

### The Polish government set to buy the "Laura" and "Królewska steelworks The contract is to be signed in the coming days

Negotiations are underway in Berlin regarding the "Laura" and "Królewska" steelworks and the takeover of most of the shares by the Polish State Treasury.

Representative of the "Community Interest" is Mr. Flick.

As far as we know, the issue of the State Treasury taking over these shares is exaggerated and the current negotiations are about determining the value of the shares.

Talks are primarily being held with banks that are creditors of the "Community Interest" – the main creditors being the "D-Banks".

However, other credit banks are being considered – one Dutch and one British.

Dresdner Bank is conducting the negotiations on behalf of all the creditor banks.

These negotiations are primarily about the size of concessions that the creditor banks are ready to make, as this will determine the value of the "Community Interest" shares that are to be taken over by the State Treasury.

The negotiations are taking place with the participation of the Reich government which, as the owner of the "D-Banks", is interested in this matter.

However, we are informed that it is not true that, in connection with the takeover, settlement of dues will also be considered for German transit through the Polish Pomorskie Province.

Negotiations are nearing their completion and their finalisation is expected in the coming days.

As for the current situation of the "Community Interests", it is a fact that the group currently employs 20,000 people whereas, in good economic times, it exceeded 50,000 people.

The financial losses of "Community Interest", over the last five years, amount to around 200 million zł., mainly due to a decline in the value of its shares and taxation penalties.

After taking over the ownership of "Community Interest", the Polish State, which today owns the "Pokój" steelworks and several other enterprises, will become a decisive player in the Polish iron industry.

### Can the court allow an oath to be taken by black candles?

There was a longstanding case in the tuck court, brought by the merchant Lichtensztajn against Jakob Bromberg for a debt of 3,000 dollars from promissory notes.

The initial court hearing dismissed the claim based in Bromberg's defence, who claimed that the capital had been paid long ago and that the promissory notes covered usurious interest.

The Appeals Court decided to resolve the case by swearing in one party and, after hearing the evidence, decided to swear in Bromberg.

The Court decided that the oath be taken in the synagogue, with black candles, in the presence of people praying. Bromberg took such an oath. The Court, believing him, dismissed Lichtensztajn's claim.

Currently, a representative of Mr Lichtensztajn is lodging an Annulment Appeal in the Supreme Court.

The Annulment Appeal points out that the type of oath, taken by Bromberg, is not provided for in the Code of Civil Procedure.

It is, therefore, not admissible.

The case is raising great interest.

### "Orbis" and "Wagons-Lits" offices have no right to handle passport matters

Pursuant to Internal Affairs Ministry regulations, "Orbis" and "Wagons-Lits" agencies have been deprived of the right to handle passport matters in Starost offices.

Starost offices do not accept applications submitted through travel agencies and do not process such applications.

Therefore, every citizen, wishing to obtain a foreign [i.e. Polish] passport [for foreign travel], should avoid going through these offices, if one wishes to obtain such a pass-

port without difficulty or delay.

It goes without saying that one should not make use of the services of various shady advisors and intermediaries.

Such individuals prey on the ignorance of citizens and take care of passport matters at the Starost office, usually taking advantage of clients, who often fall victim to various abuses.

Therefore, if a citizen wishes to quickly obtain a foreign passport,

he or she should avoid intermediary stages and apply, personally, to the Starost, where information can be obtained directly.

From the moment that the application is submitted to the Starost office and the paying of the passport fee, the applicant will normally receive a passport within four days.

In extremely urgent cases, the passport may be issued, by the Starost office, the next day or even on the same day.

### What should someone, beginning a craft, know?

In letter No. P.R. 1-11, dated 4<sup>th</sup> April 1936, contained in Circular No.16, Industry and Trade Ministry explains the following:

1) Anyone who intends to begin a craft should first apply to the industrial authority for the issuing of a craftsman's card.

2) Plant and equipment required approval. A card will not be issued prior to approval of the device design. Exceptions to this are for establishments run by law, unless

the plant is subject to the obligation to approve the equipment design before entry into the force of industrial law and this obligation has not been fulfilled.

3) In relation to people who began their craft before 16<sup>th</sup> August 1934, and still do not have their craft card, the relevant industrial authority prohibits further craft activities.

4) Sanctions apply to persons, who began practising a craft, without craft cards, after 16<sup>th</sup> August 1934.

5) The craft card is also a confirmation of registering to run a craft and proof of authorisation to run a craft of your own.

6) When moving the workshop to the territory of another industrial authority, it is sufficient to submit the previous card in order to obtain a new craftsman's card.

7) Starting a craft, after obtaining a craft card, does not require a separate application.

### The prosecutor has lodged an appeal in the Przytyk trial

Radom Prosecutor, Mr. Dotkiewicz, has lodged an appeal against the entire verdict in the famous case of the events in Przytyk.

Lawyer Gajewicz had filed an appeal on behalf of twenty-five Christians.

Moreover, all the lawyers of the

accused Jews and the civil plaintiff, in the name of the orphans of the deceased Mińkowski, also filed appeals against the verdict.

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### From Jewish life

#### A sharp speech at the International Labour Conference against Nazi methods

Geneva: As is known, in accordance with the proposal of the Luxembourg workers' delegate, Piotr Krier, the International Labour Conference, which is being held in Geneva, adopted a resolution demanding a proper solution to the issue of refugees from Germany.

Even before adopting this resolution, speeches were delivered by the initiator Piotr Krier and the head of the Workers' Trade Union in the Netherlands, Kuper.

Piotr Krier recalled that, already in 1933, the Labour Conference had demanded that refugees from Germany be taken under its protection. Since then, their situation has changed due to the

deterioration of the economic condition of the countries where they had found refuge.

It would be an unforgivable mistake if, for diplomatic reasons, we avoided taking a specific stance with regard to the fate of people widely persecuted due to their opinions or race.

It should be openly admitted that such methods are a disgrace to humanity and an insult to any sense of justice.

The Dutch delegate, Kuper, emphasised that the League of Nations must come to the aid of refugees from Germany, who do not demand any support, other than work.

### The Częstochowa Chronicle

#### A protest against antisemitism

On Tuesday, at 10am, as a sign of protest against antisemitism, demonstrations were held in all Jewish communities throughout the county.

Such a demonstration also took place in our city. At 12 noon sharp, all factories, shops and

workshops were closed. Commercial traffic, in the Jewish district, came to a halt.

Despite the terrible heat, crowds of people poured out into the alleys, where they remained focused and serious. Everything was calm and orderly.

#### Another appearance of hooligans

Leon Zajdberg, "Tivoli" garden orchestra member, was returning home with his wife.

At the corner of al. Kościuszki, four people attacked him, one of whom hit him in the head and another used a knife to cut him under the eye.

After completing this heroic deed, the knights of the night ran away and the injured was taken to NMP Hospital, where he was treated.

It is high time for the relevant authorities put an end to bandit attacks on peaceful passers-by.

#### The District Court is moving premises

The Częstochowa District Court is moving to new premises on the corner of ul. Dąbrowskiego and ul. Raclawicka, where the Municipal Savings Bank was once located. The Prosecutor's Office is moving there also.

The Municipal Court will remain in the former court building at al. NMP 5.

The Labour Court and investigating judges' chambers will also move to the new address.

#### Director Iwo Gall will continue to lead the theatre

Dir. Iwo Gall has already run the Częstochowa Chamber Theatre for three years, gaining audience recognition. He has submitted an offer to continue in this role for another year.

The Częstochowa theatre owes this distinguished director a great deal.

It is expected that the offer will be accepted.

#### New lawyer is from Częstochowa

Last week, four lawyers from Częstochowa sat the exam of the Bar Council in Warsaw.

Only Mr Alfred Danczyński passed. We believe that he is to open his law chambers in Łódź.