

ABOUT Inter Office Information

**YOUR ATTENTION**

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# 54 CONFIDENTIAL

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1. Protocols of Elders of Zion

The National Executive Director has been giving thought to the possibility of a court action against printers, editors and distributors of "Elders of Zion". Though under the present criminal code and civilly as well no action could succeed, it might be extremely important to have the action tried (provided we are sure the case is not dismissed on demurrers before it reaches the merits) so as to tell the world at large that the Protocols are frauds, have been declared forgeries, etc. Such a plan would ensure much publicity and might "lay the ghost" of the protocols for many days to come. The National Director has not brought the matter up yet to the national executive of the Joint Public Relations Committee but will do so after he has given it more thought and commits the ideas to memorandum form.

2. Study in Human Relations.

The Research Committee of our Central Division in cooperation with the Psychology Department of the University of Toronto, prepared a questionnaire entitled "A Study in Human Relationships" which is now being circulated among students of the University of Toronto. Other Canadian universities have also shown an interest in cooperating in the distribution of the questionnaire to their students. The questionnaire aims at obtaining a total picture of the prejudices held by Canadian college students and will indicate how and why these prejudices have been formed. It represents an adaptation of the questionnaire used by Professor Allport of Harvard University.

3. Reappearance of "Le Goglu".

A delegation of the United Jewish People's Order saw the National Executive Director and presented to him the resolution of their annual conventions on the reappearance of the anti-semitic publication "Le Goglu". The convention urged Congress "to take immediate action to combat anti-semitic activities in Quebec" and assured "full support to the Canadian Jewish Congress and all public bodies that will take measures to combat the Fascist movement and all its supporters". The matter is being given full attention and will be brought before the chairman of our Eastern region and the chairman of the Eastern region Joint Public Relations Committee. We are likely to see Government officials to find out why the Post Office Act cannot stop the distribution of "Le Goglu". We are going to obtain expert opinion as to remedies under the criminal code.

4. Social Credit.

The recent speech which Mr. Solon Law, leader of the Social Credit Party made over the C.B.C. created considerable stir. We telephoned Mr. Max Moscovitch in Lethbridge to get the exact text of the speech; Mr. Moscovitch informed us that Mr. Law recorded his broadcast before he left Lethbridge for Salt Lake City, 4 days in advance of the

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actual date of the broadcast. There is considerable pressure for action. We wait to get the text before deciding as to the steps to be taken.

5. Sewing Machine Campaign.

Conversations were held with the chairman of the sewing machine campaign in Montreal at which we outlined suggestions for a successful **campaign**.

6. S.O.S. Collection.

The women's division of the Montreal B'nai B'rith Chapters is anxious to undertake a project of sewing and preparing layettes and young children's clothing. We discussed the project with their representatives and we are to reply to them soon. Ordinarily we would have given full clearance immediately, however, we want to consult with the national officers on possibilities of a national S.O.S. campaign calling on all women's organizations. These matters which involve considerable detail will be given consideration right after the New Year.

7. Volume 2 of "History of the Jews in Canada".

We continued discussions with Mr. B.G. Sack on the publication of the 2nd volume of the "History of the Jews in Canada". The discussions involved material plans, research assistance, etc. The matter will **be on** the agenda of the next meeting of the National Executive.

8. Increased Relief Obligations.

Mr. Edward M.M. Warburg, Chairman of the American Joint Distribution Committee, who recently visited the Jewish communities in Europe, requested our full participation in the increased relief program of the J.D.C. for the year 1947. The J.D.C. will require in 1947 a minimum of \$122,000,000 of which \$86,000,000 will be sought from the United States Jews through the United Jewish Appeal. It is hoped that approximately \$22,000,000 will be received from reparations funds and the balance of \$23,000,000 must be raised by the Jews in other countries. Mr. Warburg states in his letter: "Canadian Jewry must meet a substantial share of the balance. Their compassion in 1946 helped to keep alive hundreds of thousands of men, women and children who might otherwise have perished miserably. We are confident that they will take their rightful place in continuing the great task of reconstruction and resettlement which was so well begun last year. We know that the Jews in Europe can continue to count on your own interest and leadership in effecting this result." We replied to Mr. Warburg informing him of our decision taken on December 8th to raise our quota from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000. We assured Mr. Warburg that Canadian Jewry is cognizant of the tasks yet to be fulfilled through direct relief, resettlement and rehabilitation. We trust that we will be able to project our own decision into every community across Canada and thus fulfill the responsibility which we have undertaken".

9. Congratulations to Rabbi M. Eisendrath.

Rabbi Eisendrath was elected President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. He is the former National Chairman of our Joint Public Relations Committee. We extended to Rabbi Eisendrath congratulations and best wishes for a successful and fruitful incumbency.

10. Foreign Exchange Control Regulations.

We discussed with the Foreign Exchange Control Board the implications of the change in Foreign Exchange Control regulations which were recently announced. We were informed that the new regulations do not imply any substantial change in the procedure of overseas transmissions. As hitherto, our plans will have to be approved by the Department of Voluntary Services in Ottawa and in case we get the approval there won't be any objections from the Foreign Exchange Control Board.

11. National Committee on Refugees.

Miss Constance Hayward, Secretary of the National Committee on Refugees, visited our office on December 20th and discussed with the National Executive Director the 1947 plans of the Committee. Representations will be made to the authorities in Ottawa on immigration problems. We discussed the assistance which should be extended to the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees in the relatives movement from the D.P. camps. There will also be an extensive educational campaign to maintain active public opinion in support of our joint endeavours.

12. National Executive Director's Holiday Trip.

The National Executive Director left for a holiday. He will be back on January 2nd.

13. Broadcast of Mr. Ph. Stuchen.

The Trans-Canada network will carry a talk by Mr. Ph. Stuchen on the D.P. Camps in Germany on Friday, December 27th, 1946, at 6:30 P.M.