

GERMANS ORDER PERSECUTION OF RUSSIAN JEWS

Hebrews of Galicia, Poland, Lithuania and Russian Provinces Subjected to Merciless Oppression—Political and Economical—Populace Encouraged to Attacks.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—During the last six months, the Jews of Galicia have been visited by a succession of persecutions, in which Jewish lives and Jewish property have been sacrificed in the most wanton manner. In fact, the treatment to which the Jews of Poland, Lithuania, and Galicia have been systematically subjected of late forms a singular commentary on the claim of the central powers that they are fighting a war of self-defense. Germany and Austria-Hungary have made repeated protestations of the high moral ideals by which they are guided in their conduct of the war. But if these protestations are examined in the light of the persecutions to which the Jews of eastern Europe have been exposed they appear rather insane.

Not only have the central powers entirely neglected the interests of the Jews in the occupied territories of Poland and Lithuania, but they have actually encouraged there a policy of political and economic oppression, deliberately ignoring every claim of the Jews. And they have not merely denied their rights; they have overwhelmed them with wrongs.

Faith in Central Powers Destroyed
For some years before the war the Jews in Poland had been suffering under an economic boycott. After the withdrawal of Russia from the war the Jews naturally wondered whether Germany and Austria, which had always laid claim to a superior civilization to that of Russia, would put an end to their trials. On the contrary, their sufferings have been even more intense.

Anti-Jewish propaganda has been in constant circulation. Articles appear almost daily in the newspapers accusing the Jews of all sorts of crimes and advocating enforced emigration. In order to insure still wider circulation for this propaganda, leaflets are repeatedly distributed by unknown agencies calling for attacks upon the Jews. These leaflets have been sent out, not only in small towns where it might appear that they had escaped the eyes of the governmental authorities, but also in the large cities of Warsaw, Lemberg and Cracow. These incendiary leaflets and posters are written in Polish (full of Germanisms) and are printed in type used in German presses, so that the conclusion is obvious.

In Warsaw and Lodz anti-Jewish posters calling upon the people to attack the Jews were exhibited in the streets for three days. Although the Jewish press was not allowed to refer to them at all a German-run Polish paper was permitted by the censorship to express its approval of them. This case of unfairness on the part of the government was so obvious that the two socialist deputies Cohn and Noske entered a protest on the subject in the German reichstag to the chancellor, but without receiving any satisfaction.

Germans Admit Anti-Semitism
It is significant that even the German semi-official organ, the Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung admitted last March that there had been a recent increase in anti-Semitism in Poland. Little else could have been expected from the new government set up last January by the central powers.

Not a single Jew has been appointed to the office of district administrator in the cities of the occupied zone. Of the 200 Jewish councillors in the Austrian occupied territory, not a single one was allowed to attend a conference of the conference of the union of municipalities. Furthermore various hardships have been imposed on the Jews in the nature of education and in business. For example the Warsaw municipal council has forbidden them to collect money for the upkeep of their schools. Jewish students in Warsaw are not allowed to form their own unions and are strictly excluded from the Polish organizations. Through the province of Lublin no Jew is admitted to a grammar school. The object of these measures is obviously to discourage the Jews from aspiring to an education or to a professional career. But even those who are content without these things are hindered in various ways. Jews are barred from the course for masons and master builders who will be much in demand for work of restoration, and Hebrew shop signs are taxed more heavily than those in Polish characters.

Lithuanian Jews Are Fined
The Jews in Lithuania have fared no better than those in Poland. They have been denied the right to send deputies to the Lithuanian diet. Even their request for permission to organize a conference to discuss their position as one of the nationalities of Lithuania has been ignored. The military authorities have promulgated a bewildering mass of laws and regulations which must be complied with on pain of severe fines. As these laws are printed in German and Lithuanian, neither of which the Jews un-

derstand, they have unwittingly broken them and have thus been subjected to fine. The payment of these fines has formed such a serious drain upon the already impoverished Jews that thousands of families have been compelled to sell their clothing and bedding in order to raise the necessary money.

The distress of the Lithuanian Jews has been exploited by the German authorities who have invited them to work in German munition factories for 200 marks or about \$47 a month. As most of the Jews, because of their distrust of the Prussians, refused, they were sent as suspicious characters to an internment camp where they were brutally treated. Many of them yielded to the demands of their conquerors and were then deported to Germany where they had to work 12 hours a day under the most galling conditions in munition factories. Of the promised 200 marks very little indeed comes into the hands of the Jewish workers. Half of it is charged for their board and lodging, and out of the other half they are obliged to pay not only the rates and taxes in the locality of the camp but also the rates and taxes in the Lithuanian towns from which they came. The balance, which is little enough, is sent back to Lithuania where it is not infrequently confiscated by the German authorities in payment of fines of some one else.

Police Help Anti-Jewish Riots
The lot of the Jews in Galicia is even worse for they have been the victims of a number of pogroms, most of which have been carried through without the slightest interference from the authorities. Most of the riots, of which there were several in Cracow alone, were preceded by the distribution of inflammatory pamphlets, and although timely warnings were conveyed to the government authorities of the intended attacks, no measures were taken for the defense of the Jews until after serious damage had been done. During the riot at Wleczka, the local authorities received direct orders not to interfere with the rioters, who were actually aided by the chief of police.

Repeated protests against these proceedings have been made by Jewish and by non-Jewish deputies in the Austrian parliament. But, as yet, no assurance has been given by the government that the Jews will be granted protection in the future. In comparison with these savage assaults on life and property, the prohibition of Hebrew or Yiddish in letters liable to censorship, the exclusion from the Cracow university of students who registered as members of the Jewish nationality, the imprisonment of members of the Zionist socialist society, and the molestation and robbery of Jewish passengers in trains, may be considered trifles.

GOURAD'S ARMY MAKES PROGRESS EAST OF AISNE

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY ON THE AISNE, Friday, Nov. 1.—(By Associated Press.) General Gouraud's troops made important progress east of the river Aisne today. They captured several hundred prisoners and batteries of three and four inch guns.

The concentrated movements of troops advancing northward from the region of Orlay and Beaureparie and eastward from the line of the bend in the Aisne has tightened their grip on the wooded region northwest of Grand Pre. The forces advancing northward have reached the spur east of Trinitat and the Brose farm, one thousand yards north of Beaureparie, while those advancing eastward from the Aisne have occupied the villages of Rilly-au-Oris, Somry and Voucy, north of Vouziers and Falaise, to the southeast.

The enemy's resistance has been particularly energetic east of Vouziers where he has been able to utilize the cover of the wooded region.

HAIG BREAKS HUN LINE.

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Ghent and are reported to be west of the river at Eecke and seven miles southwest of Ghent. The German situation around Ghent is becoming hazardous as the town is being outflanked.
West of the Meuse the Germans are now in a serious position thru the successful American and French drive, which placed them in a pocket in the forest of Boult, north of the Argonne. General Gouraud's men resumed the offensive Saturday and pressing thru the wooded region west of the Boult forest. The French and Americans have captured more than 4000 prisoners.

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TRIEST INVITES ALLIED FORCES TO OCCUPY CITY

Fear of Anarchy Causes Committee on Public Safety to Ask Allied Help—Czechs Seize Austrian Munition Factories and Discharge Germans.

BASEL, Nov. 2.—(By Associated Press.) The committee of public safety in Triest, alarmed by the sudden arrival of fleeing Austrian soldiers from Venetia, on Thursday sent a torpedo boat to Venice to ask the commander of the allied fleet in the Adriatic to occupy Triest, a dispatch from Vienna states.
The allied commander granted the request, and the dispatch adds, an allied naval force is expected in Triest today.

Andrassy Resigns
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 2.—Professor Lammasch, the Austrian premier has informed the president of the state council that he had been empowered to hand over the government so far as it related to German localities, to the German-Austrian state council, says a Vienna dispatch today.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—Count Julius Andrassy, who became Austro-Hungarian foreign minister on October 25, has resigned, according to a Zurich dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

AMSTERDAM, Friday, Nov. 1.—The navy department of the Austro-Hungarian ministry of war has published an imperial decree permitting all men who are not of South Slav nationality to return home on permanent leave, according to Vienna advices received here. The decree orders the fleet, naval works and other naval property transferred to the South Slav national council sitting at Agram and Pola.

Gun Plant Seized
PARIS, Nov. 2.—The great gun plant of Austria-Hungary at Skoda has been taken possession of by the Czech national committee, according to a Pilsen telegram forwarded by the correspondent of the Matin at

Zurich. All the German workmen at the plant were discharged.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 2.—A resolution will be introduced at the next sitting of the national assembly, says a telegram from Vienna, banishing Count Andrassy (Austro-Hungarian foreign minister) from the territory of German-Austria on account of his note to President Wilson.

The resolution will say that Count Andrassy was "illegally appointed by the former Austrian Emperor Charles and that he is to be banished forthwith "as a troublesome foreigner."

Bolshevism in Vienna
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 2.—Another telegram from Vienna reports the formation of a provisional soldiers' central committee in the state council hall. Troops have been invited to elect soldiers' committees which in turn will elect a permanent soldiers' central committee.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 2.—(By Associated Press.) Complete order prevailed in Vienna Thursday, according to the correspondent there of the Berlin Tageblatt. Emperor Charles was still in Vienna on that day.

98 DEATH TOLL OF TRAIN WRECK BROOKLYN TUNNEL

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—With the death toll placed at 98 by the Brooklyn police, rigid investigations were under way today to determine the blame for the wreck last night of a train of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company in the Malbone street tunnel, Brooklyn. Yesterday's strike of motormen and motor switchmen of the company, which was coincident with the tragedy, was settled during the early morning hours, company officials agreeing to reinstate 29 discharged union employees. The company previously had refused to obey the order of the war labor board and take back the men.

Interest in the investigation centered on William Lewis, motorman of the train, who was arrested on a charge of homicide. Mayor Hylan, who visited Lewis in the Flatbush police station soon after his arrest, issued this statement:

"Lewis admitted to me that this was his first run over the road. He said he was going 50 miles an hour. No man should be allowed to run a

train without at least three months' training."

President Timothy H. Williams of the transit company, asserted that altho Lewis was a motor switchman, he was a "trained man" and capable

of running a train. Lewis was pressed into service yesterday. It was said, on account of the strike.

Vote 44 X M. Purdin for County Judge. Pd. Adv.*

Jordan Valley—Irrigation development project well under way.

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VOTE—THE DATE IS NOVEMBER 5 SOME PLAIN FACTS

SENATOR McNARY

is active, energetic and efficient. He is an ardent supporter of Woman Suffrage, National Prohibition and the "Win the War Now" program. There never has been a man in the Senate who accomplished more in so short a time of service. A quiet, steadfast, hard worker, a man of the best judgment is McNary. We don't want an erratic, explosive, uncertain man to represent us in the Senate. Vote to return him to the Senate.

GOVERNOR WITHYCOMBE

has a record for sound, economical business administration, and loyal, earnest effort in the Nation's present crisis, that commands the approval and support of the whole people. He has given his earnest consideration and effort in promoting the welfare of the boys in the service. There has been no waste, extravagance, or scandal connected with Governor Withycombe's administration, it has been clean, true and patriotic from first to last.

He has for 20 years earnestly advocated Woman Suffrage and prohibition. Why experiment? Re-elect the man who has made good.

CONGRESSMAN HAWLEY

has and does stand for everything that is 100 per cent American.

C. M. THOMAS

has resided in our county for more than eight years last past, has engaged in farming, fruit growing and the practice of law, served with credit to himself and his constituents in the last legislature. He is committed to good roads, woman suffrage and prohibition. Is eminently qualified in every way to represent this county in the State Senate and should command the approval and support of everyone.

W. H. GORE, BEN C. SHELDON and JOHN WESTERLUND

are all well known to the people of this county, are engaged in farming, fruit growing, stock raising and other industries. All have represented this county in the Legislature, with credit to themselves and satisfaction to the people. None know better than they the desires and needs of their county. When one considers the energetic, active, self-sacrificing work these men have done in the Legislature, and out, to build up Jackson county, the question naturally arises, why change? Elect these men. They all deserve the support of everyone who wants a clean, economical government.

G. A. GARDNER

has had six years' experience in the Clerk's office, and everyone knows, especially lawyers, there is no better training for a Probate Judge than one gets in the Clerk's office. We ask you to support him on his record, it is good enough.

C. E. TERRILL

promises law enforcement, and a careful administration of the Sheriff's office. His promises will be kept.

Give CHAUNCEY FLOREY, for Clerk, JAMES OWEN for Commissioner, MYRTLE BLAKELY for Treasurer, and JOHN PERL for Coroner a big complimentary vote, they deserve it.

VOTE FOR THE NORMAL SCHOOL

The Importance of This Election Cannot Be Overestimated

The reconstruction period is second only in importance to "Winning the War Now." The nation has been heavily mortgaged to finance this war, and the interest on this debt will have to be paid all the time, and the principal gradually reduced. This will be accomplished by the labor of our people, a vote for a republican means the protection of our people, a vote against a republican means flooding the country with the products of pauper labor.

DON'T BE DECEIVED. The enormous wages now being paid railroad and other government employes, whose voices are muzzled in this election, is paid from the money realized on the bonds you have been urged to purchase, and not from the products of the country. When the war is over people will no longer purchase bonds to pay the fabulous wages, now paid government employes working at industries taken over by the government during the war. These employes will not voluntarily consent to a reduction of wages, yet the earning of our farms, factories, railroads, and other industries will not meet these fixed charges when brought into competition with the products of pauper labor under the Democratic free trade policies. This is a matter for the most serious and careful consideration. Consider it well and vote for the protection of our soldiers, our families and our country. The date is November 5th.

JACKSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

(Paid Adv.)

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