000 was cabled to London yesterday by B'nai B'rith headquarters to aid children in London find new homes for those of the 550 children from Germany, Austria, Poland and Czechoslovakia under its care who were made homeless when the hostels in which they were living were smashed by German bombs. Two drafts totalling \$4,000 has previously been cabled to London.

Arab-Jewish Group To Aid Turk Trade

JERUSALEM (JTA)—An Arab-Jewish company to foster trade relations between Palestine and Turkey will be established soon with a capitalization of 30,000 Palestinian pounds, it was reported. The newspaper Haaretz said the Turkish Government was ready to extend full support to the company.



William J. Shroder of Cincinnati, chairman of the Board, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, who will address General Assembly in Atlanta, February 1-3.

Local Men Attend Atlanta Assembly

More than 500 delegates representing Jewish federations, welfare funds and community councils in 165 cities will consider their policies for the coming year at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Atlanta on February 1, 2 and 3.

Orthodox Jews To Observe "Jewish Nat'l Fund Day"

In a call directed to the Orthodox Synagogues and Congregations in the United States, the Union of Orthodox Rabbis designated February 8th, 1941, as this year's "Jewish National Fund Sabbath." The occasion is to be observed, according to the call of the Orthodox Rabbinate, as "a symbol of faith" in the future of the Jewish National Home and as an opportunity for enlisting popular support for the Jewish National Fund's wartime tasks in the field of Palestine Land Redemption.

Local individuals planning to attend are Philip Selber, I. M. Lieberman, Joseph Hackel, Alex Brest, Percy W. Zacharias, and L. A. Stein.

Support Your Jewish Press

By EDWARD V. MORAND

One of the greatest of Jewish Sages, Hillel, centuries ago made the pertinent observation, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me . . .?" If modern Jewry had steadfastly held to this philosophy many pitfalls might have been avoided. First and foremost, is the admonition that before a people can hope for outside help in any fight for their preservation, they must be willing to fight for themselves! In this world of violent change, the Jew must perforce depend on the support of the Christian world, and we must help those who help us. Valiant as may be our hearts, determined as may be our principles, we are but a few grains of sand, pitifully inadequate to alone stem the tides which would wash us away, without such support.

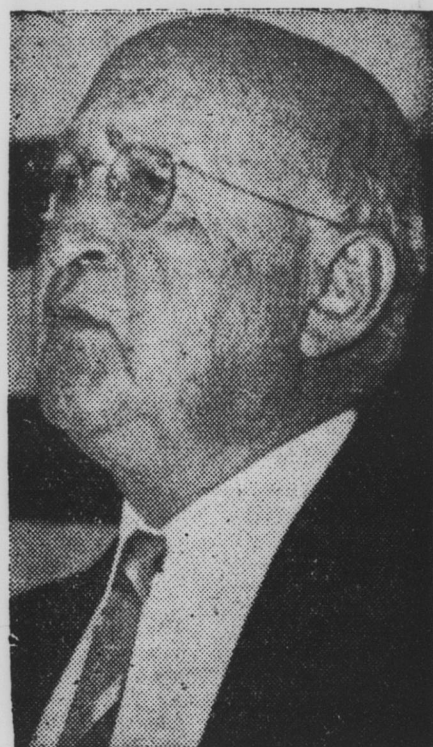
"Whence shall come my help?" asked the Psalmsit . . . truly from the Lord, and from the press, which fights, not alone for Jewry, but for humanity.

Thus we have before us a bounden duty. 'Tis to serve well and faithfully those instrumentalities which unhesitatingly serve us! Not in any sense of a quid pro quo, not because some forces have come to the fore on questions affecting Jews for reasons of self-interest, but simply because in aiding the Jew in his fight against the "great hatred," anti-Semitism, the press also serves humanity.

Noted Rabbi To Speak Tonight

One of the outstanding religious leaders in the state will be guest speaker at the Sabbath services to be held tonight in the Jacksonville Jewish Center synagogue.

Rabbi Jacob H. Kaplan, Ph. D., will occupy the pulpit at the invitation of Rabbi Margolis. Dr. Kaplan is president of the Florida Rabbinical Association and spiritual leader of Congregation Tem-



ple Israel of Miami. He has recently been elected Rabbi Emeritus of that congregation, after 15 years of ministry. He is instructor in philosophy and ethics at the University of Miami, where he will continue for several years. As a speaker he is known for his fine sense of humor and profound learning. He has chosen for his sermon topic "Progressive Revelations." Abe Newman will introduce the speaker. Members and friends of the Center are cordially invited to attend this service.

Reform Jews Hold Honorary Sabbath

Throughout the country, member congregations of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will observe this week end, January 25, "Infantile Paralysis Sabbath" which is sponsored by the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday. All denominations have been requested to join in the observance planned to call attention to the work of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Jewish Calendar

Join a Synagogue or Temple

Attend Its Services
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Rosh Chodesh Shevat	Jan. 29
Chamisha Asar	Feb. 12
Rosh Chodesh Adar	Feb. 28
Fast of Esther	March 12
Purim	March 13
Rosh Chodesh Nisan	Mar. 29
First Day Passover	April 12
Rosh Chodesh Iyar	April 28
Lag B'Omer	May 15
Rosh Chodesh Sivan	May 27
First Day Shavuoth	June 1
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz	June 1
Fast of Tammuz	July 13
Rosh Chodesh Ab	July 25
Fast of Ab	Aug. 3
Rosh Chodesh Elul	Aug. 24

*Observed previous day as well. All holidays begin at sundown of day preceding that listed above.