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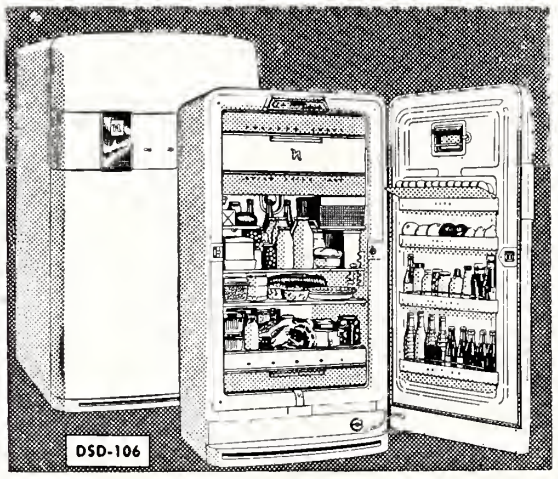


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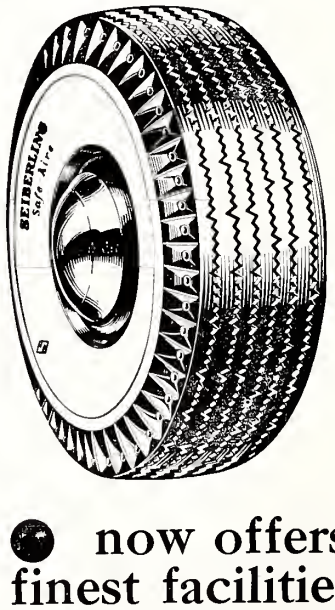


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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *5712*

Problems, and the solving of them, have been the heritage of the Jew down through the ages. It will indeed be the millenium when there are no more Jewish problems to be met. Perhaps it is wrong to refer to "Jewish problems." There are those who contend that there is but one Jewish problem—that of Jewish survival. All others, they say, are splinter concerns. Which is probably true.

One cannot contemplate the matter of Jewish survival without thinking simultaneously of the State of Israel. While most of us in this country do not consider the establishment of the State of Israel as the complete answer to the problem of Jewish survival, most of us recognize the part this event plays for many in the Jewish diaspora.

The State of Israel will always have two dates in its calendar that call for commemoration The one—May 15—marking the establishment of the Republic, and which corresponds to our 4th of July; the other, Rosh Hashonah, the coming of the New Year. The people of the State of Israel face the year 5712 with deep satisfaction in a job well started, and with high hopes for the future. Of course, there is much that remains to be done. The coming year will see many important decisions arrived at in the State's political and economic life. Then, too, the cessation of hostilities with the neighboring Arab countries must be considered but a pseudo-peace, until there is more tangible evidence that the war is over. So that the efforts to strengthen the job but begun will still have to be made with a cloud hovering nigh.

We consider the year 5712 a fitting time to salute again the State of Israel. At the age of three plus, a baby emerges from infancy, and while yet a baby, begins to exercise a degree of perception previously denied to it. We are devoting a considerable portion of this, our New Year Issue, to telling Israel's story—its accomplishments to date—its hopes for the future. We trust that these articles, all from authoritative sources, will be read with the same interest that we had in presenting them.

And so, we say to the people of the State of Israel—as we say to all Jews everywhere—may our resolutions for 5712 be dedicated to all humanity. L'shono tovo tekoseyvu!

### *The MacIver Report*

It may be bad timing to discuss such matters as the MacIver report at a time when we should be thinking the thoughts that normally go with celebrating the arrival of another year in Jewish history. Likewise, it might be a bit unfair to pre-judge the report before it has been published in its entirety. And yet, if we delay the discussion, we may never have the chance, as there seems to be a feeling among those who should know, that the complete report will never see the light of day as far as the general public is concerned.

Dr. Robert M. MacIver, a retired sociology professor at Columbia University, was assigned the task of preparing a study on the Jewish Community Relations Agencies for the Special Committee on Evaluated Studies of the National Community Relations Advisory Council. After ten months the report appears in an 135-page document. It already has caused a tremendous stir in Jewish circles, and the comments have not all been complimentary. Quite the contrary.

There are two schools of thought on the subject of whether it was wise to have a survey of this nature supervised by a non-Jew. Proponents justify this on the score that such a survey, to have any real value, must be objective, and hence, since it might be difficult for a Jew to be objective about a Jewish matter, a non-Jew was the only choice. As against this viewpoint, it is pointed out that the study, to have any beneficial results, should have been conducted by one who had the "feel" for the subject—an understanding of why it was necessary to do things in a certain way—that could only be found in a Jew.

The principal criticism is that Dr. MacIver's major suggestions would lead to assimilation. Furthermore, there is the hint of oligarchy in the recommendation which calls for centralization of Jewish community power in a selected few who would have "no obligation except to their own sense of responsibility," to quote a portion of the report. There is also serious objection to the implication of national budgeting, particularly on the part of national defense agencies. Another phase of the report that does not sit well with many is the suggestion that Jewish education concerns itself, not only with Judaism, but with giving credit to the values of Christianity as well.

There is also talk of withdrawal of support from local welfare funds if the report is implemented as drawn. It would seem as if, granting that the methods in vogue for the conduct of Jewish community relations agencies are not all that they should be, Dr. MacIver's report is not the answer for which the majority of thinking Jews have been looking. It would take more space than is at present at our disposal (what with the necessity for commenting on other matters Jewish at this time) for a full analysis of the report. Subsequent developments will be watched for additional comment at a later date. All that can be said with any certitude at this time is that the MacIver report has a rough road ahead.

### *A Happy New Year Note*

One of our readers, Leon M. Hoffman, of Richmond, Va., has written us as follows:

"I should like, at this time, to bring to your attention something about interfaith, mutual understanding and brotherhood. On the night of July 5, 1951, Richmond Post 155 of J. W. V. presented to Bill Luck a scroll signed by all the members of the Post. Now this may seem like nothing out of the ordinary, but it is. Bill Luck is not of the Jewish faith. A few years ago, Bill insisted on membership in our Post. We were honored to have him ask us for membership. We couldn't grant him full membership, but Bill was made a sustaining member in good standing. Ever since he has joined our group, he has unselfishly given his time and effort for the betterment and understanding

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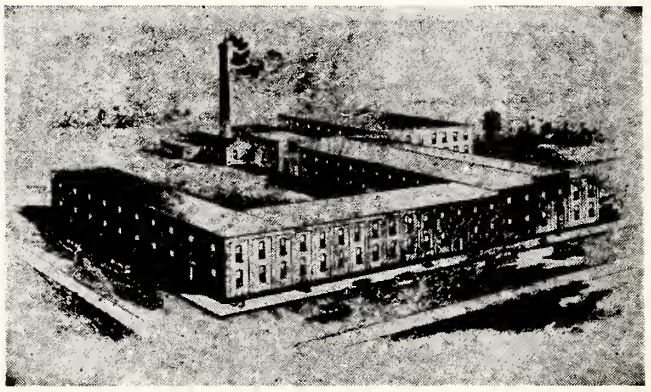

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# ISRAEL Three Years Old

MISS ESTHER HERLITZ

From an address by ESTHER HERLITZ, First Secretary of the Embassy of Israel, at the Convention of the B'nai B'rith District Grand Lodge No. 5, May 28, 1951, at Columbia, S. C.

INDEPENDENT Jewish Statehood in Israel is three years old. We would not do justice to history if we were to say that Israel is only three years old. For there has been the dream of two thousand years to return to the ancient homeland; there had been a Zionist movement throughout the world; for seventy years there had been active Jewish colonization in what then was Palestine—under foreign rule; cities were established and villages founded; there was an organized Jewish community in Palestine — a government within a government.

Statehood does not materialize without an active effort on the part of those desiring to achieve it. In November, 1947, however, the fact that a Jewish State should be established in Palestine was officially recognized by the world's foremost institution, United Nations Organization. It was this momentous decision of November 29, 1949, when 33 states voted in favor of a resolution recommending the establishment of a Jewish State in part of Palestine, that made the fulfillment of the dream possible.

Yet even resolutions passed by this august body, unless executed, remain but mere words on paper. Israel, without any help from the organization that resolved to establish it, implemented that decision against all odds, for that resolution was openly defied by armed aggression from the Arab states in spite of the fact that they, too, are members of the United Nations. Yet, on May 14 of the following year, Israel formally declared its Independence. The dream to become a nation like all other nations had thus become reality.

Israel's short three-year history shows three major phases of development. First there was the struggle for sheer physical survival. In May 14 five Arab armies proceeded to invade Israel territory. Israel though greatly outnumbered succeeded not only to hold her own but to strike back into enemy territory. This phase culminated in the conclusion of armistice agreements between Israel and her immediate Arab neighbors. These agreements, negotiated and signed under the auspices of the United Nations, govern to this day the relations between Israel and her neighbors.

This period was followed by one of fight for political recognition. Israel was recognized by the President of the United States of America on the very day of the declaration of independence. The people of Israel will be eternally grateful to President Truman and the people of the United States for that noble act. Since that date Israel has been accorded recognition by almost all nations; but, unfortunately, not as yet by her immediate neighbors. At the end of this phase of her short history, Israel became a member of the Organization which first voted to establish her, the United Nations.

The next step in Israel's history was one of consolidation; it is this that we are engaged in today. The struggle now is one of an economic and social nature. It is probably the most difficult period, yet it is the most decisive one. It began on the very day the State was established. On the 14th of May, 1948, just over three years ago, there were about 600,000 Jews in the country, and in this three-year period the same number have been admitted into Israel. Every other person in Israel today is a newcomer. In the United States the ratio of immigration never exceeded three per cent of the settled population. In Israel, with a territory of the size of New Jersey, and relatively few natural resources, the doors of the country have been kept open for Jews from all four corners of the earth, the very purpose for which the State was established; a homeland for all Jews who could not live safely and securely as Jews in their countries of dispersion. The decision to adopt this policy of free immigration was as grave, if not graver, than to brave the Arab armies; the disaster of World War II was not to recur.

The task is by no means an easy one. One recognizes a mass migration of peoples, unprecented in the annals of history, streaming to the shores of Israel by all available means of transportation, which will, like similar migration movements, change the face of the earth. Several Jewish communities have been completely liquidated. There are practically none left in Central Europe, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria, few in Czechoslovakia. Rumanian Jews have recently been permitted to leave for Israel and that community, too, is now being transferred to Israel. All of the Yemenite Jewish community was flown into Israel under "Operation Magic Carpet." "Operation Ali Baba," that of the transfer of the oldest Jewish community in the diaspora, Babylon, or as it is nowadays called Iraq, is in its final stages. There are still more Jewish communities in the Near East awaiting their turn to join their brethren in Israel. Israel's community has become a kaleidoscope of many colors. Some of the immigrants bring with them the drive and dynamic ideas of western civilization; some come from backward and illiterate communities. Common to all is the desire to live a free Jewish life and to contribute to the upbuilding of their own State.

The ingathering of the exiles has thus become the main theme of Israel's life. It is governed by a three-year Program, which, while assuming an additional annual increase of 200,000 and a population figure of two million at the end of the three-year period, calls for an investment of one and a half billion dollars in Israel's economy. At the present moment the balance of payments of Israel is an adverse one, characteristic to all countries flooded by new settlers. There has been an ever increasing need for the import of capital as well as of consumer goods for the evergrowing population. Israel must import far more than she can produce for export. With its limited supply of foreign currency, Israel has to choose between meeting the daily needs of the expanding population and acquiring the machinery and materials essential to make its people fully productive. Great emphasis has been put on the latter course. Israel's people have willingly tightened their own belts and adopted a program of severe austerity and rationing.

The outstanding phenomenon of Israel today is not that she has reduced her previous standard of living, but that she was able to survive without seriously upsetting her economic and social structure. The 650,000 people have somehow managed to share their meager resources with 650,000 more people. Although the situation is far from ideal, it is one of tranquil routines, of democratic stability, and of social peace. There is great progress to be recorded. Israel has doubled its agricultural output; has increased her industry by about 60 per cent; her electric supply by 40 per cent. New industries have sprung up. As many agricultural villages have been founded during these three years as during the preceding 70 years of colonization, a total of nearly three hundred; new roads have been paved; sea and air communications between Israel and the rest of the world have been established by Israel companies. Kaiser-Frazer, Ltd., operates a car assembly plant in Haifa. There is a completely mechanized shoe factory in Jerusalem, and Irael's National Airlines operate a service extending from Johannesburg, South Africa, to New York.

The rate of increased production, however, has been more than outstripped by the even greater increase in population. Immigration, as we see it, is, though a short-term liability, a long-term asset. It increases Israel defense potential and economic productivity.

A substantial amount of money must be invested in order to convert the total population into a truly creative power. It was for these reasons that leaders of the American Jewish Community were invited by the Government of Israel to attend a Planning Conference in Jerusalem last year. This Conference, after careful study of the problems of Israel's economy, adopted a Four-Point Program, with the aim to meet Israel's needs. This program was later confirmed at a Conference held in Washington. While assuming that Israel can raise half a billion dollars herself, it calls for the raising in this country of one billion dollars with a period of three years by four different means:

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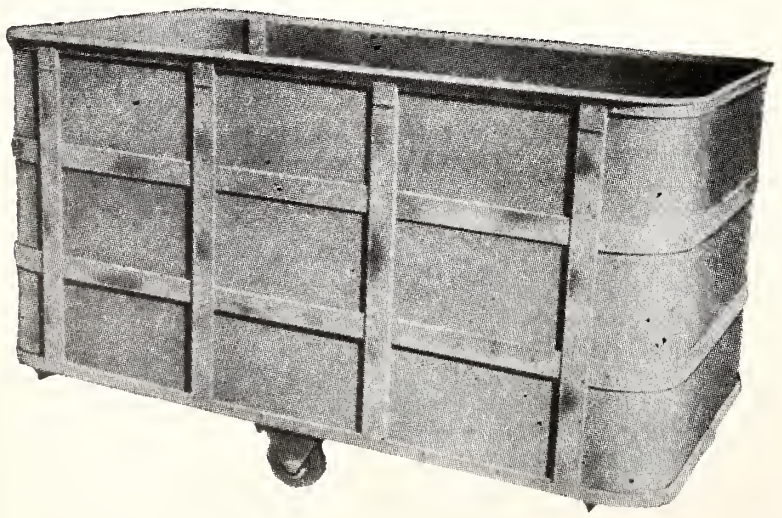

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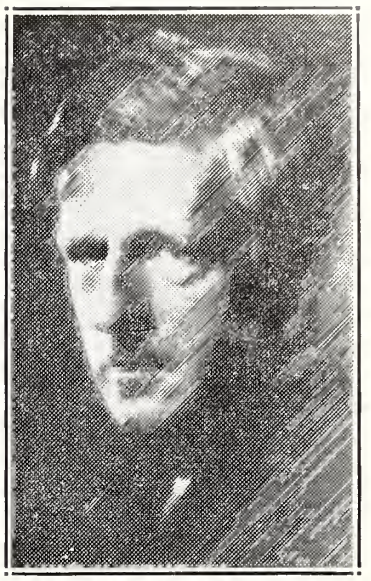
**Text of Address by Mr. McDonald at the Yeshiva University Commencement Exercises, Tuesday, June 19, 1951, after receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws**



JAMES G. McDONALD

FIRST, I would like to offer my congratulations to Yeshiva University on the wonderful events of the last few days—the offer of the City of New York to affiliate its projected Bronx Hospital with the Medical School of Yeshiva University. The promise which the city has given to aid so largely in the development of the medical school is to be interpreted as a tribute to the high standards of this college.

Now to the graduating class — my congratulations to you, and if you measure up in intelligence and ability as a class to your two valedictorians, then you are a very brilliant group indeed. The first speech was expert in every respect and the second one made me think that I was listening to a Sabra in the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

My talk will not be a typical commencement address. In the first place, it will not be homiletical or hortatory. You boys have had as much homiletics as you can take. (If some of your parents and friends don't know exactly what homiletics are, you can explain it to them.) In the second respect, my talk will be different. It will not be pessimistic. If you have read the summaries of commencement addresses this spring and early summer, you will have noted the prevalent quality of pessimism. The graduating classes were warned that the world is a dark and dismal place, headed for destruction at any moment. I hope you will excuse me if I cannot follow this currently popular point of view.

If I am optimistic it is because I have only recently come from Israel where optimism and buoyant confidence in the future is the dominant note in young and old alike. Israel has won through so much and overcome such hurdles that it faces the future unafraid. Instead of a lecture, let me give you a few impressions of Israel which perhaps in themselves may have lessons which need not be underlined. Israel is optimistic and confident for many reasons. First, because of its extraordinary, and, to the world, nearly incredible, success in war. My daughter and I went to Israel in the fall of 1948. Blackouts and bombings were a part of the everyday life of the people. But at least we were spared the nerve-wracking shrill of the sirens, the reason being that the bombs nearly always fell before the sirens began.

Israel won the war despite the vast disproportion of military strength because of spiritual qualities. Old and young, orthodox and unorthodox, united in the defense of the homeland, in a contest that might be compared to the battle between David and Goliath, leaving a memory and a confidence which Israel now takes full advantage of in this present period of stress and strain. It was hard to win the war but it is more difficult to win the peace, but the victory in the war has given Israel confidence that the victory will also be won in the peace. You will remember how Nehemiah when he was directing the rebuilding of the walls described the difficulty of the work—"The walls are great and high and we are separated in the work." When the war was over Israel had to improvise a government. At the beginning, they improvised not from scratch, but considerably less than scratch. The British left, when they went away, conditions that can only be described as organized anarchy—the deliberate gift of the British regime to the Jewish State. But despite these conditions, a government was rapidly improvised, a government which from the very beginning commanded the unwavering support of the whole people. Fortunately, that government had been foreshadowed in the major institutions of the Jews in the Mandate. The shadow government quickly moved into the foreground. Of course, for a period there was the problem of the extremists, but happily in the fall of 1948—though tragically not until after the death of Count Bernadotte—was this essential unity established.

In and during the recent years the Jews have shown to the world notable institutions of government. Take the Knesset—just about three years old, yet today it sets a pattern of procedure that could well be followed by our own country. Although the Jews are popularly supposed to be a vocal group, the Knesset has established an admirable rule whereby the central committee decides ahead of time how many hours are to be given to each party in important discussions (no fillibustering). The Knesset has shown how admirably Jews can govern themselves in another respect. The Jews have set an example to the world in their foreign service. Moshe Sharett, minister of the Israeli foreign service, is one of the most brilliant technicians in his field, and speaks eight languages fluently and several others in a sort of "American" style. Abba Eban is generally regarded as one of if not the most brilliant thinkers and speakers in the United Nations. I only hope that my colleagues on the bond drive will not drive him so hard, that he too will join the ranks of convalescent statesmen. Another outstanding Israeli was Dr. Eliash, one of the nation's foremost lawyers and a great othodox leader. His distinguished bearing and delightful personality won the support and affection of the most highly-placed British leaders, who respected him for his sincere spirituality. His death was a tragic loss to Britain and to all Jewry.

Meanwhile Israel does not lose sight of the fact that the war, the government, and the foreign service are all means to an end—the supreme end of the ingathering of the exiles, exiles who have come from east and west, north and south. 50,000 Yemenites have returned home. Their ancestors left Israel about the time of Solomon, certainly not later than the time of the Second Temple. But for two or three thousands years they were held together spiritually by the Torah, remaining firm orthodox and devoted Jews. They were returned to Israel, not on the wings of an eagle, as in the Biblical prophecy, but in DC-4's. These DC-4's carried 55,000 Yemenites across the sea and hostile land nonstop for 2,000 miles without the loss of a single life— an amazing record and one which any American airline might well be proud of. Some people are fearful of the effect of the Yemenites upon Israel. I am not. They are a sturdy, hard-working people and they will make a large creative contribution. Jews from Iraq are also returning to Israel. Surely there is something extraordinary in this return to Israel of two oldest Jewish communities in the world. This is one of the great historic moments in the life of an historic people.

The other day I was preparing to speak in the Temple of a distinguished American rabbi, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. (I may say parenthetically that in Israel I was commonly regarded as a member of the orthodox bloc, not the Mizrachi or Aguda, but *Simcha, even further right. Be that as it may, one of my jobs is to remain at peace in both camps, to be all things to all Jews.) While I was in Dr. Silver's study, I picked up a book in which I read this sentence: "There are some 5,000 Jews in North America and Canada." Well, I said, this cannot be—there's something wrong here. After all, I have lived in the Bronx, and other places. In some of those apartment houses alone there are 5,000 Jews. I looked at the book again and in the back I found this date—1820. Think of it! In 1820 there were only 5,000 Jews in this country. Now there are nearly six million. Six million Jews, highly placed and economically more secure than in any other country. And then I had a picture of another six million—the six million dead. How many Einsteins, Weizmanns and Ben-Gurions died in that holocaust, the most terrible destruction in history? With them was destroyed the centuries-old Jewish life, the ancient traditions of the Jew which were centered, not in Germany, where the culture was largely assimilationist, but in Eastern Europe. And then I had a third picture—tiny Israel, between the quick and the dead. This tiny nation, about the size of the State of New Hampshire, with its 1,300,000 Jews. This dedicated community, prepared to make the utmost sacrifices to insure the life and redemption of the Jewish people. It is my hope that as Israel offers its all, the American community will take full advantage of this great opportunity and will enable Israel to fulfill its historic Jewish task.

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* Referring to Professor Simcha Assaf, Justice of the Israeli Supreme Court, who received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at the same exercises.

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# Israel's Past and Future

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THE history of a people has almost always been the history of a nation in a land. The history of the United States has been largely the history of the colonies and the United States on the American continent. The history of the English people, for the most part, has been identical with the history of England. The same is true of France, of Germany, and of other nations. Until the destruction of the Jewish Commonwealth in 70 C.E. this was also true of the Jews; the history of the Jewish people was inseparable from that of the Jewish land. From 70 C.E. the situation changed. Palestine became transformed into a sacred memory, a dream, an ideal, and a goal. This fact is one of the outstanding marvels in all human history. It is commonly referred to as "the miracle of Jewish survival."

The defeat in the year 70 was not accepted as final. Time and again the Jews tried their fortune in the war with Rome, but as often as they tried they failed. Not even the tragic results of Bar Kochba's attempt, at the cost of a million lives, convinced the Jews of the futility of using the sword, and they continued to look for opportunities to fight Rome even with all the odds against success. In order to counteract the feelings of despair and disillusionment the architects of the Jewish spirit gradually transformed the Jewish people from a nation like any other into a group united and strengthened by invisible bonds, living in a realm of the spirit, ruled by the laws of God. The Jews finally laid down the sword of the soldier and raised high the more lasting pen of the scholar.

Of the many spiritual battlements raised by the Jewish sages against outside disruptive influences, that of historic memories towers above others. Every book of the Bible, every teaching of Rabbi and sage, every festival and every ritual is impregnated with memories of glories of the past and with the promise of the future, involving not only the resurrection of Israel but also the redemption of all mankind.

In the struggle between Judaism and Christianity for the pagans in the Roman empire, Christianity won. When Christianity became the official religion of the empire in the year 300 the organized Christian Church carried on its fight on Judaism with the assistance of the government. The First Council of Nicaea, held in 325, which was opened by Constantine with great solemnity, and which determined the nature of historic Christianity, undertook the separation of the Jews from the Christians. It forbade Christians to celebrate Passover at the same time as the Jews; it prohibited Christians from visiting synagogues; it instituted Sunday as the day of rest. It prevailed upon the emperor to prevent pagans from becoming converts to Judaism, and also to take away from the Jews some of the political privileges which they had long enjoyed.

With the spread of Christianity through the lands of Western and Central Europe and Italy the Jewish position steadily deteriorated. The pogroms and massacres during the century of the crusades were the result of simple logic. The crusaders argued that it was ridiculous to go forth to kill God's enemies in a distant land while the Jews close at hand, equally opposed to Christianity, were left behind unharmed. Soon the cry was heard, "Kill a Jew and save your soul!" Not a single papal letter was ever issued recommending that the faithful observe the chief commandment of the Law — "Thou shalt love thy neighbor." The Church recognized the right of the Jew to live and practice his religion without interference. This right, however, was conditioned by the stipulation that they were to live in a state of misery and degradation. The cautious pronouncement by Pope Calixtus II in 1120 reads: "Although the Jewish perfidy is in every way worthy of condemnation, nevertheless, because through them the truth of our own faith is proved, they are not to be severely oppressed by the faithful" (non sunt a fidelibus graviter opprimendi). In the edict issued by Pope Innocent III known as the "Constitutio pro Judaeis," the prohibition against killing Jews reads as if it were based not primarily on their natural rights as human beings, but on motives of ecclesiastical expediency. The Jews were not to be destroyed "completely."

> Thus the prophet says, "Thou shalt not kill them lest at any time they forget thy Law," or more clearly stated, "thou shalt not destroy the Jews completely so that the Christians should never by any chance be able to forget thy Law."

The French Revolution initiated the era of emancipation for western Jewry. After Napoleon's defeat the Congress of Vienna sought to re-establish the old, pre-revolutionary order, including the former attitude toward the Jews. Many saw in the hard-won freedom of the Jews the most provoking reminder of the Revolution. The fruits of emancipation of western Jewry were properly appraised over half a century ago by a great Jew of Sephardic ancestry, Max Nordau.

> Emancipation of the Jew was not the result of a recognition that a great injustice was committed against him; that he was treated cruelly and the time arrived to atone for a thousand-year-old sin. It was only the result of a straight geometric way of thinking of French rationalism in the eighteenth century. A land which claimed to rise to the highest degree of culture thought it necessary to possess certain institutions such as representative democracy, freedom of the press, trial by jury and an independent judiciary. Jewish emancipation was a necessary accessory in a highly civilized state, as for instance, the piano which must find a place in the salon even when no one in the family plays the piano.

Our generation had the misfortune to witness the sad truth of Nordau's evaluation of the flimsy basis of Jewish emancipation. The extermination of six million Jews by Hitler would have been impossible had the civilized world really felt that the Jew is endowed with the natural right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Hitler seems to have properly gauged the attitude of the world toward the Jew. In "My Mission to Israel" James G. McDonald, formerly High Commissioner for Refugees for the League of Nations, relates that during his interview with Hitler he stated, "The world will yet be thankful to me for teaching it how to deal with the Jews."

The devastating effects of the boon of emancipation on the personality and dignity of the Jew has been adjudged by Nordau in these words:

> His individuality he has discarded. Antisemitism fills him with self-hate. He runs away from his people, but he is repulsed by his gentile neighbor when he tries to merge with him. . . He has lost the ground under his feet. With the Jewish community in which he could function as a welcome and fully integrated member he has severed his connection. This is the well-known moral suffering of the emancipated Jew which is more bitter than physical suffering because it is experienced by the more highly differentiated and sensitive individuals. . . The emancipated Jew lacks poise, is uncertain in his relations with his friends and fearful of strangers. His best efforts are wasted on the suppression and uprooting of his own individuality; he is in constant fear that his inner self will be recognized as Jewish. . . To a higher-minded and esthetic person such a Jew appears ridiculous and repulsive as everything which is not genuine. . .

The creation of the State of Israel is referred to as a miraculous event. Jewish history is full of fateful events which are difficult to fit into the natural course of human events. Yet the evolvement of the Jewish state is not the result of the confluence of a fortuitous set of political events. It is the result of a current or force which made the appearance of the Jewish people on the arena of history of such momentous importance to western civilization.

To preserve its existence in spite of dispersion the Jewish people transformed itself into a spiritual community. The study of the Torah, in the broad sense of the word, became the principal occupation in the spiritual life of the nation and the potent factor in its survival in spite of all suffering. But the religious Jew could never see the fulfillment of his destiny in "galuth" (dispersion). The faith in the national redemption never left him. The beginnings of this faith are contemporaneous with the beginnings of the exile. "On the day the Temple was destroyed, the Comforter was born." The comforting idea of the

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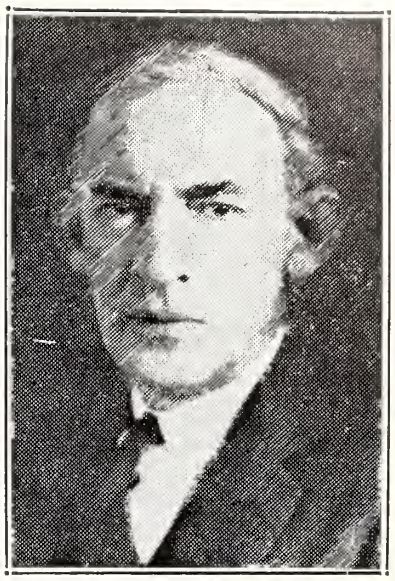
# The American Zionist Council

*By* LOUIS LIPSKY

**Address by Louis Lipsky, Chairman, at the Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America on June 17, 1951**



LOUIS LIPSKY

AFTER its decisive victories in the political field (before Israel's Independence was declared), the American Zionist Council fell into a state of uncertainty as to its future. This was due to the resignation of its Chairman, Dr. Silver, who was largely responsible for its historic achievements. There was organizational confusion in the whole Zionist movement. American Zionist leaders were of a mind to liquidate the Council, but lacked the will to decide the question. Finally, the desire to survive in some form triumphed over the inclination to liquidate; and the Council gradually returned to its former state.

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For the past two years, the Council has been engaged in the difficult task of regaining its status and influence. Its budget was greatly reduced and the functions of its reduced staff had to be readjusted. New forms of propaganda had to be found. In effect, a new instrument had to be built up in a changing Zionist world.

Local groups—now over 730—had to be revived and stimulated to action. A bi-monthly Bulletin, reaching 6,000 co-workers in every part of the United States, was initiated. The system of periodical directives was improved. Our communications were written in simple direct language, accompanied by timely informative material in readable form. Important pamphlets on current issues were published and given wide general circulation. The cooperation of all our friends in various categories was solicited and obtained, and each group was urged to express itself in its own way to its own contacts, thus avoiding the impression that one voice spoke for all. Emphasis was placed upon the local communal reaction. Fraternal relations between all groups on a local level were established. A substantial volume of distributed reactions on every item of our agenda was thus brought into play to create the maximum possible effect.

Similarly, on the Washington scene, the Council aimed to diversify the approaches to authority and influence in order not to create or maintain united fronts, except when absolutely necessary. Direct pressure on official Washington was exercised only on occasions of great need. The help of influential individuals in the political field was invoked at all times, and a general atmosphere of friendship and understanding was created in Washington, which reinforced nation-wide public opinion pouring through diverse channels into the Capitol.

In this way the Council once more became an effective public relations instrument for the American Zionist movement. It broadened the base of support. It improved its educational material and enlarged its circulation. It subordinated itself to the imperative need of coordination of all efforts. It avoided the monotony of repetition. It avoided the sensational and the personal. It stood behind the cause—not in front of it.

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Some partisans of the old "heroic" days have complained that the Council has failed to reproduce the stirring dramatic effects it was responsible for before May, 1948. These lamentations are good and proper sentiment, but they overlook the new situation of the whole Zionist movement and fail to recognize that we are living in a new time.

Since the first day of Independence, a new and welcome authority has taken over leadership and responsibility for the interests of the Jewish State, a fact of great historic significance. Israel was reborn and recognized, and took its place among the nations, and through its delegation at the United Nations and its Embassy in Washington, the Government of Israel is now the party in interest, speaking for itself, acting for itself, and enjoying all the immunities and privileges of a recognized state. It has its Ambassadors, its Consuls, its missions, its bureaus of information, its official travelers—the full equipment of a state. Israel speaks and acts for itself, within the limitations of international law.

We, as American citizens, as representatives of the Zionist Organization, are now one degree removed from authority and responsibility for Israel. We are assigned a supporting role and concerned in helping the State of Israel in every way possible. What that help is to be depends largely upon the Government of Israel and its representatives, and cannot be determined by our own views as to what may be Israel's best interest. Obviously, this radically differs from the position of former years.

Further: Since those "heroic" days, the United States Government has been drawn more and more into the maelstrom of world conflicts. Preparations are being made for war on a universal scale, war that will be even more hideous and destructive than the two that have preceded it. Our American Zionist approach in the national or international political field has ceased to be a question of recognition of basic Jewish objectives. The issues now arise out of the clashes of world interests, the balancing of power, the winning of allies. The question for Israel is what part it can and will play in these vital maneuvers. Today, the United States Government is caught in issues that span the globe, and our efforts to win friends is bound to encounter statesmen divided on policies, seeking to find the American line that leads to peace and honor and the maintenance of the American position in world affairs. And still, many of them are friends of old and have often helped us in times of crises.

As matters now stand, the mass effects and plebiscites of the past are no longer suitable or effective as a normal habit of procedure. Friends have to be won to our cause and held to it. Different kinds of pressures have to be found. More and better education and deeper understanding are required to win and sustain the cooperation of all new and old friends. Friendship is to be so orientated that it can stand up with conviction against the appeal of opponents who are now more active than ever before, more powerful in advocacy than they ever were. Therefore, our public relations are more difficult, more complicated, more sensitive than in the past. They require constant renewal, greater watchfulness and more faith in the great moral as well as political values of our cause. The Council must be geared up to this important service.

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Since last September, the American Zionist stage has been crowded with an unparalleled agenda. A series of activities on a grand scale was sparked by the historic Four Point program, first projected in Jerusalem, then approved by the Washington National Planning Conference in October, and then sent whirling over the entire American Jewish community in the form of great local and national gatherings. In that program were included the campaign for the sale of the first bonds issued by the State of Israel, the United Jewish Appeal campaign, and the proposal to secure a grant-in-aid for Israel from the United States Government.

Never before have the Jews of America been so aroused for Zion and the building of the State, as in these months. These demonstrations reached their climax in May with the arrival of David Ben-Gurion. Prime Minister of Israel, accompanied by a number of the ministers of his Cabinet who, together with him, toured the country. These events had an amazing nationwide publicity. All of Israel was exposed to a nationwide scrutiny—its great needs, its great potentialities, its varied problems, its hopes and aspirations, its internal differences of opinion. It is gratifying to be able to affirm that Israel stood the test of this intensive and ruthless exposure, and emerged as one of the most interesting factors on the international scene.

The Council was awarded one of the items of this program. Its assignment was United States grant-in-aid to Israel. Propaganda in general terms for aid to Israel began in September, 1950, and grew more powerful from month to month. It was understood that the Israeli Government would address itself to the State Department, which would be followed by American support in various forms, based on an action to be undertaken in Congress. Immediately, upon the filing of its application, Bills were introduced under bi-partisan leadership in both House and Senate to authorize a $150,000,000 grant to the State of Israel. One Bill was introduced in the Senate by Senators Douglas and Taft, which was sponsored by 34 of their colleagues. Similar legislation was introduced in the House by Representatives McCormack and Martin, Majority and Minority leaders, with 156 members of the House supporting them. All major Jewish organizations in the United

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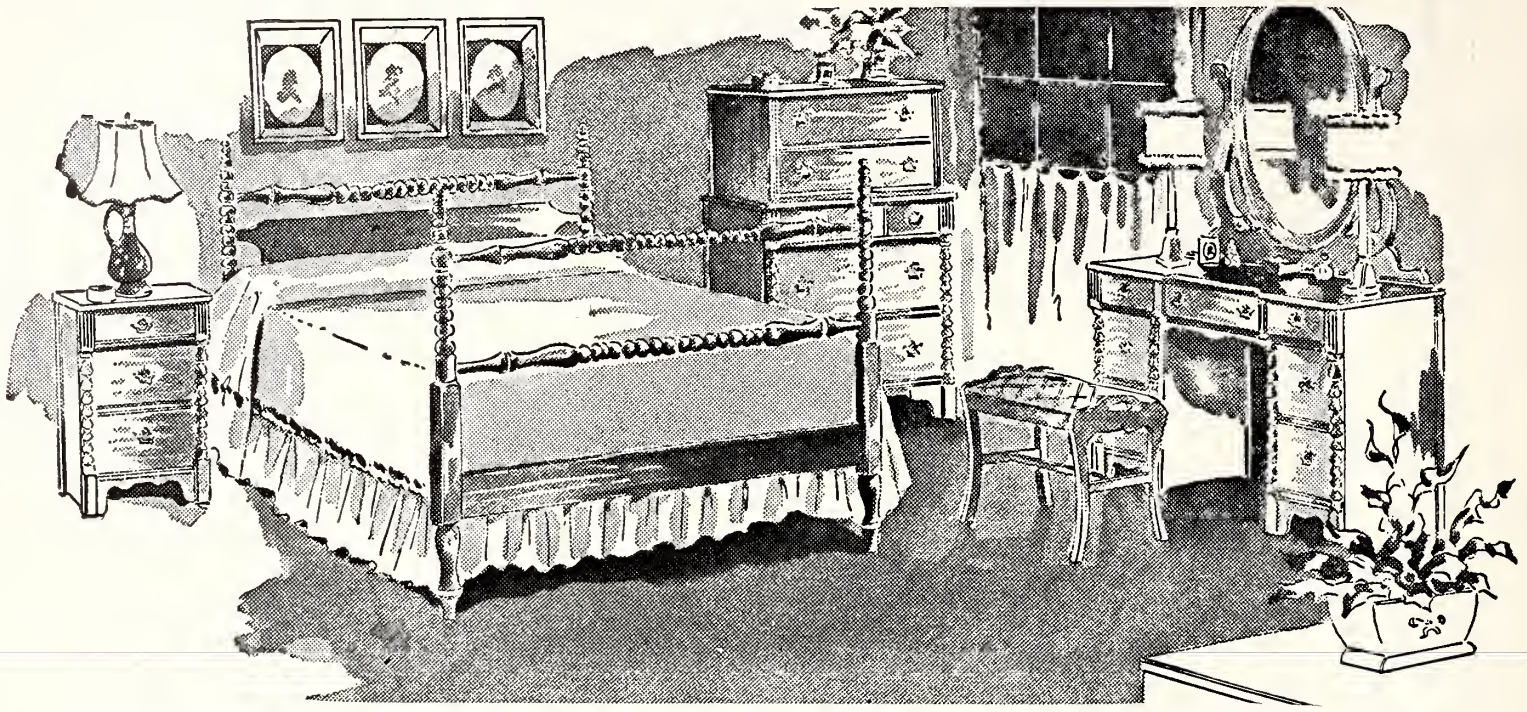

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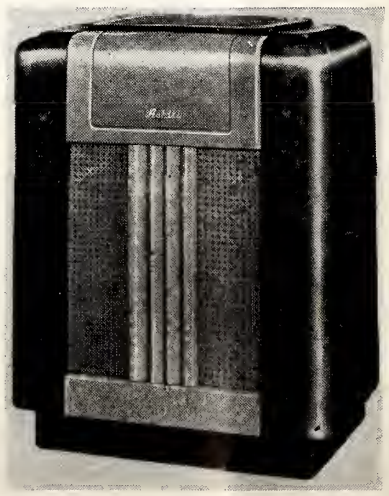

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# Fun, Feast and Fast

## *or* The Three "F" Holidays

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

IN our neighborhood, we called Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur the Three "F" Holidays, for to fellas like myself, Abe Shapiro, Louis (Whitey) Feingold, Lou Lazarus, and Jack Patten they meant Fun, Feast and Fast, in that order. There sometimes were variations of the illiteration, but it didn't matter, really. They were religious holidays we looked forward to soon after we returned to school following a ten-week hiatus from book-learning and those cock-eyed teachers, as we labeled the stalwarts and unheralded martyrs to the cause of elementary tutoring.

"Rush-Hush-Shoona," I would say to my mother in a jocular vein. "Yum-Yum-Kipper."

My mother would chide me for playing so unkindly with her, trying to flick her funnybone with a feather, as it were. But I should have known better.

"You mustn't say such things and make fun of such religious holidays. For a boy who has been barmitzvahed and made such a wonderful speech that day, you shouldn't act this way!"

I knew she was right, but I liked to tease mother in my own harmless way. If I knew it would offend or hurt her, I wouldn't have started it, but when one is in the last year of primary school he is far from perfect in his conduct. Anyway, who wanted to be perfect? That was for the two other fellas in our class, but not for me. I wanted to have fun, and the Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur holidays were as good a time as any to have it.

Even with Passover, I remember, I would josh my mother. "I wish this holiday would pass over quickly so I can eat bread," I'd say. The sight of leavened bread on the table in a tall box did not do my eyes any good. It was either egg matzoth or plain, but it so happened I liked heavy corn bread generously plastered with butter, nice and thick chunks of it. To dig into a heel of corn bread would be one of my greatest pleasures at meal time, or when mother would insist on my having a glass of milk to build up my energy between meals.

"Look, David," mother would reason. "Don't make fun of Passover. It is a High Holy Day, the day Moses delivered the Jew from his enemy, and you must never forget how he magically opened up the Red Sea to lead his people across the long journey, away from evil persecutors. The deliverance of our race from the enemy is not to be taken so lightly, for even today we are harrassed, a people with enemies surrounding us, and God knows where it all will end."

This warning on Passover immediately settled in the right pocket, for I have never even thought of creating a pun on the holiday again.

But for Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur, well, since we, the more fortunate, celebrate the Jewish New Year by heaping food abundantly on the table for the first two days and removing it for the first two meals on the eighth day, as penance, you just feel it's a crime to deny yourself, particularly when you know it is in the house and you are not sick or downcast or have any reason to fear eating to your heart's content. The stomach as well as the eyes will then have been satiated, for to see by slightly opening the ice box is to want, and to want when there is nothing is an awful thing, a pang that has challenged the sanity of many a man and woman, let alone boys and girs of the age I am speaking.

And so my friends and I went along enjoying the holidays to the full, including Yom Kippur. "Who wants to starve?" we'd chorus, and everyone would say, "Yeah, why starve when the ice-box is full?"

We went along with this trend of thought and action until we entered high school. All of us were about the same age, maybe a difference of a year or so here and there, but nothing like four or five years where one of the fellas would be out of place, a hanger-on or anything like that. We were well grouped, the five of us, and we saw eye to eye on most topics that were discussed. Of course, sometimes one or two of us violently disagreed with the majority, but it never was a serious disagreement, never a chip-on-the-shoulder affair.

The neighborhood, once entirely populated by our own kind, gradually became infiltrated with Italians moving down from Little Italy, the Puerto Ricans from below the Yorkville sector, the Irish, Catholics, Protestants, Episcopalians, and the like. Even a few Poles moved right off the boat and without doubt our neighborhood was the most polyglot in the city. We got to know quite a few of the boys our age and on the whole they were friendly. But there were a few you just couldn't get to like or have anything to do with, no matter what. And as a result, we didn't pay much attention to them. They let us alone and we didn't bother them, because there were plenty of fellas to play with and not having to go fishing.

When we stayed out of school on certain Jewish holidays some of the other boys wanted to also. They resented going to school while we stayed out, yet they knew that if they missed a day, sure as rain a truant officer would be around the following morning checking up, wanting to know the why and wherefore.

"Lucky guys," we'd hear. Dressed up in our best for the first two days of Rosh Hashonah and on Yom Kippur, we'd never enter the synagogue. As a rule we'd stay outside, chin away or play a game of boxball when no one was looking, passing away the time while our other friends were poring over books and answering the questions put to them by Miss Riley or Miss Ladenborough.

Whatever the fellas said, lucky guys or things like that, didn't bother us in the least. However, the situation distressed my mother no end. She was up early on the holidays, having prepared for them a week in advance, her Bible tucked away in a brown paper bag, on her way and anxious to get started with the services.

"Why don't you take a sidir," she'd say, "and go with me to Shul for a few hours? You can sit and read with the men."

"I got plenty of time for that when I grow up," I'd answer, much to my mother's apparent annoyance.

"It's not right," she'd say, and leave me to think it over for myself. And when I thought it over, it didn't make a bit of difference. I still wanted to be with my friends, chinning and chatting and maybe having a quick inning of boxball. This kept on and on, year after year, despite my barmitzvah, and the day for reckoning finally came. It came in a way that made me happy, light of heart and in the final analysis, a Jew not afraid to assert himself.

It was the second day of Rosh Hashonah in my first term of High. Starting High was something I looked forward to eagerly, the secondary step to higher learning. And despite this desire to carry on, I would have felt cheated if I hadn't stayed home and mingled outside our favorite Shul with the other boys on the block, part and parcel of the Favorite Five.

Yes, Abe Shapiro, "Whitey" Feingold, Lou Lazarus and Jack Patten were there sure as sun, and it was a warm day in the fall that year. All dressed up, we returned to our stoop just before the crowd started pouring out of the Shul homeward bound.

The ram's horn had sounded, like the evening before, and a third blowing of it six days later would conclude the Yom Kippur services. But for the moment, however, the sound of the Shofar started us on our way home, ahead of the men and women who had gone to the unpretentious synagogue to pray. It was not too late in the day, but the schools had let out and some of the fellas were playing on the street, others were in small clusters talking, conniving, cooking up a broth that had a bad odor to it.

Reb Moishe, who lived on the block below ours, was coming down the street wearing a new suit, proud as you can. His deep set eyes gleamed as he finished reclaiming himself for the New Year ahead. His black fedora sat firmly on his head and he wore his beard down to his chest. Though he never heard what we said, the fellas used to kid about the long black beard, how Reb Moishe saved throughout the years by not shaving. "And with that hat he don't have to have a haircut but once a year, if at that."

His was a familiar face in our neighborhood, apparent at least twice a day, when he went to Shul to be part of the regular minion, as automatic as the dousing and lighting of the street lamps.

One day, out of curiosity, I stopped him as he was returning home from prayer. In all seriousness I asked him about the beard.

The reverend Jew said: "If only it were that I would be a very happy man, indeed. But this beard unfortunately is to hide our sorrows. We, as Jews, have not found ourselves. Every day our aches and pains grow, and yet there is no Moses to lead us to another Red Sea, safely across and away from our enemies. I shall remove my hirsute only when that happens and only then. The days are long and we are waiting to be led to green pastures, to a settlement we can call our own, to a home where we can flower as God intended us. I may

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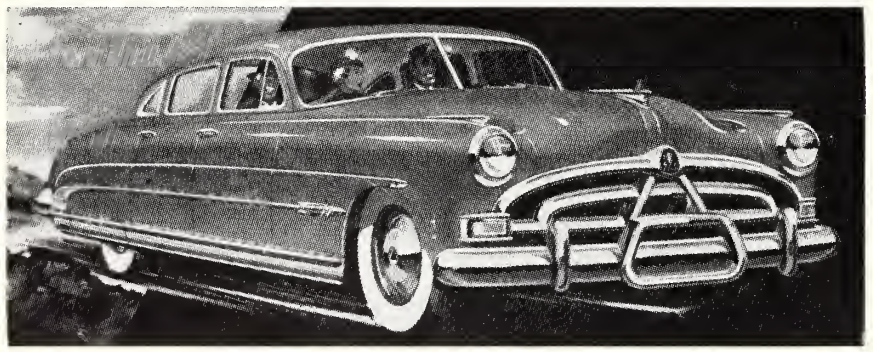

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# THE AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL

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States, all our Christian friends and liberals and labor representatives, cooperated in the effort to secure Congressional support and to elaborate on the value of grant-in-aid to Israel to the cause of the United States and of the United Nations. The burden of all these activities was carried by the American Zionist Council.

Months of effort were expended in this field. The response in the press and on the radio was overwhelming. There were indications from the State Department, however, that its intention was to place aid to Israel in an Omnibus Bill in which the Arab States would be included. The President's message providing, specifically, for the inclusion of Israel in the Middle East program was encouraging but not conclusive. The matter now awaits consideration in the Senate and House Committees on Foreign Affairs, and the position of the administration in its details is yet to be revealed.

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The progress of the grant-in-aid effort was crossed by the incident of Syrian aggression in the Huleh region and the surprise action of the United Nations Security Council, led by the delegation of the United States. The Security Council did not condemn Syrian aggression, but rebuked Israel for its spirited defense of its rights and appeased Syria by ordering the cessation of operations in the Huleh swamp area. The Council set in motion, for the first time in many months, a tremendous letter and telegram approach to the President, the Secretary of State, and Ambassador Warren Austin. There were direct personal interventions with President Truman and members of his Cabinet. The leaders of the political parties were informed of our views and urged to intervene. The nationwide press campaign showed an almost universal approval of Israel's position. The issue has now been detoured to the United Nations representatives on the spot where, due to the impartiality of General Riley, the damaging effects of the Security Council resolution may be overcome. At any rate, the drainage of the Huleh swamp continues.

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It is gratifying, indeed, that President Truman continues to be sympathetic and friendly and alert to our difficulties. Whenever his aid is invoked, his response indicates a broad understanding of Israel's difficulties and a wish to be helpful. He is the center, however, of an administration broken by sharp angles of differences and the influence of cliques in the making of policy. Not least of his difficulties arise with respect to Israel. In the Middle East Division of the State Department there still prevails the traditional conception of American policy which, at most, aims to subordinate Israel in an Arab region or, at best, seeks to overemphasize Arab interests against the interests of Israel. Nothing has changed in the State Department in this respect. The policy of "balance" determined its maneuvers in the matter of the Huleh incident and also in its approach to grant-in-aid, where it sought to smother Israel's demand for a grant in the embrace of an Omnibus Bill, dominated by Arab interests. This policy of "balance" encourages the intransigeant position of the Arab States with regard to peace with Israel, and gives its tacit support of the uneasy armistice which prevails between Arabs and Jews. It is a policy not only detrimental to the progress of Israel, but detrimental to the larger interests of the United States. It places in jeopardy the whole of the Middle East and makes Israel subordinate to the lazy, untruthworthy and unprogressive governments of the Arab States.

Thus the good will of President Truman, the overwhelming friendship we find in Congress, the sympathy disclosed by the larger part of the press, are counterbalanced by a Third Force in the government not provided for in the Constitution and not recognized or approved by public opinion. This is the force which stands in the way of the consideration of Israel's value to world peace on its own merits. The Council and all friends of Israel, as well as friends of democracy, will have to fight that enemy with all their strength and vigor until American policy toward Israel reflects the sincere wishes of the Congress, of overwhelming public opinion and of the President of the United States.

The Council's course is prescribed by the situation that prevails in Washington. All of our friends are urged to continue to advocate the passage of the Douglas-Taft and McCormack-Martin Bills in order that the appropriation for Israel may be adequate for its needs.

The record of the Council includes a variety of important activities, in addition to those referred to, of which brief mention should be made. It mobilized public opinion last fall to oppose the United Nations resolution to internationalize Jerusalem. It activated public interest to urge the government of the United States to take the lead in effecting permanent peace in the Middle East. It is giving strong support to the proposals of the Government of Israel addressed to our State Department on German reparations. It has expressed the views of American Zionists whenever occasions arose in communications to President Truman and the State Department. It has taken action from time to time to counteract anti-Zionist propaganda in the press and on the radio. It has exposed the fallacies and prejudices of the Council for Judaism. It has conducted forums of representatives of the American Zionist parties for the discussion of Zionist problems. It has issued from time to time, important documents bearing on Zionist problems.

Acknowledgments are due to our local groups, to national Jewish organizations, and to Christian friends for the fine cooperation they have given to all the efforts of the Council. Pro-Zionist Christian opinion has been most effectively presented in the pages of *Land Reborn*, the widely circulated monthly magazine issued by the American Christian Palestine Committee. Special recognition should be given to the chapters, societies, districts and regions of all the Zionist organizations which have played a leading part in almost every community. It is due largely to their zealous cooperation that the effective reaction to the Syrian aggression was brought about. They were most effective in connection with the grant-in-aid Bills. On every occasion, their prompt and intelligent cooperation could be relied upon.

The hasty judgments as to the future of the Zionist Organization, arrived at soon after the Independence of Israel was proclaimed, have undergone a thorough reconsideration and revision. There is no question now that the Zionist movement is forced by historic necessity to continue its role for at least another decade. The Zionist movement represents the Jewish people, awakened to the struggle for national survival. It includes Zionists, non-Zionists, half-Zionists, Jews sympathetic to Zionist or Hebraic ideals, which attracts the sympathies and interests and cooperation of Jews in ever-widening circles. The corporate form of the Zionist movement is the Zionist Organization. The forms of the Zionist Organization will have to be changed and adapted to new conditions, but the content and expression of the Zionist movement lives on in every manifestation of the life of the Organization. Every area of activity hitherto occupied by Zionist forces will continue to be occupied in the coming era by the forces of Zionism differently arranged, differently organized, differently expressed, but essentially the same. It is inconceivable that all that was meant by the Zionist movement should now be imprisoned in a free and sovereign state, and that all the problems of Jewish survival should be concentrated in the material and political isolation of Israel.

In this Zionist movement, led by the Zionist Organization, the American Zionist Council, however organized, whatever its functions may be, has a continuing task to perform. The concept of American Zionist political support to the State of Israel is not dead or dying. It is not obsolete. It becomes more and more valuable as the internal disorders in the Zionist Organization settle and clear.

Let us give ourselves to this task. It is armor Israel cannot get along without.

## SHIPS OF ISRAELI NAVY VISIT UNITED STATES TO PROMOTE STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

Two ships of the Israel Navy are visiting America to participate in the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Drive. This is the first time that any unit of Israel's Armed Forces has visited this country.

The two ships, "Haganah" and "Misgav Yehuda," and the 200 men and officers who man them, will visit major cities on the eastern seaboard. Local Bond Committees will be hosts to the Israel seamen at their ports of call.

The crews on the 301-foot frigate "Misgav Yehuda" (secure haven of Jews) and the 225-foot corvette, the "Haganah," come from the far corners of the earth. Many of them bear the brand of Auschwitz, grim reminders of an earlier world in bondage. A veritable sea-going "United Nations," there are Poles, Russians, French, Germans, Yemenites, Indians, and Falashas and 24 other nationalities represented in the Israel crew manning these warships. Almost all of these men have personal dramatic stories of how they came to Israel and the recent war of independence.

## Fun, Feast and Fast

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never remove my beard, but this does not disturb me for there will be others to follow and it may be their good fortune to do what I am unable to do in my time. I do hope and pray," he said, casting his moist eyes to the heavens above, "that not too many generations pass before the sorrows of the ages and strife are removed for us, and that we of the beards can fashion them to a new era of understanding."

This was food for thought, and despite the fact that it happened many years ago, I have remembered Reb Monishe's saying to this very day, to the eve of another Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur. And as I think back to those days, I can remember the disturbing incident as if it happened yesterday. That Frankie Fay and his clique that never set well with us.

They never started up with us, though. Maybe they were afraid; it could very well be because we had good support. But what happened to Reb Moishe, as he was carrying his red plush bag containing the Bibles under his arm, was just like Frankie and the likes of him in the person of Mickey McLaughlin and Pasty Ford and one or two others.

We, that is our Abe, Lou, "Whitey," Jack and myself, were on the other side of the street when Frankie, without warning, rushed up behind Reb Moishe, then alongside and grabbed his beard. Mickey knocked Reb's hat to the ground and Pasty was ready to swing his fists into action.

Quickly I saw time was not to be wasted. Every second counted.

"Come on, Abe. Let's get going, fellas!" I yelled, leading them at top speed across the street to the scene of action.

Mickey, the one who was right behind Frankie, saw us coming. He yelled something to Frankie and Pasty as they knocked the red plush bag out of his hands. The old Jew let out a crying scream as the force of the pulling of his beard took effect. The cry was followed by a wailing sob as we rushed over, soon as we could.

The Frankies, the Mickeys and the Patsies took flight and we were right on their heels, throwing fists in the air. I landed a couple of punches at Frankie's face and head as I caught up with him, but he was too fast for me and soon the distance between us became greater, until I finally had to give up, puffing for breath. Abe, Jack, "Whitey" and Lou also chased their men until their wind gave out. They had tagged a few good blows, landing them at the body and head in a wild endeavor to show our strength.

I caught up with them at the corner and we all walked back slowly to the old man. He had regained his composure somewhat by now. His hat was back on his head; his bag and Bible in hand, as he sat on a stoop about half-way in the block. By this time, quite a few eager-beavers had clustered about him, asking questions,


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sympathizing, decreeing in a chorus that this sort of thing must be called to the attention of the police. But who would notify the police?

Just then I noticed my mother coming down the street, on her way home from Shul. She took one look at me and cried, "What happened to you, David? Is this the way you play on a religious holiday?" She was looking at my suit which I had somehow torn in running.

"Gee, Ma," I attempted to explain. "I didn't rip it playing ball. I . . ."

"You must think I'm made of money. Look at you now. You know I can't afford to buy you a new suit. You're still going to school and where am I going to get all the money you need?"

"Ma," I again tried to explain. "I didn't tear it playing ball or hop, skip and jump. I was only trying to help Reb Moishe."

"What has Reb Moishe got to do with it?" She looked at me quizzically. "Noo, what has he got to do with your tearing a brand new suit like you have on?"

"He's over there, Ma. Why don't you ask him, if you don't believe me?" I directed her attention to the crowd gathered about the bearded man. Reb Moishe had gotten to his feet by now and fully regained his calm composure. He had apparently heard the commotion between Ma and me and he came toward us, plowing his way through the crowd.

He began to explain to my mother what had happened, and before I knew it, the three of us were walking to the corner, the Reb between us and speaking in Hebrew. My mother knew I had spoken the truth, smiled and said, "David, whether you go to Shul or not, I'm proud of you." I was embarrassed, like any young boy would be under the circumstances, the Reb glancing over at me, smiling and almost as proud.

I was extremely happy at the turn in my mother's attitude toward me, for later, thinking it over as my head lay on its pillow, to rest the dark hours away, my mind would not settle easily. It wanted to speak up, to tell me that I had gone a great service on this day. I did not have to wait for Passover or any other holiday to deliver the Jew from an oppressor. I had seen an opportunity to act and I had done so, helped a Reb Moishe from his enemies.

Then and there I decided to attend the Yom Kippur services six days later. I would get up early and go with my mother and stay until the ram's horn blasted an end to the fast. This year I would be a party to the fast and I would leave the feasting to the others, the fun to those who would have it.

In Shul, Reb Moishe would be there and I would be happy next to him. I did not have a ticket but seating in an emergency like this could be easily arranged, what with Reb Moishe so highly regarded by those congregated for the services year in and year out.

There would be no more "Rush-Hush-Shoona" or "Yum-Yum Kipper." On the succeeding holidays my mother would buy a ticket for me and though I could not be next to her, I would keep a constant eye open. Reb Moishe would be there to guide me and lend assistance, if the need be. This is what I wanted to do from now on.

My friends didn't follow in my footsteps, but that didn't bother me because we did meet after services and

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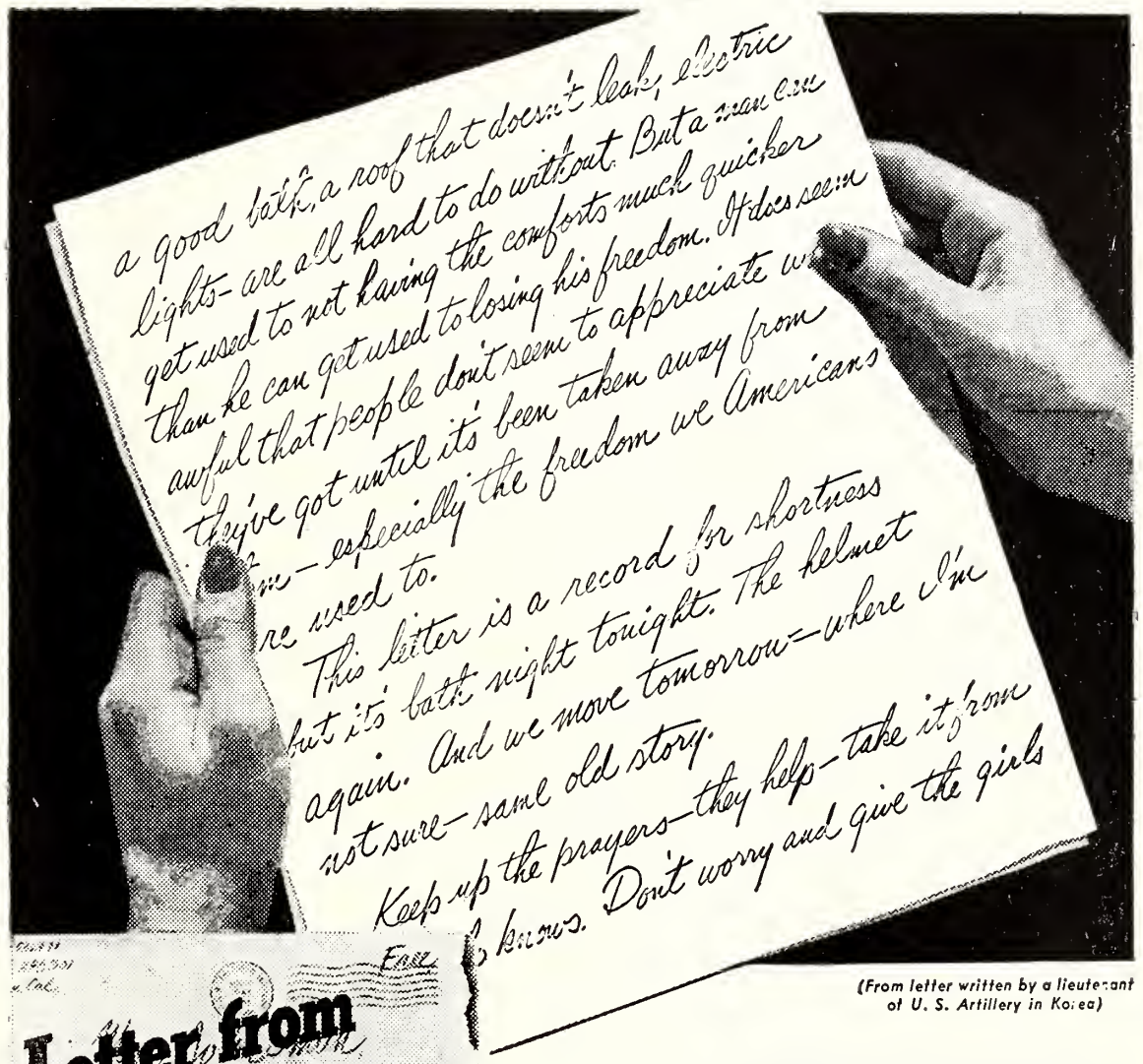


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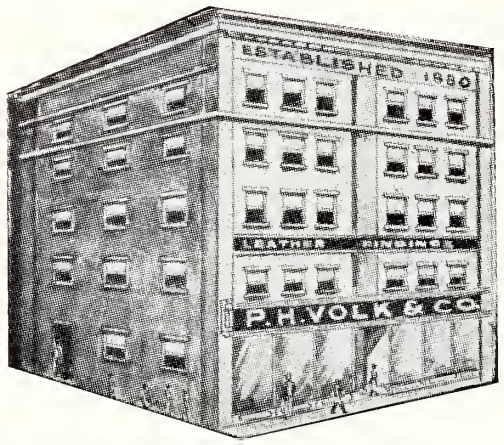


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## *New Faces at the Israel Embassy*

*By* MURRAY FRANK

ISRAEL'S diplomatic staff in Washington today is a seasoned and confident lot. Gone is the inexperience and clumsiness which characterized its activities during those first hectic months of Israel's statehood, which was inevitable under those trying circumstances. It did not take very long to shake off the dust of 2,000 years of homelessness and join the family of nations as an equal among equals.

MURRAY FRANK

A few weeks after Israel had rounded out three years of independent statehood, Ambassador Abba Eban completed his first year as chief of Israel's diplomatic mission in the United States capital. He was appointed to that post in June, 1950, while retaining also his function as Permanent Head of Israel's Delegation to the United Nations. In both of these posts he has distinguished himself eminently by broadening the sphere of cordial relations between Israel and the United States, as well as by his brilliant record in the United Nations whereby Israel gained the respect of the world for its advocacy of justice, morality and peace.

During the first two years, the Israel Embassy was confronted with the problem of organization, acquisition of staff and sufficient quarters, establishment of relationships with the diplomatic, economic, cultural and other agencies of the U. S. Government, and with the foreign diplomatic corps in Washington. It was a period of development, expansion and acclimatization. This was ably accomplished under Mr. Eban's predecessor, Eliahu Elath.

The third year, under Mr. Eban, was a year of growth in depth. Contacts were firmly established with government agencies relating to agriculture, industry, commerce, public health, labor, and exchange of cultural information and diplomacy. With the growth of Israel and the continued influx of immigrants, economic and other problems have become weightier. Hence, the past year saw increasing negotiations with the United States in the economic sphere (e. g., the second Export-Import Bank loan for $35 million for agricultural development, the application for a grant-in-aid of $150 million now pending in Congress, also raw materials and other supply problems).

The Embassy's staff has undergone considerable change in the past year. A few who had been with the Israel Embassy before are now working in the Foreign Office in Jerusalem, some are representing Israel in diplomatic missions abroad, while others have taken their place in Washington. Eleven major officials of the Embassy are on the accredited diplomatic list of the Department of State. Upon them falls the responsibility for all policy matters and official representation. With the exception of a very few, most have joined Israel's diplomatic mission here in the past year and have not yet had the opportunity to become widely known to the American Jewish community. A few brief biographical remarks about each, beginning with the Ambassador, will therefore be timely.

Abba Eban was born in Capetown, South Africa, in 1915, of Lithuanian Jewish parents. The family subsequently came to England, where his mother worked in the Zionist Office

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# THE THREE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN

ON August 16, 1950, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion in a public speech outlined the main points of a three-year Immigration and Development Program for the period 1951-1953.

Surveying the position of Jews in various parts of the world, Mr. Ben-Gurion states it could be assumed that some 600,000 Jews would seek to enter Israel during the three-year period. Their transportation and integration into Israels economy would call for a total investment of a billion and a half dollars.

On September 3, 1950, at the invitation of the Prime Minister, some fifty American Jewish leaders participated in conferences in Jerusalem, at which details of the Three-Year Plan were presented by the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance, Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, and by Mr. Berl Locker, the Chairman of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. The American Jewish leaders indicated their support of the plan.

On their return to America, the men and women who had participated in the Jewish Conference, convened a National Planning Conference for Israel and Jewish Rehabilitation which was held in Washington at the end of October, with the participation of representatives of 45 national Jewish organizations in America. The Conference was asked to express its views on a Four-Point Program, designed to raise a sum of one billion dollars in the United States of America towards the total cost of one and a half billion dollars of the Three-Year Plan. The remaining half a billion dollars, the Conference was informed, would be forthcoming from the citizens of Israel themselves and from financial activities to be conducted in Jewish communities outside the U. S. A.

The Four-Point Program envisaged the following measures:

(a) a grant-in-aid from the Government of the United States to the Government of Israel;

(b) the strengthening of the United Jewish Appeal;

(c) measures to encourage private investment from the United States in Israel's economic development;

(d) the launching in the United States by the Government of Israel of a Bond Issue in the amount of 500 million dollars.

It was felt that these four measures in combination could make available a sum of one billion dollars during the course of three years. The Conference discussed the implications of the program and recorded the view that it would be in line with the policies and interests of the U. S. A. to give Israel a grant-in-aid. The Conference called for the strengthening of the United Jewish Appeal and the encouragement of private investments, and in relation to the Bond Issue, declared that should the Government of Israel decide to float such an issue, the Jewish organizations of America would render every assistance in making it a success.

On March 22, 1951, the Ambassador of Israel to the U. S. A., Mr. Abba S. Eban, presented a formal request to the Secretary of State asking for a grant-in-aid to Israel of 150 million dollars to assist Israel in its large-scale program of absorbing immigrants. Some time thereafter, there was introduced into the U. S. Senate and U. S. House of Representatives a Draft Bill authorizing the President to make such a grant-in-aid to the State of Israel. The Bill was sponsored in the U. S. Senate by Senators Taft (Republican, Ohio) and Douglas (Democrat, Illinois), and by 34 Senators from both parties. In the House of Representatives, the Bill was sponsored by Representatives McCormick (Democrat, Massachusetts) and Martin (Republican, Massachusetts).

On February 27, 1951, the Israel Parliament (Knesset) passed a law authorizing the Government of Israel to launch a half a billion dollar Bond Issue in the United States. Application was thereafter made to the Securities Exchange Corporation in Washington, D. C., for registration of the contemplated issue, and approval of the registration was granted on

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March 28, 1951. To underwrite the Issue in the United States, the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel was formed and it is this body which is offering the bonds of the Government of Israel for subscription to the general public. The bonds are of two types: (a) Interest-bearing bonds, offered at par, bearing 3½% interest, and due on or before May 1, 1966; (b) Capital Appreciation Bonds, due twelve years from date of purchase, offered at par, and with a maturity value of 150% of the Issue amount.

The United Jewish Appeal made special arrangements to launch its 1951 campaign in good time. The target it set for the campaign was $203,-684,000. In many communities, contributions to the United Jewish Appeal were 10% and 15% above contributions received in 1950.

In the sphere of investments, considerable progress was made particularly by the Economic Bureau of the Jewish Agency, the Palestine Economic Corporation of America, and by the American Palestine Trading Corporation. The Investment Center of the Government in Israel elaborated a series of concrete investment projects which were brought to the attention of prospective investors in the United States.

The Government of Israel has made extensive plans with respect to its three-year development program. This program, in broad outline, comprises three major categories of expenditure. First, it covers the investment costs of expanding the productive capacity of the country's industry and agriculture, its transportation, commerce, trade, and various other services. Second, it includes investment for the housing and public works required by the expanding population. Third, it includes the expenditure for the initial care and maintenance of the immigrants. The proposed expenditures under the billion and a half dollar program are set forth below:

| | $ Million |
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| Economic Enterprises | 755 |
| 1. Industry and Power | 300 |
| 2. Agriculture | 320 |
| 3. Transportation | 65 |
| 4. Trade and Services | 70 |
| Housing and Public Works | 595 |
| 1. Housing (including general mortgage bank) | 465 |
| 2. Public Works | 130 |
| Transport, care and maintenance of immigrants | 150 |
| Total | 1,500 |

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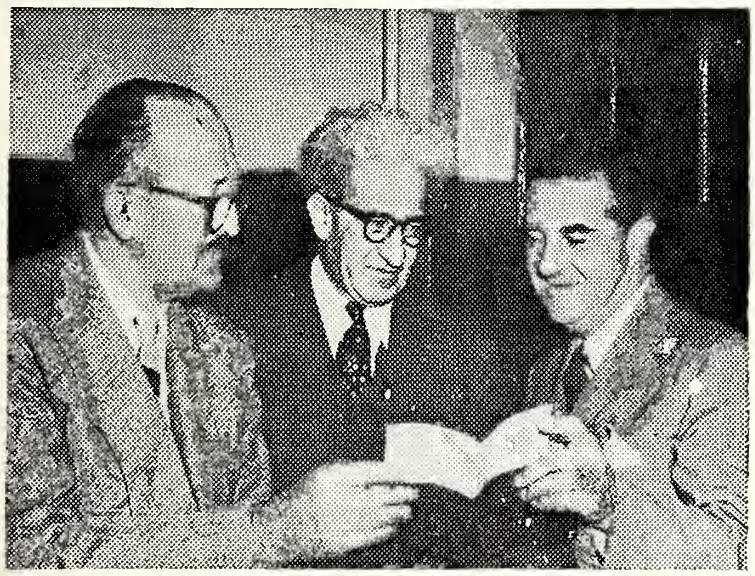

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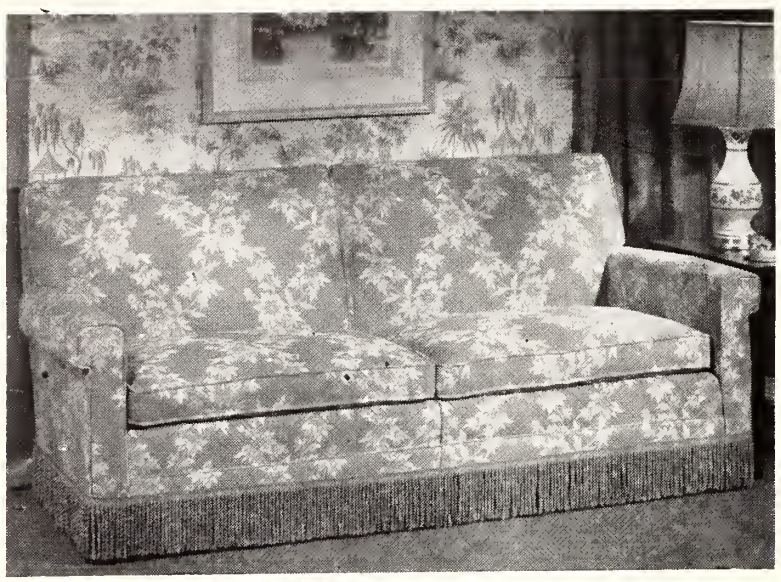

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in London at the time of the Balfour Declaration in 1917. He was educated in England, specialized in Oriental Languages at Cambridge University from which he was graduated in 1938 and remained there to do research. In 1940 he came to Jerusalem as liaison officer for Allied Headquarters to obtain Jewish volunteers for special military missions in the Near East and Europe. He later served as instructor at the Middle East Arab Center in Jerusalem and travelled widely throughout the Near East.

In 1946, Eban joined the Jewish Agency staff and the following year was named liaison officer with the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine (UNSCOP). His next assignment was as a staff member of the Jewish Agency delegation to the historical U. N. General Assembly which approved, on November 29, 1947, the creation of a Jewish state. On May 18, 1948—three days after Israel came into being—he became its representative to the United Nations, where he exerted full effort to obtain international intervention to halt the Arab attack on Israel and secure an armistice. In subsequent efforts, he pleaded the case for Israel's admission to the U. N. and fought off attempts to internationalize Jerusalem. Following Israel's admission to the U. N. on May 11, 1949, Eban became its permanent representative and several months ago was named a member of the U. N. Peace Committee. He is 36 years old, is married and has one son.

Next in rank is Theodore Kollek, appointed last October as Minister. Born in Austria in 1911, the son of a director of the Rothschild banking firm, he was educated there and in Czechoslovakia. He later came to England where he founded a Zionist pioneer farm, proceded to Palestine in 1934 to join a pioneer group at Kinneret, and three years later helped establish the settlement of Ein Gev. In 1942, Kollek became the Jewish Agency's liaison officer with the British forces in the Middle East, and served with Allied intelligence in Turkey. There he organized the Jewish Agency's office and established contact with the Jewish underground in Europe through which important information was obtained for Allied intelligence.

After the war, Kollek worked for the Agency in London and New York. When Arab-Jewish hostilities began, following the U. N. partition decision, he organized the Palestine (Israel) Supply Mission to purchase essential supplies for Israel. In 1949 he returned to Ein Gev, where he lived with his wife and son until last fall when he was named to his present post.

Dr. Moshe Keren, Counselor of the Embassy for the past year and a half, was born in Berlin 50 years ago, received a Ph.D. degree from the University of Gottingen, and was a staff writer for various German newspapers until the coming of Hitler. In 1934, he came to Palestine where he was associated with private and public institutions until the outbreak of the war. He served with the British Army from 1941 until 1945 and was discharged with the rank of Captain. He then joined the staff of the daily "Haaretz" as an assistant editor. After the establishment of Israel, Dr. Keren was with the Foreign Ministry's Information Department and later headed the Government's Information Bureau. He assists the Ambassador in political and diplomatic matters.

Semah Cecil Hyman, the Economic Counselor, is 52 years old. He was born and educated in London, and served with the Jewish Legion in Palestine during the first World War. In 1920 he returned to London, but two years later settled in Palestine and joined the staff of Barclays Bank, with which he was associated until his appointment last September to his Washington post. During World War II he was a member of the Government's Panel of Arbitrators for trade disputes, and in 1948 he became manager of the Jerusalem branch of Barclays Bank. He is now on leave from the bank. His wife, Dr. Ann Foner, is research assistant at the Hebrew University's Parasitology Department.

Yehuda Harry Levin, the Press and Public Relations Counselor, joined the Embassy in August, 1950. He was born in South Africa in 1907, studied at the Universities of South Africa

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and Oxford, and settled in Palestine in 1927. For nearly two decades he was a correspondent of the London Daily Herald, carrying out special assignments in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. During World War II, he was war correspondent in North Africa, Burma and other areas. Later he was radio commentator for short periods in South Africa and England. He was long associated also with the Jewish National Fund office in Jerusalem and became director of its Public Relations Department in 1946.

During the fighting and siege of Jerusalem in 1948, as part of his duties with the Haganah, he conducted the English section of its underground broadcasting service. He subsequently wrote a book on his experiences and observations, published in London under the title "Jerusalem Embattled." It appeared in New York last year under the title "I Saw the Battle of Jerusalem." He entered Israel's diplomatic service in 1949 as Consul-General to Australia and New Zealand, and a year later was transferred to Washington. His wife, Ruth, is a painter who has exhibited in London, Israel and Australia.

Col. Chaim Herzog, the Military Attache and elder son of Israel's Chief Rabbi Dr. I. H. Herzog, was born in 1918 in Ireland, where his father held a rabbinical post. In 1935 he was sent to Palestine to complete his Hebrew studies, and three years later came to England to study law at the Universities of London and Cambridge. Early in World War II he joined the British Army as a private, served with various units throughout Western Europe, and was discharged in 1946 as Major. He practiced law for several years, then joined the Jewish defense forces serving in the siege of Jerusalem and other sectors as a brigade chief of staff, and was subsequently attached to the general staff as director of military intelligence. In 1950 he was promoted to Colonel, and several months later he came to Washington.

The Agricultural Attache, Dr. Yehuda Lowe, is 46 years old and a native of Germany. He received his Doctor of Agriculture diploma in Berlin in 1932, and worked at the Research Institute for Agricultural Marketing. The following year he came

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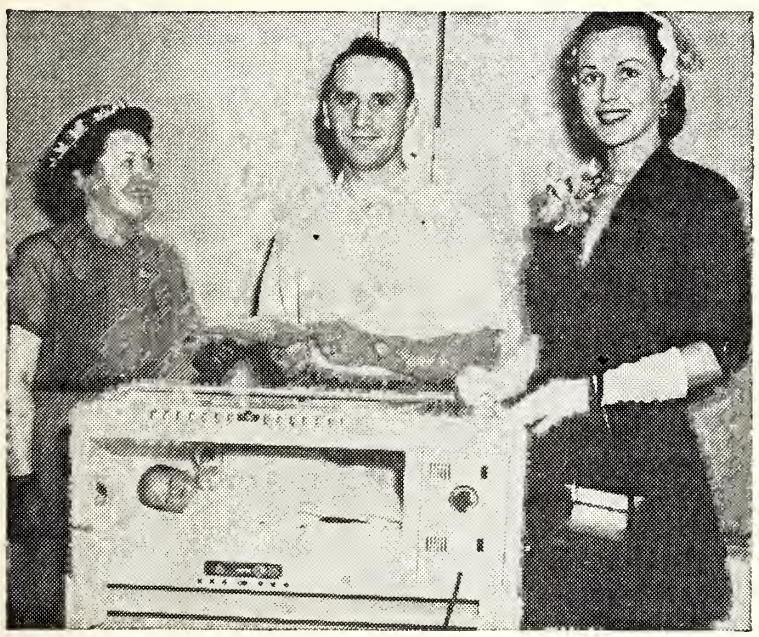

**MINNEAPOLIS HADASSAH CHAIRMAN PRESENTS ISRAEL BOND TO INCUBATOR BABY—Mrs. Martin Lebedoff (left), Chairman of Hadassah in Minneapolis, is shown presenting a State of Israel Bond to Orris Fisher, father of the first baby born in newly-constructed Mt. Sinai Hospital. Looking on is Bess Myerson, former Miss America, in whose honor the Bond was presented. Funds derived from the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Issue are providing for Israel's unprecedented program of economic development.**


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# THE STORY OF IMMIGRATION

## In Three Years of Israel's Statehood

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(Isaiah XLIII - 5, 6).

**"The State of Israel will be open to the immigration of Jews from all countries of their dispersion."**
Proclamation of Independence

### IMMIGRATION — THE MAIN PURPOSE AND FUNCTION OF THE STATE

Immigration is not a side-issue in Israel, as it is in other countries. It is the chief purpose and function of the State itself. The main driving force behind the efforts which led to the establishment of the State of Israel was the need to provide a haven for the masses of homeless Jews in many parts of the world.

Therefore, the first act of the Provisional Government of Israel, after proclaiming the independence of the State on May 14, 1948, was the repeal of the White Paper of 1939 of the British Mandatory Government, which severely restricted Jewish immigration and the acquisition of land in the Jewish National Home. This first official act of the independent State of Israel symbolized its dedication to the primary task of "The Ingathering of the Exiles."

With the "Law of the Return" passed by the Israel Parliament on July 5, 1950, Israel declared to the world in general, and to Jews in particular, that every Jew has the right to return to his homeland.

### ISRAEL'S POPULATION ALREADY DOUBLED

The Jewish population of Israel, which numbered 655,000 in May, 1948, had nearly doubled by the end of 1950, increasing to over 1,200,000, and is growing monthly by about 30,000. The total population of Israel, as of December 31, 1950, was 1,370,000, comprising 1,203,000 Jews and 167,000 others.

Since the establishment of the State, the Jewish population has increased by 85 per cent: from 655,000 on May 15, 1948, to 1,203,000 as of December 31, 1950. Immigration accounted for 91 per cent and natural increase for 9 per cent of the increase. The following figures (each figure being per thousand) show the rate of natural increase of the Jewish population:

| Birth Rate | Natural Increase | Death Rate |
|---|---|---|
| 1949—29 94 | 1949—23 10 | 1949—6.84 |
| 1950—32 64 | 1950—26.16 | 1950—6.48 |

### COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OF IMMIGRANTS

The figures in the following tables show the countries of origin of immigrants who have come to Israel since May 15, 1948. It will be seen that immigrants have come from two main areas: Eastern Europe and Middle Eastern and North African countries. While the majority of immigrants over the past three years originate from Eastern Europe, the rate of immigration from Middle Eastern and North African countries is rising rapidly. Many immigrants of Eastern European origin actually lived in Displaced Persons camps in Central Europe and Italy for several years before the possibility of immigration to Israel was opened up by the attainment of Israel's independence.

| | May 15-Dec. 31, 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1948-1950 | % of Total 1948-1950 | % of Total 1919-1947 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lebanon and Syria | 5 | 1,570 | 1,359 | 2,934 | 0.6% | % |
| Iraq | 15 | 1,709 | 26,492 | 28,216 | 5.5 | 1.0 |
| Iran | 44 | 1,778 | 12,131 | 13,953 | 2.7 | 0.5 |
| Turkey | 4,388 | 27,295 | 4,160 | 35,843 | 7.0 | 2.0 |
| Yemen and Aden | 298 | 35,138 | 16,145 | 51,581 | 10.0 | 4.3 |
| Afghanistan | 25 | 446 | 72 | 543 | | |
| Egypt | 129 | 7,145 | 7,352 | 14,626 | | |
| Tunisia, Algiers, Morocco | 7,074 | 17,924 | 11,433 | 36,431 | | |
| Libya | 1,065 | 14,066 | 10,068 | 25,199 | 16.2 | 0.7 |
| Other Middle Eastern and North African Countries | 211 | 5,040 | 1,128 | 6,379 | | |
| Russia* | 771 | 2,654 | 427 | 3,852 | 0.7 | 9.2 |
| Baltic Countries* | 592 | 658 | 125 | 1,375 | 0.3 | 4.2 |
| Poland | 31,245 | 48,343 | 25,268 | 104,856 | 20.4 | 40.9 |
| Rumania | 24,280 | 14,096 | 41,289 | 79,665 | 15.5 | 6.3 |
| Bulgaria | 15,676 | 21,308 | 761 | 37,745 | 7.3 | 1 4 |
| Yugoslavia | 4,136 | 2,470 | 332 | 6,938 | 1.3 | 0 5 |
| Greece | 192 | 1,364 | 463 | 2,019 | 0.4 | 2.1 |
| Germany | 1,585 | 5,333 | 983 | 7,901 | 1.5 | 11.7 |
| Austria | 446 | 1,620 | 513 | 2,579 | 0.5 | 2 2 |
| Czechoslovakia | 2,558 | 15,689 | 974 | 19,221 | 3.7 | 1.9 |
| Hungary | 4,266 | 6,844 | 2,960 | 14,070 | 2.7 | 0.9 |
| Other European Countries | 2,337 | 4,388 | 3,273 | 9,998 | 2.0 | 5 4 |
| Western Hemisphere | 284 | 1,385 | 891 | 2,560 | 0.5 | 2.3 |
| Not Specified | | 5,275 | 894 | 6,169 | 1.2 | 2,5 |
| Total | 101,622 | 243,538 | 169,493 | 514,653 | 100.0% | 100.0% |

* Countries of last residence: DP camps in Germany, Austria and Italy.

### EIGHT DIASPORAS WOUND UP

In the course of 1950, the immigration into Israel of Jewish communities from eight different countries was to all intents and purposes successfully completed: namely, from Germany, Austria, Bulgaria, Yugoslacia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Yemen, and Cyrenaica. Mass immigration is now well on the way to effecting the transference of the oldest of the diasporas—the Jewish community of Iraq.

### THE TASK OF ABSORPTION

Grappling with the enormous task of absorbing the immigrants into the life of the country, the State had to overcome two major problems: the lack of financial resources on the part of the immigrants and their peculiar occupational distribution. From the following tables it will be seen that over 50 per cent of the immigrants came to Israel without previous training in any branch of work that would fit them into the economics of the country.

### OCCUPATIONAL DISTRIBUTION

The occupational distribution of the immigrants (1948-1950) on the date of their arrival was as follows:

| Occupation | % of Total |
|---|---|
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing | 0 8% |
| Textiles | 0.8 |
| Leather Work | 0.6 |
| Wood Work | 1.1 |
| Metal Work | 1.1 |
| Chemical Products | 0.1 |
| Food and Tobacco | 1.0 |
| Garment Industry | 3.8 |
| Building | 2.0 |
| Printing and Bookbinding | 0.6 |
| Transport and Communications | 1.0 |
| Commerce and Finance | 2.0 |
| Office Work | 1.9 |
| Liberal Professions | 2.1 |
| Religion | 0.1% |
| Law | 0.1 |
| Medicine | 1.0 |
| Education | 0.3 |
| Engineering | 0.3 |
| Arts | 0.2 |
| Other liberal professions | 0.1 |
| Services | 0.2 |
| Previous training not stated | 1.3 |
| Students (16 years and over) | 1.4 |
| Children up to 15 years | 26.8 |
| Without previous training | 51.4 |
| Total | 100.0% |

### ABSORBING THE FIRST HALF-MILLION

In spite of the difficulties in absorbing the immigrants which arose out of their lack of skill and training, over 45% of them were absorbed in Israel's rural areas, and over 46% in urban areas. The following figures show how the first 500,000 immigrants, of whom about 50% were without previous training, have been absorbed as of December 31, 1950:

| Rural Areas | % of Total |
|---|---|
| New Settlements | 29,789 |
| In Kibbutzim (existing) | 20,459 |
| In Moshavim (existing) | 4,303 |
| In Private Agricultural Settlements (existing) | 31,603 |
| Maabaroth (transitional settlements) | 38,510 |
| Work Villages | 57,838 |

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**MARTIN SCHWAEBER (center), former Queens Municipal Justice, was presented with an American Fund for Israel Institutions "Scroll of Honor" at the Queens Music Festival for his work as Festival Chairman, by Abe Stark (right), American Fund Director. At left is Oscar M. Lazrus, Chairman of the Greater New York Tenth Anniversary Campaign of the Fund.**

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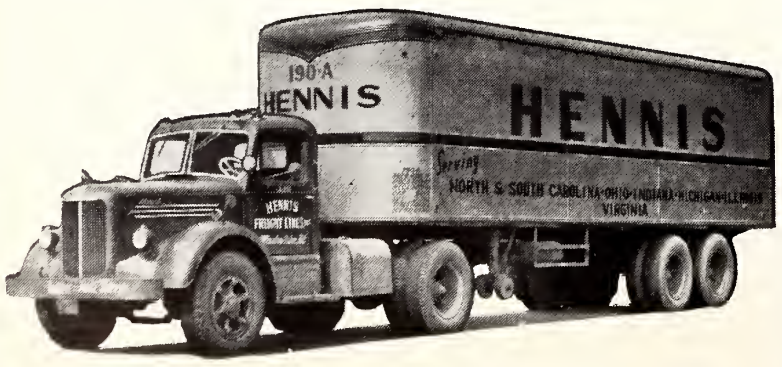


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| Abandoned Villages | 14,699 | |
| Pioneers' Homes | 8,703 | |
| | 226,269 | 45.25% |
| **Urban Areas** | | |
| Town and Townships | 208,803 | |
| Employed by Government, Army, Police | 21,113 | |
| Malben (Social Cases, Rehabilitation) | 484 | |
| Aged Homes | 558 | |
| | 230,958 | 46.2 |
| Still in Immigrant Camps | 40,876 | 8.17 |
| Dead | 849 | 0.17 |
| Returned Abroad | 1,048 | 0.21 |
| Total | | 100.0% |

### 1950 RURAL ABSORPTION

During the period of January 1 to December 31, 1950, 61.7% (131,267) of the total number of 212,739 immigrants absorbed went into rural areas and 34.0% (72,401) into urban areas, as compared with 45.25% and 46.2%, respectively, for the statehood period May 15, 1948, to December 31, 1950.

### AGE COMPOSITION OF IMMIGRANTS

A helpful factor in the absorption of immigrants is their age composition. While immigration into Israel is unselected and unrestricted, nevertheless 75 per cent of the immigrants are below the age of 40. Thus a large portion of the newcomers are at an age where integration into a new country and adjustment to new types of work are still relatively easy. The following tables show also that 27 per cent of the immigrants are children below the age of 14, while only 5½ per cent are over 60 years old:

| | % of Total 1948-1950 | | 1919-1947 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Under 2 years of age | 4.4% | ) | |
| 3-5 years of age | 7.2 | ) | 22.6% |
| 6-14 | 15.2 | ) | |
| 15-18 | 9.3 | | 11.8 |
| 19-29 | 23.2 | | 31.5 |
| 30-39 | 16.1 | | 14.1 |
| 40-49 | 12.0 | | 7.6 |
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We welcome to our community Mr. and Mrs. Irving Jacobson and family. The Jacobsons come to us from Portsmouth, Va., and he is a brother of Mrs. Israel Bloom of High Point. Also best wishes in your new delicatessen business which is called "Little Lindy's" and located on Main Street.

Once again we wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Al Schwartz who has been hospitalized for quite some time. We all hope she will be up and well very soon.

High Point regrets losing Lt. and Mrs. Morris Keil and family who have moved to Baltimore, Md., where Lt. Keil is stationed with the C. I. C. at Fort Holabird. Best of luck to you and your family.

The entire community send out condolences to Samuel Shavitz on the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Dave Shavitz of Fayetteville.

Betzi Morris, recently graduated from High Point High School, is now being schooled in Washington and she will hold a position with the FBI. Lots of good luck, Betzi!

## Rocky Mount, N. C.

**Mrs. Erle Kellet, Reporter**

Barbara Lee Sultan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Sultan, celebrated her Bas Mitzvah with services at the Beth El Temple, on Friday evening, June 29. A reception followed immediately after the services, in the Temple House, with Mr. and Mrs. Sultan as hosts. Many friends and out-of-town guests were present for this occasion. Barbara was prepared for her Bas Mitzvah by Rabbi Irving Waldon.

Rabbi Irving Waldon, of Rocky Mount's congregation Beth El, has gone to Israel. Rabbi Waldon has become well-known throughout the state in the year and a half he was here and contributed much to the congregation as a whole and to the activities of the youth groups.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nova of Miami Beach recently visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Levy. Mrs. Nova and Mr. Levy are sister and brother.

## Beaufort, S. C.

**Mrs. David Schein**

Mrs. David Schein, 70, passed away on June 14, after an illness of some time. Funeral services were held in Beth Israel Synagogue by Rev. Julius Fischer. Burial was in Beth Israel cemetery.

Long a resident of Beaufort, Mrs. Schein and her late husband had been identified with Jewish and civic life in the area for the better part of the past half century. Mr. Schein passed away about a year ago.

Surviving Mrs. Schein are four daughters, Mrs. Milton Weinstein of Greensboro, N. C., Mrs. A. L. Harrison, of Hickory, N. C., Mrs. H. Adelston and Mrs. A. F. Miller of Charleston, and one son, Meyer Schein of the home. There are also several grandchildren.

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# So You're Going to Israel

*By* ELIEZER WHARTMAN

**This article, written by Eliezer Whartman, is reprinted from "Congress Weekly" of May 7, 1951. The author, who has written many articles for "Congress Weekly," all of them widely praised, is an American who has married a sabra and has settled in Israel.—THE EDITOR.**

WITH the coming of the summer months, the thoughts of many American Jews are turning to Israel. The deep-rooted desire in every Jew to make at least one pilgrimage to the Holy Land is a "loud call and a clear call that cannot be denied." The Land of Israel is part of the fabric of the people of Israel everywhere and one who has made the trip to Eretz wears the memory of it embroidered on his heart until he dies. If it were true in the days of Turkish and English occupation, so it is even truer now. The sight of the restored Jewish State and the prophecied Return of the Exiles is something no Jew—or religious Gentile—can ever forget.

Most visitors will, of course, be tourists. Others will be coming as potential investors. A sizable percentage will be coming as *shelichim* (emissaries) of different institutions and groups. And a small, but nevertheless significant, number will arrive to settle in Israel. In whatever form they come they will all be given a warm welcome by the Yishuv who regard them as a limb of the Jewish body, as members of the family—rich uncles, if you will—who are coming to see the brother or sister who went to Palestine instead of America. Israel has much to give, and while its contribution to American Jewry is only in cultural and spiritual terms, it wants to give all it can to the visitor, and there is no greater joy an Israeli can feel above that of showing his "cousin from Brooklyn" (everyone seems to have a *ben-dod* in Brooklyn) around the country.

Some tourists unconsciously do manage to rub the Yishuv the wrong way. The philanthropic approach most Americans have to the country, engendered by countless drives and appeals, does not endear the tourist to the Israeli, especially the Israeli youth, who resent having their country looked upon as a vast *pushka*. A people that has suffered for two generations, that has gone through a frightful war for independence practically alone in terms of fighting personnel and material, and is bearing the enormous task of settling hundreds of thousands of immigrants (paying proportionately far more *per capita* than the American realizes), resents someone coming in, blowing a bugle, and using the plural form indiscriminately in talking about achievements in Israel.

Another irksome things is the obvious insincerity displayed by many

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**KRAICER APPOINTED NEW HIAS DIRECTOR IN ISRAEL—Menachem Kraicer, former director in the British Zone of Germany for HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, has been appointed to direct the Society's expanded projects in Israel, it was announced by Samuel A. Telsey, HIAS International President. He succeeds David Wertheim, who is returning to the United States.**


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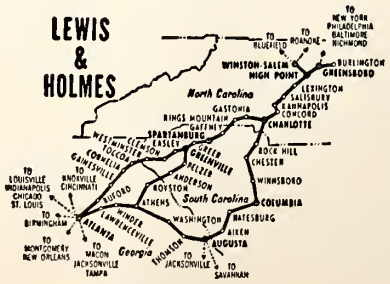


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A television party sponsored by USO-JWB took place at the Beth Israel Center in Fayetteville on Saturday evening, August 4. Bingo games, refreshments, prizes and entertainment added to the enjoyment of the television presentation. A number of Fort Bragg personnel and members of the Fayetteville Armed Services Committee were on hand to take charge of this most enjoyable affair.

Members of the armed services at Ft. Bragg and the surrounding area have been invited to Wilmington to the annual Labor Day Conclave sponsored by the young adults of North Carolina. Miss Paulette Stein of Wilmington is chairman of this gala affair and a week end of varied entertainment is promised the young folks of the state who plan to attend.

**Congratulations to:**

. . .Lt. and Mrs. Harry Letwin of Ft. Bragg who were married recently. The bride is from Pittsburgh and a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh. Lt. Letwin is a graduated of Duquesne University and served as RTC instructor at the University of Pittsburgh where he did graduate work.

. . .Lt. and Mrs. Werner Weinstock who were married in Philadelphia on July 15. Lt. Weinstock is a graduate of Harvard University where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He did graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania. During World War II, Lt. Weinstock served under General Eisenhower in SHAEF. Mrs. Weinstock is a graduate surgical nurse.

. . .Pvt. and Mrs. George Schwartz, both formerly of New York City. Pvt. Schwartz is stationed at Ft. Bragg.

. . .Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Larry Shain of Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station. Sgt. Shain is from Jacksonville, Florida, and Mrs. Shain is from New York City. They were married in the Hotel Astor Roof Garden.

. . .S/Sgt. and Mrs. Sidney Fruman of Camp LeJeune. Sgt. Fruman and his bride are both from Boston. He is a graduate of the New England School of Pharmacy and Mrs. Fruman is a graduate of the Boston School of Occupational Therapy.

. . .Miss Bunny Bronstein, of Fayetteville and Kinston, whose engagement to Lt. Bernard Geltzer of Camp LeJeune and Philadelphia, has just been announced. Miss Bronstein is a graduate of Woman's College, UNC, and has been on the Ft. Bragg School faculty for the past two years. Lt. Geltzer is a member of the Dental

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# SO YOU'RE GOING TO ISRAEL

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tourists when talking about the country. A well-manicured, tailored, coiffeured and perfumed visitor is obviously insincere when she raptly sighs, "I'd just love to live on the land!" And she is no less insincere than the Jew, non-observant at home, who is shocked to find cafes open on Shabbat in Tel Aviv, and non-kosher food served in restaurants in Jerusalem.

Perhaps insincerity is inherent within a man, but there is no reason for a lack of basic education or understanding. Those who are thinking of coming to Israel should do some reading on the country or should talk with people who have been there, before making the trip. A bit of instruction would have prevented the unhappy scene at one of the kibbutzim where a tourist was ordered out because, when viewing the children's house, she asked the guide if the children knew their own fathers. A little prior reading would have assisted the tourist who, when asked whether he preferred, in the limited time at his disposal, to visit Mt. Zion, where King David is reputedly buried, or Mt. Herzl, where the founder of modern Zionism is entombed, answered that he preferred Mt. Zion "because the other guy wasn't a king."

Americans, by and large, aren't particularly known for their humility. No doubt this springs from their being a healthy, vigorous people. It can also be annoying. The sight of an overdressed tourist sitting on the veranda of a first-class hotel, flicking the ash off a cigar while cupping his beaker of brandy, is vaguely annoying to the average passerby. But when the passerby hears him loudly confiding to his similarly overdressed drinking companions that "I told Ben Gurion that . . . " the annoyance changes to open dislike. And while it is understandable that one is proud of one's native country, the constant comparisons made between Israel with its lack of raw materials, skilled manpower, its outdated machinery and wealthy, well-established America, is no way to win friends and influence Israelis, especially when the speaker himself contributed little, if anything, to the scientific advancement of which he is so proud.

One need not be an ardent Zionist to visit Israel, but such outspoken remarks as, "I'm an American, my children are Americans, and my grandchildren will be Americans," do not endear him any to the Israelis who hoped he might have said, "I'm an American, but perhaps one of my children will come to Israel, or if not one of them, at least perhaps a grandchild." It may be that the Israeli who has lived through the German horror is a bit skeptical that it can't happen *there*, but certainly the waving of the Star Spangled Banner by 101 per cent Americans isn't going to reassure him. He may be mistaken about America, but he saw Germans like that too.

Because of the difference in outlook in life in Israel and the Galut, the average tourist will be at first puzzled by what may appear to him to be a bit of restraint in the enthusiasm shown at his coming. The warmth is there. The Israeli still looks on him as one of the family, but doesn't know quite what to make of him. His values are different. Like the "greener" who left his family, went to America, made his fortune there, and returned with changed attitudes toward things, so is the tourist who comes to visit the family in Israel. The attitude of "if you would only listen to me and see how I did it" comes hard to the Israeli who, though he likes the cousin from America, doesn't particularly want to be like him.

As one who came to Israel more or less as a tourist and who stayed, and as one who probably made the same

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impression that tourists today are making, I should like to offer some advice to those preparing to visit the country. Basically, most tourists are well-intentioned, but unconsciously fall into errors that make their stay less pleasant and less interesting than it could have been had they only done a bit of reading before coming or talking with someone who knew the country.

1. One can learn far more about the country by listening or asking questions than by volunteering information. I would not go as far as the Professor of Philosophy at the Hebrew University who, when asked what tourists should do when visiting Israel, replied that "they should keep their eyes open and their mouths shut." But I would remind the potential visitor that looking and listening will prove more educational than criticizing. One doesn't learn when he does the talking.

2. While you cannot, of course. look at things exactly as the Israelis do, try to sympathize with their approach. They regard you as a member of the family. Don't try to appear as a patron saint on the one hand, or as a long lost brother on the other. Be natural. Be friendly. Don't be patronizing, even to the kibbutzniks. And don't try to look at things too "objectively." A little subjectivity won't hurt.

Try to look at things through some sort of perspective. Imagine what the country was like only ten years ago. The propaganda departments will constantly point this out to you. Even though they exaggerate things the fact remains that gigantic strides have been taken. Don't compare Israel with America. Compare it with itself. It is a pity that Jews cannot travel in neighboring Arab states to see for themselves the immense difference in the rate of progress. Above all, don't constantly remind the Israeli of what you are doing for the country. He knows. Besides, he is doing far more: he is fulfilling the highest form of charity—making the poor man (the *oleh*) financially independent by giving him work. He is not giving philanthropy with a label attached to it.

3. Don't tell him how to run things. If he wants advice he'll ask for it. He has seen too many Americans come and go to feel that there is enough determination in most of them to settle in Israel and show by example instead of simply giving advice.

4. Lastly, remember, whether we like it or not, democracy still rules. The Yishuv has the right to decide for itself what laws it will have and what it won't have. While it welcomes suggestions from Jews abroad, it still reserves the right to accept or reject. The Galut has no moral right to insist that the Yishuv live as it, the Galut, would like it to live. And if something like the lack or too much of religious observance shocks the visitor, let him decide to settle and encourage others who feel as he does to come and effect the changes he wants.

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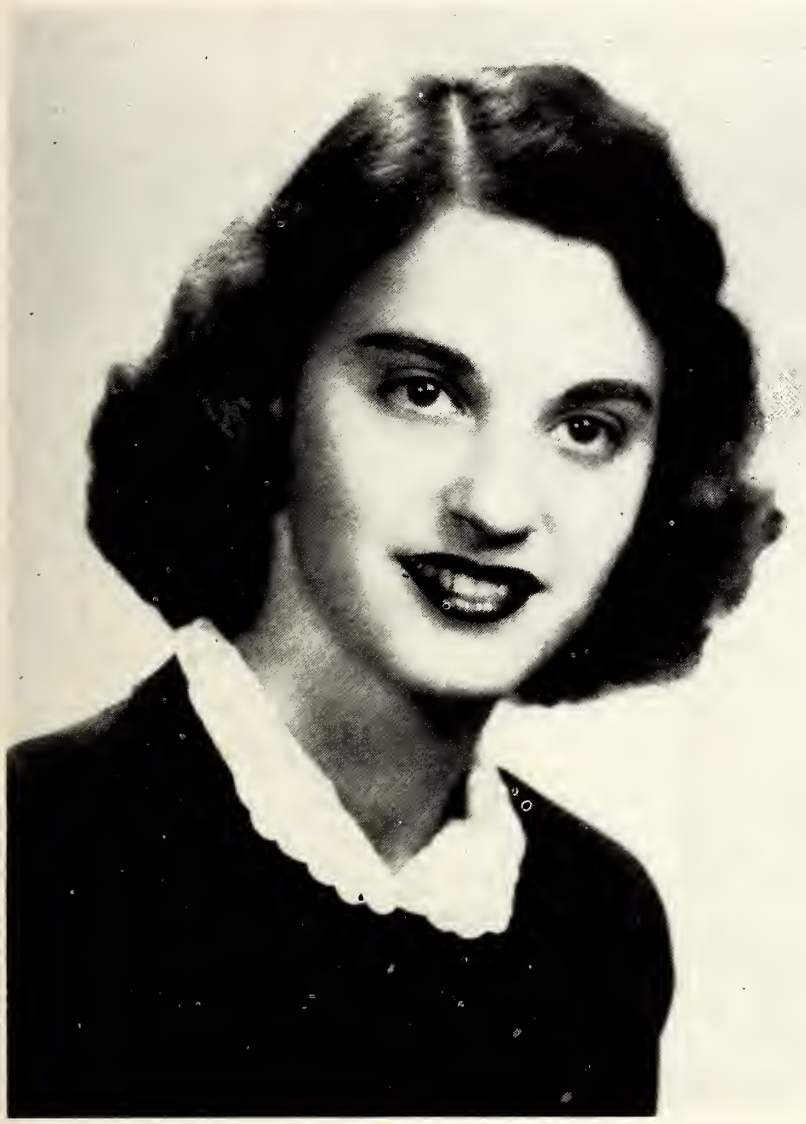

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Miss Barbara Ann Bazar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bazar of Providence, Rhode Island, became the bride of Jerome Levin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Levin of Charlotte in a ceremony at Temple Beth El, in Providence, on Sunday, July 8. Rabbi William Braude performed the ceremony.

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sister of the bridegroom, as her maid of honor. Mrs. Norman Nutman of Paterson, N. J., was matron of honor. The bridegroom had his father as best man and ushers were Isadore Silverstein and Stephen Sutker of Charlotte, Herbert Witty of Brookline, Mass., and Walter Robinson of Brooklyn, N. Y.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, immediately after the ceremony. After a wedding trip to Bermuda, the couple are at home in Charlotte, N. C.

Honoring Rabbi and Mrs. Phillip Frankel, who have left Charlotte for residence in Pittsburgh, Temple Beth El held a reception for the entire Jewish Community of Charlotte, following services on Friday evening, July 27, at the Temple. The best wishes of the entire congregation accompanied Rabbi and Mrs. Frankel who served well and faithfully for eight years.

Newcomers to Charlotte were specially invited guests at the informal meeting and beer party held by the Temple Israel's Men's Club on July 25. In the absence of the president, Arthur Frank, Vice-President Manny Guller was in charge of arrangements.

Attending the Wildacres Institute in July were Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Weinstein, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Speizman, Mrs. Louis Valenstein, Mr. and Mrs. William Naxon and Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Madalia. A large group from Charlotte also attended the Charlotte Community Institute at Wildacres.

**Births**

A daughter, Cathy Lynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Slesinger, on July 27. Mrs. Slesinger is the former Mrs. Ann Genden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moscovitz of Troy, N. C.

A daughter, Rochelle Lynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Greene on June 23.

A son, William Bruce, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Orenstein, on June 14. Rev. L. Wallace officiated at the Bris.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Farber on the Pidyon Haben of their son, Lawrence Dennis Farber. Cantor Samuel Leib and Dr. Philip Naumoff, president of Temple Israel, were in charge of the service.

**Condolences:**

. . .to Leon S. Firestone on the passing of his father, Ellis Nathan Firestone in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 20.

. . .to Mrs. Al Rousso on the passing of her father, Harry Hirsch, in New York, on July 13.

. . .to I. D. Blumenthal and Herman Blumenthal on the passing of their father, Samuel Blumenthal in Savannah, Georgia.

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A son, Max Leon, was born to Dr. and Mrs. Albert Warshauer in Cleveland, Ohio, on May 26. Mrs. Warshauer is the former Miss Elaine Pearlstein of St. Matthews, S. C.

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Marcus J. Zbar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Zbar, who received his medical degree from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, in Nashville, Tennessee, was awarded the Cornelius Vanderbilt Founder's Medal for outstanding scholastic achievement. This award is given annually to the graduate standing first in his class and is the highest honor a student can receive from the medical college.

Dr. Zbar was graduated from Plant High School and received his premedical education and bachelor of science degree from the College of Charleston, Charleston, S. C., in 1948. On July 1 Dr. Zbar began his internship in pathology at the Vanderbilt University Hospital.

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# Even in My Lifetime

*By* PAUL KRESH

MY name is Ben Zion—the Son of Zion. You may have forgotten me, but I have not forgotten you.

It was only a year ago that you brought me out of bondage. Only a year—it seems like a century. It seems I was a child, and now I am a man. I thought it was a miracle, my liberation. I have learned that the Holy One often works his wonders through the will of men.

I, Ben Zion Hallil, was a Jew of Yemen. But Yemen for me is only the remembrance of an evil dream. Do you know, we had to build our hut lower than the hut of the lowest Arab. We were not allowed to ride a horse—only a donkey. That did not matter. I did not own a donkey.

I was a cobbler—and a cobbler has many hours to dream. I would hammer nails into the soles of old, wrinkled sandals of the people in my village, and dream of the wonders of the past, as revealed in the Book. We paid a special tax, a tax for being Jews, but this did not buy us safety, nor prevent them from taking the orphan children and bringing them up in the Moslem faith. Still I dreamed. I even dared to dream that I, Son of Zion, would return some day to Zion itself, even in my lifetime, and with my family.

By the time there was trouble again in the neighboring villages, the rumor had reached us that Zion was restored. Many were leaving the villages already, to walk to Israel, which lay across the Red Sea.

One day in early summer, I called my wife, Batya — Batya, whom I often thought I had known forever, although lately sometimes I think I do not know her at all—and we talked to our lit-

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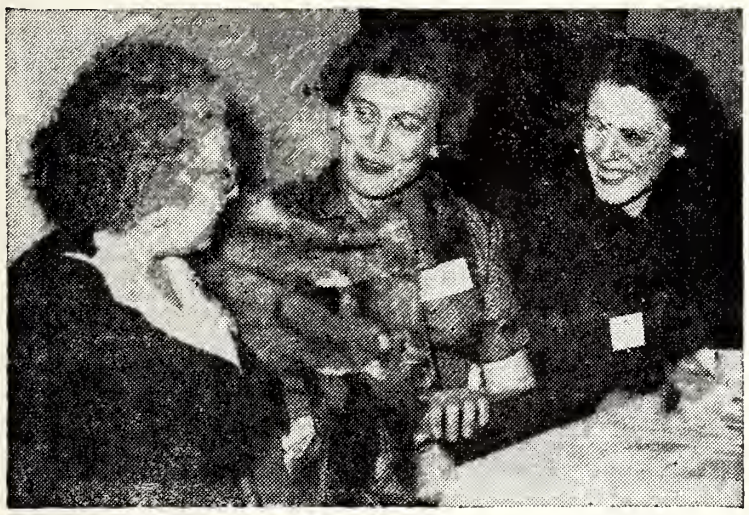

**AMERICAN AND GERMAN JEWISH WOMEN LEADERS MEET—Mrs. Joseph Willen (center), Chairman of the Committee on Education and Social Action of the National Council of Jewish Women, met with Jeanette Wolff (left), member of the Berlin House of Representatives and Chairman of the Berlin Jewish Women's Club, and with Ruth Galinski (right), Deputy Chairman of the Berlin Jewish organization, while on a six-weeks tour of Germany as a member of a State Department sponsored panel of American women leaders.**


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# MY PROBLEM

## *A Feuilleton for Rosh Hashonah*

I'VE got a problem. Maybe you can help me. I can't make up my mind and my wife, God bless her, doesn't say anything. Not only doesn't she say anything, but she has been looking at me kind of curiously. She thinks, maybe, I am crazy or, maybe, she can't make up her mind about this thing.

What is this thing? You see, just before Rosh Hashonah, I am accustomed to make little gifts for my poor relatives and for strangers who may be in need. I am no Rockefeller, you understand. Just have a little shop, but it seems to me when we come to ask God to give us a happy new year, we should be in a position to say we have given others a little bit of a happy new year too. Anyway, it is a good old Jewish custom to give to the needy before the Holy Days and, I guess, I am an old fashioned Jew. Just raised that way. The fact is, I was just reading a little story from the Talmud about a certain Rabbi Jose and that created the problem. I began to tell my wife about this Rabbi Jose story.

Rabbi Jose, who was he? she asks, and I was about to tell her when in walks my cousin Seymour. I guess Seymour knows more about me than I do myself. Not that I particularly confide in him but he is just the type, as they say in Yiddish, who "seeks under earth." Why did Seymour drop in on me just now? He knows about these gifts that I make before Rosh Hashonah and he came to warn me against one man to whom I am accustomed to give. He is no good, he told me.

"Why do you say that?" I asked.

"I saw him drinking in a bar room," he said.

"If you saw him in a bar room, you must have been there, too," I said.

"Not only that," said Seymour, "but I saw him also at a ball game. If he's got money to go to ball games, why should you send him money?"

"Seymour is right," said my wife.

"But," I said, "he doesn't make much money, I know, and he has a big family. It won't hurt him, if I send him a little check. You know Rabbi Jose . . ."

"Don't Rabbi Jose me," said my wife. "Seymour is right. It doesn't make sense to send him money if he goes to bar rooms and baseball games."

"Well," said Seymour, taking his hat, "I just wanted to warn you. I've done my duty. You can do as you see fit."

"Thank you, Seymour," I said. "It's very nice of you to look out for my interests. But I think I'll still send him my little check."

"Suit yourself," said Seymour, closing the door from behind.

"Are you really going to send him money?" said my wife.

"Yes," I said, "listen, even a poor man has a right once in a while to go to a ball game and even to a bar room. I think maybe a poor man needs to go there more than a rich man and, besides, you know he doesn't make much money and he has a large family. In fact," I said, "I think I'll send him more this year."

"Are you crazy?" asked my wife. "It doesn't make sense."

"No, I guess it doesn't make sense, but this Rabbi Jose story which I have been reading in the Talmud . . ."

"What is this Rabbi Jose story?" asked my wife before I could finish my sentence.

"I was telling you in the beginning," I said. "It was told Rabbi Jose, who was in the habit of making donations for a charity before Rosh Hashonah, that one of his beneficiaries drank expensive wines. So Rabbi Jose said, 'Well, I'll have to send him more money this year. I didn't know he had expensive tastes.' That is the story in the Talmud. You see, just the same thing happened to him as to us. Now admit it doesn't make sense, but it makes something which, well, seems to be more beautiful than sense."

That's what I said and my wife didn't answer. She just kept looking at me, and I can't make out whether she thinks I am crazy or is thinking herself that Rabbi Jose's way makes something finer than sense.

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# Israel—Age Three-Plus

## *Picture of a Young Democracy*

*By* AVRAHAM HARMAN

IF I were to seek to sum up in one word all the many facets of the land and people of Israel, I think I would use the world "variety" because that is the characteristic which, I believe, leaps to the eyes of the observer who comes to study this nation.

Israel is a small country, just about eight thousand square miles in area. But into that tiny compass it packs an amazing variety of topographical and climatic conditions. As you leave the long coast line, with its citrus groves and vineyards, a car ride of less than an hour carries you up into the cool, rare atmosphere of the Judean hills around Jerusalem, where the typical fruits of temperate climates, such as the apple and the pear, feel and look quite at home. And once you get to Jerusalem, you can see on a clear day, nestling at your feet, the northern tip of the Dead Sea, which is 1,300 feet below sea level—the world's greatest depression.

This variety is even more strikingly illustrated in Galilee. Tiberias, on the Sea of Galilee, is over 600 feet below sea level and is a favorite winter resort for those seeking relief from the cold winds and rain of the hill country. Less than an hour away lies Safed, perched up in the Galilean hills, to which people come from all over the land in summertime to cool off from the hot easterly winds that plague the inhabitants of the plains.

You find this variety among the people too. There are today over 1,400,000 people living in Israel, of whom some 50,000 are Christians, 125,000 Moslems, and all the rest

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**OLD FRIENDS, NEW CAUSE—Golda Meyerson (center), Israel Minister of Labor, is greeted by Dvorah Rothbard, National Director of Pioneer Women's Committee for the Sale of Israel Government Bonds, at a Bond Rally in New York City, which honored Mrs. Meyerson and which was responsible for the sale of $90,000 worth of small denomination Israel Bonds. In addition to stimulating the sale of bonds at this meeeting, Mrs. Meyerson and Miss Rothbard renewed a friendship which began many years ago when Pioneer Women was a struggling young organization. Miss Rothbard succeeded Mrs. Meyerson as national head of the organization when the latter emigrated to Palestine. Looking on is Mrs. Samuel Fine, chairman of the Pioneer Women Bond Committee.**

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# EVEN IN MY LIFETIME

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tle son, Habbib, and our daughter, Tamara.

"They are on their way," I said. "This time we may not be so lucky. This time, they may come to our hut."

In Batya's eyes I could read the rest of what they might do, but we did not speak of it. We packed a little food—there was only a little, and with no belongings but the clothes we wore, we set out next morning with our backs to the past. For days we walked over heat-parched roads, meeting on the way groups of others who believed like ourselves, the legend that Zion had been restored. And thus we stayed alive, in the heat of the day and through thirst and hunger, walking, slowly, painfully, in shoes not even a cobbler could repair, struggling on only because we believed in the prophecy of the Book: the Jews of Yemen would fly to Israel on the wings of eagles. Yes, the cobbler's children had shoes, but they were not meant for walking from one nation to another.

We walked out of Yemen. When we reached a colony called Aden there was a truck, which drove us to a town like a crater scooped out of the earth on the rim of the Red Sea. We had walked out of one land into another. And here we met people who seemed to expect us, to have known that we were coming.

These people were Jews—but such Jews as I had never seen! In their eyes was the look of men who are free and not afraid. Their faces were shaven clean, their bodies strong. They told us that Jews of a far country—the United States—had sent them to help us. These men told us they would help us reach Israel. They gave us food and water and took away our clothes and burned them.

Batya said, "Wherefore did we walk from the land we know that our clothes should be taken by strangers and burned?" But they gave us others, good, clean clothes, and they brought us to a camp where we could rest and live for a little while.

In the camp men who said they were doctors asked us questions and wanted to examine us. At first we were unwilling for them to do this, but in the camp we saw babies and women who had been sick and now were better because of the doctors, and we learned too that they were Jewish doctors. We agreed to let them conduct the examination. They gave us salve for our boils and they wrote things on cards in a strange language.

We were tired and we never questioned what they did. The next day would be Rosh Hashonah, the start of the New Year, and we were thinking about that. And on Rosh Hashonah they took us out to the field where enormous metal birds made a frightful noise and they said, "You will go to Israel now." But we said we could not go on that Holy Day, it was forbidden to travel. Then one of our rabbis came over to us, and he said it was urgent that we leave that day, and the rabbis of Israel had said we might travel. And so we climbed into the belly of the bird.

I do not know if you have ever been in the sky. If you have, perhaps you will believe me when I say that we could see whole mountains underneath and cities and tents like dots on the land but we were not frightened. It was all in the prophecy.

It was last Rosh Hashonah, then, that I came with my family to Israel. They kept us in a camp for awhile, and they taught us new ways to eat: with metal spoons! And with knives and forks—they still frighten me a little. And new ways to sleep: in beds. And new ways to dress. I still think it a little strange when I put on pants in the morning instead of a robe. But I have become used to many things.

It all went so fast—the weeks in the tent camp, and then the truck ride to the settlement.

They asked me what I did, and I said, with pride, "I am a cobbler."

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# The Production of Gift Novelties in Israel

*By* I. ELATH

GIFT article production in Israel dates back to the year 1908, when the Old Bezalel School with its production workshops was founded. This School had tried to develop a special Israel style, an attempt which failed completely, style being something that cannot be made artificially, but the development of which must be left to the tradition of many generations. The products of the Old Bezalel workshops could be sold only on the so-called sentiment market, for they did not in any way answer the requirements of a purely commercial viewpoint. This fact also caused the workshops to be closed down in 1930.

The year 1933 brought a new prosperity to the production of gift articles, for then began the Aliyah of art and craft workers who had had their training in the best vocational schools of Europe. This immigration was interrupted by the World War and has only rebegun, on a considerable scale, during and after the War of Liberation (1947-48).

On the whole, experts succeeded in adapting their knowledge of arts and crafts, which they had acquired in Europe, to the special requirements of this country. In the beginning of their activity, they continued to turn out the same things they had been producing in Europe; however, after a short time the colors and forms of Israel, and the customs of its population, began to find expression in the products.

Thus there exist, side by side with the aesthetic traditions of the immigrants' countries of origin, products which already show the beginning of a new development.

From the mass of small workshops, a number of larger firms have developed in the course of the years, with good machinery equipment for the development of expansive series production of gift articles. Still, in spite of this mechanic equipment, there remains a high percentage of handiwork.

Production is distributed practically over the entire country; there are production workshops in Jerusalem, Haifa, Tel Aviv, Nathanya, Ramataym, Acre, Nazareth, Safed, Rishon l'Zion, in various Kibbutzim, etc.; besides, production centers have originated in the newly founded settlements of new Olim.

One of the most important branches of production is that of metal articles, as bowls, vases, boxes, smoking sets, candle-sticks, book-ends, writing sets, etc. Those objects are made of copper and brass and are sold in various shades of oxides and in green patina. This green patina of the Israel production has met special appreciation on foreign markets.

Of silver, consumer articles and jewelry (with semi-precious stones) are made. An important place is taken by Yemenite jewelry, wrought in traditional designs which are handed down from generation to generation in every family.

Of hand woven articles there are table cloths and table sets, also cushion covers, rugs and tapestries, couch covers, etc., in wool, cotton, or linen.

Vases are made of ceramics, along with boxes, ash-trays, tea, coffee and mocha sets, jars, bowls, tiles, figurines, and other things. In the purely artistic field there exist very beautiful typical forms, glazed or in engobe execution; on the more industrial side

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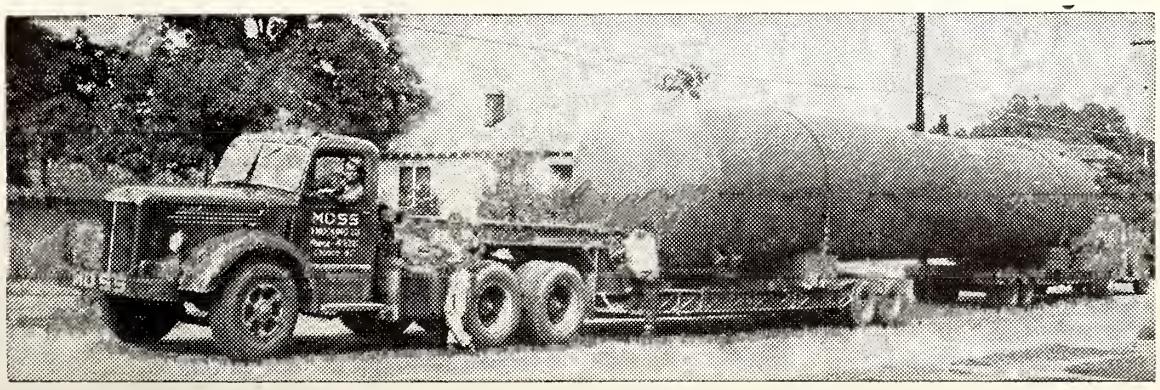

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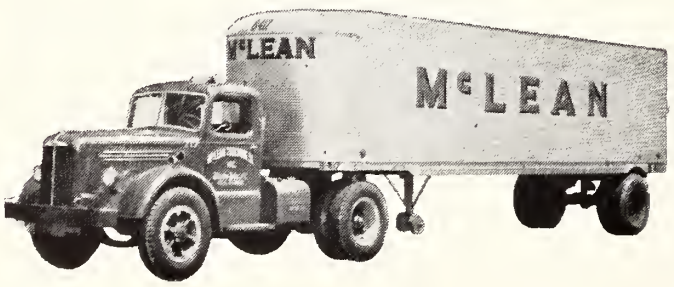


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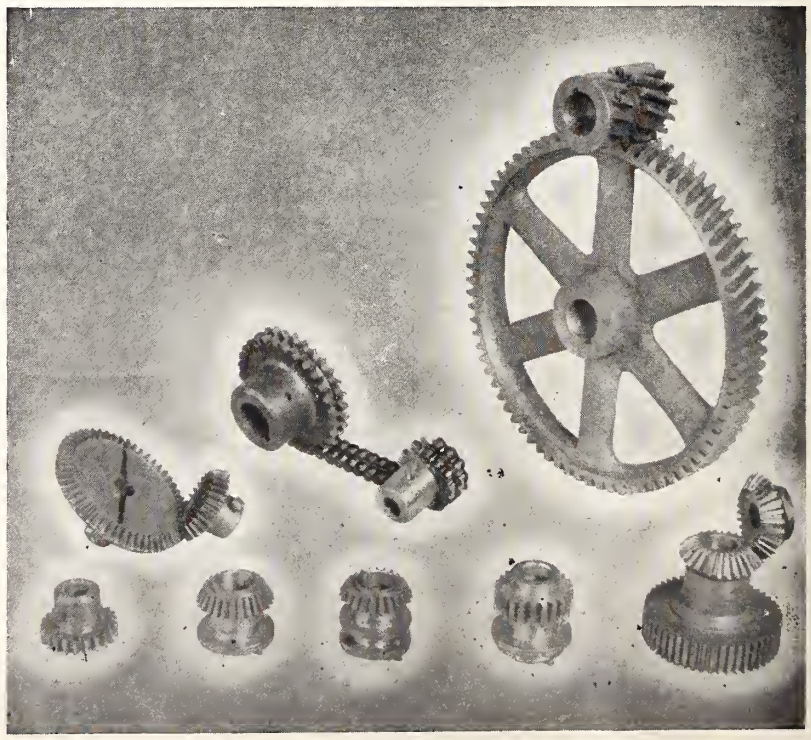

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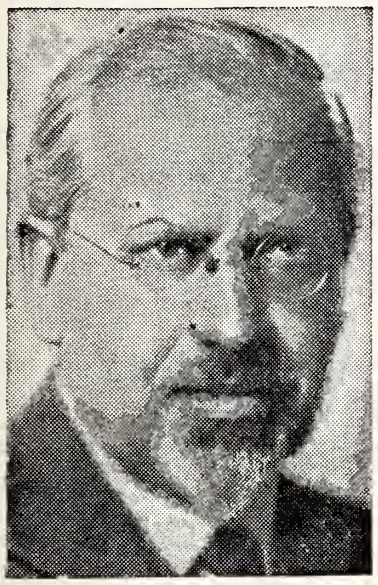

DR. MORDECAI KAPLAN

# Religion and the Crisis in Moral and Intellectual Leadership

*By* Dr. Mordecai Kaplan

THE subject "Religion and the Intellectual and Moral Crisis" is timely because of the recent epidemic of social and political malpractice on the part of men and women of unusual intellectual attainments. By reason of these attainments they were entrusted with tasks that involved tremendous moral and social responsibilities. They have betrayed their responsibilities without any qualms. They have committed forgery, perjury and treason and have contributed greatly to the insecurity of their country.

This utter lack of any moral restraints on the part of highly cultured persons is a frightening condition. What is to prevent the spread of this moral disease? No amount of police or military precaution can be of any avail particularly when the guardians of the state and its lawmakers are amenable to bribery and corruption, as the Kefauver investigation has demonstrated.

The remedy, if there is any, must be achieved through the inner workings of man's nature, individual and collective. That is why we tend to turn to religion to provide the remedy. Religion has been resorted to before in times of worldwide inner crisis.

Before we can expect religion, however, to show us a way out of the present crisis, we must realize that the moral and social corruption of intellectuals highlights as little else can the futility of much of the wisdom of sage, prophet and saint. When those who have acquired wisdom use it for the most evil and destructive purposes, what hope is left for man? Throughout the ages the greatest teachers have often been stultified by their disciples.

A striking example of the separation of precept from practice is the profession of the law. The lawyer, who is trained to uphold the law as an instrument of justice, seldom functions, or is even seriously expected to function, in that capacity. "The rank and file citizen," one reads in the *American Bar Association Journal*, "is suspicious of lawyers . . . Lawyers are defenders of vested privilege. Law is a social device for maintaining the *status quo*."

In our day, however, a new factor has come to the fore in the life of men and nations. That is the machine process with its tendency to transform man into its own image. Not only the actual changes effected by the machine process constitute a threat to the development of humanity but the rapidity of those changes. So far man has shown himself capable of adjustment to change which is so slow as to be imperceptible, but not to violent change which calls for deliberate planning.

Man can no longer afford the luxury of knowing the good and deliberately choosing the evil. The problem, therefore, is what can religion do to impel man to live up to the moral and spiritual truths of the great teachers and prophets?

The method of exhortation which religion has employed hitherto has proved ridiculously ineffective. Yet we have various religious bodies at every one of their conventions solemnly making declarations and passing resolutions against war, militarism, exploitation and what not, and urging social justice, peace and good-will. Of what use is it to be told time and again that in adopting the many forms of oppression and terrorism which we despise in communism we are countenancing character assassination which clearly violates the divine law: "Thou shalt not bear false witness." If the knowledge of divine law is of no avail, of what avail can its repetition be by some preaching divine?

The only way to set the moral law into operation is to achieve a full knowledge of the way man's nature functions in the individual and in society, and to devise the kind of social arrangements that are best calculated to emancipate it from inherited tendencies and environmental conditions that make for moral evil. Just as it is impossible to cope with an economic crisis without reckoning with economic research, therapy and reconstruction so impossible is it to deal with moral and intellectual crisis without reckoning with psycho-social research, therapy and reconstruction.

Psycho-social research is still in its inchoate stage. In what follows I shall merely indicate some of the realities of human life which have to be studied scientifically and philosophically as a prerequisite to the effective implementation of the moral law. For the solution of our problem, the basic reality is leadership and the thesis which follows indicates the lines of research which must precede therapy and reconstruction.

Thesis: The present crisis, or the current demonstration of the impotence of moral and intellectual leadership is due to the fact that machine civilization has added to the inherited destructive tendencies in man new resistants to what that leadership has sought to achieve, viz: to have the individual accept responsibility for improving his own nature and his social environment. That purpose is rendered even more futile by the growing collectivization of man as a result of the machine process.

To answer what religion can do to retrieve that purpose of moral and intellectual leadership and to render it effective, calls for a fresh effort at a more realistic understanding of the role of leadership in human life.

II

Man is a social animal. Among all animals that herd or live in packs, some are distinguished from the rest in possessing a capacity for leadership.

The problem of mankind's future is ultimately a problem of leadership. That is why it is highly important to understand the role of leadership in human life.

Leaders are people who by nature not only exercise power over others but are also sensitive and responsive to their wants. The power over others is of two types, coercive and non-coercive. The non-coercive leader exercises influence by reason of his being voluntarily deferred to.

The role of either type of leadership is not enacted in a vacuum but in the context of a civilization. It, therefore, has to be understood in terms of a civilization.

A civilization is an artifact and can therefore be properly comprehended as a four dimensional reality or process.

Those dimensions correspond to the four causes of any artifact: (1) the substrate, (2) the efficient, (3) the final, and (4) the formal.

(1) The substrate of a civilization consists of its people, its physical and its social heritage.

(2) In the dimension of the efficient factor a civilization operates through the dynamic interaction of its people in meeting their wants: physical, mental, social and esthetic wants.

(3) In the dimension of the final factor a civilization expresses itself in such purposes as the survival and prestige of one's community, the glory of God and the self-realization (or salvation) of the individual.

(4) In the dimension of the formal factor, a civilization expresses itself through the values of truth, justice and beauty.

Hence leaders who function in the three overt and dynamic manifestations of a civilization are of the following three types, corresponding with the three overt dimensions of a civilization: (1) dynamic, (2) spiritual, and (3) intellectual and moral.

(1) The dynamic leaders are those who control the protection (military), the production (owners and managers), and the distribution (middlemen) of goods and services. They have to exercise coercion.

(2) The spiritual leaders are those who stress the obedience to the will of God, the welfare of the community, or the salvation of the individual. The exercise of coercion is indirect.

(3) The moral and intellectual leaders are those who seek to get the individual to accept responsibility for improving himself and his environment. Intellectual leaders have at times made a bid for coercive leadership but without success.

Moral leaders have made a bid for coercive leadership. So far the furthest they have gotten is to be a front for coercive dynamic leadership.

III

The present crisis in moral and intellectual leadership is only the most recent and most acute stage of what is really its permanent state of crisis. This becomes apparent when we survey the evolution of that leadership.

The main intent of that leadership was to have the spiritual leaders and through them the dynamic leaders set up the sanctity and fulfillment of the human person as the primary purpose in the dimension of the spirit.

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*By* ABBA S. EBAN

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**Abba S. Eban, Israel's Ambassador to the United States and permanent Representative to the United Nations, is one of the youngest diplomats accredited to the world organization. A native of South Africa and an honor graduate of Cambridge University, he is known as a linguist and expert on Oriental languages.—THE EDITOR.**

ESTABLISHED in 1912, at the height of the second *aliyah*, the Technion became the first institute of higher learning and education to be established on Israel's soil. Later the structure of Israel's higher education was to be further developed by the foundation of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Yet it was the Haifa Technion, founded in the distant pioneering years, which set the standard and aspiration of Israel's higher institutes of learning. It became an integral part of Israel's intellectual and scientific landscape. There revolved around it a crucial battle for the consolidation of the Hebrew language as the instrument of teaching and instruction. That victory inaugurated a period of renaissance, development and expansion in the use of our language as the instrument of daily life in a dynamic and expanding immigrant community.

In the institutions which I have mentioned, although the interests of pure research are not neglected, the emphasis is upon applied science, harnessed to the practical needs of a growing community. It required considerable vision on the part of the Technion founders to establish their institution in Haifa at a time when the liberation movement of Israel was pervaded by a feeling of agricultural romanticism which tended to look upon every non-agricultural pursuit as a form of sordid materialism, remote from the spiritual horizons to which our movement aspired. Nobody at this advanced stage in the development of Israel's society regrets the agricultural emphasis of its earlier years. Yet in our time the development of special techniques has become a prerequisite even of agricultural development, while under modern economic laws it becomes increasingly obvious that only by industrial development based on high standards of technical achievement can Israel hope either to recapture its previous standards of life or thence to forge on towards new standards of prosperity and progress.

The engineers, the technicians, the scientists and the architects of Israel

ABBA S. EBAN

will in the last resort determine the shape and the pattern of the society that is to be. In creating this corps of professional technicians, the Haifa Technion has already played an impressive role. That role has not been confined to the pursuits of peace, for in the time of greatest danger and ordeal, military victory depended not

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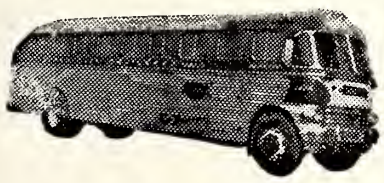

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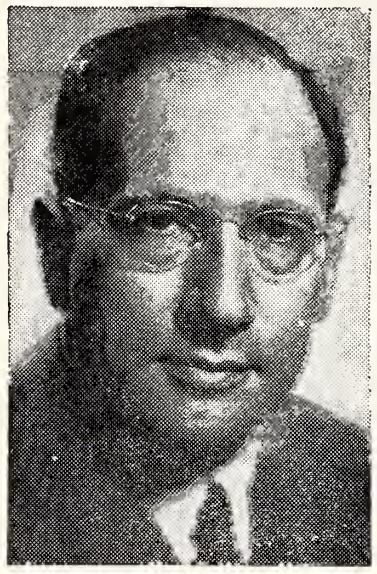

**ROSENWALD VISITED ISRAEL IN JULY—William Rosenwald, National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and Honorary President of the United Service for New Americans—a UJA constituent agency—this summer made his first visit to Israel to survey immigration and settlement needs that must be met there this Fall through the UJA's nationwide campaign. Mr. Rosenwald conferred with President Chaim Weizmann, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, with other members of the Israel Cabinet and Government, and with leaders of the Jewish Agency. Following a ten-day tour of the Jewish State, the UJA National Chairman travelled to Europe to ascertain conditions in the DP camps of Germany and Austria and immigration problems facing the USNA. He also inspected installations of the Joint Distribution Committee. Mr. Rosenwald, who was accompanied by his wife, will report his findings to American Jewish communities on return to this country. The UJA provides for the programs of the United Palestine Appeal in addition to supporting the JDC and USNA.**

To exploit existing resources, to create new sources of production, based upon the raw material of human skill, is the task to which all the technical institutes of Israel address themselves under the impetus and momentum of this immigration movement.

In a sense, the Israel of today is fundamentally a different country from the Jewish National Home of yesterday. Within the expanded areas of the State our people developed new tracts as explorers in an undiscovered land. The tasks of irrigation, development and recovery of the depredation of neglect and erosion, everything upon which the fructification of Israel depends, leads us back inextricably, in the final resort, to the question and issue of technical skills. Indeed, it is the technical and scientific spirit which the modern age recognizes as the crucial issue in human welfare. Even upon the political scene the predominance of that issue becomes daily evident.

The conception of the population, pervaded by a spirit of scientific adventure, forging ahead beyond its immediate environment in the ambitious search for new standards and new opportunties, is something which can well be communicated to us through the great and inspiring life line which unites the American Technion Society with the Technical Institute at Haifa and thus brings scientific and intellectual fructification to Israel in its pioneering advance.

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## Way We Celebrate

I REMEMBER the day before last Rosh Hashonah when I met my friend Ramsey at lunch. He was saying: "I see by the papers that your Jewish New Year is tomorrow. Big time, I guess, tonight. Are you going to some night spot?"

I knew what Ramsey was thinking of. He had in mind the secular New Year that occurs on January 1 and everybody feeling high the night before.

Ramsey went on to speak of the big time he and his friends had at the hotel to celebrate the advent of 1951: "We didn't get home till 6 a.m." He was hoping that I would be in prime condition for the Jewish New Year celebration . . . "Be careful how you drive home."

"Ramsey," I said, "you have us all wrong. The Jewish New Year simply isn't celebrated that way. Nobody ever gets drunk on the Jewish New Year."

"What kind of a New Year is that?" he inquired.

"Ramsey, on the Jewish New Year we speak to God."

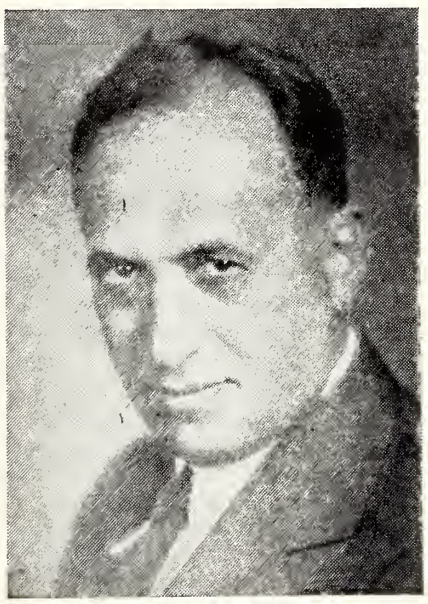
He offered to buy me a drink, anyway, toward the purpose of saluting a New Year properly . . . "I'll take a drink with you, Ramsey, out of respect for your friendly interest in the matter, though it is not our way alcoholically to greet the New Year, except for the bit of light wine we take at table. And that's a religious ritual in which we give a blessing: 'Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who hast created the fruit of the vine.' It's in Hebrew."

"Jews are a peculiar people, aren't they?" he remarked.

"That's been said often before," I replied.

Ramsey asked just what do we say when we speak to God our New Year Day.

"Well, Ramsey, we are supposed to think of what our New Year means to our lives toward the coming year. That's what we speak to God about. We look frankly into the year that



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has passed and wonder whether our way of living did credit to our lives in that period.

"Did we live up to our teaching? Did we behave as we should toward our neighbors? Did we walk on the high elevation that was established for us in the Commandments? On our New Year we go to the synagogue instead of the saloon."

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What actually happened was the following:

The moral and intellectual values have been utilized by the leaders in the dimension of the spirit to effect revolutions in the kind of community or the conception of God which were to serve as the purposes of civilizations.

Thus the prophets (who were moral leaders) succeeded to the extent that the Jews on their return from captivity were enabled through the prophetic protests against the sins of the first Commonwealth to organize a new kind of society—a theocracy free from all taint of idolatry. But the moral values as such became part of the liturgy rather than of practical day to day conduct.

By the same token Jesus (who was a moral leader as well as a self-deluded Messiah) succeeded only to the extent of furnishing Paul with an excuse for setting up a new community—the Church—as the goal, alongside the glory of God, as the purpose of human life.

Likewise, the values contributed by Greek intellectual leadership (which stressed the responsibility of the individual by emphasizing the primacy of truth and beauty) after having for a time been utilized to reenforce the authority of the Church, rather than the sanctity and responsibility of the individual have in time become a means of enhancing the power and glory of the nation or the class.

By now the crisis of moral and intellectual leadership has reached a climax in that the machine process has so revolutionized human life. The resulting collectivization is fast gaining such momentum that the individual finds himself completely swamped and helpless. His only hope of surviving at all seems to lie in his becoming completely robotized.

Science and invention have far exceeded man's ability and achievement in the art of living together. Man's intelligence (adaptation of means to ends) is of global scope; but his wisdom (the art of acting as a responsible person) is still parochial. His capacity to destroy is measured by the atom bomb; his capacity to live together is still in the stage of primitive totem and taboo culture.

The most frightening fact is the one that in combatting Communism which has raised collectivization to a religion that grinds down the individual, democracy is itself becoming collectivized and destructive of individual freedom and responsibility.

IV

What can religion do to help us meet that crisis? To answer this question it is necessary to know something of the role of religion in the past, and its attitude to the values which moral and intellectual leadership has sought to have religion stress.

Originally religion functioned mainly (as magic) in the dimension of the dynamic values, and in the categories of communal and cosmic (God) values in the dimension of the spirit.

It finally yielded to the importunities of moral and intellectual leadership to incorporate in its spiritual dimension the values that make for the human person as free and responsible.

But so far, religion has only rendered those values lip service. It has not succeeded in influencing the leadership in the dimension of dynamic values—the political and economic leaders—to respect the freedom and responsibility of the human person. To a large extent that fact is due to the dependence of religious leaders upon the dynamic leaders for their income and the maintenance of their institutions.

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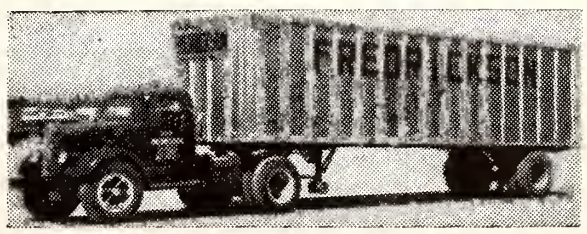

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# PLAIN TALK

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Ramsey seemed a bit embarrassed as if I had been suggesting that he hadn't observed the New Year eve of last December 31 just right.

"Mind you, Ramsey, I'm not quarreling with the way you do with New Year eve. I had a few drinks myself that evening. I am just telling of another way of greeting New Year."

I told him about the shofar . . . "It's a ram's horn that's blown by a member of the congregation in the synagogue. It's in commemoration of the way holy days were signalled millenia ago in Palestine. Somehow it sounds to us in our time like a voice out of eternity, like God summoning us."

"Yes," I continued, "we look into our past and make resolutions toward the future. What to do to make our lives better in the coming year? This has nothing to do with getting rich or powerful or prominent. It concerns what our prophet said: 'He that showed thee, O man, what is good and what doth Jehovah require of thee but to do justly and to love kindness and to walk humbly with thy God.'

"That's the whole thing, Ramsey. That's about all the meaning of our New Year."

Ramsey was deeply impressed even to the point of swearing off on gay times on the secular New Year . . . "It beats the other New Year," he said. "It has meaning. It's more than a matter of filling up full. I am going to tell all my friends. It's a better way of starting a New Year; shows a man the right way to go."

Ramsey thought the whole human race could be improved by the discipline of New Year observance devoted to speaking to God and getting the right answer.

"But, Ramsey," I said, "don't get me wrong. We aren't all saints who actually follow the divine directions we get on our New Year. We speak to God and get the directions and next day a lot of us keep on going in the old ways. They go their own way, even after hearing the guiding words of God in the synagogue, like disobedient kids; like people who on Christmas day overflow with generosity and on the day after proceed in the old mean direction.

"Sorry to have to tell you this, but that's the way a lot of us are, since they are just human. I myself am far from the saint I may look like at this moment when I am telling you of the spiritual significance of our New Year."

Ramsey had an idea. Knowing that I write for the Jewish press, he said I could perform a useful service by advising all Jews to try to be the kind of men they are on the Jewish New Year. That is to say, men who ascend the hill toward God and there learn the right directions . . . "You can tell 'em."

"And you, Ramsey, you get around a lot and you can tell people to try to be the kind of human beings they are at Christmas time. At Christmas they dedicate themselves to kindness; next day they're back in the same old tough ways.

"You belong to Rotary and all that. You're in a position to advise Christians to try to be Christians on all the days after Christmas. And I shall speak to the Jews, telling them that on our New Year they look like great and good men who speak to God, and why not be like that every day in the year?"

"Let's go," Ramesy said. "I toward Christmas every day in the year, and you toward a Jewish New Year whose meaning will be understood and observed every day."

"Yes, Ramsey, if we succeed, maybe we can make a great and good world out of this. Maybe we'll be saints."

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# ROSH HASHONAH

*By* MARVIN S. WEINER

IT has been aptly stated that one of man's distinguishing marks is his sense of memory and critical recollection which enables him to profit by this experience. It is the Divine within Man that brings him to emulate his Creator who is described as *"zocher maaseiodom,"* remembering that which Man has done. Without this God-given faculty, the human race would continue on in an endless series of errors, devoid of any hope for progress and advancement. Without it, the child who burns his finger once would never learn to avoid the same error a second time. Without it, there would be no possibility of culture or civilization.

On a larger scale, and in this same spirit of remembrance, as individual Jews and as a group, we set aside the High Holy Days as a time to refresh our memories in the realm of moral activity. The leit-motif of the Rosh Hashonah period is that of sombre *zichronos,* of remembrance. Just as that supreme poetic master of religious fervor who composed the prayer *"Unesaneh Tokef"* and pictured God as reviewing the deeds of man, we too envision a passing-in-review of that which has transpired during the past year. The Jew tries to recall, to evaluate, to take stock of his position and check his bearings. Like that sensitive soul of the last century, Thoreau, who left the group to ponder the values of life at Walden Brook, we too withdraw into our inner selves, away from the tumult of the madding crowd, to set aside a few moments for serious contemplation. We do so in the spirit of *zichronos* when we call to mind that which has made and that which is yet to make history.

One of the central themes of Rosh Hashonah is the idea of history and life not being seen only in terms of the spectacular, the extraordinary, but rather in the regular and commonplace daily regimen of man. While Judaism teaches *"yesh koneh olomo b'shooh achas,"* that one may make his major spiritual contribution in a short time, the average man, however, sanctifies God's name by his daily steadfast observance of ritual and social ethics. The struggle to live the good life is continuous and almost unseen. The evil in the world which beckons to man to overcome it does not lie in the spectacular. For example, the sensitive person is concerned with the fact of minority oppression long before public attention is drawn by a race

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Despite that fact, however, religious leaders who are not daunted by the power which the dynamic leaders have over them—nor are all dynamic leaders hopelessly beyond redemption, even the ex-head of a national chamber of commerce can get wrought up about resistance to price control—should sound the tocsin warning to all and sundry that doom is impending, unless some way be found to counteract the totalitarian and robotizing tendencies of machine civilization. They should resort to every possible educational means to get people to realize that a society which robotizes the human being is bound to destroy itself and to drag the rest of mankind along with it.

When the human being becomes a mass-man he is swayed by mass-emotions and is totally incapable of rational action which is based upon an awareness of consequences. There is then no means of restraining masses of men from hurling hydrogen bombs on each other.

They should stress the fact that to robotize man is to work against nature and the cosmic processes that have evolved man who has the potentialities of a being that is "a little lower than the angels." *The termitization of the state must lead to the demonization of man.*

Religious leaders can no longer afford to allow the contributions of the great prophets and thinkers to remain "a way of speaking" instead of being translated into a way of life.

They should transcend denominational lines in cooperating through research institutes and various workshops in the effort to arrive at the most effective methods of saving human individuality from being totally collectivized.

The very fact that an institutionalized religion is itself an organization of power, whether coercive or non-coercive, renders affiliation with it—so long as the state permits it—a counter influence to the totalitarianization of the State. Some intellectuals join a church for that very reason. The fact that the Roman Catholic Church, for example, has a strong discipline and demands the abdication of reason renders it a counter influence to the state. It provides certain areas where one feels free from the domination of the state. That has an important psychological lesson for all institutionalized religions concerning their opportunity and their task.

Religion to act as a counter influence to disintegration and to deindividualization of man is in need of becoming fully aware of its fundamental spiritual function—that of giving the individual a sense of security through the feeling of belongingness.

Religion as a spiritual rather than a magical agency has always functioned through the family, by making the family its principal human unit and borrowing from the family the concepts to express in various ways the sense of at homeness in the world. God, the Father, and all men as brothers is—a family concept. That function of religion satisfies a profound emotional need, a need which is beyond the scope of the state.

That fact gives religion the necessary fulcrum by means of which it can raise the intellectual and moral level of mankind. An important corollary is the fact that religion must turn its attention to the woman as the home builder and mother whose influence on the personality of the child is far greater than that of the father, especially under the present industrial system.

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*By* D. SCHOCHER

THE creation of the Jewish State came inevitably as a surprise. One could hardly fail to pinch himself, figuratively speaking, to wonder if he were awake on that morning in May three years ago. Could it really be possible that, after two thousand years, the Jewish State should be revived?

The emergence of this state was inextricably associated with David Ben-Gurion, the first prime minister of revived Israel. One of the early Israeli jokes has it that it was suggested to Ben-Gurion that, instead of being just Prime Minister, he assume the kingship and Ben-Gurion reputedly replied that he would not consent to becoming King David the Second.

This joke is entirely out of character with David Ben-Gurion. There is another anecdote connected with his emergence as Prime Minister which happens to be, however, very much in character, for it is true. When Ben-Gurion was first addressed by one of the foreign diplomats as "Your Excellency," he turned in surprise to his colleagues of the cabinet and said in Hebrew, "Mi zeh, ani?" (Whom does he mean, me?)

If the State of Israel was a surprise, Ben-Gurion himself was no less a surprise. If you look into the Universal Jewish Encyclopedia, edition as late as that of 1940, barely more than ten years ago, you will find quite a number of mediocrities listed as well as the great, but you will not find the name of Israel's Prime Minister!

Ben-Gurion has said that the naming of Chaim Weizmann as first President af new Israel was no necessity for Dr. Weizmann, but was a "moral necessity" for Israel. It gives a baby state prestige to have as the titular head a great scientist. In the same way, perhaps, it might be said that the emergence of Ben-Gurion as the first Prime Minister of Israel was also, if not a necessity, at least a great asset. There is something about that perpetual smile about his face that helped ingratiate the Jewish State into the graces of the world. It is an open face—the kind of person one feels it would be easy to get along with and who can accomplish things.

And this countenance is not deceiving. Ben-Gurion has shown himself a man of common sense—something not too abundant in these days of fanatic extremists. He is a middle-of-the-road man — an empiric whose mind is ever ready to accept the good from whatever source it may come.

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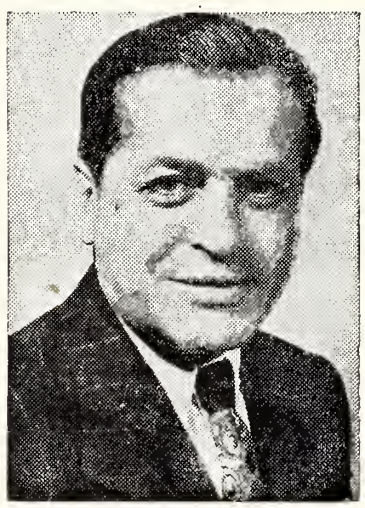

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riot. A typhoon in China is less disastrous than the daily starvation which takes its human toll in life and misery, even though the typhoon may make the front-page headlines. The struggle for the respect of the human personality created in the Divine Image is a daily one, fought in Times Square, on the assembly-line, in the classrooms and wherever people associate with one another. It is not recorded only in battles and wars which represent the officially organized struggle between sovereign nations. Let us rather define our ideal of peace in terms of the Rabbinic idea *sholom*, wholeness or integration, rather than as the absence of declared hostility. When our society lacks that wholeness of cooperative interchange, then we are actually warring with each other, regardless of whether it be purely unofficial.

The mediaeval poet and philosopher, R. Jehudah Halevi, aptly described the Jewish people as the "heart of the nations," sensitive to even a minor moral disturbance. For what Halevi conceived of as the description of our people, each of us must equally strive as individuals. The sensitive soul is never "at ease in Zion," so long as the finger of injustice and oppression is anywhere felt. Rosh Hashonah throws down the challenge to each of us to become aware of the infinitude the significance of our small daily acts which lies in the finite, to recognize which make us what we are, which gives the world its form and shape. This is the material of which true piety is made. It is warmly brought home in a story told of R. Israel Salanter, the saintly founder of the Musar Movement. R. Israel was scrupulous in observing the 613 mitzvos, made it his custom before Passover personally to supervise the baking of matzos in his town, in order to assure careful adherence to ritual requirements. Once before Pesach, when he was ill, his disciples volunteered to supervise the baking for him. They said, "Instruct us, Rabbi, as to all the important things for which we have to look." His brief reply was, "My sons, see to it that the women who bake the matzos are properly paid." Here was a man who saw the Divine in the commonplace, as Moses had seen God in the Burning Bush.

Just as the High Holy Day period challenges us to become true artists of human life, it equally declares a second truth. In the face of those who assume a fatalistic outlook on Man and the Universe, our tradition emphatically asserts that man is a free agent, "a little lower than the angels," who molds his own future. In early times, the so-called science of the ancients consisted of astrology which spread the fiction of a man's fate as being determined by the influence of the planets and heavenly bodies. Even then the Rabbis opposed this mechanistic view of the world which made of man a puppet, clothed with skin and veins, but a manipulated puppet nonetheless. Throughout the ages we have seen similar fatalistic views proposed in more modern dress. Those who spoke of heredity and environment as if these were the key to all human responses and actions also denied the potential in man. Man's blunders were excused, by shifting the emphasis either to one's parents or his society. The Marxists, in turn, explained away all of human behavior in terms of economic institutions and motives and again minimized the ability to set a life goal for oneself and assume the active role: other fields of thought added their "contribution" so that man was finally reduced to a small "m."

In our own day, we are first beginning to see a return to the view proposed by Jewish tradition, via the newer psychologies. Leaders in the field have now come to stress the need of assuming responsibility and using one's freedom. If man is to heal himself and take on his rightful prorogatives, he must assume the active role. In the eyes of Jewish tradition, each man was to regard the world as equal-


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ly divided between merit and guilt, with the power to decide the balance resting in our thoughts and acts. Aptly enough, even the supreme authority of declaring the onset of the Rosh Hashonah holiday was described as Man's privilege in the following:

"The Rabbis relate that the ministering angels assemble before the Almighty and say, 'Master of the Universe, when is the New Year's Day?' And He says to them, 'Is it me you are asking? Let us both ask the Court below, as we read in the verse (Ps. 81:4):

Blow the horn at the new moon,
At the full moon for our feast day.
For it is a statute for Israel,
An ordinance of the God of Jacob.'"

Thus in Jewish eyes, events did not just occur but were caused by one's acts. Rosh Hashonah drove home the thought that the final summation of man's moral arithmetic was now being taken.

May we, approaching Rosh Hashonah 5712, be equally aware of the gift of remembrance as did those who precede us, so that mindful of the value of the seemingly insignificant and rising to our full moral stature, we invest our life with holiness and dignity. Then our posterity acknowledge that "this is the seed whom the Lord has blessed."

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## RELIGION AND THE CRISIS

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The state in its emphasis on equality is not interested in who a person is but in *what* a person *is, has, does,* or *can do.* It may help him at best to feel adequate (not inferior) but does not help him to feel secure.

But to be cared for because not of what he is but of who one is—is essential for our mental health. That role religion must now learn to fulfill in effective fashion. To fill that role, however, religious leaders should incorporate into their teaching and discipline the truths of the great thinkers and the ideals of the great prophets and at the same time resort to the type of socio-psychological therapy which reckons with a far deeper understanding of religion than it has yet shown.

The religious leaders should use the religious practices and institutions of their respective traditions or communions to interpret to Society the real meaning of the social conditions which the machine process has called into being and their dehumanizing and robotizing effect unless counteracted by leisure activities geared to emphasize the individual as well as by home training in personal responsibility.

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The position of the religious leader is analogous to that of the probation officer. The latter has to combine the court's decisions with the psychiatric point of view and to translate into a workable legal program the higher individualistic recommendations and plans of the Clinic. The fact that moral and religious leaders have hitherto been content to act merely like Court authorities, laying down the law without regard to the problems and conflicts of the individual may account in large part for the acute stage of the present intellectual and moral crisis.

The religious leader must come to realize that his function is nothing less than that of effecting basic changes in the very nature of man as it operates on various levels of social relations. To accept that as his life task, the religious leader has to habituate himself to the conception of man as undergoing metamorphosis and to treat that metamorphosis as a stage in man's evolution on the way to his becoming fully human.

What can give this conception of man religious significance is a conception of God as the Power that drives man to become fully human.

Most of the difficulties in man's world are due to the conflicting ideas of what we are to understand by being fully human and of conditions under which that goal can be achieved.

Not until religious leaders of the principal religions in the world can agree on some minimum workable program that would make possible an organization, like the U. R. advocated by D. Leuther Evans which would render religious diversity compatible with ecumenical unity, can religion amount to more than a verbalization of wishful thinking.

## The Big Little Man

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He is a strong Jewish nationalist, but he is not a narrow chauvinist. Recently, when he took his first vacation, he went to Greece and spent his time among the ruins of another civilization that was contemporary with that of Israel of old. He is a great admirer of Greek philosophy, so much so that in recent years he mastered the ancient Greek tongue. It was not enough for him to read Plato in translation. He must read him in Greek. He is also enormously interested in Hindu philosophy.

Yet with all of these interests, he has not neglected the philosophy of his fathers. Some of the extreme orthodox Talmudists of the Knesset realized his familiarity with ancient Hebrew lore when the issue of women in the Israeli army came up. Some of the extreme orthodox argued that it would be violating ancient Jewish law for girls to wear uniforms. Ben-Gurion rose and explained that this restriction was based on the idea of holding in restraint the attractiveness of the feminine contingent, and he went on to say, "Do you mean to tell me that women are more attractive in uniform than in their ordinary apparel?"

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## GIFT NOVELTIES IN ISRAEL

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of production, most of which is concentrated in Haifa, designers are usually going the internationally customary ways. Lately, however, experiments are being made with completely novel designs, which have good success.

Contrary to other sections of production, the making of wooden objects has gone back considerably, partly because of the shortage in materials and partly because the best experts in this field were killed in the War of Liberation and this gap could not yet be filled.

The most important other articles of this line, and which are important especially for export, are character dolls, glass blown articles, enamel works, onyx articles, printing and textile hand prints, silkscreen, batik and others. Ritual objects are to be considered specially. Till World War II, the export center for these products had been Poland and there is no doubt that, after the elimination of this center, Israel must take on the supply of the world with these objects.

Normally, small producers are making their own designs. Although the larger producers employ designers, free lance designers are also occupied (part of whom are art and craft workers, part are painters and sculpturers or commercial artists).

Lately, highly successful experiments have been made, using entirely novel, surrealistic designs.

A very great percentage of the designers have had their training still in Europe, but a new generation is already being taught in the vocational schools of the country. Such schools

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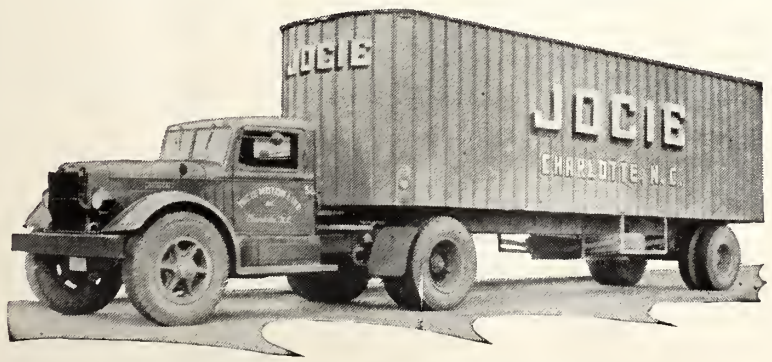


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# ISRAEL — AGE THREE-PLUS

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Jews. But each of these three communities presents a kaleidoscope of many colors. Among the Christians there are fully nineteen different sects and communions, and even the Moslems do not all belong to one group. As for the Jews, they are, for the most part, newly arrived immigrants, who have come to seek a home and refuge from over sixty countries in various parts of the world. They speak many different languages, but gradually they are all adopting the Hebrew tongue, which has been revived in recent times and become once again the national language of the State of Israel.

And there is variety too in the types of civilization that one finds in Israel. Many of the immigrants have come from the West and have brought with them the drive and dynamic ideas of Western civilization. Gradually the whole country is assuming this Western pattern, but one can still see the relics of the working methods and social ideas of the old slumbering Orient. The farmer chugging along on a brand-new American-built tractor can look over a cactus hedge and see his neighbor scratching a field with a wooden plough harnessed to a camel and an ox.

Israel was proclaimed as a State on the 14th of May, 1948, about three years ago. At that time, there were just about three-quarters of a million people in the country, and in this brief period 550,000 immigrants have been permitted to enter Israel and make it their home. That was done in implementation of the very purpose for which the State of Israel was created. Israel was born out of the need on the part of large numbers of Jewish peoples in various parts of the world for a homeland to which they could go to escape from insecurities and persecutions which menaced their very existence as individuals and their ability to live according to their beliefs. It was only natural, therefore, that once the State was set up, it should dedicate itself, as it has, to dealing with the problem of the Jewish refuges in Europe and elsewhere. A policy of free immigration was introduced, and people have been coming in at an average rate of 18,000 a month. Most of them have come from the Displaced Persons Camps in Central Europe, and many others from the Moslem countries. The stream of immigration has by no means ended. In fact, during the course of 1951 Israel expects to receive over 200,000 immigrants from Iraq, Rumania, North Africa and other countries.

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These people have to be welded together into a united nation. It is not an easy process, but it is being accomplished. The introduction two years ago, for the first time in the history of the country, of a system of universal primary education, which is provided free, ensures that the children of the immigrants are all given an equal opportunity to securing a basic training for a common citizenship. The adult immigrants too learn very quickly to associate with each other in common enterprises and blend their differences to produce a united, though not uniform, national character. The driving force for national unity in 1948 was the need to protect the country against aggres-


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sion. Fortunately, that period is over and hostilities came to an end nearly two years ago. Today the great impelling force is to rebuild the country and restore it to its ancient fertility, and so make it possible for the immigrants coming in to find homes and work. This task, at which Israel is driving with all its energy and resources, is not likely to be accomplished in a short time.

It is going to be a long, hard pull. For this country, like all its neighbors in the Middle East, has slipped backwards. That whole region is not today sustaining anything like the population it supported at a high level of civilization two or three thousand years ago. It is a very sensitive kind of territory. If you don't harbor your resources and tend to them very carefully, you will find them dissipating themselves in a very real way. You can see that on all sides as you travel through the Middle East: ruins of ancient aqueducts and irrigation systems, the miserable remnants, still to be discerned on the bare hillsides, of terraces built by the careful husbandmen of olden days to protect their soil. Along the coast the sand has blown in with nothing to break its force and covered large areas of fertile soil. Up in the north the life-giving waters of the Jordan were permitted to spread out and convert large stretches of land into pestilential swamp. Down south one can still see ruins of entire cities which in Byzantine times were linked by a caravan route leading from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea.

The problem facing the pioneer in Israel is thus quite different from that which faced the men and women who

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# EVEN IN MY LIFETIME

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For was not Jochanan, one of the greatest scholars of the Talmud, also a cobbler?

But there was much to learn. I could repair shoes, but could I make them? I, who had been a cobbler all my life, like my father before me, had to go to school and learns new ways of cobbling. And in the settlement I met others who were learning like me, to make shoes.

Batya, meanwhile, was learning how to read and write Hebrew, and the children were all day in school, and everyone was growing so smart, there was no way to keep up with them.

And do you know. we lived in a house that was as high as all the others!

We were the equal of everyone. And one day we went down to a building at the edge of the settlement and they gave us slips of paper and told us to write down on them the names of the people we wanted to govern the land of Israel! Perhaps you will not believe this. At first I thought they were joking. But by that time I knew the names of the leaders and what the various political parties stood for and if they wanted my opinion, I had one all prepared. I wrote down the names of my choice and Batya wrote down hers.

Batya, how much you have changed! You were always wise, but now there is nothing, it seems, that you do not know. I sometimes wonder if this is all to the good.

A few months ago, Batya came to me and said, "Ben Zion, you are so good at making shoes, and you make so many pairs for the people of this settlement, I want you to make a pair for me."

I said, "But Batya, you already have a good pair of shoes."

"I want these to be special shoes," Batya answered. "I want them to be blue instead of brown to match the blue dress I am making."

And she kept at me until I made her the special shoes to match her dress. Are your women like this?

And last week she was sewing special curtains for our windows so that the house would look beautiful in time for the High Holy Days, and yesterday she hinted that if it would be possible for us to buy a *machine* for sewing, she could make them better and faster. Do you think she is becoming spoiled? A machine—what next?

We live in a tin hut and I think, even without curtains, it is the most beautiful house in the world.

Batya, of course, works very hard, caring for the children, helping the other women of the settlement, studying cooking, cleaning and washing, and taking part in "discussion groups" where they talk about things like the government and swamp drainage which were never the province of women in Yemen. Perhaps I can do some extra work and buy her a machine, though I must say that the women in my family have been able to do their sewing with their own hands perfectly well for thousands of years.

And if I feel sometimes that Batya is not the woman I married, but a new person I am learning to know again from the beginning, what must she think of me? Yes, I, too, am different; I have grown strong, for every day I spend some hours in the field, or helping to build the new houses for our settlement. I have learned how to plant, how to harvest, how to build, and these hands, that were once clever only with the cobbler's tools, can do a thousand tasks. These hands can even operate the wheel and the gears and brakes of a big truck now, and this back of mine stands straight, and I have sat in the saddle of a horse, the equal of a king in Yemen, for here in Israel every man is a king, and his sons are princes.

I have learned, too, how large and yet how small is the round world, and have read in books and newspapers of many events that are true which I thought were legends, and that some things are only legends which I once believed were the truth.

As for machines, for all I tease Batya, there is a machine I have learned about which I should like to see in our settlement.

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cobbler's needle is often stubborn in the hand when this thread is being sewn. We would work in the cobbler's shop in our settlement have heard of wonderful machines that do this sewing and round off the rough ends of the leather, and many other steps in the making of shoes. And so many pairs of shoes are needed! Our work would indeed go fast if we could own such a machine. We have talked of this often, and some day I hope that we will be able to buy one together for our settlement.

I have not spoken of this to Batya, for I do not want to strengthen her argument.

Well, if Batya and I have changed, then what shall I say of the children?

One afternoon we saw our nine-year-old boy, Habbib, browned on his face and arms by the sun, riding a huge tractor across the field in our settlement. I had seen him often with one of the mechanics, and now he has learned to operate this iron monster!

"Is this the same little boy we brought with us from Yemen?" I asked Batya, wondering at his strength, his health, the quickness and sureness of his gestures. "This child who tames monsters and makes them do his bidding, is this *our* child?"

And that evening, when I saw Tamara dressed in a bright pink cotton skirt for a dance that was being held for the youngsters of the settlement, I asked myself, "Is this vivacious girl with the wide, clear eyes, the same undernourished little daughter we carried in our arms out of Aden?"

The other day we were seated at supper around the table when Habbib fixed me with a challenging look and said, "You know, that was *not* a bird which brought us from Aden last year."

I pretended to be surprised. "Not a bird!"

"No—it was a machine, a machine that flies." He was most emphatic.

"Tell me more," I encouraged him, "about this machine that flies. Do they wind it up?" All the while I pretended to be skeptical.

"It is men in a far-off country called America who build this machine and sent it across the seas to bring us to Israel," Habbib went on, in tones of great uncertainty. "In fact, these people are Jews like us, and they have a great organization called the United Jewish Appeal, like a kind of tax on themselves. Only this tax is not to support rulers unkind to their Jewish subjects, the way it was in Yemen, but to rescue others who are Jews and suffer in places of danger."

What Habbib said I had learned many months before was the truth, but it is still difficult for me to believe.

"And this so-called tax—are they still paying it, the Jews of America?"

"They are indeed."

"Some day," Habbib was saying firmly, "I am going to work the controls of this machine that flies."

They are all talkers in my family, and here in Israel, where speech is free, I sometimes think they would rather talk than eat.

"I am going to be the pilot of such a machine," Habbib went on, "and I will go up high over our settlement, and wave down to you and laugh."

That is the way he talks, my son. I have no doubt that he will do as he said. He will do even greater things in this land that is younger than he. That is how it goes here. In Yemen, he would have been a cobbler. He would have grown up in fear, in poverty, made to believe he was lower than an animal, because he was a Jew.

But to him, our eagle was only a machine. To me, machine or bird, it will always be a miracle—a miracle that happened even in my lifetime.

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# ISRAEL — AGE THREE-PLUS

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opened up the Western Hemisphere to civilization. Unlike them, the Israelis are not pioneering in virgin territory. They are digging up the ashes of buried civilizations. Theirs is a job not of new construction, but of restoration. As they see it, their mission is to push back the desert and uncover those latent resources which thousands of years ago made this the most populous and flourishing center of the civilized world.

It is going to take a long time until that mission is accomplished. But it can be said that the way has been found. Tremendous changes have been wrought in Israel in the last thirty years, and more particularly, in the three years since Israel emerged as an independent State. Large areas of land have been reclaimed; swamp land has been drained; bare hills have been covered again with sturdy growing forests, and the water pipelines are pushing down even further into the south, bringing life to an arid region. The land and the people have again become wedded together. Immigrants who had never experienced agricultural labor have succeeded in many cases in transforming themselves into farmers. The country is growing an increasingly large percentage of its own food requirements, and is beginning to export surpluses of some agricultural produce, such as citrus fruits and wines. The help recently received from the Export-Import Bank of the United States in the form of a loan for agricultural development has greatly increased Israel's capacity to reach the goal of self-sufficiency in its food supply.

In industry, too, great strides are being made. Geological research is proving that Israel is not as poor in raw materials as was originally believed. The Bible talks of Israel as a country whose stones are iron and from whose hills one can dig out copper. The ruins of Solomon's copper mines have in fact been discovered in the southern part of Israel, near the Red Sea, and not far away other materials have recently been unearthed, and some are already being put to use. Among these are phosphates, barium, kaoline, and many other useful commodities. By far the richest known source of raw materials is the Dead Sea, with its almost limitless wealth of potash and bromine, which assure Israel of the possibility of becoming self-sufficient in its need of fertilizers.

Building materials are also being produced locally, and the cement industry is steadily catching up with the increased demands. In view of Israel's geographical location, at the hub of three continents, it is an ideal place for assembly plants, and it is no accident, therefore, that recent years have seen a surprising growth of industries of all kinds based on imported raw materials and local know-how. Thus Israel will soon produce American cars from parts ship-

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ped from America and assembled in Israel for distribution to markets in the vicinity. This is already being done with refrigerators and radios. Other industries have arisen depending on traditional skills brought into the country by immigrants. Examples of this are Israel's flourishing textile industry, the diamond polishing industry, and the production of art and craft objects. In industry, as in agriculture, opportunities for development are considerable, and much time will have to pass before they can all be fully exploited. Meanwhile progress is being made on all fronts. In the last three years agricultural production has gone up 80 per cent and industrial production by 40 per cent. Similar progress has been made in modernizing the country's road communications, improving its harbors and expanding its mercantile marine and civil aviation.

Israel prides itself on the fact that this difficult venture of immigration and economic development is being accomplished in a democratic way and by the use of democratic methods. There is no regimentation. and no spirit of regimentation. The country is governed by freely elected institutions. Within six months of the Proclamation of the State, arrangements were made for the first general elections to a constituent assembly. These elections took place in January of 1949, with all residents over the age of 18 being granted the right to vote, regardless of their race or creed. The extent of public responsibility was evidenced by the fact that over 80 per cent of the electorate turned out to vote for the parties of their choice. The Constituent Assembly in turn elected a President, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, and gave its vote of confidence by a majority to a coalition cabinet headed by Mr. David Ben-Gurion. There is a good deal of healthy opposition to the Cabinet in the Constituent Assembly and outside, and there is a Supreme Court unanimously elected by Parliament to watch over the Administration and see that it does not exceed its constitutional terms of reference.

However, Israel fully appreciates that democracy is not merely a mechanical form of representation. It is doubtful whether democracy can be maintained in countries where large numbers of people are illiterate and where they are left unprotected from the ravages of disease and human degradation. This is why Israel has felt it necessary to underpin its democratic structure and assure its continuous progress by devoting considerable attention and resources to introducing universal education for all its children, applying up-to-date methods of sanitation and hygiene and trying to give every man and woman a feeling that they have a vital personal stake in the country. Israel is trying to direct the attention of its citizens, and especially of its young people, to the great constructive tasks which must still be performed before this old country can regain the vigor and prosperity of its youth. The attainment of that aim and the determination to defend the country's liberty and independence against aggression—these are the driving forces of Israel's democracy.

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# GIFT NOVELTIES IN ISRAEL

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are: the New Bezalel School in Jerusalem, which was founded in 1933, with a staff of excellent modern teachers (this time without production workshops), the Department for Architecture of the Technical High School in Haifa, the Seligsberg School ("Hadassah") in Jerusalem, and the "Wizo" School in Haifa.

The entire development is being promoted by Government, through a special section within the Ministry of Trade and Industry. This section did not start its work with the foundation of the State but had been active, in the frame of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, since 1940. In its capacity as Industrial Design Consultant, this section acts as advisor to designers and producers, and aids the latter in the examination of the various factors which make up the basis for the creation of a design (which include packaging).

The section also occupies itself with exhibitions, prize competitions and various other means for raising the level of the product. The local market readily absorbs all these products, imports being limited to vital goods, so that the market is almost closed for luxury goods. Government orders for representative gifts offer the best designers and craftsmen an opportunity for special development.

Another important layer of customers are tourists. Last year about 30,000 tourists visited the country, and tests have proven that every tourist purchases $50-$100 worth of gifts in the country. Even if the lower figure—$50—is assumed, there still results an amount of $1,500,000. "Wizo" shops in Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv play an important part among the special shops for these articles; besides, there are a number of small, distinctive shops with cultured taste. And in hundreds of shops in the country, articles of average taste level are being sold.

Up to date, there have been only a very limited number of typical souvenir articles, so that tourists are buying the same articles as the local population. Yemenite jewelry deserves special mention in this respect, because tourists find its oriental character very attractive.

Until two years ago, exports of Israel gift articles reached their peak only through sale in sentiment business. But the development of the last two years has led towards a purely commercial sale of the products. The best possibilities for export are metal and ritual objects, besides ceramics, printed articles (calendars, greeting cards, etc., partly also illustrated), embroidered articles like blouses, table cloths, table sets, etc. The main purchaser till now has been America, but serious attempts are being made to gain other markets also.

The high costs of living doubtlessly have an adverse influence on export calculations, still, producers have succeeded in developing certain articles so that export possibilities could be found for them.

As in every part of the world, the shortage in raw materials is felt daily more acutely, and every firm has to fight difficulties in this respect.

In a country like Israel, which scarcely has any raw materials of its own, the production of gift articles is of special importance, because of the low percentage of raw material—only about 10 per cent to 20 per cent—the rest being fully employed to the benefit of the country's economy. Also, this line of production demands small capital investment.

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### ENOUGH WATER ON MARS TO SUSTAIN LIFE ON PLANET, SAYS JEWISH SCIENTIST

New York—(WNS)—The possibility that water is present on Mars in sufficient amounts to sustain life on the planet, is indicated by Dr. Harold C. Urey, atomic scientist, in an article in the Technion Yearbook, published by the American Technion Society.

Writing under the title, "The Primitive State of the Earth," the University of Chicago professor and Nobel Prize laureate in chemistry, discusses the origin of the earth and other terrestrial planets, explaining that water may have been brought to Mars simultaneously with the arrival of meteoric dust and similar volatile constituents.

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Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Reporter

MRS. ELLIS LIPMAN GORDON

Miss Barbara Fried, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fried of Auburndale, Mass., was married to Ellis Lipman Gordon, son of Louis Gordon of Statesville and the late Mrs. Gordon. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Hockberg in Beth-El Temple, Newton, Mass., with only members of the immediate families in attendance.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and had as her only attendant, her sister, Mrs. Allan I. Lurie, as matron of honor. Mr. Gordon had his father as best man and his three brothers, Melvin, Alfred, and Kalman Gordon, all of Statesville, as ushers.

Immediately after the ceremony the bride's parents entertained at a reception and bridal luncheon in the Empress Room of the Somerset Hotel in Boston. After a wedding trip to New York City and Atlantic City, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon are at home in Statesville where Mr. Gordon is as-


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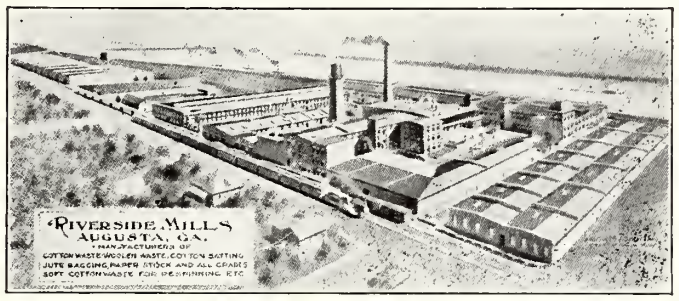


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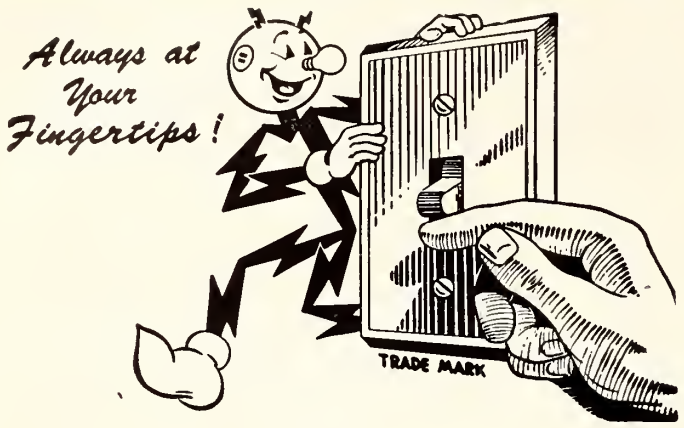


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sociated with his father in the furniture business.

Mrs. Gordon is a graduate of the Newston, Mass., high school. The groom is a graduate of Statesville high school and the University of North Carolina where he was in the Naval V-1 program.

Miss Henrietta Wallace spent several weeks vacation in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Silverstein of Miami, Florida, visited their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rocklin.

## Charleston, S. C.

**Mrs. Leon Steinberg, Reporter**

**WEDDINGS**

Miss Fannie Ida Goldberg, daughter of Mrs. I. M. Goldberg and the late Mr. Goldberg, was married to Rabbi Lewis Aryeh Weintraub in a ceremony performed by Rabbi Ephraim F. Mandelcorn of Bridgeton, N. J., assisted by the Rev. Alter Kirshtein, uncle of the bride, and Cantor Jacob Renzer. The ceremony took place at Synagogue Emanu-El. Music was furnished by Mrs. Morris Schein of Beaufort, pianist, Mrs. Max Turtletaub, violinist, and Erwin Ira Ulman of Baltimore, soloist.

The bride was given in marriage by her mother and her brother, Abe H. Goldberg. Mrs. Abe Goldberg was matron of honor, and the maid of honor was Miss Jennie Goldberg, sister of the bride.

Joseph Weintraub of Montreal, Canada, was his brother's best man. The ushers were Jack, Isadore, and David Goldberg, brothers of the bride, and Leonard Stephen Raymond Goldberg, and I. M. Goldberg, nephews of the bride, and Nathan Goldberg, all of Charleston, and Louis Richter of Montreal.

After a wedding trip to Grossinger, N. Y. and Montreal, the couple are at home in Charleston where Rabbi Weintraub is spiritual leader of Synagogue Emanu-El.

Mrs. Weintraub, a native of Charleston, is a graduate of Memminger High School and received her B.S. degree from the College of Charleston. She also attended the Medical College of the State of South Carolina. Rabbi Weintraub is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Weintraub of Montreal. He received his A.B. degree from Yeshiva College in New York and was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary. He was formerly a chaplain in the Canadian Army and now serves as civilian chaplain at the Charleston Naval Base, in addition to his duties as Rabbi of Synagogue Emanu-El.

Mrs. Joseph Truere has announced the marriage of her daughter, Sonia, and Saul Berry, USAF, of Charleston and Columbia, S. C., son of Mrs. Jacob Abramson of Charleston and Max Berry of Columbia. The wedding took place on June 17 in Beth Israel Synagogue, with Rabbi Louis Tuchman officiating, assisted by the Rev. Alter Kirshstein. After a wedding trip in the Carolinas and Georgia, the couple are residing in Florida.

Mrs. Flora G. Hatten, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harris L. Garfinkel of Charleston, and Philip Jenkins of New York, formerly of Charleston, were married on May 2 at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Louis Tuchman of Charleston, who performed the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother-in-law and sister. Best man for his brother was Ben Jenkins, also of Charleston. After a wedding trip to Miami Beach, the couple are at home in Charleston where Mr. Jenkins is manager of the Crown Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Laban announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, and Samuel Liberman, also of Charleston. The wedding will take place September 16, in Beth Israel Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jacobs, announce the birth of their third son, Harris, on July 24, at the New Roper hospital.

Cpl. Jack J. Geldbart, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Geldbart, was recently appointed first lieutenant in the USAF Reserve. He is presently assigned as chief clerk in the Base Legal Office at the Guided Missile Experimental Station, Halloman Air Force Base, N. M., and expects to be assigned to active service shortly.

A graduate of the High School of Charleston, Class of 1944, Lt. Geldbart attended the College of Charleston and received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1948. He completed a 3-year law course in two years, earning his Bachelor of Law degree.


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# GREENSBORO NEWS

*By Min Klein*

Engagement of the month was that of Edith Sutker and Eugene Miller who will be married within the next few weeks. . . Open house at the Sutker home on August 12 brought formal announcement to the community and congratulations to the couple . . . Wedding bells will ring for Ruth Levin of Burlington and Eddie Geisenheimer of New York City at Beth David on Sunday, September 2. . . Add to "new" grandparents in our community the Lou Silversteins who are beaming over Linda Joy who arrived at the Bob Kellers in Rye, N. Y., on July 20. Linda's mama is the former Marilyn Silverstein, Lou and Lee's only daughter. . . Emily, daughter of Norma and Alan Kahn, arrived in Cleveland on July 28, making it the fourth time for Tibs and Walter Bernstein as grandparents. . . The Al Jacobsons are receiving congratulations on the arrival of daughter Manya on August 11, Grandma Esther Jacobson's first grandchild. . . We were deeply shocked to hear, upon our return from a family trip north, of the tragic and untimely death of Elaine Hirsch, who made so many friends in her short residence here in Our Town. . . The entire community mourned with Don and the family. . . Condolences also to Hilda Weinstein and the family in the passing of their mother, Mrs. David Schein. . . Markey Hamburger's continued progress gives us a feeling of satisfaction and joy for the family who have been watching over him so devotedly these past months. . . Hope to hear that he will soon be able to leave the hospital. . . Travelers return: Mrs. Mary Fein visited daughter, Ella Bellis, and family in upstate New York and also spent some time with other relatives in New York City. . . At about the same time son Eli was in New York City for the Shrine convention and here, in the heat of Our Town, Mush carried on alone. . . The Max Kleins were in Myrtle Beach for a few days, where they were joined by daughter Marilyn and her husband from Camp LeJeune . . . Sarah's arm is almost entirely well and they are making elaborate plans for a South American trip which will keep them traveling for some weeks in September and October. . . The Jack Salzes, with Adele and Betty Claire, and Tess' sister, Miss Glassman of New York City, vacationed at St. Petersburg, Florida, after Jack returned from a visit with his New York City family. . . just before they went away, Adele was receiving congratulations on being voted outstanding camper at the Girl Scout camp—and it was her first experience as a camper too. . . Rabbi Rypins and Mike Rand were Greensburghers who attended the District 5 B'nai B'rith Institute at Wildacres in Little Switzerland, August 1-5. . . reported a stimulating and interesting experience. . . At Wildacres for the conclave on August 6-12, sponsored by the N. C. Association of Jewish Youth, were Brauna Jacobs, Carole Greenberg, and Sherold Klein. Sherold was in charge of the exhibit of Ceremonials. . . Rabbi Erwin Herman of Winston-Salem directed the Conclave. . . Visitors in our community were Dr. and Mrs. Irving Blumenthal and their two sons. . . she is the former Claire Hyman, daughter of the

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A. L. Hymans. They are making their residence in Atlanta, Georgia, where Dr. Blumenthal will engage in the practice of surgery. . . Pvt. Marvin Isreal was home on a short leave from army service at Fort Jackson, S. C., to usher at the wedding of a Greensboro schoolmate. . . Lad Landau looked quite dashing in his Marine uniform when we caught a glimpse of him on one of his recent visits home. . . David Judson's bride-to-be of September, Miss Louise Katz of New York City, was in town for a brief stop-over to talk final wedding plans. . . Best wishes to Rabbi and Mrs. Meyer Schwartz who have said farewell to Our Town for service in other areas . . . Welcome to Rabbi and Mrs. Simcha Kling, who arrived several weeks ago. . . Rabbi Kling will succeed Rabbi Schwartz at Beth David. . . Among the visitors to New York City and other points north were Rose Susman and daughter, Sara Ann, while young Jaqueline was at camp. . . Soon after getting home Sara Ann went to the hospital for a slight nose operation and we hope that by now she's feeling better and ready for WC, come registration time. . . Glad to see Carole Litch will also be at WC this year after transfer from Centenary Junior. . . Elma Dryzer and daughter, Sue, said the water was fine at Virginia Beach and are now back to enjoy all the redecorating recently done on the home . . .That contented smile on the countenance of Mrs. M. E. Block was due to the summer visits from daughters Amelia and Miriam, with their families. Mrs. Block did some traveling, too. . . And Sid Stern, Jr., was back and forth at the beach with Kay and littlest Sid. . . And now we watch the returning campers, counselors and students, who remind us of summer's approaching end and forthcoming preparations for a round of activity. . . and belated though the holidays are, there is the feeling in the community of "L'Shono Tovo Tekoseyvu!"

**Sutker-Miller**

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sutker announce the engagement of their only daughter, Edith, and Eugene Miller, also of Greensboro. The wedding will take place in September.

**Mrs. B. Donald Hirsch**

Mrs. B. Donald Hirsch, 30, passed away on Monday, July 29, after a short illness. Funeral services were conducted by Rabbi Fred I. Rypins of Temple Emanuel, Greensboro, of which Mrs. Hirsch was a member. Surviving are her husband, a young son, her parents and several sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch were originally from Cleveland, Ohio. The entire community extends condolences to the family.

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Israel's foreign trade will grow by leaps and bounds under the impact of the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Issue. Substantial growth has already been shown since the State was established. The Port of Haifa, for example, is now handling cargo amounting to about 6,000 tons a day, as compared with a daily tonnage of 3,000 in 1949, and only 1,000 in 1948.

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## Temple Beth Israel News

MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ
*Reporter*

"Thirty days hath September". . . remember the old schoolday saying. . . well Temple Beth Israel's September has 30 days all right, all of them scheduled with wonderful social and fulfilling religious activities.

This year Beth Israel is extremely proud to announce the organization of the Choral Society under the supervision of Cantor Oscar Berry and Rabbi Ephraim Shimoff. Beth Israel's rafters will sing with the beautifully directed all-male voices of the choir. The group will be attired in flowing robes purchased through the proceeds of their recital held June 28. As in the past Cantor Oscar Berry will chant the High Holiday services.

This new year of 5712 will also mark the congregation's roster of new officers and board of directors. We are honored to announce the following: Abraham J. Dere, president; A. Finley Binder, vice-president; Harry Backer, treasurer; Philip Yecies, recording secretary; Henry Benedeck, financial secretary; Meyer Mollen, Gabai Rishon. The board includes: Ben Bernstein, H. J. Bernstein, A. Bridge, Isidore Burstein, Harry Cantor, I. Caplan, Ben Cohen, Paul Cohen, Emil Dere, B. N. Flax, Louis Fratkin, Joe Hurowitz, Leo J. Jaffe, H. Meyers, I. Milchin, Alec Mollen, H. H. Mollen, Meyer Mollen, N. Mollen, B. Sharofsky, Jack Sniderman and George Padow. Under such fine leaders as these men our Temple is bound to forge ahead to even greater spiritual and material heights.

The first meeting of Temple Beth Israel Women's Club will take place September 13, 1951, at the Temple social center at Boulevard and Grove avenues at 8:15 p.m. Mrs. Sam Hausman, president, has directed individual and joint board groups all during the summer months so that at this first meeting they can be ready to present to the club at large for approval the various activities and fund-raising affairs that the boards have lined up.

The first project will be a joint undertaking with Beth Israel Sisterhood. Plans for a rummage sale in September and October have been tentatively set by the two organizations. With one goal in mind, support of the Synagogue, how fitting then that the two groups work toward one achievement.

Also at this first Women's Club meeting the dates for the December New Year's celebration, which incidentally for the past two years has been a looked-forward-to affair by the entire city's Jewish population, along with the Festival Bazaar, Purim Dance, Style Show-Dinner and Card Party, will be set. Whew, makes me whirl just writing about it. I'll know more details about the above-listed next month and fear not friends yours truly will see to it you get all the info. . . So be watching for it.

The first meeting will also be the setting for a fun fest our Program Chairman Frances Mollen has been waiting for. Frances and her committee have a grand first meeting program ice breaker planned. It'll give all you new members a chance to get acquainted with some of the other girls who have been club standbys night on these three years. I'll give you just a wee hint. . .there'll be prizes, games and really friendly entertainment for all of you. So make a circle on that calendar and plan to attend. The date again, September 13.

And so, in the meantime, let me, your reporter, join the entire congregation in wishing all of Temple Beth Israel's many friends and neighbors a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

## TEMPLE BETH AHABAH

**Florence H. Weiss, Reporter**

As the days ticked by all too rapidly during August, the Temple staff has worked feverishly to prepare for the coming of September. Exactly what inexplicable phenomenon takes place at synagogues between midnight on August 31 and morning on September 1 to transform them into such hectically active and busy institutions is one of the unsolved mysteries of the century! Nevertheless, Beth Ahabah suffers annually from an "acute attack," from which it usually doesn't recover until December! By then, other projects loom into view, and the "fun" begins all over again. There is one commendation for this procedure, we never—but absolutely never—suffer from boredom! Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur may occupy merely a small niche in the countless calendar of time, but preparing for them at a Temple is a major occupation and gigantic undertaking. Ask us! We expect to have our tasks caught up any year now!

Cantor Joseph L. Portnoy's office was piled so high with Religious School materials and data, which he studied avidly, that he was practically hidden from view. Committee meetings were held, even during the blistering summer days, so that everything would be ready for the opening of the school session in the fall. The teachers were interviewed, curricula were perused and adopted, supplies were ordered, new materials were procured, and arrangements were made for instruction to the staff in the most modern pedagogical techniques. Many wonderful improvements will be inaugurated this year, under Cantor Portnoy's capable guidance, which we know will evoke "interest" and "accrue" to the benefit of the pupils, on

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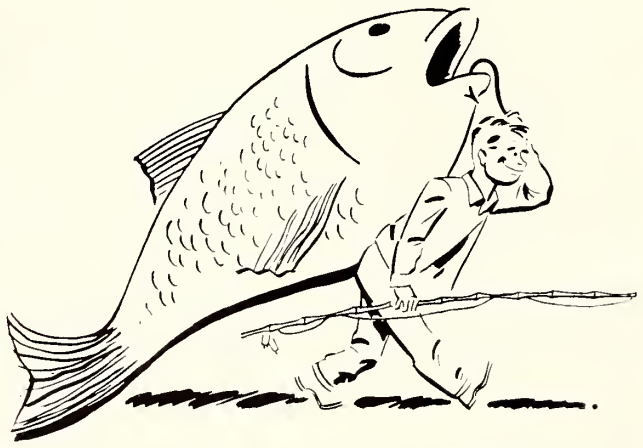

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CLASS OF 1951 — BETH EL TEMPLE SUNDAY SCHOOL

### BETH EL TEMPLE SISTERHOOD

**By Mrs. Allan G. Minko**

Great interest in our community was centered around the Confirmation Service held for the Class of 1951 of Beth-El Temple Sunday School. This splendid class, pictured herewith, was composed of the following members:

Left to right (first row), Ruth Elaine Girshin, Maryon Lisbeth Plotkin, Mariann Betty Bear, Esther Merel Abramson, Eileen Furman, Vera Dale Meyer and Florine Zimmerman.

(Second row), Helen Bette Cohen, Sylvia Carol Troy, Helen Sandra Robinson, Estelle Rachel Greenberg, Marjorie Fratkin, Jean Ann Hodor, Sari Cecille Weinberg and Harriet Lea Meyer.

(Third row), Rosalie Weinberger, Marcia Ann Brown, Carolyn Boxley, Pamela Lynn Abraham, Beverly Ann Lewis, Phyllis Lee Jaffee and Marcia Lee November.

(Fourth row), Stanley Steinberg, Howard Carton Cohen, Louis Joseph Seldes, Morton Weiman, Abby William Moore, Jay Michael Ipson, Sidney Ellis Friedenberg, Mark Nathan Perlin, Robert Maxwell Weinberg and Julian Marvin Stein.

Class Instructors Messrs. Max Lassiter and Robert Eskeles, with Rabbi Michael L. Kurz and Cantor Morris Okun, were instrúmental in making this Confirmation Service a most impressive and beautiful occasion.

Mrs. Herman November, Chairman of Sunday School, and her large committee composed of mothers of confirmands, worked diligently throughout the year on the many, many detailed arrangements necessary for a lovely service as well as reception tendered the honored confirmands by their parents. Our whole-hearted appreciation to Mrs. November and the mothers who so graciously assisted her in this undertaking, and to Mrs. Charles Rosenfeld, co-chairman.

Mr. Harry Lowenstein, President of Temple Beth-El, presented the confirmands with their graduation certificates. Mr. Jack Fine, Principal of the Sunday School, presented the awards. Miss Marianne Betty Bear was the recipient of the first award, the Harold David Green Memorial Plaque for outstanding scholarship. Miss Estelle Rachel Greenberg was awarded the second highest award for scholarship, the Confirmands Silver Cup.

Beth-El Sisterhood will hold its first meeting of the new year on Wednesday, September 19, in the Social Hall of the Temple. At that time schedules as planned by the many committees on activities for the coming year will be presented to the group.

Already active is Mrs. Stanley Wasserman and Mrs. Phil Savage on the first project, the New Year Greetings Booklet. This is a delightful way of greeting friends and relatives. and also provides a successful fund-raising event for Sisterhood. Also Mrs. Phil Kittenplan and Mrs. M. B. Wasserman, chairman of the annual Donor-Torah Luncheon, are busily engaged in plans for this all-important event. This luncheon will be held in the Temple Social Hall on October 31 at 12:30 p.m., and as always, we look forward to an inspiring, stimulating afternoon. Fund-raising events this year are being stressed more than usual, for money raised will go for the new kitchen to be built and equipped in the Temple. Blueprints have been drawn and definite progress has been made toward this goal. Mrs. Henry Fine, our kitchen committee chairman, with the aid of Mr. Irving Abady, representative the of Beth-El Board, have been working continuously throughout the summer months on plans for building and equipping this new and completely modern kitchen to be installed in the Temple for use of its members and the Jewish community whose social affairs are held in the Temple Social Hall.

This fall, under the leadership of Mrs. Henry Schreiberg, adult education chairman for Sisterhood, a leadership training course will be given by a qualified speaker from the National Women's League. This course will take place in November and will be a two-day session. As many members as possible is urged to take advantage of this opportunity for advancement in the "know how" of Sisterhood activities and Temple procedures.

### TEMPLE BETH AHABAH NEWS

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"account" of the time and effort which have been "invested." (Sounds as though somebody around here, not mentioning any names, has financial matters on the brain!)

The four traveling Goldbergs—Daddy Ariel, Mom Fanny, and daughters, Bette and Linda — enjoyed a truly glorious trip all across these fascinating United States. They motored in a leisurely manner out to California and back. Many exciting adventures enriched their journey. The rest and relaxation enabled the good "boss" to return to his exacting rabbinical duties refreshed and invigorated. It was amazing what an accumulation of matters awaited his immediate attention, but he "plowed" into them with real vigor and determination. It just goes to prove what a good vacation will do! (Free plug in favor of vacations!!)

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**THE GAMBLE PAID OFF**—With happiness written across his face, 60-year-old Nathan Buchsbaum (left), of Brooklyn, N. Y., announces that Hersz Siegeltuck, 25, DP arrival from Germany, is his nephew, ending a two-year speculation since the Brooklynite sent for the youth on the chance that the former Nazi victim was his brother's son. Through HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, Buchsbaum learned that Siegeltuch, believed to be his kin, was in a DP camp. The American filed an assurance for his immigration with HIAS, in the hope that the youth was his nephew, and waited. When the ship brought Siegeltuch to New York, the uncle, HIAS officials, and newsmen were on hand to witness the meeting. A few questions and Buchsbaum turned and jubilantly said, "Yes, he's my nephew, all right." Then he added, "But even if he weren't, I still would be happy to make a home for a homeless victim of the war."

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The family of Mrs. Blooma Siegel, of Richmond, honored their mother with a garden party in celebration of her seventy-fifth birthday, on Sunday, August 5. Mrs. Seigel has been a resident of Richmond for the past thirty-five years. Her husband, the late Jacob Siegel moved his family to this city from Baltimore, Md., and have lived here continuously, until his death.

The affair was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Siegel, one of her children, at Oak Lane. The beautiful grounds were the background for the activities, which included a buffet luncheon.

Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren are pictured here. Many old friends of Richmond attended as well as the following guests from other cities. Those in the picture: Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Siegel, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Siegel, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kaminsky, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Raskind, Mr. and Mrs. Manny Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldstein, (daughter) of Washington, D. C., Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Garfinkle, (granddaughter) of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Samuel Behrstock, (daughter) of Los Angeles, California, Mr. Marvin Kay of Jacksonville, Florida (grandson), Mrs. Phillip Cohen of Milwaukee, Wis. The children are Stephen, Susan and John Schwartz, Stuart and Judy Siegel, Linda and Roger Behrstock of Los Angeles, Calif., Willa and Charlotte Siegel, Jeffery and Jay Brown, Phillia and Jay Cohen of Milwaukee, Wis., Ruth Ellen and Harris Raskind with Mrs. Blooma Siegel, a matriarch, center. Out-of-town visitors are nieces and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Siegel of Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Al Siegel of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Michael Miller of Baltimore, Md. Also of the family were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Siegel of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Sonia Siegel of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. William Rosenberg of Baltimore, Md.; Miss Lillian Rosenberg of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. Bernard Goldstein of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Kaminsky of McKeesport, Pa.

## Jewish Calendar

**Rosh Hashonah**—Monday and Tuesday, October 1 and 2.

**Yom Kippur** — Wednesday, October 10.

**First Two Days Succoth**—Monday and Tuesday, October 15 and 16.

**Shemini Atzereth**—Monday, October 22.

**Simchath Torah** — Tuesday, October 23.

**Chanukah**—Monday, December 24, through Monday, December 31.

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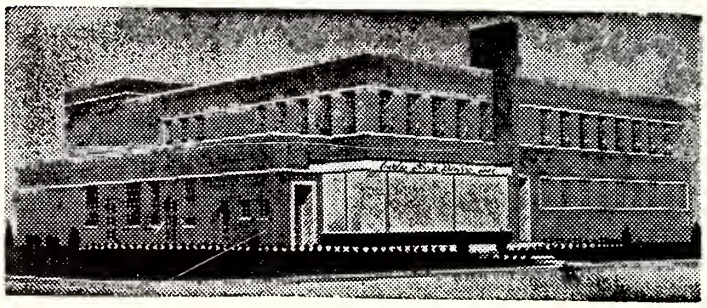

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**ISAAC TOUBIN, assistant executive director of the American Jewish Congress, left on August 3, via Air France, to confer with the leaders of the Jewish communities and World Jewish Congress officials in the United Kingdom, France, Sweden and Israel. He will also visit Germany to obtain firsthand information on the situation in that country.**

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## In Three Years of Israel's Statehood

THE great influx of immigrants into Israel during the past three years was accompanied by a rapid increase in various branches of industry. Many of the new immigrants brought with them not only their industrial skills and experience, but in many cases also equipment and tools. Hundreds of small workshops and factories established by new immigrants have made a great contribution to the economic integration of the new population. In some instances, not only workshops but entire factories were transferred to Israel by Jewish manufacturers from Europe and the U.S.A. (The Sargon Tricot factory at Kfar Saba and the "Anak" zipper plant in Haifa are examples.)

Together with the increase in the number of small and medium-size industrial units, the last year has seen a substantial addition to the country's larger industrial concerns using the latest types of American machinery and mass production techniques.

An example of this type of industrial pioneering is the establishment of the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation, which involved an investment of $1.000,000. This new plant, a partnership between local and American capital, was planned, built and equipped in cooperation with a leading American concern in this field of industry (the General Shoe Corporation of Nashville, Tennessee). Most of the output of the new plant, which began operating in the middle of 1950, is intended for export.

A number of other important industrial undertakings organized on similar lines of cooperation between Israel interests and well-known American firms was initiated in the course of the year. These include the Kaiser-Frazer car assembly plant in Haifa Bay, which is shortly to begin commercial production; the tire manufacturing plants now being built in Petah Tikvah (in cooperation with the General Tire and Rubber Company, of Akron, Ohio), and in Hedera (in cooperation with the Dayton Tire and Rubber Company); the Philco Electric Refrigerators assembly plant (Amcor) of Tel Aviv, which is already producing for local and export markets, and others.

The expansion of consumption goods industries, building industries, agriculture and public works has stimulated a remarkable development of the machinery and metal industries. A "Steel-Town" is under construction in Haifa Bay, the first component of which — a huge pipe manufacturing plant — is now nearing completion; an electric motors factory is under construction in Ramleh. The Migdal-Gad plant for the manufacture of concrete irrigation pipes, will be one of the largest factories of its type in the Middle East, and will supply most of the pipes required for the extensive irrigation schemes in the Negev.

The Initiation Section of the Investment Center has worked out plans for iron foundries and other basic industries for the manufacture of equipment.

A nitrogenous fertilizers factory is being built by Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd., of Haifa, which is already operating two plants for the production of basic chemicals (sulphuric acids, superphosphates). The new plant, manufacturing ammonia fertilizers, will mark a new phase in the industrial development of the country by using nitrogen extracted from the air, and hydrogen derived from a gaseous by-product of oil-cracking at the Haifa refineries. This demonstrates the great potentialities of the by-products and derivatives of oil refining as a source of chemical raw materials.

### INDUSTRIAL GROWTH

The development of Israel's industry is illustrated by the following figures:

| | No. of Plants | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 1948 | 5,347 | 63,111 |
| 1949 to June 30, 1950 | 1,931 | 13,355 |
| Total | 7,278 | 76,466 |

**Consumption of Electric Power by Industry**

| | KWH |
|---|---|
| 1948 | 71,353,000 |
| 1949 | 96,897,000 |
| 1950 (January to October) | 139,000,000 |


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**Investments**

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**MECHANIZATION OF INDUSTRY**

Gross Investments in Industrial Machinery

| Year | Index |
|---|---|
| 1939 | 100 |
| 1946 | 304 |
| 1947 | 406 |
| 1948 | 474 |
| 1949 | 596 |
| 1950 (nine months) | 763 |

**RAW MATERIALS**

The greatest reservoir of Israel's chemical riches—the Dead Sea—has not been exploited ever since hostilities during the War of Liberation interrupted the work of the Palestine Potash Company. Last year negotiations were completed between the Government and the Potash Company for the resumption of activities at the Company's southern plant at S'dom, which is within Israel territory. The Government has agreed to advance a loan of $2,500,000 to the Palestine Potash Company who, for their part, have undertaken to raise by the middle of 1951, an additional $5,000,000 for replacement of plant and participation in the cost of a new road to be built from S'dom to Beersheba. Construction of this new road—half of the cost of which is to be borne by the Company—has already begun. The rich resources of the Dead Sea will, therefore, be placed at the country's service within the near future.

Other valuable mineral assets may be found in the little explored wilderness of the Negev. Recent investigations have already furnished encouraging proof that the country is much richer in mineral resources than had generally been believed. According to the Minister of Finance's statement in the Knesset (Israel Parliament) an oil survey will soon be completed. In the meantime, the Government has decided to set up a special corporation for the development of minerals and kaolin (plastic clay) recently found in the Negev. Kaolin is already being quarried on a commercial scale. This may be the beginning of a new development of great importance for the country's industrial future.

The following is a survey of raw materials found within the territory of Israel; further efforts may bring to light raw materials hitherto unknown.

**MINERAL SUBSTANCES**

Dead Sea Minerals: The Dead Sea is estimated to contain thousands of millions of tons of potassium chloride, magnesium bromide, sodium chloride, magnesium chloride and calcium chloride.

Table Salt: There are evaporation pans at Athlit; rock salt is mined at S'dom (south end of the Dead Sea).

Manganese, baryte, feldspar occur in the Southern Negev near Elath.

Bituminous limestone, gypsum, limestone, dolomite, basalt, puzzuolano, sulphus, phopshates, marble are found in various parts of the country.

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# THE STORY OF IMMIGRATION

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vided with vocational training courses while they were waiting for final settlement.

In 1950 the authorities decided not to wait for the completion of permanent homes, but to transfer the immigrants to transitional settlements (Maabaroth) and work villages near centers where work was available, or on sites planned as future villages or cities. The Maabaroth are made up of families whose head or other members are physically fit for work which is available in the immediate vicinity. Thus the inhabitants of Maabaroth are no longer dependent on charity but earn their living from employment in public works nearby, afforestation and reclamation schemes, irrigation projects, factories, road construction, etc.

The population of a Maabarah varies from 100 to 1,000 families. They are housed in huts, tents, or whatever other accommodation is available, but permanent housing is gradually being provided. It is planned to develop the Maabaroth into agricultural settlements, new suburban areas, or independent townships—dependent on their location. Most of the Maabaroth fall administratively within the communities to which they are attached, i.e., they are governed by the local authority, whether it be municipal or local council, of their neighbors, and they themselves have voting rights as part of these local authorities. Those Maabaroth which are geographically distant from any existing settlement are gradually acquiring independent status as self-governing bodies.

This intermediate stage in the absorption process has proved itself successful in removing the immigrants from non-productive camp life to productive activity, in hastening the process of absorption, and integrating the immigrant more quickly into the life and spirit of the country, in enabling the immigrant himself to create ways and means for his absorption, and finally, in shortening the demoralizing period of idle waiting in the reception camps before final settlement.

As from December, 1950, some immigrant groups were taken directly from the ship to Maabaroth, without first passing through a transient camp, enabling them to start work and become self-supporting immediately on their arrival in the country. More than one-fifth of all the immigrants who arrived in Israel during February, 1951, did not pass through transit camps.

The Maabaroth are provided with health and social services, as well as schools. Financial assistance is provided by the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Israel Government.

As of March 15, 1951, there were 160 Maabaroth in Israel, with a population of 140,000 immigrants. On the same date, there were fifteen transit camps in the country, housing 41,247 immigrants.

### NO UNEMPLOYMENT

One of the remarkable features of the absorption of immigrants in Israel is that despite mass immigration there is practically no unemployment in the country. The number of applicants registered at employment exchanges, which did not exceed 10,000 on any day in December, 1949, declined to 4,400 in September, 1950. Those unemployed for a longer period than eighteen days numbered 4,000 in December, 1949, and only 664 in September, 1950.

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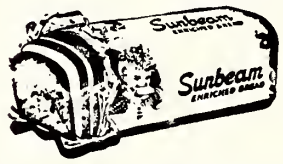


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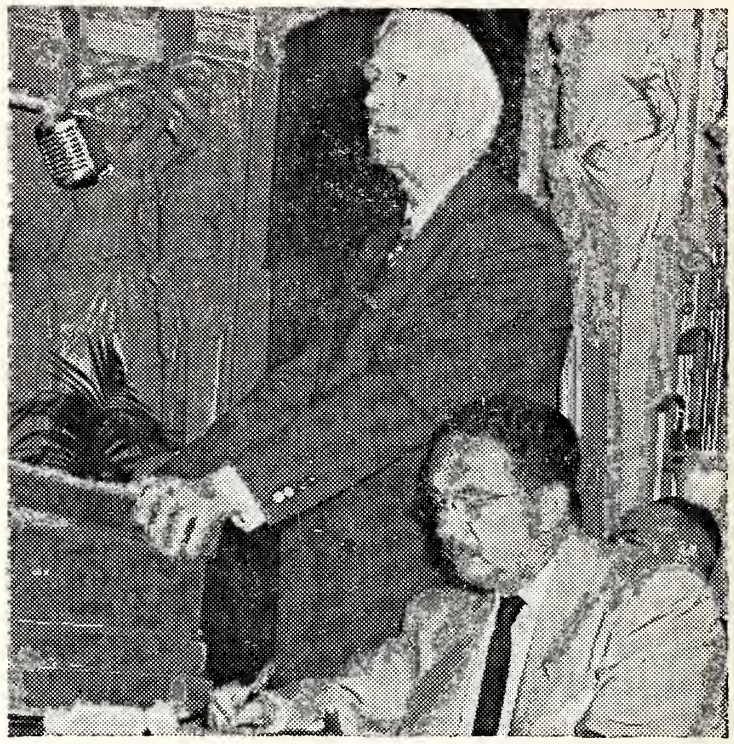

**AN URGENT PLEA FOR SUPPORT by U. S. religious Jewry for the $500,000,000 Israel bond campaign was made by Dr. James G. McDonald, first American Ambassador to Israel, at the opening event of the nationwide campaign by the Mizrachi religious Zionist Organization of America to sell $25,000,000 in bonds as a first contribution to the Israel bond campaign. Dr. McDonald is shown addressing a special bond conference of the Greater New York region of the religious Zionist organization. Participating in the event were Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, national Mizrachi president, Rabbi Max Kirshblum, shown seated, national executive vice-president of Mizrachi, and many leaders of American religious Zionism.**

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# The Weizmann Institute of Science

*By* ERNEST D. BREGMAN

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**Ernest D. Bergmann, Scientific Director of the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovot, joined the staff of the Daniel Sieff Institute in 1934 at the invitation of Dr. Chaim Weizmann. During World War II he collaborated on special research projects with Israel's president-scientist for the Allied Forces. One of the new state's outstanding scientists, he has authored several books and written extensively for scientific journals on various topics in the field of chemistry.—THE EDITOR.**

PEOPLE who like classification ask whether the Weizmann Institute of Science engages in pure or applied research. It seems to me that in a country such as Israel, the question has little point because there is no boundary between pure and applied science.

Scientific research means fundamental research, as opposed to what is commonly called applied research. The latter can mean consulting work and research on problems which are expected to produce practical results. Consulting, which deals with routine problems and reaches solutions quickly in an empirical manner, is not the function of a scientific institution. Research on problems of possible practical applicability can well be carried out within the framework of a scientific institute because such an institute is classified by its methods of research rather than by the subject matter with which it deals; the processes of fundamental research are necessarily slow.

Students of the history of chemistry know that more inventions of practical value have resulted from academic research than from factory investigations. There is a more pressing reason, however, why the Weizmann

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**NAMED TO RABBINIC SCHOOL FACULTY—Added to the teaching staff of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion of Cincinnati and New York during the past year are (left to right, top), Rabbi Hillel A. Fine, Rabbi Eugene Mihaly, Rabbi Ezra Spicehandler, and Max Helfman; and (bottom) Cantor Maurice Ganchoff, Miss Rose Lischner, Alexander L. Ringer and Cantor Wolf Hecker. Rabbis Fine and Mihaly, teaching fellows at Cincinnati this year, have been named instructors there; Rabbi Spicehandler will continue as instructor in New York. Miss Lischner, Cantor Ganchoff, Mr. Helfmam and Mr. Ringer are new members of the faculty of the Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music, and Cantor Hecker, student coach this year, has been named instructor in the School, a part of the College-Institute.**

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# The Cooking Page

With the torrid heat of summer for the most part gone, housewives will welcome the opportunity to get away from the cold menus of the past few months, and come back to the kitchen for more substantial meal-cooking.

**BORSHT**

Take some red beet roots, wash thoroughly and peel, and then boil in a moderate quantity of water from two to three hours over a slow fire, by which time a strong red liquor should have been obtained. Strain off the liquor adding lemon juice, sugar, and salt to taste, and when it has cooled a little, stir in sufficient yolks of eggs to slightly thicken it. May be used either cold or hot. In the latter case a little home-made beef stock may be added to the beet soup.

If after straining off the soup the remaining beet root is not too much boiled away, it may be chopped fine with a little onion, vinegar and dripping, flavored with pepper and salt, and used as a vegetable.

**CHICKEN CROQUETTES**

Cook one-half tablespoon of flour in one tablespoon chicken fat, add one-half cup of soup stock gradually, and one-half teaspoon each of onion juice, lemon juice, salt, and one-quarter teaspoon of pepper, one and one-half cups of veal or chicken, chopped very fine, one pair of brains which have been boiled, mix these well, remove from the fire and add one well-beaten egg. Turn this mixture out into a flat dish and place in ice box to cool. Then roll into small cones, dip in beaten egg, roll again in powdered bread or in cracker crumbs and drop them into boiling fat, fry until a delicate brown.

**SWEETBREAD GLACE**

Put on some poultry drippings to heat in a saucepan, cut up an onion, shredded very fine and then put in the sweetbreads, which have been picked over carefully and lain in salt water an hour before boiling. Salt and pepper the sweetbreads before putting in the kettle, slice two tomatoes on top and cover up tight and set on the back of the stove to simmer slowly. Turn once in a while and add a little soup stock. Boil one-half cup of string beans, half a can of canned peas, one-half cup of carrots, cut up extremely fine, with a tablespoon of drippings, a little salt and ground ginger. When the vegetables are tender, add to the simmering sweetbreads. Thicken the sauce with a teaspoon of flour. Have the sauce boiled down quite thick. Boil the spaghetti in salted water until tender. Serve with the sweetbreads.

**BOILED TONGUE (Sweet and Sour)**

Lay the fresh tongue in cold water for a couple of hours and then put it on to boil in enough water to barely cover it, adding salt. Boil until tender. To ascertain when tender run a fork through the thickest part. A good rule is to boil it, closely covered from three to four hours steadily. Pare off the thick skin which covers the tongue, cut into even slices, sprinkle a little fine salt over each piece and then prepare the following sause: Put one tablespoon of drippings in a kettle or spider (goose fat is very good). Cut up an onion in it, add a tablespoon of flour and stir, adding gradually about a pint of the linquor in which the tongue was boiled. Cut up a lemon in slices, remove the seeds, and add two dozen raisins, a few pounded almonds, a stick of cinnamon and a few cloves. Sweeten with four tablespoons of brown sugar in which you have put one-half teaspoon of ground cinnamon, one tablespoon of molasses and two tablespoons of vinegar. Let this boil, lay in the slices of tongue and boil up for a few minutes.

**SAUERBRATEN**

Take a piece of cross-rib or middle cut of chuck about three pounds, and put it in a deep earthen jar and pour enough boiling vinegar over it to cover; you may take one-third water. Add to the vinegar when boiling four bay leaves, some whole peppercorns, cloves and whole mace. Pour this over the meat and turn it daily. In summer three days is the longest time allowed for the meat to remain in this pickle; but in winter eight days is not too long. When ready to boil, heat one tablespoon drippings in a stew-pan. Cut up one or two onion in it; stew until tender and then put in the beef, salting it on both sides before stewing. Stew closely covered and if not acid enough add some of the brine in which it was pickled. Stew about three hours and thicken the gravy with flour.

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# Israel vs. The Soviet

*By* VICTOR LASKY

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***In Two Parts — Part One***

THE Communist Big Lie technique, never a pretty thing to watch in operation, reached some new extremes in ugliness early this year. The victim this time was the tiny state of Israel. Despite its size (it is somewhat smaller than Massachusetts) and its scant population (less than Detroit's), Israel is the only functioning democracy in the Near East and a military power to be reckoned with in that part of the world. In recent months, a savage propaganda assault against Israel has been launched by the Soviet Union and its satellites. In a broadcast that sounded very reminiscent of Goebbels, the Hungarian radio attacked "the international Jewish bourgeoisie and the international Jewish speculator who cooperate with the West German government." At the same time, the communists had the gall to accuse the Israeli government of acting like the nazis! They accused Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion of "cooperating with the nazi clique of Western German in order to prepare a new slaughter of the Jews."

What has brought on this suddenly-stepped-up campaign? The answer is a simple one. For some time after the state of Israel was founded in 1948, the communists expected—or at least hoped—to conquer it from within. It is now sufficiently clear that they will not be able to do this. In the general elections to the Israeli Knesset (Parliament) in January, 1949, the communists got only 3.7 per cent of the vote. (Out of 130 Knesset seats, the communists have three.) In the Municipal elections of November, 1950, they dropped to 2.4 per cent. The Israeli trade unions, meanwhile, were loudly withdrawing from the communist-dominated World Federation of Trade Unions. The government, strengthen by a $100,000,000 American loan, was accused by Russia of "cringing before Washington," and its Foreign Minister was called a "malicious babler" and a "liar" by Moscow.

Unable to take over Israel through its own fifth columnists, Moscow was turning on the heat from outside.

The Soviet Union followed the United States in granting recognition to the new State of Israel in the spring of 1949. During most of that year, the Soviets very ostentatiously boasted that they were the best friend of the new republic. Relations with the communist satellites were also quite friendly; some of the armament used in the early days of the Arab-Israel war had come from Czechoslovakia. In mid-1948, Russian prestige in Israel was almost as high as that of the United States.

But the experienced Zionists at the head of the Israeli government had no illusions about this "honeymoon." They knew that a whole generation of Russian Zionists had died in Stalin's forced labor camps. They knew that the communists had always regarded Zionism as a peculiarly vicious

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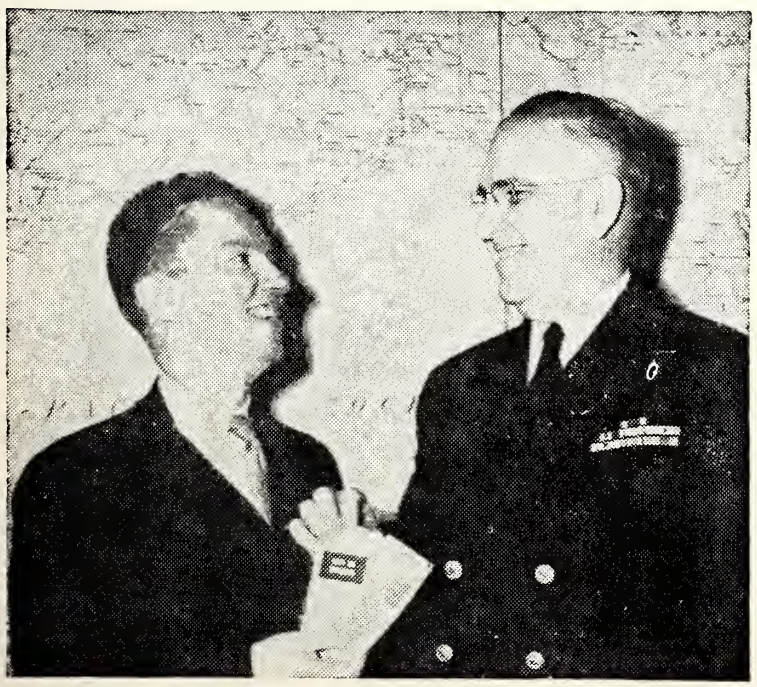

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**Protestant, Catholic and Jewish leaders have joined in preparing a series of pamphlets on the general theme, "Why We Fight," for distribution among personnel of the American armed services. The pamphlets are issued by the Commission on Religious Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Picture shows Rear Admiral Stanton W. Salisbury, Chief of Navy Chaplains and chairman of the Armed Forces Chaplains Board accepting the brochures from Allyn Robinson, director of the Commission. "These pamphlets clearly indicate that a belief in God is the real basis and motive in our struggle against aggression," Admiral Salisbury said.**

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## They Speak for Israel . . . in Washington

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to Palestine where he was an instructor at Ben Shemen until 1935. He was later with the Jewish Agency helping to plan agricultural settlements, then joined the Research Station at Rehobot where he was engaged in farm management research. Between 1942 and 1950 he was agricultural adviser to the Anglo-Palestine Bank, and since the establishment of Israel has served with the Government's Coordinating Center and as a director of the Agricultural Bank.

The only woman member of Israel's diplomatic mission in Washington is Miss Esther Herlitz, First Secretary. Born in Germany, she came to Palestine as a child, and was graduated from the Hebrew Teachers College in Jerusalem. In 1942, she joined the British Army (A.T.S.), served in Palestine and Egypt, and was discharged in 1946 as a Lieutenant. She was employed by the Palestine Government as a resettlement officer for veterans, and in 1947 became secretary for the Arab Affairs Division in the Jewish Agency's Political Department. With the establishment of Israel, she joined its defense forces and was second in command of a Women's Battalion (Chen) in Jerusalem. Later she became Deputy Head of the Foreign Ministry's United States Division. In 1949 she was an adviser to the Israel Delegation at the UN, and last December she was named to her post in Washington.

Meir Shalit, First Secretary, is a native of Kovno, Lithuania, where he was born in 1921 and brought to Palestine as a child. He attended the Agricultural School at Pardes Hanna, served with the British Army in the Middle East during the war and with the Jewish Brigade in Europe, and was discharged in 1946 with the rank of Captain. Early in 1948 he joined the Israel defense forces as battalion adjutant and later became General Staff Liaison Officer with the UN observers in Israel. He entered the Israel diplomatic service and was appointed to Washington in the fall of 1949.

The Military Attache's two assistants are Wing Commander Yehuda Giladi and Lt. Col. Joseph Porath. Giladi, born in Tel Aviv 34 years ago, studied aeronautical engineering at the University of London and worked in England during the war as an aircraft designer. In 1946 he returned to Palestine, served in the Haganah and later in the Israel Air Force as deputy director of engineering. In 1949 he was named Assistant Air Attache with the Embassy.

Porath was appointed Assistant Military Attache in the summer of 1950. During World War II he was staff captain with a branch of General Headquarters of the British Middle East Forces. From the beginning of the War of Liberation in Israel in 1948 he was connected with the organization of the Israel Army's General Staff and later headed the Staff Duties Branch.

Washington's officialdom and its huge diplomatic corps have long ago accepted Israel's diplomats into their midst, almost as old-timers at the game of diplomacy. They have long since ceased to regard them as upstarts or the newest wonder of the world. These are the people who speak for Israel in Washington. They enjoy honor and esteem, but one should not overlook the arduous nature of their tremendous responsibilities, particularly at this time of general world tension and uncertainty.

## Industrial Development

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**VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES**

Citrus fruits are used as raw materials in a number of industries e. g., citrus by-products, pharmaceutics, alcohol, etc.).

The huge Hule peat deposits, estimated at tens of millions of tons, are not yet being utilized.

Valonea, a material employed in the tanning industry, occurs in some parts of the country.

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**ANIMAL SUBSTANCES**

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# PORTSMOUTH, VA., NEWS

**Irma Koff, Reporter**

By now, vacations are finished and everyone in Portsmouth is anxiously awaiting the opening gun for the fall season of social and organizational activities.

### JEWISH WAR VETERANS AND AUXILIARY

Tidewater Post No. 453, Jewish War Veterans and Ladies' Auxiliary, played host to more than 200 delegates and guests at the state convention, August 4 and 5, at the Suburban Country Club.

Highlight of the convention was an address by National Commander Henry Albert, of New York.

Bert Levitin, of Portsmouth, was installed as department commander.

The local JWV Post has donated $100 of its Charity Fund to the Mo-Kan Post No. 605, JWV, for aid to flood-stricken peoples in that area.

### JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

As of August 1, $21,600 worth of bonds for Israel had been sold in Portsmouth under the sponsorship of the Jewish Community Council. Robert Epstein is chairman with Mrs. Ruth Silverman, secretary.

The Portsmouth Jewish Community Council also joined with Norfolk in sponsoring a dance held at Virginia Beach, August 19, for the sale of bonds.

The local Community Council will hold a meeting early in September to accelerate the UJA drive. In addition the UJA regional meeting, with over 500 delegates from Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, and the Carolinas, will be held at the Suburban Country Club, September 16. Local arrangements are being made by Sol Fass and Meyer H. Jacobson.

Through the auspices of the Community Council, many bundles of clothing have been sent to Israel.

Plans are being discussed for the erection of a new Jewish Community Center.

Rabbi Maurice Schwartz, who was studying in Chicago during the summer, and Cantor Paul Grob, who was studying in New York, both returned to Portsmouth in August.

### HADASSAH

The opening meeting of the Portsmouth Chapter of Hadassah will be held September 24. At that time, a report of the Fortieth National Convention, held in Atlantic City, will be given.

A new membership lawn party was held in August at the home of Mrs. Bernard Levin. Mrs. Bernard Rivin was chairman.

The chapter is looking forward to a year of successful activity.

### AZA

The AZA boys held a hayride and weiner roast in August. The first fall meeting will be early in September and the group will have a program of active cultural and religious work.

### B'NAI B'RITH MEN

Members of the Sol Fass Lodge of B'nai B'rith (Portsmouth), were hosts to the state executive committee meeting, August 19, at the Suburban Country Club.

The first meeting of the fall season will be September 26, with an interesting program planned.

### B'NAI B'RITH GIRLS

The girls continued their good work in the community during the summer season and will hold their first fall meeting in September.

### HEBREW LADIES' AID SOCIETY

This organization will hold its first fall meeting in September.

### B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN

B'nai B'rith Women of Portsmouth will hold its first donor luncheon on Wednesday, September 19, at 1 p.m., at the Suburban Country Club. Mrs. Carl March is chairman.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. R. J. Gordon, a group of B'nai B'rith Women served supper at the USO one night in August.

This organization has also continued other active work during the summer by taking care of bookings and appointments at the Portsmouth Chapter American Red Cross Blood Bank and handling reception work on Blood-


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**ZOA**

Installation of new officers will take place at the September meeting, with Dave Friedman, of Norfolk, installing the officers.

Hilliard Shapiro, president-elect, will give a report at the meeting on his recent trip to Israel.

**JUNIOR HADASSAH**

A tea for new members will be held September 9 with Edith Farfel and Gloria Stein as co-chairmen.

Plans are being made for the annual Junior Hadassah Autum Ball at the Suburban Country Club, October 27. Frances Chernack is chairman.

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**William A. London, Correspondent**

Bernard Levitin, of Portsmouth, was elected Commander of the Department of Virginia Jewish War Veterans of U.S.A., at the seventh Annual Convention, on Sunday, August 5, which was held at the very beautiful Suburban Country Club in Portsmouth. Others elected to serve for the ensuing year are: Jack Greene of Newport News, senior vice-commander; Irving Krukin of Norfolk, junior vice-commander; and Eli Feldman of Richmond, junior vice-commander. Commander Levitin appointed Melvin H. Ornoff and Elmer Moxley, both of Portsmouth, to serve as adjutant and quartermaster, respectively. They were installed with fitting ceremonies by National Vice-Commander Morton Spigel of Newport News. A Past Department Commander's Button was presented, posthumously, on behalf of our deceased comrade, Dr. Yale Passamaneck, to his widow; but in her absence, same was received by Morton E. Gottlieb, Commander of Post No. 155.

National Executive Committeeman, Sam R. Heller, of Norfolk, presented three citations, in the form of plaques, issued by National Headquarters for outstanding services rendered to the Blood Bank, to Old Dominion Post No. 158 of Norfolk, to Dr. Bernard D. Pack of Richmond, and Sidney Flum of Norfolk.

The Convention was honored by such distinguished guests as National Commander Henry Albert of Flushing, New York, and Department Commander Leon Sachs of Pennsylvania.

The principal speaker was National Commander Albert; he stated that we, Americans, have failed to furnish the moral and spiritual leadership to the world. He cited the expulsion of 90 West Point Cadets for cheating; the revelations of the recent Kefauver investigation; and the continuing scandal of college basketball fixing, as examples of America's failure.

Concerning the West Point expulsions, Albert said he was "shocked" that those men who will be the future generals of the country are unworthy of trust. He added, "What can we offer to American Youth when the finest of our youth are guilty of such conduct?" The Kefauver investigation made it

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clear, he said, that "in a democracy it is imperative that public officials who betray their trust should be expelled from office." Albert urged his listeners "to do those things which promote the spiritual, moral and ethical conduct of the life of the country." That is the America which God created and to which the world looks, he concluded, "Until such time as America fulfills this destiny we have no right to enjoy America, nor can we as Americans feel we have done our jobs."

For the Department of Virginia, J.W.V.A., Mrs. Alma Legum, of Norfolk, was elected president. Other officers elected are: Mrs. Rose Friedman, of Norfolk, senior vice-president; Mrs. Mollie Sparhn, of Richmond, junior vice-president, and Mrs. Naomi Aaron, of Richmond, treasurer.

Everyone who attended this two-day convention was impressed and thrilled with the colorful reception accorded them by Tidewater Post No. 453, hosts for the occasion.

Meyer H. Jacobson, general chairman, was responsible for the excellent food and refreshments which were served at the luncheon and reception. He and his committee certainly deserve favorable commendation for such grand social functions. The committee consisted of Albert Greenhood, Sidney Keller, Bernard Lein, Curtis Coan, Joseph Reshfesky, Bernard Levitin, Jerome Weiss, Melvin Ornoff, Larry Klein, Howard Rubin, Al Ruden, Dave Frand, and of course, the many ladies of the Auxiliary.

Saturday, the fourth, was given entirely to social activities; bathing in the spacious club pool, games, reception, cocktails and a dance. On Sunday, the business sessions started at 10:00 a.m., and after the election of officers, luncheon was served to about 125 persons.

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Mechanization of agriculture, which will be greatly speeded as a result of the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Issue, has made significant strides since the State was established. The number of tractors has increased by 303 per cent (from 439 to 1,770), and the number of combines is now 554, as compared with 206 (an increase of 169 per cent).

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# WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

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Institute of Science should limit its activity to fundamental research, especially in the early years of its development. The reputation of a scientific institution is essentially based on its achievement in fundamental research; if we disregard this principle now, we shall never be able to establish our standing among research groups in other countries.

It is axiomatic today that no scientific institute can exist in a vacuum outside the complex problems with which its homeland is faced. In the past the Weizmann Institute has done its share in peace and war; it will continue to do so in the future; however, it will not be able to achieve its aims without good standing in the scientific world, a standing which must be based on scientific performance.

The Institute is meant to be a center for Jewish scholars who would like to give their knowledge and experience to the new State. Together with the other Israel institutions of higher learning, it will prove that the Jewish people as a people can contribute to the common goal of civilized nations. It is hoped that it will also be able, in ever-increasing measure, to attract non-Jewish scholars from abroad, and in this way to create a more cordial relationship between Jewish scholars and non-Jewish seats of learning than has existed heretofore.

It is our earnest hope that the work of the Weizmann Institute, in addition to contributing to Israel's development, will also benefit the entire Middle East, especially those countries which are at the same stage of evolution as Israel but which have been able, fortunately, to advance more slowly, without being subjected to the great pressures brought to bear on Israel.

It should be emphasized that many of the problems with which the Weizmann Institute, as well as the country itself are faced, are not necessarily confined to the region of the Middle East. They occur elsewhere too, in such diverse areas as India and South America. Solutions which we hope to find for these problems in Israel may prove of great importance to other countries.

**Importance of Research**

One of Dr. Chaim Weizmann's first Zionist precepts, from which he has never departed, was that scientific research must precede every practical enterprise. In advocating the creation of the Hebrew University, he conceived it as a research institute; and when for a variety of reasons that conception had to be dropped and the University allowed to develop into a teaching institution, Weizmann implemented his original idea at the Daniel Sieff Research Institute.

The Sieff Institute was founded at a time when Jewish settlement in Palestine was almost entirely agricultural. The purpose of the Institute was to prepare the foundation for the industrial evolution of the country which was bound to begin if large numbers of immigrants were to be absorbed in a relatively short time. The industrialization of a country does not mean merely the collection of data and the mapping of techniques; it demands a mental preparation far different from that required in agricultural planning. The brief history of the Sieff Research Institute, and of the Weizmann Institute of which it has now become a part, justifies the vision of the founders. In 1933 they built a modern scientific institute in what was then an unoccupied section of the sandy, Eastern, Mediterranean littoral.

One of the characteristic projects with which the Institute dealt from the outset was based on the premise that agriculture, which for sociological reasons had to be a mainspring of Jewish resettlement in Palestine, had not proved to be a paying proposition anywhere in the world for the past twenty-five years. This fact was constantly quoted as an argument against the Zionist rebuilding effort.

Analysis showed, however, that this phenomenon was not an inherent weakness of agriculture, but was due more to the fact that agricultural products flowed only into one market, the food market, the most unstable of all markets. If another outlet could be found for agricultural products, the position of agriculture might well become more balanced.

The chemical industry offered such an outlet of unlimited capacity, and the problem to be considered, therefore, was: How could agricultural products form the starting materials for the chemical industry?

Perhaps the most important attempt in this field, thus far, was the fermentation process which Dr. Weizmann established before the first World War, and which was used during and after that war for the production of acetone and butyl alcohol. Fermentation processes are capable of converting sugar, starch or cellulose into the same chemical products which are normally produced from coal or petroleum. But vegetable life is inexhausti-

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ble, and agricultural products such as sugar have the great advantage over coal and petroleum sources in that they are continuously being reformed by nature. By using coal or petroleum, man lives on his capital; whereas by utilizing carbohydrates, he lives on revenue.

The Weizmann fermentation process was important not only because its products and their derivatives were valuable to industry; it was the first time that a bacterium was deliberately used as a reagent for the performance of chemical processes on an industrial scale. This was the beginning of a trend of thought, which in America led to the development called chemurgy, i. e., the science which utilizes agricultural products as raw materials for the chemical industry. The idea has particular significance in such countries poor in coal or oil (the traditional raw materials of the chemical industry) as Israel and India, and many South American territories.

During the Second World War, Dr. Weizmann outlined an unorthodox plan for the industrial development of the British Commonwealth, which rejected the fundamental importance commonly placed on coal and petroleum as sources of fuel and power. He suggested basing the future development of Commonwealth industries on fermentation processes and, therefore, essentially on the rich vegetation of the African Continent. It is quite possible that the proposal which Weizmann made has been adopted in the much-discussed new Empire defense plans, in which the African Continent plays a central role.

It is interesting to note that Dr. Weizmann's original interest in fermentation was based on the desire to produce synthetic rubber. This occurred early in the twentieth century when there was a sudden increase in the price of natural rubber. The project was pushed into the background by further developments which concentrated on the primary products,

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# ISRAEL vs. THE SOVIET

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form of bourgeois nationalism, and that it was a criminal offense in Russia to advocate a Jewish State. They knew that this was hardly a firm basis on which to develop friendship with the Soviet Union. Even worse — in recent years there had been a long series of reports coming out of Russia about a new, government-encouraged anti-Semitism. To listen to the communists trumpeting their claims, one would think that the Soviet Union was the greatest champion of minority groups in all history. But here is what the American Jewish Committee reports in its *Year Book:*

"In the Soviet Union there are no longer any Jewish newspapers or magazines, any Jewish schools, any Jewish welfare, fraternal, or social organizations; the existence of synagogues and religious communities outside of Moscow is dubious. In the satellite countries, all Jewish political groups, including the extreme left-wing Zionists, are prohibited . . . Religious communities are still allowed to exist and to conduct religious services, if they closely follow the communist 'peace' propaganda. But religious practices are discouraged by the pressure of the government-manipulated public opinion. Religious thinking is considered reactionary.

"Anti-Semitism is still officially outlawed in all Soviet-dominated countries and open anti-Jewish demonstrations or riots are not reported . . . But the campaign against 'Jewish nationalism' and 'Jewish cosmopolitanism' has some distinctly anti-Jewish overtones . . . In the Soviet Union, almost all Jews have disappeared from leading political, diplomatic, and military positions, and according to reliable reports, men of Jewish origin are banned from certain branches of the armed forces, of the civil service, and of some institutions of higher education."

With this information under their belts, it was hardly surprising that the more sophisticated Zionists were never too optimistic about establishing genuinely friendly relations with Stalin's Russia.

It was the intention, or at least the hope, of the Israeli government to steer clear of the cold war, to avoid taking sides. But the Russians, unfortunately, do not recognize neutrals in the cold war. From the first, there were faint rumblings of dissatisfaction with Israel in the Soviet press. At the end of 1948, when a series of diplomatic maneuvers suddenly brought the number of nations recognizing the new state up to thirty-five, the Russian newspapers failed even to mention the fact. That was an ominous sign.

There was another ominous sign at this time. The Soviet regime suddenly began stepping up its propaganda against Zionism. A government pamphlet outlining Russia's latest views on Palestine made its appearance, and 150,000 copies were quickly distributed in Moscow alone. The pamphlet defined Zionism as a "reactionary, anti-democratic trend of the Jewish bourgeoisie," and said that it "attempts to distract the Jewish toilers from the class struggle." Getting down to business, the pamphlet then made the wild charge, "The imperialists are striving to carve up Palestine into British and American spheres of influence." As a solution, it urged that Israel walk into the lion's den by signing a "friendship pact with the Soviet Union and the countries of the new democracy."

The breaking point, however, came in February, 1949, when the United States formally announced that it was making a loan of $100,000,000 to Israel. Shortly after that happened, the Soviet minister to Israel was re-

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The Jewish Community Center is losing no time in planning its activities for the coming season. Plans for the Kindergarten (this will be its fourth season) are under way, as well as committees working on Foreign Films (third season, subscription basis as well as individual admissions at the door). The Marriage and the Family Institute, so successful last spring, will be renewed with physicians, and social workers participating.

Ruth Gruber, author of "Israel Without Tears," spoke to a group of workers on July 24 who will be working on the Israeli Bond Drive.

Council of Jewish Women's Annual Summer Dance held at the Hotel Chamberlain, Old Point Comfort for the local Sick Loan Shelf was a social and financial success. A wonderful turnout made the evening the social affair of the summer.

During the Summer, every Thursday and Friday is Rummage Sale day for the joint efforts of Hadassah and Council of Jewish Women, with both organizations sharing in the profits.

Jack Rubin has been named vice-chairman of the Bonds of Israel drive, it was announced yesterday by Ben Levinson, chairman.

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# ROANOKE, VA.

**Mrs. Ralph Katz, Reporter**

My, my, here it is September already and our community has many happy memories of days and evenings spent at Green Hill Country Club—memories of out-of-town guests, of picnics, games, Saturday night dances, the Thursday night supper, the bazaar. Although these good times were memorable enough to last until next summer, they no longer have to, many new facilities have been added recently and the Club will now be open the year around.

This is the time of year when our clubs and organizations resume activity. Not that all work stops for the summer months. Mrs. Peter Meyers, president of Hadassah, had already held board meetings in her home to plan the year's program. She has issued her President's Message thus: "The meetings and activities which are a part of every Hadassah member's obligations seems so distant in the warm, lazy days of summer. But within a few weeks your board members will be planning the year's schedule, looking ahead to all the things that must be done to make next year a successful one. I am certain that when you are called upon to help with the actual work involved you will respond most willingly.

"Israel, as you know, needs our help even more desperately now, as it strives towards making itself a strong nation. But, let us not lose sight of the fact that even as we help Israel, the nation, so we help Israelites, the individuals of that nation. That peculiar sense of kinship which we Jews feel toward one another makes me confident that you will strengthen the bonds with the work that you will be called upon to do. The experiences themselves will not only aid Hadassah and Israel, but will give you as a persons, rich, satisfying reward."

The following officers will serve for the coming year: President, Mrs. Peter Myers; first vice-president, Mrs. Morris Masinter; second vice-president, Mrs. Stuart Felton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Cecil Blum; recording secretary, Mrs. Bernard Katz; financial secretary, Mrs. Jack Berman; treasurer, Mrs. Harry Katz.

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On June 24 at 4:00 p.m., Miss Carol Wintner and Norton Rosenberg were married by Rabbi Abraham Nowak in the garden of the home of the bride's parents on Perth Ave., New Rochelle, New York.

Mr. Rosenberg is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rosenberg of this city and Mrs. Rosenberg is the daughter of


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Miss Debby Eltinger of New Rochelle was maid of honor. She wore an ankle length gown of blue and carried an old-fashioned bouquet of flowers in tones of blue and lavendar.

Maury Lee Strauss of Roanoke was his cousin's best man. Ushers were Malcolm Rosenberg and Robert Rosenberg of Roanoke, cousins of the bridegroom.

After the wedding a reception was given in the garden by the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg left for a wedding trip to Bermuda after which they will make their home in Roanoke.

The bride is a graduate of Hollis College and the bridegroom attended V.P.I. and the University of Virginia.

Others attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Lake Rosenberg, Miss Mildred Ann Rosenberg, Mrs. Max Rosenberg, Mrs. Rose Strauss, Mrs. Maury Lee Strauss, Miss Frances Rosenberg, Miss Elaine Rosenberg, Bobby Rosenberg of Miami, Florida, and Miss Lillie Wilson.

Mrs. Harry Rosenberg held open house in honor or the couple at 2621

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Wycliffe Avenue, her home.

Miss Evelyn Adele Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wallace of Pulaski, and Stuart M. Shapiro of Miami, Florida, were married June 30.

The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Tobias Rothenberg in the Pine Room of Hotel Roanoke. Wedding music was presented by Miss Nancy Mitchell and Mrs. Robert Wallace.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a blue ballerina length gown of taffeta embroidered with pearls and beads, matching gloves and a headband with a short veil. She carried a Bible topped with a white orchid showered with stephanotis.

Miss Frankie DeHaven of Pulaski, was maid of honor. She wore a gown of orchid taffeta and net and carried a summer bouquet of mixed flowers.

Junior bridesmaid was Patricia Lee Wallace, niece of the bride. She wore a gown of embroidered pink organdie and carried a nosegay of summer flowers.

Lester Shor of Miami served as best man. Ushers were Martin J. Harris of Roanoke and David Siglin of Pulaski.

The bride's parents entertained with a reception after the ceremony in the Railroad Room of the Hotel.

The couple then left for a wedding trip to Asheville, N. C. They are residing in Savannah, Georgia.

The bride attended William and Mary College and is a graduate of the University of Miami. The bridegroom attended the University of Havana, Cuba.

The stork has been busy in Roanoke. Latest additions are a son to Rabbi and Mrs. Benno Wallach, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Rosenstein, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Bernstein, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Benswanger. Congratulations to all of them.

Open house was held at the Temple Emanuel Sunday, August 5, from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m., in honor of the birth of the son of Rabbi and Mrs. Benno Wallach.

Congratulations are in order to Kenrose Manufacturing company on its purchase of the space formerly occupied by the Contintental Can company.

It is with deep sorrow that our community received the passing of Mrs. Sol Rosenberg. We offer condolences to Mr. Sol Rosenberg.

### SCRAP COLLECTING VENTURE BUILT INTO BIG BUSINESS

**By Gene Bennett**

When Jacob Brenner came to this country as a young man of 23 he was street-shy, somewhat afraid to wander along the sidewalks of the strange land, so different from his native Latvia.

The young man had reason to be frightened; but his mistake was in generalizing his fears.

The year was 1906 when he landed in Baltimore, a lively port city, haven for the refugees of despair, running from Europe to the land of freedom and opportunity.

Russia was at war with Japan at the time and Latvians, as good citizens of their mother country "had to do their share." But they didn't like it. There was nothing but gun-powder hatred between the civilians and the military. There was always shooting. The dead, fruit of this conflict, were strewn about the streets of young Jacob's village.

Many times as a troop train passed through the village, civilians and soldiers would exchange greetings with bullets.

Thus, with some justification, young Jacob generalized and thought shooting and warfare was as natural as the weather, peculiar to no one nation, common to all.

He learned quickly, however, that things were different here.

Now, when the heavyset, grayhaired man walks through the streets of Roanoke, he is greeted with the sound of "Hello, Jake," not the sound of rifle fire.

Brenner arrived in America with a young plumber's skill in his hands and settled in Hagerstown, Md. If not for the impatience and persistence of his brother he might still be a plumber—a master plumber, undoubtedly.

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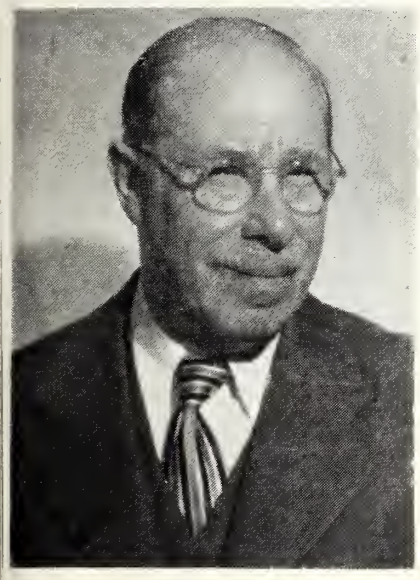
junk business. His initial venture didn't last long—intricacies of family relationships—and Brenner was on his way to Roanoke in 1916.

Roanoke was still a young town when Brenner arrived. He opened a yard at Park street and Norfolk avenue. He had two horses, two wagons,



JACOB BRENNER

a strong back and first-grade-steel determination. That was his capital.

For a number of years with the aid of one, then two and gradually other employes he made trips by wagon to surrounding areas within a radius of 100 miles. Gradually his business expanded. It wasn't an overnight success. There were the difficulties, the problems, the worries. But Brenner enterprises grew with Roanoke.

Today, 35 years later, things are different. Where there was a strong, husky young man, there is a man of 66, a little tired and recently recovered from an illness; where there was one yard in Roanoke there are now two, along with other business interests; where there were two wagons and a handful of employes there are now 15 trucks and some 60 employes.

Today the Roanoke Scrap Iron and Metal company can report a volume of business that totaled about $750,000 in 1950.

From a small yard in 1916 Brenner enterprises have expanded until it now includes the Roanoke Scrap Iron and Metal Co., the Roanoke Steel and Mill Supply Co., and in Galax, the Brenner Iron and Steel Co. Brenner's son, Udell, also has entered the brokerage business in junk.

Brenner, who lives at 806 Marshall Ave., S. W., is married and has three children—two daughters and a son. He is a member of Beth Israel Synagogue and the Elks.

The Brenners, who went to the same school in their native village but were only casual friends, reached the "serious stage" only after coming to the United States. They celebrated their forty-second wedding anniversary on June 29.

Ill for the past few years, Brenner has been forced to relax his efforts in business. But he still comes each day to "look things over," to speak to the people who have helped build his business.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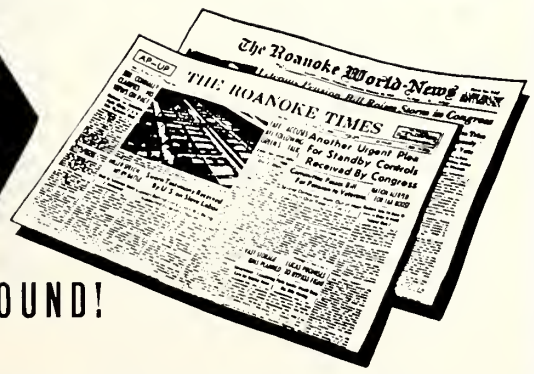

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As Brenner leaves the yard, somewhat reluctantly, he said simply, "there isn't much for me to do now. My son does everything. He wants me to rest."

Behind the words you see that the 35 years in the junk business has tuned his mind and body to activity, which can't be ignored. You also see the initial ambition which has never left his mind and body.

## Fun, Feast and Fast

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without fail had a common topic to discuss.

"Did you see Frankie Fay's eye the next day? Was that a beaut! What did you hit him with, David?"

"And boy, did you bang up Mickey but good!" I said to Abe. We also talked about the damage passed on to Pasty, the sourpuss.

We laughed about it for years, but beneath the laughter there were no signs of the tears I went to sleep with, the dry tears that made me think of the sorrowful state of affairs which brought about the deliverance of a Jew, one Reb Moishe, on the Rosh Hashonah of my first semester in secondary school of learning.

Yes, the fun, feasting and fasting—The Three F's—had assumed another connotation for me on this Rosh Hashonah. The fury, fire and firmness to stand one's ground and not be removed from this earth replaces the whimsy of a fuzz-faced youth who saw the light and followed the path it brightened so possessively.

## Fayetteville, N. C.

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Corps and recenty returned from the Korean battlefront.

. . .Pvt. Theodore Gross formerly of Ft. Bragg, now serving in Korea, and Miss Harriette Weiss of Flushing, N.Y., whose engagement has just been announced.

**Condolences to:**

. . .David Shavitz of Fayetteville, and member of the JWB Armed Services Committee here, on the passing of his beloved wife, Ruth, after a lengthy illness. Rabbi Alstet of Beth Israel conducted the funeral services. Mourned by all, Mrs. Shavitz was a young woman who had a host of friends in this entire area.

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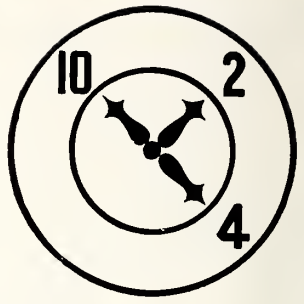

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## WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

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acetone and butyl alcohol, but was revived at the Sieff Research Institute. New suggestions and ideas were formulated on the subject of synthetic rubber, and certain important suggestions which Dr. Weizmann made during World War II were based on his work of the Institute.

**Agricultural Products for Industry**

Another example of the use of agricultural products as a potential industrial starting material is provided by "oil-cakes," the residues of the edible oil industry.

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# LYNCHBURG, VA., NEWS

**Mrs. Gishy Adler Aronson, Reporter**

The leaders of the Sisterhood are not marking time this summer but are active in their meetings to further plans for the annual Sisterhood Bazaar which takes place this fall. Mr. Sylvan Lichtenstein, president of the organization, hopes to make the undertaking the most successful ever. Mrs. Joan Demsky, head of the Ways and Means Committee, is grateful for the interest and able resistance of her many co-workers. One of the delightful summertime meetings was held at the home of Elizabeth Lichtensein, where some of the girls excitedly discussed plans, and indulged in cool refreshments. Here's good luck to a most worthy project.

As I sit here with a copy of the Holiday Magazine in my lap I think of all the exotic and wonderful places I'd like to visit. As I ponder, everybody else is on the grand exodus, fleeing Lynchburg for the beaches, the cities or the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schewel spent a week at the Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach, where I understand they danced to their heart's content. Atlantic City played host to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ross and their daughter, Jeannie, in the playground of the world. Mr. and Mrs. Julius Demsky attended the beautiful formal wedding of Mr. Demsky's sister, Bernice, in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Shapiro went to the "big city." Mrs. Helene Schewel and son have returned home from a visit with Mrs. Schewel's mother. Dr. Dave Amowitz spent some time in Maplewood, New Jersey. Mrs. Jeanette Rosen has returned to her home on Leggates Road, after a trip to Long Island, N. Y. Leaving for Florida are congenial couples Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Schewel and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Samuels. Home on furlough leave is Lieutenant-Colonel Isaac Hoppenstein. "Hoppy" looks fine and everybody is glad to see him. Abe M. Schewel was named a member of the Virginia Committee for the second annual B'nai B'rith Institute of Judaism held at Wildacres, N. C., for four days, which began August 1. Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein visited her daughters, Lois, in Washington, and Mrs. Armand Kovitz in Pennsyvania.

Instead of snooping around town for more news I found it cooler to visit the lakes and commune with nature. While basking in the rays of midday sun at Timber Lake I chanced upon Barbara Lee and her pleasant husband, Dean, who were going row boating. Across the water within yelling distance sat Dolly Kulman's son, Edward, trying to catch fish. Heckling each other and a jovial threesome were Zela Ross, Irene Shapiro and Joan Demsky at my side. Coming down to say hello was Phyllis Feinman who was home on vacation from Washington, D. C.

We are all thinking of Meyer Cohen, who has been ill, and wishing him a speedy recovery. Also Mrs. S. Scheinberg, who has been convalescing at the University of Virgina Hospital.

Appointment of Elliot S. Schewel as Blood Program chairman and Lee C. Tait as blood donor recruitment chairman for 1951-52, was announced by Thomas Mason, chairman of Lynchburg Red Cross Chapter.

**Obituary**

Rabbi Dave M. Somers, 70, of 114 Clay Street, passed away at Memorial Hospital after an illness of one month.

Born in Russia in March, 1881, Rabbi Somers had lived in this community for 50 years. For a number of years he was orthodox rabbi of Agudath Sholom Congregation.

Surviving are six sons: Hyman Somers, Aaron Somers, Dr. Lewis Somers and Dr. Nathan Somers, all of Lynchburg; Dr. J. S. Somers and Dr. Meyer Somers both of Philadelphia. A brother, A. Somers of Antwerp, Belgium, and nine grandchildren.

# Suffolk, Va.

**By Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg**

The lassitude of summer still hangs over Suffolk and there is very little activity to report. Presidents of the various local organizations, however, have begun to make tentative plans for the coming year. Although no actual board meetings will take place until later in September.

The only committee which has functioned this summer was the new finance committee of the Sisterhood, composed of Mrs. Morris Stanfield, chairman, Mrs. Herman Weintraub and Mrs. William Rieger. This committee has completed work on the annual New Year's Booklet, which Dr. Murray Kantor publishes and which will be ready for distribution before the High Holidays.

On Sunday, August 19, the Executive Committee of the Virginia State Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges held a meeting at the Suburban Club in Portsmouth. Families of the members were special guests of the day and many Suffolk families enjoyed the facilities of the Club while the men attended the meeting.

During the summer it was the sad duty of the Sisterhood of Agudath Achim Synagogue to draw up resolutions of respect on the death of Mrs. Sol Levy, which occurred early in the summer. Yetta Levy was one of the charter members of the synagogue and also served as president of the Sisterhood for eight years. She was most charitable, a willing and capable worker, and her loss will be deeply felt by our community.

It is with a sad and fearful heart I report the critical illness of another member of our community, Mrs. Louis Freidlander. If prayers will only help, Sarah has the heart-felt prayers of each of us.


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## WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

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the yeast is plasmolyzed, i. e., forced to eject the liquid content of its cells. Plasmolyzed yeast can break down any protein into the amino-acids.

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In recent years Dr. Weizmann has devoted himself to two projects. One of the projects is a process which converts petroleum or petroleum fractions into the range of aromatic hydrocarbons and therefore renders all those industries such as the pharmaceutical and dyestuffs, which rely on coal-tar, independent of coal as raw material. The process provides the whole series of hydrocarbons on which the organic chemical industry of today is based.

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One way of harnessing the sun for practical purposes, which has been studied at the Weizmann Institute, is through a solar still. A horizontal trough forms the basis of a glass prism; the sun's rays which fall on one side of it are absorbed in the water, which is thus heated. The rising vapors are condensed on the other sides of the prism and collected in a groove, and from there run into a tank. The vapors, of course, consist of pure water. In this way salt water can be purified and easily adapted to household use. A solar still is simple to make and can be installed on a flat roof.

The problem of de-salting brackish water is a typical one in Israel today. There are considerable quantities of salt water in various parts of the country, such as the **Negev**, Haifa Bay, and the Beisan-Lower Jordan Valley area, which are not only unfit for drinking purposes, but are also harm-

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ful to plant growth, especially to citrus trees. The de-salting of sea water assumed some importance during the second World War, and some of the experience gained was used by a group of friends of the Institute at Harvard University to adapt the method to agricultural purposes, where obviously the question of cost was of primary importance. An organization called Palestine Research Associates, Inc., was set up at Harvard under the direction of the late Prof. Grinnell Jones and Prof. Arthur B. Lamb, and later of Prof. Louis F. Fieser, in order to study the de-salting of water by the method of ion exchange. When the experiments showed promising results, the project was taken over by the Weizmann Institute and a pilot plant was erected in Rehovot capable of de-salting up to 30 tons a day. The conclusion was reached that under certain favorable conditions, the method would be practically applicable on a larger scale. A report on the work was presented to the U. N. Conference on Natural Resources in 1949.

**Work of Sieff Institute**

A survey of this nature tends to over-emphasize the practical results of the research work of an Institute. However, it is important to present a sampling of the more general problems with which the Institute has concerned itself, especially in its older branch, the Daniel Sieff Research Institute. There, in addition to the work on fermentation and the other projects, research has been carried out on polycyclic substances, the compounds from which modern dyestuffs are derived, and on chemotherapy. Both the synthesis of such compounds, and their chemical and physical properties, have been studied, especially synthetic cancer-producing substances. In the field of chemotherapy, the Sieff Institute undertook an investigation of the possibilities of the chemotherapy of tuberculosis and leprosy, i. e., of the possibilities of finding chemical substances specifically deadly to the bacilli causing the two diseases. The project involved a large amount of synthetic work (about 1,000 new substances were prepared in the course of the inquiry), and when World War II began, the Institute was able to draw on its experience for the synthesis, on a modern manufacturing scale, of a number of important drugs such as atabrin, rivanol, barbituric acids, sulfonamides, and novalgin, which had until then been the monopoly of the German chemical industry.

The additional space and more modern tools of research which have been made available in the new building of the Institute of Physics and Physical Chemistry at the Weizmann Institute, are likely to accelerate the solution of these and many additional problems.

The Weizmann Institute is now divided into six departments—Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry, Applied Mathematics, Isotope Research, Optics, Polymer Research, and Biophysics. A new Department of Experimental Biology is now being established under Dr. I. Berenblum, and will be the first unit in the planned Institute of Biology and Biochemistry.

A reflection of the spheres of interest of the research staff of the Institute is to be had from the six sections of the monthly seminar which is held twice weekly to discuss recent developments in those fields in which the Institute is concerned. These sections are: polycyclic substances; synthetic organic chemistry; reaction kinetics and stereochemistry; experimental physics; biochemistry, especially of proteins and fermentation; and polymar chemistry. A section of applied mathematics is to be added shortly.

**Tribute to Weizmann**

Dr. Weizmann's chemical work has always been related to his aspirations as a Jew. He wanted to convince the world, as he himself was convinced, that Jews were capable as Jews, and not only as citizens of other countries, of contributing something to human progress, and that this contribution would be more fruitful and more inspired once the Jewish people began to live as a free nation on its own soil. The Institute of Science which bears his name is one of the instruments which is representative of Weizmann's outlook in this respect.

A large task has been undertaken by the Institute which will require a great effort to complete. Weizmann has been granted something which has been the privilege of but few to witness — to see his cherished dreams come true, a fulfillment which naturally has fallen short of all his expectations. However, the unwavering consistency which perhaps we can call a Jewish characteristic, and of which Dr. Weizmann's life has been an outstanding example, will bring us nearer the goal of both the people of Israel and the personnel of the Institute—to establish in the Jewish State a home for the Jewish people in which they can live in freedom, dignity, and peace. The accomplishment of this will be a fitting tribute to Dr. Weizmann and his ideals.

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## The Three-Year Development Plan

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The largest single expenditure—465 million dollars—is to provide housing for an additional population of about 600,000 during the three-year period 1951-1953 and to take care of the housing backlog from earlier periods. Public works and buildings requires an expenditure of 130 million. Thus, housing and public works together account for 40 per cent of the total $1,500,000,000 program.

Expenditures for economic enterprises amount to 755 million dollars, or 50 per cent of the total development program. These expenditures cover a wide variety of direct production facilities ranging from irrigation systems and farm machinery to manufacturing plants and tools, hotels and office buildings, transportation, communication facilities and trade establishments. Forty-two percent of the 755 million dollars will be spent for agriculture, irrigation, land amelioration and afforestation. Three hundred million dollars or 40 per cent will be employed for the expansion of industry, 65 million for increasing and improving transportation facilities, and 70 million to expand trade and services.

It is anticipated that one hundred and fifty million dollars will be spent for assistance to immigrants, covering the costs of transportation from countries of departure, initial care and maintenance after their arrival in Israel, extensive training programs and the first stages of settlement and continued care of indigent cases.

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development program. The Government intends to use these proceeds for productive and development purposes. Some of the details are set forth below. These plans are tentative and subject to change. No part of the funds received from this Bond Issue is specifically allocated to any particular project, and no part of the assets or receipts of any project is earmarked for payment of the Bond obligations.

The proposed expenditures of the proceeds of the Bond Issue are listed in the following table:

| | $ Million |
|---|---|
| Economic Enterprises | 420 |
| 1. Industry and Power | 205 |
| 2. Agriculture | 130 |
| 3. Transportation | 40 |
| 4. Trade and Services | 45 |
| Housing (Gen'l Mortgage Bank) | 30 |
| Unallocated | 50 |
| Total | 500* |

The methods of expending the Bond proceeds will include loans for particular economic development projects and also, where necessary or appropriate, direct Government expenditures. Thus, the expansion of industry, citriculture and other agricultural branches will be made possible by means of loans to business enterprises. For certain projects of a "pioneering character" the participation of the Government or the establishment of a Government-owned enterprise is contemplated. Such projects as the construction of a southern harbor, the expansion of the Haifa harbor, and the development of a foreign trade zone near Haifa will necessarily be direct Government investments. The Central Bank for Development, the Agricultural Bank and the Mortgage Bank are contemplated to be established as Government banks but will make loans to business enterprises.

It is one of the main objectives of the overall development plans to achieve an economic structure which will ultimately permit the balancing of international accounts. In accordance with this objective, the program for the use of the Bond proceeds concentrates most of the proposed investments in areas where they are expected to have the greatest effect in saving foreign exchange (by replacement of imports through increased domestic production) or earning foreign exchange (through exports of additional domestic products).

*The figures set forth in this table are in round numbers and are not intended as precise determinations of the planned expenditures. For convenience, the table is based on the assumption of the sale of the entire Issue; and the unallocated sum of 50 million dollars is provided to cover costs incurred in obtaining the gross amount and to serve as a reserve for unanticipated projects, or for increased expenditures for the designated projects. It should also be noted that a Central Bank for Development is planned to serve the development of all phases of the economy and that the capital required for this bank is distributed among the various items of the table.

**TRAINED IN THREE COUNTRIES YOUNG HEART SPECIALIST ARRIVES AS DP—Gisela Nussbaum, 28 Polish DP, who arrived in New York with the aid of HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, obtained her M.D. degree after study in three countries. When the Nazis invaded Poland she fled east where she began to study medicine. After the end of the war she made her way to Prague, where she continued her studies, finally finishing up at Vienna. Miss Nussbaum who subsequently became a heart specialist, hopes to engage in the practice of her profession in the United States. The young specialist will make her home in the Bronx, New York City, with her parents and her sister who arrived in this country previously and have already established a home in their new land.**

## EDITORIAL

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between Christian and Jew and of our own J. W. V. activities. (If only we had more Bill Lucks in the world, the brotherhood of man would be nearer to realization.)"

The circumstances described by Mr. Hoffman are certainly heart-warming. We agree with his closing parenthetical comment on the need for "more Bill Lucks." Of course, there is another contributing factor, which Mr. Hoffman may have neglected to mention, out of modesty. The Richmond Post 15 of the Jewish Var Veterans is entitled to commendation for its share in the happy situation. In the first place, the Post should receive credit for foresight in waiving the membership rules to permit Bill Luck to affiliate. Then, too, the spirit of the Post must be a friendly one, in order that Bill Luck can accomplish what he does.

Occasionally, the hearing of an incident of this kind restores our faith in the future, and makes us feel that, momentarily at least, "all is right with the world."

# ISRAEL vs. THE SOVIET

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called to Moscow. The tempo of the anti-Zionist crusade was stepped up still further; it was now charged that, by accepting the loan, Israel had made herself an American colony. In a judicious attempt to be neutral, and perhaps with tongue in cheek, Israel thereupon applied to the Soviet Union for a loan. To nobody's surprise, the letter was never even answered. After six months of very great tension, the Soviet minister finally came back to Tel Aviv.

But his return did not mean that relations between Russia and Israel were normal again. All favorable comment on the young republic was now completely eliminated from Stalin's press. In Moscow, the Israeli legation suddenly found itself with virtually no visitors. Edmund Stevens of the *Christian Science Monitor* reported, after a visit to the U.S.S.R., that "almost overnight the Israel legation in Moscow was effectively isolated from further contact with the Jewish population." The M.V.D. (Stalin's secret police) made what Stevens called a few "judicious arrests" of Soviet citizens entering the legation, and after that the visits naturally stopped.

And this was not all. A furious purge of Jews suddenly began all through the Soviet government. Over the years, Stalin had slowly been weeding Jews (and members of other minority groups, for that matter) out of his government. As relations with Israel deteriorated, the repression became more severe. A drastic campaign got under way to remove all Jews from positions of responsibility, especially from posts involving contact with the outside world. Stevens reported that "in a matter of weeks all Jews serving with the Soviet occupation administrations in Germany and Austria were recalled." Jews were vigorously excluded from all missions and delegations to the outside world. They were no longer admitted to the special school at which training for the Soviet foreign service was conducted. They were banned from working in the Ministry of Foreign Trade. The communist party's top echelons became closed to them.

This purge in the Soviet government was matched by attacks on Jews in cultural fields. The Jewish Theatre came under attack; it was denounced by the Byelo-Russian Writers Union because its plays had "praised bourgeois America as the promised land." Its members were described as "rootless cosmopolitans, bourgeois nationalists, and formalists who had kowtowed before the bourgeois West." The secretary of the Writers Union boasted to Stalin that these elements were now "successfully liquidated."

The purge swept on through 1949 and 1950. The last two Jewish schools in the U.S.S.R. were closed down. A large group of internationally-known Yiddish writers suddenly dropped from sight; among them was a writer who had been sent here by the Soviet government during World War II to tell American Jews how wonderful conditions were for all the minorities in Russia. The leading Yiddish newspaper in the Soviet Union ceased publication, a Yiddish magazine was banned, and a Yiddish publishing house went out of business. The only Jewish intellect of any importance who retained his position was the novelist Ilya Ehrenburg. And Ehrenburg saved his own skin chiefly by being among the loudest in the chorus of attacks on Israel. He publicly insulted the first Israeli minister at a reception for her in Moscow, and later he sneered at the Israelis as "poor little capitalists who live on a few dollars which the greater capitalist Jews in America send them."

General Walter Bedell Smith, one of our post-war ambassadors to the Soviet Union, wrote in the New York *Times* that the offensive against the Jews could be directly traced to the Soviet attitude toward the new state of Israel. He commented that the "current offensive, which transcends similar campaigns that have taken place in the Soviet Union, had deep roots in Russian chauvinism, with its traditional anti-Semitism as well as anti-foreignism."

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The main theme of this program is one of productivization. In agriculture, for instance, Israel will supply her own foodstuffs apart from grain, part of which she will have to import; she will, though, be able to export other surplus foodstuffs and thus achieve an overall balance and thereby remove the biggest single item from her import list. Additional industries will be established and existing ones enlarged in order to reduce the need for imported goods, and at the same time more goods will be manufactured of quality and marketability which would result in a considerable increase of exports.

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## Israel's Past and Future

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return to the Land remained deeply rooted in the soul of Israel.

For the Jew who views Judaism as a phase of Jewish culture the State of Israel is the only place which insures the survival of Jewish culture. America does not demand of any group the surrender of its culture. But the realities of life point in the other direction. The implements of our civilization have a most leveling effect upon our heterogeneous ethnic and cultural groups that compose the American nation. The trend is perceptibly away from cultural pluralism —it is definitely toward a unitary culture. Stubborn and sacrificial resistance to uniformity may be socially useful and heroic, but with each succeeding generation the "inwardness" of the culture which is defended and transmitted becomes attenuated and that which remains is shell and empty form.

If we are to remain Jews by virtue of an external force only—antisemitism—we may preserve such positive virtues and negative traits which a beseiged people develop: mutual helpfulness, group loyalty, charity, philanthropy and tenacity. (Of the negative traits I shall not speak here.) But a full creative life "qua" Jews will be impossible. We shall continue to be burdened by peripheral layers of Jews who because of their inability to disassociate themselves entirely from the main body of Jews will dampen the creation of genuine Jewish values.

Life in Israel shall be creative, good and beautiful. We are the heirs of a glorious tradition and in our wanderings over the face of the earth we have imbibed the best in every civilization. All the findings of science and philosophy shall be ours, all the creations of art and literature are for us. This we profess not in a spirit of pride but in a spirit of humility and profound sense of responsibility, deeply conscious of our failings and backslidings against which our prophets of old have thundered.

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Anne Main Hollander, Reporter

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Miss Rita Potolsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Potolsky, of Galax, became the bride of Sanford J. Holsweig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Holzsweig, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, on Sunday the first of July, at five o'clock in the afternoon.

The ceremony was performed in the Club Martinique in Martinsville by Rabbi Goodkowitz of the Ohev Zion Synagogue.

Preceding the ceremony a program of wedding music was presented by Mrs. William Davis Murphy, soloist and William Kyle, pianist, of Galax. The traditional wedding marches were used.

Both the bride and groom were escorted to the altar by their parents.

The bride wore an off-the-shoulder gown of imported lace. The basque lace bodice, framing a deep yoke of illusion, was joined to a full skirt that was floor length. Her fingertip veil of French illusion fell from a lace Calotte that was lined with satin and

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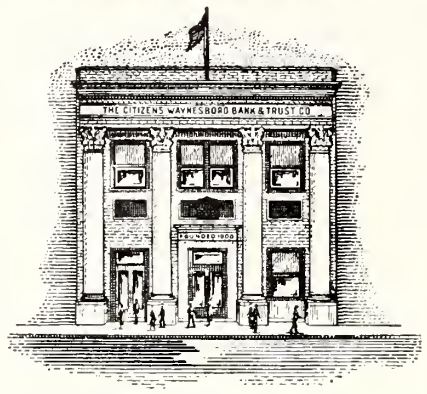


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seed pearls. Her gauntlets were of matching lace. She carried a cascade bouquet of Lilies of the Valley and stephanotis centered with a white orchid.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Milton Dakoff of Chicago, Illinois, sister of the groom, wore a strapless gown of pink net over taffeta with stole. She carried pink roses and yellow Shasta daisies and wore matching flowers in her hair.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. E. Stanley Wallace of Tazewell, Miss Barbara Griffith of Ridgewood, New Jersey, and Miss Zoe Lipshitz of New York City. Their gowns, fashioned after that of the honor attendant, were of white marquisette over yellow taffeta, with sashes of yellow. They too, carried bouquets of pink roses and yellow daisies with flowers in their hair.

Little Miss Linda Globman, of Martinsville, was her cousin's flower girl. She wore a yellow organdy gown and carried a basket of pink rose petals.

Oscar Brown of Portsmouth was best man. Ushers were Stanley Wallace of Tazewell, Milton Dakoff, of Chicago, and Seymour Potolsky of Martinsville.

Mrs. Nathan Potolsky, mother of the bride, wore a powder blue lace and chiffon gown with matching accessories. Her corsage was of small pink orchids.

Immediately after the ceremony the bride's parents entertained at a reception at the Club Martinique. Reception music was furnished by the Paul Zimmerman orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Holzsweig left for a Southern wedding trip. For traveling the bride wore a costume of Navy Shantung with accessories of navy and white. Her corsage was a white orchid.

After July 15 the couple will be at home at 524 Knollwood Drive, Falls Church.

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**Estelle Kauffman, Reporter**

We are all so glad to hear that Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Barber are getting along so well after long illnesses.

Mrs. Julia Epstein of New York City was the guest of Mrs. Oscar Samuels.

Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Silverman and children, Peter, Gail, and David, of Levittown, New York, visited Mrs. Silverman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cohen. Miss Nancy Cohen had been the Silverman's house guest a few weeks before.

We welcome Lt.-Commdr. and Mrs. Louis Finkle and family. Lt.-Commdr. Finkle is in charge of the Naval Station here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ozleck and daughter of Philadelphia, Pa., visited a week with Mrs. Ozleck's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kreitzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Sloane vacationed in Miami Beach, Florida. Upon their return, Mr. Sloane attended a training camp at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and Mrs. Sloane's mother, Mrs. Marx Nachman of Newport News.

Visiting in Newport News were Mr. and Mrs. Al Snyder and son, Bert. . . Mr. and Mrs. H. Greenstone and Mr. Irvin Janis, who visited Mr. Janis' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Eisenman, Jr.

Mrs. Taft Cohn and daughter, Barbara, vacationed in Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. Jay Grossman visited in Washington, D. C., and New York City.

Mrs. Lou Snyder of Brooklyn, New York, and Mrs. Morris Gruber of Philadelphia, Pa., were the guests of their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kauffman. Miss Cecille Kauffman of Baltimore, Md., spent two weeks with her parents.

Master Sidney Finkel took a jaunt to Washington, D. C. He took his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Finkel, along with him, by the way.

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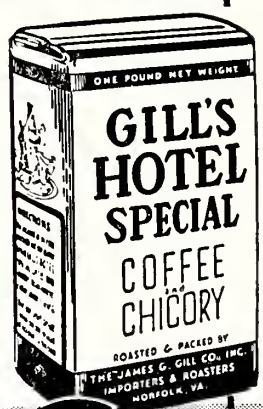

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## EDITORIALS

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### *The Shofar Sounds*

It would seem as if every New Year is a year of crisis for either entire Jewry, or for segments of Jewry. The year 5712 will be no exception.

As the Shofar sounds, we cannot help but wonder what the coming year will hold for us as individuals, and for world Jewry. We, who attend services and own up to our shortcomings, praying for forgiveness, are hopeful for a year of tranquility, health and happiness. We freely wish these blessings on our friends. And yet—we cannot know what the ensuing twelve months will have in store for us.

The same is true for Jewish groups, the world over. What is in the stars, for example, for the new State of Israel? Important, far-reaching decisions will have to be made by the fledgling nation in the year ahead—decisions that will bring reactions from fellow Jews in the diaspora—decisions that will mean good or bad public relations with the remainder of the nations. And so, as we commemorate this Day of Atonement, let us pray for divine guidance that will aid us as individuals to merit a year of felicity, and that will guide Jews everywhere to right and just thinking.

### *The Jerusalem Zionist Convention*

Despite the statement of Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, upon his return from the two weeks session of the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem, which concluded early this month, that the Congress "closed on a note of unity," it is quite evident that he was merely employing a figure of speech, and that he was in a sense "whistling to keep his courage up." From the reports that have come from the gathering, it would seem without much doubt, that the Z. O. A. and most of the Zionists from his country who attended, were, to use a vulgarism for which we duly apologize, "kicked in the teeth," and received a decided rebuff in their efforts to inject their moderate ideas into the picture. The convention, in spite of all that the American group could do, proceeded to propound principles that were so radically nationalistic as to astound the rest of the world. No views short of this nationalism had any chance for acceptance.

A warning of what might happen was given when David Ben Gurion, Israel premier, visited this country some months ago. At that time, Mr. Ben Gurion made some statements which indicated the nationalistic thinking of his countrymen, and which brought forth some sharp criticism. However, he later said he was misunderstood, and disclaimed any intention of urging mass immigration to Israel from the diaspora. He said what was wanted was a "lend-lease" of American youth and skills, to help guide the young nation.

All this explanation has now been repudiated by what transpired at the Jerusalem gathering. It was stated there, without any equivocation, that the entire diaspora must eventually come to Israel—that all Jews who are not in Israel are in exile. Mr. Ben Gurion now says, "The State of Israel differs from all other states in that it is not only the state of its own citizens alone, but of the entire Jewish people, of every Jew wherever he lives." The relatively small American group protested this viewpoint with all the vigor they could command. Mrs. Rose Halpern, president of the Hadassah, said: "We cannot accept this concept that we (American Zionists) are in 'exile.' A small number of Americans might want to come to Israel, but a movement for mass immigration of Jews from the United States is not practicable, at least at the present moment." Chaim Greenberg, leader of the American labor group that stands nearest to the Mapai, the leading party in Israel, stated: "Americans are not candidates for mass immigration to Israel. No declaration or manifests of the Congress will move American Jews to Israel. I advise you to be realistic." But Mr. Greenberg's advice was not heeded.

It is perfectly understandable that the State of Israel should stand on its right to work out its own salvation. Perhaps there is resentment at the attitude of some Americans who allowed their interest to be interpreted as a desire to have their finger in the Israeli pie. Of course, it is just possible that a young struggling state could very profitably listen to advice. There can be no question of the sincerity—and value—of the contribution which American Zionists have made to the establishment of the State of Israel. And it would likewise seem as if the young nation, motivated by its zeal and enthusiasm, might take some steps that it would later like to retrace. We believe the action of the Jerusalem convention is a case in point. However, if they want to have the experience all by themselves, that is their privilege—and problem.

When it comes to dictating to Jews in other countries how they should live their lives, Israel is as inconsistent as the Americans who hold that because of what they have done for Israel, they are entitled to a voice in shaping Israel policy. There isn't the remotest chance that the nationalisic ideology of the State of Israel with regard to the Jews in the diaspora, will have any material effect. Jews throughout the world will continue to live where they want to live. It would seem that this would have been self-evident, and yet the fanaticism that characterized the proceedings in Jerusalem is bound to alienate a substantial number of those who will see in this attitude an irrationality and unreliability that bode danger.

We anticipate varying reactions in this country, ranging from those who feel that Israel is turning out to be like the family pet that bit the hand that fed it, to those who will see in the present situation but a passing phase that will stabilize itself in time. Mr. Browdy said upon his return: "In the many talks I had with Prime Minister Ben Gurion during my stay in Jerusalem, I pledged to him our best efforts to the end that a selected group of highly trained technicians, laboratory workers, scientists and men and women with industrial know-how be sent by us to Israel for a period of years to help in the upbuilding of the land and its economy. I made it perfectly clear, both to the Prime Minister and to the Zionist Congress, that we

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# An Instrument For Jewish Living

## The Role of the Jewish Community Center in These Times

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BY means of the Jewish Community Center, an institution unique to American life, American Jewry has provided a setting in which the twin objectives of creative participation in democracy and positive Jewish experience can find a continuous, living expression. Because of its unusual potentialities for contributing to the modern Jewish renaissance, the Jewish Center movement has seen tremendous advance in the last decade.

The Jewish Community Center performs this role in many ways. It aids Jewish people to engage in group activities which will advance their growth as fine personalities. Realization of the full capacities of each individual is essential to personal security and happiness. Such individual fulfillment is the cornerstone of democracy. For us as Jews, this self-expression also requires a positive identification with Jewish life, an understanding of our Jewish heritage, and a capacity for Jewish participation.

Those who share in the Jewish group experiences afforded by Centers are enabled constantly to gain a deeper sense of such Jewish affirmation. At one and the same time the Center encourages the growth of rounded Jewish personalities and aids in building a finer general and Jewish community through a heightened sense of social responsibility, an understanding of communal problems, and the ability effectviely to discharge communal obligations. These are goals to which the Center makes a significant contribution through the constant guidance it affords to Jewish groups.

These are continuing, time-honored assets which the Jewish Community Center brings to American Jewish living. An institution created by American Jewry to satisfy its needs, the Center through its variety of activities serves as a medium for the fulfillment of our aspirations richly to merge our Americanism and our Judaism. The vitality of the Center and the tremendous confidence reposed in it by American Jewry has several roots. The concern of the Center for serving the whole community, its sense of responsibility for all age groups—the youngest to the oldest, both sexes, every economic and social class, all philosophical and ideological groupings, and all neighborhoods of Jewish residence—give it a unique "community" quality. It is a common meeting ground for the Jewish community and is a vital force in building a feeling of community, a spirit of unity, and democratic participation in Jewish life. The particular know-how of the Jewish Community Center is its skill in working with people in groups. It understands the method of gaining their confidence and respect, and aiding them to make their group activities more gratifying and fruitful. Beyond this the Center has a particular flexibility and adaptability which enables it to meet varying conditions. For example, it serves in outlying neighborhoods through extension programs, as well as in areas of dense Jewish population through a Center building. It serves in times of normalcy as well as in periods of stress. The Center is a veritable treasure-house of community leadership through the combined efforts of its lay and professional workers, and the training ground for leaders afforded through its program.

But the times in which we live have imposed another dimension for all of us, with added tasks for the Center to perform. The current emergency resulting from threats to our democratic way of life has necessitated the mobilization of our nation for defense. We are now in a period of an expanding military force and a gigantic effort to shape our economy so as to insure our effective defense against all contingencies. The Korean War is but an aspect of this situation, and, irrespective of its outcome, we must adjust to a prolonged period of life under these conditions. All our community institutions are now challenged to aid in maintaining the stability of our civilian life on the highest democratic plane as well as to assist in necessary preparation for the defense of democracy. This has created many new problems. Individuals and groups served by Centers now seek not only the answer to normal needs, but help in relation to their special requirements growing out of the present crisis. It is no wonder that the lives of people, especially youth, have been disturbed by the unstable, threatening circumstances under which we live. Among young people in particular, insecurity and uncertainty have caused a weakening of moral standards and a deterioration in personal planning.

The counsel and the reassurance essential to maintaining stability in such a prolonged crisis are to be found in the group activties and the leadership of Jewish Community Centers. The confusing times in which we live require the highest type of social intelligence on the part of people. Yet the very complexity of national and world events makes such comprehension the more difficult. Center programs can increase people's acquaintance with the issues of our day and their abilities to apply social understanding to the judgments which citizens must make. The defense effort itself requires a mobilization of our community for civilian defense and unrelated activities. The Jewish Community Center can give effective support to this effort.

With more than three and a half million men in our armed forces, a substantial portion of our youth have experienced interruption in life plans and have been required to assume military responsibilities—not as professional soldiers, but as part of a civilian army. The maintenance of our democracy requires that civilian contacts be maintained for them, and that the interest and hospitality of the civilian community be extended to them. Jewish Community Centers are uniquely situated to cooperate with USO in offering their facilities and program to enable servicemen to maintain such reassuring and stabilizing civilian associations.

The vigor which is the Jewish Community Center movement of America finds its national expression in the National Jewish Welfare Board. JWB, the national association of Jewish Community Centers as well as the Jewish community's agency for work with members of the armed forces, is the focal point for Jewish Center work in America. It performs the role of guiding, aiding and serving Centers to enable them most adequately to carry out their responsibilities.

In this High Holy Day period, as we pause at the turn of the Jewish year and at time of atonement, we confront uncertainty and trial. While we must continue to enrich our living as Americans and Jews, we must also assume the added burdens of a period of crisis. The American Jewish community can look to the future with a keen sense that in its more than 330 Jewish Community Centers, it has an institution of tremendous vitality for service, both in relation to normal needs and emergency requirements. In a creative partnership with the synagogue, the school, the organized Jewish community, and the other institutions in Jewish life, the Center contributes richly to meeting the challenges of today and tomorrow.

In this period we seek to translate our stock-taking and self-examination into resolves by which to guide our future efforts. As we consider the great needs which face our community, there is no more important resolution than that our Jewish Community Centers shall be made increasingly strong and effective so that they may meritoriously continue to fulfill their vital mission. The High Holy Day season epitomizes our faith in the future—the future of democracy, of the Jewish people, of righteousness, morality and human values. These ideas are at the core of the Jewish Community Center. The Center is an institution born of this spirit and designed to articulate this faith through daily living experiences. In this High Holy Day period, we reaffirm our belief in the foundations of Judaism. in our commitment as Jews, and in our responsibility for making strong those institutions which nurture these values. It is well, then, to recognize that in the Jewish Community Center we Jews have an instrumentality through which these convictions are translated into living realities.

# THE MEANING OF LIFE

*By* DR. JOSHUA LOTH LIEBMAN

The Late
JOSHUA LOTH LIEBMAN

**This posthumous essay is the second of two addresses given by the late Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman at the Institute of Religion and Psychiatry held at the Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, Ohio, in March, 1948. —THE EDITOR.**

THE theme that I have taken, "The Meaning of Life," is, of course, an ambitious and a very difficult one. I realize at the very beginning that I can only hope to touch certain phases of a profound problem which concerns every human being in his journey in the world. At this moment in history there are great and persuasive voices here in this country and throughout the world who are proclaiming the meaninglessness of life. One of our great tasks today is to grapple with certain aspects of this feeling of contemporary meaninglessness, occasioned not merely by international and political problems of our day, but by deeper reasons.

There are those in our world of thought and literature who proclaim involuntary bankruptcy, who say that man has come to the end of the road. They say it with a kind of nostalgia. They proclaim their gospel of doom with a deep and poignant sadness, the sadness of men who are able to glimpse a promised land of atomic abundance and feel that we shall never enter that land, who do not know how to make the journey from the dark here to the brilliant there. The pessimists and the men of negation in our world, the poets, the writers, the artists, combine to tell us that the whole human adventure has within it the elements of tragic absurdity.

The contemporary High Priest of Existentialism in France, Jean-Paul Sartre, the great exponent of this mood of despair, also is the prophet of man's absurdity, of life's absurdity, which he documents not only in his philosophic works, in his plays like "No Exit," but in his recent novels, portraying very vividly man's essential degradation. This mood of meaninglessness is portrayed by contemporary followers of Existentialism. We find a renaissance among the young thinkers and writers and poets, a renaissance of allegiance to such a theologian as Kierkegaard, the great Danish prophet of human sin and guilt; to Franz Kafka, the great Czech Jew, the novelist, with his unforgettable, magnificent, and dark portrayals in "'The Castle," "The Trial," "The Metamorphosis"; to a genius like Dostoyevsky, who proclaimed that there is meaning to life as long as man feels a sense of anguish.

Now the major source and the major manifestation of contemporary meaninglessness is the feeling of alienation, the feeling of man's aloneness. I am sure that psychiatrists experience again and again with their patients this mood which could be labeled, not only the sense of alienation, but the feeling of depersonalization, a feeling that one doesn't belong; that one is an alien, an outcast, a stranger here, not merely physically but psychically and spiritually. This is one of the great diseases of the twentieth century, this disease of depersonalization and alienation, the feeling of man's essential aloneness. Looked at honestly, the pessimists of our day are the men and women who proclaim not merely the absurdity of all of life, but the unrelatedness of people, the essential aloneness from birth to death of all of us. If I could put this mood of contemporary aloneness and alienation into the words of Everyman, it would come out as follows: Everyman speaking:

I am alone. I learned this from John Locke, the philosopher. Every person is a separate mental substance. I am alone — I am alone. I learned this from Adam Smith. I learned this from all of the teachers of rugged individualism. I crossed the ocean and I carved out a pathway in the wilderness with my own muscles and my own self-reliance. I need no one else. I am alone — I am alone. I felt it first, Mister, when my mother began to love my little sister. I felt alone then. I felt alone also when I was sixteen years old, Mister. My father and mother never understood my language. There were many dialects in my house, but there were no communications between any of us. I tell you it is a lie, that people can speak to each other and understand one another. The talk about love is gibberish. We are all alone. I happen, however, Mister, to see the truth. I am in my solitary prison and everybody else is in his solitary prison behind walls and behind bars. The others are blind, I see the truth. I am alone. We are all alone. I am alone. I won't want to belong to any herd — sheep — masses — movements. I know that I am a zero in the assembly line of my factory. I know that people go and run to all kinds of herd movements—to drink, to promiscuity, to sex, to all kinds of false and deceptive fellowship, the fellowship of the miserable and the unhappy, people who are trying to gain some warmth around the cold hearth of their isolation. I don't like collective herds, Mister. Why don't people see the truth? We are, all of us, walking between tall coffins called skyscrapers. They are the coffins in the streets, and we are walking to many rivers of oblivion. I am alone. I am alone because I lost God somewhere, I don't quite know where. It may have been when we were walking down the street past that smelter where they were making steel and iron for guns. Or I lost God as we walked past those laboratories. All I know is I lost Him—I lost Him somewhere, and the fog is coming in. It is dark, it is dark everywhere. I used to love the sun as a bright mirror of God. I can't see that mirror any longer. Men and women everywhere are running—running—to neon signs. I lost Him somewhere. I don't have any hand to cling to any more. I am lost. I am lost without God. You are lost. We are all lost.

This is a portrait of the contemporary mood of negation and pessimism. The sources—as I have tried to point out in this vignette—are philosophical, economic, phychological, theological, sociological. Men feel lost and alone in our world because they are made cogs in the assembly line, because the world does reject them, because we many times feel ourselves part of the rooming-house loneliness—people lost in the same apartment buildings, the same streets, while we all inhabit the same tenements of clay.

This feeling of aloneness also has its origin in the terrific tempo of the twentieth century. Although the sense of belonging had its tragedies in previous ages, men knew where they belonged. But today, ideas that once were adequate are no longer adequate. Men do not know where they belong. The class, the nation, the religion — all have changed under the tempo of our twentieth century rapidity. This doctrine of aloneness is the basis of modern pessimism. The sophisticates and the intellectuals, the men who are shaping the mood of our time, the poets and the prophets of today who are molding our young Jews and Jewesses and young Christians throughout the country—they are the spokesmen of this philosophy of negation; they are the men who make the declaration, acknowledged or unacknowledged, that pain is profundity and sanity is superficiality. I think the time has come for us to make a frontal attack upon these poets of pessimism who will lead our world to destruction, not merely physical destruction, but psychic, emotional destruction.

What is the answer? It is strange that at the very moment that poets and artists are proclaiming the doctrine of man's aloneness, of human isolation and alienation, scientists and philosophers are proclaiming the law of relatedness. The field theory in physics, the organismal theory in biology, the Gestalt theory in psychology, doctrines like those of the late Professor Alfred North Whitehead of Harvard, John Dewey, Professor Northrop of Yale in his great volume, "The Meeting of East and West," theologians like Wieman of Chicago—all of them are emphasizing the fact that you cannot understand anything out of its context, that the law of life in the universe is contextualism, the situation, the larger pattern. You cannot understand an amoeba, a cell, a man, or society in isolation.

By their works, their proofs, and their actions, the great scientists and philosophers of our day are denying the very philosophy of alienation, aloneness and isolation, which is the mood and doctrine of our pessimists of the twentieth century. I believe that we have to understand that right relatedness and wrong relatedness are universal constants. In the outer world, the physical world, the medical world, certainly in the phychological world, relatedness of some kind is inevitable, inescapable. It can be wrong relatedness and, in my judgment, the philosophers of despair and the poets of pessimism are the scar victims of a wrong relatedness. The task both of psychiatry and wise religion is to create human personalities and a

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human society in which there will be right relatedness.

I am quite convinced that many of the poets and philosophers of negation will think an explanation like this is blasphemy. They prefer, like the fakirs of India, to lie down upon the jagged points of their private anguish. There are some people who love to embrace their own anguish, who hug it to their bosom as a child, and therefore they hate explanations. Those who love the poetry of despair will hate the prose of explanation. It is not only among writers like Dostoyevsky, or Kierkegaard, or Kafka, or Sartre that you will find these motifs of absolute anguish. Through the ages from the time of our own Bible and among the great dramatists of Greece, you will also find the motif of despair. We will never come to any profoundly new pattern of life until we substitute scientific experiment for the pedestrian prose of trial and error, until we use psychological insight, as well as the great religious and spiritual reserves at our command, to achieve, if not absolute answers, then partial answers.

What are the partial answers? Wrong relatedness shows itself in many ways. It shows itself in the economic world, in a kind of society like ours where men and women are called upon to live under completely inconsistent commandments. In a capitalistic society like America, men and women are told: Be good, be successful; be compassionate, be powerful; be brotherly, be aggressive. It is not my function, nor my purpose, nor my competency to analyze the economic and political wrong relatedness in our civilization. I shall dwell upon the psychological and spiritual wrong relatedness of people.

I begin with the theory that man starts his life as a normal infant, with a warm, positive outgoing capacity. The child, the infant, loves the play not only of his own muscles, the movements of his eyes, his hands, but also the caress of the mother, the laughter of the father. The normal human infant begins life—and this is an affirmative and positive basis for our hope of right relatedness—with a capacity for affirmative relatedness to the world that can grow out and out and farther and farther into love for wide circles of the human family. I do not believe that the human species begins, therefore, as congealed and frozen and frightened, tender doves amidst wolves. Something goes wrong. What goes wrong? Many things can go wrong, as we know through the insight of modern psychiatry.

Children can misinterpret the moods of father and mother. Children can receive too little of the milk of love. Like driblets of rain upon a parched earth, the milk of approval and acceptance is given. Sometimes, on the other hand, the child can be bathed and drowned in the milk of over-protection. Many children in our society, without our knowing it, are the victims of a kind of inconsistency upon their parents' part, quite like the Balinese, a primitive tribe known for their beautiful and artistic dancing. Ethnologists and anthropologists have found in their study of Balinese culture that an infant receives parental love through the first year of life. At the end of the first year the child is teased, frustrated and rejected. Failing to receive love from the outer world, the Balinese child begins to love himself and, as a result, his self-love is translated into graceful posturings of the dance, the absorbed narcissism of the body. Many a child in our society experiences the Balinese child's rejection, and comes to love himself morbidly and to feel withdrawn, alone, and alienated.

Many things happen in the course of our human development. We are tougher organisms than we usually imagine, and I can understand why the poets of today and the philosophers of pessimism go to this mood and motif of alienation as they do, because actually you and I, every one of us, in his own way, feels himself an alien. We are aliens when we go from infancy to early childhood, and we are aliens, immigrants, when we go from childhood to adolescence. Ofttimes we come as immigrants, without bag and baggage upon the shores of adolescence, and we feel ourselves aliens many times as we go from adolescence to adult life. Many people feel that life never gives them a visa, a passport. This is psychologically understandable. Some men and women make a scapegoat out of life, a scapegoat out of God and a scapegoat out of society. This happens when we have experienced not only the normal feeling of alienhood but also the feeling of being rejected or denied or having been made to feel small and inconsequential.

I have read the writings of Kierkegaard, the great poetic genius, and have studied his philosophy of negation, his belief in man's absolute sinfulness. According to this philosopher, man can only hope that God would shower His Grace at the moment of total despair. This is beautiful, majestic and profound, but sick. Kierkegaard happened to have a guilt-obsessed father who, from the time he was a youngster, felt himself a sinner against God for some blasphemy of his youth. The father had prolonged and frequent discussions with his son, Soren, regarding man's evil, man's guilt, and the pursuit of the Furies. He created in the young genius a feeling of aloneness from which he never escaped, and which made him make a cosmic anguish out of his personal psychological tragedy.

I have come to feel that behind the cosmic anguish of many of our poets and many of our thinkers of today are the masquerades of childish anger, frustration, unhappiness, and adolescent rebellion. I know that in a society, even a perfect society of the future, more perfect than our own, there will be in the contemplative life, moments of legitimate aloneness, anguish, anxiety, but not this morbid, sick, and diseased alienation—the result of the eccentric movements of the parents, fathers and mothers distorting and warping and twisting the lives of their children. Aloneness, pessimism, negation, despair, are, more than we usually suspect, the residues of wrong relatedness in the family gravitational field.

Now, what are the hopes in our time for right relatedness? What can give meaning to life? One of the great hopes that has been given to us by modern psychiatry is just this: We need not live either individually or collectively in these orbits of wrong relatedness; we can assert ourselves and we can grow beyond them. I believe, in the first place, that we human beings, even in this age of ours, have the perennial task of striving for relatedness to God. It may be a very profound or a very naive relationship. God is to be conceived as a power greater than ourselves, or as described with great insight in the words of one of our sages: "Our God and God of Our Fathers." "Our God" means the God that each human being has to attain through his own quest, his own never-ending search for the God of our Fathers, the God of tradition. Our ancestors did not live from the time of the building of Judaism and the prophets to our own day, thousands of years, without giving many rich jewels and gems in this quest. Both the God of our intellect shown by our own mind, and the God of our fathers, the God of tradition, are necessary in order to give us a sense of at-homeness with the Divine. The God of tradition is the "God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob." It does not say the "'God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." Each one had to search in his own day for his own approach to the Divine.

We Jews happen to have in our nurture, our heritage, the sense of a Creator God, a God of Life, not a morbid God, not the God of Death. He is a joyous Creator God with whom we can identify ourselves also as coworkers and creators. When we rebel against God, it is with His weapons of intellect and conscience within us that we revolt. and when we flee from Him, He is the carpet on which we escape. When we recognize that only God is perfect and every human being imperfect, we achieve a new insight and a forgiveness for ourselves as well as for others. We achieve partial answers in life when we cease being demanding and clamoring infants and become patrons and philanthropists of the spirit. There is a great insight in Judaism in this continual, never-ending emphasis upon morality and moral giving. There is no meaning or happiness in the life of those who constantly wish to take from life and fail to become the givers to life.

The essence of morality is ethical commitment which will make us participants in a world where we ourselves have moved beyond the infantilism of childhood and the restless teasing of adolescence to the maturity of giving. Another prerequisite for a meaningful existence is philosophic calm in the presence of death as well as in the presence of life. We need to look upon death as a friend, not as an enemy, and to know that as long as we live, we mix the colors and paint the portrait of our lives. We also mix the colors on the palette of life for our children, our grandchildren. Only those who have an unlived life are morbidly afraid of death. Only those who love themselves falsely, excessively, are afraid of death.

The most successful life is the life of a man who is the target toward which the arrows of aspiration of others can wing their way, the great oak tree in whose shade both young and old can find refuge from the withering heat. The most successful life is the life that leaves behind a pattern of creativity, of a profound religious confidence and emotional clarity and an ethical commitment. That life is blessed in death as in life. We find the meaning of existence partially in the faith that the life-wish in man is stronger than the death-wish, and that the human race is not going to vanish completely. If we will engage in this enterprise of psychological clarification and religious deepening, I believe the life-wish will triumph over the death-wish and our species will have before it the possibility of achieving a meaningful existence.

There are three paintings of the immortal painter Van Gogh symbolizing what I have been trying to say. One is the painting of men walking round and round in a prison courtyard with no exits. These prisoners are symbols of men and women in our age who are imprisoned within the cell of their selfishness, their childishness, their feeling of aloneness. The second painting of Van Gogh is a strange yellow cornfield above which black crows are flying, symbols of the world of violence and war through which we have been living. The third painting is a superb canvas of men walking arm in arm, with the moon as their companion overhead and friendly bushes by the side of the road, a symbol of mankind walking arm in arm toward the distant horizon of true freedom and true peace.

I have the conviction that we in the twentieth century have the opportunity of making that third painting come to life. We have physical and chemical tools that we never had before. We have instruments of psychological and social insight we never before possessed. No other generation ever possessed what we have. We have the capacity, if we will it, to build a world where there shall be work for man's hands, status for man's ego, music for man's ear, science for man's mind, religion for man's soul — a world, to paraphrase, made by men always attempting the impossible and achieving it.

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Munich.—A mass grave of 200 Jewish slave laborers whom the Nazis shot to death was uncovered recently in the former concentration camp in the town of Vobelin, it was reported by Soviet military officials in Berlin.

It is believed that the 200 were slain in March of 1945, when the Red Army was driving in the direction of Ludwigsburg.

# America and the World Crisis

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To be an American is not only a privilege but also a responsibility. Destiny has placed upon our shoulders the task of defending Western civilization against influences and powers which threaten it.

It should prove helpful to discuss briefly the essence of Western Civilization, the forces inimical to it and the means at our disposal to combat those forces.

**The Essence of Western Civilization**—The essence of Western civilization is the freedom of the human personality in the religious, social, and political spheres. Western civilization is a system of ways of behavior and spiritual ideals that are humane and susceptible of universal application.

**Sources of Our Western Civilization**—Ancient Greece evolved a concept of society based on self-government under recognized rules. Rome created the first universal order of the West by arms, commerce, language, law, custom and cooperation. Judea contributed a humane evaluation of man, his place in the universe, and his proper relationship to God.

The Hebrew Bible is a repository of the democratic spirit. The unity of God and the unity of mankind are basic to biblical thought. "Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?" exclaimed the Hebrew prophet, thus emphasizing the unity of the human race.

**Judaism and the American Tradition**—The founders of America were steeped deeply in the Hebrew tradition. The American tradition is based upon the ideals of the Holy Bible, the common heritage of Jew and Christian. The inscription on the Liberty Bell, "'Proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof" is from Leviticus 25:10. In the Bible we find an ideal of a civic order which took centuries for Western civilization to evolve and only after bitter struggle and travail to embrace partially. The religious wars which devastated Europe and the horrors of the Spanish Inquisition would have been avoided had man learned the simple truth that the security and welfare of a state does not demand religious unity. The bloody and ghastly Hitler episode of recent history would have been avoided had Germany learned what we as Americans had learned 175 years ago, that national unity is rooted not in race, blood or uniformity of religious belief but in an idea. In Leviticus 19:33 there is proclaimed a charter of human freedom and civic order which constitutes the bedrock of our concept of Americanism:

"If an alien settle beside you in your land you must not injure him; the alien who settles beside you shall be treated like a native, and you must love him as you love yourself; for you were aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt: I am the Eternal God."

The Virginia Bill of Rights, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States are only modern formulations of the old Biblical ideals of justice, equality and brotherhood.

**Ideologies Inimical to Western Civilization**—FASCISM: Fascism in all its variants and forms is fundamentally opposed to democracy and to its Judeo-Christian foundations. It bases its appeal on tribal egotism and racial pride. It elevates the cult of soil and blood to a religion. It renounces the ideal of a common humanity and universal goals. Though militarily defeated, fascism is still waiting for a chance to raise its head and to challenge once more the fundaments of Western civilization.

COMMUNISM: Communism is based on Marxist Theory. Marxist Theory embraces the Materialistic Conception of History or the "economic interpretation of history." According to Marx, the economic realm constitutes the "substructure" on the basis of which the cultural and spiritual "superstructure" arises. Movements in the superstructure are determined by movements in the substructure. Of course no one would deny that economic and social factors influence cultural development, but a religiously oriented person would not concede that our social, cultural and spiritual life are determined solely by economic forces, leaving no freedom for the human will, personality and motivations derived from spiritual or divine sources.

To accomplish its objectives Communism dangles a vision of abundance, security and equality before the hungry exploited masses and the tired and dispossessed millions. It surrounds its doctrines and philosophy with the aura of a universal religion.

**How to Preserve Western Civilization**—The halcyon days of isolationism and self-containment are gone forever. The tensions on which Communism feeds are those caused by a sick and shattered world economy. The problem of rebuilding the world economy is beyond the power of a single nation. A common government, a world government, would be the proper agency, just as the common government of our forty-eight states is the proper agency for the American people when they have to construct irrigation systems or to take flood control measures that cross state boundaries. Without common government, the U. S. and the USSR are

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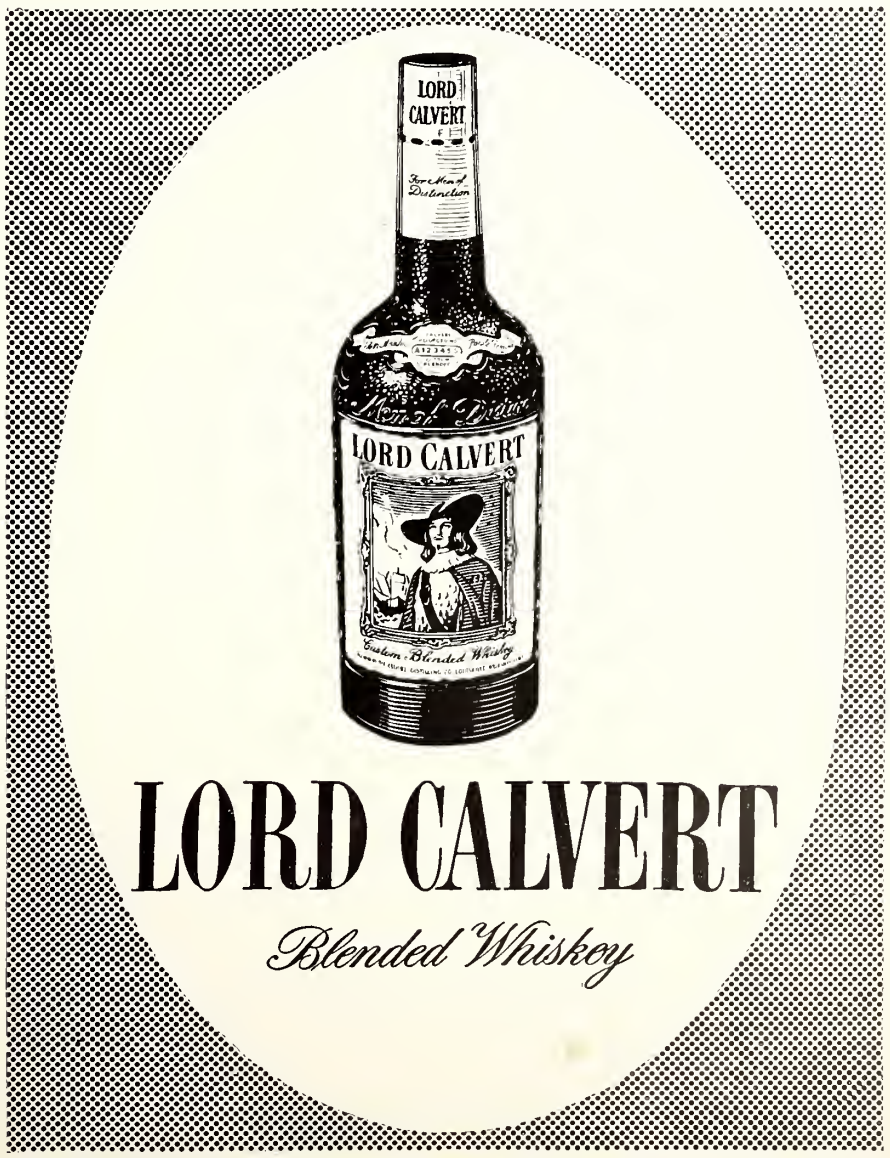

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# FOREIGN TRADE

## IN THE THREE YEARS OF ISRAEL'S STATEHOOD

**This is the final article in a series on the various phases of the economic problems facing the State of Israel. In our September issue we carried detailed explanations of the Three-Year Development Plan, Immigration, and Industrial Development. The material for this series emanated from the Israel Embassy Office of Information, to which we make due acknowledgment.—THE EDITOR.**

THE economic challenge facing Israel today is a direct result of the immigration policy which has been followed consistently during the past three years and which is being maintained at the present time. The growth of population by immigration by over 80 per cent in less than three years has necessitated the expansion of imports, both to provide for the current consumption of the immigrant population and to supply the capital goods and raw materials needed for the development of the country's basic economy.

An immigration movement which would normally have taken a generation has been compressed into a few years. It has not proved easy to telescope into so brief a period economic developments which would normally have been approached on a long-term basis. There is, of necessity, a time-lag between the arrival of an immigrant and the commencement of his productive employment. Moreover, the overwhelming majority of the immigrants enter the country penniless, so that the necessary economic developments cannot be financed from accumulated local capital.

The economic difficulties arising from the above circumstances are reflected primarily in the growing imbalance of Israel's foreign trade. However, an analysis of the figures shows that although the absolute imbalance has increased from year to year, the internal composition of Israels imports has shown an increasing emphasis on the import of capital goods and raw materials, and a decrease in the proportion of imported food and consumer goods.

One-third of Israel's imports in 1950 consisted of investment goods, which will, in due course, reduce the countrys dependence on the import of food and other consumers' goods. Simultaneously, the growing volume of investments in the expanding economy has made it impossible to increase exports despite the large-scale growth of the population. This process has been facilitated by Israel's austerity rationing scheme, which is aimed at reducing local consumption and thereby making available for production the largest possible extent of the country's resources.

Israel's major financial problem during a period of large-scale immigration is, therefore, to find the resources of foreign exchange for financing an import program geared to economic development projects which increase the country's export capacity and reduce its dependence on imported food and consumer goods.

### RISE IN IMPORTS

Israel's adverse balance of trade poses the problem of its effects on the national economy.

The following analysis may be indicative.

While the increase in population from 1949 to 1950 was 24.7 per cent, the increase in imports amounted only to 16 per cent. The decline in the import of food stuffs by 3 per cent accompanied by the above increase of population shows that local production of essential food stuffs was able to cope with the requirements of a rapidly increasing population. In fact, the increase in the total agricultural production exceeded the increase in population.

Agricultural and industrial developments are responsible for the increase in the imports of investment goods, fuel and raw materials. This increase, however, influences the national economy favorably in several directions. It creates employment, reduces the volume of goods which would otherwise have to be imported and it increases the exports potential. The increase in the import of agricultural equipment by two thirds as compared with 1949 is the result of a deliberate policy of the government towards agricultural self-sufficiency.

The conclusion is, therefore, justified that the large imports indicate a rise in constructive investment by which the national economy has gained in spite of the adverse balance of trade.

The following tables show the trends of development in Israel's foreign trade during 1949 and 1950.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **1949** | | | |
| Imports | IL | 87,982,333 | ($246,350,532) |
| Exports | IL | 10,599,333 | ($ 29,678,720) |
| Exports as a percentage of imports | | 12% | |
| **1950** | | | |
| Imports | IL | 102,604,442 | ($287,292,437) |
| Exports | IL | 13,162,212 | ($ 36,854,193) |
| Exports as a percentage of imports | | 12.8% | |

**Imports Per Capita**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1949 | IL | 82,380 | ($230.66) |
| 1950 | IL | 81,561 | ($228.37) |

**Import Without Allocation of Foreign Exchange**
(i.e., goods brought in by immigrants or foreign investors or gifts requiring no expenditure of foreign exchange)

| | |
|---|---|
| 1949 | 15% of total imports |
| 1950 | 18% of total imports |

**COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS**

| | 1949 | | 1950 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Citrus | IL 6,445,024 | 63.4% | IL 6,051,754 | 48.2% |
| Citrus by-products | 863,623 | 8.5 | 505,497 | 4.0 |
| Diamonds | 1,853,987 | 18.2 | 3,146,702 | 25.1 |
| Woolen products | 27,807 | 0.2 | 914,313 | 7.3 |
| Apparel | 71,879 | 0.7 | 337,883 | 2.7 |
| Artificial teeth | 182,335 | 1.8 | 307,914 | 2.5 |
| Chocolates and sweets | 40,813 | 0.4 | 226,640 | 1.8 |
| Cotton products | 21,860 | 0.2 | 125,853 | 1.0 |
| Pharmaceutical products | 22,278 | 0.2 | 92,551 | 0.7 |
| Wine and liquors | 68,432 | 0.7 | 64,223 | 0.5 |
| Essential oils | 120,161 | 1.2 | 52,293 | 0.4 |
| Other goods (mostly industrial products) | 458,655 | 4.5 | 726,792 | 5.8 |
| Unspecified | 482,689 | | 609,797 | |
| Total | IL 10,659,453 | | IL 13,162,212 | |

**COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS**

| | 1949 | 1950 | Percentage change 1950 in relation to 1949 Increase | Decrease |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Consumers' Goods: | | | | |
| a. Food | *IL 13,522,000 | IL 13,118,000 | | 3.0 |
| b. Other non-durable | 9,636,000 | 9,212,000 | | 4.4 |
| c. Durable | 5,002,000 | 4,453,000 | | 11.0 |
| Total consumers' goods | IL 28,160,000 | IL 26,783,000 | | 4.9 |
| Agricultural Raw Materials | IL 5,661,000 | IL 5,900,000 | 4.2 | |
| Industrial Raw Materials | IL 22,927,000 | IL 26,772,000 | 16.8 | |
| Fuel | IL 5,294,000 | IL 7,694,000 | 45.3 | |
| Investment Goods: | | | | |
| a. Industrial Equipment | IL 6,077,000 | IL 8,531,000 | 40.4 | |
| b. Agricultural Equipment | 5,801,000 | 9,417,000 | 62.3 | |
| c. Transportation Equipment | 856,000 | 892,000 | 4.2 | |
| d. Other Equipment | 5,356,000 | 8,266,000 | 54.3 | |
| e. Building Materials | 6,807,000 | 8,115,000 | 19.2 | |
| Total capital goods | IL 24,897,000 | IL 35,221,000 | 41.5 | |
| Unclassified Imports | IL 773,000 | IL 235,000 | | |
| Grand Total | IL 86,939,000 | IL102,370,000 | 17.7 | |

* (The official rate of exchange of the Israel Pound is $2.80.)

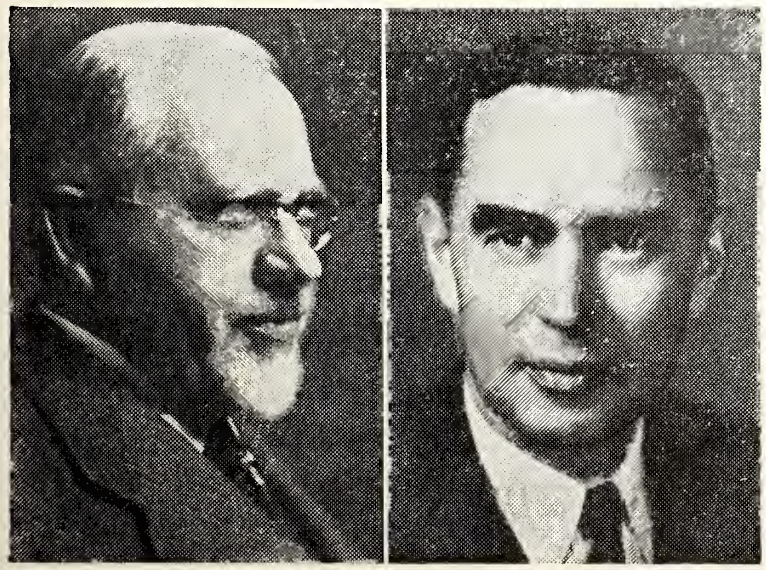
# OUR NEED . . .

## A United Religious Jewry in America

*By* RABBI MAX D. DAVIDSON

THE more I travel through the country, the more I observe other groups, the more do I marvel at the unity, the *esprit de corps*, the sense of mutual responsibility of our membership. I need point out only two illustrations: In the field of chaplaincy procurement, other groups have, during the past year, adopted a plan which we instituted and delevoped almost ten years ago. The enlistment of our rabbis in the armed forces, the distress of their families and their congregations weigh heavily on our hearts whilst we are inspired by their self-sacrifice and their acceptance of the will of their colleagues. We have scores of congregations who plead with our Placement Commission for rabbis, and the Placement Commission is dealing with this problem with the high judgment as with all its problems. As a matter of fact, in this field of placement, other groups are attempting to emulate the standards which have been in effect in the Rabbinical Assembly for many years. This sense of discipline and authority has developed to a point where the standards and ethics and even the autonomy of congregations are involved. I submit that the time has come in our organizational structure when we must consider many of the problems as joint problems of rabbis and congregations, not as separate and perhaps conflicting interests, but as one indivisible unit. Rabbis come to the Rabbinical Assembly for assistance, for protection, and for claims against congregations, and we have stood by our rabbis, our members and we have also respected the rights of members of other rabbinic groups.

Under present arrangements, the Placement Commission finds itself in a very difficult position when called upon to recommend a rabbi. If the tenure of the previous incumbent is not clearly defined, it must then delve into the whole question of previous tenure, and work out rules and criteria and often must turn to other groups and individuals for instructions. There are many cases, of course, when placement is not initially involved at all. Can we permit unilateral and self-serving answers to such questions as: Does a congregation have the absolute right, even if its own forms are followed, even if the Board of Trustees and the congregation have acted with full constitutional and contractual correctness, to decide that a rabbi who has served that congregation faithfully for many years, does it have the right to decide that the rabbi is no longer suitable, and that he must now seek another post? What are the moral obligations of a congregation to a rabbi in case of severance, in case of retirement, in case of the engagement of an assistant or an associate? What are the duties of a congregation in the instance of prolonged illness, or, in case of the death of the rabbi, to his family? Is it proper for a congregation, seeing greener pastures elsewhere, to establish a branch in the vicinity of a newly-established congregation struggling to serve the community? Should a rabbi serve on or meet with the Board? Or is it proper for an old congregation to seek to prevent the establishment of a new congregation in a new and growing suburban community because some of its own members have moved to that suburb? Are the very large congregations desirable anyway, huge imper-



**NOTED JEWISH SCHOLARS RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES FROM DROPSIE—Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan (left), Professor of Philosophies of Religion at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and noted Reconstructionist leader, and Dr. Nelson Glueck (right), President of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and well-known archaeologist, received honorary degrees from the Dropsie College at its annual Founder's Day observance in Philadelphia.**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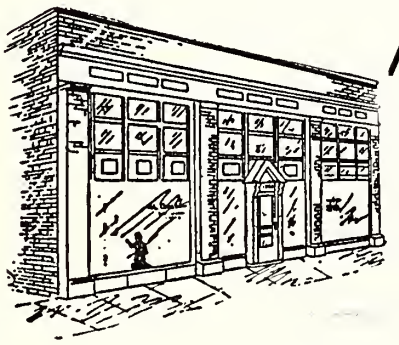

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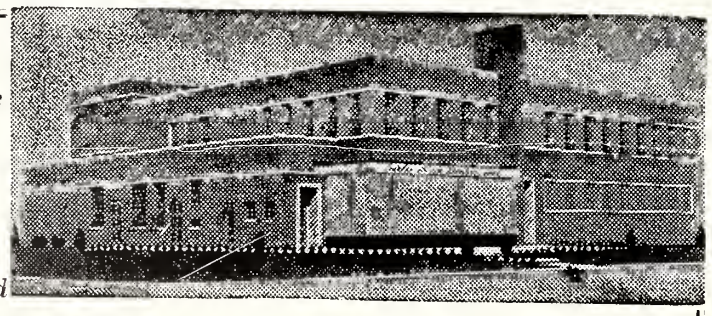

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sonal corporation in which the rabbi cannot meet, cannot know, cannot serve the individual members?

Should there not be set up a new permanent Commission representing the Seminary, the United Synagogue and the Rabbinical Assembly, this Commission to be charged with the responsibility of establishing standards, answering some of these questions, defining the responsibility of rabbi to congregation and congregation to rabbi to view and review their relationships, to hear complaints, to act as a board of arbitration when called upon to do so, and even when it feels that it should intervene for the common good. I recommend the establishment of such a commission, which, for the sake of a handle to grasp in discussion, I would tentatively call the Commission on Synagogue Standards.

When we look beyond our own movement to the Jewish ministry generally, what do we find? Can we speak of an American rabbinate? Is there a reality to match the term? In the much-discussed secularization of Jewish life in America, non-synagogue groups often arrogate to themselves the title of spokesman for American Jewry. They claim that the synagogue is a divisive rather than a unifying factor. I have come to the painful conclusion that the charge is justified. The rabbis and congregations of America dissipate and fragmentize their strength and their power. It is strange and baffling, especially if we were to take the trouble to examine the actual affiliation and attachment of American Jews. Actually, more Jews are associated with organized synagogue life than with any other functioning institution in America.

It is paradoxical that while the religious representatives bewail the philanthropic, nationalistic, fraternal, recreational and social pressures, and bemoan secularizing influences, the sacred cows—the rabbis and congregations of all groups give time, talent and energy to these agencies, but these same rabbis refuse to give cooperation to one another. The other agencies capitalize on that division. They flourish while we weep . . . What do we have as the framework or even the foundation for building unity?

The Synagogue Council of America is the official, the *de jure* union of Jewish religious forces in America consisting of representatives of its six constituents: the three rabbinic groups, the Rabbinical Council of America, Orthodox; the Central Conference of American Rabbis, Reform; the Rabbinical Assembly of America, Conservative; the three congregational bodies, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Reform; the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, Orthodox; the United Synagogue of America, Conservative. In spite of valiant and desperate efforts, in spite of some recent increase in its activity, it has been and is comparatively impotent and unproductive since its beginnings because, firstly, its constituents are the national organizations rather than the local congregations and rabbis directly, and secondly, because the con-

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# Journey Through Iran

**Thirty-three-year-old Stanley Abramovitch, Joint Distribution Committee director in Iran, has just completed a motor tour of the Jewish communities in southeast Iran. The route he traveled lies across the most wretched roads in Asia, through wild desert countries, to forsaken townships and forgotten villages. Here are excerpts from his latest report covering the conditions of the Jews in Kashan, Yazr, Kerman, Isfahan, Shiraz and Zarghan, just before Rosh Hashonah 5712.—THE EDITOR**

"A FIRE comes down from heaven." That's how the stifling heat of Persia is explained. We travel mostly at night. The morning is spent examining the children, checking the feeding and clothing programs and meeting with local community leaders. In the afternoon we sleep, usually in the basement of the community leader's house, for this is the coolest spot. About 6 in the evening we drive over primitive roads in an old car, hoping to reach the next town by daybreak.

Such a trip is not only exhausting, but often dangerous. By the third night the driver frequently becomes too worn out to remain awake. If we are not careful. we are liable to find ourselves bogged down in a muddy ditch or at the bottom of a steep ravine.

**Progress in Kashan**

This scorpion-infested country of 850 souls has an Alliance Israelite school attended by 300 children. We havet one capable teacher who works successfully and devotedly. He attended the teachers' seminar maintaind by the Joint Distribution Committee in Teheran last year, and the guidance he gained he uses well. Nevertheless, the children still read with a local dialect. The syllabus JDC prepared and sent to the school could not be put to full use because of a lack of teachers.

A special class for girls, aged 15 and 16, meets in the evening. They speak Hebrew well and are even learning the Shulhan Aruch (compilation of laws pertaining to Jewish practice and observance). They are probably the only group of women in Iran who possess this knowledge. During the entire summer the school remained open for three hours daily, principally to provide lunch for the undernourished children. Sixty-five youngsters now have their meals in the school dining room. The kindergarten has been opened and in the year 5712 the number of boys and girls receiving lunch in the school

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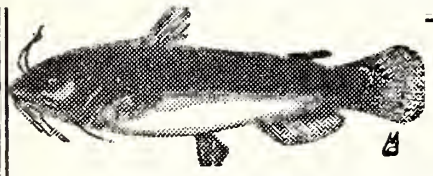

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will reach 100 daily. It is urgently necessary to increase this feeding program, since most of our young charges have no breakfast in the morning and very little supper at night.

**Food Urgently Needed in Yazd**

We left Kashan for Yazd at 2:30 in the afternoon, but it was not until the next morning that we arrived at our destination. The car broke down soon after starting, and we were forced to stand for three hours in the blistering sun. Of the 260 children in the Alliance school in this small primitive town, JDC provides lunch for 180. The food is so important to these boys and girls that last summer they pleaded with us to keep the dining room open even though the school was closed.

More than 200 children are wearing JDC clothing. It was interesting to note that the less destitute children come to school in worse clothes than the poorer ones. The "richer" boys and girls have a change of clothing and therefore wear their torn outfits to school, while their better garments are kept for the Sabbath. The poorer children have only the clothes we give them. Accordingly, when I see a child in rags, I know that he is not from one of the poorest families, because the poorer children are neatly dressed in JDC clothing.

Some 30 children in Yazd suffer from an aggravated form of tinea (scalp ringworm). Since local facilities in Yazd are inadequate and unreliable, I am planning immediately after Rosh Hashonah to take the children in groups to Isfahan, where a JDC doctor will provide X-ray treatment.

**Unbelievable Poverty in Kerman**

We left Yazd at 6 p.m. to travel south across the desert of Lot to Kerman, on the border of Pakistan. The poverty in small communities such as Kerman is unbelievable. Of the 55 children we feed in the school dining room, not one of them has any breakfast before coming to school. Boys and girls devour the food greedily. They are still thin and underweight, but already I can see improvement in terms of increased energy and vitality. In addition, after months of training, they have learned to wash their hands before sitting down to lunch. But we shall have to increase the number of children we feed in Kerman.

The one school in the town is an Ozar Hatorah institution with five classes. The teachers, working according to instructions we send them and under the guidance of a director who attended the JDC's teachers seminar in Teheran last year, have been unusually successful with their students. In the lower grades, however, progress is slower because so many of the children have come from non-Jewish schools.

**New Feeding Program in Isfahan**

We left Kerman at 7 p.m. and reached Isfahan, 500 miles away, 17 hours later. Just a short time ago I had been in Isfahan to establish a child-feeding program, and my first and most important task in this town was to see what had been accomplished. The food was not what it should have been and the local community leaders responsible for the program promised to make certain specific improvements.

I then applied for a permit to go on to Shiraz. Every time I have to visit a provincial town like Shiraz, I must obtain a special permit. Shiraz is out of bounds and does not honor my English passport. Permit in hand, we left Isfahan at 11 p.m. and reached Shiraz, 200 miles away, exactly twelve hours later. The reason for the delay was that we were stopped on the road and advised to wait until dawn, as bandits were about that night.

**Large JDC Program in Shiraz**

Some 700 boys attend the Jewish school in Shiraz under the guidance of one of our staff members, Mr. Israel Szyf of Jerusalem. Mr. Szyf has already spent seven months in Shiraz. The loneliness in which he lives in this remote outpost, the complete lack of basic living conditions, make his work a task of love, if not martyrdom. I consider it a miracle that, in spite of the dirt, squalor and primitive living conditions, he has been able to work so successfully and accomplish so much.

Chiefly because of Mr. Szyf's efforts, the 700 children in the school did such excellent work that the Iranian education office commented favorably on their showing in their examinations. It must be remem-

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# When There Was No JWB

*By* DR. BERTRAM KORN

**In this major contribution to American Jewish history, Dr. Korn, Rabbi of Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel, Philadelphia, and author of the recently published book, "American Jewry in the Civil War" (Jewish Publication Society of America) gives a revealing picture of the difficulties and problems that confronted American Jewry in meeting the religious and welfare needs of Jewish military personnel during the Spanish-American War when there was no National Jewish Welfare Board. This article is a partial condensation of a paper on the same subject to be published with complete notes in a forthcoming issue of the Quarterly of the American Jewish Historical Society, which is sponsored by JWB. The article appears in this form with the permission of AJHS. Dr. Korn is anxious to receive from Jewish veterans of the Spanish-American War or their families any additional material as well as letters dealing with religious and welfare activities for Jewish personnel during that conflict. His address is 1717 North Broad Street, Philadelphia.—THE EDITOR.**

WHEN President Harry S. Truman sent American forces into action, in June, 1950, against the North Korean invaders swarming across the 38th Parallel, the National Jewish Welfare Board, whose facilities, resources and techniques had been tested and perfected over a period of almost thirty-five years of wartime and peacetime service, was immediately prepared, in cooperation with Jewish chaplains serving in the Army, Air Force and Navy, to activate a well-rounded program of religious and welfare ministration to Jewish men serving their country.

In April, 1898, when the United States declared war on Spain, there was no National Jewish Welfare Board, nor was there any other national Jewish service organization which could potentially meet the needs of thousands of Jewish servicemen away from their homes. Local Jewish communities were well organized; but none of their synagogues or cultural, social and philanthropic groups had a plan for emergency ministration to soldiers and sailors.

Nor were any Jewish chaplains currently serving the military forces. Four had been appointed thirty-five years previously during the Civil War, but their commissions were granted only for the duration of hostilities, as stipulated in temporary war-time legislation, which was not intended to apply to chaplaincy service in the regular military and naval establishments, nor in any future conflict. There was no automatic provision for the appointment of Jewish chaplains in proportion to Jewish servicemen when war was declared.

One of the first to recognize the need for religious guidance for Jewish soldiers and to publicize that need was fifty-five-year-old Rabbi Edward Benjamin Morris Browne of Columbus, Ga., but the only thanks he received for his foresight was ridicule and scorn. Shortly after the war began, Rabbi Browne made application for a commission as chaplain; the Army apparently considered him too old for military duty, but several American Jewish periodicals pilloried him for his chutzpah.

Valuable time was lost while the editors were laughing at Rabbi Browne. It was not until June that the Central Conference of American Rabbis met in convention in Atlantic City and requested that McKinley

DR. BERTRAM KORN

appoint a suitable number of rabbis as chaplains:

". . . Holding at the disposal of our country all the material and spiritual needs in our possession, the Central Conference of American Rabbis also desires to assist the Government in maintaining the moral and religious tone of the army. To achieve that end we will furnish an adequate supply of religious literature to the Jewish soldiers and sailors in the various camps and at the front.

"For the more effective performance of this duty we respectfully ask the President of the United States to appoint two or more Jewish chaplains at large to minister to the spiritual needs of the soldiers and sailors of our denomination in the army and navy of the country."

It was already too late, however; neither the Central Conference's resolution nor the tardy recognition of the problem by some Jewish periodicals could anticipate the cessation of hostilities in early August. American Jewry was too late in awakening to the religious needs of its men in uniform during the war.

Several rabbis were, however, elected chaplain of local military organizations. One of these was Rabbi J. Leonard Levy, Associate Rabbi of Congregation Keneseth Israel of Philadelphia, who, late in May, 1898, received the following letter from Charles M. Keegan, an ambitious young tobacco salesman who had begun organizing a Volunteer Brigade in March:

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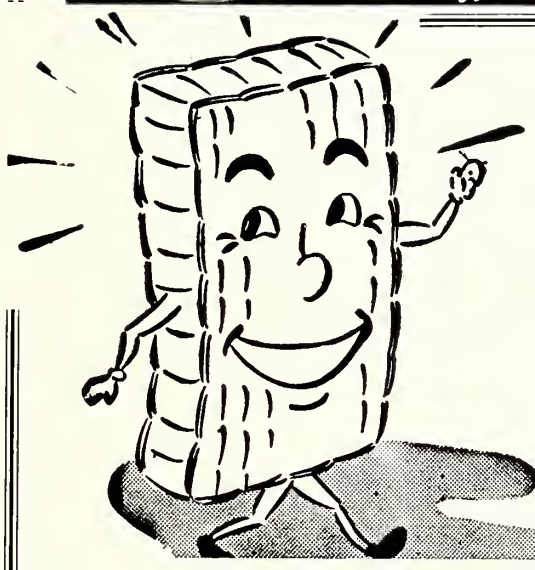

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acquaintance with you, and from the patriotic sentiments you have from time to time uttered, the members of the Brigade will feel happy if you will accept the position of Chaplain. The men have banded themselves together for the protection of the Fatherland, and will feel happy if they can receive spiritual ministration at your hands in the broad and liberal spirit for which you have become known in this community and throughout the country.

Hoping we may be favored with a reply in the affirmative, believe me,

Yours very truly,
C. M. Keegan."

Rabbi Levy referred the matter to his board of trustees, saying he was prepared to accept the invitation. The congregation's trustees unanimously agreed to let Rabbi Levy accept the chaplaincy post. Meanwhile, he had left Philadelphia on a far-western lecture tour and did not receive news of the board's action until June 10. That same day he telegraphed his acceptance to Colonel Keegan. Several days later the Philadelphia papers published the news together with Rabbi Levy's pledge that he would devote any salary received from the government for his military service "to the relief of all cases of distress occasioned in the families of men who go as volunteers." This patriotic gesture received the happy approval of press and public, and within a brief time other officers of the Brigade had followed his leadership.

Meanwhile, however, Colonel Keegan's Brigade, which had enlisted about 900 men, and a similar regiment created by John Wanamaker, which had recruited 500 men, melted away because of complicated military and political maneuvering involving the Federal Army and the Pennsylvania National Guard. Impatient for active service and despairing of official recognition by the War Department, men of both regiments withdrew and joined the National Guard or enlisted in the army itself. The result was that Rabbi Levy had no opportunity to be chaplain in anything but name. The war ended with Keegan and his chaplain still in civilian garb.

Despite the fact that he never saw active service, Rabbi Levy's election as chaplain of the Brigade was a tribute to his reputation as a civic leader in Philadelphia. That he supported the war effort was obvious. Immediately after the declaration of hostilities he had not only announced his approval of the President's action, but also indicated his desire to do something tangible:

". . . I hope it may be my privilege to lend my support to my country in the hour of trial. I hope it will be my privilege to be able to undertake some service compatible with my calling during the present difficulty."

In a city-wide rally to stimulate support for the Brigade, and before his election as its chaplain, he had declared that . . .

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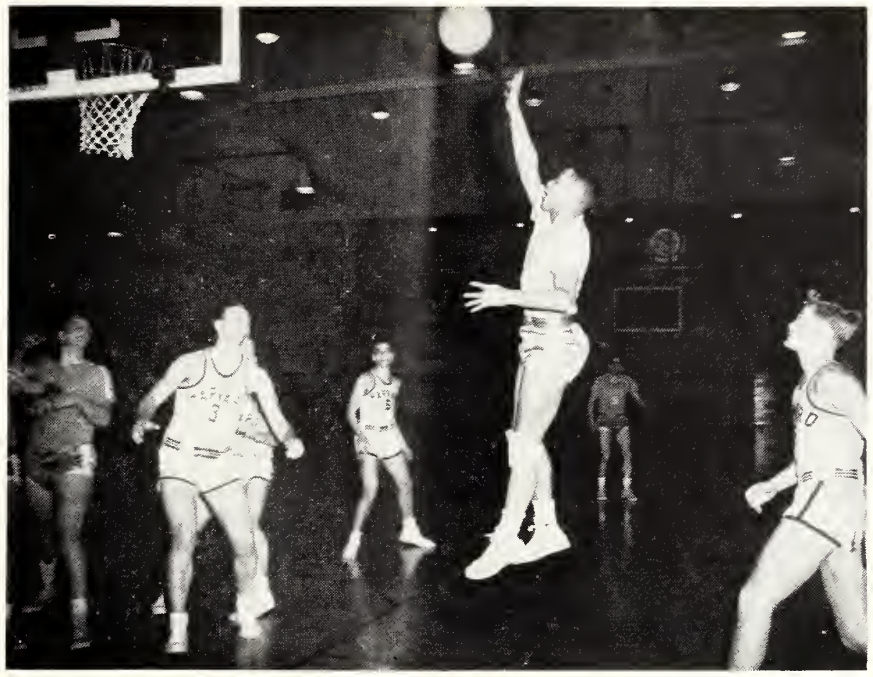

**BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY CAGERS IN ACTION—Dick Jones of Duquesne, Penna., puts the Brandeis University freshman basketball squad in the lead in the early minutes of a match with Harvard. Located on the banks of the Charles River, Brandeis will field its first varsity team in 1952.**

the heroic Washington and lovers of the martyred Lincoln . . ."

That his fervent advocacy of the Administration's stand against Spain was only partially responsible for his election as Brigade Chaplain is apparent from the fact that it was not a Jewish Brigade. Of the thirteen men appointed to company command, only one, George Levy (the Rabbi's brother), was Jewish. The only other Jewish officer was Joseph J. Snellenberg, a leading member of Rabbi Levy's congregation, who was elected major of the Brigade and served as chairman for the entire Brigade, rather than chaplain only for the men of his faith, at that date in American history, was testimony not only to his own character and ability, but also to the liberal, democratic instincts of the men who did the voting.

The other rabbi who was elected chaplain on a local rather than a national level was Dr. Emil D. Hirsch, spiritual leader of Sinai Congregation of Chicago, one of the most influential clergymen of his time. Dr. Hirsch was appointed Chaplain in the Illinois Naval Reserve, with the rank of Lieutenant, by the Governor of Illinois, on June 8, 1898. State Naval Reserve units were similar in character to the National Guard, and many men who had enlisted in such units were called to active duty with the United States Navy during the Spanish-American War. Rabbi Hirsch was not called to active duty, however, and although it is reported that he once appeared in his pulpit in Naval uniform, the only record of any service he rendered as chaplain is that which concerns a trip which

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In return may God grant you and your family a year of health, happiness, security and peace of mind. These are the sincere hopes and prayers of our Officers, Directors, staff and aged residents.

Our sincere gratitude and a Happy New Year to the Jewish Community Council in Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News, Portsmouth, Danville, Roanoke, Lynchburg, Hopewell, Petersburg for their loyal support.

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he made to Newport News, Va., in October, 1898, to participate in the ceremonies attendant upon the launching of the Battleship Illinois. After less than two years service, he resigned his commission. Meager as his service was, Dr. Hirsch's appointment must be counted as yet another military honor to a rabbi at a time of national emergency, another vote of confidence in the American rabbinate, and another indication that Judaism received equal regard and respect with Christianity as an American faith.

The only rabbi ever to tour the fighting front in Cuba was J. Leonard Levy's senior rabbi, Dr. Joseph Krauskopf—not in the capacity of military chaplain, however, but of Field Commissioner for the National Relief Commission, an organization whose activities resembled those of the Sanitary Commission during the Civil War and of the USO during World War II and today. During June, July and August, 1898, Krauskopf, nationally known as an orator, administrator and public servant in many fields of human endeavor, toured military camps in Washington, D. C., Jacksonville, Fernandia and Tampa, Florida, Chicamauga and Atlanta, Montauk Point, Long Island, and Cuba. His reports on the poor sanitary and medical conditions in the camps, the failings of the Red Cross, and the morale of the soldiers were an especially important contribution to the campaign for reforms in the armed forces. Though his particular mission was devoted to the welfare of all the men, and though he moved most frequently with high ranking officers, Dr. Krauskopf was always conscious of his calling as a rabbi, seeking out Jewish men and conducting services for them, taking messages from them back home to their families.

Krauskopf and his fellow Commissioners were charged not only with the task of investigating conditions among the troops, but also of distributing tons of medical and food stores as a voluntary contribution from the American people to their sons at the front. In addition, Dr. Krauskopf was conveying the personal offer of Oscar Straus to provide a $10,000 ice plant for the American headquarters in Santiago, and he had also undertaken the obligation of distributing 1,000 Union Prayer Books, a gift of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, and sundry Jewish magazines, tracts and newspapers, to Jewish servicemen.

In his diary of the trip, Rabbi Krauskopf told of the service he conducted aboard ship:

"Sunday, July 24, 1898

". . . Last evening, the captain of the vessel approached me and asked me to conduct the Sunday service. I hesitated at first but finally consented, and so at 10:30 crew and passengers assembled in the large marines' mess room, and I conducted the entire service, using my Prayer Book and our Relief Commission Song and Hymn Book, copies of which having been previously distributed, and then I preached the sermon, which was very much appreciated. Found

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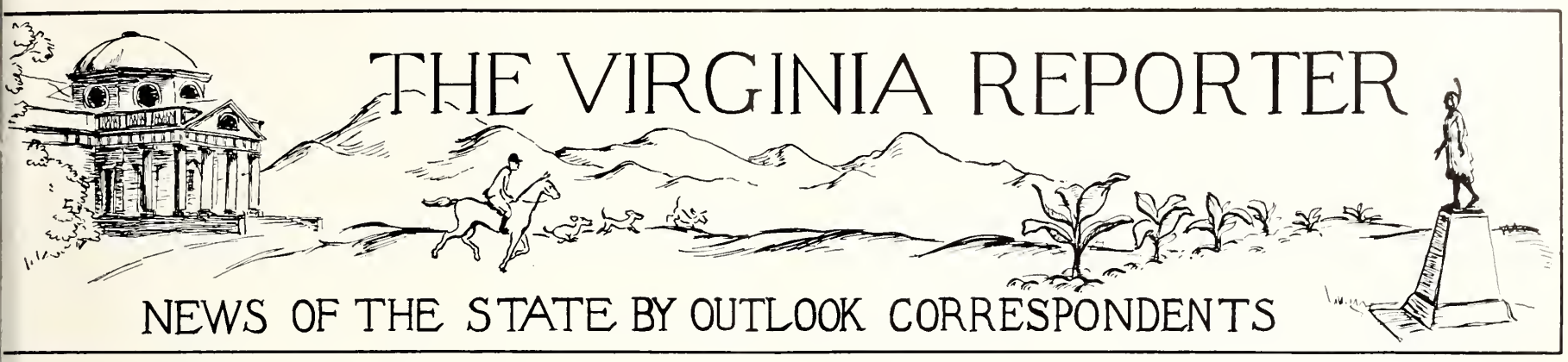


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RABBI JACOB MILGROM

Rabbi Jacob Milgrom has just begun his duties as the spiritual leader of Temple Beth-El, 3330 Grove Avenue, Richmond, according to Harry Lowenstein, president of the congregation.

Rabbi Milgrom graduated magna cum laude from Brooklyn College, where he was elected to membership in the Pi Mu Epsilon, Honorary Mathematics Fraternity. He has completed his residence requirements at Columbia University leading to the Ph.D. degree.

Rabbi Milgrom's rabbinical studies were taken at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, where he received the Bachelor of Hebrew Literature degree in 1943, his rabbinical ordination in 1946, his Master of Hebrew Literature degree in 1948, and is completing his work towards the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature.

Upon his ordination, from 1946 to 1948, Rabbi Milgrom served as assistant to Rabbi Solomon Goldman of the Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago, the largest Conservative Synagogue in America. During the past three years, Rabbi Milgrom was the spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Torah, Orange, N. J. During his ministry at Orange, the congregation successfully completed its expansion building program.

Rabbi Milgrom has been very active in Jewish youth work, having served as the Regional Director of the Leaders Training Fellowship, the youth arm of the Jewish Theological Seminary, in Chicago and New Jersey, respectively.

He has served as secretary and president of the Board of Rabbis of Essex County, and has been on the Executive Board of the Ministerial Association of the Oranges, the Essex County Cancer Committee and the Community Chest Fund.

In recognition of his academic qualifications, the Zionist Organization of America granted him a fellowship in the University of Jerusalem.

Rabbi Milgrom, his wife, the former Josephine Berman of Miami, and his new daughter, Shira, will make their home at 3224 Kensington Avenue in Richmond.

### BETH-EL TEMPLE SISTERHOOD

**By Mrs. Allan G. Minko**

The first regular meeting of Beth-El Sisterhood was held on September 19, in Temple Social Hall. Mrs. Louis Perlin, president, greeted the membership and outlined the busy program inaugurated for the coming year. This meeting was well attended and a delightful program, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Abe Grandis, was presented.

The first adult education program under the chairmanship of Mrs. Henry Schrieberg, consisting of a leadership training course, was held at Temple on the 18th and 19th of September. This two-day institute was attended by board members and co-chairmen of standing committees. Mrs. Louis Sussman, of Belleville, N. J., conducted this institute in her charming and stimulating manner, and made this course one which will be most meaningful in months to come, as she discussed every phase of Sisterhood work plus practical suggestions in carrying out Sisterhood programs. Throughout the country Sisterhoods have been conducting these courses with great success, and we knew our members would also want to reap the benefits from such stimulation. This opening session was limited to a small group, which also included representatives from the Tidewater area Sisterhoods, because it was felt that more could be accomplished in this manner. Other courses can be arranged if any group of members so desires.

**Youth Activities**

Mrs. Dave Pollack, Youth Activities chairman, would appreciate ladies who are interested in becoming Girl Scout leaders, to please contact Mrs. Leonard Meyer. Experience is not necessary, to assume this post.

The first cotillion, and registration for the coming year, was held September 15, in the Social Hall. This affair was most successful, well attended, and a good time was had. For further information concerning these monthly cotillions, sponsored by the Sisterhood, please call Cotillion Chairman, Mrs. Al Kravitz, 4-5306.

**Donor-Torah Luncheon**

Sisterhood's annual Donor - Torah Luncheon needs no introduction, for the continued success, both socially and financially, is well established in all our minds and a must on our calendar for the year. This luncheon will be held in the Temple Social Hall on October 31, at 12:30 P.M. Guest speaker for this occasion will be announced at a later date. Mrs. Phil Kittenplan and Mrs. M. B. Wasserman, Donor-Torah chairmen, have been working diligently all through the summer, and their committees and co-chairmen likewise are well on the way with the many details and makings for the success of this affair. Additional assistance is always welcomed, and for members not already contacted who would be able to help in some capacity, please contact either Mrs. Wasserman or Mrs. Kittenplan.

Make your reservations early, and plan to be with us on October 31. A cordial invitation is extended to our neighboring Sisterhoods to join with us on this occasion. Guest luncheon tickets are available from the Temple office.

The treasurer of Sewing Guild, Mrs. Peter Lichtman, presented Sisterhood with a generous check. This money was earned through the sale of articles hand-made by the women of the Sewing Guild, under the chairmanship of Mrs. H. Lebarwich.

Welcoming chairman, Mrs. Herman November, would appreciate being informed of any newcomers to our city, so that she may call on them.

### B. and P. HADASSAH

**By Miss Esther Silver**

The first meeting of the 1951-52 season of the Richmond Business and Professional Group of Hadassah was a Paid-Up Membership Supper at the Pantree, 718 East Franklin Street, on Wednesday, September 12, at 6:30 P. M. The guest speaker was Rabbi Jacob Milgrom of Temple Beth-El.

An interesting program was given in addition to a musical selection rendered by Mrs. Frank Friedenberg, accompanied by violinist, Mr. Harvey Krasney.

The first cultural meeting of the season will be held on Wednesday, October 3, at the home of Dr. Clara Joel Fleischer, 4509 Franklin Street.

Mrs. Max Laster, president of the Richmond B. and P. Group, and Miss Helen Snukals, president of the Seaboard Regional Groups of Hadassah, attended the 40th National Conference of Hadassah in Atlantic City, N. J., September 16 through 19.

### BETH AHABAH SISTERHOOD

**By Mrs. Arthur Klein**

The Beth Ahabah Sisterhood, under the direction of its new officers, elected last spring, is planning an active and productive fall and winter season, starting off with its Ways and Means Affair in October. This will be a luncheon and children's fashion show.

The new slate of officers is as follows: President, Mrs. Lewis C. Markel; first vice-president, Mrs. Leroy Stern, Jr.; second vice-president, Mrs. Leonard Kagel; recording secretary, Mrs. David Katz, Sr.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Stanton Glazer; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. John Krauss; assistant corresponding secretary, Mrs. Irvin S. Markel; treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Seega; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Richard Bendheim.

Mrs. Max Forman has been awarded a certificate of merit by the Veterans' Administration for her outstanding success in conducting parties at McGuire V. A. Hospital. These parties are held monthly under the auspices of the Beth Ahabah Sisterhood with Mrs. Forman in charge.

### TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL WOMEN'S CLUB

**By Mrs. Manuel Lipsitz**

All right, all right, be patient. I told you last month I'd have some exciting news about the fashion show the 25th of October, but please, don't crowd . . . hey, wait a minute, give me just another couple paragraphs . . . golly!

There, that's better.

Seeing that our fashion show last year was such an overwhelming success, it was a comparatively simple matter to get the select shops lined up this year to participate. We are going to have not only adult models to show off the favorite Paris and American fashions for the new fall and winter seasons, but also four child models, ranging in age from 3½ to 12 years. Such exclusive shops as Greentree's, LaVogue, L'Pells, the May Company and the Davis Shop are among our sponsors for the fashion showing.

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# The Cooking Page

Some of these recipes are tried and true old timers. However, we have included some that may be new to you, and worth trying.

**CHICKEN FRICASSEE**

Take a chicken, cut off the wings, legs and neck. Separate the breast from the chicken, leaving it whole. Cut the back into two pieces. Prepare a mixture of salt, ginger and a little pepper in a saucer and dust each piece of chicken with this mixture. When you are ready to cook the chicken, take all the particles of fat you have removed from it and lay in the bottom of the kettle, also a small onion, cut up, some parsley root and celery. Lay the chicken upon this, breast first, then the leg and so on. Cover up tight and let it stew slowly on the back of the stove (or over a low gas flame), adding hot water when necessary. Just before serving chop up some parsley, fine, and rub a teaspoon of flour in a little cold water, and add. Let it boil at once. Shake the kettle back and forth to prevent becoming lumpy. The parsley root and celery may be omitted if so desired.

Duck can be prepared in this manner.

**STUFFED GOOSE NECK**

Remove the fat skin from the neck of a fat goose, being careful not to put any holes in it. Clean carefully and sew up the smaller end and stuff through larger end with the following:

Grind fine some pieces af raw goose meat (taken from the breast or legs), grind also some soft or "linda fat," a thin piece of garlic, a small piece of onion, when fine add one egg and a little soaked bread, season with salt, pepper, and ginger. When neck is stuffed, sew up larger end, lay it in a pudding-pan, pour a little cold water over it, set in stove and baste from time to time. Let brown until crisp. Eat hot.

**BRAISED OXTAILS**

Two oxtails, jointed and washed; six onions sliced and browned in pot with oxtails. When nicely browned add water enough to cover and stew slowly one hour; then add two carrots, if small; one green pepper, sprig of parsley, one-half cup of tomatoes and six small potatoes, and cook until tender. Thicken with browned flour. Cook separately eight lengths of macaroni; place cooked macaroni on dish and pour ragout over it and serve hot.

To brown flour take one-half cup of flour, put in pan over moderate heat and stir until nicely browned.

**HUNGARIAN GOULASH**

Have two pounds of beef cut into one-inch squares. Dredge in flour and fry until brown. Cover with water and simmer for two hours; the last half-hour add one tablespoon of salt and one-eighth of a teaspoon of pepper. Make a sauce by cooking one cup of tomatoes and one stalk of celery cut in small pieces, a bay leaf and two small cloves, for twenty-five minutes; rub through a sieve, add to stock in which meat was cooked. Thicken with four tablespoons of flour moistened with two tablespoons of water. Serve meat with cooked diced potatoes, carrots, and green and red peppers cut in strips.

**WIENER BRATEN—VIENNA ROAST**

Take a shoulder, have the bone taken out and then pound the meat well with a mallet. Lay it in vinegar for twenty-four hours. Heat some fat or goose oil in a deep pan or kettle which has a cover that fits air tight and lay the meat in the hot fat and sprinkle the upper side with salt, pepper and ginger. Put an onion in with the meat; stick about half a dozen cloves in the onion and add one bay leaf. Now turn the meat over and sprinkle the other side with salt, pepper and ginger. Cut up one or two tomatoes and pour some soup stock over all, and a dash of white wine. Cover closely and stew very slowly for three or four hours, turning the meat now and then; in doing so do not pierce with the fork, as this will allow the juice to escape. Do not add any water. Make enough potato pancakes to serve one or two to each person with "Wiener Braten."

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# PORTSMOUTH, VA., NEWS

**IRMA KOFF, Reporter**

With autumn in the air in Portsmouth, members of the Jewish organizations are making plans for a busy and successful season.

The Portsmouth Jewish community takes this opportunity to wish all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

**GOMLEY CHESED SYNAGOGUE**

Preparations are being made for the observance of the High Holy Days with services conducted in the synagogue by Rabbi Maurice Schwartz, assisted by Cantor Paul Grob. Selichoth services were held at midnight Saturday, September 22.

Hebrew School started on September 10 with Sunday School classes getting underway on Sunday, September 23.

**HADASSAH**

The Portsmouth chapter of Hadassah opened their fall season of activities on Monday, September 24. Highlight of the meeting was a skit, "Cavalcade of Hadassah." There was also a report of the national convention by the delegates, Mesdames Joseph Reshefsky, Bernard Rivin, R. J. Gordon and Phil Goldberg.

A membership tea for new members was held on August 19 at the home of Mrs. Bernard Rivin. Refreshments were served on the lawn. A speech on Israel and lantern slides highlighted the program.

**JEWISH WAR VETERANS**

The first meeting of the season was held on September 25 with Larry Goldman, representative to the American Legion's Boy Town, as guest speaker.

The JWV also recognized the ball team for the trophy won this summer.

**JWV AUXILIARY**

The Jewish War Veterans Auxiliary held their first meeting of the season on Monday, September 17.

**JUNIOR HADASSAH**

The young ladies of Junior Hadassah are making plans for their big fund-raising affair of the year—the Autumn Ball—on Wednesday, October 24, at 9 p.m., at the Suburban Country Club. Music will be by the Southerners. Frances Chernack is chairman. Give the girls your support by contacting any Junior Hadassah member for tickets.

The members had a get-together in the form of a weinie roast in the yard of the home of Mrs. Bernard Levin on September 12.

The Portsmouth chapter of Junior Hadassah as well as the entire community of Portsmouth lost a staunch supporter and loyal friend with the passing of Iris Chernack on August 18.

**JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Following a meeting of the steering committee, the calendar of events for the year for the Portsmouth Jewish community has been arranged.

The United Jewish Appeal regional meeting was held in Portsmouth at the Suburban Country Club in September.

The community has welcomed its latest member, a displaced person from Poland, who recently arrived from Germany. He is now employed at Barney's as a tailor.

**B'NAI B'RITH GIRLS**

Children of the Portsmouth Orphanage were treated to a swimming party and luncheon at the Suburban Country Club in August with B'nai B'rith Girls serving as hostesses. In addition, the orphans who had had recent birthdays were presented with gifts by the organization.

The first meeting of the season was September 17. At that time plans for a membership drive and tea were discussed.

**B'NAI B'RITH**

The opening meeting of the fall season for Sol Fass Lodge of B'nai B'rith was held at the Suburban Country Club on September 26.

**B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN**

The Donor Luncheon of B'nai B'rith Women of Portsmouth was highlighted by a fashion show, sponsored by local merchants, with models from the organization as well as children. The affair was at the Suburban Country Club on September 19. Mrs. Carl

**SPEAKERS AT U. J. A. CONFERENCE IN PORTSMOUTH, VA.—S. Michael Gelber, well-known analyst (left), and Zelda Popkin, noted author and journalist (right) were the principal speakers at the Virginia-North Carolina-Delmar conference of the U. J. A. held in Portsmouth, Va., on September 16.**

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Marc is chairman and Mrs. Irvin Mervis, program chairman.

The first fall meeting was held at the Suburban on Wednesday night, September 26.

**ZOA**

Installation of officers for the Portsmouth district, Zionist Organization of America, was held in September.

Also featured on the program was a talk by Hilliard Shapiro on his recent visit to Israel.

## Virginia Beach, Va.

More than 300 people filled to capacity the new Temple Emanuel at Virginia Beach on Sunday evening, August 26, to pay tribute and honor to an outstanding lay leader in Israel and founder of the new Temple. Nathan Polis, who for the past fourteen years had held services at his home, was acclaimed as the direct cause and the inspiring and driving force in the erection of the new, beautiful synagogue at 25th and Baltic Avenue, which was dedicated on August 5.

Rabbi Paul Reich, of Beth El Temple, Norfolk, presented Mr. Polis with a beautiful bronze plaque, which is to be placed at the entrance to the Temple, and which pays tribute to Mr. Polis as the founder of Temple Emanuel. Dr. Reich, in a glowing account of Mr. Polis's many activities in Jewish life, recognizing his contributions of effort, energy, as well as his many generous financial gifts, compared him with leaders in Jewish history "who labored not for glory or for honor, but for their love of the work of the Lord." Mr. Polis, in a short acceptance speech, rededicated himself to the work of the synagogue, and made a stirring plea for harmony, a high standard of religious observance and continued loyalty to the work of the Temple.

During the services a Torah was presented to the Temple by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Salsbury. Cantor Samuel Seidelman and Rev. Benjamin Martin of Beth El Temple conducted the ritual portion of the service, and a number of memorials were dedicated by Dr. Paul Reich.

Mr. Algy Cohen, president, recognized the cooperation and contribution of service made by Charles P. Leavitt, designer of the Temple, and presented him with a gift.

Rabbi Malcolm S. Stern of Ohef Sholom Temple asked the invocation, and the benediction was pronounced by Rabbi Morris Zackarias, of Mikro Kodesh Congregation, Berkley. The evening was chaired by Julius Schlain.

## Suffolk, Va.

**By Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg**

September is the settling-down month. Vacations are over and schools have started. Suffolk is no exception to this settling-down process. All of the families who had moved to the beach for the summer have returned and the children, to the relief of their parents, are safely back in school. Everyone is looking forward to the coming of the High Holidays.

The Annual New Year's Greetings booklet was distributed this month by Dr. Murray Kantor. The Sisterhood, which sponsored its publication, labeled it a great success, financially and otherwise. It is a most interesting booklet, containing, besides the New Year's greetings, religious information which will be useful throughout the coming year. Dr. Kantor has just reason to be proud of this work, for which he gave so many hours of his time.

Organizations have not done much work this past month. Starting dates for all groups are set for October.

College days have come again for our boys and girls. In college for the first time are Lawrence Zittrain at V. P. I., Letty Lee January at Pen Hall in Chambersberg, Pa.; Burton Jaffe at Duke, and Stuart Levy at William and Mary,. Norfolk. Donald Levy has entered the University of Virginia Medical School, and Sigmund Stein is also doing post-graduate work at the University of Virginia. Anita Kerpelman has returned to Michigan State for her junior year; Hannah Lee Rose is in her senior year at R.P.I. and Doyle Levy is in his final year at the College of William and Mary.

Another one of our boys has entered service. During the summer Richard Staub, son of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Staub, joined the U. S. Coast Guard. Larry Ruden is now stationed at Westover Field, Mass., and has recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al. Ruden. Melvin Kozak is now in Korea.

All of Suffolk Jewry were shocked and saddened by the death of Mrs. Louis Freidlander. Sarah Friedlander was a past-president of the Sisterhood of Agudath Achim Synagogue and also was treasurer of Suffolk Chapter of Hadassah for many years until forced to retire because of her illness. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, her mother, and several sisters and brothers. We all mourn with them the loss of this kindly, charitable and gracious lady.

## Staunton, Va.

**By Estelle Kauffman**

This year we have as our rabbi from Hebrew Union College, Student Rabbi Joseph Herzog, who officiated at our Rosh Hashonah services. He will continue here for the remainder

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# NORFOLK, VA., NEWS

**AT VIRGINIA BEACH "NIGHT OF STARS"—Left to right, A. J. Harris of Norfolk, Shoshana Damari, Joey Adams, Cindy Heller, and David Friedman, chairman of the Norfolk Committee.**

On August 19, 1951, the most successful social event of the season was held at the Cavalier Beach and Cabana Club, Virginia Beach, Va., through the courtesy of the Cavalier Hotel, under the management of Sidney Banks. The facilities of this club, together with its orchestra, was given gratis to the use of the Norfolk Committee, Bonds of Israel Government.

This affair has reactivated the communities of this area and has created a real desire on the part of the Jewish population to purchase bonds. Over twelve hundred people attended this function, which was the largest and most impressive gathering of this type ever held in this community. It is impossible to measure the amount of education and stimulation as a direct result of this affair, but the various communities involved are now thoroughly aware of the Bonds of Israel and its importance to Israel. We can also credit this affair with a much better relationship between Jews and non-Jews, and this is especially true in the territory of Virginia Beach, and Bonds of Israel have been placed on a much more dignified basis.

Present at this affair, which was known as "Nite of Stars," was Joey Adams, who acted as master of ceremony, accompanied by Miss Cindy Heller, New York and Hollywood comedian. Miss Shoshana Damari, dramatic interpreter of Israel songs and folklore, known in Israel as the Star of Israel, currently appearing at the Village Vanguard in New York City, was very well received by the guests. Also appearing with the headliners, were Fischer and Marks, comedy team of the Dunes Club at Virginia Beach, who had just completed an engagement at the Chez Paree in Chicago. Their services were donated for this very worthy cause. The Cavalier Beach and Cabana Club, as previously stated, furnished the music—Art Mooney and his orchestra.

It is the opinion of Mr. David Friedman, local chairman of the Norfolk Committee, Bonds of Israel Government, that this event marked a milestone in the education of American Jewry and furthered their desire to assist the smallest democracy in the East, the State of Israel, by the purchase of Israel Bonds.

## Newport News, Va.

**By Mrs. Irving Berlin**

The Jewish Community Center is now making arrangements for its fall activities, which will feature once again a well-rounded program for all age groups, beginning at three with its nursery school, to 73 with activities for the Golden Age group.

Thirty children will enter the fourth season of Kindergarten activities which has been the favorite attraction with tots of the Jewish community.

The young people's group, under the supervision of Ben Edelman, Director of Activities, will plan for a series of group meetings which will feature physical education in the at-

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tractive gymnasium of the Center, dramatics, arts and crafts, clubs, photography, dancing instructions, Jewish holiday celebrations, and outings. Volunteer leaders will be in charge of the children's activities.

In cooperation with the United Hebrew School which meets daily at the Center, a group work program is conducted for the students at the school.

Miss Anita Lowenthal, who was the Newport News Young Adult Council representative to the National Jewish youth Conference, sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board, will report back on the four-day institute that is conducted for the Jewish young people throughout the United States. The Young Adult Council represents all the young people from the Jewish community.

The foreign film committee will plan for its third series, and representatives from all community groups will join the Jewish Center Committee in arranging for the showings of the films.

The Golden Age group, which had a very successful picnic at the summer home of its president, Mr. Kenneth Arch, will make arrangements for its third season of activities, which was highlighted last year with the presentation of a Jewish stage show from New York.

**CHARLES SEGALOFF**

Mr. Charles Segaloff, chairman of the 1951 Allied Jewish Appeal Campaign, has announced that a special cash collective drive will be held during the High Holy Holiday period. It was also announced that the Bonds for Israel campaign will be launched with a mass rally in the fall. Mr. Ben Levinson is chairman of the Newport News Bonds for Israel Drive, and Mr. Jack Ruben is co-chairman.

The Center has become a very active facility for servicemen, who attend all of the functions and have been sponsored every Sunday evening with a special dance and social arranged by the Jewish organizations and young people of the community.

# I SEEK MY BRETHREN

## *The Way to Jewishness in Uncle Sam's Navy*

*By* WILLIAM J. JASPER, Lt. J. G.

**This heart-warming letter, describing from first-hand knowledge the spiritual and cultural activities which the National Jewish Welfare Board provides for the men and women in Uncle Sam's armed forces, is an unsolicited and dramatic testimonial to the value of the JWB program as seen and experienced by a young naval lieutenant. Lt. Jasper, a Navy dentist, whose home is at 630 Clyde Street, Pittsburgh, tells how the Jewish chaplains and JWB armed service workers and community committees provide the way to Jewishness in Uncle Sam's Navy. A member of Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof's Rodef Shalom Temple, Lt. Jasper characterizes JWB as an extension "of those ties that have come to mean so much to me in my young life." The letter was written aboard the aircraft carrier Antietam.—THE EDITOR.**

IT has been a little over two years now since I returned to active duty in the Navy and have in that short span of time had six permanent changes of duty stations—and have attended as many Jewish religious services as I could, conditions permitting; and I feel that it is about time I write a letter to the National Jewish Welfare Board headquarters and tell them exactly how I feel, what I have observed, what we are doing (religiously speaking) aboard the USS Antietam, and in turn hope to receive from you some helpful and frank criticisms.

First off, I don't quite know how to express my thanks to you and your fine organization for the wonderful spiritual and cultural support that it has been my good fortune to enjoy and share with thousands of fellow

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servicemen and women and veterans throughout this great land of ours. Coming from a deeply religious Jewish home, I most naturally sought out those organizations which to me were extensions of those ties that have come to mean so much to me in my young life.

In Washington, D. C., where I spent some eight months in 1949-50, it was my Mitzvah to know Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tavel and his charming family, the V. A. chaplain, Morris Sandhaus, and to attend several services at the JWB Armed Services Center on Massachusetts Avenue; high holiday services with the Montgomery County Jewish Community Center at the Seventh Day Adventists Temple near Silver Spring, Md. (before their present home was finished), a service conducted by Chaplain Tavel, and at that time a new, inexperienced Navy chaplain, Chaplain Garson Goodman, who has since established for himself and his people an enviable record with the First Marine Division in that bloody, war-ravaged peninsula known as Korea. Dr. Alvin Spiro, Chaplain Goodman and I spent many pleasant hours together at the Naval Medical Center discussing Jewish problems, world-wide as well as service-limited — moments that I will never forget.

Later, upon transfer to the U. S. Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, it was my good luck to meet and learn to love and admire Chaplain Louis Parris, a spiritual leader to all the Jewish and non-Jewish patients alike in the Naval Hospital, during the spring and summer of 1950 while I was completing a Naval Dental Internship. Two incidents during that time stand paramount in my mind; the first was an occasion when a non-Jewish patient, in a wheelchair, came down to our services from the psychiatric ward to tell us, Jews, what a wonderful religion Judaism was and is, and how fortunate we were to have Chaplain Parris as our spiritual leader. He is a great source of hope to all the patients. I shall never forget his humility and kindness. Secondly, with the cooperation of the JWB and the Naval Hospital personnel, the lovely Seder in the Chiefs' Mess will remain always a very pleasant memory.

Great Lakes Naval Training Station has the reputation in the fleet for turning out the best recruits. This reputaion, I believe, is not limited to preparation for war alone; the astounding, yes, almost unbelievable set-up for Jewish personnel stationed at the Lakes is something every JWB worker should witness, feel and be proud of. People of the calibre of the Diamonds are like the finest gems —so very rare. Never have I come across a people so devoted to the care (religious, cultural, social, etc.) of Jewish service personnel as the famous Diamonds of Waukegan, who head JWB there. My nine months there was quite an education—with people such as Chaplain Sobel, and his charming and amiable wife, Shirley, and their two darling little girls. Chaplain Blank, though new to the life of a service chaplain, yet with quiet determination has not only maintained but even raised the enviable standards set by Chaplains Julian Mark and Samuel Sobel. Truly, Great Lakes today offers the Jewish servicemen a great opportunity. I must not forget Ed Rosenberg, JWB Regional Director who along with Dr. Spiro (LDG DC USN), Chief Steinberg, and others helped to keep the ever-changing congregation together and functioning during those winter months when we had no chaplain to lead us.

When I left Great Lakes this past May, I left with the knowledge that a very fine organization existed which, backed up with the Diamonds and the excited interest of the Chicago Jewish community, was quite capable of tending to the problems and comfort of Jewish personnel passing through the "Lakes."

Sea duty presents even more obstacles than has an already complicated Jewish program ashore. Aboard our ship, a carrier of the Essex class, we have some eighteen men of Jewish birth at present, and expect more when our squadrons arrive. We (Lt. Arthur Levy, USNR, Annapolis '44, and most recently an attorney from Passaic, New Jersey) have conducted one service (well attended) on Sunday during church call. It is our belief that whenver the ship is in port, all men of Jewish faith should endeavor to seek out the synagogue or temple of their choosing and that dinner services aboard ship be held only when such services are unobtainable (i. e., at sea). Chaplain Seigel, now stationed in Southern California, is doing a "yeomans" job, and though our acquaintance was necessarily limited to but a few hours together, he helped get our basic religious equipment "squared away" so that I believe we of the Antietam can boast of being the best supplied Jewish unit in the fleet. Chaplain Seigel sent us two bottles of Kosher wine, thirty serviceman's JWB religious kits, an equal number of Bibles, a square blue cloth with an outline of the Tablets of Moses which we use (or as the Navy terms it—"break out") whenever we hold services, a miniature Torah, and assorted pamphlets which I personally placed in the Crews Library for distribution among the non-Jews as well as the Jewish men. Chaplain Michaels, a new Lutheran chaplain, has been of great assistance to us in this undertaking.

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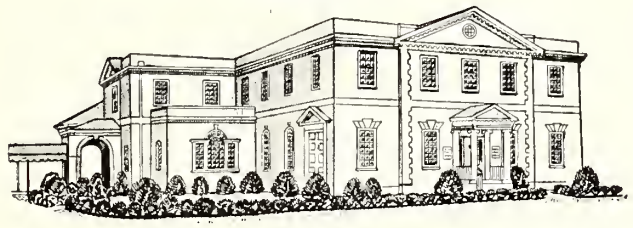

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# MARTINSVILLE, VA., NEWS

By Mrs. Ralph Hollander

MRS. ALVIN SILVERMAN

Miss Gertrude Schreibfeder and Alvin Silverman were married at the Forest Park Country Club Saturday evening, August 25.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Saul M. Schreibfeder of Martinsville, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Silverman of Danville.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin fashioned with long fitted sleeves, a sheer yoke outlined with a wide bertha of satin, and a bustle back. Her long skirt terminated in a train. Her headdress was a bonnet trimmed with teardrop pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of white orchids with streamers of baby blue satin ribbon.

Mrs. Lewis Fusfeld was her sister's matron of honor. She wore a hyacinth blue lace and net gown with a hoop skirt. Her flowers were a basket bouquet of yellow roses and blue delphinium. Mrs. Jack Heyman of Baltimore, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Hilbert Grossman of San Francisco, sister of the groom, were bridesmaids. Their gowns were fashioned identically to that of the matron of honor and were of yellow. Each carried a basket bouquet of blue delphinium and yellow roses.

The flower girls were Susan Schreibfeder, niece of the bride, and Sandra Silverman of Boston, niece of the groom. They wore blue organdy dresses and carried old-fashioned nosegays.

Dr. Herbert Silverman of Boston was his brother's best man. Ushers were Joseph Schreibfeder and Samuel Kaplan of Martinsville, Thomas Wells of Danville, Harold Tomckin of Princeton, W. Va., Larry Heyman of Baltimore, and Normal Schreibfeder of Stamford, Conn.

The mother of the bride wore a gown of dusty rose lace, studded with rhinestones, and an orchid corsage. Mrs. Silverman, mother of the groom,

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wore a chiffon and lace gown of hyacinth blue with an orchid corsage.

Holiday Yeaman, pianist, Miss Elizabeth Davis, violinist, and Mrs. W. T. Turner, soloist, presented a program of music for the ceremony.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the Club. Later the couple left for a wedding trip to Bermuda. For traveling Mrs. Silverman chose a navy blue suit with blue accessories.

Mrs. Silverman is a graduate of Longwood College, Farmville. Mr. Silverman received his B.A. degree and M.B.A. from Harvard University.

Mr. and Mrs. Silverman will make their home at 214 Sunset Drive, Danville.

The Ohev Zion Synagogue was the scene of the wedding of Miss Harriet Rudman and Ensign Leon Cooper of Norfolk, at 3 p.m. Sunday, August 19. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rabbi H. S. Goodkowitz.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rudman of Martinsville. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Cooper of Norfolk.

The vows were spoken before a background of white gladioli and lilies, ferns and palms. Holiday Yeaman, pianist, Joseph Schreibfeder, violinist, and Miss Ernestine Stultz, soloist, presented a program of prenuptial music.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a ballerina length gown of white frosted organdy, fashioned with a strapless bodice which joined a full embroidered skirt. Her white organdy fitted jacket was buttoned to the waist with pearl buttons, and the long sleeves came to points over the hands. Her short veil of nylon illusion was attached to a halo entwined with seed pearls. She carried a white prayerbook topped with a white orchid and showered with stephanotis.

Miss Betty Rudman, cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor. She wore a gown of pink lace fashioned

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# ROANOKE NEWS

**By Mrs. Ralph Katz**

**JERRY NEWMAN**

**BRUCE BRENNER**

It was unusual for Roanoke to celebrate two Bar Mitzvahs on successive week ends, the Bar Mitzvah of Jerry Newman, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Newman, and that of Bruce Brenner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Udell Brenner.

On Friday night, August 24, Jerry Newman chanted the service at Beth Israel Synagogue and an Oneg Shabbat was given in his honor in the vestry by his parents. His Bar Mitzvah was held Saturday morning. Out-of-town guests for the occasion were: Mrs. Charles Frank of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Frank and son, Milton, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frank and son, Mark, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman of Richmond; Mrs. Charles Glass of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Frieda Briggs of Washington, D. C.

Bruce Brenner assisted Rabbi Rothenberg in the Sabbath worship Friday night, August 31. An Oneg Shabbat was given in his honor by his parents. His Bar Mitzvah ceremony took place Saturday morning at Beth Israel. Mr. and Mrs. Udell Brenner entertained their out-of-town guests at a luncheon at Hotel Roanoke. Open house was held at the Brenner home, 1811 Mt. Vernon Road, in the evening. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lansberg, A. Gelblum, Mr. and Mrs. L. Frankel, and Richard and Carol Frankel, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coslov of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Nathan Adelman of Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Jennie Brenner and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Brenner of Winston-Salem, N. C.; Mrs. Rebeccah Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Caplan of Greensboro, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lyon of Hagerstown, Md.; Mrs. Mary Kerstein of Chambersburg, Pa.; Harry Kerstein and son, Bobby, of Hagerstown, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ullman of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Marye Cohen of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bernstein and Mrs. Ray Socks of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kerstein and son, Malcolm, of Charleston, W. Va.

Among the parties given for visitors was the tea in honor of Mrs. Jacob Silverstein of Milburn, N. J., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Davidson of Roanoke. Co-hostesses for the tea were Mrs. Joseph Davidson, Mrs. Dan Leeds, and Mrs. Sigmund Davidson. Visiting here with Mrs. Silverstein were her husband, Dr. Silverstein, and their three daughters.

A Labor Day dance was held at Green Hill Country Club for the members and their out-of-town guests.

At Beth Israel the education committee held two meetings during the summer to plan for the Sunday School. Mr. William Sager has been designated the new supervisor of Sunday School work. Mrs. Sam Labsen will assist him.

Beth Israelites at Wildacres for the second annual institute of Judaism sponsored by District 5 of B'nai B'rith were Rabbi Tibias Rothenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fisher and Mrs. M. Liebowitz, each of whom enjoyed the unusual and incomparable exposure to Jewish thought and culture.

Rabbi Rothenberg was guest lecturer in Bible at Wildacres from Au-

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with a low neckline and long sleeves. She wore a flower headdress and carried a nosegay of pink asters and blue delphinium.

Arnold Cooper, brother of the groom, of Norfolk, served as best man. Ushers were Lawrence Brener, Leonard Freiden and Edward Shaime, all of Norfolk, and Paul Lipkin of Charlottesville.

The bride's mother, Mrs. Rudman, wore a lace dress of cocoa brown with an orchid corsage. Mrs. Cooper, mother of the groom, wore a dark blue dress with an orchid corsage.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held in the recreation room of the synagogue. For their northern wedding trip the bride wore a dress of navy linen and an orchid.

The bride is a graduate of Radford College. The groom is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg.

On their return from the wedding trip Ensign and Mrs. Cooper will reside at 1130 Graydon Avenue, Norfork.

# A Tribute to the ORT Vocational School

*By* THE HONORABLE MAURICE J. TOBIN
*United States Secretary of Labor*

DURING my recent visit to Israel I had little time to see all the things I wanted in that most inspiring young state. I did, however, manage to visit the Jerusalem ORT Vocational Training School. I accepted the invitation of my good friend, Professor William Haber, president of the American ORT Federation, because I knew of the excellent work ORT has done and is continuing to do in Europe since the end of the war. I knew that my friends in the American trade unions were particularly interested in the vocational training work of ORT. From what I have seen, their interest, devotion and time have been well spent.

I was also interested in the work of ORT because it demonstrates in a practical way the constructive work voluntary agencies can do to further the basic objectives of President Truman's Point IV, Technical Assistance Program. The ORT program of "helping people to help themselves" is in striking harmony with the Point IV Program.

Israel is in great need of skilled workers of all kinds in order to develop a stable economy. Without these workers, it cannot produce the manufactured goods it needs to sustain a vigorous export trade. Therefore, the degree of skill and technical knowledge achieved by the Israeli labor force is of strategic importance, not only to Israel but also to the Middle East and the entire free world.

While in Israel, I was greatly impressed by the tempo of economic activities in all branches of trade, these activities are aided by funds derived from the United Jewish Appeal, loans of the American Government, and American private capital investments.

The problem of vocational training to teach the thousands of newly arrived immigrants to Israel is vast and urgent. ORT, to a great degree, is partially filling this wide gap in Israel's economy. I found that the basic principle which guides and motivates the ORT program in Israel is to offer vocational training of the highest quality to those most capable to benefit by it in skills most needed for the sound development of the Israel economy. It was reported to me that over 1,300 students were then enrolled in ORT schools and training workshops, taking courses of three to four years' duration and many short-term training courses.

The American Ambassador to Israel, the American Consul in Jerusalem, Congressman Augustine B. Kelley of Pennsylvania, and several members of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, accompanied me on my visit to the Jerusalem ORT Vocational School. We were most cordially greeted and received by Mr. J. Oleiski, the very able director of ORT in Israel. He took us on an extended tour of the school. We met with the school's staff of teachers, visited the various classrooms and workshops, and chatted with the students who have come to Israel from all parts of the world and speak a multitude of languages and dialects. They are acquiring a working knowledge of Hebrew in their training and are progressing rapidly.

Approximately 175 students receive excellent training at the Jerusalem ORT Center in general mechanics, auto mechanics, watch making, dental mechanics, sewing and dressmaking, locksmith work, lathe turning, and carpentry. I was deeply impressed

MAURICE J. TOBIN

by the creative and constructive work being done.

I left the school with a feeling of warm admiration and praise for the devoted work of the director, the principal, the teachers, and the students. In viewing the up-to-date vocational training methods, the well-planned curricula and program, and the excellent equipment, I felt that they compare most favorably with highest American standards.

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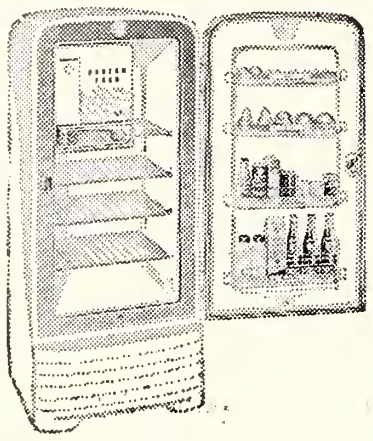

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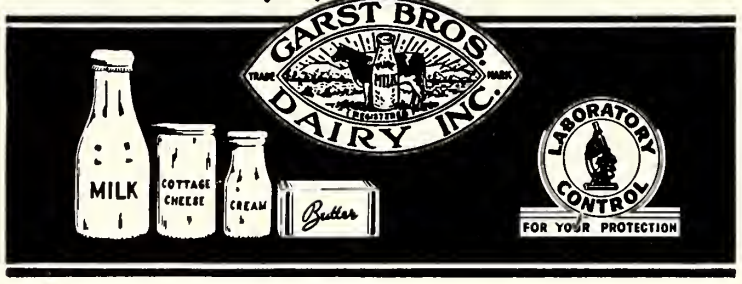


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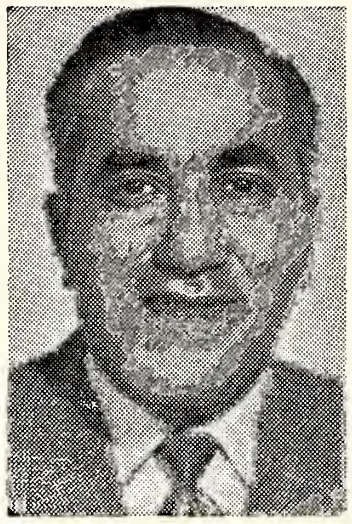

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of the year, coming on alternate week ends. We all welcome him.

The Bar Mitzvah of Bertram Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snyder, took place at the Temple House of Israel on September 23. Student Rabbi Michael Robinson of Hebrew Union College officiated. Following the services, a reception was held at Hotel Ingleside.

Mrs. Ralph Degan and daughter, Leslie, of New York, stayed with her family here for a good bit of the summer. Mr. Degan visited on week ends and spent a week before they all returned home.

Miss Nancy Lee Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cohen, has left for Chapel Hill, N. C., where she will start her second year of graduate school at the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Morton Sloane is getting along fine after an operation which kept her in for a while.

Mrs. H. L. Barber of Staunton and Miami Beach has been confined to the hospital here. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery are with her.

We all wish the Brandt Levys every success in their new business.

Mrs. Shirley Gelberg was in Philadelphia for about a week.

I would like to wish a very happy New Year to all the Times-Outlook readers!

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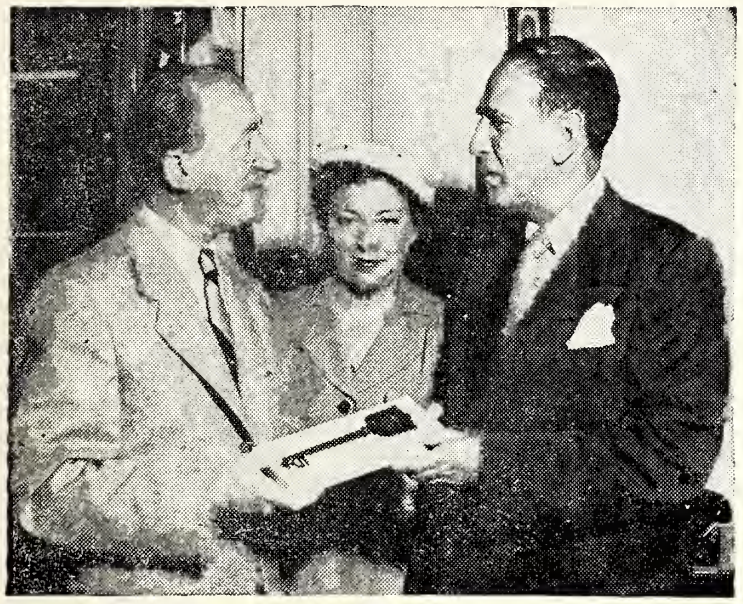

**FROM TEL AVIV TO NEW YORK—Yehudah Nedivi (left), Director-General of the Municipality of Tel Aviv, accompanied by Mrs. Nedivi, presents the key of Israel's biggest city to Mayor Vincent R. Impelliteri at New York's City Hall. Mr. Nedivi is in this country to aid in the drive for Israel's $500,000,000 Independence Bond Issue. Funds derived from the Bond Issue will make possible an unprecedented expansion of Israel's industry and agriculture to help in the absorption of 600,000 additional immigrants by 1954.**

# The Rabbi and the Jester

*By* MORDECAI DANZIS

THERE were times when gloom would descend like a cloud upon Rabbi Boruch'l of Mezhibosh, holding him in its terror for days and days. When he was in that mood, his chassidim feared to come within his proximity as if a wall had separated them or as if, God forbid, Satan had injected himself between them and the rabbi. They would keep aloof, the chassidim, pacing in awe with measured step and ears pricked in hope of detecting the wings of returning joy.

The only one who could pierce the wall and remain impervious to the curtain which kept the rest of the world apart was—Hershele Ostropolier, the famous wag and prankster who was, as it were, the rabbi's court jester. He, Hershele, would pretend ignorance of the rabbi's mood. Hershele was an eternally jolly fellow who knew the secret of tapping the well of mirth and joviality. The chassidim would light up when they encountered Hershele in the rabbi's court on the occasions when Reb Boruch'l was in the throes of dejection. Encouragingly they would say to him: "Hershele, please rush to the rabbi. He needs you, Hershele. Light up his face with laughter and smile." Hershele would nod assent and say: "Yes, yes, but one must make a l'chayim first, as it is written 'wine rejoiceth the heart of man.' Let me first become merry myself and I will then pass on my gaiety in good measure to Reb Boruch'l."

However, on one occasion Hershele was unable to cope with the challenge. The rabbi locked himself up in his study and was completely adamant to receiving people. The dejection which now held him in grip for several days penetrated the walls of his chamber and spread like a thick haze over the entire court. Household members and chassidim hugged the walls, bearing themselves like mourners. Hershele dared several times to get close to the rabbi, but without success. He knocked at the rabbi's door a number of times but there was no answer. All he could hear were the rabbi's restless footsteps in the room.

On one occasion Hershele knocked at the door with unusual persistence, imploring the rabbi to come out. Suddenly the door opened and there, at the threshold, stood the forlorn and crestfallen figure of the rabbi. His drawn face seemed thinner than ever, his cheeks were sunken and his eyes reflected the agony of all worlds. He gazed at Hershele, whose face was laced in laughter, and called out angrily: "Go away, clown. This is no time for clowning. This is a Day of Judgment."

And the rabbi withdrew to his chamber, locked the door and resumed his restless pacing of the floor.

Upon hearing what the rabbi told Hershele, the chassidim, who stood at a distance, virtually became congealed to the ground. Hershele, too, was baffled. He, the eternal mirth-maker, suddenly found himself standing for the first time in deep and serious contemplation, as if trying to pierce, through the medium of the rabbi's words, something that baffled him, something that he could neither grasp nor divine. And because this something was beyond his comprehension, Hershele was seized by grave anxiety and silent fear.

Overawed by the incident they witnessed, the chassidim talked softly among themselves, wondering what omen lay behind the rabbi's words,

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## Lynchburg, Va., News

**By Mrs. Gishy Adler Aronson**

Now that summer is slowly ebbing away and another season sets in, new interests and activities fill the calendar. It's back to school for many of us and in grand style it will be too, as evidenced by the lovely clothes shown in revue at the Boonsboro Club pool through the arrangement of Mr. Joseph Feinman of Vogue. The tiny waists, full skirts and billowing sleeves makes one reminiscent of bicycles built for two and past day Gibson Girls. It's back to the nineties we will go with its floradora sextets and barber shop quartets, according to plans made by chairman of entertainment for Hadassah. The official opening dance of the season will be a rollicking "Gay 90's Ball" with a hot time in the old town not only a musical idea of 1896 but a present day challenge to all who would come.

Lynchburg's Sisterhood, always active, will play hostess to the District No. 8 of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at a luncheon on October 24 at the Virginia Hotel. We are all looking forward to the Sisterhood's Bazaar which is slated for early November.

Going away to school this year will be Audrey Ellen Feinman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Feinman of Link Road, who will be a freshman at the University of Alabama. This summer while Audrey was busy preparing for college, sister Betty Sue was given the honor title of Queen of the Mardi Gras at Camp Ruthers. Donald Bletz will return to his studies at Medical School in Richmond. Donald's mother, Mrs. Jack Bletz, and sister, Marian, have returned from a motor trip to Cleveland, Ohio.

Lieutenant-Colonel Isaac Hoppenstein has arrived at his new post, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, after a thirty-day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Schiekwitz, formerly of Bluefield, W. Va., are now residing in our midst.

When in New York rather recently, Henry and Zelda Ross enjoyed a gay evening as the guests of Ted Lewis, who had formerly visited Lynchburg. Ted, you know, is the charming brother of Television's Robert Q. Lewis, now substituting on the Arthur Godfrey show.

Abe and Faye Adler while vacationing in Atlantic City saw the musical revue "Bagels and Yoks" and thought it was terrific.

Congratulations to the Ben Schewels, who celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on August 20. On the same day their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Schewel, observed their fifth anniversary.

As you must know by now, Rabbi Pines has left Lynchburg to become the spiritual leader of Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County in Bethesda and Chevy Chase, Md. In his place we are fortunate to have secured the services of Rev. Lloyd Tanenbaum of Rochester, N. Y.

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Given in marriage by her father, the bride had Miss Rose Ann Kahn of Baltimore, sister of the bridegroom, as maid of honor and only attendant.

Upon their return from a trip to Bermuda, Mr. and Mrs. Kahn will make their home in Washington, D. C.

**FORUM**

Big plans are shaping up for the first meeting of the B'nai Israel Forum Group on November 13 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rohr. The program will be in the form of an "Information Please," and a panel of experts will be chosen from the members of the organization. The new officers of the Forum for the coming year are: chairman, Mr. Howard Rohr; vice-chairman, Dr. Samuel Hendin; secretary, Mrs. Bernard Weinflash; and treasurer, Mr. Morris Gottlieb.

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Deepest sympathy to Mr. Arthur Lieverman on the passing of his father, Mr. Herman Lieverman, of Columbus, Ohio.

## THE RABBI AND THE JESTER

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what Reb Boruch'l meant when he said this was a Day of Judgment, and whether the cloud that descended upon the rabbi was not, God forbid, a portent of evil days and new decrees against the Jewish people.

The meaning of it all later emerged in full clarity. It was immediately after the Days of Awe. The days were grey over Mezhibosh. The rains came falling day and night, as if heaven's wells burst open and inundated the world. Gloom-laden clouds soared over the housetops. People wending their way through alleys and lanes walked knee-deep in mud and mire. When the rabbi gazed at the town through the window of his room, it seemed to him as if joy had forever forsaken the world and that darkness had come to take its place.

One evening, when the gloom was particularly heavy upon the town, the rabbi was stirred by the music of a wedding band. The fiddle carried a merry tune, with trumpet and drum giving it gleeful support.

The rabbi listened attentively to the music. Suddenly he arose, threw a shawl around his shoulders and, defying the darkness, he followed in the direction of the music, as if a light were glowing before him and showing him the way.

Finally he reached a narrow street on the outskirts of the town where peasant huts were lost amidst gardens and forest shadows. The barking of dogs pierced the night, mingling with the darkness and rain. But all the rabbi heard was the playing of the music band.

One of the cottages on the street was lit up more brightly than the others. It was the home of the bathkeeper, and it was from there that the music was forthcoming. That evening the bathkeeper was giving his daughter away in marriage.

The rabbi entered the crowded house unnoticed. He placed himself in a nook, and, unobserved by the celebrants, he contemplated the scene. He knew many of the men and women folk who filled the house. He knew them to be the poorest of the poor, the most indigent of the town, workers and artisans who struggled arduously every day for a bare piece of bread. Yet they participated in the festivity with a fervor as if happiness were their daily share. The musicians played with abandon and the wedding guests danced in a circle, hands on shoulders, with the bride in the middle.

The rabbi observed the scene. Suddenly he was seized by the consuming gaiety about him, moved toward the dancers and linked himself with them. At first no one noticed the new figure, who danced with sparkling abandon. Soon, however, the guests became aware that Rabbi Boruch'l was in their midst. Humbly, the hosts and guests broke away from the dancing circle, leaving only the rabbi and the bride on the floor. Presently Reb Boruch'l took out a kerchief from the back of his kaftan, gave one end of it to the bride and implored the musicians to strike up a merry tune. As he danced with the bride, he shouted

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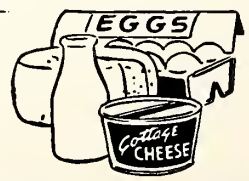

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*By* K. BAUM

A PITIFUL group of men and women arrived in Sweden in February of 1945, the first Jewish former inmates of a Nazi concentration camp to reach a neutral country. Most of them were in a deplorable state of health, quite a few were to die. But their foremost concern was for their relatives. What could be done to find them?

From London, Dr. L. Zelmanovits, Secretary-General of the British Section of the World Jewish Congress, flew to Stockhold to investigate the problem, quickly returned and thereupon set up the European Tracing office of WJC. The office was immediately flooded with inquiries. Hundreds of telegrams poured in, hundreds of visitors called. Within the first three weeks 2,000 letters arrived at the office. The inquiries were of a truly global character—a Jew from the Soviet Union looking for his sister in Britain; DPs in Switzerland eager to establish contact with relatives in Australia; refugees in Iran hoping to find relatives in America.

The World Jewish Congress had been preparing for this task, which continues to this day, even during the war. Plans had been made in London, in New York, in neutral Switzerland. But the facts revealed when the curtain went up on war-torn Europe were beyond imagination. Six million Jews had died. The problems of tracing the survivors, and determining who in the chaos of post-war Europe had not survived, were tremendous. Frontiers were shut, postal communications were non-existent, travel facilities were extremely limited. It became clear that only a central office with a highly scientific procedure could cope with the question.

The Tracing Office called for volunteer helpers to organize a central index containing lists of all survivors of Nazi victims, lists of all known dead, and of all inquiries. A panel of 800 men and women was mobilized to organize the index. Within months the index grew to hundreds of thousands of tabulated cards, and today comprises over 1,000,000 cards.

Besides the index a worldwide effort was put into individual case work which involved exchange of some 350,000 letters in English, Yiddish, Hebrew, Polish, French, German and other languages. Inquiries for Jews in overseas countries, particularly in the Western Hemisphere and Australia, were passed on to WJC organizations in those countries. Often these painstaking efforts were successful. But on other occasions no trace of the persons sought could be found. And so additional means of tackling this tragic problem were found.

The Jewish press was called upon to assist. And, for example, in the United States, through the good offices of the American Jewish Congress, search lists were regularly published in eight daily newspapers in New York and in numerous weekly publications. The assistance of radio stations throughout the world was also enrolled. The Polish program of the British Broadcasting Corporation transmitted a series of appeals to Polish Jewish listeners throughout the world to register particulars about missing relatives with the Trac-

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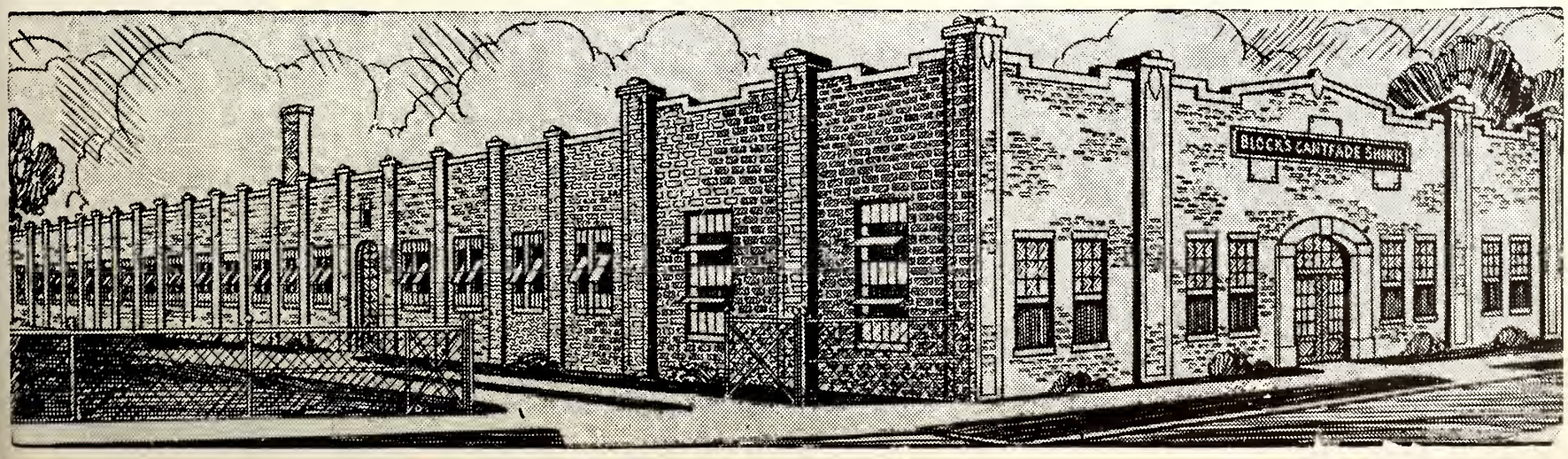


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ing Office. Search lists were broadcast three times a week in English from New York. The Palestine Broadcasting Service, the Swedish radio, Hungarian stations, the Swiss radio and others cooperated.

Perhaps one of the most tragic problems during the six years of the Tracing Office's work was that of "unaccompanied children." Many of them had been abandoned perforce by their parents on the pilgrimage to death. Some remembered their own names but were unable to tell the relief officers where they came from, how old they were. There were others of a tender age who did not even remember names. The E.T.O. circulated photographs to cooperating agencies and took other steps. Sometimes miraculous results were achieved. Sometimes hope rose but was tragically crushed. Thus, last year, a Jewish woman discovered in a London magazine the picture of a migrant ship docking in an Irish port. One of the girls leaning across the railing, she thought, was her daughter. The WJC facilities were mobilized to obtain details from Dublin. Instant action was necessary since the ship was about to sail. The information was gathered within a matter of hours but the result was disappointing.

In its six years of work the WJC body handled over 450,000 inquiries. It traced over 125,000 Jews. Most of those traced are survivors, today united with their relatives. In other cases the death of a husband, a wife, a father or a mother was reliably established, and the inquiring survivor was thus enabled to remarry, to emigrate, to lay claim to assets, insurance or restitution.

In recent months a new problem has arisen. The mail from Germany brings many inquiries which are obviously from non-Jews. Are these genuine inquiries or are they merely designed to check whether those deported by the Nazis no longer exist and will lay no claim to their assets? Congress treats such inquiries with particular care. The sender receives no direct reply. His inquiry is passed on to the survivor if his address has been established, and it is left to the survivor's discretion to communicate or to remain silent.

The war is long since over. But the European Tracing Office of the WJC, the only organization operating in this field besides the Relatives Search Bureau of the Jewish Agency in Israel, received some 5,000 inquiries in 1950. Today it is still receiving queries from those who have not yet abandoned hope. It will continue its efforts to restore happiness to thousands of Jewish homes as long as the need exists.

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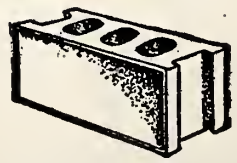

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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

## We Appoint a Chaplain

Mr. Jeff Davis who is widely known as the King of the Hoboes of America, had brought to me a matter that was more for the mind of a bishop if we had bishops in the Jewish ecclesiastical category, if there were such a category.

Mr. Davis was asking for nothing less than that I recommend a rabbi fit to be appointed Jewish chaplain of the Hoboes of America . . . "Whomever you recommend will be our Jewish chaplain."

He said the hoboes already had a Protestant chaplain and a Catholic chaplain, and toward the purpose of being strictly non partisan, Mr. Davis had decided the hoboes must have a Jewish one as well.

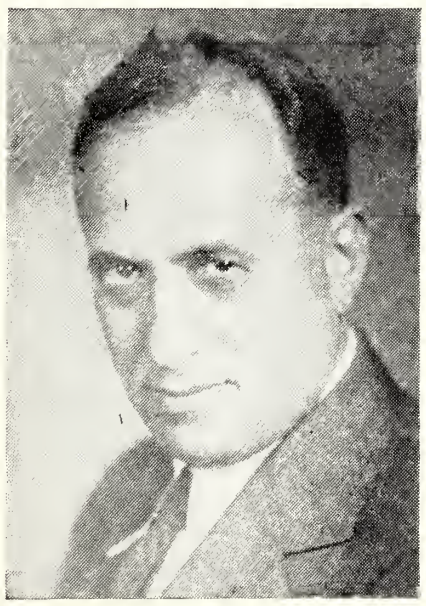
Hoboes, he thought, were an ideal kind of people who didn't make much of the differences that keep the religious communions apart. They don't go much to church, if at all, but as men who bat around the world they have come to the conclusion there's only one God, and what difference does it make how you worship Him? A hobo may worship God beside a road on a springtime morning after the long, hard winter.

So Mr. Davis felt that it was entirely in accord with the broad religious concepts of hoboes for the Hoboes of America to have not only a Protestant and Catholic chaplain but also one of the Jews. If there were Buddhist and Moslem hoboes he would have respected their religious communions in the same way.

I could guess that Mr. Davis wished to set an example to other fraternal organizations by a show of broad-mindedness among the hoboes. Other fraternal organizations are strictly Protestant, strictly Catholic or strictly Jewish and permit only clergymen of their own faiths to speak to God for them. Mr. Davis didn't like that at all.

"You are just the one to select for us a rabbi worthy to be Jewish chaplain of the Hoboes of America," he said.

"Oh, Jeff," I protested, "that isn't for me who am just an ignorant lay-



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man, you might say. Why not ask Dr. Glueck who is President of the Hebrew Union College which is Reform. Or, if you reqire the strictest Kosher you might ask Rabbi Eliezer Silver who is grand rabbi of fundamentalist Orthodoxy in our town."


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But Mr. Davis said: "No, you are the one. Your long experience of human beings, since you are a journalist, qualifies you to select a rabbi worthy to be chaplain of the hoboes. We require no ecclesiastical authority. I'll be back tomorrow for your decision."

Well, had Mr. Davis charged me to find a rabbi for K. K. Anshe Giborim it would have been no trouble at all. You know Anshe Giborim whose synagogue (it cost a million) has the huge 100 per cent chromium swinging doors, whose president is Montjoy Zilch, the big doorknob king (Zilch Doorknob, Inc.)

In that case I would have known exactly the kind of rabbi desired: a gorgeous figure whom the Anshe Giborim ladies could adore. They would say he looks like God Himself as he stood there in the pulpit.

He would be a man who could speak beautifully without saying much; at least without saying anything that could offend Montjoy Zilch. A man of ambition, he would consider even the height of Anshe Giborim only a stepping stone to higher things. Beyond Anshe Giborim were congregations more glamorous.

It was much harder to find a rabbi for the hoboes. He must be the humblest of men and it exalts him to be minister to those who may be despised as the least among people. He doesn't care in the least for the favor of the doorknob king. Not that he spurns people like Montjoy Zilch. It takes all kinds to make a world and some are hoboes and some are doorknob kings. All people together.

He knows his job is to speak up to God whether for hoboes or Montjoy Zilch, but maybe the hobo needs to be helped that way more than does Mr. Zilch, who pretty well knows how to take care of himself. If he became chaplain of hoboes he would never feel he'd have to go higher. To serve the humblest of men was high enough.

Yes, these were the qualifications of the Rabbi whom to choose for Jewish chaplain of the Hoboes of America. I knew the man. When Jeff Davis called again, I told him: "Your chaplain is Dr. Abraham Cronbach, a rabbi out of the Hebrew Union College, many years professor of social studies at that college, now retired, long ago chaplain at the workhouse in Chicago. A man who can know hoboes as brothers."

Next day Jeff Davis called again. "Thanks," he was saying. "Dr. Cronbach has accepted our chaplaincy. He considered it a compliment."

I was glad to find the Hebrew Union College felt the way I did about Dr. Cronbach. The college's monthly publication had said of him: "Dedicated to a concept of Judaism based in the first place on reverence of human personality, Dr. Cronbach's life has been devoted to social vision and social action, interpreting religion and spirituality as an imperative for the improvement of life.

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The great John Dewey, philosopher, had said of him: "I esteem it a privilege to testify to the work of a great social and religious thinker whose own life agrees so completely with the spirit of his teachings."

I could guess I had done right in raising Abraham Cronbach to the chaplaincy of the hoboes. Statistically speaking, I should add that Dr. Cronbach is 69 years old, was born in Indianapolis; served as rabbi in South Bend, Ind.; was associate rabbi of the Free Syanogogue, New York; rabbi of Temple Israel, Akron; chaplain of the Chicago Federation of Synagogues; for many years professor at Hebrew Union College.


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# Israel vs. The Soviet

*By* VICTOR LASKY

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However, the communist attack on Israel was not confined to propaganda denunciations or to anti-Semitism at home. After Israel began to lose favor with Stalin, the Soviet dictator began a campaign to hit the young republic where it hurt most—in the field of immigration. In one sense, Israel is much like the United States; both countries have derived their populations almost entirely from immigration. More than half a million immigrants have come into Israel since the state was founded, and most of the other Jewish citizens, who arrived from all over the world, have not been there much longer.

Needless to say, the Soviet Union had never allowed any of its own Jewish citizens to emigrate to Palestine or Israel. As a matter of fact, no Soviet citizens of any kind have been allowed to move to other countries. Even the Russian girls who married American Air Force men during the war were never allowed to join their husbands over here; the best available evidence is that, despite U. S. protests, they were not only kept in the Soviet Union, but were shipped off to forced labor camps. As far as Israel was concerned, the U.S.S.R. was almost alone of all the nations in the world in refusing to allow its Jewish citizens to emigrate there. Prime Minister Ben-Gurion appealed to Stalin to relax this restriction, but without success.

Israel had never expected that the Soviet Jews would be allowed to leave

**RABBI SHARFMAN, spiritual leader of Young Israel Congregation of Flatbush, New York, and recording secretary of the Rabbinical Council of America, was chairman of the recent 15th Convention of the Council in Atlantic City, N. J.**


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the U.S.S.R. But the country received a real shock when it became apparent that the East European satellites were going to imitate Russia on the immigration question.

There are today more than half a million Jews in the East European Soviet satellites. There is no doubt that a large majority of them desire to go to Israel, to escape both their memories of the nazis and their present persecution by the communists. Until a year or two ago, it was not difficult to emigrate, though Jews bound for Israel were always forced by the satellite governments to leave most of their property behind them. In 1949 and 1950, with anti-Zionist purges reaching hysteria proportions in Eastern Europe, the lid began to come down on emigration. A series of shocking atrocities was reported.

*Item:* The Jewish Telegraphic Agency reported that two Jewish youths were shot to death by Jewish communists when they tried to cross the Rumanian - Hungarian frontier with the ultimate intention of reaching Israel. A Jewish communist organization in Rumania had set up a special frontier guard to keep emigrants bound for Israel from leaving the country; the guards were reported to be tough, fanatical, and trigger-happy. In the first two months of 1949, they shot five Jews and caught sixty others, including several women. All received speedy trials in the People's Courts, and all were sentenced to prison terms.

*Item:* In Poland, what one communist paper called a "sobering-up process" was directed against those who wanted to leave the country. The campaign had several typical features of communist rule. First, there were public "confessions" by hundreds of Jews who had applied for passage to Israel that they had "erred" or been "misled by Zionist busybodies," and that they now understood they would be better off in the new "people's Poland." Another grim aspect of the government's campaign against Zionism was a sudden outbreak of a familiar communist technique: children denouncing their parents. A letter sent to the paper *Oifgang* by a young Jewish schoolgirl attacks her father, who, she says, is trying to force her to go to Israel. Her father, according to the printed letter, is planning to go to Israel "not because he is an idealist, but because he has been taken in by Zionist propaganda." She asks the editor for "advice and support." Another school girl writes to the paper that her father is a black marketeer and wants the family to go to Israel, "where he thinks he will be able to live without working." The editor of the paper, needless to say, promises the children that "we will give you every assistance and make it possible for you to complete your studies and become front-line builders of socialism."

*Item:* When four Israeli representatives arrived in Rumania in 1949 under an agreement to facilitate emigration, they were immediateily arrested on the ground that their papers were not in order. A new delegation was then sent with "their documents in proper order," and they too were arrested—this time without any charges even being filed against them. Shortly before this, bands of strong-arm men in the Rumanian capital of Bucharest had invaded the headquarters of fourteen Zionist organizations in the city and ejected all the personnel. After a wave of arrests and a ferocious press campaign, the Rumanian Zionist organization went out of business. Meanwhile, the Israeli ambassador, a noted

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**GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL, Secretary of Defense, led top military leaders this week in giving official indorsement to the reorganized B'nai B'rith service program for the armed forces and disabled veterans during the present national emergency. He issued a statement praising B'nai B'rith men and women, recalling also the Order's distinguished service during World War II. He is seen here in his office in the Pentagon Building looking over the B'nai B'rith service program with Col. Elliott A. Niles of Boston (left), national chairman, and A. B. Kapplin of Washington (standing), national director of the Service Committee for the Armed Forces and Veterans.**

# JEWISH IMPACT IN THE MIDDLE AGES

*By* JACOB S. MINKIN

**Rabbi Minkin, author of a number of books on Jewish history and literature, is a frequent contributor to "Congress Weekly." This is the second of three articles tracing the influence of the Jew upon the spiritual and intellectual life of the world.—THE EDITOR.**

THERE was no period in Jewish history described in the school books as the Middle Ages. What are commonly known as the Dark Ages have no counterpart in the Jewish record. If by "medievalism" is meant intellectual and spiritual stagnation, this term does not apply to the inner life of the Jews and their influence upon the world. The thousand-year cultural sterility of Christian Europe, a period when the sciences perished, and every vestige of advanced thought was sternly proscribed by the Church, had no parallel among the Jews. In their deepest suffering and humiliation, when culture was luxury and the pursuit of learning an extravagance, the Jews continued to produce poets, scholars, thinkers and mystics.

The Jewish genius never ceased expanding and creating. From the first page of the Bible to the latest printed book, there has been no pause or letup in Jewish cultural activity. What pause or fatigue the Jewish creative genius has suffered, was due to the adverse conditions and circumstances under which it labored. Thus the collapse of the Jewish State had far from paralyzed the Jew's intellectual and ethical progress. The blow was heavily felt, but the Jews soon rallied and the process went on. Indeed, it went on even with greater energy and vigor than before, for after


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The Middle Ages were the ages of the Jew's agony and degradation. The medieval world was religious. It was Christian. In that world, the Jew was worse than a stranger. He was an intruder, an interloper. The Dark Ages for the Jews extended from the eighth century to the eighteenth. They were dark not for want of inner light, but because of the almost universal conspiracy against the Jews. They were the ages of the Crusades, the yellow badge, the ghetto, the Dominican whip and the auto-da-fe.

Throughout that period unrelieved persecution was the lot of the Jews. They were the butt of slanders, the target of suspicions, the victims of libels. They could be robbed, pillaged and murdered at will. They were chattels rather than citizens, a sponge to be squeezed by king and bishop. They were driven from the land, from the professions, from commerce and industry, from the trade-guilds. Only one occupation remained open to them: moneylending. The Jew was forced into becoming the financial broker of Europe so that he might be fleeced all the more profitably.

Baptism was the Jew's only release, the Church his only escape. But this he refused, for the medieval Church was repugnant to the Jew. It preached love and practiced intolerance; it professed forgiveness and incited vengeance; it spoke of peace and goodwill and too often intrigued for war. Judaism set great store by education; the Church discouraged it. All Jews, even the humblest among them, could read their prayers and their holy books. In Christianity such knowledge was reserved only for the clergy, and possessed only by some of them. The pursuit of knowledge, even secular learning, stood in high esteem in the synagogue, while in Christianity learning, when not in service of the Church, was in danger of ecclesiastical censure.

That the Jews have survived the Middle Ages at all is miracle enough. The great wonder is that in the struggle for physical survival their intellectual vitality was largely unimpaired. Amidst their squalor and degradation they continued to influence the world's thinking in religion, philosophy, statecraft, the arts and sciences—sometimes as pioneers, sometimes as collaborators and intermediaries, but always as active participants in the long and steady march of human advancement.

The Jews were the cultural agents of the Middle Ages. Sparks of their influence fell everywhere: in the monasteries and universities, in Church and government, in the social and political life of the people. The Church's attempt to isolate and segregate the Jews did not succeed; they leaped over the fence. Where the Jews were not present personally, they were represented in spirit. During the Middle Ages, the schools and academies of learning were closed to them. There were no crowds of Jewish students in the universities of Bologna and Paris, but both teachers and students taught and studied the Greek masters from texts prepared by Jewish translators. There were no Jewish navigators and explorers in the Middle Ages, no Jewish counterparts of Vasco da Gama and Christopher Columbus, for the high seas, too, were restricted against the Jews. But both Vasco da Gama and Columbus had friends and consultants among Jewish scientists and cartographers without whose aid and the financial assistance of Don Isaac Abarbanel, their


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voyages might have been impossible.

But the strangest impact of all, perhaps, was the Jewish influence upon the Christian Church. The medieval Church feared the Jew more than it hated him. It plotted his destruction out of desperation rather than detestation. It would have exterminated him if it dared, for the Jew possessed something against which the Church was impotent. He possessed his Bible. With the Bible in his hand, the Jew could not only confute the Church but even disrupt it. Indirectly he came very near doing it. In the Middle Ages, the intellectual and spiritual maturity of the nations of Europe was manifested in their revolt against the Church, for which, in large part, the ideas and ideals of their Old Testament were held responsible. Thus, the Albigenses in France, the Hussites in Bohemia, the Lollards in England, the Puritans in Scotland and England as well as the Bible-intoxicated Pilgrim Fathers in North America, took the Jewish Scriptures as the text for their attack on the Church and the depravity and dissipation of its servants.

Humanism came to the Jews centuries before it made its appearance in Europe. If the Jews did not initiate the Renaissance, they certainly stimulated and accelerated its coming. They brought Greek philosophy to Europe from Arabia by the way of Spain. The Spanish Jews had entered far deeper into the philosophical heritage of Greece than the European Christians. Centuries before Western Europe had made its acquaintance with philosophy, the Jews had had their Philo, Judah Helevi, Maimonides, Crescas and others.

The revival of learning in Western Europe, which was the concomitant of the Italian Renaissance, was the direct result of the discovery and interpretation of the treasures of ancient Greek wisdom. In that revival the Jews played an important role, for they knew their Aristotle and had expounded and fought over him long before Western Europe had as much as heard his name. Before the Christian conquest of Spain, Jews and Moors met together in the broad squares and colonnades of Cordova and discussed the philosophy of Plato, Aristotle, the Stoics and Plotinus. They also translated them, thus mak-


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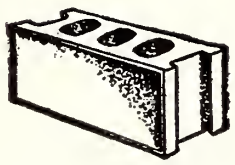
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Moses Maimonides represented the peak of Jewish philosophy. Not only Jewry but Christian Europe was familiar with his works. He evoked as much controversy in the Church as he did in the Synagogue. His principal philosophical work, the *Guide for the Perplexed*, was quickly translated into Latin. Albertus Magnus, who with one hand signed a decree to burn the Talmud, caressed the pages of the *Guide* with the other. Thomas Aquinas and Duns Scotus, the greatest of medieval theologians, paid tribute to Moses Maimonides and imbibed deep draughts from his works.

It was quite natural that the revival of classical learning should be followed by the study of the Hebrew language. So much of the enlightened knowledge of the Bible depended on the knowledge of the language in which it was written, that for the first time in history Hebrew was introduced into the curriculum of non-Jewish institutions of learning. Chairs in Hebrew were established in some of the leading universities in Europe, notably in Louvain, Paris and Oxford. Biblical science came into existence, and even Talmudic learning, theretofore held in detestation, was not neglected for what light it might shed on Christian doctrine. In all these things, Jewish scholars and Bible interpreters supplied the ferment. Rashi was the most popular Bible commentator among the Christian scholars of Hebrew all through the Middle Ages; and of David Kimhi of Narbonne it was said that he was present at Westminster in spirit when the English "Authorized Version" was prepared in 1611.

There is little point in pursuing further a subject that is practically endless. It remains, however, to be said that the Jews who were the pioneers of the Renaissance shared little in the fame and glory of its achievements. While they helped to bring the light of culture and civilization from the East to Christian Europe, they remained plunged in the worst social and political darkness and reaction recorded in their history without the faintest voice raised against the outrages committed against them. It is one of the lamentable paradoxes that the Jews' darkest period in the seventeenth and first half of the eighteenth century coincided with what became known as the Age of Reason in Western Europe.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JEWS WHO DIED IN KOREAN WAR—Chaplains Milton Rosen and Oscar M. Lifshutz are shown officiating at a special memorial service for American Jewish GI's killed in the Korean war. Held at the United Nations Cemetery in Pusan in the presence of a congregation of Jewish officers and GI's, the service was in keeping with the traditional program of religious activities conducted by all Jewish chaplains recruited, endorsed and served by the Division of Religious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board.**


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MRS. EDWIN GELBENHEIMER

Miss Ruth D. Levin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Levin of Burlington, and Edwin Geisenheimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Geisenheimer of New York, were married on Sunday, September 2, at Beth David Synagogue. Rabbi Simcha Kling, recently arrived in Greensboro to serve Beth David, performed the ceremony.

Miss Levin, given in marriage by her father, had the bridegroom's sister, Miss Hermine Geisenheimer, as maid of honor, and Mrs. Seymour Levin, her sister-in-law, as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Edith Sutker of Greensboro, and Mrs. Bernard Brown of Vineland, N. J., a former roommate of the bride at Woman's College. The bridegroom had his father as best man. Ushers were Seymour and Jack Levin, brothers of the bride, and Monroe Adlman and Gerry Trussel of New York, cousins of the bridegroom. Music was furnished by Dr. Austin Lovelace of Greensboro, organist, William Kirkpatrick of New York, tenor, and David McAdams of New York, violinist.

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ception in the social hall of the Synagogue. Approximately 300 guests were in attendance at the ceremony and reception. A dinner and dance at the Starmount Forest Country Club for the families and the several out-of-town guests completed the wedding day. After a bridal trip, Mr. and Mrs. Geisenheimer will be at home in New York City where the bridegroom is associated in business.

Mrs. Geisenheimer, a native of Burlington, graduated last January from Woman's College, Greensboro. Mr. Geisenheimer is a native New Yorker and graduated from Syracuse University, where he became a member of Alpha Kappa and AEP fraternities. He is a veteran of World War II and is in business with his father.

### SUTKER-MILLER

Miss Edith Sutker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sutker, was married to Eugene Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller of New York, on Sunday, September 23, at Sedgefield Inn. Rabbi Simcha Kling of Beth David Synagogue performed the ceremony before members of the families and close friends of the bride and groom.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride had as her only attendant, her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sidney Sutker of Greensboro. Attending his brother as best man was Captain Edwin Miller of Dayton, Ohio. Ushers were the bride's brother, Sidney Sutker, and the bridegroom's brother-in-law, Lt. Bernard Weisberger of New York. Music was furnished by Miss Sofia Steffan of High Point, contralto, and David Arner, organist.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Sutker were hosts at cocktails and dinner for the immediate group, following which the bridal couple left for a wedding trip. They are at home at 522 Overlook Drive, Greensboro.

Mrs. Miller was graduated from Randleman High School and attended Woman's College, U. N. C. She is employed in the office of the U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue.

Mr. Miller, a native ot Illinois, received his B.S. degree in chemistry from Georgia Tech, Atlanta; his B.A. degree, magna cum laude, from Bethany College, in West Virginia; and his M.A. degree from the Graduate School of Journalism at Columbia University, New York. He holds a diploma in history for graduate work taken at Oxford University, England. Mr. Miller served as an officer in the U. S. Navy during World War II and holds the commission of Lt. (J.G.) in the Naval Reserve. For the past three years he has been a member of the reportorial staff of the Greensboro Daily News.

### GREENSBORO'S BETH DAVID CONGREGATION WELCOMES RABBI SIMCHA KLING

Rabbi Simcha Kling, who arrived in Greensboro on September 1 to begin his duties as Rabbi of Beth David Congregation, is a native of Kentucky, receiving his early education in Cincinnati, and in 1938 was awarded a scholarship to further his studies in Tel Aviv. He received his degree in Master of Hebrew Literature from the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, where he was also ordained. He received his M.A. from Columbia University Teachers' College, in New York.

RABBI SIMCHA KLING

Rabbi Kling is a past vice-president of the St. Louis ZOA and the Histadrut Ivrit. He was also chairman of the Zionist Youth Commission.

Prior to coming to Greensboro, Rabbi Kling served the Congregation B'nai Amoona of St. Louis for three years as ass'stanmt Rabbi and Educational Director.

Rabbi and Mrs. Kling, who are residing at 808 E. Lake Drive, have a young daughter. Mrs. Kling is a native of New York.

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By MIN KLEIN

September, in our community, was the month of weddings, as well as the month of work. Ruth Levin and Ed Geisenheimer started things off with a beautifully appointed ceremony and a tremendous group of friends and relatives who filled Beth David. . . . Roberta Wolf of Albemarle and Abe Hoffman of Washington used Sedgefield Inn for their wedding — Edith Sutker and Gene Miller had the same idea and their wedding followed a week later. . . . A number of friends drove over to High Point for the Leyton-Schechter ceremony at B'nai Israel.

Community activities were off to an early start when Beth David was host at a congregational reception honoring the newly-arrived Rabbi and Mrs. Kling, who have come to serve the congregation. . . . The Sisterhood hospitality committee planned the affair and saw to it that the entire congregation came to welcome the Klings. . . . The regular meeting of the Beth David Sisterhood in September had Rabbi Kling as guest speaker and took this first opportunity to get plans mapped out for a successful year. . . . Temple Emanuel Sisterhood held the first board meeting of the season just prior to the beginning of regular meetings—the first of which was on Monday, the 10th, featuring a program directed by Kay Stern. This was in the form of "charades" based on members' activities during the summer months. . . . The Council of Jewish Women had as guest speaker at the September meeting, Miss Gertrude Weil of Goldsboro, recently returned from Israel and Europe. "Miss Gertrude," as she is known to so many of us, is a past president of the N. C. Association of Jewish Women and has spoken on many occasions to many of our groups. . . . Hadassah opened their forthcoming year of activities with an informal meeting in September, which was devoted to meeting and welcoming new members and newcomers. Elma Dryzer, membership chairman, was in charge of this phase of the meeting, and Bea Brown, hospitality chairman, hostessed the tea which followed. President Bea Karesh, recently returned from the National Convention in NYC, gave a stimulating and enthusiastic report of the meeting.

All signs seem to point to a banner year for local B'nai B'rith activities. President Bill Karesh has once again started the gang off with weekly luncheon meetings, the first of which took place at the S & W last month, with regular meetings and interesting programs planned monthly. Excitement ran high in that group when their softball team walked off with three silver cup awards presented at the annual banquet of the recreation department. Outstanding achievement was the winning of the extra large cup for "Sportsmanship" among the teams in the league; then came the middle-sized cup for placing second, and finally Manager Al Pearlman was awarded the smallest cup for managing the team. . . . Included on the team are AZA members Alan Getz, Harvey Ward, Ronnie Kriegsman, Seymour Bates and Lenny Guyes, who, we hear, traveled from Chapel Hill to meet game deadlines, and the following Ben B'rith: Jack Salz, H. Scuden, Izzy Messenger, Jerry Mathis, Jack Fleisig, George Breslau, Charlie Spector, David Fine, Stan Goss, Alvin Cohen, Ab Cohen, and Eugene Weisberger.

Orchids to Cy Jacobs on his election as treasurer of the Greensboro Heart Association recently. Cy was also put on the board of directors for a two-year term, as were also Mrs. E. M. Oettinger and Carolyn LeBauer.

**Travel Talk:** The Mike Zagers will have years and years of remembering after their stimulating and exciting European-Israel trip. . . . The Milton Zaubers will be around for a few weeks after practically an entire summer of moving about, finally ending with a long stay at Myrtle Beach, where, says Molly, "It was like being back home — there were so many Greensburgers around." . . . Television fans were given a pleasant surprise when Gaines Kelly, genial manager of Television Station WFMY, announced increased power for the local station. That will mean wider coverage and better reception. . . . The Herbert Falks finished up their summer at Wrightsville Beach, after extensive travels for the family brought them all together again. Ann spent some time in California, Louise was at Blowing Rock when not at the beach, Herbert Jr. did UNC summer school work, and Herbert, Sr., took in as much of the beach as time would permit. . . . The Max Kleins set out for South America about mid-September and will be back soon to tell us about it. . . . Sara and Julius Smith returned after Labor Day from a South Carolina visit with families, after a jaunt in NYC, and Lena and Ben Krieger did some business and


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pleasure travel in northern parts also. The David Cooper family finished their summer in the mountains with a family visit and fun in NYC, and reports are that Judy is doing beautifully after her last year's siege of illness. . . . Frances Rypins is off for the coming school year to start her work at the Cornell School of Nursing and carries with her loads of good wishes from home folks. . . . Hilda Peck has decided to head northward since her UNC graduation and see what NYC has to offer in the radio profession. . . . Mimi Temko has also joined the caravan and accompanied Sally Isaacson, who, although she enjoyed her summer at home, decided that the Call of the City was too strong to resist—we hope they will all be "local girls making good."

We marvel at the growth of our Jewish community, as we gather more closely together for these holiday worship periods after a rather scattered summer . . . on every side we see signs of our ever-expanding congregational "families" and the informal "open house" after services at Temple Emanuel on Rosh Hashonah Eve was a revelation. There were so many new faces, and it was good to get together again. Ditto the "between-holiday" reception at the home of the George Blanksteins. . . . And having our college students back in our midst added to the glamorous side of the community functions and made us realize that the school year was back in full swing, not only in our own realms but for the many thousands of future graduates. . . . Hope you're still enjoying the Holiday season.

**KATZ-JUDSON**

Miss Louise Doris Katz of Springfield, Mass., and David Lawrence Judson of Greensboro, were married September 9 in the Sert Room of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel by Rev. Ira Eisenstein. A reception followed in the Wedgewood Room of the Waldorf.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max I. Katz of Springfield. The bridegroom is son of Mr. and Mrs Nathaniel Judson.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and had Miss Barbara Katz of Springfield for honor attendant. Bridesmaids were Miss Gloria Bloom of Springfield, Miss Frances Ruth Lurvey of Indianapolis, Ind., Mrs. Will Lyons, and Mrs. Frank Rosengarten.

Morris Judson was best man for the bridegroom. Junius Hoffman of Columbus, Ohio, ushered, with Alan Judson, Dr. Richard Zucker, and John Wilson.

The bride attended Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated this year from Goucher College in Baltimore, Md.

The bridegroom was graduated summa cum laude from Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H., where he became a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Lamda Phi. For the past three years he has been an executive of Mock, Judson, Voehringer Company of North Carolina, Inc., subsidiary of Mojud Hosiery Company, Inc., of which his father is chairman of the board and treasurer.

**LEFTISTS FACE EXPULSION FROM TUCSON JEWISH COMMUNITY**

Tucson, Ariz.—Expulsion of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order from the Tucson Jewish Community Council will be considered at the forthcoming meeting of the organization.

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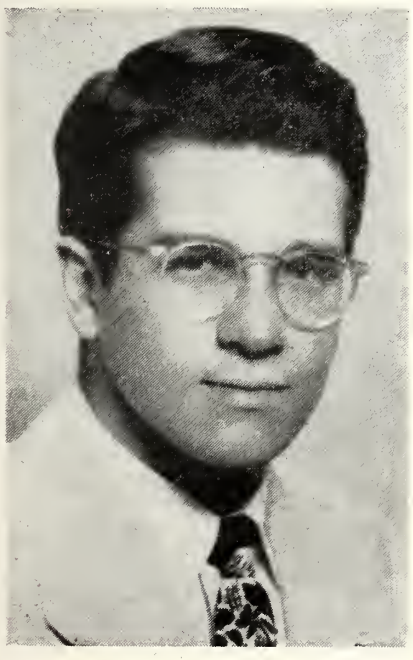
### HENRY SHAVITZ HONORED

Henry Shavits, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shavitz of High Point, was elected first vice-president of the National Aleph Zadik Aleph, junior B'nai B'rith, at its annual convention, August 22-26.

Henry has been active in B'nai B'rith Youth activities for many years, having served every important office in his local chapter, state, regional and district. At the time of his election to the vice-presidency he was serving as Aleph Godol or president of the District A.Z. and also as national Interim Chairman.

A rising junior at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Henry has been an interested and active force in many phases of youth work, including Scouting. He attended the national Scout Jamboree in Europe several years ago. He is a past-president of the N. C. Association of Jewish Youth, is active in Hillel work at the University and in his fraternity, the Pi Lambda Phi.



HENRY SHAVITZ

### LEYTON-SHECKTER

Miss Temma Joy Leyton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Leyton of High Point, was married to Mr. Seymour E. Sheckter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sheckter of Corona, N. Y., on Sunday, September 9, at the B'nai Israel Synagogue. The ceremony, which took place at 7:30 in the evening, was performed by Rabbi William Gold. Appropriate wedding music was presented by Miss Mae Kirkman, pianist, while Miss Rebekah Conrad and Mr. William Collins were vocalists.

The bride made a beautiful picture in her lovely white lace gown with flowing train. She was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Edward Leyton, and she had her sister, Mrs. Marshall Ginsburg, as matron of honor. Little Barbara Ballow, niece of the bride, served as flower girl. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Daniel Ballow of High Point, sister of the bride; Misses Zelda Lefkowitz, High Point; Helen Jacobs, High Point; Sylvia Marks of Louisville, Ky., sorority sister of the bride; Clara Jean Pulitzer of New Orleans, La., sorority sister of the bride; and Helene Pugach of Forest Hills, N. Y., cousin of the groom.

The groom had as his best man his father, Mr. Phil Sheckter. Ushers were Clif Sheckter of Los Angeles, Calif, brother of the groom; Daniel Ballow, High Point; Marshall Ginsburg, High Point; David Gordon, High Point; Ellis Gordon and Norman Steinberger of Statesville.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Following the impressive ceremony, a reception was held at the night club, Casa Blanca, on the High Point-Greensboro highway. Out-of-town guests were from California, New York, New Orleans, Kentucky, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

For the wedding trip Mrs. Sheckter changed into a gray suit with matching accessories and pinned the orchid from her bouquet on her shoulder. After a week of honeymooning, the newlyweds left for Tuscaloosa, Ala., where they will reside until Mr. Sheckter graduates from the University of Alabama in February.

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The community of High Point regrets losing Mr. and Mrs. Irving Pastor and family, who have moved to Charlotte. We all join in wishing them lots of luck in their new surroundings.

## CHARLOTTE, N. C.

The Temple Israel Sunday School registration took place on Sunday, September 16, with classes starting on the following Sunday. Registration for Hebrew classes took place during the same week, with Cantor Leib in charge. Mr. Jerome Joffe, Education Chairman, was in charge of all the registrations which also included Junior Congregation.

The teen-agers of Temple Israel met with Rabbi Tofield in August to make plans for Sunday morning meetings beginning September 23. Plans call for meetings every other Sunday for an hour of discussion and a luncheon to follow. This is to be known as the United Synagogue Youth.

The Young Couples of Temple Israel met informally for picnic and entertainment. The evening meeting preceding this affair was presided over by Ted Silber, vice-president, in the absence of the president of the Young Couples Club.

Miss Aviva Haliban, Israeli singer, was feature artist on the program presented September 9 at the Charlotte Hotel by the North Carolina Conference on Zionist Education and the State of Israel Bond Campaign. A large group from the entire state attended this affair.

A group of Cub Scouts have been organized among the boys of Temple Israel, ages 8-10, with Joe Murneck as chairman. Since the Cubs depend on their parents for cooperation in this more than the Scouts do, a large number of parents were on hand to register their young sons.

The Temple Israel Sisterhood sponsored a party for newcomers during the late summer and have welcomed many new members. Mrs. Hyman Polier and Mrs. Morris Speizman were in charge of this project. The Sisterhood also held their first rummage sale on September 16, with Mrs. Herman Rosenstein in charge of securing the rummage.

**Congratulations to . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Richek on the birth of a son, Arthur Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Nurick, Salisbury members, on the birth of a son, Aaron Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schreiber announce the birth of a son. Rev. L. Wallace officiated at the Bris.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ginsberg, members of Bishopville, S. C., announce the birth of a daughter on September 1. Mrs. Ginsberg is the former Miss Bass.

### CHICAGO MAYOR PROCLAIMS "PIONEER WOMEN" WEEK

Chicago.—A proclamation declaring the week of September 8 as "Pioneer Women Week" was issued here by Mayor H. Kennelly as the Women's Labor Zionist Organization of America opened its 12th biennial convention, attended by representatives of the organization's 400 chapters.

Highlighting the convention was a preview of Pioneer Women's own film protographed in natural color in Israel.

President Weizmann of Israel extended "cordial" greetings to the convention, declaring that "Israel is in urgent need of pioneer workers, helpers and thinkers."


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## ALBEMARLE, N. C.

MRS. ABE HOFFMAN

Miss Roberta Wolf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Wolf of Albemarle, became the bride of Abe Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hoffman of Washington, D. C., on Sunday, September 16, at 12 noon at Sedgefield Inn in Greensboro.

Rabbi Aaron Tofield of Temple Israel, Charlotte, officiated. Preceding the ceremony a program of wedding music was presented by Mrs. Margie Mauney of Albemarle and Mrs. Maurice Weinstein, soloist, of Greensboro.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and the bridegroom's brother, Norman Hoffman, attended him as best man. Ushers were Joseph Hoffman and Milton Hoffman, brothers of the groom, from Washington, D. C.

Immediately after the ceremony, the bride's parents entertained at a breakfast at Sedgefield Inn.

Miss Wolf was graduated from Woman's College of the University of North Carolina and attended the American University in Washington.

Mr. Hoffman is a native of Baltimore, where he attended Johns Hopkins University and was graduated from Baltimore City College. He is a certified public insurance adjuster in Washington.

After a wedding trip to Canada, the couple will be at home after October at 4201 Massachusetts Ave. N.W. in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Love, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Israel, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stadium of Greensboro entertained out-of-town guests at the cake-cutting the evening before the wedding.

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# WILMINGTON, N. C.

**Shirley Raphael, Reporter**

Labor Day week end the "Historic Port Resort" of Wilmington played host to the fifth annual North Carolina Conclave of Jewish Young People.

The chairman of the convention this year was a bright-eyed miss with short sun-burned hair, Paulette Stein. All during the sleepy summer months Paulette and her committee planned the big week end. Marv Zager of Fredericksburg, Va., now stationed at Camp Lejeune, handled the publicity for the affair. Loretta Berlin, Maxine Schwartz, Felice Guld, Sandra Kalfin, Zelma Boker, Joan Warshauer and Billy Kingoff, all contributed untiringly of their time and energy.

The activities began Saturday afternoon with registration. Saturday night there was an informal "'get-acquainted" dance at the Covenant Club. Sunday a picnic was scheduled on the sands of Wrightsville Beach. Hot dogs, sandwiches, cold drinks, and cookies were the menu.

Sunday night, happy, smiling people, tanned after a day in the sun, arrived at the Famous Club for a semi-formal dance. There were so many familiar faces . . . Pvt. Ned Greenberg from Durham . . . Pfc. Howard Guld from Wilmington . . . Cpl. Herbert Moskovitz from Wilmington . . . Carol Morgan, formerly of Charlotte, now living in Manchester, N. H. . . . Helen Roseman from Wilmington, now working in radio in New York City . . . the recently-married Sol and Miriam Mann, and Emma and Fred Retchin.

The floor show highlighted Sunday evening. Pvt. Walter V. Hughes of New York City, a very talented young man with eight years' experience in show business, was the master of ceremonies. Pfc. Sam Feximan from Ft. Bragg sang "Aishes Chayal" and "Shirley," a song written by Stanley Pearson of Kinston. Feximan received his musical training in the choir of his synagogue. Hospitalman Third Class Art Ellis of Riversedge, N. J., recited a humorous story. Muriel Kramer, vocalist, from Wallace, and Sylvia Kanter, tap dancer and singer from Kinston, added feminine pulchritude to the show. The final act was an Arabian Love Song chanted by Haiim Jacobs from Baghdad, a student at State College, and accompanied by Henry Shavitz and Marty Ershler of High Point.

The conclave will be held in Winston-Salem next year. Deane Harris will be the chairman.

The post script to the week end occurred Tuesday morning when Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stein received a beautiful bouquet of flowers from the Wilmington committee in appreciation for their behind-the-scene help towards making the affair a successful one.

Congratulations to Aaron Uriel Friedman, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Samuel A. Friedman, on his Bar Mitzvah on September 15.

# Oak Ridge, N. C.

Among the students at Oak Ridge Military Academy here are Richard Allen Solomon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Solomon, of Charleston, S. C.; Howard J. Banner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moe Banner, of Conway, S. C., and Richard W. Planer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Planer of Gastonia, N. C.

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# ASHEVILLE, N. C.

On Sunday morning, September 9, the Rose Window at Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila was dedicated. This window is the gift of Mrs. Joseph Walters of Hickory.

The Beth Ha Tephila Sisterhood resumed fall activities with a meeting of the executive board on Monday, September 17, and a regular meeting on the 24th. The calendar for the forthcoming months was planned and committees announced. Children's services and Sunday School were also resumed in preparation for the New Year holidays.

Dr. W. D. Davis, faculty member of the Duke University School of Religion, occupied the pulpit as guest speaker in August. Dr. Davis is one of the outstanding Christian scholars of the Bible and the Talmud. He is a graduate of Wales and Cambridge Universities and brought an interesting and inspiring message on the subject, "The Challenge to Secularism."

Rabbi Unger's activities during the past month included an address before the St. Paul's Methodist Church and the First Presbyterian Church; main speaker at the Masonic Rally honoring past and present dignitaries; served as chairman for the Crusade of Freedom Campaign inaugurated in Asheville on September 5.

Rabbi and Mrs. Charles Heilpern were honored at a reception by the Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Israel on Sunday afternoon, September 9, at the Jewish Community Center. Mrs. Heilpern has recently arrived from England to join her husband. The committee in charge of arrangements for the reception included Mesdames S. Arginter, H. Torn, M. Kirschner, D. Adler, L. Kaplan, S. Slossman, M. Lurie and H. Silver.

Kenneth Michalove, son of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Michalove, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah with services at Beth Ha Tephila on Friday evening, September 14. Rabbi Unger officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Michalove were hosts at a reception at the George Vanderbilt Hotel immediately following the service. On Saturday, Kenneth's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou H. Pollock, entertained at a buffet supper at the Sky Club honoring Kenneth.

Kermit Hunter, author and producer of "Unto These Hills," was guest speaker at Temple Beth Ha Tephila on September 7.

**Birth**

Mr. and Mrs. W. Rocamora announce the birth of a son.

A handsome building recently completed as an addition to Temple Beth El will serve as a Temple House. Included in this new building are four individual Religious School rooms and a kitchen.

**Vacationers Return**

Mrs. M. P. Ostrow and Mrs. I. O. Shapiro spent their summer vacation at the Balsam's Dixville Notch, New Hampshire. They also spent some time in Canada.

Mrs. S. Cohen visited her father and other relatives in Newport News, Va.

Mrs. A. Gold spent the summer in New York and has now returned to Rocky Mount where she resides with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Klitzner.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Epstein, accompanied by their daughter, Margy, and Lee Rosenbloom, have returned after visiting in Miami. Mr. and Mrs. Epstein were also in the Virgin Islands.

# Rocky Mount, N. C.

**Mrs. Erle Kellert, Reporter**

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Levy of Rocky Mount announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Irene, to Howard Kouzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kouzel of Washington, D. C. The wedding will take place in February.

Miss Levy is a member of Kappa Sigma Tau Sorority. Mr. Kouzel is a graduate of the George Washington University School of Pharmacy and is a member of Alpha Zeta Omega Fraternity.

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# The Rise and Decline of European Jewry

ACCORDING to the latest reports from Europe, the trend among the Jews to emigrate from there continues. Of the approximately 30,000 Jews in Belgium, 8,000, or more than a fourth, have registered for emigration. In France and Holland, too, many thousands of Jews have registered for emigration, mainly to Israel but also to the United States, Canada, and Australia. In the last few years there has been a strong tide of emigration from England to Canada and Australia, and the Jews are amply represented in it.

The exodus of Jews from the countries of Eastern and Southern Europe, insofar as emigration is permitted, still continues. Thus in the last two years nearly 37,000 of the 40,000 Jews who survived the war, have emigrated from Bulgaria. Recently, however, a group of several hundred Bulgarian Jews arrived in Israel and reported that hundreds of other Jews were planning to go to Israel.

Of the 12,000 Jews who were in Yugoslavia in 1946, seven thousand have emigrated, and recently another party of emigrants from that country reached Israel.

Of the 45,000 Jews who were in Czechoslovakia in 1946, close to 30,000 have emigrated. In the last few months people have not been permitted to emigrate, but there are plenty of candidates for emigration.

Of the upward 200,000 Jews who were in Poland in 1946, when about 150,000-160,000 Jews returned from Russia, 165,000 have emigrated to Israel, and of the remaining 35,000, 7,000 to 8,000 are registered for emigration; and it is only because they have overstayed the deadline set by the Government that they are unable to obtain exit visas. According to the latest information from Israel, there is ground for hoping that before long exit visas will again be issued.

In 1950 approximately 50,000 Jews emigrated to Israel from Rumania. Another 12,000 Jews left Rumania in the first five months of 1951. And according to reports from Israel, the exodus from Rumania will be intensified in the next few months. There

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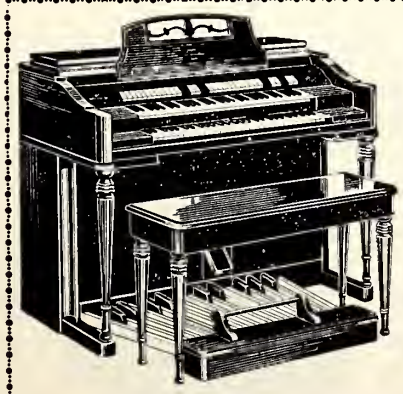

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are still some 260,000 Jews in Rumania.

In connection with this intensive emigration of Jews from Europe, the Institute of Jewish Affairs has made a study of the fate of European Jewry in the past one hundred years, that is, from 1850 to the end of 1950.

The following brief table on the number of Jews in Europe will afford a clear picture of the extraordinary emigration prior to World War I and of the decline which then set in, culminating in the Great Catastrophe of European Jewry during World War II:

| Year | *Number of Jews* | *Percentage in Terms of Preceding Year* |
|---|---|---|
| 1850 | 4,500,000 | 100.0 |
| 1914 | 10,000,000 | 223.0 |
| 1939 | 9,500,000 | 95.0 |
| 1950 | 2,750,000 | 29.0 |

In these four lines is summed up the history of European Jewry and, by the same token, a large part of the history of the whole Jewish people during the past hundred years.

From 1850 to 1915 the number of Jews in Europe more than doubled, increasing from four and a half million to ten million. But this does not exhaust the whole natural increase of European Jewry: from 1850 to 1914 nearly two and a half million Jews emigrated from Europe. By 1914 there were already about three million Jews in the Americas, more than 90 per cent of them immigrants from Europe. In reality, European Jewry nearly tripled in the period from 1850 to 1914.

This was in line with the growth of the total population of Europe, which during the same period experienced the greatest numerical growth in European history: in 1850 Europe had 255,000,000 inhabitants; in 1914, 470,000,000. But here, too, one must take account of the tremendous emigration from Europe: from 1850 to 1914, over sixty million people emigrated from Europe. Thus the total population of Europe doubled in the 64 years from 1850 to 1914. But the Jewish population tripled during the same period, because among the Jews of all European countries there was a greater surplus of births over deaths than among the surrounding non-Jewish population. For a variety of reasons, but chiefly because of the higher social condition of the Jews compared with the non-Jewish population, the mortality rate was considerably lower among Jews.

With the First World War European Jewry began to decline. Not only did not the number of Jews increase in the years 1914-1939, but it dropped from ten million to nine and a half million. During the same period of time the total population of Europe increased from 470 million to 530 million. The loss in Jewish numbers was due to three main causes: First, in the six-year period from 1914 to 1921, that is, until the end of the Russo-Polish War, about 600,000 Jews perished. Four hundred thousand fell in World War I, and about 200,000 were killed in the Denikin and Petlura pogroms. Second, the natural increase among the Jews declined greatly: whereas, prior to World War I, the natural increase averaged about 170,000 per annum, it dropped to 80,000 after that war and, in the years immediately preceding World War II, to 65,000 per annum. Thirdly, about 1,100,000 Jews emigrated from Europe in the years 1914-1939.

Nevertheless, on the eve of World War II, there still were nearly ten million Jews in Europe, who still constituted the greater part of the Jewish people. Then came the Great Catastrophe, as a result of which the nine and a half million Jews in Europe at the outbreak of the war were reduced to 2,750,000, a loss of fully 71 per cent: How did this happen?

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From 1939 to 1950 over 700,000 Jews emigrated from Europe, mostly in the five postwar years, for it was just during the war years, when the great slaughter was in progress and millions of Jews were being driven into the gas chambers, that virtually all the immigration countries either were wholly closed or admitted only insignificant numbers of Jews. In the worst years of European Jewry's doom, 1940-1945, barely 90,000 Jews came to the United States, while all the other countries of the Western Hemisphere, including Canada, admitted only 27,000 Jews! Palestine took in barely 54,000 Jews, composed largely of illegal immigrants who managed to run the blockade of British war vessels.

And even after the war, when European Jewry surveyed the appalling losses of the preceding five years and great numbers joined in a mass flight from their dwelling places, the gates of the immigration countries were far from wide open, and only the establishment of the State of Israel solved the migration problem of the Jews of Europe.

Thus in the past five years—1946 to 1950—about 530,000 Jews emigrated from Europe. Of this number, 140,000 went to the United States and Canada, about 40,000 to all the countries of Latin America plus Australia, and fully 350,000 to Palestine, which means mostly to the State of Israel, because of the 350,000 immigrants reaching the Jewish Homeland in the past five years, 280,000 arrived between May, 1948, and the end of 1950.

But the process of emigration from Europe is still far from ended. The exodus from that continent is still in progress and would assume even larger dimensions if all countries permitted emigration.

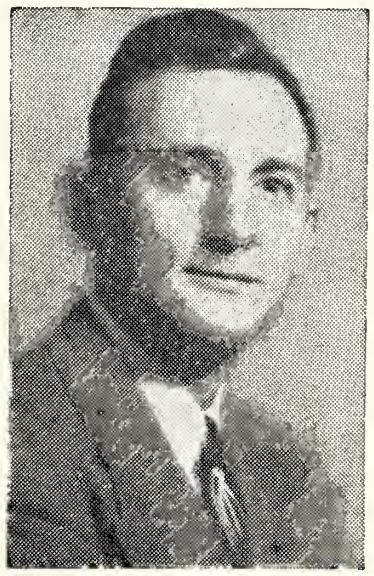
As a result of all these happenings and processes, the share of European Jewry in the life of the Jewish people, and hence its role in the destiny of our people, has greatly declined.

. The following table shows the percentual share of European Jewry in the Jewish people:

| *Year* | *Percentage of Jewish People* |
|---|---|
| 1850 | 88.0 |
| 1914 | 70.0 |
| 1939 | 57.4 |
| 1950 | 24.5 |

A hundred years ago the Jewish people was almost entirely a European people; today it is no longer so. Only less than one-fourth of all Jews live in Europe, and the major part of European Jewry is now to be found in Soviet Russia, separated and cut off from the rest of the Jewish people.

The vast changes wrought in Jewish life by the exodus from Europe will be discussed in another paper.



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# ISRAEL vs. THE SOVIET

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artist named Reuvan Rubin, had an extremely interesting interview with Ana Pauker, the communist amazon who is the real boss of Rumania. When he called on her, she spoke to him about art for a half hour or so. Finally, he said, "These are very interesting matters about which I could talk to you for hours, Madam Minister, but I came to you about other and urgent problems which must be solved." Smiling benignly, Mrs. Pauker said, "What problems do you refer to?" When the ambassador indicated that he wanted to discuss emigration to Israel, she asked, "Oh, is that really an important matter?" She then glanced at her watch and informed him that the interview was at an end. From then on, Israeli representatives in Rumania got nothing but a very elaborate runaround.

*Item:* The American Jewish Committee protested early this year the deportation of 20,000 prisoners and inmates of Hungarian internment centers to Soviet slave labor camps. A large percentage of the 20,000 were Hungarian Jews waiting for a chance to emigrate to Israel.

Only in recent months has immigration been resumed from Rumania and Hungary on a very limited scale.

Once the "honeymoon" was over, the world communist movement began to make it clear that the young republic of Israel was in danger of losing its independence—that is, in danger of direct aggression. The Israeli communist party has always insisted that the U.S.S.R. would remain friendly. "Soviet support of Israel's independence," said a local communist statement, "is based on a sound and unshakable friendship." To the majority of Israeli citizens, this statement meant only that Moscow had some odd ideas about "independence."

They could point, for example, to the fact that the Cominform had forced the Israeli communists to make the same open declarations against their own government that had previously been forced on the French and Italian communists. The communists of Israel announced late in 1949 that, in the event of a "war of liberation," the great majority of the country's population would welcome the Soviet Army with open arms. By the "great majority," they were, of course, referring to themselves. The Israeli government duly took note of these treasonous remarks and began to crack down hard on the reds.

To begin with, the police adopted a strict "no nonsense" policy toward the communist demonstrators who had been doing their best to keep the country in turmoil. Arab communists who came near provoking a riot in Tel Aviv were rushed by steel-helmeted police units, dispersed with shots, and their leaders arrested. The communists have tried to make "police brutality" a big issue in Israel, but so far there is no sign that they are winning much sympathy in the country. The three communists in the Knesset have also had some severe limits put on their freedom to indulge in rabble-rousing. The rule now is that serious offenses are liable to lead to arrest and trial.

There has also been a general crackdown on Soviet agents in the country. An army sergeant who stole confidential material on the Israeli national defense setup was court-martialed and sentenced to ten years in prison. The communist agent to whom he transmitted the material got six years. Despite the usual communist howls about "frameups," the government is prepared to continue exercising a tough line on any illegal Soviet activities in Israel.

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ONE Sabbath Shammai told me of a strange experience with Octavius Flavius, the Roman Architect. Early that morning, it seems, the Roman had called at Shammai's house and asked him about a passage in the Holy Scripture:

"I heard you quote, 'And these are the garments which they shall make— a breastplate and an ephod'; for whom are these garments, master Shammai?"

"I replied," said Shammai, "for the High Priest, of course."

" 'Were I to become a Jew, could I succeed to the High Priesthood?' asked the Roman — whereupon I drove him from my house," concluded Shammai.

"But," I protested, "the descendants of this Roman, were he to become a proselyte, might be eligible for the High Priesthood according to our Law, Shammai?"

"Pagan Romans becoming High Priests in Israel," laughed Shammai. "Your good heart is running away with you, Hillel."

I reminded him of the gentile parentage of our own revered masters, Shemaya and Abtalian, and indeed David's springing from the Moabite Ruth. But nothing I said could move Shammai, so bitter was he against the Romans.

Not many days were to pass before I myself was to be confronted with the Roman architect Octavius Flavius. He came, again, in the early morning.

"Master Hillel," he demanded, after he had barely greeted me, "teach me your whole Torah while I stand on one foot!"

I dared not reveal how overwhelmingly offended I was. There recurred in my mind during that shocked moment the wise admonition of one of our sages, "Know what to answer the unbeliever." It seemed to me that the whole Torah was flung on the defensive and I alone was there to uphold it. But God is good. He loves His Torah and it is His will that all the world embrace it. Therefore He put the right words in my mouth. "Very well, Octavius Flavius, I shall. That which is hateful to you, do not to your fellowman. That is the whole Torah; all the rest is commentary. Now put your raised foot back down on the floor and go forth and learn."

The Roman was as stunned with my reply as I had been with his question. His patrician pride and conqueror's discipline restrained him, however, from showing the slightest loss of composure.

"Another question, Master Hillel. If I learn and become a proselyte, will you help appoint me to the High Priesthood?"

"'Would you help appoint a longshoreman on the Tiber to be Caesar if he promised to be a good Emperor?" I chided. "Can any man be King except he who is trained in the arts of government? Go study the laws of the High Priesthood and the laws of the people to whom the High Priest ministers—then return and we shall discuss the appointment."

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# ISRAEL vs. THE SOVIET

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East Korea" may be in the wind. In July, 1950, just two weeks after the communists marched in Korea, an official warning was given to the State of Israel. The communist party newspaper of Rumania made the prediction that Israel would become a war front too. "Evidence that Israel will become a battleground is contained in the fact that the Americans are building a very important strategic highway from Istanbul to Cairo, passing through Israel," is the way the newspaper put the matter. Translated from the communist double-talk, this warning meant: If Israel continues to support the United Nations in Korea, and if it continues to cooperate generally with the Americans and British, it may soon find itself in the same spot at the Republic of South Korea.

Israel has taken the Soviet insults and threats as philosophically as it is able to, and has continued to build its defenses. Early this year, there was a visit to the country by Lieut. General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Middle East Commander-in-Chief. The local communists, quite naturally, tried to play up Robertson's visit as another illustration of their thesis that Israel was now an "Anglo-American puppet." However, their protests and "spontaneous" mass meetings are generally conceded to have been dismal failures; the General was, on the whole, well received by the public. And when a British General gets a popular reception in Palestine, it would seem to be quite obvious that the country is alive to the communist danger!

Exactly what was worked out during Robertson's visit is not entirely clear. But close observers of his visit noticed one important change. The problem of aggression was not discussed as though the threat came only from the Arab states. It was clearly understood during the visit that Soviet aggression was the danger.

What kind of defense force could be set up in the Near East? It is apparent that the resistance to any communist push in that area would have to come largely from three sources. First, from British troops scattered throughout the area. Second, from the Turks, who have about 350,000 men under arms today, and who could mobilize about 2,000,000 trained men altogether if a war broke out. And third, from Israel. During the Palestinian War, Israel was able to put six trained divisions in the field —altogether about 90,000 men. But since then, the country's population has more than doubled, and it is generally believed now that Israel could put at least 200,000 fighters into combat if it had to.

It is hoped that these three forces, if properly coordinated and assisted by American naval and air power, would be strong enough to deter the Soviet Union from undertaking any reckless adventures in the Near East. The Israeli government has made it clear that Stalin will have to fight, and fight hard, for any plums he wants to pick in that part of the world. Prime Minister Ben-Gurion announced recently, to anybody who was interested, that an aggressor would have to consider that "in this important corner of the globe we constitute a force that must be reckoned with."

Ben-Gurion's statement made several other things clear too. He said that while his government still hoped to avoid involving itself in war, it was obvious that complete neutrality was impossible.

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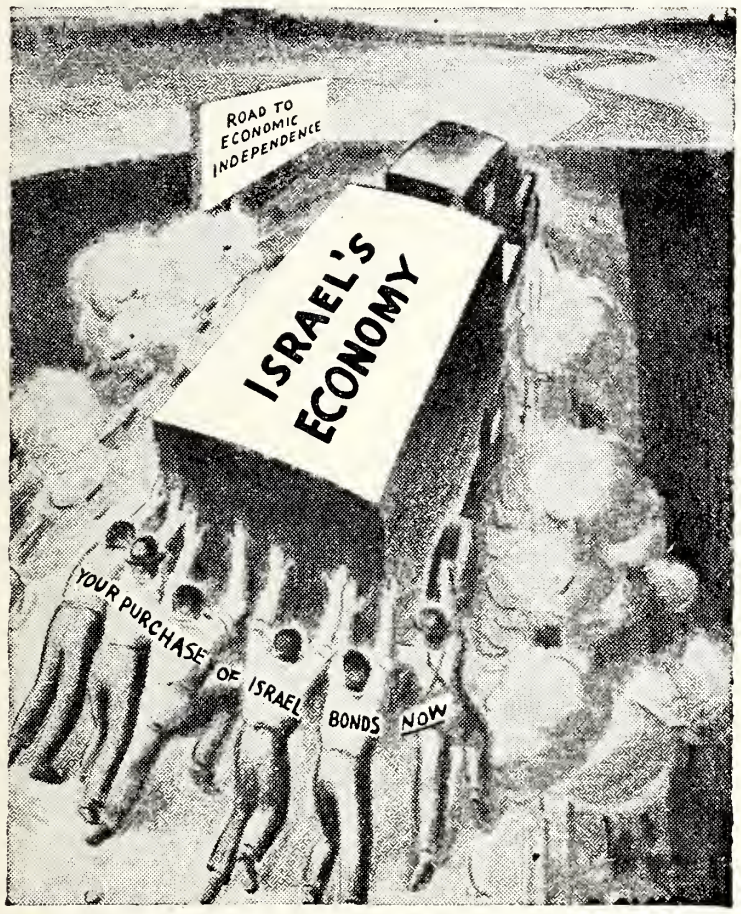


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# The Case of Veit Harlan

*By* HAROLD GOLDMAN

**This article, by a staff member of the Office of Jewish Information, is based on reports from expert observers of the World Jewish Congress in Germany.—THE EDITOR.**

A BRILLIANT spotlight, revealing both rottenness and soundness, has been flashed on the German mind by the sensational case of Veit Harlan, one-time Nazi film director.

Harlan, who produced and directed the anti-Semitic movie *Jud Suess* under the auspices of Nazi Minister of Propaganda Goebbels, recently produced a film entitled "Immortal Beloved." While thousands of Germans clamored to see this picture and while the film directly resulted in at least one case of anti-Jewish violence, it is equally true that the Harlan movie provoked genuine protests from other Germans. In Frankfort, an attempt to show the movie met with strong opposition from the mayor, the city council, the press and the trade unions. Democratic-minded Germans demonstrated when the picture was shown.

Here, apparently, was a paradox. The German public, which did not protest when the denazification program became a farce and when hundreds of former Nazis at least as important as Harlan returned to public life, did become aroused when Harlan's non-political movie was shown. The explanation reveals much about Germany today.

The denazification program initiated by the Allies was rejected by the vast majority of the German people, including most of the democratic elements, because it was felt to be based on the assumption of the collective guilt of the German people. The grave errors and faults committed by the denazification tribunals were looked upon as a consequence of this allegedly false premise. Therefore, the reappearance of denazified former Nazis as officials, judges, teachers, industrialists, publishers and editors was frequently noted with a certain satisfaction and the remark, "I told you so." The antipathy against the denazification program as such was stronger than the antipathy against the anti-democratic elements who profited from the denazification program.

But, in the Harlan case, the issue was reduced to its simplest form. Harlan, in his own personality, dramatized a movement which resulted in untold hardship and persecution.


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The issue was not denazification or the return of a "denazified" Nazi but whether or not anti-Semitism with all its sinister consequences should be permitted to become one of the bases of future German life.

Harlan had been acquitted by a criminal court in Hamburg on a charge that his role in producing *Jud Suess* was a crime against humanity, the court giving the weak legal argument that he would have endangered his life had he refused to obey Goebbels' orders. Immediately after the court decision, and even though there were protests against the decision, production of "Immortal Beloved" began. This speedy reappearance of Harlan was considered by democratic elements to be an insult to all those working for a better Germany.

The director of the Hamburg press department, Erich Lueth, appealed to the public to boycott "Immortal Beloved" because Harlan had forfeited the right to work in an opinion-moulding industry in Germany. Although the courts held that Lueth's boycott violated Harlan's constitutional rights, some newspapers and individuals joined in condemning Harlan.

In accordance with democratic principles, leaders of the anti-Harlan forces invited his supporters to an open forum on the issue. According to Professor Franz Boehm of the University of Frankfurt, the pro-Harlan group consisted mainly of people who were interested in the Harlan movie simply because of the political implications of the case. They saw in Harlan a symbol of views with which they could agree. They were not impressed with arguments that Harlan had abused his artistic talent by lending it to Goebbels' anti-Semitic propaganda. When a Jew at the meeting mentioned Jewish suffering under the Nazis, he was interrupted by the question, "Were you a soldier at that time?" The question evoked considerable applause from the audience.

The Harlan boycott was of course opposed by the film industry for business reasons. An article in a German film magazine protested vigorously over the fact that the fight against Harlan was being "fought on their backs"—that is, at their expense. The political amorality of these Germans was illustrated by the article which said: "An avalanche of the weight of DM 1,000,000 has started moving, and the opponents of Harlan would be naive if they believed that they could resist that avalanche, which they should have resisted at the time when the avalanche was still a snowball."

The strength of the anti-democratic forces was demonstrated in Salzburg, Austrian city near the Bavarian border, where the police beat up and cursed Jewish DPs who objected to the showing of the Harlan movie. Although protests by the World Jewish Congress and other organizations resulted in effective action by American officials in Austria to have the film withdrawn in the U. S. zone, the fact remains that at least part of the Salzburg press applauded the police action and that Austrian officials themselves were willing to do little about it.

The Harlan case to date has shown that there are German democratic elements ready to fight for their opinions but that the opposition is still exceedingly powerful, has the support of many of the state institutions and can only tbe combatted with the physical, psychological and educational aid of the occupation powers. The tragic fact is that the occupation powers are not yet doing enough to counteract the neo-fascist forces in Germany or to bolsters the weak democratic elements.

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## *By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

**The author of this story will have published next March a collation of twenty of his outstanding stories dealing with a boy's love for his mother and the return of his devotion under the title of "Ma and Me." Some of the stories have appeared in these columns. The book will be published by Story Book Press at 3233 McKinney Avenue, Dallas, Texas.—THE EDITOR.**

MEYER and I were coming home from school when he suddenly stopped and said, "How would you like to help me out in the store today? My mother and father have to go to some affair and my sister is going some place else, so I'm stuck. We can study and do our math and history homework, if it isn't too busy."

I considered for a minute and didn't see any harm in it. "All right," I said. "First I'll go home and tell my mother so she'll know where I'm at and won't worry about me. I'll leave my books home except for the homework book and we can copy each other's notes."

WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

This was agreeable to Meyer and that's how it started, my apprenticeship in Rosenzweig's Appetizing Store. Meyer and his family lived over the store in a railroad flat, the front room with its piano directly over the street entrance to the store.

Soon after Meyer and I took over for the day, Mr. and Mrs. Rosenzweig came down and gave Meyer a final warning on what to do in an emergency. They were all spruced up in their going-out clothes and looked natty. They bade us goodbye and were off, saying they didn't expect to be home before midnight and for Meyer to close the store before I went home.

There wasn't much doing the first afternoon. I cut newspapers—rather tore them in half and piled them to use for wrapping herrings. Then I swept sawdust from the floor and sprayed a new batch on the covering, so that the juices which dripped from carrying herrings from barrel to counter would be absorbed without people slipping. The customer would squeeze the belly of a herring and if it felt tender under the pinch of thumb and index finger, she bought it. It could have been a Machez or herring for pickling, but the pinching-for-tenderness system applied mostly to the Machez family.

It was soon after I started ripping the New York World, the Globe and the Herald that Meyer's sister Secki began playing the piano. It was wonderful and I could listen to her play for hours without getting tired of it. But those two hours were short lived, as far as I was concerned.

She came down to the store, later, for a minute, nodded to me when she saw me studying with Meyer, and left after a short conversation with her brother.

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and eyes, and short nose with a flair for snobbishness written all over her. Maybe it was this snobbishness that made me fall so hard for her then and there. Whatever it was, I certainly thought about her plenty that night when I got home, and later tossing restlessly in bed.

I even thought about her on the way to school the next morning. I was imagining how wonderfully romantic it would be if I could be her hero, punch someone in the nose who was bothering her, or better yet, kill a thief trying to steal her purse. These were fancies every fellow falls heir to, I suppose, when a similar situation develops, and I was no exception.

Coming home from school the next day, Meyer again said he'd like to have me help him out at the store, and that "We could again do our homework together."

When I told my mother about it she said, "Here, take an old pair of pants and an old shirt and put them on when you're working in that store. The smell yesterday from the herrings and pickles was far from perfume. I had to air your clothes all night to get the smell out. And also tell Meyer to give you an apron, if you have to be around the barrels."

Meyer's excuse this time was that his father and mother wanted to go to the movies. They hadn't been to one for so long they almost forgot they were in love, that's what the business did for them. I told this to mother and she said, "It's about time the Rosenzweigs, with that big business of theirs, thought of something else but trying to make a lot of money. As long as you don't mind and it doesn't interfere with your studying it's all right with me."

And so, on the second day I changed clothes in back of the store. Soon after, Secki's playing started and time flew. She came down, spoke to her brother briefly, nodded to me as she had done the day before, and was off, leaving me in a dither, but good.

We did our homework between customers. I asked oral questions of Meyer and he tried me out on some, and we managed to get along very well. I'd go over to the counter where the long white enamel trays held dozens of green and black olives and helped myself to a few. Meyer didn't say anything. Later, before I went home, I helped myself to a piece of belly lox left over from the last sale. It tasted good and when I got home there was no need for the usual milk and cake before going to bed, something my mother had insisted was necessary to the development of a growing boy. The olives and lox tasted better, believe me.

We closed the store and Meyer went upstairs to his flat while I headed for our three little rooms in the next block.

"Well," my mother asked, "how did things go at the store?"

"Everything's all right," I answered. "Meyer says if I come around more often he'll make me his apprentice, a learner, beginner in the retail appetizing business."

"Is it a good business?" my mother wanted to know. "It's a big business, but who knows how good it is?"

"They own a nice car. Mrs. Rosenzweig has a fur coat. They must be making lots of money in it. Secki plays the piano, she's going to high and when she graduates she wants to go to college to study teaching. Meyer also plans to go to college. That takes money and where else would they get it but from the business?"

"Maybe they own real estate. Or had a rich uncle who died and left them a will. I don't know, but what you say is right. It all takes money and not knowing what else they do, it must come from the business. So it's good. That I can see."

On the third day Meyer asked if I was coming to the store after school. There were no excuses for his parents. Just wanted to know if I was coming, as if he'd expected me and would be disappointed if I said no.

"All right, what have I got to lose?" I said.

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business as my apprentice, ain't you? And from now on I'm going to let you sell everything but the sliced stuff." He meant nothing doing on the lox and the sturgeon, because I needed more experience before he'd take a chance on me handling expensive merchandise which dried up quickly if it wasn't sold right away.

I told my mother and she said it was all right, but "See to it that you get paid the end of the week." That was my one weak point, where money was concerned. I didn't have the nerve to ask for it. I would nosh requently, grab an olive, pickle, a lox fin or smoked sturgeon end. Once I even snatched a roll mop, a herring rolled around a tasty mixed slaw held together by a toothpick. Was it delicious! I could go for them three times a day and again before bedtime.

Meyer and I were not needed at the store Saturday and Sunday, the busiest days of the week which his parents felt required their personal attention. So Meyer came over to the house and called for me, bringing along a can of Crown salmon, one of the best brands then selling at 25 cents, which my mother acknowledged with thanks.

"How about coming to the Star and having a soda or banana split afterwards?" Meyer asked.

He was offering the lamb a juicy dish and I fell for it, because the Star was the only theatre in the neighborhood playing vaudeville with pictures. Admission on Saturday afternoon was a quarter. The banana splits were 15 cents each, plus the candy he bought to eat during the show. All of which came to about a dollar for both of us.

After the show we'd meet the fellows from the block, get into a game, and then home. I wouldn't see Meyer again until Monday.

Don't think for a minute that his sister Secki wasn't on my mind. In those three days I developed a pash for her that almost drove me crazy. I said to myself, "I won't look at another girl as long as I'm near Secki."

So, when Monday came and Meyer asked me about coming to the store to help out, I forgot all about his parents and concentrated on how Secki would be practicing her piano, come down afterwards, talk to her brother and nod to me. If I was lucky she'd engage me in conversation. Like, "How are you?"

But I wasn't that lucky. All of the next week she went through her act

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and I would stand there paralyzed to the spot until she left. And paralyzed I was, too! You'd know if you've had a like experience, a pash for a girl you've suddenly taken to, and she playing hard to get.

At the end of the week, the second, most of which was spent noshing like a pig for free, I was again to disappoint my mother.

"Well, how much did they give you for learning?" she prodded when I tried to avoid the inevitable. I emptied a brown bag with two tins of Columbia salmon, the best and costliest in the store, and a half pound of olives, green and black mixed.

"The nerve of them. For this you worked all week! Who needs their merchandise? I expected them to pay you. One or two dollars, maybe. But the nerve of them!"

The heat was on, but I had to go back again Monday. I had to go back Tuesday and the other three days. I just had to, just to see and to be near Secki, even if it was for those few brief minutes.

Her playing was like a dream that passed all too quick. Then again, I knew I could help myself to all the olives, sturgeon ends and pickles my stomach could hold. When sour tomatoes were around, I'd eat a few of them too. I was feasting like a king. And Secki was my inspiration.

During the next week I learned more about selling Machez herrings, sauer kraut, lox and smoked sturgeon ends than before. Meyer was anxious to teach me more so he could take it easy, let me wait on customers while he'd read books. Books which had nothing to do with school.

All of this was fine insofar as I was concerned, but when I got home with another bag of edibles instead of folding money at the end of the week, my mother said, "Look, David, this is enough! Your learning stops here! Get your pants and shirt from the store and tell them you're sorry your mother doesn't want you to work for nothing."

"But," I argued, "they give us cans of salmon, pickles, olives, several sturgeon ends and even lox fins. That's something."

"Look, David, what is that in a big business? Nothing," she insisted. "You tell Mr. Rosenzweig and Meyer you're not working for nothing any more."

The next day, which was Saturday and the day Meyer and I were supposed to pay our weekly visit to the Star with candy and banana splits before and after, I dropped in at the store for my clothes.

Mr. Rosenzweig was behind the counter. He smiled hello when he first saw me, but when I emerged from the back room with the bundle of clothes under my arm he said, "What's this?"

I said, "My mother doesn't want me to work for nothing any more and I'm taking my things home."

"Does your mother think the dollar Meyer gives you every Friday night from the register is nothing?"

I stood perplexed, paralyzed. I mumbled, "Dollar a week?"

A customer came in and Mr. Rosenzweig waited on her while I collected my thoughts. Mr. Rosenzweig said nothing about the tins of salmon, olives, pickles, sturgeon and lox that was my bounty. I began to realize that Meyer had paid me off in merchandise while playing host at my expense at the Star, the candy and soda store. How could he do such a thing to me?

The more I tried to figure it out, the more complex it got. Mother was right. I should have been paid the money and I would have, if not for scheming Meyer. And to think he would do this to me, his classmate, his friend.

The customer, now served, departed and Mr. Rosenzweig again showed dismay at my leaving his employ. "Is it a raise you want after a week behind the counter? Meyer tells me you make a good salesman and the customers like you."

"Well," I stuttered, looking for an out and grasping on a straw in the

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**Syrians and Jews Enter the Picture**

The new owners were undoubtedly aware of the area's possibilities. Similar work by the Jewish National Fund and its helpers in the Emek Jezreel, Hefer and Zebulun had shown encouraging results. Here was a new opportunity of creating fertile lands on which prosperous settlements could be established to absorb the unprecedented swell of immigration.

Nevertheless, the Palestine Land Development Co. had no intention of reclaiming the area on its own. It originally hoped simply to attract private investors. This hope soon proved vain however, and it became obvious that Jewish public institutions would have to participate in the scheme to make it workable. Already before the Company's first year of activities came to its unsatisfactory conclusion, the Jewish National Fund entered the picture as a member of a special company. And soon, despite the many obstacles put in their path by the Mandatory officialdom, the happily augmented forces of Zionism in Palestine commenced to undertake geological and geophysical surveys in the Huleh Concession and valley, which form the basis of present day plans. The land had to belong to the Jewish People as a whole before effective drainage and amelioration could be implemented.

To that end the Jewish National Fund embarked upon the acquisition of land in the Huleh Valley. But while the Fund had purchased considerable areas by the time Israel was proclaimed, the Huleh Concession area itself was still the subject of an involved legal tangle. Only in mid-November, 1950, following upon a decision of the Board of Directors, the JNF was able to accept the responsibility for the reclamation of the 60,000 dunams involved. Full utilization of the adjacent lands has been retarded till now because of seepage from the Concession area. But with the implementation of a new master-plan the immediate draining of the lake and its surrounding marshes will benefit the entire region.

**The Great Huleh Plan—Reclamation of the Lowlands**

The course of the Jordan would be diverted to a lowlying area north of Lake Huleh and—to the south—its inadequate bed widened, thus permitting the river, swollen by winter rains to flow freely into the Sea of Galilee. Thence there will be no overflow, no more stagnating water, land ready for cultivation—and, incidentally, goodbye to malaria, which has so far repeately outwitted intensive chemical warfare.

The first phases of the plan call for the excavation of half a million square meters of land and investment of 350 to 400 thousand pounds. The completion of the plan will require about $8,000,0000 over a five-year period. The plan provides for far more than the complete drainage of the lake and swamps (though this in itself is an enormous undertaking). It will also provide for effective irrigation. . . "Water!! Water!" is the cry of Israel's south and barren hills of Judea, whilst here an approximate 100,000,000 cubic meters of water per year evaporate. This tragic paradox will be eliminated and 200,000 dunams of land may be irrigated by a logical exploitation of this great natural boon. In this manner, as well as many other apparent reasons, settlements already established in the environs of the Huleh Concession will reap ample benefit from this scheme.

**Two Thousand Farms—The Breadbasket of Israel**

The immediate prospect envisages two thousand prosperous new farming units of 30 dunams each growing amongst others, 6,000 dunams of vegetables, 2,000 of grapes, 5,000 of various fruits, 4,000 of industrial crops such as peanuts and 20,000 dunams of vital grains. Ten thousand dunams are tentatively reserved for fish ponds, and enough rich pasture will be planted for 2,000 milch cows, 2,000 sheep and 80,000 fowl. The future traveler descending from hills to north or

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DR. N. ALONI, who received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the Hebrew University, now occupies a high position in the Ministry of Education. He is seen here deciphering a 12th century Hebrew manuscript, assisted by Miss R. Goldsmid, a student of the University, who has already completed her four years training and will graduate soon.

# Business Is Business

*By* LEON SPITZ

**A STORY WITH A NEW-FASHIONED MORAL**
**Names and places are purely fictitious**

OUR Building Fund Committee had negotiated with Mr. Louis H. Weiner for his corner lot on Whalley Avenue and Gilbert Street. The consensus of opinion was that this was the best available location for our new Temple. As we sat conferring in the hall which served as our temporary Temple, we were all aware of the urgency of building a new structure at the quickest possible moment. Mr. Saul Rosenberg, our vice-president, who also served as chairman of the committee, highly approved the transaction, and Mr. Weiner, the owner, was cooperative.

"'Still," Mr. Rosenberg pointed out to us, "we must not be too hopeful about this. In fact, a hitch has already developed."

"What is it?" I anxiously inquired, knowing that Mr. Rosenberg was a shrewd realtor and that he wouldn't raise an alarm unnecessarily.

"'Well," Rosenberg fingered his neatly scissored goatee, and drawled, "somebody tipped me off that a Mr. Stanley Jacobsen has been getting up a petition among the Christian neighbors against having a Synagogue on that property. There seems to be something about a restrictive 'covenant'."

"Does Louis Weiner know about this?" Gabriel Davidson, the young president of the Congregation, asked. "After all, he owns the property."

"I spoke to him about it," Rosenberg said. "He doesn't know a thing. At any rate, that's what he says. He

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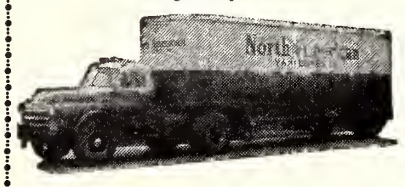

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The Friday evening service of September 7 at Beth Israel was dedicated to welcoming our co-religionists who have recently moved to our community. A reception was held immediately following the service during which time delicious refreshments were served. The Yiddish motion picture, "The Singing Blacksmith," was shown starring Cantor Moishe Oysher, at a special congregational meeting on Sunday evening, September 9, in the Vestry room of the Synagogue.

## Where Jew and Syrian Meet

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south of Huleh Valley will be astonished and gratified by the region's "new look." The gold corn, dark green vines and lush meadows, lowing calves, laughing children and the song of myriad grateful birds shall feast his eye, his ear, and lift his heart in thanks to those who have helped to achieve here what has already been achieved elsewhere in Israel.

The value of the annual agricultural produce of the area under present consideration (based on the 1947 price level) can reach an equivalent of $10,000,000, a sum which assures rapid amortization of all investments, and a high standard of living for the settlers. Yet, this is a bigger thing than sound business and more than an ordinary challenge to pioneer workers. It is a unique opportunity to invest labor and money in a great constructive plan—a food making plan—building for itself an immortal monument in terms of security, freedom and prosperity.

A food-making plan, yes! But something more as well. During the last week of November the 500,000th immigrant to arrive in Israel since the establishment of the State of Israel passed through Haifa Port. More than any other consideration, these newcomers need land to ensure their absorption into the life of the country. And, as happened so dramatically in the past, the initiative of the Jewish National Fund, in providing that necessity, will here, in the Huleh ensure the opening up of an entire new area to Jewish development. The Huleh will take its place alongside the Negev, the Jerusalem "Corridor" and Western Galilee as a new frontier of Jewish settlement. Another "Emek" is the answer to "Kibbutz Galuyoth"—the ingathering of the exiles.

**The Role of American Jewry**

At its Golden Jubilee Conference, held on January 19 to 21, 1951 at Washington, D. C., the Jewish National Fund of America, by special resolution, adopted the Huleh Project as its own. Responding to the message of Dr. Abraham Granott, World President of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem, in which he outlined the Blueprint for the Future, the Jewish National Fund solemnly pledged to enter into a partnership with the people of Israel under which American Jewry will contribute $6,000,000 of the $8,000,000 required to finance the huge Huleh Reclamation Project. Referring to the Golden Jubilee of the Jewish National Fund, Dr. Granott said:

"I wish to suggest that this great Huleh Project be American Jewry's contribution to Israel on the occasion of our Jubliee Year. The Huleh reclamation alone will cost $8,000,000 of which the people of Israel undertake to collect this year $2,000,000. If you raise the balance of $6,000,000 you will, together with Israel, a worthy partner,—endow our State with a tremendous asset which will increase in value as time goes on. Let the Huleh plan be identified with United States Jewry as its Jubliee Gift to Israel."

Throughout its history the Jewish National Fund has piled up a record of tremendous constructive achievements. To make the land fertile and capable of receiving the millions of its returning sons, the Jewish National Fund had to alter the nature of the Jewish Homeland. It changed the course of rivers, it threw a girdle of forests across the country, it covered the mountainsides with a mantle of green pastures, it watered the desert and drained the swamps. However, the transformation of the Huleh marshlands into a site of garden-cities and blossoming farmlands, will be the greatest reclamation and engineering feat ever accomplished by the Jewish National Fund. With the aid of American Jewry, it can and shall be done.

By the draining of Huleh the Jewish National Fund has undertaken to create a breadbasket for Israel, not a fortress. It is Syria's fault, not Israel's, that the roar of cannon has been added to the whir of excavating machines.

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is eager to sell the property, and, of course, he holds our deposit."

"Oh, he is not the kind to hold on to Temple money," I defended him.

Mr. Rosenberg only shrugged his shoulders, and said, "You never can tell in business."

"So, what's our next move?" President Davidson asked, frowning.

Rosenberg looked up at the ceiling, smiled, then said suavely, "We'll have with us Alderman John Miller from our own ward. He'll give us, I am sure, the benefit of his advice."

The ruddy, corpulent politician twirled his bushy mustache, beaming benevolently on everyone present, and proceded importantly to explain that there wasn't—to put it accurately—a "covenant" involved. It was more of a zoning problem. He offered to arrange for a hearing at City Hall. "You gentlemen from the Temple," he concluded, "should appear at the hearing to counteract the petition. I think we can handle it on a local level, but the others may carry it to the State Legislature."

It was decided then and there to request the Board of Aldermen to announce a hearing and to have the officers and myself, the rabbi, represent the Temple at the hearing.

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One evening, exactly two weeks later, our delegation attended the hearing in the Aldermanic Chamber, a large, domed room which was illuminated by a glittering chandelier from the center of the high ceiling. Just before the hearing was opened Alderman Miller got up from his seat among the other aldermen and strode out beyond the railing to sit among the spectators. "I shall of course disqualify myself from intervening in this case tonight," he said, "in view of the fact that voters in my ward are to be found both among the petitioners and also among the Temple people."

"It is your privilege," the Aldermanic chairman agreed, but he did not try very hard to conceal the contempt that was in his voice.

Mr. Jacobsen, the young attorney, presented with an air of importance the protest-petition signed by 56 neighbors. They objected to having a public institution erected in their neighborhood.

When I made the plea for goodwill and tolerance, Mr. Jacobsen put himself on record that there was no racial or religious bias involved. It was just a matter of keeping he zone residential.

"Jacobsen, a Jew!" I heard someone who sat behind me whisper audibly, whereupon Mr. Jacobsen leaped to his feet and announced, "Gentlemen, I'm not a Jew. I'm an American Christian, but I assure you that I have many Jewish friends."

"That's what they all say," Gabriel Davidson breathed at my side.

But now Rosenberg was on his feet and demanding, "Mr. Chairman, it is our privilege to verify the identity of the petitioners."

"I protest," Jacobsen called out. "The signatures are privileged."

"The petition is a public document and may be duly examined by any and all citizens and residents of our community," the Aldermanic chairman ruled.

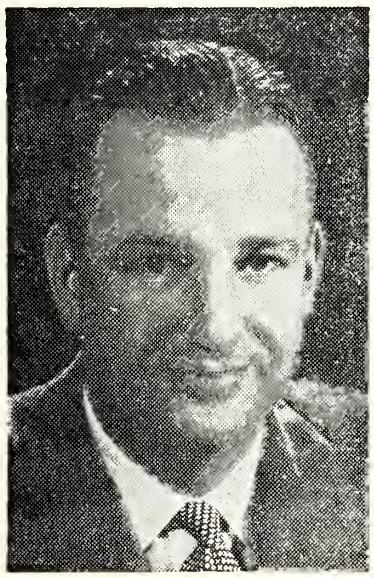
"But I have been promised," an elderly woman who sat in one of the front benches called out indignantly. "Mr. Jacobsen promised me that no one will ever see the signatures. Otherwise, I would not have signed."

Mr. Jacobsen merely shrugged.

"Too bad, lady!" the Aldermanic chairman said tartly.

Old Fitzgerald, the retired realtor, rose and said firmly, "I want to go on record that I am one of the zone residents who did not sign the petition."

And then the Chairman adjourned



**BENSON FORD (above), vice-president and general manager of the Lincoln-Mercury division of the Ford Motor Co., has been elected Protestant national co-chairman of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He succeeds Charles E. Wilson, Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization, who held the post from 1947 to 1951. Mr. Ford will serve with Thomas E. Braniff, president of the Braniff International Airways, and Roger W. Straus, chairman of the board of the American Smelting and Refining Co., the Catholic and Jewish co-chairmen, respectively.**

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the session after announcing that the Board of Aldermen would place the matter on the calendar.

On the way out I came face to face with Mr. Israel Jacobs with whom I served on the Community Center Board at which he represented another Congregation. He had evidently attended the hearing, but he only waved his hand in greeting and said nothing.

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What was to be the next step? I ran down to Albany and conferred with my old friend, Justice Albert Thalberg. "Off the record," I begged him, "tell me, what is our legal status?"

"You see," he hesitated, "it is not so much a matter of law. The legislature will keep on putting off. The litigation in the courts might stretch a long, long time. Can't your people get another suitable lot for a Temple?"

I returned to my committee both disappointed and disillusioned. And yet what Justice Thelberg told me, I realized, was true. The Temple needed a lot NOW, not five years later.

It was on the following morning that I had a caller. When I came to the door to admit Mr. Fitzgerald, I welcomed him most cordially. "Come in, come in, my friend. I want you to know how much we all appreciated your speaking up the way you did at the hearing the other night. You acted like a real gentleman."

"But I AM a gentleman," Mr. Fitzgerald grinned, and I grinned, too.

"Well, Rabbi," he seated himself on the chair I pushed forward for him. "Here's what I came for. A friend of mine, a fellow Baptist, has a very nice corner lot to sell. It is also on Whalley Avenue but three blocks further west, right among your own people."

"This is mighty nice of you," I said gratefully.

But Fitzgerald continued fervently, "But I want no commission, not from a Synagogue!"

I voiced my growing appreciation for him, we shook hands warmly and he departed.

Then I picked up the telephone and called Mr. Rosenberg. "This new site seems to be located right in your alley," I remarked. "Only a few doors away from your own home."

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At the next Board meeting there was excitement. It was reported that the residents (many of whom were Jewish) in the neighborhood objected to a Synagogue. The school children will play ball, some said, the men will hang around and smoke outside during the high holidays. Anyhow, they were drawing up a petition against the Synagogue in this new location.

"Jewish anti-Semites!" Gabriel Davidson flared up.

"I wouldn't call them names like that if I were you," Rosenberg said. "They have a right not to want a Synagogue next door. They have a right to protect their property."

"But they are Jews," Davidson now shouted.

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## I Seek My Brethren

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There is some question in our minds about the appropriate celebration and observance of the high holidays and succeeding holidays aboard ship. Would you advise, for example, a menorah for Chanukah, a Kiddush cup, Songster, etc? The JWB here in San Francisco has kindly offered to help us obtain more literature and a talith, but I would like your frank opinion on the additional articles mentioned above which so far as I can discern are not available in quantity for use aboard ship. I have found so many of my fellow officers and men in almost complete ignorance about Judaism, and yet there is a sincere desire on their part to learn more about us and our beliefs. This, after all, is an ideal situation for breaking down false ideas and biased opinions. I have a personal copy of Rabbi Bernstein's "What the Jews Believe" and an almost complete series of "Popular Studies in Judaism," published by the Hebrew Union College. The latter pamphlets are currently out of print, I understand, and so I would appreciate it if you could send me some material in lieu of the above as well as any hints or suggestions on conducting Jewish services at a military establishment.

Again, may I offer my heartfelt thanks for supplying me with a home away from home, a haven to turn to when those hours of liberty are upon us and we have no place to go. I have one suggestion that it be more emphatically impressed upon all recruits and recalled reserves that the JWB is their home, and that they all should take advantage of the facilities offered. I believe that large Naval installations should have information of interest to Jewish personnel more readily available and revised frequently so that our boys when they arrive at these various ports will know where to go, when to go and what to expect.

Keep up your fine work. We appreciate it.

## Answer the Unbeliever

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tears ran down his flinty cheeks, the first time I had ever witnessed a Roman weeping. "I seek not the High Priesthood," he said. "I seek only true light on human life. By your gentleness and your wisdom, you have opened the windows of my heart. I beg you, Master Hillel, allow me to come and sit at your feet."

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# BUSINESS IS BUSINESS

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"Business is business," said Rosenberg hotly.

"Perhaps," I put in, "if I call on some of the residents as a Rabbi, they will agree to withdraw the petition, and prevent a chillul hashem, a public scandal."

"I disagree with the Rabbi," Rosenberg said hotly. "They are not members of our Temple and we have no business bothering them."

I noticed that our president, Mr. Davidson, looked at Rosenberg puzzled.

But I, too, can be stubborn at times. And during the nights that followed I paid call after call to Jewish residents in the new Whalley Avenue section. Man after man saw the light after I explained the situation and agreed to take their names off the petition.

One of the last on whom I was to call was Mr. Israel Jacobs. He invited me cordially into the living room and into a comfortable chair. I noticed several Jewish paintings on one of the walls and a bust of Dr. Herzl, a Chanukah Menorah on a panel. When I revealed the nature of my errand, Mr. Jacobs gave me a peculiar stare and inquired, "Rabbi, have you seen the petition?"

"No," I answered, "but I have been told its contents, and that many of the signers are Jews."

"Yes, but you have not actually examined the signatures yourself?" he persisted.

"Why, no," I said. "Fact is, I didn't want to see them. I couldn't stomach the idea of Jews petitioning against a Synagogue."

"That's what I thought," Mr. Jacobs called out triumphantly. "And tell me, what did your Committee Chairman, Mr. Rosenberg, advise you? He is a smart realtor. He could really give you sound advice."

"Well," I hesitated, "Mr. Rosenberg is a strict businessman," I said lamely.

"Oho!" Jacobs laughed out loud. "Let me show you something, Rabbi." He took out from his wallet a long document. "Here," he said, "is the petition. Below are the signatories."

I made an attempt to push it away; but he insisted, saying, "Believe me, Rabbi. It is necessary that you should look at the signatures."

I took the document from his hands. If the whole truth be told, I sort of suspected what was coming. Still, when I actually saw with my own eyes on the very top of the list, the very first name SAUL ROSENBERG, a shock went through me. Silently I returned the petition to Mr. Jacobs; but he said in a voice that mimicked Mr. Rosenberg's favorite expression, "Business is Business."

I got up and turned to leave, but Jacobs motioned me back to my seat. "I have something else to say to you, Rabbi," he said. "Maybe it is more of a question. You and I have met at different community meetings and we have worked together in many a good cause. What kind of a Jew did you think I was?"

"I always had the highest regard for you," I said truthfully.

"Then how could you think I would sign a petition against a Synagogue?"

"Well," I stammered, "you are not a member of our Congregation."

"But I am a Jew, a self-respecting Jew, I hope," he said proudly. "When I learned that this petition was being circulated in the neighborhood, I got hold of it . . . And Rabbi, if you hadn't come to me tonight, I assure you I would have called at your study tomorrow morning to do just this . . ." He took out the petition, lit a match and applied it to the document.

We both watched it burn down to ashes. Then I looked up smiling into his shining face and said with a wink, "Business is Business."

His reply was a broad grin.

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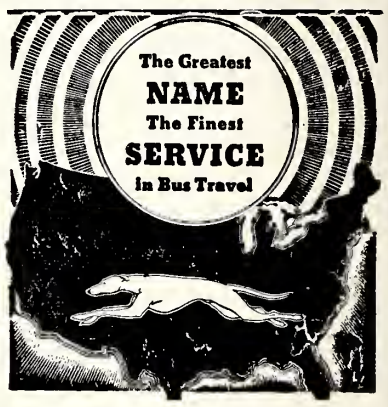


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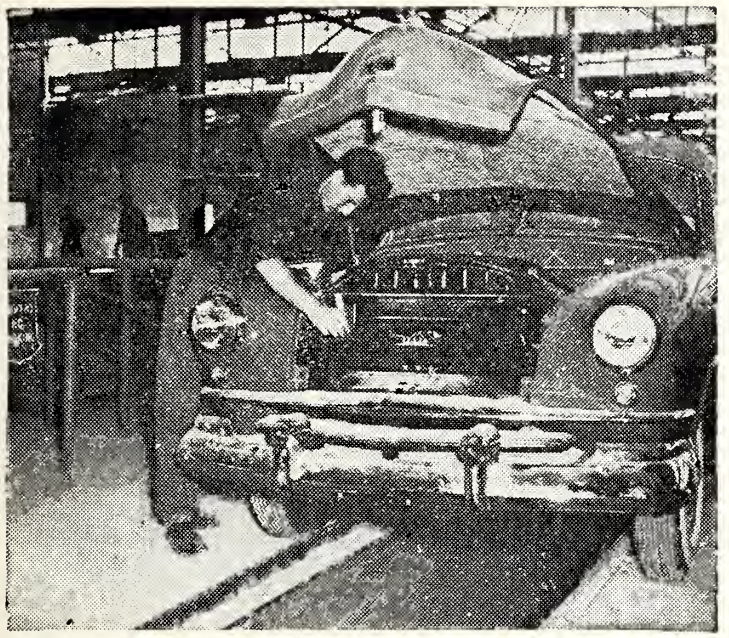

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# WHEN THERE WAS NO JWB

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four Jewish men among the crew. This is indeed history. A rabbi conducting services for a Gentile audience in an auxiliary U. S. cruiser, along the coast of Cuba, at the request of a Gentile U. S. commander. I claim the honor of having conducted the first Jewish service in Cuba, or in that part of it that has recently surrendered to the United States. . . The Jewish boys have just asked me for paper and stamps to write home. I shall look after their interests . . ."

Once arrived in Cuba, he set about his numerous tasks, touring the fighting fronts on horseback, experiencing all the filth, privation and exhaustion of the men who had been there for weeks on end, inspecting villages, camps, warehouses, hospitals, driving himself day after day. But always there was time to visit with the Jewish "boys":

". . . General Joseph Wheeler asked me if I would not like to see some of the Jewish boys in his division. Assenting, of course, he sent an order to the different brigades for all Jewish boys to assemble at his tent. It was not long before they appeared, quite a goodly number of them, and as soldierly looking a set of men as one could wish to see. Those of the Rough Riders came accompanied by their colonel, Theodore Roosevelt. He came to tell us personally how proud he was or his Jewish Rough Riders, of whom he had eight. One of them, Sam Greenwald, of Prescott, Ariz., had entered April 30 as a private, and has since been promoted by the President, through the recommendation of Colonel Roosevelt, to second lieutenant for his gallant and heroic service; for two days and nights he fought alongside his colonel, under the hottest fire, and in the most imminent danger, and never wavered.

"Another, Sam Goldberg, of Albuquerque, N. M., 22 years old, was struck by a bullet in his hip and continued fighting for two days before he stopped to have the bullet extracted. The story of the bravery of these holds good for a number of others. I was told that fifteen Jewish boys were killed in the battles in and about San Juan Hill and El Caney. . . Roosevelt was overflowing with enthusiasm and pride . . ."

Then, of course, after the chat, a religious service—at the suggestion of the rabbi's host:

"General Wheeler then, of his own accord, asked me to hold a service for the Jewish boys, and give them a talk, and offered me his own tent for that purpose. He then withdrew to the adjoining tent, where his son lay dangerously ill, so that I could have a private chat with the Jewish boys . . ."

Even after he left Cuba, and returned home to file his reports, Dr. Krauskopf maintained his contacts with the boys he met in Cuba and with Theodore Roosevelt who became his devoted admirer. Sam Greenwald visited him on furlough and stayed over in Philadelphia for a few days as the rabbi's house guest. Krauskopf was not a chaplain, officially, but he came as close as any American rabbi to fulfilling the duties of that position in 1898.

After the war had ended, Rabbi Adolph Spiegel, who resided in Ponce, Puerto Rico, for nine months during 1899, conducted religious services for the American Jewish soldiers stationed there and ministered to their needs as a civilian chaplain. After organizing a civilian congregation for the few American and French Jews living there, however, he decided to return to New York, and his work

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among the soldiers came to an end.

The services which Krauskopf conducted during his brief stay in Cuba seem to have been unique; data about divine worship led in Cuba by the soldiers themselves has not been located, although it is likely that observant men would not have neglected the opportunity to organize a minyan whenever the occasion presented itself. One Jewish weekly reported that "our Jewish soldier boys have frequently held religious services in the camp," but provided no details. Soldiers at several military camps in the United States were given permission to leave the barracks to attend services in nearby communities. The American Hebrew addressed a vote of thanks to the officers at Camp Lee, Va., for their courtesy, and the Jewish Messenger told its readers that on June 10 "the neat synagogue at Jacksonville held quite a contingent of soldiers who had come to say Kaddish." A soldier stationed at Camp Cuba Libre, just outside Jacksonville, on the other hand, complained that "it is a painful yet truthful fact that out of a number of about three hundred Jewish young men in the camp I am positive that no more than five out of the entire number attend services at the temple in Jacksonville. Yet the opportunity is afforded them by the military officers and camp, and especially so by the generous Jewish people of Jacksonville . . ." Although the congregation in Tampa had only been organized four years previously, its spiritual leader went out to the huge army transit center outside town to conduct services.

On the High Holy Days, in particular, the opportunity was extended to them to leave camp in order to worship with their co-religionists. Camp Meade granted permission to five hundred Jewish servicemen, including twenty-four officers, to go to the synagogue at Middletown, Pa., on Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur; and those men of the First and Second Mississippi Regiments who were unable to reach home by Rosh Hashonah were given a cordial welcome in the synagogue and Jewish homes of Meridian, Miss. In the New York area it was originally planned that rabbis would be designated to conduct services for the High Holy Days at Camp Wikoff; when it was learned, however, that permission had been granted for all Jewish men to leave camp on furlough, they were merely notified of the location of synagogues in New York City and Philadelphia where they could be accommodated if they were not able to reach home in time. It was also announced that the Y. M. H. A. would provide home hospitality for officers on furlough in New York, and that Dr. Krauskopf would make similar arrangements for those in the Philadelphia area.

For the first time in American history, those High Holy Days of 5659, religious furloughs were to be granted freely to Jewish men in uniform. The newly organized Orthodox Jewish Congregational Union (whose first meeting was held in June), through its president, Rabbi H. Pereira Mendes, and its secretary, Max Cohen, appealed to the War Department for a general order enunciating a national policy which would recognize the right, rather than the privilege, of Jewish servicemen to request Holy Day furloughs. Adjutant General H. C. Corbin's answer was the first such policy statement in American history:

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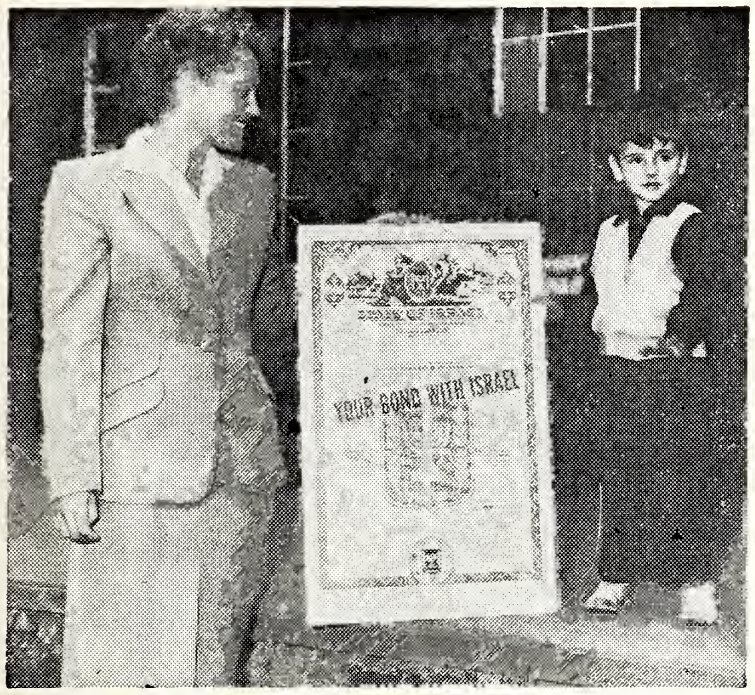


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# Legal Status of Refugees and Stateless Persons

*By* NEHEMIAH ROBINSON

EVER since States began to differentiate between their own citizens and foreigners, the situation of persons who do not possess a nationality and who, for this reason, cannot count upon the protection of a government and benefit from the privileges accorded to nationals of foreign States by special agreement between nations, has been very difficult indeed. They depend in every sphere of life upon the good will of the authorities of the State where they happen to reside, even in regard to the most elementary rights, such as that of work, free movement within the territory of their residence, access to court, etc.; in addition, they are denied a national passport which would entitle them to migrate to another, more promising, place.

Until the end of the First World War the number of such persons was comparatively small and their plight not too difficult in view of the liberal tendencies toward foreigners and the freedom of migration existing at that time in many countries. However, as a result of that war and especially of the postwar developments in Russia and Turkey considerable numbers of Russian and Armenian refugees appeared in many countries the world over, especially in Europe. The establishment of the Fascist regime in Italy resulted in the phenomenon of Italian refugees; that of the Nazi regime in Germany, in a very considerable flight of Jews and certain German groups. Their numbers were augmented by refugees from Spain, Austria and Czechoslovakia, to count only refugees before the beginning of the Second World War.

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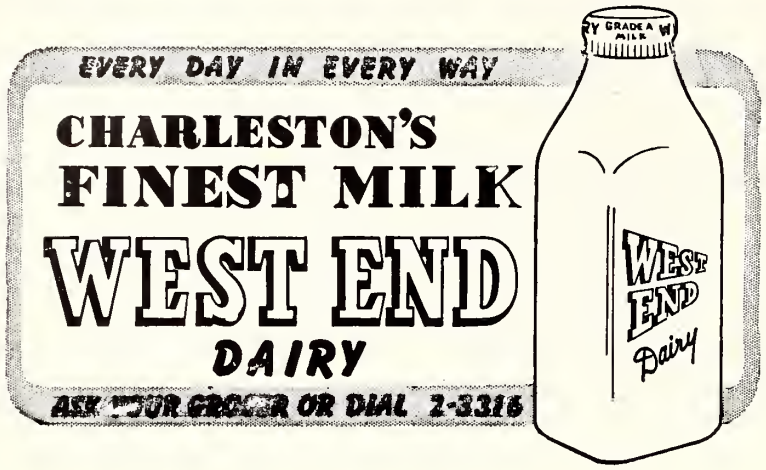


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The problem of the status of refugees and stateless persons is of great importance from the Jewish point of view. There are hundreds of thousands of Jews among the DP's and the German refugees. Between the two World Wars hundreds of thousands of Jews emigrated from Eastern Europe and many of them have not yet acquired any citizenship. Indicative of the present situation is the fact that about 90 per cent of all Jews residing in Belgium are stateless. The same is true of Holland. In France, at least 50,000 Jews have settled since the war; probably an equal number are earlier arrivals who have not yet acquired French nationality. The number of stateless Jews in Latin America is quite considerable in proportion to the total Jewish population.

To cope with the phenomenon of refugees the League of Nations and the various governments adopted a number of measures, such as the creation of the Office of High Commissioner for Russian Refugees (later extend to Armenian, Turkish and Assyrian refugees); the assignment of the politico-legal protection of refugees to the Security General of the League; the creation of the Office of High Commissioner for Refugees from Germany and its subsequent transformation into the Office of High Commissioner for all refugees; the Evian Conference, which resulted in the establishment of an Inter-Governmental Committee for Refugees. At the same time international arrangements were concluded to fix the legal status of refugees. They included the 1922 arrangement for the issuance of identity papers to Russian refugees (later amended and extended to Armenians); the 1928 arrangement concerning the legal status of Russian and Armenian refugees (extended to some other categories of refugees); the 1933 convention concerning the international status of refugees; the 1938 convention concerning the status of German refugees.

The conventions and arrangements concluded between the two World Wars are still applicable today. Unfortunately, they have a very restricted field because the number of states adhering to them is small. For instance, the 1928 arrangement was ratified by five states only; the 1933 convention, by eight countries. The status of recent refugees, i. e., those resulting from the last war, was dealt with in the UNRRA and IRO constitutions and, in addition, by arrangements concluded between IRO and various governments, such as France, Australia, Brazil, Britain, and the Netherlands. Unlike the pre-war refugees, no general conventional basis exists for the protection of the new refugees.

When the number of refugees stabilized somewhat, it became apparent that the problem of their legal status could not be effectively dealt with on the basis of makeshift arrangements and that general measures were required. During its Second Session, the Human Rights Commission adopted a resolution concerning this matter

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and on the basis thereof the Economic and Social Council requested the Secretary General of the UN to undertake studies concerning the protection of stateless persons. These studies were completed in the first half of 1949, whereupon the Council by its resolution of August 8, 1949, appointed a special (Ad Hoc Committee) consisting of representatives of thirteen governments to consider the desirability of preparing a convention on this subject and make any other pertinent suggestions. The Committee met in Lake Success from January 16 to February 16, 1950. The World Jewish Congress submitted a memorandum to this conference in which it pointed out that the task of affording reasonable protection to refugees and stateless persons could only be accomplished by a convention applicable to all groups of persons possessing no nationality; that the system and basic rules of protection to be established by the convention should be adapted to the rules which will govern the activities of the High Commissioner of Refugees; that not only refugees but also settled stateless persons should be granted international legal protection under the convention; that refugees and stateless persons admitted on a permanent basis should be granted all non-political rights enjoyed by nationals, and that measures for a speedy naturalization should also be suggested. These recommendations were further stressed in a statement by Dr. Perlzweig made before the Committee.

On the basis of the preparatory work by the Secretariat and the deliberations during the conference, a draft convention concerning the status of refugees and a protocol concerning the status of stateless persons were prepared. The draft convention described in detail the persons coming within its purview and the rights to be enjoyed by them thereunder. As suggested by the World Jewish Congress, the Ad Hoc Committee decided that the proposed convention would be the sole agreement between signatories concerning refugees, the previous agreements remaining in force only between signatories and such other states as are not parties to the new convention. Similarly, the protocol would extend practically all the benefits of the convention to non-refugee stateless persons. Finally, the draft included a provision whereby the contracting states were to facilitate the naturalization of refugees and expedite naturalization proceedings.

This draft was considered by the Economic and Social Council during its summer 1950 session. The Council decided to reconvene the Ad Hoc Committee so that it might prepare a revised draft in the light of comments by governments and specialized agencies, and to submit the revised draft to the 1950 session of the General Assembly. The Committee met soon thereafter, viz., from August 14 to August 25, 1950. These sessions, too, were attended by representatives of the World Jewish Congress. The Committee made a certain number of changes in the draft. They referred to the definition of "refugee," cooperation with the High Commissioner, ex-

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# WHEN THERE WAS NO JWB

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It ought to be noted, however, that the subject of Holy Day furloughs continued to be unsettled. Either the Adjutant General did not fulfill his promise (for no such "instructions" can be located in the files of the War Department archives), or, at the very least, the order was regarded as applying only to the year 1898. For several years to come, petitions and letters similar to the Orthodox Union's were directed to the proper officials, and such notables as Dr. Mendes, Congressman Henry M. Goldfogle of New York City, and the Hon. Simon Wolf of Washington (long-time unofficial Jewish ambassador in the nation's capital) appealed for a definitive general order. Finally, to cut the red tape and to light a fire under military bureaucrats who seemed unwilling to do what was obviously required, President Theodore Roosevelt took matters into his own hands and instructed his secretary to send the following memorandum to the War Department:

Oyster Bay, New York,
September 8, 1904

Wm. Loeb, Jr.
Secy. to the President, U. S.

The President directs that Commanding Officers be authorized to permit Jewish soldiers to be absent for attendance at service, on the Jewish Holidays. Also that Hon. Simon Wolf and Rev. H. Pereira Mendes of New York City be notified of action taken by W. D.

When the President "directs" an order to the War Department, it must be accepted, published and obeyed. Four days later the Secretary of War notified Dr. Mendes that "orders have this day been issued to the Commanding Generals of all military departments in the United States and of the Philippines Division to permit such enlisted men of the Army of the Jewish faith as may desire to avail themselves of the privilege to be absent from their duties for such length of time as may be deemed necessary to enable them to attend divine services on the forthcoming Jewish holidays." Another milestone in the American Jewish struggle for equal treatment before the law had finally been passed.

Aside from several attempts to organize separate Jewish companies to serve as units, and an unsuccessful effort to create a National Jewish Cemetery for the reinternment of all fallen Jewish servicemen, these are the only recorded details of Jewish welfare activities in behalf of Jewish servicemen during the Spanish-American War. Jews as individuals and as organized groups gave their full support to non-sectarian activities in connection with the war effort, but perhaps because of the very brevity of the war itself, but also undoubtedly because of its disorganization, its lack of genuinely representative spokesmen, and its inability to plan for self-service, the American Jewish community as a whole neglected the religious and cultural welfare of its own men—over 4,000 according to the most reliable estimates — who served their country in 1898. Fortunately we have come a long way in the intervening years. More reason for gratitude to the National Jewish Welfare Board and its hundreds of local branches and affiliates.

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# JOURNEY THROUGH IRAN

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)ered, too, that these youngsters come rom the poorest part of the commuiity, where not even correct Persian s spoken. Their native tongue is a ocal Jewish dialect — a combination of ancient Persian and corrupted Hebrew.

Five hundred of the children reeive their only daily meals at the chool, but many more need JDC's iot nourishing lunches, morning and nid-day snacks. JDC also provided lothing for 600 children. Even some of the teachers were outfitted. And nany more need clothing, for I was ishamed to see the ragged condition of some of the teachers in the school.

A truly great achievement is the unning water which JDC brought nto Shiraz—a rare luxury in rural ran. Before eating, each child is given soap and a towel with his name embroidered on it, and washing is becoming a regular ritual. We also bought clippers and disinfecting lamps o that each child may have a regular haircut. I was delighted to see hat heads which were shockingly unkempt and disheveled just a few nonths ago, are now neat, tidy—and lean. A group of local medical students has offered to assist in running a school clinic. Two local physicians have also offered their services. I am now corralling the necessary equipment for what I hope will be he beginning of a regular medical program.

Zarghan is a typical small Jewish community in the Irarian hinterland. The 40 boys in the local Jewish school are taught by a teacher with a stick, which he uses. Nevertheless, the boys have learned to read and know a little history.

The girls grow up in complete ignorance. They attend no school and cannot read or write. One of the tragedies in this section is that many of them marry and become mothers before they can master the simple art of reading. We feed about 50 Jewish children and clothe about 60 in Zarghan. But at least the kids in this primitive, almost destitute country, are getting some decent nourishment.

We left for Teheran. Everybody had warned us that the first 90 miles were dangerous at night. The driver was frightened out of his wits. The slightest light in the distance threw him into fits of fear, but we were lucky. Nothing happened and we traveled through the night, reaching Teheran the next afternoon. It was a great satisfaction that I was able to cover nearly 2,500 miles and survey the work of the JDC in so many communities.

Summing up what I saw on this trip through rural Iran, it is evident that much has been accomplished in the two short years since JDC started its welfare program in this primitive Near Eastern land. For 2,000 undernourished children who are fed and clothed and given educational opportunities, there has been a real improvement. But it must be admitted that, weighed in the light of overwhelming need, we have barely scratched the surface. There are today thousands of needy Jewish children whom we have not reached and cannot reach with our limited funds.

If the Jews of America could make the trip to Kashan, Yazr, Kerman, Isfahan and Shiraz, they would understand the size and scope of Jewish need. If they could see the squalor, destitution, ignorance and disease, there would be such an outpouring of funds to the UJA, that at long last, after centuries of destitution, Iran's Jews would have their chance.


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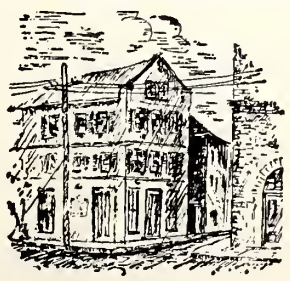
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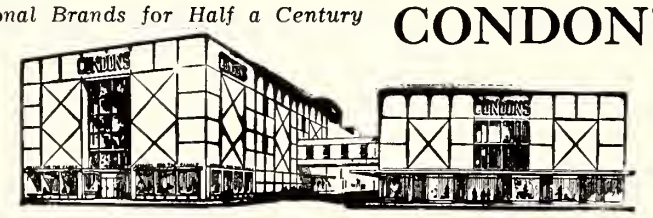


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**Mrs. Sol B. Evans, Reporter**

As the summer vacations near their end, one must turn their thoughts to the many activities and plans for the coming fall.

With the beginning of a new orthodox congregation and the completion of the building in one year, we, the members of Beth Torah, feel as if we have achieved a memorable chapter in the future oxthodoxy of Richmond.

We look back on the past year with great pride upon these accomplishments. Our initial installation was held in our newly completed social hall, and also two very enjoyable and successful dinners.

We also had a beautiful Bar Mitzvah for our Rabbi's son, Abraham Lieberman, who is a student at a New York Yeshiva. The Bar Mitzvah was given by our Sisterhood, of which Mrs. Victor Allen is president, and the 150 guests present had a most enjoyable time.

The first wedding in our newly completed Synagogue was the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. B. Friedman's daughter, Frances, to Mr. Ralph Amernick of Baltimore, Md.

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The members and officers of Beth Torah wish you and your family a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

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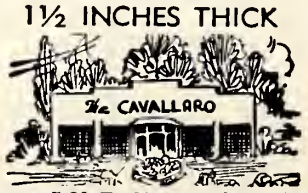


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# REFUGEES AND STATELESS PERSONS

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mption of refugees from exceptional measures taken against nationals of oreign states, etc.

The revised draft was considered y the General Assembly which decided to convene a conference of plenpotentiaries of governments to adopt he final text of such a convention. n addition, the Assembly recommendd that due consideration be given o the definition of the term "refugee" dopted by it.

Under the present text of the draft onvention and the definition of the erm "refugee" as adopted by the Jeneral Assembly, the convention vould be applicable to refugees of the irst and second World Wars. These efugees are either "statutory," i. e., ersons already granted such a status nder an international agreement (inluding the IRO Constitution) or perons who as a result of events occurring before January 1, 1951, and owing o well-founded fear of persecution, re outside the country of their nationlity or their habitual residence and vho, owing to such fear or for reasons ther than personal convenience, are nwilling to avail themselves of the rotection of their former country or o return to their former residence. Excluded are persons who have acquired a new nationality, persons unler the protection of other organs of he UNU (for instance, Arab refuees), persons enjoying the rights of citizen (for instance, Volkdeutsche n Germany), and war criminals. Statess persons not qualifying under this lefinition are to enjoy most of the rivileges accorded refugees on the asis of a special protocol to be atached to the convention. The draft onvention creates a number of imortant safeguards in favor of perons coming within its purview. Among hem is a provision prohibiting disrimination on the basis of race, reigion, or country of origin. Further safeguards include the prohibition to apply to refugees exceptional measures taken against nationals of the State of which the refugee was formerly a citizen, unless there are special reasons of national security warranting such measures against a refugee. This provision is of very great importance because during the Second World War refugees from enemy countries were frequently subjected to the same measures as nationals of these countries.

The draft convention deals with practically all aspects of life affecting refugees. It makes provisions for the personal status of refugees (i. e., the right to marriage, divorce, adoption, inheritance); the right to acquire property, the right of association, freedom of movement, access to courts, employment and exercise of professions, education, rationing, housing, public relief, labor legislation and social security, issuance of documents relating to their personal status and taxes. Under the convention, refugees would be placed in certain cases in a position no less favorable than that applicable to foreigners (i. e., persons possessing foreign citizenship) in general. This applies to acquisition of property, self-employment, liberal professions, housing, freedom of movement. However, since in many instances the status of foreigners is governed by reciprocity between states, the convention requires the signatories to accord the special benefits granted under the reciprocity clause also to refugees residing in their territory for a certain period. In other cases refugees are to be accorded the most favorable treatment granted to foreigners, i. e., they will enjoy all the benefits which any foreigner may acquire under special arrangements between his state and the state of his residence. This relates to such important matters as the right of association and wage-earning employment. In addition, ref-

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ugees who have resided at least three years in the country and certain other categories, are not to be subject to restrictive measures imposed upon aliens for the protection of the national labor market. More favorable treatment, i. e., treatment equal to that accorded nationals, is provided in a considerable number of cases, such as protection of artistic rights and industrial property (trade marks, patents, etc.), rationing, elementary education, public relief, labor legislation and social security, fiscal charges (taxes, duties). Similarly, refugees are to have free access to courts and, in the country of their residence, they are to enjoy the same benefits of legal assistance as nationals and be exempt from *cautio judicatum solvi* (security for costs exacted from a plaintiff).

In addition to the rights discussed above, the draft convention also provides for a number of specific rights. Thus, the contracting states would undertake, under the convention, to issue to refugees travel documents and identity papers. Such a travel document would entitle the refugee to leave the country and to return thereto during the validity of the document without an entrance visa or, if such a visa is also required of a national, it should be issued to the refugee upon request. Similarly, transit visas are to be issued without difficulty. Another specific provision relates to the transfer of assets of a refugee to a country which admits him: under the convention, assets which were brought in by him may be exported; in other instances, sympathetic consideration is to be given.

One of the gravest difficulties facing refugees is the fact that in most cases they can only enter the country illegally by virtue of their "refugee" status and that, even when entering legally, they have no right to claim continued residence and, in fact or in law, may be expelled at any time. To alleviate these difficulties, the draft provides that no penalties should be imposed on a refugee entering the territory of a signatory without authorization, provided he presents himself to the authorities without delay and shows good cause for his illegal entry or presence; a reasonable period and all necessary facilities should be allowed to the refugee to obtain admission into another country. Refugees lawfully admitted should not be expelled except on grounds of national security and public order and only in pursuance of a decision arrived at in accordance with due process of law. The refugee is to be granted every facility to clear himself from accusations and, if expulsion is warranted, a reasonable period of time to seek admission to another country. No expulsion or return is permitted, under any circumstances, to territories where the life or freedom of the refugee would be threateden on account of his race, religion, nationality or political opinion.

Although, in general, the existing text may be considered adequate, certain improvements are regarded by the World Jewish Congress as desirable. One of them relates to the fact that, although the UN High Commissioner for Refugees is competent also in regard to persons who become refugees because of events other than those which occurred before January 1, 1951, the draft convention does not provide safeguards for this category of refugees. It is furthermore submitted that there is no justification for restricting the right to refugees to acquire movable property, to join trade unions, to practice independent professions and to engage in some other fields of activity. Finally, the World Jewish Congress would like to see a number of other amendments to the draft which would secure the benefits of the agreement without unnecessary delays in establishing the eligibility of the refugee, or requirement of a certain length of residence;

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It is to be hoped that the diplomatic conference will finally adopt the convention with as liberal a wording as possible, and that the states concerned will ratify it without undue delay, thus completing an important task of the comity of nations to safeguard the rights and interests of the unfortunate victims of war and persecution.

## THE APPRENTICE

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wind, "my mother says I can get a job with a butcher delivering for more than you give me. I can get tips and don't have to be poked up in a store all day. She wants me to be out in the fresh air. It's important for me to be out in the open as much as possible, she says."

"You do what your mother thinks best," Mr. Rosenzweig said, apparently reconciled he couldn't hold on to me. Of course, he knew, too, that his more than two weeks of freedom from the store after school hours was over until he got a new apprentice, maybe someone else from our class.

"Thanks for everything, Mr. Rosenzweig," I said, "and tell Meyer I can't go with him to the Star today."

"All right, David. I'll tell him."

When I saw Meyer the next time, it was just before school on Monday. He said his father told him I had quit. What was the matter with me? Eating. Bringing home all that stuff every week. Wasn't it enough?"

I said, "My mother wanted me to be paid in cash, dollars, apprentice or no apprentice." He looked at me hard, trying to see if I'd open up and spill all I knew. He relaxed when he saw I would keep mum.

"I don't blame her," he said. "I gotta work and like it because my old man owns the store. I wish he didn't and I could be as free as you after school."

That's all there was to it. No explanation about the dollar each week that had been set aside for me and which he personally requisitioned for our entertainment.

I don't doubt that if I had brought home the dollar, which had its full value in those days, plus the foodstuffs, my mother wouldn't have minded a bit. But she had her principles and I couldn't blame her. She was looking out for my interest and hers at the same time.

I never put foot in Rosenzweig's Appetizing Store again after that. Of course, with the end of the job, went my pash for Secki. In due time, I mean. And it was just as well, because I found out a few years later that she married a school teacher, and who am I to compete with anyone so inclined toward espousing the cause of culture?

### AGUDAS ISRAEL PARLEY DENOUNCES LEGAL STATUS TO ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

Hurleyville, N. Y. — A resolution protesting against the granting of a legal status in Israel to the Zionist organization was adopted here at the closing session of the 29th annual convention of the American section of "Zeire Agudas Israel," extreme orthodox body.

The resolution stated that the status proposal adopted at the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem ignores a great portion of the Jewish people who are active on behalf of Israel but who are outside the framework of the Zionist organization.


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do not plan or aim or contemplate any mass exodus of Jews from the United States."

We believe that this will be the predominating American viewpoint. We expect, and hope, that those of us who have the welfare of the State of Israel at heart, will continue support both morally and materially. While there will be some hot-heads who may immediately withdraw, we are inclined to the opinion that the majority will carry on as usual, hoping for a more moderate reaction in the State's guiding principles. The stake is too great, and was achieved at too much cost for precipitate thought or action. A waiting policy is to be recommended.

## Rabbi and the Jester

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to the audience: "Dance, dance, and be merry! Festivity banishes gloom."

There was great rejoicing at the rabbi's words and gaiety ruled the house until early dawn.

The memory of that night lingered long in the minds of the chassidim, who sought to fathom the meaning behind the rabbi's visit to the lowly bathkeeper. The rabbi himself, however, spoke little of the incident beyond saying: "Man is the acme of creation. He is the minor world and the cause of the existence of the major world. All other creatures were created only because of man and they are his servants. The crown with which the Almighty adorned man is Wisdom and the well of wisdom streams alongside the fount of gaiety and mirth. That is why when a Jew rejoices he rises to great heights."

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Atlanta, Ga.—The 56th annual encampment of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States concluded here with the election of Paul Ginsberg, of this city, to the presidency.

After his election, Mr. Ginsberg pledged an all-out battle for an American boycott of goods produced in Communist countries.

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# OUR NEED . . . *A United Religious Jewry*

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itution requires unanimous consent n all cases where one of the constitunts raises the question of policy.

Another kind of union, limited in cope, has been developed, fantastially enough, in the Division of Regious Activities of the Jewish Welre Board, formerly known as CANRA. dequate funds, staff, and pressure f patriotic emergency have so opeated that the three rabbinic organiations have sat for ten years endorsg chaplains, publishing pamphlets, ranging holiday celebrations, even suing prayer books and responsa. his, mind you, under the aegis of hat is generally known as a secular rganization and with whose other epartments and activities—YMHA's, enters, camps, rabbis and congregaons—have argued and battled.

An interesting development has een the New York Board of Rabbis. ince it began receiving a substantial ubsidy from the Federation of Jewh Philanthropies in New York on e grounds of its chaplaincy service, e New York Board has proved that othing succeeds like success. Because actually went ahead and embarked n new enterprises, because it had the ersonnel and the funds to move round, its jurisdiction is recognized y all three groups.

We need a united religious Jewry America. It seems to me the time as come for the institution of a conious, organized campaign for a strong ynagogue Council, and failing that, r a new American Jewish Conference, which will be composed exclusively of congregational and religious roups. If this recommendation meets ith the favorable consideration of is Convention, it would be quite order for us to draft the services some of our most distinguished abbinic *klaltuer*, who talk all the time out the central place of the synagogue but devote most of their time nd energy to other organizations. I ecommend the appointment of a speal committee to consider this matr with authority to consult with outde individuals and organizations, and present us with its recommendaons.

For fifty years we have served and spoken and struggled for a reborn Zion. As the only rabbinic group in the world which for fifty years unanimously, without a single exception, has served that cause, we have had a proud and generous share in the establishment of the State of Israel. We shall continue to serve that cause.

Because of our love for Zion, we have been silent while the American public has given a fictitious picture of the position of religious institutionalism in Israel. An organization has recently been formed which is entitled "The Committee for Freedom of Religion in Israel." It puts on an innocent face and repeats what recent *Meshulahim* have been saying, that the Israeli citizen can choose his religious preference without interference and that the movement is intended only to guarantee that the Orthodox bloc will have the same privilege. The completely new tenor of the recent propaganda is, of course, due to the unfavorable reaction of the general

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**DR. MORTON A. SEIDENFELD, Professor of Clinical Psychology at Yeshiva University and associate director of the University's Psychological Clinic, participated in the second International Poliomyelitis Conference in Denmark September 3-7.**


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# AMERICA AND THE WORLD CRISIS

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condemned to threaten each other and to seek allies for the next war. The whole of human history bears witness to the fact that two major powers cannot be contained within separate spheres of influence without coming into collision. The tension and cold war between Russia and the United States is not merely a question of communism or capitalism. The same tension would have been engendered by any two gigantic political organisms.

The world already profoundly admires the way we strengthened the economy of the Tennessee Valley. Though limited to a single river system, indeed to only one tributary river system of the vast Mississippi Valley, nevertheless, it laid down the basic pattern for the frontal assault on poverty. The capital that was needed did not come out of forced labor in the Tennessee Valley under the discipline of a dictatorship. It came out of public funds advanced from the capital accumulation of the entire American community of which Tennessee was only one "undeveloped" part. Finally, the prosperity it brought about in the Valley stepped up the economy of the entire American community

Similarly, the problem of the economic reconstruction of the world must be handled on similar principles. It must be done through world government or the nearest thing to it, the United Nations. If the reconstruction or rehabilitation of the world economy under the leadership of world government or the United Nations is regarded as "'starry-eyed" idealism, the alternative is for us to assume leadership of the free nations and to prepare them for the struggle against an engulfing totalitarianism. What outlay of American treasure and energy this task implies staggers the imagination but there is no other way.

In bidding against communism for the support of mankind we have a strong case. But our case will rest ultimately on the exemplification of our own beliefs and protestations of the ideals of Western Civilization. Every citizen should feel it his duty to do his small part in making democracy a living, breathing thing instead of just an abstract word. We can do it in many ways: we can do it by making sure that every child of every race and creed has the opportunity to make a good citizen of himself. We can help eradicate deep-seated racial and religious prejudices by refraining from teaching our children that they are better than children of other races or creeds. We must have an awakening of the American conscience. We must look unto ourselves and make a serious effort to bridge the contradictions which make our professions of democracy justice and equality only a mockery in the ears of a world that is hungry for bread, freedom and dignity.

Our moral principles and religious ideals must have the same strength inflexibility and validity as our multiplication tables. A city, state or region cannot afford the luxury of indulging in its own local or regional prejudices, to the detriment of the moral position of the whole nation "The night has a thousand eyes." The enemies of our way of life take a special joy in pointing out the inequities that exist within our own borders. Their propaganda is full of stories of racial and religious discrimination. Communist propaganda utilizes every shortcoming and failure of ours to live up to our democratic professions.

However, our desire to improve things must not be derived from the motive of forestalling communism. In the history of our nation we never needed the excuse of any "ism" to improve our social conditions. We don't need an excuse now. Certainly when an Ameircan is deprived of equal opportunity for a job, an education or a home because of his race religion or ancestry, it gives the communists a chance to deride us. But the urge to the right and to the just thing must forever spring from our moral precepts and our cherished Judeo-Christian heritage. It is part of our hopes to bring about the realization of the Kingdom of God upon this earth. But in mobilizing all our material strength in the task of rearmament let us not forget the words of the prophet, "Not by might nor by power but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Zechariah 4:6.

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# OUR NEED . . . *A United Religious Jewry*

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American press and of the Jewish public to the unholy alliance which was set up in the capitol of Israel because of the necessity for a coalition government. The present religious leadership in Israel, which is also a political leadership, has said openly and definitely that it will oppose the establishment of any Jewish educational or religious institution which is not identical with its own point of view. The fact is that the Jew in Israel can choose only between the orthodoxy of the cabinet minister, and staying away from the synagogue altogether.

The future of Israel, religiously as well as economically and militarily, will be decided in Israel, and this brings me to my twofold proposal.

1. That the Rabbinical Assembly, the, and the Seminary and United Synagogue, dare not wait any longer for the establishment of a spiritual and cultural center in Israel. A center, a settlement of our own, subsidized partly for Religious and Social Studies.

It will not divert any funds from the U. J. A. Dozens of causes directly and indirectly connected with Israel are given sanction and support. It will not divert funds from the Seminary campaign, but help it.

We have helped build Zion principally from without. The time has come for us to help build Zion principally from within. We already have the prospective leaders living there. There are young people hungry for a word of faith and thirsty for the Word of God. Even if we could, we should not do this alone. The whole Zionist movement is changing its form and its purpose. We should join with like-minded persons of every religious complexion in America and form in this country a new Zionist party. There are parties dedicated to protect the rights of labor and parties to protect the privileges of private enterprise, and parties to support a State religion. I propose a party dedicated to restore and revive religion for the modern Jew in the Holy Land.

We have had the experience of working through the existing Zionist parties. Many of our members serve as presidents of districts, as campaigners and propagandists. The Reform movement has had a Silver opportunity and the Conservative movement has had two Golden opportunities. Because they are great personalities, they have left their mark of oratory and fund-raising and institution building on Israel. But they are rabbis. Where is the impress, their impress of religion, on the work that they have

**RABBI DAVID LEFKOWITZ, JR., National Chaplain of the American Legion, has been alerted for active duty in the United States Air Force in October following the American Legion national convention. Rabbi Lefkowitz, who holds the pulpit of Congregation B'nai Zion of Shreveport, La., is a member of the American Jewish Committee.**


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done for Israel?

I call upon these men who have the ear of the whole country, yes, of the whole world. I call upon them to give to this task the great gifts and the same tremendous energy which they give to presidencies, treasurerships and scientific institutions and to campaign meetings. I call upon them to bring the American religious experience to Israel.

All the resettlement is not being done in the Holy Land. The consequences of the large-scale redistribution of our Jewish population in the suburbs, the housing developments, the garden villages and apartments, self-sufficient and locally integrated, may be tremendous for Jewish life. If we should set the norms, as we would like them to be, now is the time to set them.

We have many other problems, I know, than organization. The sound of marching feet is being heard in the homes of our congregations, and in our own homes. Who will inherit the earth after the next war, if it comes, God forbid? And in the struggle, and in the preparation for the struggle, what losses shall we suffer that ar not reported in the casualty lists freedom and lovingkindness and cor science and respect for the value an dignity of human life.

In this crisis, who shall speak fo Jews? Who can interpret the expe rience of the Jewish past and ou sense of social justice, and peace an holiness better than the students o the Jewish past?

What shall we do? What can we do If you feel helpless, if you think tha we shall be beating our heads agains a stone wall or against a wall of mor ey, or against a phalanx of organiza tional fortune hunters, I remind yo of the student, quoted by Dr. Abra ham Heschel, "I am trying to be lik the Gaon of Vilna, for if I did not tr to be like the Gaon of Vilna, I woul not even be what I am."

If Judaism is to be for us and fo American Jewry more than academi exercise, more than a professional oc cupation, we must, I beg to submi proceed on the premise that the syna gogue is everything. If we do not tr to make the synagogue everything, i would not be even what it is.

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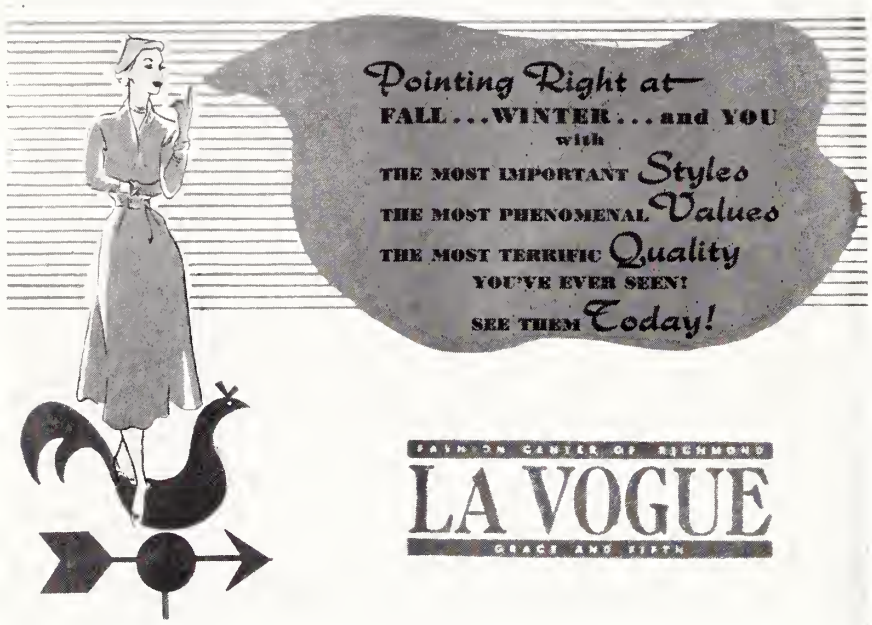


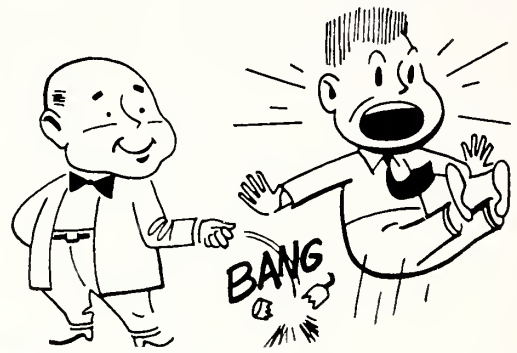


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### *The Weizmann Institute of Science*

Ignace Paderewski was famous as a musician long before he became a political figure as president of Poland. Quite to the contrary, Chaim Weizmann was known as a statesman, through his activity in helping to launch the State of Israel, of which he is now president, before he was recognized as one of the most eminent scientists of our age. As a matter of fact, not too many people throughout the world today know much of Weizmann, the scientist-inventor.

The Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovoth, State of Israel, is one institution that honors this outstanding genius in the world of science. The Institute was named for Dr. Weizmann as a 70th birthday gift in 1944. Friends of the Institute in North and South Carolina are paying tribute to a contemporary scientific great, Harold C. Urey, at a dinner to be held in Greensboro on November 4. Dr. Urey will be the principal speaker.

It would take far more space than is here available to enumerate the many splendid contributions to the scientific and economic betterment of the world that have emanated from Weizmann Institute. A few bear special mention: the securing of chemicals from sugar; the creation of a plastic from the lowly castor-bean; advancement of synthetic rubber; drug production — these and many others identify the Institute as a source of tremendous scientific research and production.

The Weizmann Institute developed from the Sieff Research Institute, founded in 1933, which is now part of the larger unit. This research institute was established as a tribute to Dr. Weizmann by his old friends, the Marks and Sieff families in England, so that he might have a quiet corner in which to pursue scientific research with his associates in the intervals between his political missions. It was named in memory of a gifted young man, Daniel Sieff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Israel M. Seiff of London, who had passed away some years earlier.

The Sieff Institute came into being when the settlement trend in Palestine was mainly agricultural, and its research helped to lay the foundations of the industrial development of Israel as an indispensable factor in the rapid absorption of a large number of immigrants within a short period of time.

As all scientific institutions in the country, the Weizmann Institute rendered useful service to the cause of Israel during the war with the Arab States in 1948.

The Institute's staff, which numbers over 100 scientists and technicians, has come from practically every country in the world which had and has a Jewish community. In the course of the expansion of the Sieff Institute into the Weizmann Institute of Science, the American Jewish community played a very substantial part, but other countries contributed a share and are expected to contribute increasingly in the future. Young Israelis, of course, are in growing measure constituting the backbone of the staff.

The Institute has an area of fifty acres, with an additional nine acres for a housing development for scientists and administrative staff. Its eight buildings and small stores cover a building area of 120,000 square feet. There are the following departments: Chemistry (Organic, Inorganic, Biochemistry); Biophysics; Optics; Polymer Research; Isotope Research; and Applied Mathematics.

Looking ahead to its future development, the Institute has mapped out a program of additional research units to link up and round out the existing departments. It is planning an Institute for Biology and Biochemistry of Micro-organisms, Cell Biology, Pharmacology, and Genetics.

One of the tasks of the Weizmann Institute of Science is to help the development of a country which is lacking in raw materials and has to make up for it by its knowledge and skill.

The Weizmann Institute should be a source of great pride to Jews everywhere. As a distinctly Jewish body, it is giving the benefits of its work to all humanity. It merits the moral and financial support of all Jews the world over.

### *Which Is It, Mr. Ben-Gurion?*

With a genuine desire to be eminently fair, and yet with the necessity for facing facts, it is a bit difficult to reconcile the latest pronouncement of David Ben-Gurion, Prime Minister of the State of Israel (made in a communication to Abba S. Eban, United States Ambassador of Israel, relative to the relations of his state with Jewry in the United States), with what happened in Jerusalem at the World Zionist Congress convention. It would seem that once again there has been a "misunderstanding."

It is all quite reminiscent of what happened when Mr. Ben-Gurion visited this country earlier this year. So much so, that when we saw the letter to Mr. Eban we were tempted to say, "Here's where we came in." At that time too, the Prime Minister made some speeches that unmistakably reflected the extreme nationalistic philosophy of Israel. The repercussions were such that Mr. Ben-Gurion made public an explanation that he had been "misunderstood."

Mr. Ben-Gurion made the following statement at the Jerusalem occasion: "The State of Israel differs from all others in that it is not only the state of its citizens, but of the entire Jewish people, of every Jew, wherever he lives." Contrast that with this passage from his letter to Mr. Eban: "The government and the people of Israel fully respect the right and integrity of the Jewish communities in other countries to develop their own mode of life and their indigenous social, economic and cultural institutions in accordance with their own needs and aspirations." If there is any consistency in the intent of these two statements, we fail to see it.

At Jerusalem, the American Zionists were bowled over because they refused to subscribe to the belief that all Jews were in exile who were not now in Israel, or who did not plan to go there. Mr. Ben-Gurion, in the preamble to his message to Mr. Eban, indicates plainly that he was made aware of American reaction to what took place at the World Zionist Congress gath-

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# What Shall We Celebrate?

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THE great celebration is little more than two years off. The year 1954 will mark the 300th anniversary of the landing of the first group of Jews on soil destined to form part of the United States. American Jewry cannot and must not neglect the occasion; several American Jewish organizations, the Jewish Historical Society in the lead, have already begun to discuss the nature and extent of the celebration. The time has come for the community as a whole to take an interest in the subject. It is here suggested that the Jewish community begin by asking itself the question: Just what shall we be celebrating?

The historical event itself is of interest, but of no consequence. Groups more numerous and at the time more important than the twenty-four Jewish men and women had come and were destined to come to these shores. A seed is important only because it is the grandparent of the fruit one eats; an event in the past is important only because it served as the starting point for a situation in which one finds himself. What we celebrate in 1954 will not be so much the landing of a small group of Jews, but the fact that these descendants of the ancient people and believers in the God of Israel were the first in a vast movement of population and the beginners of another experiment in spiritual survival and growth. The celebration will be pointless, therefore, unless it serves to evaluate this experiment, unless we—and to some extent our non-Jewish neighbors—are able to draw from it deeper understanding of our past, greater fortitude in our present, and profounder faith in the future of Jewish life in the United States.

Obviously the celebration will in very considerable measure take the form of a tribute to the spirit of Americanism. Jewish experience has always and everywhere been a test of the civilization surrounding a Jewish community, even as the nature of the growth and change within that community's Judaism has been the test of its spiritual powers. Compared with Jewish fate in most other Diaspora lands, our experience in this country has been the best possible illustration of America's love of freedom and regard for individual worth. It is only in the last generation or two that anti-Semitism, largely a European importation, has had to be taken seriously. Before that, while there were Peter Stuyvesants at all times, victory over them was comparatively easy because at heart American institutions were pure. The present size of the American Jewish community, its political status and its economic opportunities, while due to many causes, are a direct result of Americanism. When we celebrate the tercentenary, therefore, we shall be acknowledging our debt to American democracy, dedicating ourselves to its perpetuation and, let us hope, along with the majority of Christians to whom Americanism is dear, pledging ourselves to a continuous struggle against bigotry, subversion, and religious and economic reaction.

It will be desirable also to point to the part played by Jews in the growth of American civilization. In view of the threatening cloud on our horizon, even in America, it would be false modesty for us to remain silent about Jewish participation in the economic, political and cultural activity as a result of which America became a great and happy land. We must, of course, be cognizant of the fact that such cooperation was given by individuals as Americans, not as Jews. Nonetheless, it would be as unwise to claim too little as it would be foolish to claim too much. For Jewish experience in America has provided evidence of still another constant in the history of our people, namely, that the influence of Jews has been predominantly on the constructive side of life and almost invariably characterized by social consciousness.

When all this has been said with the proper modesty and thankfulness, the second part of the question will still remain unanswered: What have we, the Jews of America, achieved within the past three hundred years that might make us worthy to take our place alongside of the other Jewish communities of the past? How have we added to the strength of the Jewish people and the depth of Jewish life?

We can, to be sure, point to an unselfish use of wealth. Apart from the liberality of the American Jew to any cause within the country, whether generally American or specifically Jewish, he has responded magnificently to calls that have come from the outside. It is not too much to say that, without the aid of the American Jew, Jewish life in Europe in the past generation would have been immensely more difficult and Israel would have had a much harder time in solving its numerous problems. Jews have a record for charitableness, but nothing in the past has equalled the achievement of American Jewry in this regard.

In another area of life as Jews, that of formal religion, the American Jew has also risen to the demands made upon him. The tiny synagogues of early years, the Minyanim in back alleys and the chaotic congregational life of a century ago have given place to dignified houses of worship and to the well-run organizations behind them. Judaism as a form of worshipping God has made great strides in the past three centuries.

What we do not know, and cannot very well evaluate, is the extent to which such liberality and organization indicate spiritual sensitivity and religious loyalty which alone can guarantee leadership or, at least, dignified survival. For unless a religiously identifiable majority can justify its distinctiveness to itself, if not to others, its position cannot long remain tenable. Yet it is exactly in this respect that American Jewry has not enough to show for its three hundred years of existence. It is exactly on this point that the celebration will have to cease being self-congratulatory and become self-examining.

We have failed to gain the necessary strength in three areas of life: education, culture, and religious thought. Perhaps the three are one; they are certainly interdependent. Any one of them properly developed within the community would have brought progress in the others. They are here mentioned separately only because some groups within the Jewish community may deny the transcendent importance of one or another of them.

Not that American Jewry failed to make efforts to strengthen the life of its spirit. The fact that a complete history of these efforts has not been written is in itself an indication of spiritual backwardness, and the preparation of such a volume should be an integral part of the forthcoming celebration. When it appears, it will make crystal clear that from the very beginning the Jews who came to settle here were concerned about their own and their children's Judaism. They made valiant efforts to import teachers and to establish schools. Every type of Jewish education was tried in the small Jewish community of the United States during the first century and a half of its existence, from private instruction to all-day schooling. To a lesser extent efforts in the field of Jewish cultural life were also not lacking, although the concept of culture apart from religion had not yet been born. Isaac Leeser and his colleagues in the establishment of the first American Jewish Publication Society, in 1843, were probably not the first to deplore the lack of a cultured Jewish laity, and they certainly were not the last. As to religious thought, in the early years the community completely lacked profound and learned leadership. Then came the era of the great debate between Orthodoxy and Reform, when the religious forces in the Jewish community exhausted themselves and their listeners in a more or less arid disputation about ceremonials. The rabbinic leaders of that day were, generally speaking, debaters without being inspiring religious teachers. There were exceptions, of course, men of noble life and great scholarship; but their voices were drowned out in the turbulence of the age and they did not have that philosophical grasp which the situation called for. Although great progress has been made in all these areas in the last fifty years, basically we who will be celebrating the tercentenary are struggling under the burden of failure accumulated during the first century and a half.

It is not difficult to explain the failures of the past; there are plenty of extenuating circumstances. Let no one underestimate the difficulties of physical settlement and adjustment by successive generations of immigrants. There was literally no time for the acquisition of that degree of information which is essential for growth in Judaism. It takes no great flight of the imagination to recognize the tragedy inherent in the fact that so few good teachers migrated to the United States. It is obvious that the Jews of the United States, in view

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# Two Decades of Momentous History

*By* JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ

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**Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Executive Vice-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, appeared before the House Foreign Affairs Committee in July to deliver a report on American voluntary aid to Israel. In the course of his remarks, he submitted a statement to the Committee reviewing the past two decades of Jewish history. We believe you will find the following condensation from that statement highly moving. — THE EDITOR.**

THE last two decades have been the most momentous in the history of the Jews in modern times.

The rise of Hitler saw a succession of incredible disasters befall the once-great Jewish populations of the Continent during a period of nearly fifteen years. Then these very disasters were followed by events that constitute near-miracles: The rescue and rehabilitation of hundreds of thousands of Jews overseas who survived Hitler's tyranny, and the re-establishment after two thousand years of the State of Israel.

History has never recorded a more amazing contrast than is provided by these juxtaposed events. When the liberating armies of the United States and its Allies received the unconditional surrender of Germany on May 8, 1945, there was revealed to the full view of the world the tragedy that was visited on the Jews in the Hitler era. Of a pre-war European Jewish population of 9,000,000 men, women and children, 6,000,000 were dead. In fifteen years, the total world Jewish population had been reduced by more than a third. As for those who remained alive, they were a shattered, ragged remnant.

In sharpest contrast to May 8, 1945, as it bears on the situation of Jews overseas, is a second May date—May 14, 1948.

**Israel Is Reborn**

Three short years after Hitler's overthrow, the Jewish people of Palestine—tens of thousands of them refugees from the Nazis—proclaimed the democratic republic of the State of Israel. The ebb tide of Jewish tragedy and suffering had given way to an incoming tide of hope and opportunity.

In their Proclamation of Independence — so reminiscent of our own Declaration of Independence — the people of the State of Israel declared to the world: "The State of Israel will be open to the immigration of Jews from all the countries of their dispersion."

And now, just this last May, on the occasion of the third anniversary of the State of Israel, it was possible for the new State to announce that in three years it had received upwards of 600,000 Jewish immigrants. This fundamental change in the position of Jews overseas represents the joint accomplishment of three major forces:

First, the people of Israel fought for their own independence against great odds, and kept the doors of their land open in the face of the greatest hardship.

Second, an enlightened and generous attitude on the part of our own Government has been basic to the whole course of events which has seen tens of thousands of Jewish survivors rescued and helped to go to Israel.

It was the Congress of the United States which in 1945 approved a resolution calling for the opening of Palestine to Jewish immigration. Additionally, our Government — through the humane action of the United States Army in caring for Jewish displaced persons in occupied Europe, by its support of the UNRRA and IRO, by its prompt recognition of the State of Israel, and through its extension of Export-Import Bank loans—helped immeasurably to create the inspiring reversal of Jewish fortune.

Finally, one other very considerable factor has helped to change the picture of Jewish despair and destruction. I refer to the extraordinary voluntary aid which has gone to Israel from the private citizens of America, mainly American Jews.

From January 1945, through December 1950, there has been provided voluntary, private funds totalling $415,000,000 in aid to Israel, and by December 1951, these should reach approximately $500,000,000.

Additionally, voluntary giving has made available large sums for the relief and rehabilitation of the war-shattered Jews of Europe, for Jews in desperate circumstances in Moslem countries, and for displaced Jews who have come to the United States under the DP Immigration Act.

The voluntary aid furnished Israel, most of it through the United Jewish Appeal, is, of course, impressive. But these sums have in no wise been sufficient to meet the full costs of receiving, integrating and absorbing Israel's 600,000 newcomers. The major share of these expenditures have had to be borne by the people of Israel themselves. The average cost of transporting, receiving and integrating a single newcomer is estimated to be $2,500, and the total cost for meeting the needs of 600,000 new immigrants to Israel has been put at $1,500,000,000.

**1,250,000 Surviving Jews in Europe**

In the Spring of 1945, at the time of Liberation, the best estimates of the number of Jewish survivors in Europe were that some 1,250,000 Jews had survived in all the countries of the Continent west of the Soviet Union.

In the Soviet Union, there was known to be about another 125,000 Jews of Polish origin, who had fled to the USSR when the German army marched into Poland in September, 1939. The Soviet Union was also believed to contain about 1,500,000 to 1,750,000 native Jews.

These, then, made up the approximately 3,000,000 Jewish survivors of the Continent.

In Eastern Europe, a total of some 800,000 Jews remained of a former Jewish population of 5,000,000.

In Central Europe, only 110,000 Jews remained in three occupied countries: Germany, Austria and Italy. The majority of these, 75,000, were survivors of the concentration camps, and now found themselves installed by the United States and British armies in what became known as Displaced Persons Camps.

But, in the larger sense, almost the entire Jewish population of Europe was a displaced population—the 350,000 Jews remaining in Western Europe, and the 800,000 in Eastern Europe, along with the Jews of the DP camp countries of Central Europe.

Thousands on thousands of Jews everywhere on the Continent now discovered that they were the only survivors of their immediate families. I recall a distinguished head of the Dutch Jewish community, whose family had lived in the Netherlands for generations, who told me that of the 325 male members in a widespread family group only he and three others had survived.

In the Spring of 1945, it could be said that the majority of the Jews of Europe were displaced sociologically, economically and spiritually as well as physically. Their sons and families were gone, their jobs and occupations non-existent, their former community ties wiped out.

**The Response to a Situation**

In Europe, in the Spring of 1945, the vast majority of surviving Jews desired just two things:

First, they wanted immediate help to get on their feet again—food, clothing, shelter, medical care, and a way to earn their daily bread.

Second, hundreds of thousands of them wanted to get out forever. They wanted to leave the bitter memories of Europe behind. They wanted freedom, and a chance to build new lives. And for most of these people, there was but one choice—to go to a land of their own—to Palestine.

But in 1945—and for many months afterwards—the opportunity to leave simply did not exist for the vast majority. Palestine, under the British Mandate, permitted the entry of less than 10,000 Jews from Europe and North Africa in all of 1945. Immigration to the United States and other Western Hemisphere countries was almost at a standstill.

There were two bright spots in an otherwise dark picture. Both had their origins in the United States.

In this country, an aroused American Jewish community undertook to supply help to the distressed Jews abroad and to the Jews of Palestine, on a scale never before approached. In December 1945, American Jews, who had raised about $35,000,000 through the United Jewish Appeal during that year, voted to seek $100,000,000 for the year 1946. To their great credit, they raised $103,000,000. And spurred on by this success and the rapid pace of developments abroad they went on to raise even greater sums in 1947, 1948 and 1949.

Meanwhile, our own Government expressed deep concern that some solution be found for the DP problem. In June 1945, President Truman directed Mr. Earl G. Harrison, the American member of the Inter-Governmental Committee on Refugees, to make a survey of displaced persons in Europe, with particular reference to the problems, needs and views of Jewish refugees.

Mr. Harrison's principal recommendations, made after visiting every important DP center in Germany and Austria, were:

1. That the British Government, as the Mandatory power in Palestine, grant a request of the Jewish Agency that 100,000 Palestine immigration certificates be made available immediately.

2. That the United States should, under existing immigration laws, per-

mit a reasonable number of Displaced Persons to come to this country.

In the Spring of 1946, there came a second recommendation that 100,000 Jews be admitted from the DP areas to Palestine. This was contained in the report of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry, established by the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom. These recommendations for 100,000 certificates were not acted upon.

And now the years 1946 and 1947 saw the position of the surviving Jews of Central and Eastern Europe reduced to one of despair. The joy of liberation, the renewed hope for a future of freedom and opportunity, were slowly throttled by each passing day in which it became plain that there was to be no immediate solution for their problems.

The Joint Distribution Committee was actively engaged at the time in speeding the physical rehabilitation of Europe's Jewish survivors. With funds provided by American Jews through the United Jewish Appeal, and by other world Jewish communities, JDC spent $25,490,000 in 1945, then $54,500,000 in 1946, and $73,340,000 in 1947.

But while JDC could give the people bread, care and training, it could not give the majority of them what they wanted most—a home. Meanwhile, the need for a home was given new emphasis by critical developments in Eastern Europe.

In the Spring of 1946, and all through 1947, tens of thousands of Jews began to flee Eastern Europe into the DP camps of Germany, Austria and Italy.

**The Exodus From Eastern Europe**

Who were these people, and what inspired them to leave?

They were mainly Polish and Roumanian Jews, who had fled during the war years to the Soviet Union. Although the USSR offered them citizenship if they chose to remain in Russia, practically the entire group decided that life in a Communist country was not for them.

Then, in Poland, on July 4, 1946, just as thousands of Jewish returnees from the USSR were arriving in that country, there occurred a pogrom in the city of Kielce. Some 36 Jews were killed by the Fascist underground.

That event served as a signal for the beginning of a great Jewish exodus to the west, in the hopes of reaching the American Zones of occupation in Germany and Austria as stopping off places on the road to Palestine. After their bitter experiences during the Hitler period, these people were determined not to take up their lives again in lands where anti-Semitism still prevailed.

In a matter of months, the DP camp population of Central Europe swelled from 100,000 to a peak of 250,000.

**The Effort To Reach Palestine**

The longer these Displaced Persons remained in the DP camps, the greater grew their despair of ever reaching Palestine. In 1946 and 1947, the mounting pressure of this despair caused thousands to try to make their way to Palestine by unofficial means. Some got through. But even greater numbers were turned back by the British authorities, and 50,000 were detained on the Island of Cyprus.

The Spring and Summer of 1948 marked the turning point for those Jews who wished to leave Europe. Our own country enacted the first DP immigration legislation in July, 1948, and by October, qualified Jewish refugees, along with non-Jewish DP's, began to immigrate here.

But the chief opportunity for Jewish DP immigration was provided by the newly established and independent State of Israel. The gates, once closed, were now thrown wide open. Immigration, officially held at a trickle of 1,500 monthly before May 14, 1948, increased to a flood after that date. The Jewish population of Israel which numbered 655,000 in May, 1948, stood nearly doubled by the end of December, 1950, increasing to more than 1,203,000.

**The Effects of Israel's Immigration Policy**

Many important developments have followed in the wake of the opening of Israel's doors to large-scale immigration.

First, the number of Jewish DP's in Germany, Austria and Italy has been reduced from a high of 250,000 persons to the present population of 31,000 persons.

Some of the Jewish DP's were admitted to countries other than Israel. With the passage of the United States DP Immigration Act in 1948, 51,000 Jewish DP's have come to this country. But at least 150,000 Jewish DP's have gone to Israel.

Meanwhile, the greater part of the Jewish population in certain East European countries was moved to Israel.

Thus, 37,500 Jews of Bulgaria have been evacuated out of a one-time Jewish population of 43,000. Of Yugoslavia's 14,000 Jews in 1945, less than 4,000 remain. A total of 105,000 Jews of Polish origin, both from the DP camps and Poland, were moved. Today, Poland has less than 40,000 Jews. Also 100,000 Jews have been moved from Roumania, about 25,000 from Hungary, and some 20,000 from Czechoslovakia.

A third development of great significance began to be apparent in 1949. It arose out of the Israel-Arab war which created a difficult situation for Jews living in the Moslem countries.

In 1949, about 850,000 Jews lived in Arab-Moslem lands in North Africa and the Near East, including Morocco, Libya, Tunisia, Egypt, Turkey, Lebanon, Syria, Yemen, Iraq and Iran.

Now, Arab anger at the defeats in Israel was vented on Jewish populations, at best only second class citizens in many of these lands. Immediately, the need and the desire to emigrate to Israel became the dominant factor in the lives of these Jews.

Following an increase in oppressive measures in Yemen, thousands of Jews began in 1949 to pour into Aden, a British protectorate at the tip of the Arabian peninsula, in the hope of emigrating.

To meet this emergency situation, American Jews in 1949 and 1950 made possible the air-evacuation to Israel from Aden, a matter of 1,600 air-miles, of 50,000 Jews—the entire Jewish community of Yemen. This great airlift, known as "Operation Magic Carpet," remains one of the most dramatic mass migrations in all history.

A second, and equally dramatic air evacuation has just been completed—this time from Iraq. By decree of the Iraq Parliament, just over a year ago, all Jews in that country were advised that emigration to Israel would be permitted only for a period of a year. (The time limit was later extended to 14 months.)

Iraqi Jews, desperate under the mounting difficulties of living in that country, chose to leave by the thousands. In fourteen months, American Jewish funds furnished through the United Jewish Appeal, made it possible to remove 106,000 Jews by air from Bagdad.

In all, more than 300,000 Jews from Moslem countries have arrived in Israel since May 15, 1948. And the pressure to leave is still great in several areas, notably Iran, where 60,000 Jews are now waiting to go.

**The Effect of Immigration on Israel**

The fourth effect following out of this vast immigration was on the life of Israel itself.

The doubling of the population in three years of any country, no matter how great its resources, would severely disrupt the normal life of that land.

In Israel, each new wave of immigration has contributed to shortages in the way of food, housing, and all the facilities that go to make up normal life in a civilized country.

Every thirty thousand immigrants coming into Israel today means that 300 tons of wheat monthly must be imported from abroad to feed them. Shelter is required. New cities and villages must be built, new schools provided, new roads, new farmlands, new water facilities, and new economic opportunities.

What has made the burden of absorption and integration even more difficult is that the majority of newcomers have come into Israel with little more than the clothes on their backs.

The costs of this process of absorption are so vast that even the best efforts of the American Jewish community have not been able to meet them. Instead, they have been shared by the Jews of Israel and the Jews of America, with the people of Israel bearing the major burden of these costs.

In the year 1950, Israel received approximately $60,000,000 in aid through the agencies of the United Jewish Appeal. About another $20,000,000 was furnished by various other American organizations raising funds for Israel. Certain additional funds were derived from other free countries.

Meanwhile, in the budget year of 1950, the Government of Israel itself allocated and spent an additional sum, representing $150,000,000, for the housing, employment, and agricultural settlement of newcomers. These funds—roughly twice as much as was contributed to Israel from voluntary sources—were realized only at a cost of heavy sacrifice by Israel's people.

Extreme rationing, extreme economy, have become and are the bywords of Israel. While the country has made enormous strides in increasing its economic productivity, its exports remain far below its necessary imports, and it suffers from a severe shortage of dollars needed to buy goods in the world market.

**Tense Situations Still**

Since immigration is obviously the key to Israel's current economic difficulties, then why does the country persist in admitting vast numbers of immigrants? The people of Israel answer: "If there had been a State of Israel during the Hitler years, six million Jews would not have died for lack of a haven."

Events since the founding of Israel bear out their answer. When danger threatened the Jews of Yemen, and of Iraq, they were saved. The Jews of Israel are very much aware that the time of crisis for Jews in many lands has not passed.

In Eastern Europe, the increasing effort by the Governments of Roumania and Hungary to consolidate their countries along purely Communist lines, has resulted in a grave deterioration of the position of their remaining Jews.

Jews—once the middle class in those countries—have been subjected to all restrictions imposed upon the middle class. The bulk of the 300,000 Jews in Roumania, and the 130,000 Jews in Hungary, find themselves with little opportunity to work, with little chance to send their children to universities, with little hope for the future. Their communal institutions — hospitals, children's homes, old-age homes, have been nationalized.

Hungary has permitted relatively few Jews to leave for Israel; but the Government of Israel is making frantic efforts to get the Hungarian government to permit all so-called "non-productive" Jews to be moved to Israel.

Roumania is a somewhat different story. The Roumanian government permits emigration — between 5,000 and 8,000 persons to Israel a month. The people of Israel feel that no effort must be spared to make possible the continuance of this immigration. Tomorrow may be too late.

**The Situation in Iran**

Meanwhile, there is Iran—at this moment a country of grave concern to the entire Western world. It is also a country of grave concern to the Jews of Israel.

Iran had the distinction of being a Moslem country which did not declare war on Israel. It accorded Israel de facto recognition and maintained a Consulate-General in Jerusalem. But the rise of Moslem and nationalistic sentiment in Iran caused the present Iranian government to

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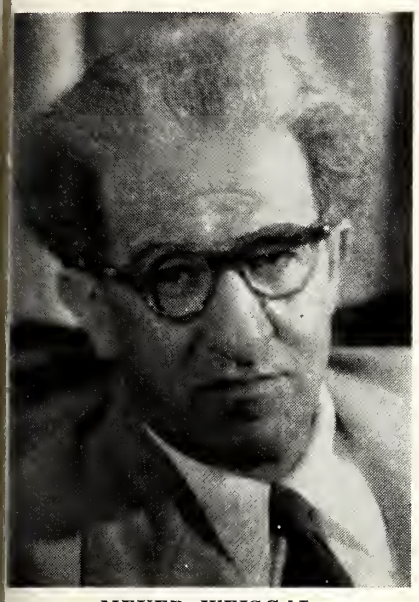

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# Dr. Harold C. Urey To Address Carolinas' Friends of the Weizmann Institute of Science

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DR. HAROLD C. UREY

Friends in North and South Carolina, of the Weizmann Institute of Science, in the State of Israel, will be privileged to hear an address by one of the world's outstanding authorities on atomic energy, Dr. Harold C. Urey, of the University of Chicago, and Nobel Prize Winner. Dr. Urey will be the principal speaker at a dinner to be held at the Starmount Forest Country Club, in Greensboro, on Sunday eve, November 4th. He will speak on the social implications of modern science, with special reference to Israel. Meyer Weisgal, Executive Director of the Weizmann Institute, will also speak. A musical interlude will be provided by Mrs. Seymour Rogers, with David Arner, her accompanist. The Carolinas' Committee sponsoring the event includes Robert J. Gurney, Gastonia, Morris Speizman, Charlotte and Samuel Littman, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C. Dr. Urey will be introduced by Marc Friedlaender, Woman's College, University of North Carolina.

Greensboro, as the host city, has the following committee: Chester A. Brown, Chairman; Mrs. R. E. Bach, Max Bloom, Adolph Guyes, Cyril Jacobs, Albert Jacobson, Mrs. Harry Karesh, Mrs. A. L. Klein, Rabbi Simcha Kling, Mrs. Sam Lyon, Mrs. Max Miller, Albert Rose, Rabbi Fred Rypins, Charles Roth, J. W. Salz, Mrs. Harry Sloan, Max Zager.

A National Sponsor of the American Technion Society, Dr. Urey has also written numerous articles and made many speeches on the role of scientists in carrying the facts of atomic knowledge to the American people. Early this spring he visited Israel, where he spoke at a special convocation at the Haifa Technion, also lecturing at the Hebrew University and Weizmann Institute.

For the discovery of heavy water, which is used in certain types of chain reacting piles for the release of atomic energy, Dr. Urey received the Nobel prize in chemistry in 1934.

Recognized as one of the world's most outstanding authorities in the field of isotopes, he was awarded the highest American honor in science, the Willard Gibbs medal in 1934. He has been awarded honorary doctor of science degrees from Oxford University, Columbia, Montana, Washington and Lee and the University of Newark. He holds the Davy Medal of the Royal Society of London, 1940, and the Franklin Medal of the Franklin Institute, 1943, and has been elected a foreign member of the Royal Society of London, the oldest scientific group in Britain, 1947.

At the Institute of Nuclear Studies, one of three institutes established by the University of Chicago after the bombs were dropped in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Professor Urey is working on a "thermometer of fossils". The research may be the basis for determining past climatic condition. If an animal deposits calcium carbonate in equilibrium with water in which it lives and the shell sinks to the bottom of the sea and is buried securely in the earth and remains unchanged from that time to this, it is only necessary to determine the ratio of the isotopes of oxygen in the shell today to determine the temperature at which the animal lived.

For his contributions in the wartime project as director of the Special Alloy Materials at Columbia University, President Truman honored him with a medal of merit. The citation read: "As director of the laboratories at Columbia University in which the diffusion method of separating uranium was developed for this staggering new instrument of war, his great scientific experience, and ability, his sound judgment, his initiative and resourcefulness and his unswerving devotion to duty have contributed immeasurably to the attainment of the objectives. Dr. Urey's accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself and upon military service."

Before joining the staff of the Institute for Nuclear Studies at the University of Chicago in 1945, Professor Urey was on the faculties of: Columbia University, 1929-45; Johns Hopkins University, 1924-29; and the University of Montana, 1919-21.

He received his bachelor's degree in 1917 from the University of Montana, his doctor of philosophy degree from the University of California in 1923, spent 1924 studying, as American Scandinavian Foundation Fellow under Bohr, noted atomic scientist.

He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Chemical Society, Academic Royal des Sciences, des Lettres et des Beaux Arts de Belique, American Philosophical Society American Physical Society, Royal Swedish Academy of Science and Sigma Xi.

Since the dropping of the bombs, Professor Urey, with missionary fervor, has written and declared in public addresses that there is only one defense against the atomic bomb—a political defense.

When the President announced that the Russians had had an atomic explosion, Urey said: "There is one thing which is much worse than one nation having the atomic bomb, and that is to have two nations possessing it. Very shortly after the beginning of negotiations on international control of the atomic bomb, I concluded that the next best defense was to secure federal union of the western democracies. I still believe this and would urge the most rapid adoption of Senate and House resolutions calling for the exploration of this possibility."

Meyer W. Weisgal, editor, publicist and authority of world Jewish affairs, now a resident of Rehovoth in Israel, received his education and spent most of his life in the United States. He became associated with the Zionist Organization of America in 1915, serving first as editor of the "Maccabaen" and subsequently of its official publication, "New Palestine." Other Zionist posts he has held include national secretary of the Zionist Organization of America and secretary-general of the American Section of the Jewish Agency. Between 1930 and 1932 he was editor of the Jewish Standard of Toronto, Canada, one of the foremost English-Jewish journals on the American continent.

Mr. Weisgal has been closely associated with Dr. Chaim Weizmann for the past 30 years. In 1939 he was appointed by him to serve as liaison between the World Zionist Executive and the American Jewish Community and in 1946 served as Dr. Weizmann's representative in informal discussions with the British government on the creation of a Jewish state in Israel.

Through a series of pageants and productions, Mr. Weisgal was instrumental in bringing the cultural aspects of Jewish life to the American public in dramatic and spectacular fashion. "The Romance of A People," which he presented first at the 1933 World's Fair in Chicago to a record audience of 131,000 was later brought to New York, where it was witnessed by more than 500,000 people. He later enlisted the combined talents of Max Reinhardt, Franz Werfel and Kurt Weill to present "Eternal Road," one of the largest and most spectacular dramatic presentations in the theatrical history of New York. In 1939 and 1940 he directed the Palestine Pavilion at the New York World's Fair, which attracted hundreds of thousands of visitors.

On the occasion of Dr. Weizmann's 70th birthday in 1944, Mr. Weisgal edited a book entitled "Chaim Weizmann — Statesman, Scientist, Builder of the Jewish Commonwealth," which was hailed by critics in the United States and elsewhere as the definitive work on Dr. Weizmann. The book was translated into many languages, and in Hebrew was published by the Hebrew University Press in Jerusalem. In the same year Mr. Weisgal organized a fund for the establishment of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovoth, Israel. The Institute was officially dedicated in November 1949 on the occasion of Dr. Weizmann's 75th birthday. Mr. Weisgal now serves as Chairman of the Executive Council of the Institute.

Last year Mr. Weisgal was the prime mover in initiating negotiations between the Hebrew University, Weizmann Institute of Science, and Technion, which led early this year to the organization of the American Committee for the Hebrew University, Weizmann Institute of Science, and Technion, under the presidency of Professor Albert Einstein, a union of American forces for the advancement of science, technology and higher learning in Israel. Similar committees will be established in Britain and other countries throughout the world.

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# The Jewish Answer Man

*By* ALBERT KLEIN

AFTER nearly twenty years of answering every imaginable question about Jews and Judaism, a New York scholar-Zionist-communal leader is practically surprise-proof.

Bernard G. Richards, chairman of the Jewish Information Bureau, sums it up like this: "Here we are: what would you like to know?"

Established in 1932, after many years of discussion among New York Jewish leaders on the need for a clearing house on Jewish information, the bureau has built up a tremendous storehouse of reference material and a reputation as the place to get the answers. The questions pour in at the rate of 500 a month to the bureau office at 103 Park Avenue in mid-Manhattan. An estimated 500,000 queries have been handled to date.

One question about which Richards admits he doesn't have the answer is how knowledge of the existence of the bureau has penetrated to such places as the West Indies. Europe is a major source of queries, as might be expected. But the bureau also gets letters from India, South Africa, and even the Moslem countries. Questions come from Jews and non-Jews, from all types of societies, organizations, institutions, schools, the press and government departments, seeking trustworthy information on questions of fact and knowledge about all phases of Jewishness.

The questions fall into two general categories. One is concerned with practical problems on where to get help with social welfare needs. The second deals with academic matters and for this classification Richards has the help of an advisory council of distinguished scholars.

In many cases, getting the answer is a matter of locating the appropriate Jewish institution, or checking the reference files. Every now and then, however, Richards and his volunteer helpers find themselves in the role of detectives.

For instance, tracking down persons who at one time have lived in New York is a recurring assignment. Richards, whose record of Jewish communal service goes back to the days of the New York Kehillah, frequently turns to such Jewish old-timers as Louis Lipsky, the veteran Zionist leader.

A saddening aspect of this phase of the bureau's work are the questions about the fate of Jewish leaders of the pre-Hitler European Jewish communities.

The request for information from persons seeking welfare aid can have surprising twists. There was the case of a New York woman who felt strongly that if someone could be located who would sing Yiddish songs to her, it would help her recovery. A Yiddish singer was located and the ailing woman heard the songs she wanted to hear.

Some idea of the range of the questions can be gathered from a few chosen at random from current files.

A New York police force sergeant wanted to know the name of the organization defending the rights of Sabbath-observing storekeepers who open on Sunday.

A public employment agency wanted to know how to place a Polish Yeshivah graduate who had been unable to get a job through the regular employment agencies.

A steamship company tourist official planning a trip for a Jewish group wanted to know if there was a synagogue in Bariloci, Argentina.

A Bronx resident wanted to know

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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

### MR. ZILCH'S YOM KIPPUR

Mr. Zilch—already widely known to all the regular readers of this column—called on me to report on how he does with Yom Kippur.

"That's the day I feel serious," he said. "'I take a look at myself and say—like I was speaking to myself—Zilch, you should be taking stock of yourself on account of Yom Kippur. You may have something to atone for. It's like I do in my own business at the end of the year. I take stock."

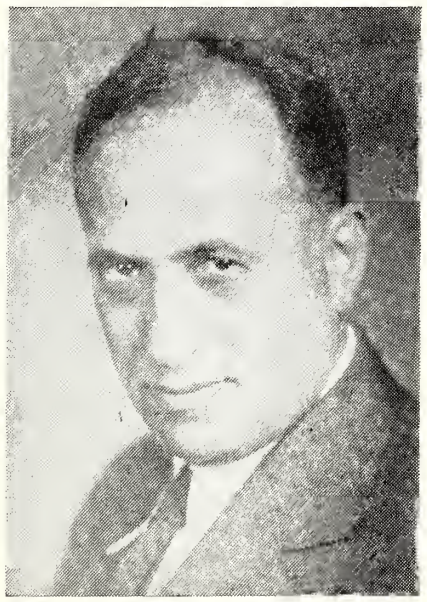
Mr. Zilch was pleased to say that after a most pains-taking appraisal he had concluded that practically everything was all right with him in this particular Yom Kippur season. His credit was A-1, according to Dun and Bradstreet. He didn't owe anything to anybody, always pays everybody in the discount time.

Dun and Bradstreet said he was all right and what better recommendation could he offer on Yom Kippur. It wasn't just Dun who said it, it was also Bradstreet . . . "You can't beat that, can you?" he asked.

He felt sure God knew the authority of Dun and Bradstreet in the world. There Zilch's name stood bright in Dun and Bradstreet's big book. A-1. He thought it would be a good idea if people could take the Dun and Bradstreet book along to schul on Yom Kippur and speak up: Hear what it says about me in this book. This is my life and what more can be expected of me? That would save time."

Though he was feeling that sure of himself, Mr. Zilch intended to stand up in schul in proper devotion all through the Yom Kippur service anyway. "A man's got to be Jewish," he said, "even when he can be sure God has his number out of Dun and Bradstreet."

Mr. Zilch asked me how I stood in that book . . . "What's your rating



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there?" I had to tell him that I wasn't even mentioned by Dun and Bradstreet . . . "The credit of columnists isn't taken into account by Dun and Bradstreet. Maybe it's not worth mentioning."

I could see that Mr. Zilch was sorry for me—a poor schlepper, you might say, without a rating . . . "Maybe I can do something for you," he remarked with repulsive laughter . . . "Maybe I can say a word for you—me with my credit, you know."

Now if there is anything I loathe it is to be patronized, even in jest. My anger welled up red-hot in my countenance. I raised my fist. If Zilch weren't the mastodonic person he is—he weighs around 250—I would have let go at him. Indeed, despite the disparity between our sizes, I was about to let him feel the impact of my fist.

But then I became aware of Yom Kippur being close at hand, and I said to myself, keep steady, Segal. This is no time to hit a man. It's not the way to do at Yom Kippur. Yom Kippur is a time for peaceful meditations, a time for restraint from sinful violence. It is better to speak to this man than to strike him."

So I said to Zilch: "Zilch, you so-and-so, who are you to set yourself up as reference for any man before God? Impudence! I know you much better than Mr. Dun does or Mr. Bradstreet or Messrs. Dun and Bradstreet together. They know only your bank account and the state of your business and how much goods it is safe to sell you, but I know YOU.

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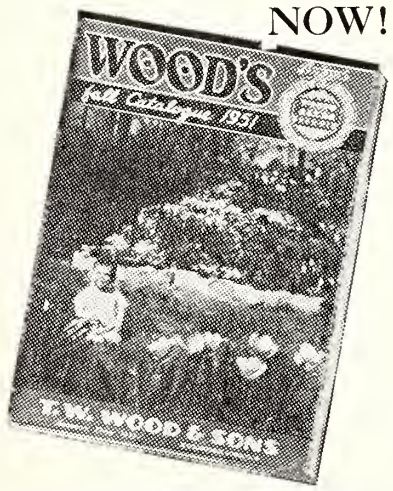

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## Newport News, Va.

**Mrs. Irving Berlin, Reporter**

The 1951-52 season got under way with all organizations having excellent attendance at their opening meetings. Hadassah and Council of Jewish Women had teas for their prospective members, and oriented them as to the functions of their respective groups. Ladies Aid, Sisterhood and B'nai B'rith have all had opening meetings, which tell their membership what has been accomplished over the summer.

Meeting during the summer was the Legislative Discussion Group, serving the membership of Hadassah and Council, who tried, for the first time this summer, to hold July and August meetings at the homes of their members instead of at the Community Center. This worked out so well that they have continued this policy into the fall. Planned for October, in conjunction with their discussion on Mental Health, was a trip to the Eastern State Mental Hospital in Williamsburg.

Hadassah's annual Yom Kippur night dance was a huge success and opened the season. It was held at the Jewish Community Center, with many hundreds attending. Mrs. Harry Aaron, president, had recently returned from Atlantic City where she and members of her board had attended a Hadassah convention.

## Staunton-Waynesboro

**By Estelle Kauffman**

The Temple House of Israel Sunday School reopened following the Holidays under the capable instruction of Miss Tabbie Strauss.

One of the nicest affairs Staunton has seen in many a year was the Bar Mitzvah of Bertram Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snyder. Rabbi Michael Roberson of Hebrew Union College officiated. His parents have just reason to be proud of Bert for the beautiful service he conducted. Many relatives and friends from near and far attended the service and reception and buffet dinner which followed at Ingleside Hotel and Country Club. The wonderful buffet dinner and the reception will long be remembered here, too. Congratulations, Bert.

Recent guests in the home of the H. L. Barbers were Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hoffman and daughters of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Land and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Land of Fredericksburg; Mr. Irvin Meinhart of Miami Beach, Fla., and Mr. Henry Spector of Greensboro, North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Mort Sloane were in Philadelphia for Rosh Hashonah.

Mrs. Sam Kauffman also visited in Philadelphia attending a Bar Mitzvah while there.

Miss Barbara Cohen visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Taft Cohen.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Eisman, Jr., of Newport News, were in Waynesboro visiting Mrs. Eisenman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Janis.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic. Grossman went up New York-way for a while.

## Harrisonburg, Va.

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

Once more, with the summer season over, activity begins within our Jewish community. During the summer many people have been away from here and many have come here to spend their vacations.

At this writing, it is the season of the High Holy Days and I wish to take this opportunity to wish all our neighboring communities a healthy and happy New Year.

On September 10, our Sisterhood had their first meeting, beginning with supper, each member bringing a hot dish. Following supper, a meeting was held. An outline for social activity was considered, and ways and means of raising money. The first project will be a rummage sale which will be held at the end of the month. Since the Brotherhood has come into being, the Sisterhood and Brotherhood will alternate each month in having the different affairs.

Following our impressive Rosh Hashonah services a reception was held in our Social Hall. Many out-of-town guests were here to spend the Holidays with their families.

Our Rabbi Lanyi is planning many interesting and educational events for the coming months. Mrs. Lanyi, who, because of business affiliations, commutes from New York to Harrisonburg, spent the Holiday weeks with Rabbi Lanyi.

Our sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Fred Simon on the loss of her father in Detroit, Michigan.

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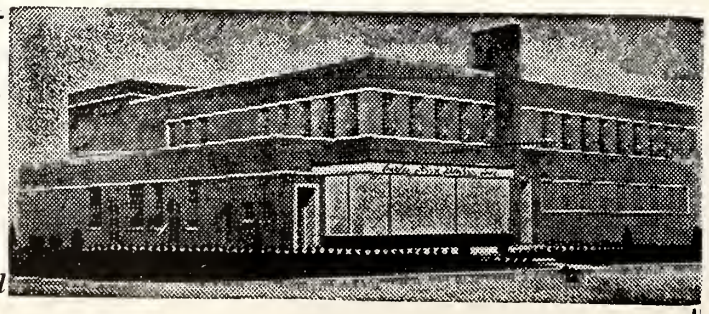
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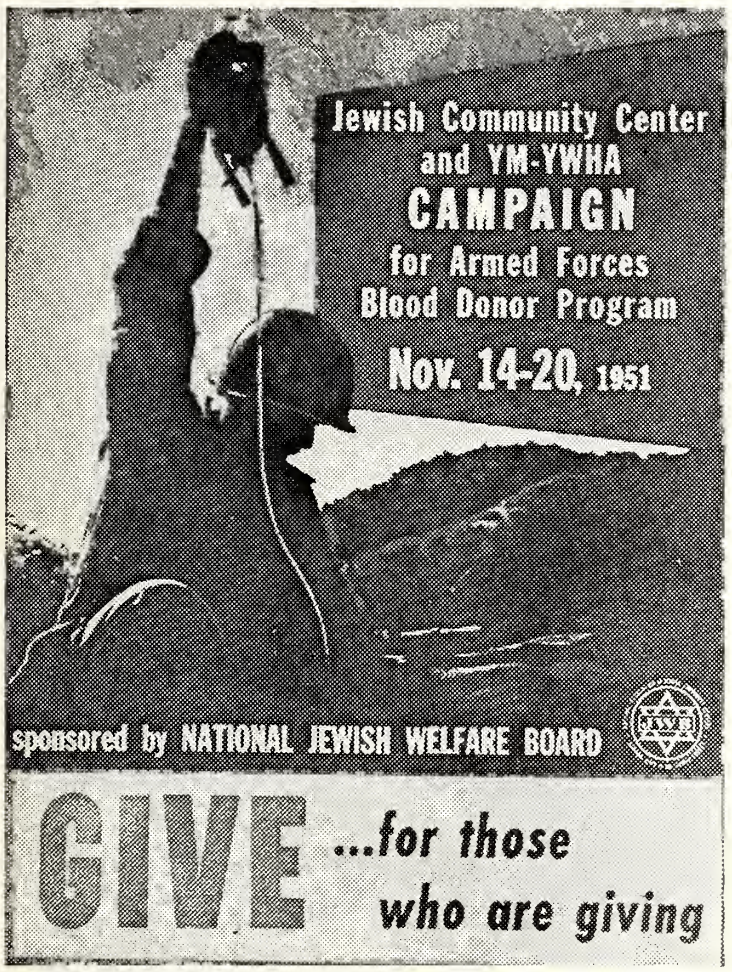


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of the president, Mrs. Joseph Mintzer. The constitution of this new chapter which is now called the Hadassah Chapter of Harrisonburg, Va., was voted upon. The objective is Youth Aliyah which is the rehabilitation for one child. Plans for sewing weekly to make infants' garments and diapers were established. Arrangements were made to send warm clothing to Israel. The Hadassah Chapter of Harrisonburg approved and voted to accept the policy of the national president, Mrs. Rose Halprin. The program chairman announced that there would be twelve affairs during the year.

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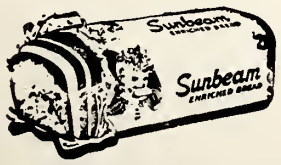


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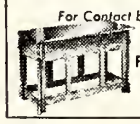

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# The Cooking Page

No meal is complete without a sweet. Here are some recipes that will help to top off a dinner or luncheon so that everyone will leave the table with the feeling of good taste.

**LINSER TART**

Make a dough of one-half pound each of flour, sugar and almonds that are grated with peel on, two eggs, a little all-spice, a little citron, pinch of salt. Flavor with brandy. Take a little more than half, roll it out and line a pie-pan, put strawberry jam on and then cut rest of dough in strips and cover the same as you would prune pie. Brush these strips with yolk of egg and bake in moderate oven.

**MACAROON TARTS**

Line a gem or muffin-pan with rich pie dough; half fill each tart with any desired preserve, and bake in a quick oven. Beat the whites of three eggs to a stiff froth and add one-half pound of powdered sugar and stir about ten minutes or until very light, and gradually one-half pound of grated almonds. Divide this macaroon paste into equal portions. Roll and shape into strips, dusting hands with powdered sugar in place of flour. Place these strips on the baked tarts in parallel rows to cross each other diagonally. Return to oven and bake in a slow oven about fifteen minutes. Let remain in pans until almost cold.

**LEMON TART (FLEISCHIG)**

Make a rich crust and bake in small spring form. Beat three whole eggs and yolks of three very light with one cup of sugar. Add juice of three lemons and grated rind of one, and juice of one orange. Put whole on stove and stir until is comes to a boil. Put on baked crust, spread a meringue made of the remaining three whites and three tablespoons of sugar on top, and put in oven to brown. May be used as a filling for tartlets.

**INDIVIDUAL APPLE DUMPLINGS**

Butter six muffin rings and set them on a shallow agate pan which has been well buttered. Fill the rings with sliced apples. Make a dough of one and one-half cups of pastry flour sifted several times with one-half teaspoon of salt and three level teaspoons of baking powder. Chop into the dry ingredients one-fourth of a cup of shortening, gradually add three-fourths of a cup of milk or water. Drop the dough on the apples on the rings. Let bake about twenty minutes. With a spatula remove each dumpling from the ring, place on dish with the crust side down. Serve with cream and sugar, hard sauce or with a fruit sauce.

**WHIPPED CREAM PIE**

Make a crust as rich as possible and line a deep tin. Bake quickly in a hot oven and spread it with a layer of jelly or jam. Next whip one cup of sweet cream until it is thick. Set the cream in a bowl of ice while whipping. Sweeten slightly and flavor with vanilla, spread this over the pie and put into a cool place until wanted.

**GRATED APPLE PIE**

Line a pie-plate with a rich puff paste. Pare and grate four or five large tart apples into a bowl into which you have stirred the yolks of two eggs with about half a cup of sugar. Add a few raisins, a few currants, a few hundred almonds, a pinch of ground cinnamon, and the grated peel of a lemon. Have no top crust. Bake in a quick oven. In the meantime, make a meringue of the whites of the eggs by beating them to a very stiff froth and add about three tablespoons of pulverized sugar. Spread this over the pie when baked and set back in the oven until brown. Eat cold.

**GEWETSH (SERVIAN)**

Brown one large onion in a tablespoon of fat, add one teaspoon of paprika and two pounds of neck or shoulder of lamb, cook one hour; have ready one pound of rice that has been boiled for twenty minutes. Take a twelve-inch pudding dish, grease, place a layer of sliced tomatoes on bottom of pan, then half the rice, half the meat, two sliced green peppers, sprinkle a little salt and pour part of gravy over this; place another layer of tomatoes, rice, meat, with two sliced peppers and tomatoes on top, salt, and pour remainder of gravy, put lumps of fat here and there; bake in hot oven three-quarters of an hour. Use plenty of gravy and fat for this dish or else it will be too dry. Six large tomatoes are required.


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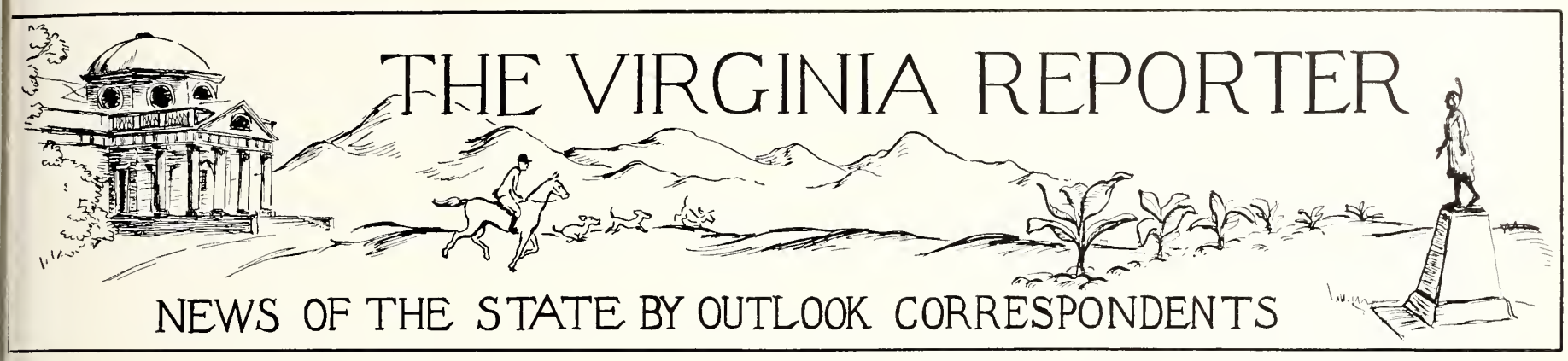


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### TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL

by

MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ

Autumn's artists have once again started work on the trees and sky, and along with them the crisp breeze, sweeping the cobwebs of summer out of the city. So it is with equal vigor that the Women's Club of Beth Israel set forth on its projects for the year.

The fashion show, dinner and card party was a tremendous and most rewarding success. The women who directed it, like Mrs. Hyman Krystel, Mrs. Max Schwartz, Mrs. Dave Gershman, Mrs. Louis Shull, the models; Mrs. Ken Rojas, Mrs. Irvin David, Mrs. Hyman Hyman, Mrs. I. J. Fratkin, Arlyn Brooks, Carol Ann Harowitz, Larry David, Stuart Spirn, Barbara Krystel, and Lois Cohen, with Mrs. Sam Hausman as narrator, are all to be commended for sponsoring such a beautiful and lavish affair. Our thanks go also to such stores as Greentree's, L'Pell, La Vogue, the May Company, Ardley and The Davis for their fashions.

But now, suppose I tell you what's planned for November. On the 29th of November the Women's Club celebrates its third birthday. Mrs. B. D. Mollen, program chairman, is planning something special in the way of entertainment. Old fashioned games and contests, but especially fun for all. Our new refreshment chairman, Mrs. Irving Levin, and her committee are working out some interesting decorations and color schemes for the refreshments. Be sure to attend this affair on the occasion of our third birthday.

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So long—see you next month!

### HADASSAH

**Mrs. E. J. Lipson, Publicity Chairman**

The Richmond Chapter Senior Hadassah has been busy formulating plans throughout the summer. An executive board meeting was held with the Seaboard Region Hadassah president, Mrs. H. January, to devise ways and means to gain the needed funds to fulfill the Richmond Chapter's quota, as well as the planning of an educational and entertainment program to be of interest to all members. The education program will include studies of women in Jewish History and American affairs.

In September, at a luncheon in the Westover Room of the William Byrd Hotel, the officers and board were installed by Mrs. Henry Schreiberg, past president of the local chapter. Mrs. Schreiberg, with her usual charm and ingenuity, referred to the incoming officers and board as a fine football team. Each player had a definite position on the team to bring Hadassah's ideals and finances to a happy conclusion for the new year.

A highlight of the afternoon was a musical program based on the play "South Pacific" but transcribed to Hadassah verses. This fine piece of transposition was arranged by Mrs. N. J. Flax and Mrs. Milton Brown. The cast included the officers and board members of the new slate.

At the national Hadassah convention, held in Atlantic City September 16-19, the Richmond Senior Chapter was represented by the following delegates and alternates: Mrs. Hyman Osmalov, Mrs. Sam Penn, Mrs. Louis Steinberg, Mrs. Morton Meyer, Mrs. N. Kaufman, and Mrs. Murray Kolinsky.

The chapter held a member-bring-a-member tea on September 25, which also included the celebration of Hadassah's 40th birthday. The affair was held in the garden of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lehman. The principal speaker of the afternoon was Mrs. Jerome Meyer who took as her theme "The Integration of New Members." Included in the program was a delightful skit persented by Mrs. Bernard Jaffe. The entire afternoon tea and program was under the chairmanship of Mrs. Louis Steinberg.

**"Hadassah Rides Again"**

Something new has been started. With a sponsor committee headed by Mrs. Yale Jurin, it is the function of this committee to provide transportation to and from meetings. Give or receive transportation for each meeting by designating your ability to give the use of your car by picking up members who ordinarily cannot attend meeting because of lack of time or transportation. Also you may call Mrs. Jurin to advise her that you wish transportation to the meetings by calling 84-5430.

Our programs are made for you, the individual and collective membership, so come and enjoy them. The informed Hadassah member is a good member.

The officers for the coming year are as follows: president, Mrs. Hyman Osmalov; first vice-president, Mrs. Sam Penn; second vice-president, Mrs. Emanuel Last; recording secretary, Mrs. Finley Binder; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Morris Rosen; assistant corresponding secretary, Mrs. Louis Buffenstein; administrative secretary, Mrs. Louis Perelstein; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Salkin; financial secretary, Mrs. Max Becker; assistant financial secretary, Mrs. Irving Cantor.

A meeting of the chapter was held October 17 at the Jewish Center. This was an open board meeting whose theme was "Watch Your Board in Action." The convention report was given by Mrs. H. Osmalov. American affairs and current events report was given by the Chairman of American Affairs, Mrs. Mark Schneider. "How Does Your Hadassah Money Work?" was the topic of Mrs. Charles Salkin, treasurer. Just a little secret from this chairman: "Watch for the notice of an unusual luncheon meeting planned for November meeting."

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

**By Mrs. R. Reinhard**

The Richmond Section of National Council of Jewish Women held its opening luncheon meeting of the year on Wednesday, October 3, 1951, at Temple Beth Ahabah's Social Center.

The program featured Mr. Joseph L. Portnoy of Temple Beth Ahabah in a musical program entitled "A Caravan of Jewish Songs from Ghetto to Broadway."

Mr. Portney was born in Pittsburgh, Pa. He has always been interested in music, but was interrupted to serve in the National Guard from 1940 to 1945. In 1946 he became a voice major at the Juilliard School of Music in New York for three years. While studying there he became the head soloist tenor in Temple Emanuel in New York. He began his studies in 1949 at the Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music in New York and was graduated from there last year. The community in Larchmont, N. Y., asked him to be their Cantor, which he accepted, while at Hebrew Union. Mr. Portnoy's class was the first graduating class of Cantor Educators in America. He was one of three to graduate with honors.

Mr. Portnoy was married in 1943 to his charming wife, Ruth, and has a fine family of three sons. The Congregation of Beth Ahabah heartily welcomes him to the city of Richmond.

The "Thrift Shop" is a new and exciting venture sponsored by the Richmond Section of Council. This shop is located at 1105 West Main Street. It is open six days a week and operated entirely by volunteers. Small household articles and men's clothing are especially needed at this time. Anyone who would like to contribute some clothes, please call Mrs. Sol Axel, phone 5-1951.

## Roanoke, Va.

**By Mrs. Ralph Katz**

Both Beth Israel Synagogue and Temple Emmanuel have been humming with activity.

At Beth Israel, the congregational meeting Sunday, September 9 was enjoyed by old members as well as new. Featured was the showing of the outstanding Yiddish motion picture, "The Singing Blacksmith" (with English titles) starring Cantor Moishe Oysher. Alyahs for the High Holy Days were sold. Delightful refreshments by the Ladies Auxiliary were served.

On the same day, September 9, the Sunday session opened. Mr. William Sager is supervisor. Mr. Goldfin teaches the classes for beginners and Rabbi Tobias Rothenberg teaches all other classes. Highlights thus far are promptness of the children, the seminar briefing parents on the aims and procedures of the school, the gifts of Magen David, the claps to the boys and mezuzah necklaces to the girls.

The opening luncheon and installation of the Ladies Auxiliary, Wednesday, September 12, at Hotel Roanoke was a lovely affair. Mistress of ceremonies was Mrs. Harry Thames. Mr. Julius Fisher, president of the congregation, was on hand with some well received words for the group, and Mr. William Sager, superintendent of Sunday school, as guest speaker presented plans for the year. Mrs. Marcus Kaplan installed the following officers: president, Mrs. Julius Shapiro; first vice-president, Mrs. Herbert Hurshan; second vice-president, Mrs. Arthur Levin; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Cecil Blum; recording secretary, Mrs.

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Raphael Ostrov; treasurer, Mrs. Morris Diamond; financial secretary, Mrs. Udell Brenner.

Mrs. Harry Zatz presented a series of humorous original verses about the officers and chairmen of projects. Guests and prospective new members were welcomed.

Miss Zelda Halpern, past president of the Auxiliary, made a few remarks. She was presented with a gift by Mrs. Morris Masinter on behalf of the Auxiliary.

President-elect Mrs. Julius Shapiro in her address expressed the hope that the work not merely to improve the synagogue as a structure but ourselves spiritually and culturally by availing ourselves of what Judaism has to offer us. As women of a conservative synagogue cooperating with our rabbi. Mrs. Marcus Kaplan was overall chairman of the luncheon.

Here are the results of the elections for officers of the Junior Congregation: President, Sarah Fisher; vice-president, Arnold Masinter; secretary. Vivian Silverman; treasurer, Judy Shapiro.

Beth Israel was fortunate in having Cantor Hyman Shy from Newark, N. J., to render the musical portion of the service and read the Torah Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur. Cantor Shy is a graduate of the Teachers Institute of the Yeshiva University, has studied at the Seminary and has been the assistant counselor to Jewish students at the New York University.

. The new set of High Holiday prayerbooks, the Silverman Masher also added much to the beauty and understanding of our divine worship.

At Temple Emmanuel after a summer of vesper services, Temple Emmanuel began its late Friday evening services at 8:15 September 4. Miss Elsie Hartwell, alto, and Miss Maria Larsen, soprano, were the soloists. Rabbi Benno Wallach spoke on "Peace with Japan." The program was open to the general public.

Sunday school opened September 23; the teachers are: Class 1, Mrs. Walter Loebl; Class 2, Mrs. Phillip Citron; Class 3, Miss Marjorie Spigel; Class 4, Mrs. Jerry Brumberg; Class 5, Mrs. Richard Wilkes; Class 6, Mr. Charles Spigel; Class 7, Mr. Richard Wilkes; Class 10, Mr. Rozert Goldgein; instructors in Hebrew, Mr. Fred Bulbin and Dr. Leo Platt; extension activities, Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum; school secretary, Miss Nancy Schlossberg.

A very interesting and completely new curriculum has been planned, and with the enthusiasm of the staff, a promising year is underway. Special instruction in Hebrew is available three times a week.

Due to the efforts of Rabbi Morris Groff, an excellent choir was assembled for the High Holy Day services. Those who presented the unusually beautiful music were: Miss Elsie Hartwell, alto; Mrs. Jack Wimmer, baritone; Mrs. Malcolm Scott, tenor; Mrs. Helen Robertson, soprano; and Mrs. Mildred Thomas, organist.

The Temple Sisterhood applauds Mrs. Arthur Solomon and Mrs. Sigmund Davidson for their excellent work in making the first Sunday night supper, September 16, a success. The crowd was gay, the food was good, and the profits were satisfying.

Everyone is invited to attend classes in adult education on Monday evenings. Sessions begin at 7:30 P.M. at the Temple. The course this year is based on "'The Jewish Holidays." It is especially recommended that every parent of a child in Religious School take advantage of this opportunity to refresh his memory so that he may keep abreast of his child's progress and not be embarrassed by his questions.

MRS. FLOYD IRVIN BACKRACH

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Udell of Great Neck, N. Y., announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Joan, to Floyd Irvin Backrach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin H. Backrach of Roanoke.

The ceremony was performed September 5 in the study of Temple Beth El in Great Neck by Rabbi Jacob Rudlin. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a starched gray silk street length dress with a bouffant skirt, matching accessories and a royal blue hat. On her dress she wore an orchid corsage.

Morton W. Backrach of Roanoke and Washington, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man.

Mrs. Backrach is a graduate of the University of Chicago, and Mr. Backrach received his B.S. degree from the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N. Y.

The couple will reside in Roanoke.

It is with warmth that the Sisterhood greets the following ladies who have recently joined their ranks: Mrs. M. M. Gilbert, Mrs. M. Roseman, Mrs.


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Hadassah's opening meeting was held Monday, September 24, at Beth Israel Synagogue. There was a report from the treasurer, Mrs. Harry Katz, and from some of the fund-raising chairmen. The rummage sale was discussed and also the Yom Kippur night dance. A highly entertaining skit was given concerning the young bride who, having given up everything for her marriage and become dull, is prevailed upon by her husband and two Hadassah ladies to join Hadassah. She finally gives in after the birth of her twins and finds the "glamour" she needs. Playing the part of the bride was Mrs. Stuart Felton; the part of the husband, Mr. Stuart Felton; the Hadassah ladies, Mrs. Sidney Lichtenstein and Mrs. Peter Myers; the narrator, Mrs. Herbert Kushan. Refreshments followed, hostesses being Mrs. Peter Myers, Mrs. Udell Brenner, Mrs. Al Trompeter, Mrs. Cecil Blum, Mrs. Milton Blank and Mrs. Morris Masinter.

Condolences to Mr. Hyman Cohen and to Mr. Michael Cohen on the sudden death of Mr. Dan Cohen, their son and brother, in Washington. Our heartfelt sympathy to Rabbi Morris Groff on the death of his stepfather, Mr. Joseph Phillips.

**Congratulations to . . .**

Mr. Sidney Lightman on his engagement to Miss Helen Cohen of Norfolk, also to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lightman, and the sister, Mrs. James Hurdman, all of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Backrach on the marriage of their son, Floyd, to Mary Udell, of Great Neck, L. I.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nat Spiegel, who celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

To Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Cohen, who celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

## Lynchburg, Va.

by

**GISHY ADLER AARONSON**

Solemn services in the Agudath Sholom Synagogue here in Lynchburg ushered in the High Holy Days of Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur, a time appropriate for the renewal of bonds of affection and friendship between men. The opening of the religious year was observed with worship services and sermons conducted by Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum.

Three delegates from Lynchburg Chapter attending the recent Hadassah Seaboard Region Education Day in Durham, N. C., were Mrs. Jack Bletz, Mrs. Joe Turkel, and Mrs. Max Hurwitz.

The Scottish Rite Degrees were conferred upon Julius Demsky and Henry Ross during the fall reunion of the Scottish Rite of Free Masonry.

Our former Rabbi, Jerome Pines, grinned proudly shaking the hand of Senator Estes Kefauver in a recent Daily Advance protograph.

Football, changing leaves and the first chill of autumn puts zest into all of our activities. As of to date Hadassah announces the official date of their Gay Nineties Ball, which is to be held November 24.

Maxie Feinman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Feinman of Timber Lake, was one of the groomsmen at the wedding of Lt. and Mrs. Thomas Glass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carter Glass, Jr. The wedding was held in Huntsville, Texas.

In the forthcoming Little Theater production of Pinafore, Allan Oster is once more bursting forth with song in the role of Deadeye Dick.

"Lynchburg is a grand place to shop" was the theme of the biggest fashion parade held in these parts for a long time. Allen and Barry Grossman with Betty and Stephen Somers beamed at the crowd gathered for the parade as they rode by in the Snyder and Berman float.

It's good to see Meyer Cohen out again after his confining illness. A speedy recuperation for Bertram Schewel, who has been ailing at the Virginia Baptist Hospital. . . Did you get any of the cigars Simon Alper was handing out to announce the birth of a new baby boy, Nelson Brian? . . . The Larry Siegals are the latest to join the circle of newly-married couples. . . Pearle Feinman looking like her own daughter telling us about the wedding she attended in High Point, N. C. . . I read the other day that women were scarce as hen's teeth in Egypt—that's the place for me. . . Dorothy Nan Samuels expressive emoting in the game of charades at the initial meeting of Hadassah. . . Don't you like the cute poodle cut Marion Somers is sporting?

The Sisterhood Year Book, which is the first Lynchburg Jewish Directory, has been compiled under the able direction of Mrs. Julius Demsky and her committee. Mrs. Richard Samuels was appointed Ways and Means Chairman by the president, Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein, at the first meeting of the fall. Mrs. James Wake, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Bessie Carter Collins, who reviewed the biography of Judah P. Benjamin by

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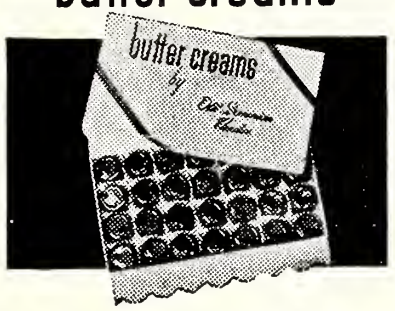


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# PORTSMOUTH NEWS

*By* IRMA KOFF

Happy Thanksgiving!

The big news in the Portsmouth Jewish community in November is the Bonds for Israel affair on November 4 at the Suburban Country Club. Many noted entertainers from the theatrical field will be on hand to make it a gala evening. Portsmouth bond chairman is Robert Epstein.

**B'NAI B'RITH**

The Sol Fass Lodge of B'nai B'rith is starting a membership campaign under the chairmanship of Harry Goldman.

Jack Laskin has been appointed chairman of the Ways and Means Committee to plan a gala fun and fund-raising affair at the Suburban Country Club on January 26.

**TIDEWATER POST NO. 453, J.W.V.**

The Jewish War Veterans recently distributed 1,600 ash trays to the Portsmouth Naval Hospital and are planning to donate another 400 in the near future.

**ZOA**

An organizational meeting will be held in November at which time committees will be appointed by the new president, Hilliard Shapiro. ZOA will participate in the Bonds for Israel drive starting locally in November. ZOA will launch a membership campaign in January.

**GOMLEY CHESED SYNAGOGUE**

Beautiful and inspirational High Holiday services were conducted this year at Gomley Chesed Synagogue by Rabbi Maurice Schwartz and Cantor Paul Grob. Junior Congregation services were conducted by members of AZA.

Hebrew and Sunday Schools have now started.

**HEBREW LADIES' AID SOCIETY**

The first meeting of the season will be held November 13. Mrs. Israel Casper, president, has announced that matters of great importance will be discussed at this meeting. She furthur reported that the work load of the organization is now heavier than it has been for many years and, therefore, there is great need for more Portsmouth women to become interested in the work of the Hebrew Ladies' Aid Society, which lends a helping hand to all those in need of its services.

**HADASSAH**

The Portsmouth chapter of Hadassah held a paid-up membership tea and dessert luncheon on October 28. At that time, 16 new members were inducted into the organization.

The speaker for the occasion was Miss Irene Sorkin, Hadassah liaison officer to the United Nations, who rerently returned from the World Jewish Congress in Israel.

**B'NAI B'RITH GIRLS**

Ellen Rae Frank has been elected district reporter of B'nai B'rith Girls.

The local girls are selling aprons to raise money for their welfare work. Anyone interested—and who isn't?—should contact a member of the organization. The aprons are pretty and inexpensive.

The girls are planning another visit soon to the Portsmouth Orphanage.

**GOMLEY CHESED SISTERHOOD**

Sisterhood and the entire Jewish community is looking forward to Sisterhood's annual cotillion ball on Thanksgiving night, November 22, at the Suburban Country Club, at which time fifteen girls will be presented.

The opening meeting of the season was a membership tea and dessert luncheon at which time 28 new members were inducted. The skit presented was written by Mrs. Maurice Schwartz.

**JEWISH WAR VETERANS AUXILIARY**

The group is making plans to sponsor a hobo party and also a dance at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital. Along with members of Tidewater Post No. 453, JWV, the Ladies Auxiliary donated the ash trays to the Naval Hospital.

**B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN**

The first donor affair ever held by B'nai B'rith Women of Portsmouth was a huge success. The donor was held at the Suburban Country Club in September and featured a fashion show. Chairman of the affair was Mrs. Carl Marc with Mrs. Irvin Mervis as program chairman.

The local chapter is cooperating wholeheartedly with the Portsmouth chapter of the American Red Cross in supplying volunteers to work on the blood bank.

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At the last meeting a panel discussion on B'nai B'rith proved most interesting. Participants were Sol Fass, Mrs. Elias Friedman, Mrs. Maurice Schwartz, and Julian Blackman. Mrs. Moe H. Glazer was moderator. The audience participated in a question and answer period.

**AZA**

Portsmouth and Norfolk chapters of AZA played hosts at the AZA convention for the Tidewater chapters. The convention was held in Portsmouth at the Suburban Country Club in October.

The boys have scheduled a big program of activities for the fall season.

AZA members conducted Junior Congregation services at Gomley Chesed Synagogue during the High Holidays.

**JUNIOR HADASSAH**

The Junior Hadassah membership drive was culminated in September with a wienie roast at the home of Mrs. Bernard Levin. The local chapter now has fifteen prospective new members. Edith Farfel was chairman of the affair, assisted by Helen Katz. Program chairman was Gloria Stein, assisted by Carol Amdursky, Beverly Jacobson, and Helen Solomon.

Junior Hadassah's annual Autumn Ball, held in October at the Suburban Country Club, was a huge success.

Helen Katz and Joan Sufrin will be the local chapter delegates to the Junior Hadassah national convention, to be held November 22-25 in Boston.

## Norfolk, Va.

**HADASSAH**

**By Mrs. Joseph S. Jaffe**

The Norfolk Chapter of Hadassah opened their season's activities with a meeting on September 11 devoted to H.M.O. Our guest speaker was Mrs. Joseph Freedman, Seaboard Regional Vice-President. Mrs. Julius Shipowitz, Chapter H. M. O. Chairman, presided. The meeting was held in the garden of Mrs. Meyer Steingold, and a fashion show was staged. This was a joint meeting of our two day groups, namely, the Henrietta Szold and Midtown groups. That same evening the B. & P. group met at Beth El Center, and Mrs. Freedman was speaker also.

Norfolk Chapter delegates to the convention held in Atlantic City, headed by our chapter president, Mrs. Philip Kroskin, included Mrs. Reuben Bregman, Mrs. Morris J. Legum, Mrs. Julius Shipowitz, Mrs. Morris Soroko, Mrs. Irving Hecht, Mrs. Herman Perlin, and Mrs. Julius Levinson.

Our donor luncheon was held on October 31 at Beth El Center. Guest speaker was Mrs. Josselyn Shore, of New York, who is Hadassah's official observer at the U. N.


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# Christopher Columbus

*By* JEROME MARK
**Rabbi, Temple Emanuel, Gastonia, N. C.**

SPEAKING on Columbus Day, Friday, October 12, ex-movie star and newscaster Pauline Frederick mentioned that the holiday was generally neglected except in New York City where it was duly observed because of its large Catholic population. If it is true that only the Catholics observe Columbus Day, then they certainly show a deeper understanding of the meaning of history than do the Protestants or the Jews.

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RABBI JEROME MARK

businesses but it should be noted by Americans as a day of thanksgiving that Christopher Columbus lived and was permitted to carry on his investigations which resulted in his ultimate discoveries.

As an American Jew I observe the day with profound reverence. My philosophy of history finds vindication in reading the following in Columbus' private Journals:

> After the Spanish Monarchs had expelled all the Jews from all their kingdoms and lands in January (Note error, he meant April), in that same month they commissioned me to undertake the voyage to India with a properly equipped fleet.

Of course we are all familiar with the nursery jingle:

> In fourteen hundred and ninety-two,
> Columbus sailed the ocean blue.

Few of us, even Jews, realize what Columbus seems to have sensed intuitively that it was more than coincidence or accident that the Spanish monarch issued the edict of expulsion April 30, 1492, the same day when the explorer received the royal contract and commission to equip a fleet for his voyage of exploration.

On the ninth day of the Hebrew month Ab, observed by Jews as a day of mourning in memory of the destruction of the Temple and national independence in the year 70 of the Common Era, the Spanish exile was consummated. This was August 2, 1492, when they forfeited their homes and possessions, to set forth anew as the

> "Tribe of the wandering foot and weary breast."

As the exiles passed the harbor and saw the three ships of Columbus' caravel fitted out and ready to sail the next day, namely, Friday, August 3, if they were not too dazed to give the expedition any thought, they must certainly considered, as did Columbus, that the voyage was for the purpose of finding a short cut to India. Neither the Jews nor Columbus could see the hand of Providence working for the ultimate creation of a safe refuge for countless millions of persecuted settlers: Puritan Pilgrims and Cavaliers, Catholics and Jews, all destined to cooperate in building a new world of enlightenment and liberty. Out of the very brutality and superstition of Spain sprang salvation for all: for those who worship in Church or Synagogue alike.

But wait: wasn't Columbus a Jew? Many historians say that he was. It is not my purpose now to enter into a scientific historical investigation, but scholars admit that there are some sound indications to corroborate the theory.

Columbus' age was an era of brutal persecution of Jews, from which many sought relief by way of the baptismal

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font. Some became and remained sincere Christians. Others were Maranos, secret Jews in constant fear of the Inquisition. It is quite likely that the Admiral was a descendant of baptized Jews, he may even have remained a secret Jew, outwardly practicing the rites of the dominant Church. That would explain why Columbus, who was neither reticent nor modest, who wrote profusely about his grandiose plans, his life and his work, kept secret such details as the place and date of his birth. Why did he shroud in such mystery his early years and experiences. It may well be that he had many things to hide from the FBI of 1492!

One indication that this may be true is highly intriguing. When he wrote to his family and intimates, but never in his official documents or reports to the rulers of Spain, he used mystic symbols which he enjoined that his heirs use after him. In writing to his son, the top left hand symbol on the letter can be traced as the Hebrew initials of BE'EZRATH HASHEM—with the help of God, a greeting which is still used in Hebrew correspondence today.

In connection with his signature on such private correspondence he used a mystic triangle of Latin characters, which authorities decipher by reading from right to left, like Hebrew, and also remembering that X originally had the sound of the German CH. The symbol is:

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"Almighty God, Almighty God, Lord Almighty God. The Lord, Full of Compassion, Forgiving Iniquity, Transgression, Sin." This is similar to a quotation from Exodus 34:6, 7, used in connection with the Torah service on all holidays. If Columbus calls devoutly, though cryptically, on God to forgive iniquity, transgression and sin, is he not making secret atonement for his sin of deception, for living as a Christian and believing as a Jew?

Even if this explanation may sound far-fetched, it is well to observe that so far no alternative explanation has been offered for his mystic symbols.

Just as unhistorical as George Washington's cherry tree is the tradition that Queen Isabella pawned her jewels to finance the voyage of discovery. She pawned her Jews, not her jewels. The wealth of every Jew burned by the Inquisition was confiscated by the crown. On their expulsion the exiled Jews left their property as the heritage of Ferdinand and Isabella.

Returning to the theory of his probable Jewish origin, it is of interest to note that in one of his letters Columbus pointed to himself when he spoke of the fulfillment of an obscure prophecy that out of Spain would issue a Conqueror of the Holy Land.

To me Columbus' Jewish origin, whether as nuevo-Christian or Morrano, is still a matter of conjecture. But history does verify his frank association with Jews. He actually wrote at one point of his "constant relations with Jews and Moors." No wonder. He was obliged to lean heavily on the scientific discoveries and works of Jewish scholars, for science was then almost exclusively in the hands of Jews and Mohammedans. And he had to have the most authentic authorities for the charting of his course, to convince his royal patrons of the soundness of his adventure.

Let me conclude this discussion of Christopher Columbus with an interesting story. A contemporary of the explorer, whom he met personally later, was a practicing Jew, Abraham Zacuto, an outstanding scientist, particularly in the field of astronomy. Needless to say that Columbus relied heavily on Zacuto's charts and tables, which he carried with him on his voyages. On his last trip to the new world he and his crew were threatened sure death by hostile Indians. Zacuto's chart indicated an impending total eclipse of the moon, for February 29, 1504. Shrewdly using this information as a ruse, Columbus convinced his captors that heaven was angry and would destroy the world if he and his men were not released.

It is futile to speculate on the origin of Columbus. What is important for all of us is that Columbus served humanity well. For that we bow in adoration before God, the Creator of genius in man, the Author of human progress.

## Gastonia News

Stephen Scher Girard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cy Girard, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah with services at Temple Emanuel on Friday evening, October 5. Following the services, Mr. and Mrs. Girard were hosts at an informal reception honoring Stephen. Rabbi Jerome Mark prepared Stephen for his Bar Mitzvah. Many friends and relatives were on hand for this


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important event.

The first meeting of the Sisterhood-Hadassah for this season was held in September with Mrs. S. Cohen, president, in the chair. Rabbi Mark opened the meeting with a prayer, and extended a welcome back to the Temple. Reports were heard and plans were made for the forthcoming programs, among them the Holy Day affairs.

Get well wishes to Rabbi Mark, who was at Memorial Hospital in Charlotte after being taken suddenly ill.

# NATIONAL HADASSAH HOLDS 37th ANNUAL CONVENTION

The 37th annual convention of National Hadassah, held in Atlantic City, was highlighted by addresses made by United States Senator Hubert Humphrey, of Minnesota, Moshe Sharret, Foreign Minister of the State of Israel, Arthur Lourie, Israeli Consul-General in New York city, and Judith Epstein, among others. Mrs. Samuel W. Halpirn, retiring president, agreed to continue in office until the convenience of her successor, Mrs. Samuel J. Rosensohn, who was deterred from taking office immediately by reason of a family bereavement. Mrs. Harry Karesh, president of the Greensboro Hadassah Chapter, and Mrs. Ira Julian, of Winston-Salem, were among the representatives of the Piedmont area.

Mrs. Halpirn thrilled her audience with her address, which was as follows:

"This is the last time that I will be talking with you in this way as president of Hadassah. When we meet again at the next convention the National Board and the mid-winter conference shall have elected a new president.

"I have served for four years—four years which witnessed great things come to pass in Zionist history.

"Do you remember the convention of 1947 here in Atlantic City? Before the United Nations had made a decision—Shertok was with us too, Weizmann, if I remember—and no one who would or could prophecy of things to come.

"We met here again in 1948 and it was after the establishment of the State and after the war was over and after the lifeblood of so many of our own workers and colleagues in Israel had ebbed away and left a stain on the road to Scopus and we had already lost the great home we had built on Scopus; lost in the final peace settlement; restored to us, and we had already then by that convention found the strength to begin to build our services anew in Jerusalem Town.

"And it was a convention, you will remember, of great jubilation for Statehood was upon Israel and great tragedy, for we had suffered so much loss, and it was the convention that I think took on the greatest budget in our history.

In 1949 we made the trek across the continent to hold the first convention on the Pacific coast and in that year we opened a medical school together with the Hebrew University and showed the world that a hospital and a school could be great institutions—though inadequately housed, in primitive buildings—if ony the men that manned them had great spirit and great will.

"And then came 1950 and it was a convention in New York. We had moments of fear that we could not accept the challenge of a new task the Yishuv wanted to place upon us to build a home again, to erect new buildings, to match the spirit of the men who are the builders and teachers, men who had made teaching great because they were also research men.

"And then we overcome our doubt that we were able to undertake anew and great enterprises and in that convention we planned the erection of a new great medical center in Jerusalem.

"And now we are at '51, a great convention, once again in Atlantic City. I should lay down the burdens of my office, and if I consent to serve yet a little while, I do so because you asked me; I do so because you asked me so that you may wait a while for one who is mature in judgment and wise and tolerant and just, great in spirit, great in mind and great in heart, and because of cruel fate now suffers the anguish of bereavement—a young daughter, an only daughter, lost, and were we to turn to her now in this moment of her anguish and her misery, she would say no—and so we do not press a decision upon her and hope that a little time will close the open wound, make less exposed the nerve of suffering so that she will be able to answer your call and take on the tasks of leadership to you, dear friends and colleagues.

"I thank you for the opportunity given me to do service. I thank you for the strength you lent me. I thank you for the affection that you did bestow. I thank you for the work you did.

"I have said so many times, and I say it now again—you do not know how great the honor you bestow upon her whom you call to leadership. For, take us each by each and one by one

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# GREENSBORO NEWS

By MIN KLEIN

First of the organization Sabbaths was held on Friday evening, October 12, with B'nai B'rith observing their national Sabbath, simultaneously at Temple Emanuel and Beth David.

President Bill Karesh has gotten the local lodge off to a busy year, with the weekly luncheon meetings, the special meeting at which was discussed the possibility of sponsoring the Good Will Industries for Greensboro, and now working on plans for the State Convention to be held here in the Spring. Good example for our younger B.B. members, who are off to a good start, too, with the BBG's now in regular business meetings, and also the New Members Tea during October which was a lovely affair at the home of Vice-President Barbara Prago. AZA meetings started with an outdoor supper meeting at Bob Goldberg's home, honoring all the new 1951 Pledgees—Newcomers Lou Mayer, Bob Lavietes, and our own Max Miller, Jr., who will be officially installed as members at the annual Father-Son Installation banquet when the new officers are also to be installed. Thus, for BB activities in Our Town.

Big event in New York City involving Temple Emanuel was the Dedication Week End, October 26-28, at which time the long-awaited House of Living Judaism was formally presented. Going from here were the George Blanksteins, Rabbi Rypins and the Lou Silversteins, who made quite a trip at the same time, including several stop-overs and a visit with daughter, Marylin and family in Rye, N. Y.

Council of Jewish Women held an important Board meeting to hear Mrs. Margolis, National Board Member and Section Service Worker at lunch and an afternoon of information and suggestions.

Hadassah activities during recent weeks included the Regional Education Institute held in Durham at which Greensboro members Bea Karesh, local president, Cecil Levine, Beck Zuckerman, and Sara Smith, vice-president, were present. Enthusiastic reports were brought back from this institute which was conducted by Mrs. Henry Segal of Washington, Regional Education Chairman. The October meeting of Hadassah was held at Beth David on the 29th and was devoted to Youth Aliyah of which Goldie Zager is chairman. Feature of this meeting was the talk by Goldie on the recent visit that she and Mike paid to Israel. Movies of the trip were a delightful addition to the program.

The annual Hillel Tea, in which the girls reciprocate to their holiday hostesses, was the usual delightful affair.

Temple Emanuel Brotherhood was host to a mid-holiday dance on October 20, which was planned by Nat Labell and his committee and provided an evening of fun and entertainment for a large attendance. Beth David held a post-Yom Kippur "get acquainted" dance in the social hall on the evening following the close of the Holyday and it served just that purpose—old and new members, friends, and acquaintances greeted each other. Activities at Beth David are at an all-time high, with Rabbi Kling conduct-

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# ROCKY MOUNT NEWS

**Mrs. Erle Kellert, Reporter**

The first meeting of the fall was held by the Sisterhood in the new Temple House. Mrs. B. Baker and Mrs. D. Eicher were joint hostesses. The forthcoming plans and program for the year were outlined.

A most successful card party was held by the Beth El Sisterhood. A number of out-of-town guests attended, including those from Tarboro, Enfield and other surrounding communities.

Rabbi Isidore B. Hoffman of New York officiated at the High Holy Day services at Beth El. Rabbi Hoffman, a brilliant and able man, has a splendid record of activity. For the past seventeen years he has been counselor to Jewish students at Columbia University. Rabbi Waldron, who occupied the Beth-El pulpit for nearly two years, has resigned to travel in Israel.

The community is glad to welcome two newcomers into the community, Lester Rose of Durham and Sam Etkin, formerly of London, England.

Miss Lee Rosenbloom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rosenbloom, who graduated from Salem College last spring, is attending Columbia University in New York.

Mrs. G. Fisher, who has been residing with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Sultan, is visiting relatives in Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Baker have returned from Miami Beach where they spent some time.

Mrs. Lillian Lippman is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. Epstein, after spending some time in Miami Beach.

A daughter, Wendylynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Temko of Portland, Oregon. The baby is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Temko, of Rocky Mount.

## Spartanburg, S. C.

September saw the beginning of a busy season for the Spartanburg Jewish community, with Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood purchasing school equipment for the kindergarten department of the Sunday School; arranging for a rummage sale early in October, and completing plans for a local Jewish telephone book as a source of fund-raising for its future projects. Mrs. Abe Smith is president of the organization.

The September meeting of Hadassah, presided over by Mrs. Arnold Burton, saw a film, "Tent City," which was well received by the membership. J. N. F. boxes were brought to the meeting which netted the sum of $75. Plans are afoot for the annual donor luncheon to be held in January.

B'nai B'rith held their annual Sabbath October 12, during the national membership drive, with local members participating. Details were arranged by Lewis Katz, president.

During the High Holidays at Temple B'nai Israel, Rabbi Samuel Wrubel was assisted by Harry Tanenbaum in the lay services, and Simon Hecklin, president of the Temple, presented the annual message dealing with the affairs of the congregation.

During September Rabbi Wrubel spoke over the local radio station on the devotional hour sponsored by the Spartanburg Ministerial Association, of which Rabbi Wrubel is a member.

The Contemporary Club heard a book review by Rabbi Wrubel on "Washington Confidential."

A special Yom Kippur day program was broadcast by Rabbi Wrubel Tuesday afternoon, October 9.

Converse College for Women has invited Rabbi Wrubel to address the student body November 7 on the tenets of Judaism at their chapel hour.

The Canterbury Club of the local Episcopal Church saw an ADL film, "Your Neighbor Celebrates," as a public service of the B'nai B'rith lodge.

The B'nai Israel Sisterhood arranged a "Simchas Torah" party for the children of the Sunday School, with all the "'trimmings."

## Asheville, N. C.

The Brotherhood of Temple Beth Ha Tephila met for their first meeting of the new year on Tuesday, October 2, at 8 P.M., at the home of N. Sultan, president. Dr. Unger was in charge of the program. Plans were made for the special November meeting, which will feature Father and Child night. At the completion of the program refreshments were served.

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# PLAIN TALK

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"You were saying a man's got to be Jewish but how Jewish are you in the ways of your life and business? You are the one who fired that old man who had been working for you 25 years. You told him you hadn't anything personal against him but you said, business is business, you know, Jack, and you are slowing up. Business can't allow any slowing up and business has got to be business. I'll have to let you go, Jack.

"Jack said there still was a good day's work in him, despite his years. The way I lifted that packing case the other day, Mr. Zilch. You saw me do it, Mr. Zilch, didn't you?"

"But you replied that business is business . . . 'And that's the way it is, Jack. Business can't stand for any deadwood.'

"That's what you call me—deadwood?" Jack asked. "That's all I am—deadwood, after all the years!"

"You brushed Jack off . . . 'Anyway, I'm busy,' you said . . . There was a telephone call you had to answer. Someone was on the line with the big order you were expecting . . . 'Excuse me, Jack.'

"How Jewish was all that, Zilch? What do you know about being Jewish? Yes, I know you, Zilch, better than the credit rating bureau which says you're all right; but that isn't the whole story. What about those tenement houses you own?"

I know Zilch's tenement houses . . . "Dun and Bradstreet may know what profit you derive from them, but I know the darkness in those tenement houses. I have seen the rickety stairways, have groped my way to a back room which never saw the sunlight. A child lay sick there.

"You brag of your shrewdness as a real estate speculator . . . 'Yes,' you say, 'those houses are great investments.' . . . I have read about one of your tenants being bitten by rats. The tenant was an infant in its crib . . .

"What are you going to say to God about that on Yom Kippur, Zilch? Can you say you've lived as a good Jew should? Do you know about the man who died of tuberculosis in one of your rooms only the other week? A half dozen people lived in the room."

Zilch was protesting that I should mind my own business . . . "It is my business, Zilch. It's my business as one who is interested in the hope that men—Jew and Christians alike—may yet come around to understand what religion is all about. At the moment I am working on you because you have the name of being Jewish and because Yom Kippur and repentance are at hand.

"But, Zilch, it isn't enough that you are sorry. To make it a genuine Yom Kippur you must from there on change your business ways. Just beating your breast won't help old man Jack or the child sick in the dark room from which you derive good profit. And, by the way, Zilch, what did you say and do the last time the Jewish Welfare came around to collect from you? Shame on you, Zilch!"

"You're going just too far, Segal!" he cried as he dashed from the room.

**JACK BENNY ON CBS FOR UJA—Jack Benny an ardent supporter of the United Jewish Appeal, was heard over the coast-to-coast facilities of the Columbia Broadcasting System on October 25, in an original UJA drama entitled "The Incredible Village." The noted radio, motion picture and TV star played the leading role in a story based on the JDC-MALBEN Village of The Blind at Gedera in Israel.**


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## Durham, N. C.

**Mrs. Dorothy H. Rose, Reporter**

Beth-El Synagogue held its annual installation dinner in the vestry room of the Synagogue, with Rabbi Paul Reich, noted Jewish educator and lecturer in psychology at the College of William and Mary, as the principal speaker. Rabbi Reich stressed the need for evaluating daily living now in his talk which was given before a large and enthusiastic audience.

Officers of the congregation who will serve for the year 1951-52 and who were installed at the banquet are: Mayor E. J. Evans, president; Sigmund Meyer, vice-president; Robert Lipton, secretary, and Irving Zelon, treasurer.

The Beth-El Sisterhood also installed their newly elected officers at this time. Those who will serve during the coming year are: Mrs. Abe Greenberg, president; Mrs. Nathan Wolfe, first vice-president; Mrs. Max Swartz, second vice-president; Mrs. Milton Abelkop, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Shelton Abelkop, recording secretary; Mrs. Mose Fogel, financial secretary; and Mrs. Irving Zelon, treasurer. Following the installation, the Mary Rosenstein cup was awarded to Mrs. Nathan Wolfe as the outstanding Sisterhood member of the year. This is an annual award. Mrs. Wolfe served as chairman of the education committee last year.

Other features of the banquet program included a number of songs by Marvin Lipman and notes from the biographies of the past presidents of the congregation and the sisterhood presented by Meyer and Mrs. Joe Rose.

Jacob Zuckerman served as master of ceremonies for the banquet.

Mrs. Cecil Hyman of the Israeli Embassy was special guest of the Durham chapter of Hadassah at a luncheon and tea held recently. The luncheon was held at the Washington Duke hotel at which time reports of officers were heard and greetings were extended by Mayor E. J. Evans and Mrs. H. January of Suffolk, Va., president of the Seaboard Region.

The tea was held at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Evans in Forest Hills. Members and guests were received by Mayor and Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Hyman, Mrs. January, Mrs. Harry Segal of Washington, regional vice-president; Mrs. J. Freedman of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Sam Freedman, local education chairman, Mrs. B. Grodsky, local Hadassah president, and Rabbi and Mrs. P. Krauss of Durham.

Mrs. Sam Freedman was in charge of arrangements for both affairs. Mrs. Melvin Gladstein was program chairman, Mrs. Freedman presided at the tea service, and Mrs. N. Wolfe served punch. About 150 members attended the tea and about 80 members attended the luncheon.

Congratulations to the following families who had blessed events during the past months:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lipton on the birth of a son; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dworsky on the birth of a son; Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Gordon on the birth of a son; Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Eisenberg on the birth of a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Moel on the birth of a daughter; Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Arnold on the birth of a daughter. Announcement has also been made by Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dworsky of New York of the adoption of a daughter.

### MARRIAGE

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Drexler have announced the marriage of their daughter, Sylvia, and Louis Silver, son of Mrs. Rose Silver, of Durham. The couple were married in New York on September 2, 1951.

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The $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond issue will provide the funds to dot Israel's countryside with new mills and factories. One of Israel's newest plants is the Gumbeli rubber factory, which has started production of V-transmission belts, conveyor belts, rubber parts for automatic looms, and automobile fan belts in its new plant in Nahariya.

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Mrs. Daniel Ballow, Reporter

MR. AND MRS. PAUL H. FRIEDMAN

Miss Joyce Ann Cohn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cohn of Chattanooga, Tenn., became the bride of Paul Harold Friedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Friedman of High Point, N. C., in a ceremony performed at the home of the bride's parents by Rabbi Abraham Feinstein.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride had her aunt, Mrs. Sidney Steinau, as her matron of honor. The only other attendant was Miss Claire Rudolph, maid of honor. Mr. Friedman had his father as best man, and his only brother, Stanley Friedman, as groomsman. Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Cohn entertained with a breakfast at the Edgewood Country Club. After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Friedman will reside in Atlanta, Ga., where Mr. Friedman is attending Georgia Institute of Technology.

**COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN**

The High Point Section, Council of Jewish Women, held their first fall meeting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Cassell, with Mrs. Harry Doctor as co-hostess.

The president, Mrs. Samuel Hyman, was in the chair. She presented plans for the coming year and heard reports of the committees. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the hostesses.

**LADIES AUXILIARY**

The Ladies Auxiliary of the B'nai Israel Synagogue held its initial meet-


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ing at the home of Mrs. Joseph Barr with Mrs. I. Bloom and Mrs. R. M. Bloom associate hostesses. A full program for the coming year was outlined by the president, Mrs. I. Bloom. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served.

**Circle Affair**

A benefit card party was held at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Tobias. Those serving on the committee were Mesdames Ben Swartzberg, Harry Doctor, Harry Kaplan, and Emanuel Rosen. All kinds of card games were in play during the evening.

**Get well wishes** to Mr. Harry Gordon, who has been ill and a patient at the High Point Memorial Hospital for some time. The entire community wishes for him a speedy recovery.

**Mazeltov** to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sirull on the birth of a son.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Kaplan of Camp Lejeune, N. C., announce the birth of Roger David. The baby is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kaplan, of High Point. The mother is the former Phyllis Berneau of Norfolk, Va.

Election held on October 17 resulted in the following officers and board members for B'nai Israel Congregation: President, Joseph Barr; vice-president, Herman Bernard; secretary, Ben Herman; financial secretary, Jake Samet; treasurer, Stanley Taylor; board members, Sam Shavitz, Irving Silverstein, Israel Bloom, Willard Myers, Robert Silver, Ben Schwartzberg, Louis Greenberg, Endward Leyton, and Sam Hyman.

## Lynchburg News

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Dr. Robert Meade of Randolph Macon College faculty. Mrs. Meyer Cohen was appointed religious school chairman, and Mrs. M. Marks reported the success of the rummage sales. Three wedding anniversaries celebrated in October were: Dick and Dot Samuels, the Kenneth Coopers, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Goldstein.

Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum and his attractive newly-acquired wife were introduced and entertained at a reception held at the community center.

There may not be much in the way of lots of entertainment here but I had a satisfying experience when Dave Rubinoff and his violin and the movie David and Bathsheba came to town.

The crowd in Joe Oppleman's jewelry store were grabbing bargains at the removal sale prior to his moving to a new location.

So long for now. I'm off to the big city to see why the critics couldn't grow convulsive with laughter as I hope to when I see the new Jewish-American musicals on Broadway.

## Greensboro News

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ing a newly-organized Adult Study Group, a group of youngsters starting out with the formation of the United Synagogue Youth, and the election of the following officers of the Beth David Sunday School: Teddy LePage, president; Dee Dee Samet, vice-president; Marshall Greenberg, secretary; Steven Zager, treasurer, and Sigmund Davidson, editor of the forthcoming publication. Temple Emanuel elected the following to head the Sunday School for the coming year: President, Max Miller, Jr; vice-president, Marcia Coltman of Burlington; secretary, Judy Cooper, and treasurer, Karl Rosenberg. Following the busy holiday observances, both schools are off to a busy year of activity, with Temple Emanuel teachers gathering inspiration for the year at the Teachers' Institute held in Baltimore.

Temple Brotherhood will meet on Monday evening, the fifth of November, at dinner after which the officers will be installed and an evening of games and refreshments will follow—President Max Bloom will be installed along with Vice-President Charles Roth, Secretary Marshall Solomon, and Treasurer Arnold Marks. On the same evening the Council of Jewish Women will hold an interesting and important meeting. Laura Weinstein, program chairman and Margie Camras, Education Committee chairman, will have charge of the program, which will be called "Unfinished Business,—U. S. A."

Outstanding community event of interest to the entire region will be the November 4th dinner and meeting at Starmount when Professor Harold C. Urey will address the large group under the sponsorship of the Carolinas' Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel. Many notables will be on hand, among them Meyer Weisgal, executive chairman of the Weizmann Institute, and other important officials from our own institutes nearer by. Chester Brown heads the local committtee on arrangements. We know you've read the wider covering of publicity on this unusual event. Which reminds us to remind you of a good book to start right now, Levensohn's "Vision and Fulfillment," in which you'll read about the first 25 years of the Hebrew University.

Departing Travelers Milton and Mollie Zauber look forward to a winter in Florida. Bob and Selma Cline vacationed in Gotham town over the

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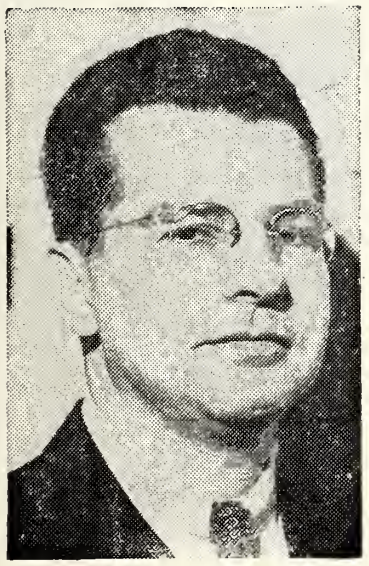
holiday. The Herman Goodmans enjoyed the High Holy Days in NYC with many friends and relatives. The Arch Israels and the Albert Friedmans conventioned in Chicago most successfully. It was nice seeing Marie Sabel here over the Holidays. Back-to-earth honeymooners, Edith and Eugene Miller and David and Louise Judson are seen here and there as they settle down to life in Our Town. The entire community extends a welcome and best wishes to the newest of our DP families, the I. Mordahais and their two little girls who arrived just a few days before the start of the new year.

The year 5712 was ushered into our community rather symbolically between the arrival of two little girls—Nancy, to the Richard Steeles, just before Rosh Hashonah and Diane Renee, to the Arnold Markses in the closing hours of the second day. Nancy is the first sister to Andy and Philip Steele and Diane is not only the first one for the Arnold Markses but the first grandchild to Reba and Ben. The Arthur Goodmans were doubly celebrating Succoth with the birth of a son. Here's hoping all those on the sick list are back to normal now—Bea Brown, who underwent an operation, Lena Krieger, who had a siege of the virus germ, little Linda Bell, who has been quite ill, Herbert and Louise Falk, Jean Prago, Mrs. Robert Ward, Mrs. Sam Weinstein, George Breslau, who have been indisposed and Ben Marks, who underwent an operation—glad to hear that Mrs. Sam Goldman is continuing to improve after a long and serious illness, having spent much time in an Atlanta hospital.

Condolences to members of Our Town who have had recent bereavements—Mrs. Murray Weinberg, Mrs. Dan Hollander, Edith Davidson and Solomon Kamenetz, Max Kronstadt, and William Simon.

**ENGAGEMENT**

Mr. and Mrs. James Katz announce the engagement of their daughter, Elaine, and Bud Gottesman of Detroit. The marriage will take place in November.



**DR. FRANK N. TRAGER, for more than 18 years a Board Member of the Bureau of Intercultural Education, and for the past five years Program Director of the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, has been appointed as Deputy Mission Chief of the Economic Cooperation Administration's Special Technical and Economic Mission (STEM) to Burma, the Economic Cooperation Administration has announced.**

## National Hadassah Convention

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and we are simply one, but take us all together we are like a great tide that sweeps in from the sea, like a great wall that stands against tide and time.

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**JEWISH TOMBSTONES USED AS FOUNDATIONS FOR GERMAN HOMES**

Munich.—Thirteen tombstones stolen from the Jewish cemetery in the town of Roth were recently found embedded as foundations in reconstructed German homes that had been damaged during the war.

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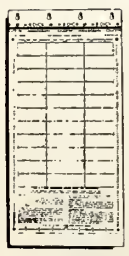
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Rabbi Sidney Unger has announced the following faculty for the Beth Ha Tephila Religious School to serve during the coming year: Mrs. Ben Klein, Mrs. Bernard Goldstein, Mrs. H. Garson, Mrs. E. Shapiro, Mrs. H. Duval, Mrs. LeRoy Gross, Mrs. Pauline Rome, Miss Carmel Adler, Jesse Solomon, Harry Mueller, Sidney Sherman, and Dr. Sidney E. Unger.

Consecration services for all new children at Beth Ha Tephila were held on the evening of October 21, combining this with the concluding services for Sukkos. This service applied to the children coming to Religious School for the first time.

Rabbi and Mrs. Unger, together with Dr. and Mrs. Feldman, held their annual "At Home" to the congregation on Rosh Hashonah afternoon from 3 to 5 P.M.

The community was saddened at the untimely passing of Sampson Weiss on September 18, after a long and serious illness. Surviving in addition to Mrs. Weiss are one daughter, Mrs. Edelman of Miami, and a granddaughter.

## Camden, S. C.

**Mrs. J. D. Read, St. Publicity Chrm.**

The Camden Sisterhood of the Beth-El Temple was host to the 28th Annual Convention of the South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 16 and 17 at Camden, S. C. Headquarters for the convention was Sarsfield Hotel.

Mrs. Julian Hennig of Columbia, S. C., presided at the first session. She is president of the State Federation and is a past officer of the Federation, a former member of the national executive board, and its immediate past national program chairman. She has been a pioneer in many social and cultural movements in Columbia and in the state and has served on the boards of the Columbia Music festival, Town Theater, Art Museum, Library and Community Chest. A writer and teacher, Mrs. Hennig has been conducting classes in parliamentary law and public speaking. She is chairman of 21 counties in South Carolina for the Junior Red Cross and is supervisor of the Blood Center. Mrs. Hennig returned recently from London where she attended a meeting of the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

The Wednesday session, beginning at 10:00 a.m. ended with a luncheon at one o'clock.

Mrs. Melvin S. Harris of Columbia is chairman of the program committee.

Other officers of the South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods are Mrs. Cecil Schneider of Georgetown, first vice presiden; Mrs. J. Aaron Levy of Sumter, recording secretary; Mrs. Herbert Spiers of Columbia, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Melton Goodstein of Charleston, treasurer and Mrs. Marion Hornik of Charleston, auditor.

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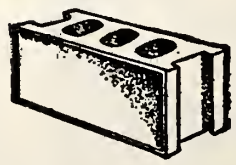
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My husband and I spent fourteen days in Israel and really covered the state thoroughly in that time. We went from the northernmost tip at the Lebanon border all the way down through the Negev, stopping at Naharuja, Acre, Safad, Haifa, Tiberas, Nazareth, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, and Beersheba.

We had an opportunity to visit many "kibbutzim" and settlements, and with the aid of the Hadassah Tourist Bureau we were also able to see the splendid work at the Youth Aliyah Camp of Meir Shferza in Haifa, and the Chaim Zaskey Memorial Hospital in Beersheba. We found the Weizmann Institute a most modern, beautiful, and worth-while institution, and were impressed by all the research and scientific laboratories.

Of course, we passed the immigrant "tent cities" and the miles and miles of corrugated huts, housing immigrants and refugees from so many land. Israel is definitely a melting pot, with Jews from Poland, Germany, Africa, India, Hungary, Zenien — all places, all countries — Israel takes them all, young and old, sick and strong (would that I could say rich and poor, but unfortunately, all that arrive are poor). Every Jew is accept-

**MR. AND MRS. MAX ZAGER, who have recently returned from a two-months' tour of Europe and Israel, are shown with a group of Youth Aliyah boys and girls at Meir Shferya near Haifa.**


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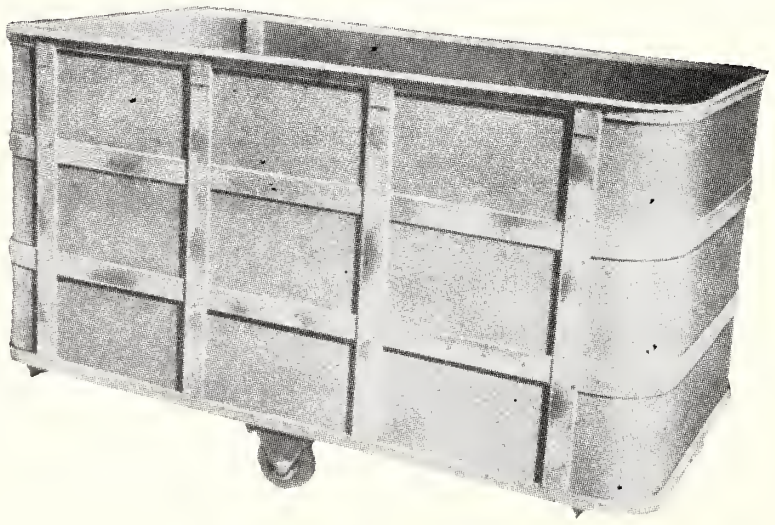

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Naturally, there is much confusion, many problems, terrible hardships, and, oh, such handicaps—but on the whole, Israel is meeting these problems, withstanding the hardships. hurdling the handicaps and is making every effort to establish Israel as the American Democracy of the Middle East.

The Israeli are an energetic and enthusiastic people — proud, sincere, courageous and very determined.

It is remarkable to see the great progress they have made and are making; but they do need our financial aid and backing. We must see to it that they get our support, for there is so much yet to be done.

When we stop to think that these people, a mere handful of men and women, won a heroic battle of liberation with hardly any guns or ammunition and were immediately faced with the "gathering in" of all exiles, the building up of the land and the establishment of a government and a nation, it is absolutely miraculous that in just three years they have made the tremendous progress that has been made The next five or ten years will be hard and trying years for the Israelis, but at the end of that time I am certain that Israel will be the leading nation of the Middle East and all Jewry will look upon Israel with a great deal of satisfaction and pride.

## Jewish Answer Man

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if there was a place where he could buy old Jewish records.

A New Jersey questioner asked about production of Shakespeare's plays in Israel.

The historic event of Israel's rebirth brought a new torrent of queries. The United Press asked for the text of Hatikvah. Lowell Thomas wanted to know how he could contact Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. Pathe News asked when Dr. Chaim Weizmann last visited the United States and whether he came by plane.

A good deal of the information is tucked away in Richards' encyclopedic mind, stored with the observations of half a century of active participation in Jewish life. A long-time leading Zionist and one of the founders of the American Jewish Congress, Richards is a leading Jewish scholar. Lecturers, authors, rabbis turn to him for information and material on Jewish subjects.

Answering questions fully and accurately on every conceivable Jewish topic is the major work of the bureau but not all of it. Each month, the bureau publishes a bulletin, "Current Jewish Thought," a digest of views and opinions from Jewish periodicals.

Also being planned is a new Jewish Community Directory of New York, the first since a 1947 edition, also published by the bureau. That directory, in turn, was the first since one published in 1917 under the auspices of the Jewish Community (Kehillah) of New York City, presided over by the late Dr. Judah L. Magnes and of which Richards was executive secretary for five years.

All this work is handled on a small budget provided by central organizations and a few individuals in New York, and allocations from some Jewish welfare funds. Much of the work is of course volunteer and represents a labor of love for the volunteers of the board of directors, as it is for Richards. The bureau, among its other achievements, knows how to make a very little money do a good deal of useful work. It isn't as much as Richards thinks needs doing, but more adequate service is limited by presently available funds.

There is one New York institution which is particularly thankful for the existence of the Jewish Information Bureau and that is the New York Post Office. When a letter arrives addressed to "'The Jews of New York" or "The Jewish Community of New York" or even to "Judische Hilfskomitee, New York, U.S.A.," the conscientious mailman no longer worries about what to do wtih it. They send the letter to B. G. Richards.

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# WILSON NEWS

**Mrs. Herman Barker, Reporter**

The initial meeting of Hadassah was held September 12 at the home of the president, Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow. Plans were formulated for the first fund-raising project, a rummage sale, which proved to be a big success.

Rabbi Solomon Herbst of Goldsboro was a speaker at the B'nai B'rith dinner held at the Wilson Country Club on Thursday evening, September 27. The technicolor sound movie of the North Carolina B'nai B'rith Institute of Judaism held at Wildacres in 1951 was shown.

At a recent meeting of the Hebrew Mt. Zion Congregation of Wilson, the following officers were elected: president, Herman Barker; secretary-treasurer, Joseph Hanchrow.

Rabbi and Mrs. Joel Dobin of Trenton, N. J., conducted the holiday services for the Hebrew Mt. Zion Congregation.

Rabbi and Mrs. Dobin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Switzer for the holidays.

Arlene Geline of Richmond, Va., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Shor.

Carol Lou and Rona Summerfield spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Summerfield. Carol attends the American University in Washington. Rona is a student at E. C. T. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Peck and children, Mrs. Morris Trachtenberg and son of Jacksonville, N. C., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Gordon and Mr. Alfred Gordon of Statesville, N. C., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lester for the holidays.

Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow and Mrs. Meyer Brown attended the Hadassah Education Institute held in Durham recently.

Meyer Brown and Herman Barker spent the day fishing at Morehead.

Mrs. Jennie Silvester is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crystal, in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Barker of Norfolk, Va., visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barker.

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# CHARLOTTE NEWS

Temple Israel held its annual Congregational Post Yom Kippur dance, especially in honor of new members. Music was furnished by the Ziggy Hurwitz Orchestra and a show prepared by members of the congregation was presented. Walter Shapiro was general chairman of arrangements.

The Cub Scouts met at Temple Israel for their first Fall meeting which was arranged by Mrs. I. Silverstein, assisted by Mesdames Arthur Goldberg, J. H. Ronay, and William Mayer. Joe Murnick is chairman of the committee on Cub Scouts and Irving Richek and Al Segal serve on the committee. Cubmaster is Melvin Shapiro and Howard Fogelson is one of the Den Chiefs.

Maurice Weinstein, chairman of the Temple Israel Adult Education Institute has announced that the Fall sessions for women will be held on eight Monday afternoons and on eight Wednesday evenings, beginning October 29. Hebrew for beginners and intermediate classes will be taught and a lecture and discussion series will be conducted.

Temple Beth-El honored Rabbi and Mrs. Nathan Hershfield at a reception following Friday evening services, to which the entire community was invited. Rabbi and Mrs. Hershfield arrived in Charlotte during the late summer. The community extends a welcome to them both and wish them success in their new post.

The Temple Israel Men's Club held their first Fall meeting just before the start of the holidays. A supper meeting was held at which time a TV set was provided through the courtesy of Max Sideman, so that those who wish might watch the fights.

A dessert luncheon meeting was held by the Charlotte chapter of Hadassah in honor of new members. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. I. Ashendorf, president, and the program was presented by Mrs. Leon Firestone, chairman. The new members were introduced by Mrs. Jerome Joffe and Mrs. I. C. Kurtz, co-chairmen. Mrs. I. Ashendorf and Mrs. Louis Valenstein attended the National Convention in Atlantic City.

Dr. Philip Naumoff, president of Temple Israel, was in New York City for the special ceremonies held at the Jewish Theological Seminary at which time he attended the program at which the Temple and officers of Temple Israel were honored for service during the year.

The Temple Israel Sisterhood held a dessert luncheon meeting in the Social Hall. Reports of the many activities were heard and a book review was given by Miss Patsy Goodwin. Mrs. J. B. Freedland is president of the Sisterhood.

J. L. Pressman, president of the Charlotte District of ZOA, was in charge of the luncheon meeting in the interest of the sale of Israeli Bonds. Sol Levine was in charge of luncheon arrangements.

**Congratulations to the Following:**

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schreiber on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kritzer on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ginsberg of Bishopville, S. C., on the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Ginsberg is the sister of Miss Marcia Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Klein of Columbia, S. C., on the birth of a son. The baby is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eisman of Charlotte and a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wollman.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Balkind on the Bar-Mitzvah of their son, Gary, on Friday and Saturday, October 26 and 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pepper on the engagement of their daughter, Florence, to Roy Lilienfeld of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Diamond on the marriage of their son, Harvey, and Miss Patricia Rosenberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosenberg of Miami Beach, Florida. The wedding took place in Miami Beach on October 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Sicie Miller on their fortieth wedding anniversary.

## Wilmington, N. C.

**Mrs. Justin Raphael, Reporter**

The banner headline for the news this month from Wilmington is "Delicatessen Closes — Hundreds Homeless." For the first time Wilmington is entirely delicatessen-less; anyone who is interested in this type of business will find a wonderful opening in the Port City.

With the advent of fall, clubs are busily holding their first meetings and installing their officers. The Ha-


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dassah's initial meeting was September 17 at the Covenant Club. The incoming officers are: Mrs. A. Neuwirth, president; Mrs. M. Neuwirth, first vice-president; Mrs. H. Bluethenthal, second vice-president; Mrs. F. Retchin, recording secretary; Mrs. B. Kingoff, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. H. Forrester, treasurer. Mrs. N. Friedman, president of the Washington, D. C., chapter of Hadassah, was the guest speaker.

The Sisterhood of the B'nai Israel Synagogue met October 5 at the Covenant Club. Mrs. R. Berman is president; Mrs. M. Fleishman, vice-president; Mrs. L. Baustein, second vice-president; Mrs. S. Berger, treasurer; Mrs. A. Harriss, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. Friedland, recording secretary; Mrs. V. Goodman, publicity chairman; and Mrs. L. Plisco, membership chairman.

The Concordia met at Temple of Israel October 3. Mrs. A. Solomon is the new president; Mrs. R. Lucas, vice-president; Mrs. G. Caplan, secretary; and Mrs. L. Stern, treasurer. Plans were made for Mrs. H. Bluethenthal, recently returned from Israel, and Dr. Frank Hall to speak at the November meeting.

Dr. S. Warshauer, president, called the first meeting of the B'nai B'rith to order October 17. Other officers of this organization are W. Schwartz, secretary; J. Schwartz, treasurer; and M. Goldstein, vice-president.

Wedding bells rang out September 28 for Eloise Jacobi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Jacobi, and Gerald O'Neil Conrad. The couple were married at the home of the bride, and Rabbi Karl Rosenthal officiated.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. Moscow of Whiteville on the birth of their daughter, Rhonda Phyllis, on September 21. Best wishes to Grandpa Gene Neuwirth of Wilmington, also.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Kramer of Whiteville are the proud parents of a boy, Gary Neil, born September 14. Mrs. Kramer is the former Doris Zerden of Hickory.

Mrs. C. Block has recently returned from New York where she produced the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Beauty Pageant. Her experiences read like an exciting adventure story. John Powers recently said of her, "'She is fast becoming the most famous non-professional producer of beauty pageants in the country." Congratulations, Hannah!

Among the many visitors home for the High Holidays was Joyce Checkner. Joyce is now living in Baltimore where she is engaged in social work.

## Charleston, S. C.

James G. MacDonald, first American ambassador to Israel, was the guest speaker at the rally held in September for the Israel Bond Drive. The affair was held at the Francis Marion Hotel and was open to the public, free of admission charge. Sam Berlin, chairman of the Charleston Committee for Bonds for Israel, was in charge of the affair. Other members of this committee are: William Ackerman, co-chairman; Rabbi Joseph Rothstein, administrative vice-chairman; Mrs. David Goldberg, executive secretary. Sponsors are: Sam Addlestone, Abe Dumas, Mrs. Abe Dumas, David S. Goldberg, Nathan Goldberg, Melvin Jacobs, I. J. Jacobson, Leonard Karesh, Abe Kirshtein, Max Krawcheck, Ed Kronsberg, Milton Kronsberg, Isadore Lesser, Mrs. Max Levine, Irving Levkoff, Hyman Meddin, Edwin Pearlstine, Moses Prystowsky, Louis Rabinowitz, Nat Shulman, Morris Sokol, Walter Solomon, Rabbi Louis Tuchman, Rabbi Lewis Weintraub, and Henry Yaschik.

A statewide South Carolina Regional Conference of the United Jewish Appeal was held in September at the

**GEORGE BARR of Chicago, (left), member of the South Side Lodge of B'nai B'rith in that city, is congratulated by President Truman for winning the first President's Trophy ever presented to a handicapped American "for the outstanding contribution in the field of employment of the handicapped." The presentation took place at the annual meeting of the President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week held recently to plan the annual observance of NEPH Week, October 7 to 13.**


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Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston. Hon. Sylvan Rosen, Mayor of Georgetown, was Conference Chairman. This event brought many leaders of Jewish communities in the state and heard up-to-the-minute reports on the needs in Israel and Europe. Guest speakers for this event were Comm. Joshua L. Goldberg, District Chaplain of the Third Naval District, who addressed the luncheon meeting, and Barney Medintz, of Atlanta, member of the UJA National Board and vice-president of the Southeastern Region of the Council of Jewish Charities, who addressed the group later.

The first fall meeting of the Charleston Hadassah was held on September 25 at the Community Center, at which time special guest speaker was Mrs. Max Schenk, of Brooklyn, N. Y., veteran leader of the Zionist movement in Sidney, Australia, and former vice-president of the National Council of Jewish Women in Australia, and also a founder and past president of the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood of Sidney. Mrs. Schenk's Hadassah activities include the founding and being president of the Washington Heights Chapter, editing the Brooklyn Region bulletin, and she is today president of the Parkway Chapter of Hadassah.

The second annual Chow-Mein Supper-Dance, sponsored by the Beth Israel Sisterhood and Men's Club, was held just before the Holy Days at the Beth Israel Social Hall. Supper was served buffet style and was followed immediately by dancing. The Kosher supper was catered by Mrs. Laufer and Mr. Lowder.

Mr. and Mrs. Yeramiel Chorowsky of New York arrived in Charleston prior to the Holy Days to assume the duties of the Synagogue Emanu-El Hebrew School, Sunday School, and Daily Kindergarten classes. These young people are especially well qualified for this position, both having excellent backgrounds. Mr. Chorowsky was born in Israel and came to this country in 1945. He is a graduate of a Gymnasium in Israel and also of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, in New York. He holds a teacher's certificate from the Jewish Education Committee of New York City and has taught in Hebrew schools in New York and Connecticut. Mrs. Chorowsky is a native of Brooklyn and attended Brooklyn College and New York University. She has done special work in kindergarten teaching, having conducted classes in New York City and Waterbury, Conn.

The Charleston Hebrew Institute, which is the merger of the Hebrew Schools of Beth Israel and B'rith Sholom, opened officially in September, with a weekday Hebrew School, a Kindergarten, a Sunday School and a Junior Congregation. The school is governed by a board of education, with Moses Prystowsky as chairman. Rabbi Joseph Rothstein is chairman of the curriculum committee, and Rabbi Tuchman is principal. Mrs. Joseph Rothstein and Mrs. Louis Tuchman will be in charge of the Kindergarten. Other members of the board are: Otto Fox, vice-chairman; H. Rosenberg, treasurer; Mrs. Max Levine, secretary; Samuel Bielsky, Marty Chase, George Cohen, Zack Gelman, Melvin Jacobs, Irwin Karesh, Louis Rabinowitz, Morris Sokol, Max Zucker; and the Mesdames I. Doobrow, Morris Feldman, and Albert Kaufman.

Junior Boosters officers for the year 1951-52 are: president, Marvin Oberman; vice-president, Leonard Winter; secretary, Harold Koslow; treasurer, Barry Goldstein. The first affair being planned is a Bingo and Card Game Night. The date will soon be announced.

The Youth Council sponsored a "Film Dance" held on Saturday night, October 6, at the Center. Proceeds from this unusual affair went toward the purchase of a juke box for the Center.

The Charleston AZA, No. 143, will be hosts at the Southern Regional Convention in December. General Chairman Sidney Davis and his convention committee are busy with plans for this important event. More information will soon be forthcoming.

## Kinston, N. C.

The first meeting of the fall was held by the Kinston B'nai B'rith at the home of Murray Glanstein, president, when plans for the forthcoming season were outlined.

The following have been welcomed as new members into Temple Israel during the past few months: Mr. and Mrs. David Freedman, Mr. and Mrs. S. Musicante, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shuff-

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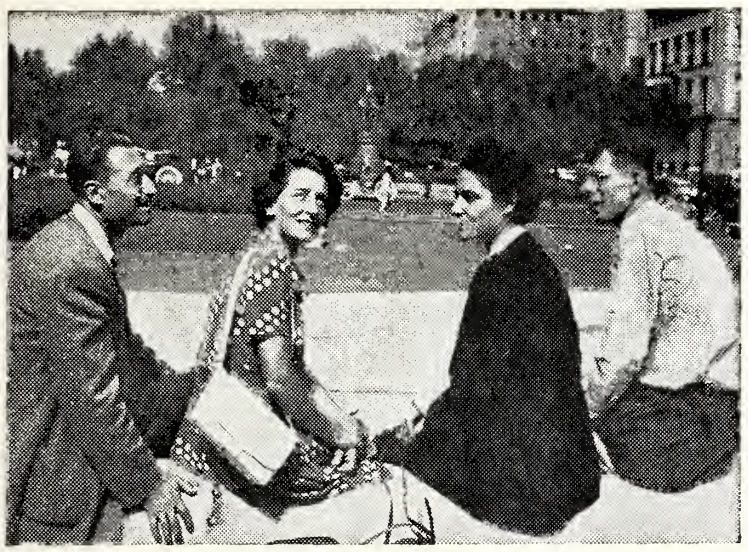

**WHAT! TREES IN NEW YORK?—Four newly-arrived Israeli welfare leaders who will study in American universities under scholarships provided by the National Council of Jewish Women take a breather in Central Park, above, before dispersing for their separate schools. They confessed they had expected only brick and concrete vistas in the city of skycrapers. Left to right: Azriel Fayerman, Elisheva Rosenbaum, Esther Appelberg, and Josef Schubert.**

## Two Decades of Momentous History

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close its consulate in Israel as of July 7.

Some 80,000 Jews dwell in Iran. The Arab News Agency recently has reported from Damascus that Iran is about to announce the "compulsory repatriation" of all her Jews to Israel, posing the prospect that just as Israel evacuated the Jews of Yemen and Iraq, she now may have to evacuate the Jews of Iran.

At the beginning of 1951, Israel's immigration authorities estimated that some 180,000 would have to be brought into the country. But the pressures to emigrate have been even greater than anticipated. In the first six months of this year, almost 130,000 entered. That the number of 200,000 will be exceded is almost certain. It may rise to 225,000—perhaps to more than 250,000.

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The cup was presented at a dinner at Mr. Block's home, and the New Bern Gin Rummy Club issues an invitation and a challenge to any other group of Gin Rummy players who wish to accept the challenge.

## Statesville, N. C.

**Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Reporter**

Private and Mrs. Ellis Levinson of Gastonia, N. C., now stationed at Camp Pickett, Blackstone, Va., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Cohen attended the wedding of their cousin in Charleston, S. C.

Best wishes go to Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gordon, who were recently married and moved into their new home. The entire community wish them the best of everything and lots of happiness.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Max Nurick of Salisbury, N. C., on the arrival of a bouncing baby boy.


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## Fayetteville, N. C.

A large number of service men from the Fort Bragg area were guests during the High Holy Days of the Fayetteville community. Many of the men attended services at Beth Israel Synagogue, while services were also held in surrounding communities and at Cherry Point, Camp LeJeune and other communities.

A "Break-the-Fast" was held immediately following the close of services on Yom Kippur, October 10, at the Beth Israel Center, to which all servicemen were invited. The local USO-JWB committee was in charge of this affair, and a large number of members of the community were on hand to end the observance of Yom Kippur.

The Fayetteville chapter of Hadassah will hold a New Year's Eve dance on Monday, December 31, at the Beth Israel Center. Music will be furnished by Bobby Smith and his orchestra. Dancing will begin at 9 P.M. and a buffet supper will be served at midnight. During the evening, an elaborate show, "Polikoff's Paradise," will be shown. The show is directed by Mrs. S. L. Elfmon.

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# WHAT SHALL WE CELEBRATE?

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of the differences in their Americanization status and backgrounds, could not attain that type of community organization which might have done much to solve their cultural and religious problems. By the time such organization became possible, early in the twentieth century, most of the energies which might have gone into cultural growth had to be diverted to foreign relief. One recalls with a sense of frustration that Louis Marshall, Cyrus Adler and their colleagues planned to turn the machinery which had been used for the raising of relief moneys during and after World War I to the organization and guidance of Jewish educational projects. Subsequent events in the world turned this hopeful plan into one of History's tragic "ifs."

There are still other reasons why we need not assume full blame for the existing situation. We speak nostalgically of the spiritual maturity of other Jewish communities in the past without realizing how long it had taken those Jewries to attain that state. Babylonia, Spain, the Rhineland, Poland had Jewish communities which on their tercentenary were no further advanced than we, sometimes not as far. If they lived in ages when everything was accomplished at a slower tempo, they had the great advantage of being surrounded by an environment more favorable to religious culture than we had in the 19th century, the most important period for American Jewish development. Continuity, the building up of a tradition, appears to be an exceedingly important factor in such a situation. Neither French nor British Jewry, which in their present form are about the same age as that of the United States, has made much of a contribution to the totality of Jewish culture in the past one hundred and fifty years. German Jewry has done considerably more. But that Jewish community had the advantage of an uninterrupted cultural tradition. Perhaps because of this, it alone of all western Jewries produced a number of profound and stimulating workers in the field of living Judaism. All these Jewish communities, moreover, including that of the United States, have been deeply influenced by new ideological currents and by the non-religious values which swayed the minds of men in the 19th and early 20th centuries. East-European Jewish life was lived largely in a different environment and bore the fruit of a different tradition whose roots had been implanted at an earlier time; it offers no parallel to our situation.

All these consideration may explain the past, but can offer no excuse for the future. It can escape no one that American Jewish life is now at the crossroads. Signs are not lacking that an awakening is possible. We have an integrated community, consisting of men and women by and large above the average in intelligence; we have learned to gather large sums; we have cultural institutions which can serve us as a nucleus; we have an abundance of gifted authors and thinkers. What we need is a community "will to create" in those areas of Jewish life which we have come to call the life of the spirit. The general atmosphere has without question become more favorable to this type of creativity. In fact, unless we as Jews take advantage of this environmental change, we will sustain tremendous losses among our


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## Kinston News

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man, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Demain, and Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Demain.

Pfc. Saul A. Fixman, on duty with the Medical Corps at Fort Bragg, served as Cantor during the High Holy Days with Rabbi Tolochko. Pfc. Fixman has had experience with a number of choirs and is a talented and versatile young man.

Religious school and Hebrew school have gotten off to a good start, having met before the holidays and continuing on an active basis.

Rabbi Tolochko has been conducting services at Camp LeJeune in the absence of Chaplain Sobel, in addition to his other duties as assistant chaplain with the Armed Services.

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## EDITORIALS

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ering. The question is, whether he is now trying to appease those who manifestly resented the extremely nationalistic ideology so evident in Jerusalem, or whether he has difficulty in making a distinction between his own private views and those of his country.

We would much prefer to accept the philosophy of Mr. Ben-Gurion, the apologist, than the statements that came out of Jerusalem. They are much more realistic. And yet we shouldn't have a continuation of the process of apology and pleas of "misunderstanding." The powers that be in Israel should be made to realize, if they do not already know, that it would be a tragic mistake to play fast-and-loose with American Jewry. Already the effects of the Jerusalem session are manifest in this country. Not only have anti-Zionist groups seized upon the developments to shout, "I told you so," but many who considered themselves good Zionists have lessened their zeal. And understandably so.

It would be a good thing—almost a must—if there were to appear one authoritative statement to end all statements, that would make the matter clear — without any double-talk, and clear in its phraseology, so that there could be no further "misunderstandings." If Mr. Ben-Gurion is unable to make such a statement, because of possible differences between himself and the others in the government, then the statement should be made by the government itself. We are entitled to know which is which. Failure in this would leave a condition that isn't any good for anybody.


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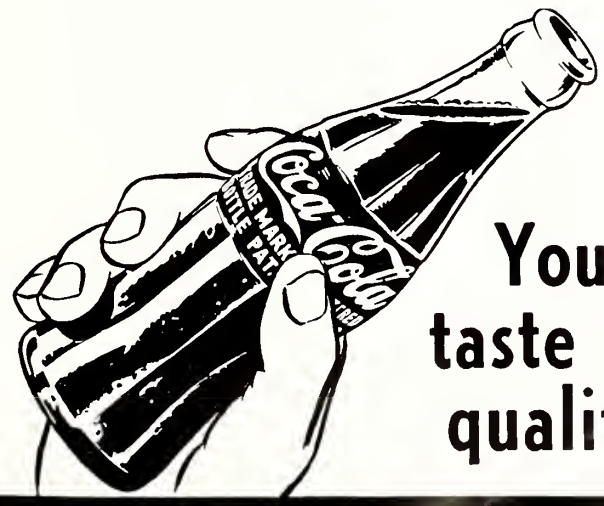


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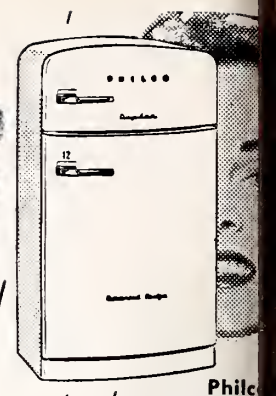

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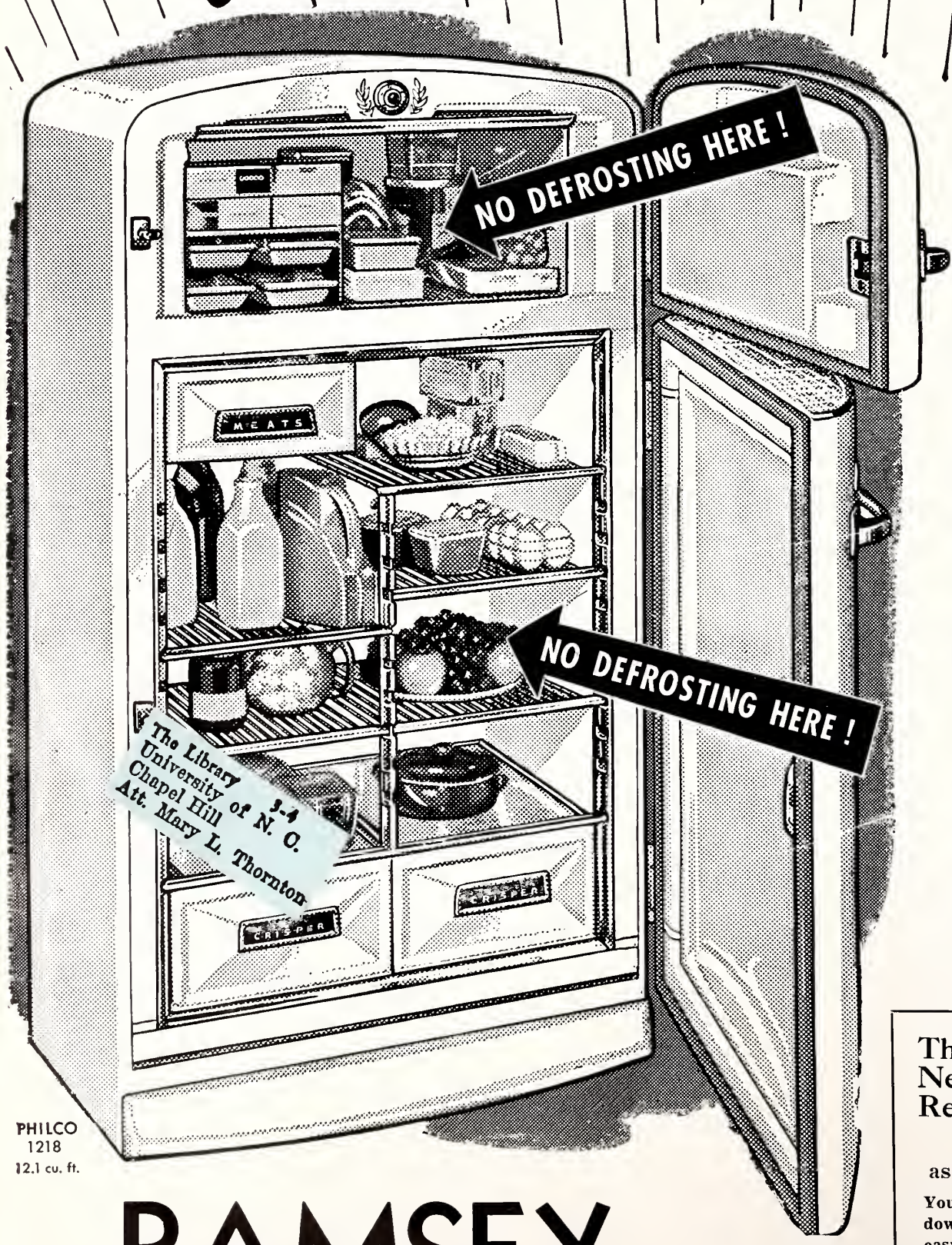


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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *The Feast of Lights*

It is good to come upon a holiday such as Chanukah, at a time when the days have been lengthening and the year is waning. Soon will follow the calendar New Year, and then, before too long, the revival of hopes that comes with Spring.

Chanukah is essentially a joyous occasion, commemorating as it does, the triumph of right over brute force, and it is particularly appropriate that our children are prominent in its celebration, because the explanation to them of what we commemorate is right in line with the teachings of our religion.

This year the proximity of the holiday to Christmas once again suggests the belief, held by many, that perhaps many centuries ago there was a common tribal celebration that antedated the name of Chanukah, given by the Jews, and Christmas, the Christian designation. We have a similar parallel at Passover, the date of which frequently approximates that of Easter.

The victory of the Maccabeans is typical of many similar occasions throughout Jewish history, where the small group, motivated by justice, has prevailed over hosts of evil. The story of David and Goliath is an outstanding example. Today we can point to the establishment of the State of Israel as a modern replica. In our day-to-day experiences it frequently requires considerable courage for us to continue along the paths of righteousness, beset as we are by what seem like insurmountable obstacles. We can well stand a bolstering of our general morale, and anything that can do that will be helpful.

And so, the Feast of Lights gives us renewed courage, revived hope, and additional strength to look forward to the brighter day, when wars will be no more, and brother will sit down with brother, in peace and serenity.

### *Words of Wisdom From Dr. McIver*

Dr. R. M. McIver, whose report on Jewish Community Relations Agencies is, to use his own expression, ". . . still in a curious situation between official secrecy and wide-open discussion," broke into print again recently when he delivered an address before an open meeting of the Institute for Religious Studies on November 7.

Portions of Dr. McIver's address will well bear quoting. In his introduction he said: ". . . as I went from center to center throughout the length and breadth of the country, I was moved by evidence of the profound sense of the importance of community relations that animated the Jewish groups I visited. One found much division on various matters, and even a tendency to exaggerate the importance of the divisions themselves. Nevertheless, on this primary matter there was universal agreement. I got the impression of people who seek harmony and are yet particulary subject to influences that militate against this harmony: that through it all there could be no doubt that there was a yearning for the wellbeing of the greater community of which all of us are so imperfectly members.

Another impression I carried with me had to do with the effects of organizing a cause, especially when a common cause is the objective of a number of separate organizations. When you organize a cause, there is danger that you professionalize it. There is danger also that you may go farther and bureaucratize it. So you come to think as a member of an organization, rather than as a member of a crusade. Then you are apt to think overmuch of your own way of doing things and of your own prestige in doing them, so the cause itself, common as it is, universal as it should be, enters into the area of division. Then we are apt to emphasize our own methods, and still more our own little techniques, and to assume that the world will be saved only by the particular recipe of which we think we are the proud possessors. Of necessity, institutions are necessarily dangerous, and vigilance is always needed to avert the danger that goes with the necessity."

Nearing his conclusion, he stated: "Group relations in America are, above all, a moral problem, rather than that of protecting any one group. As a moral problem this issue concerns all Americans, and should be approached as of primary importance in the modern world. Recent events have also forced upon us the realization that the prestige of the United States abroad, and therefore even its safety, are bound up with the solution of this question.

"The Institute for Religious and Social Studies has, from the first, held to this point of view in the various aspects of its work. Therefore, both the Institute and its parent, the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, apart from any fulfilment of their own religious commitments, have made a substantial and lasting contribution to the general good."

There is much sense in what Dr. McIver says. We hold no brief for Dr. McIver's much discussed survey report. We take the position that a correct evaluation of this report cannot be made until it is completed. According to a statement made by Richard E. Gutstadt, executive vice-chairman of the Anti-Defamation League at the Southern Regional meeting held at Atlanta in late September, what we have been discussing is but the first section of the report, and the completed report will not be released until sometime this month. Regardless of the report, however, it must be evident to most people that there is considerable duplication of effort and much unnecessary machinery in our community welfare picture. Just how this is going to be straightened out is not as simple as it sounds. One thing ought to be clear, however. A bureaucracy must have something more to recommend it than self-perpetuation to provide jobs for people.

Getting back to Dr. McIver's November address, there is much food for thought in what he said, and his comments merit close perusal by all who are interested in the Jewish community picture.

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# Youth Participation

## A Feature of the Charleston (S. C.) Jewish Community Center

*By* NAT SHULMAN, Executive Director

NAT SHULMAN

JEWISH Festivals provide content and inspiration which can help individuals to understand and enjoy Jewish life and to identify with the Jewish people. They help to serve as a means for creative Jewish experience and Jewish survival. Participation in Festival celebrations can and do contribute to personality growth and development through a variety of enriching experiences.

Our Center by means of appropriate celebration has endeavored to dramatize and interpret modern Jewish life as well as the historic backgrounds of the Jewish people. To accomplish this and have maximum participation, the local Hebrew schools and the Center work closely together. Clearances are made with the schools as to dates and when large Festival functions are planned; Hebrew Schools are dismissed for the day so that their youth may participate.

One of our main objectives is to develop an appreciation of Jewish values through participation in the Jewish Festivals at a level which will find meaning and richness in our youth. This past Purim some two hundred youngsters, aged 5 through 14, gathered at the Center for its annual Purim celebration. A very special feature was planned in cooperation with the Jewish Center Lecture Bureau of the National Jewish Welfare Board in having the personal appearance of Lawrence Klepper, known to many for his "Adventures in Magic."

Just imagine a performance combining the heritage of Judaism with the fascinating art of magic. Larry achieved this by combining the Purim story with his magical entertainment. He spoke to the boys and girls, got audience participation, and after overcoming youths skepticism, completely carried them away. His further tales of David and Goliath, King Solomon, and Daniel in the Lion's Den, all came alive under his colorful touch of a master of magical adventure.

The children came dressed in costumes, received the appropriate Purim "groggers" (noise makers) and refreshments. Further, a Queen Esther was selected wtih her court.

Along with the above, the story of Purim is retold and the youth who attend live through a meaningful and rich experience. In past celebrations we have used good films to tell the story and thus give youth a more vivid understanding of life, customs, dress, and how the Festival was celebrated in the past.

As we celebrate Purim we are already thinking of Passover. Many of you will recall when you were youngsters at home that your parents were already making themselves busy with the finding of fat geese and chickens for "schmaltz" for Paysach and beets for "borscht." And so, at the Center, in cooperation with the Youth of A. Z. A., plans are made for a third Seder. Matzos, grape juice and the necessary symbols are prepared and youth is once again participating and learning the eternal theme of Passover, Liberty.

During the period between Passover and Shavuot, the minor festival of Lag Ba-Omer falls on the 18th day of the Hebrew month Iyan. This festival calls to mind the last major struggle of the Jewish people, prior to the 20th century, for freedom to live as an independent nation in Palestine. It reminds one of the recent heroic battle that led to the establishment of the State of Israel.

Lag Ba-Omer is observed by the Youth of Charleston by an annual Maccabiad. For the past three years several hundred of our youth and parents have participated in a field day of races, circle games, softball and a tug-of-war.

The program begins with an appropriate explanation about the festival bringing into focus the present celebations. Refreshments and beautiful prizes are given all who participate.

The Festival of Sabuot is celebrated in Synagogues, Hebrew and Sunday Schools with no immediate program at the Center.

The High Holiday Season and Sukkoth find the youth of the community participating through Sunday School, home and Synagogue.

Chanukah brings with it many affairs and parties for our youth. The Youth Council lights the menorah each night at the Center and Chanukah is concluded with a party, dance and exchange of gifts.

With the celebrations of the above Jewish Festivals at the Charleston Jewish Community Center, the Center aims at helping youth develop a positive feeling toward Jewish life and strengthening their identification with their own people.

In planning the program we endeavor to have your youth capture the spirit of the occasion and then relate the traditional background to its present day meaning. In doing this, careful consideration is given to the level of interest of those present with a maximum of opportunity for participation by those present.

Thus, through the various Jewish festivals do we, at the Center in Charleston, endeavor to make our youth proud of their heritage, better Jews and better Americans.

QUEEN ESTHER AND HER COURT

WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

# Eventide Song

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

MA was as devout a Jew as any mother could be. There were times she missed Yiskor when it was said in Shul between the High Holy days, but this was not her fault. She had to tend to her business affairs, from which she could not detract, and instead of saying the prayer in congregation, she said it either in the morning before leaving the house or at eventide, when she was through with her long and arduous round of labor. I would often hear her say the prayer for her beloved departed soon after she wakened and completed her morning ablutions. She would have a silk vari-colored shawl bedecking her head. The shawl was used for this and no other occasion and she would make sure it covered the gray matted threads that had thinned out noticeably over the past few years.

To me Ma was mother and father ever since I could remember. How or what took my father when I was so young as not to remember him was never discussed between us. His was a sort of hallowed name, revered in silence. Why, I don't know. But that's how it was between us and since Ma never volunteered the subject, I held my tongue which more than once had me on the edge of inquiry but never stumbling past it for what memories it might erupt. All pictures of my father seemed to be hermetically sealed, like my mother's lips.

I don't remember Ma ever taking a vacation. A real vacation, I mean. She was always so busy trying to act the maternal and paternal overseer. After a hard winter she would spend weeks looking forward to the Passover which usually fell in April. She was sure to go to Shul then, taking off the ill-afforded time to be amongst the congregation harkening the Easter period. It was quite a hardship for her to take the time off, for every penny earned she counted with a sharpened pencil to help keep us bound happily together. Once I heard her bemoaning a day off that could have been quite productive for her purse. Then she said something I didn't quite understand. "Ah kipura uf de gelt!" I am tryitng to quote her as she said it then, not that I'd swear that if she were living today it would be said that way and in the same tone of voice. Sometimes she would even spit or spray after the word "gelt" to indicate finality to the subject, a temporary surcease from the thought until she would bring it to mind again.

Easter heralded in the summer, its humidity and heat which were a blessing to Ma compared to the variant and bewitching winter. After the sun and sultry humidity, Indian Summer elbowed in the fall and with it the advent of Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur, two very important holidays to officially wind up an old year for the sons and daughters of Jacob, Abraham, Jesse, Isaac and others born under the star of David.

Again Ma would take off three days from her manual labors to pray forgiveness for all her sins, little as they were or could have been under the circumstances, before entering upon the New Year. For this she gave charity. Willingly, hearteningly and with little regret even though she might have to pinch here and there to make up for it.

She explained, "When it says in the prayer that we give charity for our blessings, we must do so, even if it hurts, even if one must do without, for with such a feeling the money you will give will be doubly appreciated. Remember," she went on, "to be charitable and to give to charity always; never let a hand extended leave empty. As long as you share what you have, whatever little it may be will bring you blessings the year round, from those you do not know, from the wise you do not see."

To Ma I am indebted for many sage sayings, corrections, admonishings. And as I grew to the age where she believed I would understand, she insisted that I study Hebrew and the litany to Bar Mitzvah, which I did. I accomplished this feat in a little more than six months.

I was not one of those boys anxious to keep on with Hebrew studies after his Bar Mitzvah. Ma had to find it out the hard way. She would pay the Shul each week for my hour of study after public school. Soon after I stopped going, the rabbi in charge (he was not my teacher) refused to take her money. "I cannot force him to come," the rabbi said, "and you can't make him go. It is better that we have him in body as well as in spirit, and if we cannot do this maybe we should give him a rest until the new term starts and try again."

The next year passed without any specific interest on my part to decipher the Hebrew hieroglyphics. The rabbi came around twice, maybe three or four times because I never kept count, spoke to me like a father, he said, but it was all for nothing. I was dropped from his list as a son of Moses who would not listen to his rabbi. There was nothing I wanted more than to listen to him and at the same time be with the fellas on the block playing handball or stickball, basketball or hockey. But the ideas each of us harbored were as far apart as oil and water.

Ma continued to observe the religious holidays faithfully and hoped one day that I would be brought into camp. No unnecessary prompting or urging. Just that I would realize I was a Jew and as such could not escape the inevitable wound into the navel never to disappear.

After one Yom Kippur I began to notice for the first time that Ma acted strange, after breaking the fast. She had spent several days preparing the fast-breaking meal which always started off with a luscious matjes herring. "That's for a hearty appetite," she'd say, not realizing of course that I always accumulated a healthy desire for food when I thought of the big meal waiting to be devoured, not to overlook the activity of an energetic body.

The herring was followed by mouth-warming chicken soup with a heavy sprinkling of thick home-made noodles and sometimes by a zoftick portion of gefilte fish with red horse radish. Then followed the chicken (Ma used to say it was a quarter of the fowl), sponge cake or macaroons and tea with a slice of lemon on the side. After storing this kind of a meal I could hardly move. "Am I packed?" I would say invariably.

"That's good," Ma said. "It is too bad I don't have the time to make you such meals every day. I'd like to, you know, but . . ."

"Who could eat such a meal every day?"

"Good. Good. Then I don't feel too bad."

Ma would put a clean towel over the front of her dress, wash the dishes and put them away in less time than it would take to spell Rosh Hashonah.

Soon as the meal was over and the dishes disposed of, Ma was on her way. "I'll be back soon, David," she said. "You'll be down in the street when I come back?"

"I suppose so. All the stores around here are closed, so I'll be with the fellas in front of someone's house. You won't be too long, will you?"

"As long as it takes, that's how long I'll be gone and no longer."

I didn't ask where she was going and since I wasn't invited I didn't care. This same thing happened more than once; she went her way and I went mine. But this year, after we broke the fast with another nice big meal, Ma didn't rush out. Instead, she hesitated for a minute or two, uncertain how to approach me. But then she did, and said, "David, I want you to come with me tonight. I believe you are old enough to understand everything there is to understand when it is said."

This time I was curious, because what had happened in the past when she had gone out was not the same as now, when she was inviting me to go along on the same mysterious errand. "Where are you going?"

"Just come with me and if there is any questioning, do it later. But for now, come and don't ask questions!"

It was several blocks to the Concourse and mother, still dressed in her best clothes which she brought out of the moth bags for holidays and special occasions only, felt gay of heart. I could almost hear her singing a melody in rhythm to her steps. "De-de. Da-da. De-de . . . Do-re-mi-fa-sol-la-si-do . . . Do-re-mi-fa-sol-la-si-do . . ."

There was no doubt in my mind now that she was happy, because it was rare that I heard her hum or round her lips as if she wanted the sounds to peek through. I thought, "I must be in for a surprise, for the sky was in Ma's hands when she was doing that." What came later was an indication I was on the right track.

"You know, David, early in the prayer this afternoon there was a psalm and I made special note of it. And do you know what it said? This psalm said, 'The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree; they shall grow like the cedar in Lebanon and they shall be planted in the home of our Lord . . . They shall flourish . . . They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; They shall be full of sap and green to show that the Lord is upright'."

She paused to look at me. I looked into the whiteness of her eyes. A new tenderness for me tugged inside me and I wondered how she came to memorize this passage, this psalm which made her feel young again. This tenderenss I had for her had been with me for a long, long time but little did I show it. If only we had been closer, that she did not have to engage the role of father but alone

essay the mother! That tenderness would have been ripe through the years; it would never be green, waiting for a moment like this to ripen and show its true color. The sap would have run over by now, I was sure. I had been her palm tree, her cedar of Lebanon, and I was to flourish and bring forth the fruit in old age, with children of my own to transport the image and spectre of life and carry the seed to other gardens.

These were moments to cherish. They were eternal lights not in symbol but in fact and the quietness of it all on this holiday night lent an ethereal awareness to events to come. Ma's eyes were aglitter in their pink caves and I could see she wanted this night with me as a reward for her years of travail.

Again I could see her lips rounded in the shape that would bring forth a musical Do. Then they would come together and there was the Re followed in quick succession by Mi-Fa-Sol-La-Si-Do.

We were walking under the trees, tall ones with large overhanging branches. The night air rustled the big maple leaves. Boughs bent, swayed as if by some unknown hand pushing a button ordering each dip of the branch, each brush of the leaves against one another.

Ma tilted her head, stopping suddenly, as her ear was tuned to the music of the maples. "Hear that note?" she said. "That's the first note in the scale. Do. DO. Do. Hear it? Listen carefully. Do. DO. Do."

I couldn't imagine what Ma was driving at as I stood there intent on having my ear catch the note. "Do. DO. Do. Hear it? Re. RE. Re . . . Mi. MI. Mi . . ."

No, I didn't hear Do or Re or Mi. I tried to listen harder this time. Yes, I could hear the rustling of the leaves and the dipping of the branches, but the notes mother seemed to catch in the air apparently did not settle over my head. I said nothing but continued to watch Ma pick up the rest of the scale in the short space of a block. The trees were wonderful to her, relaying their hidden musical charms with the aid of an autumn breeze. This, to me, was hard to believe unless I saw it with my own eyes, which I did.

"You know," Ma said, "the scale has eight notes and one of the prayers we said this afternoon has as many stanzas. Both have something in common. The scale has the first note repeated and this prayer also has a first and last stanza word for word. So, in the times I have been coming to the Concourse on this Yom Kippur night, the trees have played this seven note song for me at eventide."

Sometimes when I heard Ma singing in the kitchen while cooking or washing I knew she had a good voice. At one time, though, she must have been in a chorus, at school or maybe at some club; but she never mentioned it. Now I began to realize she knew more about music than I had given her credit for, or had passed off too lightly.

"Hear that Do?" she interrupted my reflective trend. "Hear it? What is it saying?"

I did not know, kept silent, waited but not for long. "The trees and leaves are singing. Can't you hear them singing to the tune of Do:

*"Lo! as the potter mouldeth plastic clay*
*To forms his varying fancy doth display;*
*So in Thy hand, O God of love are we:*
*Thy hand regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

We continued walking slowly, Ma's ears attuned to the music of the leaves. There was a brief silence before she picked up the Re. "There it is. Hear it?"

I did not hear anything other than the rustle overhead, said nothing, just listened carefully in the hope that before long I might catch a special wave that was transmitting this glorious feeling to Ma.

"There it is, louder and louder, the sound of Re and the second stanza.

*"Lo! as the mason's hand the back doth hew*
*To shapes sublime, or into fragments strew;*
*So in Thy hand, O God of life, are we:*
*Thy bond regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

On we walked, to the next block, and suddenly Ma cocked her head like a bird, listened and rounded her lips. Mi. MI. Mi.

*"Lo! as the smith the rigid steel hath bent,*
*Softened with fire and wrought with strength,*
*So in Thy hand, O God of might, are we:*
*Thy bond regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

In the same block and without too much effort Ma tuned in Fa. FA. Fa.

*"Lo! as the seaman's hand doth cast or weigh*
*The pond'rous anchor in the foaming spray;*
*So in Thy hand O God of pardon, we:*
*Thy bond regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

Sol came quickly. Right after she finished "thee." Sol. SOL. Sol.

*"Lo! as the worker melteth vitreous flow,*
*And shafteth vessels from the crystal blow;*
*So in Thy hand, O God of grace, are we:*
*Thy bond regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

At this point there was a crossing and I escorted Ma to the other side of the street. She didn't lose a second trying to pick up La. LA. La. "Hear it?" she said. I didn't but again that didn't stop her. She went on with the next stanza:

*"Lo; as th' embroid'rer's hand the robe had made*
*At will in lines of beauty, light and shade;*
*So in Thy hand, O God of fear, are we:*
*Thy bond regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

And without waiting another minute Ma heard Si. SI. Si. in rapid succession, as if the wind and the leaves and the branches were anxious to conclude her song. "Si. SI. Si.," which brought from her lips:

*"Lo! as the smelter fuseth silv'ry vein,*
*Removing dross, that naught impure remain;*
*So in Thy hand, O God of healing are we:*
*Thy bond regard, let sin be veil'd from thee."*

She was finishing, delighted. She had sung her special song at eventide to me for the first time. Ma had not forgotten not to repeat the last Do or the first stanza.

"You know, David, I have given this song a name, in two words. I call it Doremi Fasolasi. Nice? Doremi Fasolasi."

"It is a beautiful song, right out of the Bible," I said. Now I understood why Ma was so anxious for me to continue Hebrew school after my Bar Mitzvah. But what I had learned there in the short time has stood me in good stead. Like the rock that is spoken of in the holiday prayer:

*"O thou rock, regard not the sins of man, who is like grass, but act charitably with us as thou hast dealt with every living creature."*

We turned and started to retrace our steps in silence. Ma had communed with Mother Nature which had assisted in the reprise of her prayer, so that the whole world could hear her. Her voice had carried far and wide through unseen waves, to the music of the trees, to the rumble of the boughs.

"I feel very much better now," she said. "For the first time tonight you have heard my song at eventide. From now on, on every Yom Kippur, you shall hear me sing Doremi Fasolasi unless there is a driving rain to keep me away from here."

I could not speak, for my lips trembled and my eyes clouded up before giving way to tears. I was held in a firm grip of ecstacy, the likes of which is not easily explained.

Ma broke the tension. "There is more to this Doremi Fasolasi than you can imagine." She listened attentively to the wind coming from the trees, rounding her lips again, as she waited for the first note to start her off. "Doremi Fasolasi. Doremi Fasolasi. . . There it is," she said and began:

*"O Lord GIVE*
*Glory unto thy people,*
*Praise to them that fear thee,*
*Hope to them that seek thee,*
*Confidence to them that await thee,*
*Joy to thy land and gladness to thy city,*
*A flourishing horn unto David thy servant,*
*A constant light unto the son of Jesse, thine anointed, speedily in our days."*

Ma sang it low so only I could hear, for by the time we reached the corner and ready to turn into our street, she was finishing and looking ahead to what tomorrow and the New Year would bring.

She had sung her song at eventide, and I had heard it and the prayer for the Lord's giving. I had heard them many times since, as recorded in the Bible. But not with the music of the leaves, aided and abetted by my mother's voice. That will never be recorded anywhere but with me.

**JACK AND MAX SAFARTY, Greek Jewish refugee twins, catch their first glimpse of the United States at the port of entry before entraining with parents to their new home. The Safartys were among 47 Greek Jews who arrived here recently, with the aid of United Service for New Americans, under a special section of the Displacd Persons Act, which provides 7,500 visas for Greek citizens persecuted or deported by the Nazis during the war, and unable later to resettle "firmly" in their native been resettled throughout the country by United Service.**

# My Mission In Israel

*By* JAMES G. McDONALD

A Review of the Book of the Same Name, Published by Simon & Schuster — $3.50

NOW and then in international affairs a man is appointed to a high diplomatic post who by training, personality and experience is so uniquely qualified for it that man and position are almost indistinguishable. Such was the case with Dr. James G. McDonald, our first Ambassador to Israel, and author of this timely and fascinating report on the first two and a half eventful years of the new Jewish state.

When Dr. McDonald arrived in Tel Aviv, a few weeks after the state was established, he could boast of a back-

JAMES G. McDONALD

ground in Jewish affairs second to no other living non-Jew. He had been League of Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; he had interviewed Hitler, who first disclosed to him his design to liquidate all Jewry. He had been a member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine, and had himself seen the tragedy of the Jewish DPs and from their own lips heard their passionate plea to enter Palestine. He knew the Middle East. In addition, as Chairman of the Foreign Policy Association for many years, he was intimately acquainted with the entire international scene. Indeed, few men were so well prepared for the delicate task of serving as this country's eyes and ears in Israel and, at the same time, as Israel's sympathetic interpreter to Washington.

Once in Israel, Dr. McDonald had an extraordinary opportunity to observe the day-to-day developments, the crises that followed one upon another, during 1949, 1950, and early 1951. These are the burden of his book, an almost hour-to-hour narration of his experiences, based upon his personal diary and enriched with revealing glimpses of his private notes to President Truman, General Mar-

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shall, and others. As a result, "My Mission in Israel" is both an intriguing diplomatic story and a fascinating personal account.

Here, on his way to Israel, is his dramatic meeting with the late Ernest Bevin, and later, with Pope Pius. Of Bevin he writes frankly: ". . . I had to tell myself that this was not Hitler seated before me, but his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs." Here, in Israel, is a behind-the-scenes account of his meeting with Count Bernadotte and his prophetic warning to the Swedish nobleman, "I have fears for your safety"; the inside story of Bernadotte's assassination a week later, and Dr. McDonald's tireless work to calm Washington even while he himself—lest he be assassinated—found himself a virtual prisoner in the Embassy. Here are unforgettable vignettes; his long talks with President Weizmann; his tete-a-tete with Prime Minister Ben-Gurion in the latter's modest home while Mrs. Ben-Gurion prepared dinner; his encounters with the unhappy Soviet minister, when both were temporarily quartered in the same hotel where each could overhear the other's telephone calls; his work to help solve the Arab refugee problem, his labors on the explosive question of Jerusalem's internationalization, his refusal to leave a concert of the Israel Symphony during an Arab air raid, the varied personal problems brought to him by the Israelis—the entire rich ebb and flow of Israel life as it passed and repassed the U. S. Embassy.

Dr. McDonald minces no words. He knew that he did not wear—to use his own phrase—the "old school tie" of the State Department and that he was President Truman's choice, not the Department's.

But he was at all times the American Ambassador to Israel. When it was necessary to be sharp with Israel's leaders, he was sharp; when ultimatums had to be given, he gave them. Yet always, out of his deep humility, out of his conviction that the Jewish struggle for freedom symbolized the struggle of all mankind, he approached these delicate matters with a tact and wisdom which helped both this country and Israel.

There is no question that in such major issues as the attempt to sever the Negev from the Jewish State, Dr. McDonald was enormously helpful in making clear to the State Department how catastrophic such endeavors could be. The fact that he was at all times this country's representative is almost humorously underscored by his revelation that some of his aides, swept away by admiration for Israel, drafted dispatches so ecstatic that he had to tone them down.

Dr. McDonald makes clear that he is not a professional diplomat. He is, in fact, impatient with the usual red tape and protocol, and this quality of the unorthodox approach to striped trousers diplomacy makes for one of the great charms of his book. When he felt it necessary, he went over the heads of the State Department and reported directly to President Truman. By the same token, his account strips away the curtain that traditionally conceals an Ambassador's private life, and gives the reader one of the clearest pictures presented so far of what goes on in the highest diplomatic circles, both in Washington and Tel Aviv. Particularly revealing is his disclosure of the anti-Israel attitudes he found among some American representatives, and the suggestion, by one State Department foreign official, that pressure might be exerted on Israel by preventing the United Jewish Appeal from collecting funds!

Not the least important chapters of "My Mission to Israel" are devoted to shrewd, penetrating appraisals of such leaders as Weizmann, Ben-Gurion, Sharett, Goldie Myerson, Kaplan and others. Of these personalities Dr. McDonald writes intimately and knowingly. Particularly of value to all who are interested in Israel is his analyses of its present problems and its future direction. He feels that Israel has tremendous promise, not only for the Jewish people but for the world. However, he does not hesitate to point out that provincialism and chauvinism represent dangers to the new state. He admits it is a risk to prophesy as to the country's future, but he does so; and what he says of Israel is a matter of profound encouragement for all men in these dark days for freedom; and it is certainly a matter of profound pride for all men and women of good will, of whatever faith, who believed in the Jewish struggle and took part in it.

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# Orthodoxy Takes the Initiative

*by*

RABBI IRWIN GORDON

ON Thanksgiving Day 1951, Orthodox leaders in the United States and Canada gathered in New York City for the beginning of the National Biennial Convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

During the past year, forces have been gathering within Orthodox Jewry which must find an outlet. The Convention as it reviewed the program of traditional Judaism in this country, gave these forces direction

WILLIAM B. HERLANDS
President of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America

and set the goals which must be achieved during the next two years.

The Convention gains in importance when one considers the American Jewish scene today. To our credit, it is quite clear that despite the social, economic and ideological upheavals of past years, the great majority of American Jews continue to identify themselves with historic Judaism. Whether or not they are personally observant, most of our people continue to view traditional Judaism as the norm of Jewish life. There is, too, the constant growth of Jewish schools and institutions of learning—Synagogues, Talmud Torahs, Day Schools, Rabbinical Seminaries and a great University—most of them firmly rooted in American soil.

Most important of all, perhaps, is the great number of convinced, observant Jews who have succeeded in making Torah-true Judaism an indigenous part of modern America. Traditional Judaism can be fully satisfied with its aristocracy of learning and intellect. It has nurtured the best minds in American Jewry. The future leaders of American Jewry can be no other than those who have gained their superior Jewish equipment and deep convictions in the Orthodox home or school.

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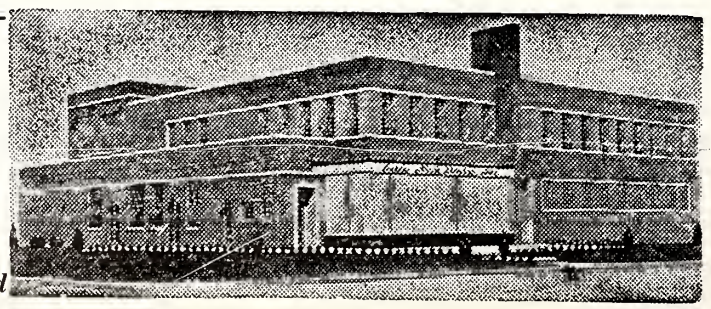

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There is, of course, a debit side as well. Although most of our people are inwardly loyal to the Jewish way of life, far too many honor it in the breach rather than in practice. Great numbers of our people continue to wander about in spiritual chaos—lacking, as they do, the full integration of daily life and religious faith that is the mark of the Jew.

Unfortunately, religious Judaism has not, until recently, found it possible to meet the general and religious needs of the American Jewish community in great enough measure. Religious life has, to an extent, been permitted to deteriorate. Sectarian groups have found it possible to parasitically develop out of the fertile soil and resources of historic Judaism. The lack of central organization and coordination, too, has resulted inevitably in wasted energies and inadequate accomplishment.

These facts have been given increasing attention in Orthodox circles during recent years. The urge to overcome the problems has become imperative.

It was inevitable that the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, as the national body of traditional synagogues and the representative of the Orthodox community in the United States and Canada should lead in the transformation of Orthodox desires into patterns of action.

Since its establishment, more than 50 years ago, the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations has grown in stature and in service to the community. Particularly during recent years has the Union come to play a major role in the Orthodox and general communities. Its work for Kashrut and Sabbath observance, its publications, community organization and education programs have made it the rallying point for Orthodox forces across the country.

Certainly the achievements of the Union have justified the hopes of that "small group of devout, God-fearing Jews" who, in the words of the late Rabbi Bernard Drachman "in the month of June 1898 . . . profoundly stirred by the evil case into which the observance of the traditional faith of Israel had fallen in the New World and earnestly desirous of bringing about a betterment of these conditions met . . . in the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, New York City . . . to repair the breaches in the walls of historic Judaism and to raise it to a position of commanding authority and dignity in this land."

Fifty-three years ago the Union served a community that was largely comprised of struggling immigrants. Today, these same people have become integrated in this land. In Jewish terms, however, the character and personality of the Jewish community is still to be determined. The needs of our people make it inevitable, therefore, that the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations and the Orthodox groups with whom it is associated play their full role in the great struggle which history demands of them.

For this reason, the Union invited to its Convention not only its 500 member congregations, but every Orthodox congregation and group in the United States. The forces that gathered in New York on November 22 to 26 thus were the most representative and authoritative assembly of Orthodox Jewry in American history. Their deliberations and discussions on social action, Kashrut, education, youth, Armed Forces, synagogue standards and administration must and will set the direction for the future activity of American Orthodoxy.

Above all, the Biennial Convention made it clear that orthodoxy has changed its tactics from defense to sustained offense. It clearly showed the changed psychology of religious Jewry. It made it clear that the lay and rabbinic leadership of Torah Jewry throughout the country has begun to realize its strength and mobolize its resources.

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*By* NORA DILTZ

**Miss Fanny Schulein, referred to in this most interesting article, was on the air telling about her work, over the Columbia Broadcasting System network in January, and at other times on other networks. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt has also broadcast information about Miss Schulein's accomplishments.—THE EDITOR.**

JOHN FERGUS looked into the face of his white-clad nurse—and smiled.

"How beautiful you are!" he exclaimed.

"Well, you must be feeling better," answered the nurse.

"Yes, and best of all—I can see! How wonderful it is to see—after having been born blind."

"You can thank the Dawn Society for that," said the nurse. "You're seeing through the corneas that once belonged to a young lady."

"Perhaps that's the reason everything looks so lovely to me!" said John, laughing. "It is like I had been living in a house without windows, and suddenly someone put them in. Not only the sunlight, but the whole world is pouring in through these windows."

Like John, thousands are being given their sight, who otherwise would go through life without seeing the light of day.

The Dawn Society is located at 420 Oriente Street, San Francisco, California. It is the first organization of its kind in the U. S. It was organized September, 1939. It is a non-profit, non-sectarian, non-political organization sponsored by the Order of Good Templars. It acts as an intermediary between persons who wish to will their eyes to the blind, and the blind who need the material. There is no fee or charge of any kind. It has no paid officers or salaried staff. Every penny collected through gifts and the sale of seals is used for the aid of the blind, or for the dissemination of information. They obtain pledges from persons in all walks of life who are willing to donate their eyes after death.

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MISS FANNY SCHULEIN

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Some people have the idea that the operation would be disfiguring to their dead loved ones, but when the eyes are enucleated, it is impossible to tell that they have been touched.

There is a waiting list at the Dawn Society—names of blind persons who are waiting for some one to donate his eyes that they may see. It is a simple process whereby they may place their names on the list. They simply make a written application showing by a doctor's examination that they are in a position to profit by a cornea transplant operation.

Mrs. Arthur C. Halsall, of 3119 Jackson Street, San Francisco, had the damaged cornea of one eye replaced with a donated cornea. The transplant proved highly successful. She states that her mother bequeathed her eyes, and when she passed away, the loss was tempered by the fact that part of her mother lives on in the sight of a young man.

Mrs. Tannehill, of 3411 Ocean Beach, Longview, Washington, says that after having been blind for ten years, she had the operation on both eyes. She has partial vision, with a very bright prospect of increasing vision as her eyes gain strength and gradually adjust themselves to each other. There are countless testimonies from those who have regained all or partial sight.

It is hard to realize that in this busy world, there are many who are giving their spare time and means to this work. Among the most enthusiastic is Fanny Schlein, of Los Angeles. She is a very busy nurse, who was driven out of Germany during the Hitler massacre. Her family was not as fortunate as she, and have never since been heard from. When Fanny found that she was a lonely refugee in America, she turned to war work in order to forget the horrors she had endured. There was plenty of work with the Red Cross, for one who was willing to work, and to give blood for the wounded was not a duty to Fanny, but a real pleasure. She had heard of cases where criminals, wanting to die in peace, donated their eyes to the living.

"That should not be the privilege of criminals," she said. "It should be the duty of every human being." How naturally she heard of the Dawn Society, and has been an enthusiastic worker since then. Through the medium of newspapers and radio, she has obtained donations of money and pledges from those who have been convinced that it is a privilege to leave their eyes, that some blind person might see. Not only will her eyes live after her, but those who, through her efforts, obtain a precious window through which to view the world, will bless not only the Dawn Society, but Fanny Schulein, and all those who are giving of their time and money to this cause.

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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

### MAN IN RED

Our rabbi, James G. Heller, gave us all a scolding in a very gentle way in a recent sermon. It was Yom Kippur and that was the day when practically all the members would be in the temple; an opportune moment for a scolding that was coming to them.

The rabbi's sermon had to do with the fact that most of us attend synagogue only on the two high holidays. And where are they on all the other holy days, such as the Sabbath, which is as holy as any?

Rabbi Heller wasn't complaining of this by reason of any vanity that might feel hurt because he wasn't getting large audiences to hear him preach on the Sabbath. He didn't mind that. He was speaking rather of what people miss when once a week they don't take the opportunity to join in the cleansing experience of prayer.

Afterward, as they issued from the synagogue, people were talking about the scolding they just had. They guessed it was coming to them.

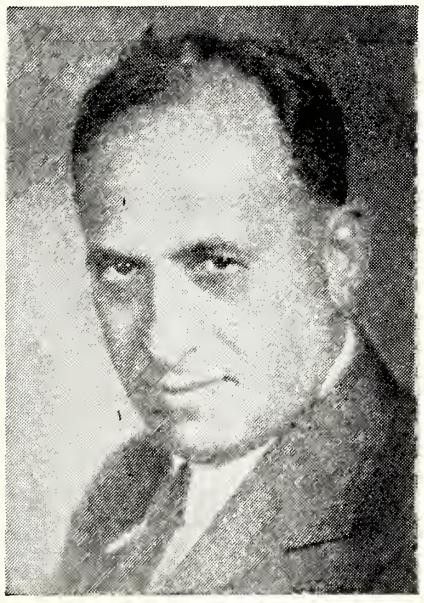
One confessed: "Really, I can't remember when I was in the synagogue last on the Sabbath."

Another made excuses: "But what can I do about it? I got to be in my store."

This Mr. Segal had it all doubly on his conscience, you might say; since he had no store to go to and every Saturday he is released from his workaday job. (This is on account of the Newspaper Guild contract which says he shall work only five days a week for the daily newspaper for which he writes, and on the sixth and seventh day rest. This is a considerable improvement on the Commandment which says six days shall he labor and on the seventh rest.)

Now at the moment when the rabbi's reproaches still were fresh on his conscience he remembered a prophecy he gave out in this column long ago. He said that when the five-day became universal—as it almost has in the more recent years—Jews would be going back to synagogue worship on the Sabbath, and the synagogue would become crowded on the Sabbath as of old.

But here's this Mr. Segal, released from work on the Sabbath, yet not performing his Sabbath duty, anyhow.



ALFRED SEGAL

On the Sabbath he sleeps late by way of compensating himself for his having to get out of bed every morning at 7 on week-days.

Not that he is unaware of Saturday being the Jewish Sabbath. Indeed, the consciousness of this hits him with considerable force . . . "This is the Sabbath, and what am I doing in bed at the hour of 9? I should be up and away to the synagogue. I myself have deplored other Jews who know only Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur."

Yet it's so pleasant at this hour in bed whose mattress has learned to adjust itself to the convolutions of his body; so comfortable to be lying there with nothing to do at an hour when many other people are at work. (The busy hum of men at work in the traffic of the streets filters through the window.)

Segal tries to rationalize: After all, how many Christians go to church on Sunday? They, too, prefer their beds on Sunday morning or, maybe, the golf course. People are that way; it's so much less complicated to comfort the body than to do something about the soul. Segal sighs, oh, that's just being human.

This is not to say that he dismisses offhand in this way the matter of going to synagogue on the Sabbath. He goes on to tell himself that, after all, he is a pretty good Jew in the way he behaves himself and why does he need the ritual of formal religion? He'll keep on being a decent Jew in his own way.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But he can't get away with this without conflict. Argument rises against him: "Is it enough, Segal, that a Jew feels comfortably Jewish alone and separate? Is being Jewish a lone identity? Hasn't it to do with the idea of many men and women getting together to assert their cooperative communion with certain spiritual and ethical ideas? Really, what do you amount to, Segal, lying here in bed asserting your faith in the Jewish ideals and assuring yourself you are a good man? It takes a lot of people to bring great ideals to reality. But here you stick to your bed when you should be up and away joining with others toward the synagogue. Get up, Segal, and get ready."

But all at once sleep overtakes his eyes again and Segal falls back pleasantly into dreams. It's 10 when he awakens again . . . "Oh," he says, "now it's just too late for synagogue."

I wouldn't expose Segal by this confession were he a lonely, rare specimen—like a freak—in the human race or in Jewry. He's a fair sample of many. I am sure that around the hour of 10 on the morning of Sabbath, many another Jew is wrestling with his accusing conscience and settling the matter in favor of his comfort. And, it should be said that next day, Sunday, a lot of the Christians will be torn between church and bed and deciding for their beds.

(Anyway, it's proper to put publicly on the spot one who, like Segal, likes to expose the frailties of others.)

Yet there seems hope for Segal. His well-esteemed stepsister, Bertha, has just been saying to him that she took the rabbi's scolding deeply to heart. "You know," she said, "there are Friday evening services as well as on Saturday. Let's all go."

Segal seemed to be reaching for some excuse.

"No excuses," stepsister said sharply. Disarmed, Segal said, "Well, it's a date."

I shall report further on Segal's evening in the synagogue.

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# Communism, Assimilation and Anti-Semitism

*By* JACOB LANDAU

IN his study of the Jewish Defense agencies in the United States, Professor MacIver emphasizes the desirability of assimilation. "The Jews," he writes, "should seek effective participation in the common life of the American community."

We have already seen that anti-Semitism has risen to unprecedented heights despite or rather because of assimilation in the Western World. Some may want to know whether assimilation has proved any more successful in another part of the world, namely, in the U. S. S. R.

It might well be said that in a sense, Arthur H. Sulzberger, the American journalist and Soviet publicist Ilya Ehrenburg are in the same boat. Both desire the integration of the Jew in the society in which he lives. I recall a characteristic statement of Sulzberger's. Some ten years ago he told me that should a Jewish State be established, he would embrace Christianity in order to avoid any identification with that State, however indirect. Apparently, the Sulzbergers, Ehrenburgs and MacIvers are in full agreement in their opposition to Jewish "exclusiveness" or "separatist" tendencies.

For many years, the Ehrenburgs felt very superior to the Sulzbergers. Jewish Communists felt that the chances of assimilation were infinitely better in the Soviet Union than in capitalist countries. They pointed out that Communism was eliminating the profit motive and consequently abolishing economic envy, one of the strongest sources of modern anti-Semitism. For the first time in history, a powerful government was outlawing anti-Semitism. To abuse a Jew was considered—and is still considered—a legal offense in the U. S. S. R. The suppression of anti-Semitism was in full accord with anti-racialism—one of the main tenets of Communism.

The Jewish Communists in Soviet Russia surpassed the assimilationists in the democracies in their superpatriotism. They were the most eloquent foes of Zionism, the Hebrew language and of the Jewish religion. Birobidjan was set up as a reply and contrast to Zionism. The Yiddish language was officially recognized in the U. S. S. R., but the Yiddish press, in the main, was an instrument for the communist indoctrination of the Jews. In Palestine, Jewish communists did not hesitate to cooperate with the Mufti. And throughout the world, Jewish communists and their publications followed the anti-Zionist directives emanating from Moscow. Even the Stalin-Hitler pact did not dampen their ardor.

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out anti-Semitism. Three powerful systems were utilized to carry out this program: education, propaganda and punishment by law. The Government was not acting purely from altruistic motives. It saw in anti-Semitism a serious danger to the regime. From the very outset, the Bolshevik Government had been dubbed as a "Jewish" government and this subsequently became one of the main devices in Goebbels' worldwide propaganda war.

Today, we know that Stalin underestimated the strength of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union just as Hitler overrated it. In a sense, one might say that in addition to six million Jews, Hitler became a victim of his anti-Semitism. His agents told him what they knew he wanted to hear. When he march into Soviet Russia, he was convinced that anti-Semitism and nationalism (particularly of the Ukrainians) would facilitate a quick and easy victory. For the record, it must be said that he was not entirely wrong since hundreds of thousands flocked to Vlasov's pro-Nazi armies. But Hitler's wanton cruelty gave powerful impetus to the Soviet Union's guerillas and finally reversed the tide.

On the other hand, Stalin took note of how readily various Soviet peoples participated in the slaughter of Jews. Anti-Semitism, he observed, had penetrated even into the ranks of the partisans. Lithuanion, Polish and other partisans segregated Jewish fighters into separate units.

**An intense youngster concentrates on a juvenile mural in the Bakka Settlement Houses in Jerusalem, one of 49 projects sponsored in the Holy Land by Mizrachi Women's Organization of America. Program for children frees working mothers recently arrived in Holy Land.**

As a matter of fact, Stalin himself conducted the war strictly on the basis of patriotism and nationalism. Communism was not mentioned in his war manifestos. Religious prejudice, economic envy and excessive nationalism are the three main sources of anti-Semitism. The Soviet Union eliminated or weakened all—except for


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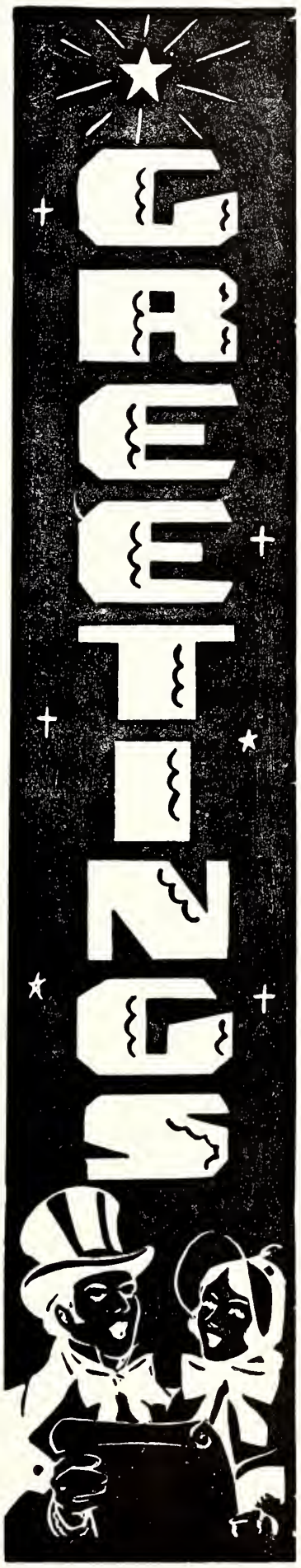


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nationalism. And all historical indications show that nationalism suffices to keep the flame of anti-Semitism burning.

In the post-war period, many were shocked when they read that Soviet newspapers listed the Jewish names of writers who were accused of "cosmopolitanism." There have been other alarming symptoms: "Einigkeit," the only Yiddish paper in the U. S. S. R., was shut down. The number of Jews in high diplomatic and political posts had been steadily decreasing. Reports state that Jews are no longer admitted to the diplomatic school. The Birobidjan projejct has been abandoned.

For many years, Soviet propaganda had been systematically directed at certain groups throughout the world: youth, women, negroes, colonial peoples and other minorities, and at Jews. It now appears that the Soviet Government has scrapped the Jewish Department as a hopeless job. Even the anti-fascist Jewish Committee is no more. For years, Jewish newspapers throughout the world received daily lengthy wires from this Committee and, a few years back, a delegation, consisting of Feffer and Michoels, visited the United States and even went to Mexico which has hardly more than 25,000 Jews, on its behalf.

Let us examine the factors of this situation. Every problem the Soviet Union faces today is rendered more difficult by the Jew:

In all Iron Curtain countries, the Jewish middle class is, of course, hostile.

The Jews were the first to raise objections to a compulsory return of the DP's to their country of origin.

Jewish writers and columnists, such as David Lawrence, Krock, Eugene Lyons, Sokolsky, etc.; Jewis capitalists and Jewish organizations are amongst the most vehement enemies of the Soviet Union.

The State of Israel is identifying itself more and more with the West.

In the Soviet Union, as elsewhere, once more the Jew finds himself caught in the midst of conflicting—and tomorrow, warring — nationalist forces. Experience shows that he is again bound to be the foremost victim of such a situation.

The Soviet Union has not solved the Jewish problem. There, too, assimilation has failed. There, too, anti-Semitism is on the march.

Our Defense Agencies have shown neither dignity nor wisdom in their handling of the Russian problem. They eagerly clamor to be amongst the shrillest voices to fill the market place. By this attitude, they are merely adding to a hysteria which can only intensify and certainly not decrea the danger to the Jew.

To sum it up: In the Soviet worl the Jewis distrusted and persecut as the capitalist or as the middlema and in the Western world, the conce tion of identifying the Jew with Mo cow has taken deep roots. The Jev ish tragedy is as stark and acute ever.

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NEW OFFICERS SEABOARD ZIONIST REGION—Left to right: Herman Abady, Richmond, Va., second vice-president; Louis R. Zinberg, Baltimore, Md., president; Joseph L. Hecht, Norfolk, Va., first vice-president.

### ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

**By Leonard Margolis**

The Seaboard Zionist Region of the Zionist Organization of America concluded a two-day meeting in Richmond the last week end in October.

Mr. Joseph Hecht of Norfolk, was named as first vice-president of the Region, and chairman of the Seaboard Administrative Committee. Mr. Hecht succeeded L. R. Zimberg, of Baltimore, who was chosen president of the Region for the coming year.

The Conference heard a report on Israel from I. S. Turover, of Washington, retiring president, detailing his experiences on his recent trip to Israel, as chairman of the Idustrial Commission for Israel, of the ZOA. Mordecai Shalev, second secretary of the Embassy of Israel, in Washington, emphasized the importance of the Israel Bond Drive now in progress in the United States, and stressed the Bonds Campaign, for the promotion of the Development Program for Israel in this country.

Both Turover and Shalev endorsed the soundness of Bonds for Israel as an investment, and stressed the conversion of the economy of Israel from agricultural to an industrial basis. They both spoke of the investments for machinery, roads, housing, and reclamation projects in Israel, and urged the delegates to the Conference to buy and sell Bonds for Israel.

Dave Friedman, of Norfolk, Bonds for Israel Community chairman, presided over the session for Resolutions, and Election of Officers.

The Conference, ended in a spirit of harmony, and a planned program for the coming year is in process of formation for the Seaboard Zionist Region.

### Hadassah

**Mrs. E. J. Kipson**
**Publicity Chairman**

Richmond Chapter Senior Hadassah had an open Board meeting October 17, at the Jewish Center. This gave the general membership an opportunity to watch their Board in action. After the various committee chairmen gave their reports, Mrs. Hyman Osmalov, who attended the Hadassah National Convention in Atlantic City, brought back a most inspiring and glowing report of the proceedings. Mrs. Mark Schneider brought the Chapter up to date on happenings of Jewish interest, especially the news of Israel.

This being Hadassah's fortieth birthday, the Chapter is planning a luncheon free to paid up members. Also a musical comedy entitled "O'Shoshanna," the cast is composed of the following members: Mrs. Herman November, Mrs. Irving Forman, Mrs. Malcom Kalman, Mrs. Joseph Picon, Mrs. Getty Schwartz, also Mrs. Albert Lianido, Mrs. Julian Shapiro, Mrs. Bernard Moslin. Mrs. Ben S. Cohen, will be at the piano. The play is under the direction of Mrs. Murray N. Kalinsky.

Mrs. Anne Hesselson and Mrs. Stanly Wasserman are in charge of Reservations.

### Temple Beth Israel

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**MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ**

**WOMEN'S CLUB**

What exciting bits of magic the month of December has to spin, with its exhilarating, frost-tingling fingers. The sparkling eyes of the children as they anxiously light the Chanukah candles, one by one, the thin smoke of which weaves ancient tales of wisdom and delight through modern settings.

The final month of the years finds the Women's Club of Temple Beth Israel busy with a full schedule. On Saturday, October 27, 1951, under the sponsorship of the Women's Club, Mrs. Paul Cohen and her committee served as hostess at an open house canteen for servicemen and women at the Jewish Center. Free Sandwiches, drinks and entertainment were furnished by the Women's Club with side donations by the committee and the women are to be commended for its success. Plans are to have the USO Canteen programs part of the Women's Club Schedule.

Now if you've got your red pencil handy by all means circle the dates of December 27 and December 31. On the 27th the regular meeting of the Women's Club merges with an entertaining grab bag and card party in celebration of Chanukah. Each member who brings a gift will receive one in return. Special refreshments and program are planned so please try to be with us . . . the date again, Thursday, December 27.

Of course the 31st is our annual New Year's party I've been telling you about. Remember it's not too early to line up your party and make plans. There'll be a truly delicious hot-catered dinner, all your setups for the evening, favors for the ladies, noise makers and hats, a simply dreamy dance orchestra . . . all this mind you, included in the nominal cost of admission. Why pass up the most wonderful New Year's party ever? Call and make your reservations now . . . Dial 4-0534. Come on, friends enjoy ringing 1951 out and 1952 in with fun and good fellowship. Join us at the Women's Club party! Gotta sign off now . . . taking a long vacation till next year . . .see you in in '52. Bye, now.

### Beth-El Temple

**By Mrs. Allan G. Minko**
**Publicity Chairman**

The Annual Donor Torah Luncheon was held in Temple Social Hall, on October 31, at 12:30 p.m., and was indeed a beautiful luncheon, well attended and a real inspiration to all who joined with us on this afternoon.

Invocation was given by Mrs. I. R. Levet, past Conservative Sisterhood president of Beth El Sisterhood and President of the Seaboard Branch of United Synagogue. Welcoming our membership with opening remarks, Mrs. Louis Perlin, President, reviewed the varied program of Sisterhood for this year, and also announced the New Kitchen building and furnishing of, were no longer in the talking stage, but definite plans had been formulated, and the Board of Governors of Beth El had approved, this building improvement for a new kitchen.

Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, of Beth El, introduced our guest speaker, Miss Anna Kleban, Administrative Secretary of the Library of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

**Guest Speaker**

It is as true today as it was two thousand years ago that to survive as Jews we must have Hebrew scholars who teach, preach and write. This is why rabbis and teachers have always deserved and commanded the respect they have throughout the ages.

But times have changed in two thousand years. And one way that they have changed is that women now, as well as men, have the opportunity to serve their people in many ways outside the home. Miss Anna Kleban, the administrative secretary of the Library of of the Jewish Theological Seminary, is a perfect case in point.

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# The Cooking Page

With the present cost of most prime meats such as to tax the kitchen budget to the utmost, consideration should be given to poultry, which is relatively less expensive. We submit herewith several suggestions for the preparation of chicken.

### ROAST CHICKEN

Stuff and truss a chicken, season with pepper and salt and dredge with flour. Put in a roasting-pan with two or three tablespoons of chicken-fat if the chicken is not especially fat. When heated add hot water and baste frequently. The oven should be hot and the time necessary for a large chicken will be about an hour and a half. When done, remove the chicken, pour off the grease and make a brown sauce in the pan.

### CHICKEN CASSEROLE

Bake chicken in covered casserole until nearly tender, then add three potatoes cut in dice; boil small pieces of carrots, green peas, and small white onions—each to be boiled separately. Just before serving, thicken gravy with a teaspoon of flour mixed with a half cup of soup stock or water. Season to taste and place vegetables around the dish.

### BOILED CHICKEN, BAKED

Make chicken soup with an old hen. Remove chicken from soup just as soon as tender. Place in roasting-pan with three tablespoons of chicken-fat, one onion sliced, one clove of garlic, one-half teaspoon of salt and paprika. Sprinkle with soft bread crumbs. Baste frequently and when sufficiently browned, cut in pieces for serving. Place on platter with the strained gravy, pour over the chicken and serve.

### CHICKEN PAPRIKA WITH RICE

Cut a three and one-half pound fat chicken in pieces to serve, salt it and let stand several hours. Heat one-fourth cup of fat in an iron kettle, add one medium-sized onion, minced; fry golden brown and set aside. Fry the chicken in the fat and when nicely browned, add paprika to taste and boiling water to cover, and let simmer one hour.

Soak one cup of rice in cold water, drain, add the fried onion and one teaspoon of salt and gradually three cups of chicken broth, more if necessary. When nearly done add the chicken and finish cooking in a slow oven, one-half hour.

### FRIED SPRING CHICKEN

Cut it up as for fricassee and see that every piece is wiped dry. Have ready heated in a spider some goose-fat or other poultry drippings. Season each piece of chicken with salt and ground ginger, or pepper. Roll each piece of chicken in sifted cracker or bread crumbs (which you have previously seasoned with salt). Fry in the spider, turning often, and browning evenly. You may cut up some parsley and add while frying. If the chicken is quite large, it is better to steam it before frying.

### GIBLETS

Heart, liver and gizzard constitute the giblets, and to these the neck is usually added. Wash them; put them in cold water and cook until tender. This will take several hours. Serve with the chicken; or mash the liver, mince the heart and gizzard and add them to the brown sauce. Save the stock in which they are cooked for making the sauce.

### CHICKEN WITH RICE

Joint a chicken; season with salt and ground ginger and boil with water enough to cover. Allow one-half pound of rice to one chicken. Boil this after chicken is tender. Serve together on a large platter.

### CHICKEN (TURKISH STYLE)

Brown a chicken, cover with water and season, cook until tender. When chicken is tender, slash the skin of chestnuts, put them in oven and roast, then skin them, put in chicken and let come to a boil and serve with the chicken.

### CHICKEN CURRY

Cut chickens in pieces for serving; dredge in flour and saute in hot fat. Cut one onion in thin pieces, add one tablespoon of curry powder, three-fourths of a tablespoon of salt and one tablespoon of wine vinegar. Add to chicken, cover with boiling water; simmer until chicken is tender. Thicken sauce and serve with steamed rice.


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**TETE-A-TETE COLUMN**

Before shoving off to New York, Mrs. Julius Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Alper and I, who were all going to be in the city at the same time, planned to meet after attending the performance of "Borscht Capades." We all went to Lindy's and were seated at a table with Micky Katz, star of the pleasant revue, and his party. It felt good talking to the dynamic, friendly little man, whose music and Yiddishness makes him the lovable celebrity he is today. If you have a chance to hear Micky Katz' latest splendid recording of "Comeon-a-My-House," you will enjoy it.

On returning to Lynchburg I learned of the informal reception held at the Community Center following Friday evening services in honor of Rabbi and Mrs. Lloyd Tennenbaum.

Sunday school has started and the final appointment of the teachers have been completed. Mrs. Mary Cohen, Mrs. Simon Hiller, Mrs. Kay Enchelbaum, Gertrude Aronson, and Mrs. Lloyd Tennenbaum have been added to the board.

The sisterhood Bazaar was held on November 14 and was most successful. An Israel Bond Drive Campaign is being carried on through the vigorous leadership of B'nai B'rith president, Richard Samuels.

**Personalities at Random . .**

Ruth Rogasner at the Kemper street station to greet her husband. Ruth is recovering from her recent operation. Barbara Lee Buchanan has an adorable new-born baby girl. Mrs. Allen Schekwitz working for the welfare travelers while hubby is emoting at the Little Theatre. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Feldman have moved into their new home.

## Newport News, Va.

**Mrs. Irving Berlin, Reporting**

The Jewish Community Center has gotten started to a big 1951-1952 season. A new series on Health and the Family, which was so successful last year, has been planned, with four evenings of lectures and discussions. The speakers will be the local Superintendent of Schools, a member of the Family Counselling Service, and Rabbi Goldman of Richmond. Also planned and started on November 15, was a ten-session course on the History and Development of Art by Dr. Leo Katz, chairman of the Art Department at Hampton Institute. Dr. Katz has had exhibits all over the world, and has lectured extensively both here and abroad. At present he is President of the Virginia Art Alliance.

Dr. Lee Katz was born in Reznau, formerly Austria (now Czechoslovakia). He studied at the Fine Arts Academies in Vienna and Munich (1905-10). He traveled extensively. He studied old and modern masters as well as the art, religion and philosophies of the Orient, and Pre-Columbian America. Painted portraits of many outstanding personalities in Europe and America. Also landscapes, animals, abstractions and murals. Research in Esthetics, creative psychology, religion; especially the relationship between old and recent art trends and the common basis of modern art, modern science and modern life. Recent research on Astromithological psychology and on Dimensional Dynamics.

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Author of three volumes of Modern Art, written and printed exclusively for the members of the "Delphian Society." Also reviews to the "Nation" magazine, the "Art and Artists of Today," and other magazines. Latest article on "Art and Archaeology and the Aztec Figure of Coatlique" in Magazine of Art and many other magazines published his works.

**Prizes**

Prizes include: 1938 for Lithograph "Is This the Meaning of Life" (1937) at the "Print Society" at Long Beach, California. 1946 Pennell Purchase Prize, Library of Congress, Print Department, for engraving-etching "Pegasus, 1945." Both prints included in Paris Exhibition of American graphic art sponsored by U. S. Embassy and its cultural Attache Fall 1951. Member of Staley William Hayter's Atelier 17, New York. Former member of National Society of Mural Painters, Mural Artists' Guild, Architects-Sculpters, and Painters Collaborative and a few others. 1947 Honorary membership, James River Camera Club, Newport News, Va. Member of College Art Association, New York. Member of Society of American Etchers, Gravers, Lithographers and Woodcutters, Member of the Artists Equity Association. Since 1946, Chairman of the Art Department, Hampton Institute, Trustee and Vice-President of Virginia Art Alliance, 1949-1950. 1950, Director of Atelier 17, New York. 1951-52, President of Virginia Art Alliance.

Metropolitan Museum included the engraving "Dream Symbols" in its exhibition of Twentieth Century Art" during the summer of 1950. Elaborate write-up about career appeared in "Who's Who in the South and Southwest." Engraving "Pegasus" was reproduced in the back of "American Prize Prints of the Twentieth Century" by Albert Reese in 1949. In 1951, Portfolio of 14 prints acquired for Fine Arts Museum of Boston.

On Wednesday evening, November 14, the Center sponsored an Israeli Bond Dance with entertainment from Israel. Jan Barth of N.Y.C. was the master of ceremonies. The dance was in honor of the birthday of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of Israel.

At the first meeting of the P.T.A. at the Center, Mrs. Belle Olansky gave a very interesting and informative informal talk on Rainy Day activities for children. Elected as officers were: Mrs. S. Glasafer, president; Mrs. M. Bass, vice-president; Mrs. B. Morowitz, sercetary-treasurer; and Mrs. S. Ellenson, program chairman.

Plans have been made for the Third Annual Foreign Films series, held at the Center on Saturday nights. Thes films are sold on subscription, an there are also individual admission This series is open to the public an as the successful past few years wer so gratifying to the committee, a lai ger budget was planned, and newe and better films will be shown. Ther is no segregation, and many individu als of the Negro community, and stu dents at Hampton Institute were o hand for the films and the coffe klatch afterward.

A Children's Junior Series on Sun day afternoons has been planned an three programs are on the agend for this, its first season. This is bein undertaken in conjunction with Ha dassah, and the Norfolk Jewish Com munity Center. The first show will b with marionettes, the second will fea ture Larry Kleeper, magician, and th last will introduce Miss Judith La tham, dancer.

The Legislative Discussion Group Council of Jewish Women, and Ha dassah, which continued to meet dur ing the summer, and proved to be wise move, has planned an interestin and enlightening winter season. project on Mental Health, (whic comes up before the State Legislatur in January, where more funds ar being asked) consisted of a trip t Eastern State Hospital for the Men tally Ill in Williamsburg, and a regu lar meeting devoted to the Lowe Peninsula Mental Hygiene Clinic which is located in Newport News, an is staffed by a social worker, psycolo gist, and three part-time psychiatrists

Gym classes for women, as well a men, are starting at the Community Center. The women will meet twic weekly, at 10:30 a.m.

Mrs. Ted Woodman will be instruc tor of the Ceramics Class meeting o Tuesday evenings at the Center.

Hadassah, in conjunction with the Peninsula Zionist Organization, an with the cooperation of Mr. Max Lev enson, was able to send over 100 case of milk to Israel this month.

The Thirtieth Annual Cabaret spon sored by the Sisterhood of the Rode Sholem Temple, was held on Thanks giving Eve at the Hotel Chamberlin The skit presented and enacted by al local talent, was written, and directed by Mrs. B. Kronheimer. At the last Congregational meeting of the Temple Mrs. B. Schwartz, president of Sister hood, presented to the Congregation the deed for the property adjoining the Temple, where an addition will be built. This is to consist of meetin rooms and library, and Sunday School space. Sisterhood worked long and hard on this project to raise funds.

This month's Blood Donor trip by the Bloodmobile will be sponsored by the J.C.C. in conjunction with the Jewish War Veterans.

Harry Reyner, former City Councilman, was elected chairman of the Newport News-Warwick County Red Cross Drive.

**CHILDREN'S SERIES**

In cooperation with the Child Welfare Committee of Senior Hadassah, the Jewish Community Center will for the first time initiate a Children's Series celebrating the holidays of

Chanukah, Purim, and Passover, it was announced by Mrs. Seymour Glasfer and Mrs. Jerry Rubin, co-chairmen of the Children's Series committee. Arrangements have been made to bring from New York on December 4 the Suib Marionettes, enacting the thrilling story of David and Goliath; on March 9, Dorn Lapsan, dancer of Israel, who has arranged a special program for children; and on April 13, Larry Klepper, the magician. Larry and his adventures in magic make a fun-filled program which uses many of the audience as assistants.

Series tickets will soon be sold and all children and their parents have been extended a cordial invitation to enjoy these outstanding programs.

**BONDS FOR ISRAEL**

Ben Levinson and Jack Rubin, co-chairmen of the Bonds of Israel Campaign produced their gala program featuring a festival of stars on November 14. Featuring the floor show was Dan Bart, foremost singer, M. C., and entertainer. Sarah and Moshe with Eliyakum presented "A Night in Israel," with the folk tunes, songs, and the plaintive melodies of Eretz Israel. Music was furnished by the Southerners. A large part of the community attended this gala affair and honored

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## Suffolk, Va.

**By Mrs. Meyer Goldberg**

I am writing this in the beautiful new Louise Obici Hospital in Suffolk where I am busy overseeing the recuperation of my eldest daughter, Beth, from a recent appendectomy.

All of our organizations have started their fall activities, and my problem now is having almost too much news instead of the small amount of news encountered in the warmer months.

On Tuesday, November 6, the Ladies Chapter of B'nai B'rith met in the vestry room of the Synagogue. It had been decided in October to hold a card party at the conclusion of the November meeting and this plan was carried out successfully.

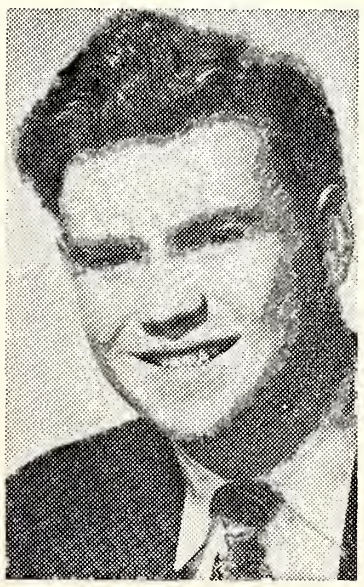
The B'nai B'rith men met in the Synagogue vestry room on Wednesday, November 7, and a large attendance registered approval of the recent decision of the group to change the meeting night from the first Tuesday to the first Wednesday of the month. The group plans to place greater stress on social and community activities to serve not only a financial end, but to be a means of bringing more fun and gaiety to the community.

The Congregation of the Agudath Achin, the men's group of our synagogue, recently held its annual election of officers. Officers elected to serve again were: Al Ruden, president; Frank Laderberg, vice-president; Hilary January, treasurer, and Jules Kurtszwile, secretary. The members also elected Israel Levy, one of our few remaining charter members, as life-time honorary vice-president.

The first Hadassah meeting of the fall season, presided over by the president, Mrs. Hanks Bernstein, was a most inspiring one. Mrs. Bernard Rivin, past-president of Portsmouth Chapter of Hadassah, was guest speaker and gave an extremely comprehensive report of the National Hadassah Convention held this year in Atlantic City. The latest Hadassah film, "My Brother and I," was also presented. Following this program, pledges were made to the various Hadassah projects by the members with most gratifying results.

The Hadassah Study Group was resumed this year under the able leadership of our rabbi, Dr. Murray Kantor. The first meeting was held in November at the home of Mrs. Jules Kurtzwile and was most interesting.

The first meeting of Sisterhood of Agudath Achin Synagogue presided over by the new president, Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg, was held Tuesday evening, October 30. Other newly-elected officers are vice-president, Mrs. Brad Scherr; secretary, Mrs. Joseph Morris; and treasurer, Mrs. George Stein. The past president, Mrs. Sam Levy, reported the Simchas Torah party a great success in all ways. It was de-



**JEWISH YOUTH CONFERENCE ELECTS SELDON M. KRUGER—Seldon M. Kruger of Newark, N. J., 21-year-old student of international relations at Rutgers University, who was unanimously elected chairman of the National Jewish Youth Conference at the Conference's recent assembly at Camp Wel-Met, Narrowsburg, N. Y. The Conference, which is sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB), is a nation-wide youth body which represents 300 local and regional Jewish youth and young adult councils and 10 major national Jewish youth organizations. Mr. Kruger succeeds M. David Weiss of Munhall, Pa.**

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cided to hold a dance in the Center around Thanksgiving to celebrate the great financial success of the New Year's Annual and the Simchas Torah Party. Chairmen in charge of this affair were Mrs. Morris Stanfield, financial chairman and Mrs. Morris Bass, hospitality chairman.

The Sunday School enrollment for this year is the largest on record. Officers of the Sunday School are: Bayla Goldberg, president; Harriet January, vice-president; Harold Familant, secretary; and Mark Schritzer, treasurer. The faculty for the year includes: Dr. Murray Kantor, Mrs. Brad Scherr, Meyer R. Goldberg, Mrs. Herman Weintrob and Miss Joan Bass. Mrs. Kurt Hirsh is substitute teacher and Brian Zittrain is in charge of the moving picture apparatus.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Hank Bernstein on their fifteenth wedding anniversary.

## Harrisonburg, Va.

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

Our Yom Kippur dance was a success—the planned program and refreshments were just what the doctor ordered. We hope to have more affairs like this during the year.

I have heard that our semi-annual rummage sale held for three consecutive week ends certainly paid well.

To the Sisterhood and Brotherhood members and their children who helped build the Succo goes honorable mention for the wonderful job they did. With the Succo around the Altar our Services were all the more impressive. A social hour and refreshments were served, following the services.

Our Rabbi Lanyi represented our Congregation at the Dedication of the House of Living Judaism in New York. We are eagerly awaiting to hear all about this trip.

The Brotherhood is having a dinner, meeting, and social tonight to really start the season off. (I sure would like to be listening.)

Mrs. William Friddle who has been hospitalized is still on the sick list. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Sam Freed who had been quite ill for many weeks is on the mend. We hope he stays well.

An Hadassah meeting was held at the home Mrs. Harold Elpern. After a short business meeing, a presentation depicting the American woman in relationship with the Israeli woman was acted out by members. Refreshments were then served.

## Richmond, Va.

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Librarian of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Miss Kleban has personal jurisdiction over the largest collection of books of Jewish interest in the world.

But to Miss Kleban these books are more than precious paper and parchment, colored inks and leather bindings. To her the library is the fountainhead of knowledge. Here new scholars feed their minds and hearts on our heritage, and are themselves enriched and inspired to serve us still more meaningfully and fruitfully now and in the future.

From this collection, Miss Kleban has gathered her own priceless library of stories. Through her wit and learning the wonder, beauty and wisdom these books have are brought fascinatingly alive to us. Hundreds of women who have had the pleasure of listening to Miss Kleban have come away with a new and fervent desire to identify themselves closely with their own people. On the face of each can be seen the warm glow of pride in the glorious contribution made by our people to the civilization of the world. Miss Kleban showed them the most beautiful manuscripts, a bible written by a woman named Gumpleinu Bratspies in Germany in the fifteenth century, a Haggdah written in Spain in the thirteenth century, a bible printed in 1566 and with an inscription signed by the owner, Robert Browning, and many more indescribable (except by Miss Kleban) and awe inspiring books.

From her marvelous vantage point Miss Kleban makes us know that our is indeed a past worthy of name "illustrious." And from the love that is hers for the books themselves, no audience can help but strongly feel the deep meaning their history and wisdom have for us today. Miss Kleban is most ably qualified to speak on the necessity of wide support of the Seminary which has not only built this rarest and most precious of libraries but has become one of the greatest centers of Jewish learning in all the world.

It is most appropriate that Miss Kleban comes from an erudite family. Her father was a noted Hebrew scholar in Russia. Her uncle, the late Professor Israel Davidson, the greatest authority on Medieval Hebrew poetry wrote an immortal work in four volumes, in addition to many other invaluable books, all now indispensable reference material in the Seminary library. In his own preface to this great work, Dr. Davidson said that without the Seminary library he would not have been able to complete the tremendous tasks involved in this work.

And now Miss Kleban, together with the rabbis, teachers and students, is making her own personal contribution to the Seminary's program for a strengthened unified Jewish community, one which will give to all of us new happiness and personal fulfillment.

Our sincere thanks to Mrs. Phil Kittenplan and Mrs. M. W. Wasserman Donor-Torah chairmen and to their large working committee who made the success of this luncheon possible. Also, thanks to Mrs. Leonard Bellet

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# ROANOKE, VA., NEWS

By Mrs. Ralph Katz

**MRS. STANLEY J. TREINIS, the former Toby Ann Cohen, whose marriage took place on October 28 at Beth Israel Synagogue. Mrs. Treinis is the daughter of Mrs. Isadore David Cohen of Roanoke, and the late Mr. Cohen. Mr. Treinis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving E. Treinis, also of Roanoke.**

Roanoke 1951 United Jewish Appeal (Quota $75,000) was launched Sunday, October 28 at Hotel Patrick Henry when Max Lerner, journalist, and author appealed to an audience of some 2000 Roanokers for support of the campaign. He said that time is terribly important if one million homeless Jews in the middle East are to be aided.

He was referring to the immediate need for money if the Jewish refugees of Europe are to be given an opportunity to enter Israel—the only nation which keeps its "Welcome" sign visible and meaningful.

Referring to the satus of Israel, the condition of the Jews who fled Europe to save their lives, and the attitude of many nations, Lerner said, "the world has forgotten to remember." He said the world seems to have forgotten the lesson of the six million Jews slaughtered in Germany before and during the World War II. In urging support of the UJA campaign, Learner emphasized that the money was not being collected for Israel. Rather, he said, the money will be used for transferring Jews now living in various Middle East Arab countries where they are not wanted, to Israel.

Even though the population has doubled in the past three years, and despite the fact that their austerity program has been more austere than in England, Lerner said Israel wants to provide soil for as many unwanted Jews as are able to reach its borders.

Israel has a population of about 1,100,000.

Describing the optimism that exists in the small Jewish nation—the first after thousands of years—Lerner described a trip he made to Europe and Israel.

At Dachau, one of the favorite slaughtering resorts of the Nazis, Lerner said he saw the furnaces and the gas chambers used to dispose of the Jews.

"Everything seemed hopeless," Lerner said, adding:

"Then I went to Israel. One day I attended a funeral of a famous Zionist leader who will always be remembered for saying: 'If you will it—it is not a dream'.

"During the services I saw small groups of sturdy men and women carrying small bags. One by one, they walked up to the grave and broke open the bags. Out poured soil.

"Then I knew what it was. It was the soil of Israel these pioneers had brought from all over the small nation. It was soil from their farms, soil from their small frontier communities. It was the soil of hope."

Of the pre-campaign meetings, one was held at the home of Arthur Taubman, chairman of the UJA committee, for initial gifts. It had an unusually large attendance. Moritz M. Gottlieb, president of the Jewish Federation of


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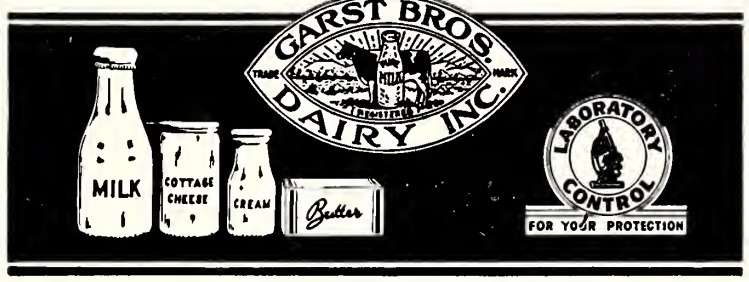


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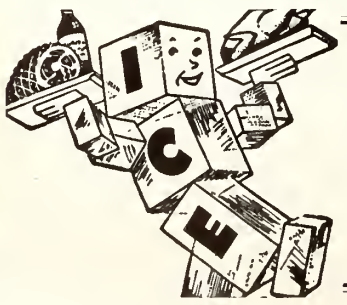


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Allentown, Pa., was the speaker. As a special consultant of the U.S. Government on problems of welfare and morale for the armed forces in World War II, Mr. Gottlieb toured all theaters of war. He is one of the country's foremost civic and communal leaders, serving currently as president of the Middle Atlantic section of the Council of Jewish Federation and Welfare Funds; a member of the National UJA campaign cabinet; the American Jewish committee, the Jewish Welfare Board and other national organizations.

A representative of the national B'nai B'rith Women's Supreme Council in Chicago was here on November 2. Mrs. Baila M. Wodika conducted a seminar on B'nai B'rith projects for the Roanoke and Julius Fisher chapters of the organization. The meeting was held at the Hotel Patrick Henry. Mrs. Elias Friedman, Portsmouth, State representative, and Mrs. Joseph Goldstein, Galax, district representative, also attended the seminar.

Local members attending were: Mrs. Julius Fisher, president; Mrs. Stuart Felton, first vice-president; Mrs. Peter Myers, second vice-president; Mrs. Julien Sacks, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Michael Cohen, recording secretary; Miss Zelda Halpern, financial secretary; Mrs. Samuel Halpern, treasurer; Mrs. Sadie Golden, Mrs. Harry Thames, Mrs. Jack Shapiro, Mrs. Robert Loebl, Mrs. Milton Blank, Mrs. Jerome Barr and Mrs. A. M. Jacobson.

Mrs. Wodika attended George Washington University and is a graduate of Northwestern University where she majored in psychology. During the second World War, Mrs. Wodika was administrative assistant in the office of the secretary of war, served as recruiting officers in the overseas branch of the office of the secretary. Included in her duties was the responsibility of selection of qualified professional, technical and clerical personnel for duty outside the continental limits of the United States. Mrs. Wodika received the Presidential Commendation for participation in the establishment of the Military Government of Germany.

### HADASSAH

Beth Israel Synagogue was the meeting place for Hadassah on Monday, October 29. A report on the rummage sale revealed a total of $715.52 made. Proceeds are for H.M.O. A report was also made on the Yom Kippur dance held at the Green Hill Country Club for Child Welfare. A total of 97 cards have been sent out by Book of Life chairman, Mrs. Morton Fox. Plans for the membership tea were discussed and for the city-wide card party, an annual affair.

Mrs. David Stein spoke to the board on November 8 at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Morris Masinter.

Three cheers for the following rummage sale workers to whom we say "Well Done." Chairmen: Barbara Felten and Mary Schaefer.

Co-workers Gertie Katz, Tina Loebl, Mrs. Philip Levie, Toby Masinter, Ann Bernstein, Ann Glass, Edith Lichtenstein, Rose Strauss, Irene Diamond, Helen Berman, Grace Taubman, Mrs. Ethel Kaplan, Mrs. I. Katz. Irene Blum, Rhoda Myers, Rose Wilkes Ruth Jacobson, and Mrs. R. Marcus.

### BETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

The opening meeting of Beth Israel Ladies Auxiliary was held Thursday October 4, in the vestry rooms. Opening prayer was by Mrs. Tobias Rothenberg. The program "Women in White" was presented by Mrs. I. Fox, Mrs. Norman Sellinger, Mrs. Arthur Levin, and Mrs. Julius Harris. Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Julius Shapiro, president; Mrs. Herbert Kurshan, Mrs. Arthur Levin, and Mrs. Raphael Ostrov. Newcomers in the community were invited.

The Junior Congregation got off to a flying start when 35 children attended the first Sabbath service of this season on October 6. A lovely luncheon was served by Mrs. Marcus Kaplan and Mrs. Herbert Kurshan in behalf of Ladies Auxiliary, the sponsors.

The children from Mrs. Halpern's class had a skating party at the Skata Drome. The Junior Congregation newspaper, The Star, made its first appearance this month. Here is the staff: Editor-in-Chief, Barbara Bernstein; Associate Editor, Barbara Shapiro; Circulation Manager, Sarah Fisher; Reporters, Myra Fox, Vivian Silverman, Mariam Kelson, Marion Blank.

A break-the-fast snack was provided by the Ladies Auxiliary Wednesday evening, October 10, in the vestry. Mrs. Morris Masinter was chairman of the large committee.

The United Nations Day was observed with a public meeting, sponsored by B'nai B'rith on Wednesday, October 17, at Temple Emmanuel. Mr. Mordicai Shelev of the Iraeli Embassy spoke on "The United Nations and Israel."

Condolences to Mr. Sidney Spivak on the sudden passing of his brother in New York City. Condolences to Mrs. Harry Katz on the sudden death of her brother in Florida. Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brumberg on the en-

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# Sign Posts on the Road to an Indigenous American Jewish Culture

*By* LIONEL KOPPMAN

THE Jewish calendar, with its wonderfully rich and soul-stirring holy days and festivals, has been supplemented in America with a calendar of cultural and communal events suited to the special, expressed needs of American Jewry. Enriching the classic Jewish traditions which are marked by established, centuried dates, an emerging American Jewish calendar combines the treasures of a magnificent cultural heritage with vivid expressions of creativity in democratic America. This American Jewish calendar reflects a surging will on the part of American Jews to blend the beauties of Judaism and Americanism, and to conduct their lives in the best traditions of both. It also provides a substantial answer to the question regarding the capacity of the American Jewish community to develop an indigenous American Jewish culture.

Four of the major "dates" on this calendar are celebrated under the auspices of organizations which are sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB). They are Jewish Book Month, conducted by the Jewish Book Council of America; Jewish Music Festival, by the National Jewish Music Council; Jewish Youth Week, by the National Jewish Youth Conference, and Jewish History Week, by the American Jewish Historical Society.

**Jewish Book Month**

The first of these — Jewish Book Month—seeks to recapture for Jewish books their accustomed place of honor in Jewish life. The literature of the Jews having been the foundation stone of the Maccabean spirit, Jewish Book Month is appropriately celebrated each year just before Chanukah, the festival which commemorates the fight of the stalwart Maccabees for religious freedom and the right of Jewish culture to live and flourish.

Through open forums, lectures, radio and television programs, symposia, sermons, book review programs, essay contests, newspaper and magazine articles, exhibits, presentations of awards for works of fiction, nonfiction and poetry, book fairs and similar events, Jewish Book Month encourages the display and examination of the priceless gems of our literary treasures by the widest possible number of people, not only during the month itself but throughout the year.

To stimulate and assist Jewish Community Centers, synagogues, Jewish schools, bureaus of Jewish education, libraries and other groups in celebrating the month, the JWB-sponsored Jewish Book Council sends bulletins of program suggestions, book lists, bibliographies, pamphlets and other program aids, as well as a poster and a manual on how best to interpret the purpose of the month to the community.

The last day of the month is designated as Jewish Book Festival, a joyous ocacsion dedicated to the highlighting of the importance of bringing Jewish literary culture into the Jewish home. This special event is marked by such activities as the exchange of Jewish books as gifts and the reading of Jewish literature during the family hour. The Jewish Book Council also encourages organizations to set up Jewish book and gift shops and libraries by providing them with manuals of instructions and suggestions, in addition to such stimulating devices as book marks, plays, recordings and brochures.

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**WILLIAM P. BLOOM, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, outstanding Southern leader in the general community and Jewish affairs, was elected Chairman of the Southern Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith at its fourth annual meeting held in Atlanta in September.**

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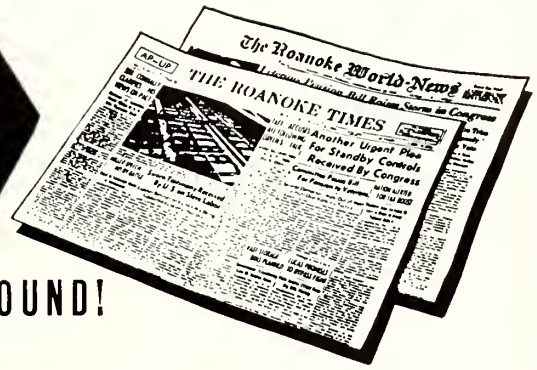


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# PORTSMOUTH, VA., NEWS

By Irma Koff

There's good news this month from the Portsmouth Jewish community. At a gala night of Stars for the Bonds for Israel, Sunday, November 4, at the Suburban Country Club, the local bond drive spurted to $73,700. Portsmouth's goal is $100,000 by January 1.

Mainly through the efforts of entertainer Jan Bart, who acted as master of ceremonies, $50,000 worth of bonds were sold at the affair.

Also on the program was Celia Adler star of the Yiddish Art Theatre and Broadway stage, and Mariam Carle, local television singing star. Music was furnished by Lou Saks and the Kearney Floyd orchestra.

Local chairman is Bob Epstein with Sol Fass, co-chairman.

### HADASSAH

The November meeting was dedicated to Hadassah Medical Organization and Hadassah Supplies with a skit, entitled "Cure" and a linen shower.

At the December meeting, Hadassah will pay tribute to Henrietta Szold, founder of Hadassah, and show a movie, "My Brother and I."

### B'NAI B'RITH

Tom Hanes, managing editor of the Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch was the guest speaker at the November meeting of Sol Fass Lodge of B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women of Portsmouth.

B'nai B'rith Men are readying plans for a fun and fund-raising drive in January. Jack Laskin is chairman.

### JUNIOR HADASSAH

As a fitting climax to a socially and financially successful Autumn Ball, Doris Fine was elected Autumn Queen.

Doris, who is leaving Portsmouth, has resigned as president of the local chapter. Gloria Stein, first vice-president, will serve as president.

Helen Katz and Joan Sufrin were local delegates to the Junior Hadassah National Convention in Boston, Mass., Thanksgiving weekend.

### SYNAGOGUE

B'nai B'rith Night was observed at Gomley Chesed Synagogue during the 108th anniversary celebration of the organization.

In commemoration of Girl Scout Week, members of the Jewish Girl Scout and Brownie troops, participated in Synagogue services during November.

### LADIES AID SOCIETY

The first meeting of the season of the Hebrew Ladies Aid Society was held November 13 with a skit: "Leave It to Our Girls." Participants were: Mrs. Sydney Pilzer, Audrey Gordon, Ellen Rae Frank, Diane Nelson, Sandra Inson, and Bobby Floum. Opening prayer was given by Phyllis Blachman. Chairmen of the meeting were Mrs. William Weiss and Mrs. Maurice Schwartz.

### JEWISH WAR VETERANS AUXILIARY

The local organization played hostess to the national president, Mrs. Jessica Slatis, practicing attorney in Chicago, at a luncheon on November 5. Following the luncheon Mrs. Slatis and the organization members visited the Portsmouth Naval Hospital. At that time they held a ward party and bingo game with writing kits being awarded to the winners.

At a recent dance at the hospital, JWA serviced 200 men. The ladies have also presented books to the Naval Hospital library and given a donation to the Portsmouth Library Fund.

The members have expressed their willingness to cooperate with the Portsmouth chapter of the American Red Cross on helping at the Port of Embarkation and with the blood bank.

### ZOA

Hilliard Shapiro, local president, attended the 26th annual regional conference in Richmond. Bernard Katz, Moses Reubin, Joseph Reshefsky, Cantor Grob, I. Mervis, and Rabbi and Mrs. Maurice Schwartz were also delegates.

Bob Epstein was elected a vice-president of the region.

### SISTERHOOD

Big affair of the year for Sisterhood was the highly successful Cotillion given Thanksgiving night at the Suburban Country Club.

### SOCIAL NEWS

Heartiest congratulations to Miss Trudy Jacobs, daughter of Mrs. Sophia Jacobs and Al Jacobs, on her engagement to Gilbert Friedman, of Norfolk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Friedman.

Congratulations also to Mendel Chovitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chovitz, on his Bar Mitzvah, November 9.

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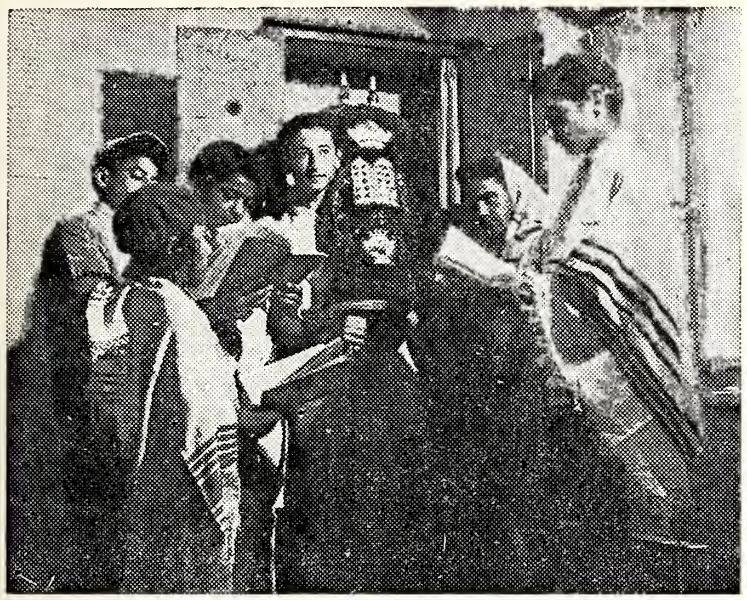

**"AND THE WORD OF THE LAW SHALL GO FORTH FROM JERUSALEM . . ."—Young newcomers to Israel remove the Torah from the Holy Ark of the junior congregation at the Bakka Settlement Houses in Jerusalem, one of 49 projects sponsored in Israel by the Mizrachi Women's Organization of America, as the cycle of the reading of the Law begins once again. Note traditional "paos" of Yemenite child at left.**

# SIGN POSTS ON THE ROAD

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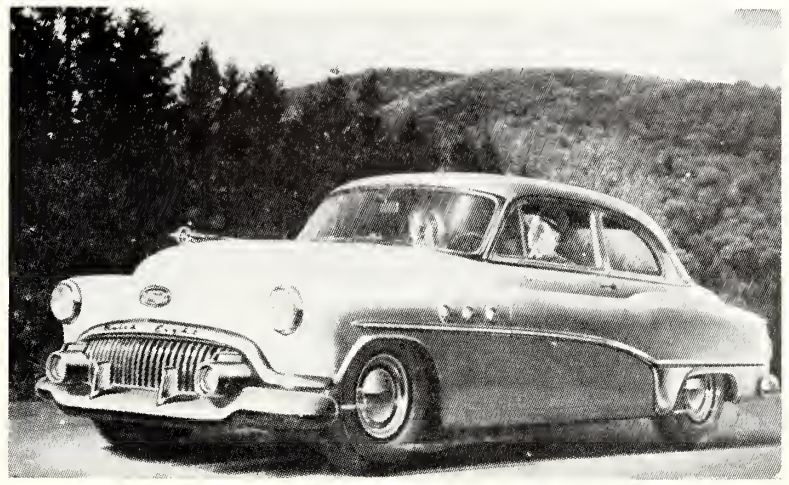
Jewish Music Festival, the musical counterpart of Jewish Book Month, is celebrated for a full month each year beginning with Shabbat Shirah—the Sabbath of Song—which occurs in late winter. Designed to develop within Jews a sense of pride and dignity through the appreciation of their own music, stimulate year-round musical projects and activities, encourage Jewish music programming for all groups, and give non-Jews the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of our culture through Jewish music, the Festival is based on the premise that "A people who lives, sings; a people who sings, lives."

Featuring concerts, lecture-recitals, community sings, programs of liturgical and chamber music, radio and television programs, forums, exhibits, sermons and special synagogue events, symphonic and choral recitals, and other programs, Jewish Music Festival brings to the eyes and ears of the American Jewish world the best in Jewish and Israeli music and its wonderfully gifted composers, encouraged to create still more music reflective of the Jewish music through the medium of competitions.

Thirty different program aids issued by the JWB-sponsored Music Council help Jewish Community Centers, YM-YWHA's, synagogues and other agencies in planning and staging well-balanced programs of Jewish music during the Festival and all through the year. Program planners are given guidance in bibliographies on Jewish music and on books and articles dealing with aspects of Jewish music. For rabbis and congregations planning Shabbat Shirah programs there is available an Oneg Shabbat program manual, and for those planning pageants and musico-dramas the "Musico-Dramatic Scripts" is recommended. The Council also offers "Jewish Moods in Music"—a new program designed to aid Jewish music leaders in planning an informal recorded music concert—and various other programs aids, and interpretive materials.

**Jewish Youth Week**

Next on the list of dates on the American Jewish calendar is Jewish Youth Week, which seeks to focus attention on the role, achievements, and needs of Jewish youth in the community. While it is not a cultural event

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in itself, Jewish Youth Week, following on the heels of the Music Festival, provides numberless opportunities for cultural, as well as recreational, social, religious, and athletic programs.

A program brochure prepared and distributed by the National Jewish Youth Conference for the guidance of Jewish youth and young adult councils, national Jewish youth organizations and other groups suggests a wide variety of activities rich in opportunties for developing Jewish youth leadership and a positive Jewish attitude—activities such as Jewish Youth Sabbaths, Jewish cultural festivals, Maccabiads and other sports events, "Join-a-Jewish-Youth-Group" drives, Purim Carnivals, local youth conferences and institutes, debates, forums, outings, stunt nights, exhibits, plays, lectures, book forums and other events.

Through these events, the conference, which also issues a number of other program aids and materials designed to promote and interpret Jewish Youth Week, calls attention to the importance of the role of Jewish youth in the community and the vast potentialities of leadership. Jewish Youth Week, in short, seeks to further the aims and purposes of the National Jewish Youth Conference, which has, as its ultimate goal, the development of a creative, unified, democratic American Jewish community.

**Jewish History Week**

The newest of the dates is Jewish History Week, conducted by the American Jewish Historical Society for the purpose of "developing an appreciation of the Jewish ideals of democracy that have helped to mold American democracy; furthering knowledge of the contribution Jews have made to the growth of America; stimulating the study of American Jewish history, and initiating a year-round interest in Jewish history."

To aid communities in the arrangement of Jewish History Week programs, the Society sends out more than a dozen booklets and pamphlets, including program suggestions, prose and verse selections, bibliographies, an introductory list to American Jewish biography, a selected list of audio-visual materials on American Jewish history, documents and other items.

What do these dates which make up the American Jewish calendar mean to the American Jewish community? Have they made any impact at all, or are they dates on paper only, to be written off as mere "promotion" efforts?

The proof of the rich cultural pudding lies in the fact that more than 3,000 organizations — Jewish Community Centers, synagogues, Jewish schools, libraries, community councils, youth and young adult councils, women's groups and other organizations and groups in virtually every Jewish community across the nation—observe Jewish Book Month and Jewish Music Festival each year. Through coast-to-coast and local radio and television programs, programs of national symphonies, displays in public libraries, special exhibits, lectures, concerts and other programs, American Jewry, and the non-Jewish public as well, is becoming increasingly aware and appreciative of the beauties and riches of Jewish music and Jewish literature. The works of Jewish composers and authors are heard and read by a wider audience than ever before. Jewish families are building libraries of Jewish books and recordings and are buying Jewish gifts for their relatives and friends.

Reports reaching the Book and Music Councils indicate that the emphasis on Jewish content in the Jewish Community Center reveals itself nowhere more dramatically than in the celebration and planning of Jewish Book Month and Jewish Music Festival programs. Stimulated by the observances, communities have organized their own music and book councils. Symphony orchestras, choral groups, concerts, lectures, and other programs conducted on a year-round basis are a direct result of these celebrations.

With the encouragement of Jewish Youth Week and the National Jewish Youth Conference, American Jewish youth have learned the art of working together for a healthier, happier, more positive community. Across the nation, young people have taken their seats on boards of Jewish Community Centers, Jewish Community Councils, Jewish welfare federations and on committees on national organizations such as the National Jewish Welfare Board itself.

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# God's Stake in Democracy

*By* RABBI HERMAN KIEVAL

**The writer is the rabbi of Congregation Beth Shalom, Pittsburgh, and a member of the Division of Relgious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Rabbi Kieval served in the chaplaincy during World War II.—THE EDITOR.**

I HAVE just returned from a tour of military installations in one of our Southern states. My immediate mission on behalf of the Division of Religious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board, was to inspect the religious program for the armed forces. But I was equally concerned with the problems of morale and ideology among our young men who have been called to the colors under the most baffling circumstances in American history. Officially our nation is not at war. Yet every day young men with only a few months of training go forth from these camps to distant battlefields to risk their lives.

I asked the commanding general of a large combat-training center: "How are our soldiers being prepared for this perilous paradox? Is any training being given to their mind and spirit as well as to their body to ready them for present and prospective dangers?" Here is what he told me: "We shall never be able to match our prospective opponents in manpower. We may not be able to cope with them in armaments. Our hope lies in the superior mind of the American fighting man. Our strongest weapon is the power of the democratic idea."

With these words he turned to the senior chaplain of his command and asked: "Did you show the visiting Rabbi our chapels? When this post was re-activated, the chapels were the first buildings painted and furnished. That is where our men will get their most important training."

This professional soldier hit directly upon a profound challenge to religion in our time. He charged religious leadership, in and out of uniform, to answer the question: "WHAT IS GOD'S STAKE IN DEMOCRACY?"

If our churches and synagogues are to play any meaningful role in the present crisis, they must explain and demonstrate the relationship between religious faith and the democratic ideal!

What, in essence, is "God's Stake in Democracy?" Let us set side by side two immortal statements. The first is one of the opening verses of the Hebrew Bible: "And God created man in His own likeness, in the image of God created He him." Here is religion's noblest estimate of human worth, its guarantee of the dignity and holiness of every personality.

The second text is the opening verse of the American "scriptures": "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Here is democracy's credo which equally asserts human worth and guarantees the dignity and freedom of the individual by relating all men equally to a universal Creator.

Democracy, at its best, has sworn eternal resistance to tyrants, who would use men as a means to some end other than their "inalienable rights" with which they are endowed by their Creator. Religion, at its finest, has established a permanent protest in the world against any idea or system which would de-humanize

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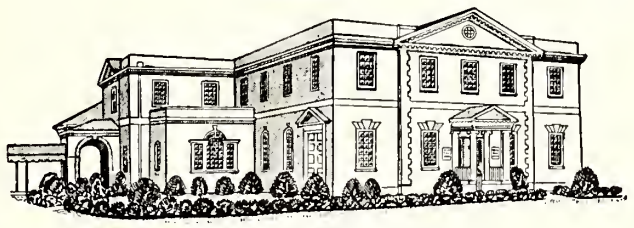

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and degrade man who is created "in the image of God."

True, both religion, as we know it, and democracy, as we have it, have fallen short of realizing their implicit goals for mankind as a whole. "God's image" is still being frightfully distorted in the name of much so-called "religion." Likewise, "certain inalienable rights" are still being brazenly alienated in the name of an alleged "democracy."

Yet man's last and best hope on earth is still contained in the democratic ideal and in the God-faith which gave birth to that ideal and sustains it today. **This is God's stake in Democracy!"**

## Roanoke, Va.

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gagement of their son, Joseph, to Miss Eleanor Ansel of Harrisburg, Pa. Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Katz on the birth of a second grandchild, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schwartz.

Bernard J. Natkin of Roanoke, a 1951 graduate of the Washington and Lee Law School, is now associated in the practice of law in Lexington with Paul G. Ganes. Natkin passed the Virginia State Bar Association in 1950 and was admitted to practice here. Before going to W. and L., he received his B.S. from Roanoke College.

Ben Gilbert Platt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Platt, of Roanoke, recently received his promotion to Lieutenant-Commander. He is stationed in Washington, D. C. They are proud parents of a new daughter, Shelly Ann, born last September. They have a son, Stewart David.

Mrs. Joseph Cohen, a past president of the Needlework Guild, reported on Guild activity at a meeting of the Monroe School P.T.A. Last year, she said, 1700 garments of 4,200 the guild collected, were distributed among school children. Roanoke City children were also given 105 pairs of shoes. Clothing was also donated to Mercy House, hospitals, and nursery schools. Mrs. Cohen explained that all garments are new, obtained by donation.

The Hallowe'en Dance held at Green Hill Country Club, was an evening of fun for all who attended. First prize was captured by Mr. and Mrs. Maury Lee Strauss, he being a hula-hula girl and she a sailor. Second prize went to Mr. David Newman, impersonating Carmen Miranda.

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These activities have developed real leadership and have guided many into service to the Jewish community as their life's work. The young men and women active in the National Jewish Youth Conference, which represents more than 300 local, regional and national organizations, will be the future leaders of American Jewry, and for that reason, the training and experience they receive are of the utmost importance.

That a greater number of people are becoming aware of the contributions which Jews have made to the growth, development and progress of America may be seen from the hundreds of communities conducting Jewish History Week programs, as well as the goodly number of radio and television programs which devoted their time to telling their audiences about Jewish personalities in American life. Courses in American Jewish history are now being offered to both adults and children; libraries are stocking their shelves with books on American Jewish history and are exhibiting displays of memorable documents, diaries, personal letters, manuscripts, photographs and drawings, memoirs and other materials pertaining to American Jewish history. Cognizance is being taken of the birthday anniversaries of American Jewish historic personalities and of American Jewish historic events.

The evidence, then, points to the fact that the American Jewish calendar has as much content as form—that it reflects an earnest, inner need of American Jewry to express itself creatively as Jews and as Americans. It explains a lot of vague terms, such as Jewish content and American Jewish culture, for through the medium of the American Jewish calendar, there is emerging a pattern of positive, dynamic Jewish living in America.

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**E. E. FALK, active Jewish communal leader, who is serving as chairman of the local Community Chest campaign, receives a contribution from Enid Bass as children from the Jewish Community Center look on.**

## Newport News, Va.

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the birthday of Chaim Weizmann, President of the State of Israel.

Jan Bart, one of most talented and best loved fellows in show, business, is well known via theatres, radio, and night club stages. He was voted the best male singer to appear at the Olympia Theatre during 1947-48. He also stars in his first motion picture to be released this winter called "Catskill Honeymoon," which tells of his rise in show business via the borscht belt. His Columbia records in seven languages have made him a favorite on the continent.

Sara Fogel, brilliant young lyric soprano, is from Cincinnati, Ohio. Still in her early twenties, she is featured on the coast-to-coast ABC program "The Messages of Israel," and is a soprano soloist at the Central Synagogue in New York. Her repertoire of Hebrew, Yiddish, opera, and concert music is varied and extensive.

Moshe Buchholz, Israeli conductor and flautist, comes from Kibbutz Chulata in upper Galilee. After four years in the Kubbutz he was sent to Tel Aviv where he studied conducting and composition. Last year the Histadruth sent him to the United States for graduate study at Juilliard School.

Elyakum Shapira is a native of Petach Tikvah and is a veteran of the Palmach. Conductor, pianist, accordionist, he is one of the outstanding young Israeli musicians now studying at the Juilliard School of Music in New York.

### BONDS FOR ISRAEL

Cooperating organizations and the chairmen are: Hadassah, Mrs. E. E. Falk; Sisterhood of Rodelph Sholom Temple, Mrs. Leonard Gordon; Council of Jewish Women, Mrs. Al Brout; Jewish War Veterans, Sidney Fink; ZOA, Reuben Greenspon; B'nai B'rith, Daniel Schlosser; Adath Jeshurun, Synagogue, Leonard Sternfield; Mizrachi, Morris Silverman; Ladies Auxiliary, of Adath Jeshurun Synagogue, Mrs. Al Sherr; Jewish War Veterans Auxiliary, Mrs. Joe Gordon; Hebrew Aid Society, Mrs. E. J. Graff; Rodelph Sholom Temple, Al Brout; Hadassah of Hampton - Phoebus, Mrs. David Zwerdling.

### JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER KINDERGARTEN

The Jewish Community Center Kindergarten Parent - Teacher Association held its first meeting of the new school year Wednesday afternoon, October 31, at the Center. The following slate of officers was submitted by a committee composed of Mrs. A. Markowitz and Mrs. S. Fink: Mrs. Seymour Glasofer, president; Mrs. Milton Bass, vice-president; Mrs. Burt Morewitz, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Samuel Ellenson, program chairman

At the conclusion of the business meeting, Mrs. Charles Olshansky led a discussion on "Sick Room and Rainy Day Activities for Children."

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# HAMPTON - PHOEBUS NEWS

**Mrs. Lawrence J. Gale, Correspondent**

Sisterhood held its first meeting of the year, and the membership committee under the leadership of Mrs. Joe Tanin and Mrs. Bernard Weinflash, who really did a bang-up job. The new members introduced at the meeting were: Mesdames Arnold Beckhardt, Martel Epstein, Jerome Persh, Alexander Burns, Sherwood Hoffman, and Julian Berman.

The November meeting featured a covered dish supper honoring both old and new members. Mesdames Monroe Weiner, Dave Norad, Gerald Block, and Howard Rohr were in charge of arrangements, and all the members brought their "meichels" for a feasting good time.

The first big event on the Sisterhood calendar will be the Synagogue Birthday Party on December 2. A cantata, "The Seven Golden Buttons," directed by Mrs. Maurice Gottleib will highlight the evening. The usual candle-lighting ceremony will also be held.

### HADASSAH

Mrs. William Diamonstein, organization representative for the Seaboard Region of Hadassah, brought a very inspiring report of the Hadassah Convention at the October meeting.

Mrs. Philip Kroskin of Norfolk, spoke on HMO month at the November meeting.

Hadassah had a huge social and financial success at a Stanley Party at the home of the president, Mrs. Louis Greenspon.

The annual Rummage Sale under the leadership of Mrs. Melvin Carmel was also a tremendous success.

Mrs. Jermome Passamanick was chosen representative for OUTLOOK subscriptions.

Mrs. Seymour Stein, Membership Chairman, and Mrs. I. Cooper, Co-chairman, introduced the following new members at the first meeting: Mesdames Jerome Persh, Jerome Passamanick, Seymour Steinberg, Sherwood Hoffman, and Gerald Block.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

The B'nai Israel Sunday School reached an all-time high enrollment this year of 71 students divided into seven classes. The teachers for the coming year are: Mrs. Bernard Robinson, Mrs. Maurice Sandler, Mrs. Frances Wolsh, Mr. Seamon Gottleib, Mrs. Edward Garrick, Mrs. Dave Norad, Mrs. Jack Zarovsky, Mr. Martin Zlotnick, and Rabbi Mirvis. Mrs. Maurice Gottleib is in charge of the musical program for the Sunday School.

The children are planning for a Juvenile Jury program.

### YOUTH GROUP

The Youth group will present a Leave It to the Youth program at their next meeting, with an outstanding personality to represent the adult view.

The group was entertained recently at the home of Miss Wendy Recant. Mrs. George Recant and Miss Mildred Fox were in charge of arrangements.

### PERSONALS

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mrs. Harry Carmel on the loss of her sister, Mrs. Rose Kaplan of Baltimore, and to Mr. Dave Zwerdling on the loss of his brother, Mr. Louis Zwerdling of New York.

Get well wishes to Mrs. J. B. Levy and Mrs. T. Sharf, who are confined to their homes.

Good wishes for continued good health to Mrs. Harry Carmel, and to Mrs. Jacob Damsky, who have recovered from recent illnesses.

## Staunton, Va.

**Estelle Kauffman, Reporter**

Attending the Board Meeting, District Number Eight, in Lynchburg were: Mrs. Milton Finkel, Mrs. Oscar Samuels, Mrs. H. L. Barber, Mrs. Abe Bressman, and Mrs. Minnie Switzer.

The Sisterhood meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Dora Klotz. Final arrangements were made for the buffet supper to be held November 18 for the cadets and girls from surrounding schools.

The Ways and Means committee held a benefit card party at the home of Mrs. Judy Levy. A very enjoyable time was had by all.

Mrs. Dora Klotz was in New York visiting her daughter, Miss Peggy Klotz, and nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Degan.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cohen were in Levittown, N. Y., visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Silverman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Barber were in New York and Baltimore, seeing some friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Morty Sloane were in Philadelphia to attend the bris of Mr. Sloane's nephew. They also stopped off in Washington and Newport News.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kreitzer and son, Larry, and Mrs. Brandt Levy and daughters, Cookie and Phillippa, drove up to Philadelphia to do some visiting.

Munich—Opposition to Chancellor Adenauer's peace gesture toward Israel and the Jewish people was voiced at a conference of German clerics in the Amberger district. One of the speakers, Pastor Oth, bluntly denied German guilt for the Nazi crimes against Jews. He asked rejection of the Adenauer declaration on the ground it might create the impression in the world that the Germans really committed crimes against Jews.

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**DP'S HAPPILY OBEY GOVERNMENT ORDER TO FILE PROGRESS REPORT—Among the thousands of recent DP immigrants who crowded the offices of HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, in New York City and throughout the country, to receive help in filing the report with the DP Commission as required by law, were Elias Rotstein and his little family, Miriam, his wife, at his left, Cwyj, 5, and Haja, 10 months, who are here shown at the HIAS offices in New York, as Mr. Rotstein fills out the report for the family. Every DP must file such a report once every six months until a total of four have been executed. The blank, in addition to names and addresses, requires the immigrant to state where he is working and whether he receives the prevailing wages. As the deadline of July 1st neared, the HIAS offices were jammed with recent DPs who applied for assistance in complying with the law.**

## Richmond, Va.

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concert alto saxophonist, and her accompanist, Mrs. Bert Osias for the most enjoyable musical program arranged by Cantor Morris Okun. Mrs. Bellet has toured with the Philadelphia Orchestra, and is a resident of Richmond, and affiliated with Temple Beth El. Mrs. Osias has been with us, and has given of her talent to our enjoyment on many, many occasions in Temple affairs.

On December 19, Sisterhood will hold their annual Paid-Up party meeting. This meeting has double significance, as we will also make this affair a Chanukah Supper party, with a delightful program, presented under the chairmanship of Mrs. A. W. Grandis. Mrs. Charles Brown is chairman of the supper, and a most enjoyable evening is planned for this December meeting. We urge all Sisterhood members to be in "good standing" and plan to attend this Chanukah Supper Meeting.

January meeting will take the form of the annual joint Brotherhood-Sisterhood meeting, to be held on Wednesday, January 16, at the Temple. Program and details of this meeting will be announced at a later date.

On Friday, December 28, Sisterhood will honor the Boys' and Girls' Home-Coming at a Oneg Shabbot immediately following Friday evening services, in the Social Hall of the Temple. Those desiring to participate in the program on this occasion, may arrange to do so, by contacting Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, or Mrs. Art Lazuras, Sisterhood's College Mother.

A professional instructor from Ross-Bailey School of Dancing has been engaged to instruct the Cotillion for Boys and Girls, both junior and advance held on Saturday nights in Beth El Social hall. Cotillion for juniors was held on November 10, and for the Advance group on November 24. Both dances were well attended, parents desiring to enroll their children may do so by contacting either Mrs. Vivienne Harris for juniors or Mrs. Al Kravits for advance group.

The Annual Thanksgiving Dance was held as always, at the Hotel John Marshall, with an "After Dance Breakfast" served Sisterhood Dance patrons by the Horsepoint Grill, 8th and Grace


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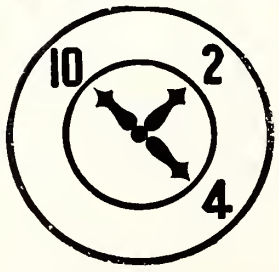


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streets. To Mrs. Louis Weinstein and Mrs. Meyer Levin and their committees, Sisterhood extends their sincere thanks for a job well done. This dance was a social and financial success, with much fun and gaiety had by guests of the evening.

On November 6, Mrs. Morton N. Gary, Membership chairman, honored new members with a Tea at the home of Mrs. Philips Seldes, 301 Oak Lane. Approximately fifty members were entertained with a delightful program by Mrs. A. W. Grandis, with Mrs. Getty Schwartz, Mrs. Gilbert Freedlander, Mrs. Hy Gardner and Mrs. Morton Gary participating. We trust their association in Beth El Sisterhood will be enlightening and pleasurable.

**Program for Sisterhood Meeting**

In observance of "Jewish Book Month" Rabbi Jacob Milgrom reviewed the book "The Gentlemen and the Jew," by Maurice Samuel.

A humorous skit was presented entitled "The Fantasy of the Talking Bookshelves."

The members taking part were Mesdames Hy Garber, Nathan Brown, Leon Grossman, Eli Feldman, Stuart Goodman, Abe Kahan, Aaron Miller, Phil Kittenplan, Bradford Wasserman, Walter Siegel, Abe Goldman, Samuel Weiman, Jacob Milgrom, Morris Okun, Nathan Zell, Morris Peck, Melvin Brooks, Joe Mason, Sam Shear, Irvin Cantor, and Isadore Kayne. The pianist was Mrs. Max Wohl.

**Installation Week-End**

Two of Conservative Jewry's prominent leaders came to Beth-El during the week-end of November 9 through 11 for the installation ceremonies of our Rabbi.

On Friday evening, November 9, Dr. Abraham E. Millgram, the Educational Director of the United Synagogue of America, was the guest speaker. Dr. Millgram, an uncle of our Rabbi, was ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary, served thirteen years in the active rabbinate at Wilmington and Philadelphia, and five years as Director of the Hillel Foundation of the University of Minnesota. A Ph. D. from Dropsie College, Dr. Millgram is the author of "An Anthology of Medieval Hebrew Literature" and "Sabbath—the Day of Delight."

On Saturday morning, November 10, at 9:30, the services were sponsored under the joint auspices of the Sisterhood and the Religious School Committee. Dr. Millgram spoke on "Is Hebrew Really Necessary?" At the Sisterhood Kiddush following the services, a discussion of Dr. Millgram's challenging topic was held.

The Installation Ceremonies were climaxed with a dinner in honor of Rabbi Jacob Milgrom in the Beth-El Social Hall on Sunday evening, November 11, at 7:00 o'clock. The guest speaker of the evening was Rabbi David Aronson, of Temple Beth-El, of Minneapolis, Minn. Rabbi Aronson is a personal friend of both Rabbi and Mrs. Millgrom, and has achieved recognition as a dynamic speaker and a leading figure in the American rabbinate.

Thanks to the Sisterhood of the Beth Sholom Home, the inside of our Home received a face lifting. The painters were busy painting and papering the place to get it ready for the High Holidays. Special thanks to Mrs. Tillie Cohen of the Southern Wall Paper Company, for donating the most beautiful and expensive wall paper. The Board and management, but most of all our residents, are ever so grateful to our Sisterhood and Mrs. Tillie Cohen for their generosity.

We also want to thank Mr. Morris Smeyne for conducting services during the holidays in such a dignified manner. Our residents were delighted to celebrate all holidays in a way they were used to all their lives. It gave Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Loewenthal, superintendent and matron, a great feeling of satisfaction to make all the preparations and see the old people so happy and satisfied. We also want to thank everybody in the community for their donations and contributions which made it possible to make the holidays such pleasant ones.

On November 7, 1951, the Richmond Tuberculosis Association sent their mobile unit to the Home. All our aged residents and staff were given a chance to have their chests X-rayed.

The Beth Sholom Home held their state-wide board meeting on November 11, 1951, at the Home.

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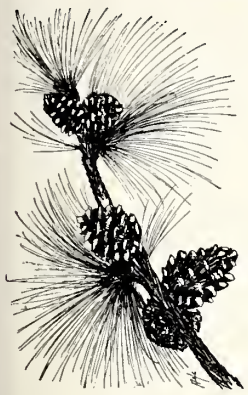

# NEWS *of the* CAROLINAS

## HIGH POINT, N. C.

**Mrs. Daniel Sechtin, Reporter**

The October meeting of the Council was held at the home of Mrs. Mose Samet with Mrs. Robert Samet and Mrs. Harold Gutterman as associate hostesses. Mrs. Sam Hyman, president, announced that a project, Health Department Aids, in connection with the local Health Department, has been undertaken. It was also announced that the group contributed a $15 trophy to the Guilford County Fine Arts Festival. The following delegates were elected for the regional convention: Mesdames Arthur Cassell, Norman Silver, Sema Morris, and Hyman. Alternates are Mrs. Louis Greenberg and Mrs. Al Rabhan.

Mrs. Morris introduced Mrs. Gertrude Tobias who spoke on Council. A skit, "Here's to Council," was presented by Mesdames Harry Jacobs, Morris, and Rabhan. Mrs. Morris then introduced each new member with an original verse.

Mrs. Edward Leyton was hostess at her home on November 7 to the Ladies Auxiliary. Associate hostesses were Mesdames Danny Ballow, Marshall Ginsburg, and Ben Chernoff.

"Taxation" was the topic of the first discussion of the year when the Study Group met on November 1 at the home of Mrs. Harry Jacobs.

Irving Silverstein, president, Fred Kluger, Sam Hyman, and Louis Ershler were B'nai B'rith members present for the laying of the cornerstoen of the Hillel House at Chapel Hill on October 28.

The Council of Jewish Women and Ladies Auxiliary sponsored a square dance at Pleasant's Club on November 3. Mrs. Harold Gutterman was chairman of the committee responsible for making this dance an outstanding success. Also on the committee were Mesdames Harry Kantor, Jake Pliskin, Al Rabhan, Harry Jacobs, Danny Ballow, Arthur Cassell, Stan Hackman, Robert Ruden, Fred Swartzberg, Jack Samet, and Sema Morris.

Congratulations to the following who celebrated their anniversaries last month: Mr. and Mrs. Jake Samet Mr. and Mrs. Jake Harris, and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Sechtin.

Musician Apprentice Bernard Stadium, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mose Stadium, has completed his course in music at the Naval School of Music in Washington, D. C., and is in Norfolk, Va., until being assigned to the Aircraft Carrier Midway.

Welcome into the community to Fred Kluger, who recently arrived from Germany. Welcome also to Mr. and Mrs. Myer Reed and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Belinsky, who have come from Kingston, Pa., to make their home here.

The following High Pointers recently visited in New York: Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Greenberg and daughter, Libby, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Abeles, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Taylor, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bernard.

Visiting in High Point were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wagger and sons, of New York City, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wagger; Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Blass of Washington, D. C., guests of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Ballow; and Joe Levine of Texas, who visited his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Tillis.

"Get Well wishes" to Mrs. Manny Rosen, Mrs. Jacobson, and Mr. Gordon.

**MAYOR E. J. EVANS of Durham (third from left) and B'nai B'rith leaders in North Carolina, participate in the laying of the cornerstone for the new Hillel House at Chapel Hill. Dedication has been tentatively set for April 20, 1952. Reading from left to right: Theodore Frankel, president of the Hillel chapter at the University of North Carolina; Ben Kreiger, of Greensboro; Mayor Evans; Joseph H. Hanchrow, of Wilson, president of the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges; Cy Girard, Gastonia, chairman of the Finance Committee; Rabbi Jerome Mark, Gastonia, and Rabbi Samuel Perlman, director of the Hillel Foundation at Chapel Hill.**

## Wilmington, N. C.

**By Mrs. Justin Raphael**

Mrs. Josselyn Shore, Hadassah's liaison officer to the United Nations, is a powerful and dramatic speaker. Her "Israel and the United Nations" talk at the Four-in-One Institute held her audience spellbound. The Institute was held October 30 at the Covenant Club for the Seaboard Region. Mrs. H. M. January of Suffolk, Va., president of the Seaboard Region, presided and spoke on fund raising. Mrs. H. Seagal of Washington, D. C., regional vice-president, spoke on education; Mrs. S. Elfman of Fayetteville, on programming; and Mrs. S. Pilzer of Portsmouth, Va., on leadership training. Delegates from the Fayetteville, Kinston, Goldsboro, and Wilmington chapters were present.

A feast fit for a king well-describes the smorgasbord dinner given for the

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Horace J. Sher, son of M. L. Sher, was honored Friday evening, November 2, at a traditional 13th birthday celebration in observance of his reaching the age of religious responsibility.

The guest of honor, who had been tutored during several weeks of preparation by the Rabbi Pesach Krauss, was honored at the party and also at a religious service on Saturday, November 3, at the Synagogue.

Party hostesses were Mesdames Eva Lieberman, Rose Robbins, Mildred Margolis, H. Dworsky, I. Ornoff, Marilyn Ornoff, Pesach Krauss, Sophie Zuckerman, Lubie Zuckerman, Fanny Gladstein, I. Rancer, D. Rose, Bessie Bergman, Clara Wolf, and Minnie Messenger.

## Among the Rabbis

Rabbi Leonard J. Rothstein (HUC '04) who was named rabbi emeritus of Congregation Beth Israel, York, Pa., in June, has accepted the pulpit of Beth Sholom Congregation, Danville, Va.

Rabbi Jerome M. Pines (N. Y. '50) has been named leader of Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County, near Washington, D. C. Last year, Rabbi Pines served Temple Agudath Sholom, Lynchburg, Va.

Rabbi Nathan Hershfield (HUC '48), formerly assistant rabbit at Congregation B'nai Jehuda, Kansas City, Mo., has been elected to the pulpit of Congregation Beth El, Charlotte, N. C., succeeding Philip Frankel.

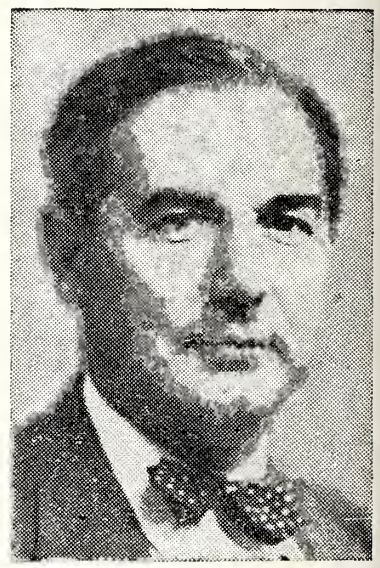
Rabbi Sidney Ballon (HUC '38) is leaving Temple Adath Israel, Lexington, Ky., to become rabbi of Nassau City Temple, West Hampstead, N. Y. He was previously spiritual leader of the Tree of Life Temple in Columbia, S. C.

Rabbi Mordecai M. Thurman (HUC '31) has been named rabbi of Congregation B'rith Sholom, Easton, Pa. Rabbi Thurman formerly served Congregation Gemiluth Chassodim, Alexandria, La. Previously he served as rabbi for Temple of Israel, Wilmington, N. C.

Rabbi Maurice M. Mazure (HUC '12), rabbi of Temple of Israel, Greenville, S. C., for fourteen years, died August 17 in Atlantic City. He was seventy-five. A few months earlier he had retired from active duty with the congregation which, in 1946, had elected him rabbi for life.

He was widely known in South Carolina, where he was active in religious civic and social welfare activities. He was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Greenville Rotary Club and for many years was a leading figure in the Greenville Ministerial Association and the board of the Family Welfare Association.

Before beginning his ministry in Greenville, Rabbi Mazure occupied pulpits in Sioux City, Pittsburgh, Worcester, and Providence.



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# GREENSBORO NEWS

By MIN KLEIN

The "old" and the "new" had a chance to greet each other at the reception held in honor of new members who joined Temple Emanuel during the past few months—the reception after services was presided over by Kate Pearl and daughter, Dot Hamburger, and the table was especially decorated for this occasion with a beautifully dressed-up cake, the theme of all this being "Welcome New Members." So honored were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Daktor, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fingerheit, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lavietes, Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Markowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sachs, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Silvers, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Skuden, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Smallwood, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Weisler, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zeiger, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Landsberger of North Wilkesboro, Miss Leah Quinn, and Mr. Benjamin Goodes of Reidsville. . . PTA Sabbath at Temple Emanuel was an impressive and inspiring worship hour, with parents, children, and teachers of the Religious School participating in an especially prepared service for this occasion. . . And at Beth David the newly organized PTA elected Gene Jacobs as its first president, and Mrs. Leo Ingber as secretary, with plans in full swing for an actively interested organization this year.

The Beth David Sisterhood, with Blanche Lyon as president, worked long and faithfully to make the November 10 Carnival at Beth David an outstandingly successful event. President Blanche Lyon was general chairman, with every member of the Sisterhood participating on one or more committees which provided food, fun, and games.

It was talent time once more for our ladies and plenty of talent appeared in the skit presented by Hadassah at their November 19 meeting. "A Million Thanks" was an array of songs and acting, directed by Julie Epstein and Pearl Startz, co-chairmen, with the following members participating: President Bea Karesh, Sara Smith, Goldie Zager, Jean Prago, Emma Bates, Margie Camras, Evelyn and Gloria Robinson, Ceil Levine, Esther Jacobson, Roselle Schneider, E. LeBlang, Bea Goldberg, June Miller, A. Cohen, A. Herman, Elma Dryzer, and H. Silvers.

The Council's dramatic presentation of "Unfinished Business—U. S. A.," brought a consciousness of each member's personal responsibility for social betterment through Council. With Laura Weinstein's fine narrating, and Margie Camras, Roselle Schreiber, Evelyn and Gloria Robinson participating in the responses, and Jack Salz providing the only male voice, we listened attentively to this fine presentation. Delegates to the Mid-Atlantic Conference in Norfolk were also elected at this meeting, and we await the reports from President Hilda Weinstein, Clara May Friedlaender, member of the regional board, and Mesdames Blankstein and Lang. Future plans of Council include the establishment of a Medical Loan Closet which will be available to all who need this service in the city of Greensboro. The Council Donor Luncheons took place simultaneously at the homes of twelve hostesses on Wednesday, November 14, at which time a re-broadcast of the National Council Day observance was heard by members. . . Hostesses serving luncheon in their homes were Emma Bates, Adele Rosenberg, Mollie Zauber, Anne Blankstein, Fran Kay, Virginia Bloch, Kay Stern, Hilda Weinstein, Clara May Friedlaender, Esther Jacobson, Goldie Zager, and Mesdames Curt Freiburg and Max Bloom. Co-chairmen of the luncheons were Mesdames Rosenberg and Blankstein.

The Temple Emanuel Brotherhood installed their officers for the coming year and enjoyed an hour of games in the game room, at their first full meeting of the year. Officers installed were Max Bloom, president; Charles Roth, vice-president; Arnold Marks, treasurer; Marshall Solomon, secretary; and board members, Archie Israel, David Rothschild, Harry Chandgie, and Lewis Rosenberg. Sol Weinstein walked off with the door prize. Charles Pearl received a special plaque for the outstanding work he did for the Jewish Chautauqua Society here as part of the local Brotherhood program, and Rabbi Rypins presented two plaques to the local Brotherhood for achievement in membership and activity during the past year. Rabbi Rypins brought the plaques from New York where he attended the annual


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meeting of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods.

The second Annual Thanksgiving Dance sponsored by the Beth David Men's Club at Starmount was a huge success and a gay Thanksgiving celebration. . . The November meeting of the Sidney J. Stern Lodge, B'nai B'rith, took the form of a "town meeting" open to all in the community, held at Beth David Synagogue. After the usual procedure of business, the panel on "What Is the Future of American Jewry" provided the program of the evening. Rabbi R. I. Rypins was moderator, with Rabbi Simcha Kling of Beth David, and Rabbi William Gold of B'nai Israel in High Point, handling the rabbinical side, while Jack Salz and Chester A. Brown presented the layman's viewpoint.

It was Hillel Weekend at Temple Emanuel when about 150 students from surrounding college communities gathered to enjoy dancing and Sunday "Brunch," sponsored by the local WC Hillel group, Marilyn Tolochko, president. This is an annual custom and a highly successful event. The Sunday brunch is followed by an interesting discussion period. . . Two outstanding Hillel programs recently presented by the local chapter were provided by Goldie Zager, who spoke on her recent trip to Europe and Israel, showing movies of this interesting voyage, and by Florence Jacobson, 1951 graduate, who presented a program of Jewish music.

The younger members of our community have gathered often and productively during the past weeks. . . BBG president Evelyn Greenberg lets no opportunity slip by to provide activity for her 30 or more membership, with November setting a wonderful example in community service. A box of books gathered among the members was presented to a local children's library in honor of Jewish Book Month, and a huge basket of food for a needy family provided a more bountiful Thanksgiving for some of the less fortunate members of our community. The family was selected by the local Welfare Department. . . And we hope you've purchased one of those attractive little BBYO aprons the girls are selling. . . The Sigmund Selig AZA chapter installed their newly elected officers at the annual Father-Son banquet held at Bliss' on November 19, and had their first opportunity to hear Rabbi Kling as their guest speaker. . . Officers installed were: Sherold Klein, Aleph Godol (president); Bob Goldberg, Aleph S'gan (vice-president); Lou Mayer, Aleph Mazkir (secretary); and Bob Laviettes, Aleph Gisbor (treasurer). . . Exciting AZA event to start off the December social functions was their Sweetheart Dance held at Beth David, but action was deferred on selection of a chapter sweetheart to represent them at the regional convention in Charleston later in the month. . . Congratulations to the Taubliebs and the Henry Rothschilds on the arrival of baby girls.

Barry (The Unpredictable) Farber will have much to tell us about when he gets down to earth again after his unexpected flying trip to Yugoslavia as United States representative to the convention of the National Student Association last month. Barry, who is president of the district, was literally "picked up" between halves at the Maryland-UNC football game and whisked off to Yugoslavia.

We're bidding for a ringside seat in the cheering section when Rebecca Goss makes her opera debut in Italy this month. This is a true story of "local-girl-makes-good" after years of persevering study and faith in the future. . . Not too many weeks off and we'll be singing "Rock of Ages" all over again. . . Here's the wish for a Chanukah that will be as bright and cheery as those eight lovely candles

**REBECCA GOSS**

Miss Rebecca Goss, daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. H. Goss of Greensboro, will make her debut in grand opera in December, when she takes the lead in Mascagni's opera "Cavalleria Rusticana" at Fras Chini theatre in Pavia in Italy. Miss Goss, who have arrived at this point after many years of serious study, has spent the past three years in Italy where she went as a member of the LaScala opera school after auditioning at Town Hall, in New

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York. She was also selected as one of three students from the entire school for another year's scholarship, but has been studying privately with Gina Cigna, famed Metropolitan soprano, and doing concert work of her own.

A native of Greensboro and a graduate of Greensboro High School, Miss Goss who is a dramatic soprano, attended the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and received training in New York before she went to Italy. In addition to "Rusticana," Miss Goss will also have the lead in Verdi's "The Masked Ball" and will do one of Gina Cigna's most famous roles in Puccini's "Turandot," an opera, seldom given because it requires real dramatic soprano and tenor.

## Burgaw, N. C.

Funeral services for Harry Margolis, 73, were conducted Friday afternoon, October 2, 1951, at 3 o'clock, in the Kopp Funeral Home in Wilmington. Burial was in the Hebrew cemetery in that city.

Mr. Margolis, a Burgaw merchant for many years, died in a Wilmington hospital. He retired in 1944 because of ill health.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Matthew, of St. Pauls, N. C., and R. J., of Richmond, Va.; five grandchildren, and two sisters.

## Hendersonville, N. C.

**By Mrs. Kalman Sherman**

**Agudus Israel Men's Group Elect Officers for Coming Year**

At a recent meeting, Mr. Mac Provda was elected president of the congregation for the coming year. He succeeds Mr. Morris Kaplan. Mr. Meyer Levinson was elected vice-president; Mr. Sam Williams, secretary; and Mr. Levinson, treasurer. Mr. Levinson and Mr. Morris Kalen were appointed trustees of the center.

**Hadassah Holds Installation Service**

The Hendersonville chapter of Hadassah held an Installation Dinner at the Jewish Community Center to install the following officers: Mrs. Sam Kalin, president; Mrs. Sam Williams, vice-president; Mrs. Dan Michalove, recording secretary; Mrs. Morris Kaplan, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Jack Schulman, treasurer. Mrs. Frank Marder, of Asheville, N. C., who is Seaboard Regional Chairman of the Med. School, presided over the clever installation program. Mrs. Rudolph Gumpart, president of the Asheville chapter of Hadassah, spoke on her recent tour of Israel.

Proceeds from the successful rummage sale were announced.

The B'nai B'rith chapter held a fun Hallowe'en party at the Center. Costumes, games and prizes highlighted the successful affair. Everyone stuffed themselves on potato lotkus—a real treat. Members of the committee were Mac Provda, Eddie Mottsman, Kalman Sherman, Mrs. Beryl Cohen, and Mrs. B. Ackler.

Plans are being made for the visit of Mr. Joe Hanchrow, State President of B. B., to the local chapter.

**Births**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Gaeser announce the birth of a son, Philip Bernard. Proud grandparents are the Louis Shermans and Mrs. Etta Gaeser of Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams are the proud parents of their firstborn son, Sidney Nathan.

**Travelers**

Mrs. Ernie Frankel and daughters, Sherry and Elin Merri, have joined Captain Frankel at Quantico, Virginia, where he is an instructor in the Marine Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cohen have moved to Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Cohen is the former Betty Ann Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kalin and Mr. Dan Michalove have returned from Hot Springs, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shulman and daughter, Toni, are vacationing in Miami.

Mrs. Nathan Patla attended the American Legion convention in Miami.

Mrs. Sam Cooley is visiting in Charleston, S. C. She is the grandmother of two new grandsons—Mark Bruce Epstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Epstein of Charleston, and Stuart Walter Cooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooley of Asheville, N. C.

Mr. Meyer Levinson flew to Los Angeles due to the serious illness of his sister.

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Mrs. Wilton Brill has returned from Savannah, Ga.

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To Mrs. Ben Popkin and family. Ben was a wonderful asset to our community and we shall all miss him.

To the Daitch family of Augusta, Ga., on the passing of Mrs. Daitch, a summer resident here.

To the Zerden family of Hickory on the passing of Mr. Zerden.

## Kinston, N. C.

**Birth**

Mr. and Mrs. David Freedman announce the birth of their daughter, Debra Ann, on October 9. The baby was named at Sabbath services by Rabbi Tolochko. Mr. and Mrs. Freedman were hosts at a reception following the service.

Rabbi Tolochko addressed the Kiwanis Club of Raeford, N. C., recently, at which time he discussed his experiences as a JWB Chaplain.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scheuer and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Foxman were hosts at a reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Morris Foxman on the occasion of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. The reception was held at the home of the Ben Foxmans.

Mrs. Sidney Kanter who underwent an operation at Duke Hospital is getting along nicely. A speedy recovery is wished for her by the entire community.

Mr. J. P. Booth, superintendent of the local schools, was the guest speaker at Friday evening Sabbath service. Mr. Booth used for his subject his experiences while in Japan on an educational mission.

Vienna — An "Arthur Schnitzler Month," dedicated to the memory of the great Austrian Jewish dramatist who died in 1931, was proclaimed here by the Municipal Council in conjunction with a number of cultural organizations. During the month, Austrian theatres will produce Schnitzler plays that had been barred during the Nazi regime.

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# GASTONIA, N. C.

MISS RENEE PERLMAN

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Perlman of Brooklyn, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Renee, to Howard Lieber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lieber of Gastonia, N. C. The wedding will take place in New York in January 13.

The Sisterhood-Hadassah held its meeting in the Temple vestry room with Mrs. Sidney Cohen, president, in the chair. Mr. Robert J. Gurney, prominent local businessman, addressed the gathering in the interest of Bonds for Israel. Mr. Gurney is state chairman of the project. Mrs. Leon Schneider gave a report on the progress of the Hadassah Medical Organization. Plans were made for the forthcoming raffle.

Rabbi Jerome Mark, Temple president, Mr. Cy G. Girard, and B'nai B'rith president, Harry Binder, represented the Charlotte Jewish community at the laying of the cornerstone for the Hillel House at Chapel Hill. Rabbi Mark pronounced the benediction.

**Birth**

A son, Max Sholom, was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Hershfield of Valdese, N. C., formerly of Gastonia.

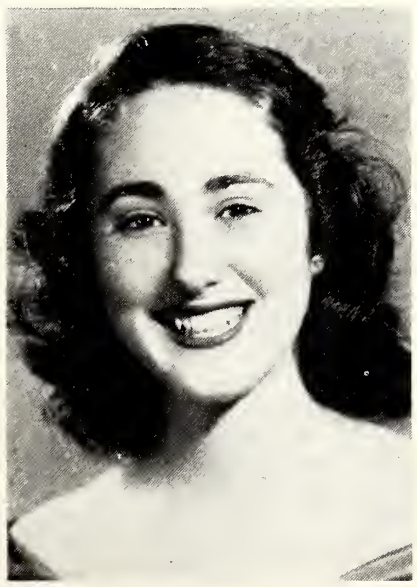
# Hamlet, N. C.

**POTAMKIN-LEVINE**

Miss Dana Potamkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Potamkin, of Miami, and Alvin S. Levine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Levine, of Hamlet, N. C., were married on August 23, 1951, at Little Silver, New Jersey, in the home of the uncle and aunt of the bride.

Mrs. Levine was graduated from the Miami Edison Senior High School and attended Duke University, where she was a member of the Alpha Epsilon Phi sorority. Mr. Levine graduated from Hamlet High School and served with the U. S. Navy for three years before entering Wake Forest College where he received his degree in 1948. He received his M.S. in Public Health at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, in 1950. During the past year he was research assistant at Duke University School of Medicine. He is now attending Rutgers University where he is working on his Ph.D. degree. He is a member of Gamma Epsilon, honorary chemical fraternity, and of Sigma Xi, national research society.

The couple are making their home in University Heights, New Brunswick, N. J.



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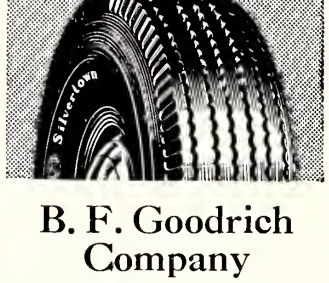


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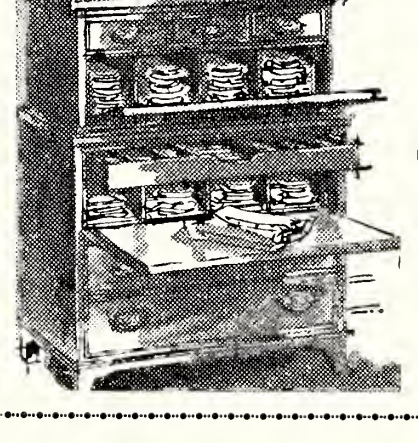

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## Fairmont, N. C.

MISS GLORIA KAY DIAMONT

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Diamont of Brooklyn, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gloria Kay, to David Levinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Levinson of Fairmont, N. C. The wedding is planned for January 6, at the Sherry-Netherlands Hotel in New York.

Miss Diamont, a native of Brooklyn, received her education at Erasmus Hall High School and the Drexel Institute of Technology. Mr. Levinson attended Riverside Military Academy and N. C. State College.

## Wilmington, N. C.

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Child Welfare Fund November 4 at the Covenant Club. The table was so beautifully set that it was remarked that it looked as if it were prepared for a wedding reception. The hostesses for the evening were Mrs. K. Alpert, Child Welfare chairman; and Mrs. B. D. Schwartz, Mrs. H. Friedman, and Mrs. R. Retchin. Over three hundred and fifty dollars were raised by the dinner.

**COVENANT CLUB**

The Hallowe'en Masquerade party at the Covenant Club was a tremendous success. The Hallowe'en theme inspired some members to grotesque and others to humorous costumes. Princess Elizabeth (Louise Schwartz) and the Duke of Edinburgh (Nathan Schwartz) were there. Daniel Boone (Leo Plisco) cut a dashing figure in his coonskin cap. Mrs. Witch and Mr. Hobgoblin (Tina and Henry Forrester) won first prize in the Grand March as the outstandingly dressed couple of the evening. Shirley and Justin Raphael won second prize as Mr. (Shirley) and Mrs. (Justin) Oriental. Little Red Riding Hood (Dot) and the Wolfe (Joe Simon) walked away with third prize. Bouquets Bob and Norma Berman, who were charge of the dance.

**TPiZ**

Our attractive teen-age girls ha founded a sorority: the TPiZ. Althou the meaning of TPiZ is a carefull guarded sorority secret, a clue is fou in the name of THE fraternities Carolina. The sorority sisters are L retta Berlin, Felice Guld, Maxi Schwartz, Zalma Brower, Sandra K fin, Margie Leder of Whiteville, Muri Kramar of Wallace and Sirley Ma of Raeford. One of the aims of t TPiZ's is "Bigger and Better Pajan Parties."

**PERSONALITY IN THE NEWS**

Our personality in the news t month is Zalma Brower, the charmi teen-age daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brower. Zalma recently had "The W mington News" sportscaster, Berna West, devote his entire column, t Sportlite, to her. The reason for su notoriety is that Zalma walked aw with five trophies at the Wilmingt Table Tennis Association Open Tou nament: The intermediate gir singles championship, the wome championship, with Arlene Ershli of Fayetteville, the intermediate gir and women's doubles championshi and with Bonnie Shane the seco place mixed doubles championshi Not only has Zalma distinguished he self in table tennis but she has al won trophies in tennis. Perhaps ev more striking than the trophies Zaln won is the manner in which she w them. No long years of experien or hard practice prefaced her victori It seems that native ability alone w the deciding factor. Congratulatio Zalma, we are very proud of you.

Berne—Professor Valentine Gitt man, only Jew in the Swiss Parli ment, has been reelected to his po on the Social Democratic ticket. Pr fessor Gitterman is an active parti pant in Jewish affairs in this count

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GARY BALKIND

**Bar Mitzvah**

Gary Balkind, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Balkind, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on Friday evening and Saturday morning, October 27 and 28, with services at Temple Israel. Mr. and Mrs. Balkind were hosts at a reception and Kiddush honoring Gary. Rabbi Aaron Tofield taught Gary and conducted the Bar Mitzvah service.

The Annual Masque Ball sponsored by the Young Couples Club was held on Saturday evening, October 27, in the Temple Israel Social Hall. Hallowe'en entertainment, dancing and refreshments provided an evening of fun for the large group present. Music was by Dan Ramsey's orchestra. Winners of prizes for outstanding costumes were: Mrs. Maurice Weinstein, the most beautiful; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goodman, Jr., the most original ones; the funniest costumes were those of Mrs. Harry Schwartz, Mrs. J. B. Freedland, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shulman. The club president, Jerome Joffe, opened the program; Larry Levy was the M.C.; Mrs. Milton Bayer sang, and many others of the group participated in various ways.

The Temple Israel Sisterhood Tea was held on Wednesday, November 4, at which time special guests were new members and an outstanding program was enjoyed by all. Mrs. J. B. Freedland, president, was in the chair.

Temple Beth El held their Fifth Annual Specialty Dinner on Saturday, November 10, at the Temple. A special program was prepared for this occasion. M. Neiman was in charge of reservations.

The Annual B'nai B'rith Thanksgiving Dance was held on Wednesday, November 21, at the Amity Club. Music was by Dan Ramey and his orchestra. Refreshments were served and entertainment provided throughout the evening.

The series of lectures on Comparative Religion was opened in Charlotte on Wednesday evening, October 24, with a lecture and discussion on Orthodox Judaism by Rabbi William Gold of High Point, Congregation B'nai Israel. On Wednesday, October 31, Rabbi Nathan Hershfield of Temple Beth El, Charlotte, spoke on Reform Judaism. Subsequent lectures will be on Catholicism, Protestantism, and other religions.

Dr. Arthur Lelyveld, National Director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, was guest speaker at the Annual Campaign Dinner of the Charlotte chapter of Hadassah, on Thursday, November 1, at the Amity Club. Husbands of Hadassah members were guests for this affair. Mrs. Ted Valenstein was in charge of reservations. Mrs. Morris Speizman and Mrs. P. Bernstein were dinner chairmen. Campaign chairmen were Mrs. Maurice A. Weinstein and Mrs. Paul Stewart.

Arthur Goodman, prominent local attorney, addressed the congregation of Temple Israel on Friday evening, November 2, at Sabbath services. Since Mr. and Mrs. Goodman toured Europe and Israel during the summer, Mr. Goodman used this for the subject of his talk.

The Men's Club of Temple Israel, of which Arthur Frank is president, has gone ahead with a number of projects this year. In addition to serving juice to break the fast on Yom Kippur, the club provides daily kindergarten refreshments for the school, having voted funds for the Cub pack, and are making plans to volunteer their services for many worthwhile projects. The October door prize was won by Eric Sternberg.

**Birth**

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Weiss announce the birth of their son.

Lt. and Mrs. Alvin Nagelberg announce the birth of a son. The baby is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Goldstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dresner of Rock Hill, S. C., announce the birth of a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Dresner are members of Temple Israel of Charlotte, where the baby was named.

**Engagement**

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Weinstein announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn, and Herbert Sosnik of Winston-Salem. The wedding will take place in January.

## Salisbury, N. C.

Kople Troutman, 56, owner of K. Troutman's Department Store here, died at his home of a heart ailment on November 12.

Troutman was born in Ligum, Lithuania. He came to the United States in 1907 and lived in Baltimore until 1909 when he went to Gastonia to work with his uncle, Dave Lebowitz.

He went to Salisbury in 1927 where he entered the dry goods business at 129 South Main Street. He was known affectionately to his customers as "Mr. K."

He was a member of the Temple Beth Israel of Salisbury.

Troutman is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lena Troutman; a son, Leon, of Salisbury; two daughters, Miss Hinda Troutman of the home and Miss Anne Troutman of Washington.

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A community reception was held on November 6 at the Battery Park Hotel honoring Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Breman who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Because of their interest in Beth Ha Tephila and the Sisterhood, many gifts were presented to the Temple in honor of this happy occasion for Mr. and Mrs. Breman.

The following children of the couple were hosts for this occasion and entertained at a number of affairs in their honor: Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Zageir of Asheville; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Goldman of Rochester, N. Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Breman of Atlanta. The senior Bremans entertained at a dinner party at the Sky Club honoring the out-of-town guests. In addition to the family, the following friends also entertained: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cooper and Mrs. Harry Bloomberg gave a luncheon, and Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Lichtenfels, a luncheon.

The out-of-town guests honored on these occasions included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goldman Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. Abe Goldstein, Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. William Breman, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jacobs, Mr and Mrs. Kurt Holland, Mr. and Mrs Jack Weinstock, all of Atlanta; Mr and Mrs. Benjamin Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Graham, Mr. and Mrs Meyer Lesser, all of New York; Mr and Mrs. Joseph Dave, of Cincinnati Dr. and Mrs. R. Goldstone, of Detroit Mich.; Mrs. Frances Barnard of New Orleans; Mr. Julius Barnard, Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Levy, Mrs. Flo Gerard Mrs. Everette Levy, and Mrs. Mortor Barnard, all of Chicago.

A special Sabbath service on Friday evening, November 3, was held at Temple Beth Ha Tephila dedicating the Ark and the Everlasting Light. The Ark was given in memory of Mr and Mrs. Morris Rosenfeld and Mr and Mrs. Louis Blomberg by their children. The light was given in memory of Robert Zageir by Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Zageir.

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By Mrs. Seymour Brown

**MRS. WILLIAM SHRAGO, is the former Miss Florette Lucille Reyner, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Robert Reyner and the late Mr. Reyner of Clumbia, S. C. Mr. Shrago is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Shrago of Goldsboro. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi David S. Gruber at the Tree of Life Temple in Columbia, on September 16, 1951.**

The Sisterhood held a turkey dinner affair, under the capable supervision of Mrs. Nathan Schwartz and Mrs. C. M. Avery, on October 28 in the Woman's Club Building. A large crowd attended, making the evening a successful one socially and financially.

A beautiful Community Center has just been completed in the back of our temple, with a complete kitchen, modern classrooms, Rabbi's study, and large assembly room. Mr. Charles Korschun, President of the Congregation, and Mr. Robert Baum were chairmen of the project, and had able cooperation from all the members of the community. The Temple proper has been painted, and a modern heating plant installed. The community is very proud of the completion of this long-discussed project. A "housewarming" will be held in the near future.

Hadassah held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Seymour Brown, with Mrs. Ben Ellis, president, presiding. An interesting program was given by Bobby Kadis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Kadis, who told of his trip to Europe with the Boy Scouts this summer.

The Goldsboro chapter of B'nai B'rith held a celebration of its sixty-fifth birthday on November 18 in the new Center. The chapters of the neighboring towns will be invited to a barbecue dinner. Sidney Gordon is president of the chapter, and Nathan Kadis was chairman of the affair, with Mr. Max Fernbacher, Mr. Judah Lesser, Miss Fannie Kadis, and Mesdames Fernbacher, Isaac Kadis, Harry Shrago, and Seymour Brown serving on the committee with him.

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The New York Times art critic Aline B. Loucheim this week described the synagogue of Congregation B'nai Israel of Milburn, N. J., as the "best modern art for a house of worship" she had ever seen.

The architect of the $150,000 structure was Percival Goodman. According to the critic, the congregation gave Mr. Goodman "free artistic rein" which enabled him to incorporate novel ideas.


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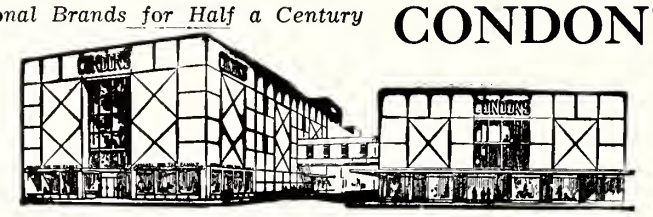

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Milton Kronsberg was elected as president of the Charleston Jewish Welfare Board at its annual meeting. Edwin Pearlstine, Max Krawcheck, Irving Levkoff, and David S. Goldberg were elected vice-presidents. Louis Torkorek was elected corresponding secretary, Hyman Rephan treasurer, and the following will compose the Board of Directors for the coming year: Messrs. William Ackerman, Sam Addleston, Sam Berlin, George Birlant, Abe Dumas, Nathan Goldberg, Melvin Jacobs, Dr. Irwin Karesh, Karl Karesh, Leonard Karesh, Edward Kronsberg, Isadore Lesser, Moses Mendelsohn, Louis Meyerson, Bernard J. Olasov, Rudolph Robinson, Morris Sokol, Walter Solomon, Irving Steinberg, Leon Steinberg, Maier Triest, Henry Yaschik. Also Rabbis Joseph Rothstein, Allan Tarshish, Louis M. Tuchman, and Lewis Weintraub.

Nat Shulman was re-elected Executive Secretary for the sixth consecutive year.

A new series of lectures has been started by Rabbi Rothstein, sponsored by the Jewish Community Center, and to run for four weeks. Subjects discussed are: "Adjusting to Our Problems," "Preserving Mental Health," "Understanding Our Children," and "Sex Education of Children."

Two speakers provided programs for the Charleston Jewish Welfare Board meetings in November. Michael Gelber, member of the Board of the Reconstructionist Foundation, and active in an advisory capacity with the Capital Expansion Department of the Palestine Economic Corporation, addressed the group on November at a meeting held in the Francis Marion Hotel. Miss Gitti Zand, prominent New York civic leader, and a dynamic campaigner for the United Jewish Appeal, addressed the group at a meeting held on November 13. Miss Zand, who recently returned from a tour of Israel, North Africa and the Middle East, reported on her recent experiences to the large audience present.

Charleston Chapter No. 143, A.Z.A. held its national annual A.Z.A. Sabbath at Brith Sholom Synagogue on Friday evening, November 9. Members of the chapter conducted the entire service. Alephs Charles Goldberg and Sidney Davis delivered sermons. Harry Butakman is religious chairman for the chapter. Plans are now almost complete for the forthcoming Southern regional convention of the A.Z.A. to be held in Charleston, December 24-26.

**Congratulations to . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Widelitz on the birth of twin daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Prystowsky on the birth of twins, a daughter and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Robinson on the birth of their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cohen on the birth of a daughter.

**Marriage**

Miss Blanche Robetta Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cohen, was married to Leo Perlitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Perlitz,, on Sunday


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ctober 28, in Synagogue Emanu-El. ıe ceremony was performed by Rab- Louis A. Weintraub and Cantor Ja- b J. Renzer.

The bride was given in marriage by r father and had for matron of hon- Mrs. Henry Donerstag, sister of e bridegroom. Bridesmaids were isses Joyce Prystowsky and Frances izner, both of Charleston, and Mrs. uis Alexander of Savannah, Ga. Re- na Kronsberg was junior bridesmaid d Jennie Levkoff was flower girl. ıe bridegroom had Robert Truere best man. Ushers were Henry schelson, Ralph Goldstein, Harris ohen, brother of the bride, Jack ahn, and Mr. Donerstag. Peter Don- erstag, nephew of the bridegroom, as junior usher, and Martin Green- rg was ring bearer. Music was fur- shed by Miss Sarah Cohen, soprano; avid Collis, violinist; and Jack Pad- tt, pianist.

After the ceremony a reception was ld by the bride's parents in the cial hall of Beth Israel. Later the uple left for a trip to upstate New ork and upon their return will make ıeir home in Charleston, where Mr. erlitz is engaged in business.

Mrs. Perlitz attended Memminger igh School and Rice Business College. he is employed by the Charleston hamber of Commerce as a secretary. r. Perlitz attended school in Europe.

**ngagement**

Mrs. Sarah Ellison has announced ıe engagement and approaching mar- age of her daughter, Ruth Toby, to dmund Seid of Dallas, Texas.

**ar Mitzvah**

Myron Louis Kramer, son of Mr. nd Mrs. Otto Kramer, celebrated his ar Mitzvah with services at Brith holom on November 3.

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## Wilson, N. C.

**Mrs. Herman Barker, Reporter**

The Ninth District Meeting of the North Carolina Association of Jewish Women was held in Wilson on Tuesday afternoon, November 13, at the Wilson Country Club. Members of Rocky Mount, Roanoke Rapids, Weldon, Plymouth, Tarboro, Williamston, Greenville and Wilson were represented.

Mrs. Dave Lester was hostess at a Canasta party held at her home for Hadassah.

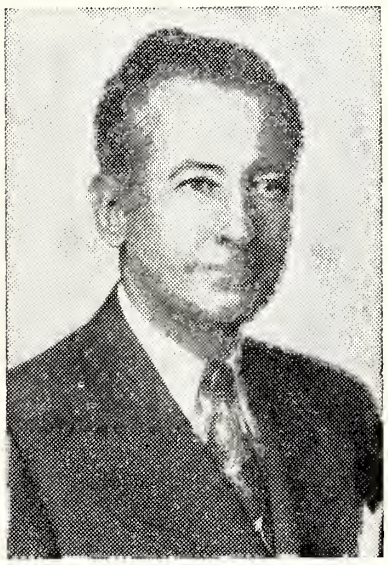
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barshay spent a few days in New York.

Mrs. Joseph Barshay visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Katz, in Augusta, Ga.

Mrs. Fannie Arner and Miss Selma Arner of Newport News, Va., and Mr. David Arner of Greensboro, N. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Brown.

Mrs. Ethel Marcus of New York visited her son Donald and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hymanson of Detroit, Mich., visited Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barker.



**ERIC JOHNSTON (above), Economic Stabilization Administrator, for the second successive year will serve as general chairman of Brotherhood Week, to be observed nationally Feb. 17-24, under the sponsorship of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He is the first chairman in the history of the observance to hold the post two consecutive years, according to Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, NCCJ president.**

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**NORTH CAROLINA JEWRY HEARS NOTED SCIENTIST.—Dr. Harold C. Urey, famed scientist and Nobel Prize winner, addressed a group of North Carolina men and women at the Starmount Forest Country Club on November 4. The dinner was given in the interest of the Weizmann Institute of Science in the State of Israel. Seated from left to right at the guest table were Ral Jerome Mark, Robert H. Frazier, Mayor of Greensbo Dr. Marc Friedlaender, Chester A. Brown, Dr. Urey, Rob J. Gurney, Meyer Weisgal, Morris Speizman, Herm Getzoff, and Rabbi Simcha Kling.**

# WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.

**Mrs. Harold D. Simons, Reporter**

The Winston-Salem community has really been going strong this past month. Even prior to this time, to be exact, three weeks prior to Rosh Hashonah all activities have emanated from our new Temple Emanuel. Although the interior of the Temple has not been entirely finished, these matters seem insignificant in the light of the joy and unity found there.

On Saturday mornings a children's service is held. Our Sunday school boasts a roster of 74 children and the teachers are Mrs. Harris Clein, Mrs. G. B. Licker, Mrs. Dick Backer, Miss Lee Levy, Miss Rachel Katzin, Mr. Eugene Feldman, Mr. Ted Finder, Mr. Norman Waldman and Mrs. Don Mallins, Supervisor of the School. Rabbi Herman teaches the Confirmation Class.

Our congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Solomon upon the arrival of a son, David Allan; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Miller upon the birth of their daughter, Donna Lee, and to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Saks upon the arrival of their son, Gary Stephen. Moseltuvs to all these. Also to Herbert Sosnik and Carolyn Weinstein upon the announcement of their engagement. Herbert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sosnik of this city and Carolyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Weinstein of Charlotte. Best of luck and happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Phil Silverstein who have returned from a honeymoon trip to Miami, Florida. Phil is serving "Uncle Sam" and the couple will reside in Columbia, S. C. Mrs. Silverstein is the daughter of the J. Fogels of Georgetown, S. C., and Phil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Silverstein of this city.

The Thanksgiving Dance was held on November 21 at Temple Emanuel, sponsored by Hadassah. Much of the credit goes to Mrs. Phil Michalove and her committee for the wonderful time had by all. Music was provided by Jimmy Myers and his orchestra. Along the Hadassah line, they have been doing a bang-up job of the Rummage Sales, thanks to the very capable talents of Mrs. Phil Margolin and Mrs. Phillip Katzin and all Hadassah members who have worked so diligently. Hadassah's meeting last month was most interesting. They had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Max Zager of Greensboro speak on her recent trip to Israel.

Since the new Temple has been constructed, the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel has really been busy beavers. In the social hall a cake-lighting ceremony commemorating the second birthday anniversary of our local chapter was one event of the initial meeting for this year. Mrs. Robert Eisenberg, past president, and Mrs. Norman Waldman, now presiding, shared the honors in the cake-lighting ceremony. The program was under the direction of the chairman, Mrs. Erwin L. Herman. It consisted of a factual quiz on the properties of the Temple, and the reading of an original poem by Mrs. Milton Bergen. At this time new officers for the year were introduced. They are: Mrs. Norman Waldman, president; Mrs. I. I. Cohen, first vice-president; Mrs. Richard Backer, second vice-president; Mrs. Eli Katzin, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert Saks, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Oscar Salkin, treasurer. Mrs. Sam Robin, Mrs. Ira Julian and Mrs. Hannah Siff were hostesses.

Following Yom Kippur service, the Sisterhood held its first annual Break-Fast. More than 100 people attended the elaborately-set buffet dinner whi lent much warmth and friendlin to a long day of fasting and pray Plans for the affair were directed Ways and Means Chairman, Mrs. Lec ard Katzin.

Sunday, November 11, the Siste hood had a family Sunday nig supper in the Temple. Both adu and children enjoyed the chicken ch mein course that was served.

The Council of Jewish Women h been active in social and communi affairs these past few months. M Phil Michalove has recently be named chairman of the City Day Nu sery committee of the Winston-Sale Community Council. Mrs. Milton Gol berg has been asked again to ser on the board of the Girl Scouts. S is Chairman of the Public Relatio Committee, whose function is to ma known the policies and the progra of the Girl Scouts to the general pu lic. Mrs. Moe Wainer, chairman the Civic Committee of the Coun of Jewish Women and her committ composed of Mrs. Milton Goldbe Mrs. Harry Coplan, Mrs. Dick Tayl Mrs. I. I. Cohen, Mrs. Dick Back Mrs. Mike Cohen, Mrs. Max Wain and Mrs. Harris Clein helped at t Community Council office with t United Fund Drive.

A Hallowe'en party was held in t Social Hall of the Temple, sponsor by the Council of Jewish Women. M Joe Davis was chairman of this ga affair. Prizes were awarded to M Max Wainer for the most original cc tume; Mr. Ted Finder for best "Hear Desire" costume and to Mr. and M Harold Simons for the best portray of costumes.

During the initial meeting of t Council, Mrs. A. E. Schwartz, Pre dent announced that a Golden A Club would be formed. A progra "Dames With Aims," was introduc

Program Chairman, Mrs. Phil chalove. The skit represented the ious committees of Council, por- yed by a member of each commit- . The Study Group under the Chair- nship of Mrs. Bruce Levin pre- ıted a discussion on "Teen-Age oblems" at the past Council meet- . This program was quite interest- and helpful to all.

The youngsters in the AZA have en quite active by sponsoring a ıce for the boys and girls from eensboro, Charlotte, Raleigh, Dur- n, High Point and Winston-Salem ey decorated the Social Hall beauti- ly and credit goes to Leonard Clein l Stevie Robin for a wonderful time. onard Clein, Aleph Godol, is the cted delegate to the winter meeting the AZA Statewide Convention to held in Greensboro.

Not only have the women been very sy, but the B'nai B'rith has had its ire in activities. A. E. Schwartz, rry Levy and Robert Sosnik at- ıded the ground-breaking cere- nies on the new Hillel House in apel Hill, N. C. B'nai B'rith Sab- h was held commemorating the 3th anniversary of the founding of B'nai B'rith. Taking part in the vices were Dr. Hy Levine, Irwin ll, A. E. Schwartz, Harold Simons, dge A. Shapiro, President Larry vy, who delivered an inspiring ser- on, and Rabbi Herman.

The community is very proud of bbi Erwin Herman. He has recently en elected to the Board of Directors the Forsyth County Red Cross; was airman of the Forsyth County Cru- le for Freedom and is Chairman of "Voice of Democracy," for the blic high schools.

Our deep sympathy is extended to families of Mrs. Mac Herman and t Silverman upon the death of their other, Sam Silverman.

The entire Winston-Salem communi- was saddened by the death of our loved friend, Mrs. L. D. Phillips.

## Georgetown, S. C.

Miss Rosalyn Fogel, daughter of . and Mrs. Julius Fogel, was mar- d Sunday, October 28, to Phillip verstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben verstein, of Winston-Salem, N. C. e ceremony took place in Temple th Elohim by Rabbi Allan Tarshish.

The bride was given in marriage by r father, and had Miss Harriet Plow- n as maid of honor and Mrs. Nor- od Roberson as matron of honor. idesmaids were Miss Carloe Mon- er of Passaic, N. Y., and Mrs. Sey- our Brown of Goldsboro, cousins of bride; Miss Bennie Joe Michael, Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Sara Ellen neycutt, of Shelby, N. C.; Miss Mar- ret Rose Thomas, and Miss Doris uorton. The bridegroom had his other, Morris Silverstein of Char- te, N. C., for best man. Ushers were Silverstein of Piedmont, Calif., and les Silverstein, of Pittsfield, Mass., th brothers of the bridegroom; ger Ackerman of Wallace, N. C., usin of the bride; Harris Clein, Her- rt Sosnik, and Bert Kalet, all of inston-Salem. Music was furnished by Mrs. Nita Stokes, organist; Mrs. John Settlemyer, vocalist, and Miss Michael, violinist.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Country Club. Later Mr. and Mrs. Silverstein left for a trip to Miami, Florida.

Mrs. Silverstein graduated in June from Salem College in Winston-Salem. Mr. Silverstein, a graduate of Reynolds High School in Winston-Salem, is stationed at Fort Jackson. Before entering service he was employed in Winston-Salem by Kay Jewelry Company.

## Sumter, S. C.

Miss Marcia Jane Weisbond, daughter of Mrs. David Weisbond of Baltimore, Md., and the late Mr. Weisbond, was married on Sunday, October 28, to Morris D. Mazursky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Isaac Mazursky. The ceremony took place in Temple Sinai and was performed by Rabbi J. Aaron Levy, assisted by Rabbi David Karesh of Columbia.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Louis Weisbond, of Philadelphia, Pa., and had as matron of honor her sister, Mrs. W. T. Warner. Best man was the bridegroom's brother-in-law, Harry R. Berger. Ushers were Gilbert Roth, David D. Kramer, Bernard S. Housen, Martin S. Plum, and Mr. Warner. Professor Clifton Moise was organist.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the temple annex. Mr. and Mrs. Mazursky left for a trip to Florida and Cuba and are at home in the Wilmarine Apartments.

Mrs. Mazursky was graduated from Germantown High School, Philadelphia. Mr. Mazursky is a graduate of Edmunds High School and the University of South Carolina Law School. He is associated with Lee and Moise.

## Spartanburg, S. C.

Organizational activities are in full swing, with Hadassah offering at its November 13 meeting a special address by Mrs. Shapiro of Augusta. Mrs. Shapiro is regional president of Hadassah. With the leaving of Mrs. A. Burton for New York with her family, Spartanburg Hadassah has a new president in Mrs. Jack Price, succeeding Mrs. Burton.

B'nai B'rith had a fund-raising carnival November 14 in the Temple vestry rooms, with food and fun galore.

B'nai Israel Sisterhood on November 22 held a successful Thanksgiving Day dinner and dance. Proceeds went into the sinking fund.

Irvin and Stanley Malinow donated to Temple B'nai Israel new Sabbath and Festival Prayer Books in memory of their parents, Betty and Mayer Malinow. The books are a United Synagogue publication.

Rabbi Samuel Wrubel spoke to the Students Christian Association of Wofford College on the traditions of Judaism. Responding to an invitation to visit the Temple, three groups, each numbering 40 students, under the guidance of Professor McGee, associate professor of religion at Wofford College, had a firsthand course in Juda-


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ism and its ceremonials, with Rabbi Wrubel as instructor.

Mayor Thomas Whiteside of Spartanburg was guest speaker at Temple B'nai Israel during November, and spoke on "Community Responsibilities."

B'nai Israel Sunday School assemblies have been given the full treatment of visual aid education by sponsoring several films from the A.D.L. film library. Films already shown were: "Your Neighbor Celebrates," "Due Process of Law Denied," "Sons of Liberty," "House in the Desert."

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Price announce the birth of a son, Harry Maurice, born Succoth night. Mrs. Price is the former Miriam Morewitz of Newport News.

## Fayetteville, N. C.

Condolences to Mrs. Jack Tessler upon the passing of her father, Abe Block, in Charlotte, on Sunday, October 20.

Condolences to Pfc. and Mrs. Ben Grotski of Camp Lejeune on the passing of their infant son.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pellegrino, of Cherry Point, announce the birth of a son.

Capt. and Mrs. Hyman Toby of Ft. Bragg announce the birth of a son.

Sgt. and Mrs. Milton Posovsky of Camp Lejeune were hosts at the Oneg Shabbat following the naming service of their daughters, Lyn and Jana. Sgt. Posovsky recited the Kiddush during the service, while Mrs. Posovsky blessed the Sabbath lights.

A. M. Fleishman, USO-JWB chairman of Fayetteville, was among those invited to Washington over the weekend of November 3-4 to attend the national Leadership Mobilization on Community and GI Service, sponsored by the national JWB. Joel Fleishman, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Fleishman, was recently elected to the Executive Committee of the National Youth Conference conducted by the National JWB at Camp Narrowburg, N. Y.

The Hadassah of Jacksonville, N. C., will provide refreshments for the service personel at Camp Lejeune every other week. Wives of the army men have been extended an invitation attend the Hadassah meetings.

A traveling Marine troupe fro Camp Lejeune played before a c pacity audience at the Beth Isra Community Center when they arriv here to present the "All Marine Va ety Show." Twenty-eight membe former professional entertainers, pr sented a show of great talent a variety. Julius M. Cohen, USO-JW director of this area, paid tribute the group and to the Fayetteville co munity for their outstanding effo on behalf of the army personnel s tioned in the area. A. M. Fleishma chairman of the local JWB committ introduced Monroe Evans, newly ele ed chairman of the Community Ce ter, who welcomed the group; to Mi Kanzer, JWB branch chairman w helped make this possible; Mrs. Osc Vatz, chairman of the hostess co mittee, and to all the others who we responsible for the brunch and ent tainment. The members of the Je ish community of Dunn, N. C., we commended for their efforts in tending hospitality to the men in t maneuver area.

### REGIONAL ADL COMMENTS ON MacIVER REPORT

The Southern Regional Board me ing of the Anti-Defamation Leag was held in Atlanta the last week e of September. The item which r ceived most attention at that meeti was the MacIver Report.

The conclusions drawn were that

1. The report was incomplete sir it surveyed problems in only a f communities.

2. An insufficient amount of d was used in arriving at conclusions

3. A proper evaluation of the va ous agencies existent was not ma

4. The report told those who p for it what they wanted to hear.

Baltimore—Gertrude Beller, a fo teen-year-old Jewish refugee girl, v admitted to Johns Hopkins Univ sity. The Viennese-born young l is considered a genius in mathemat Her father, also a mathematician, employed in Washington.

**MALBEN'S YOUNGEST PATIENT—Rosh Hashonah 5712 saw 19-months old David Levine on the road to complete cure in a TB hospital main tained by the Joint Distribution Committee in Israel. Born in a Displace Persons camp in Germany, this smiling baby is one of the "hard cores brought to the Jewish State in 5711.**

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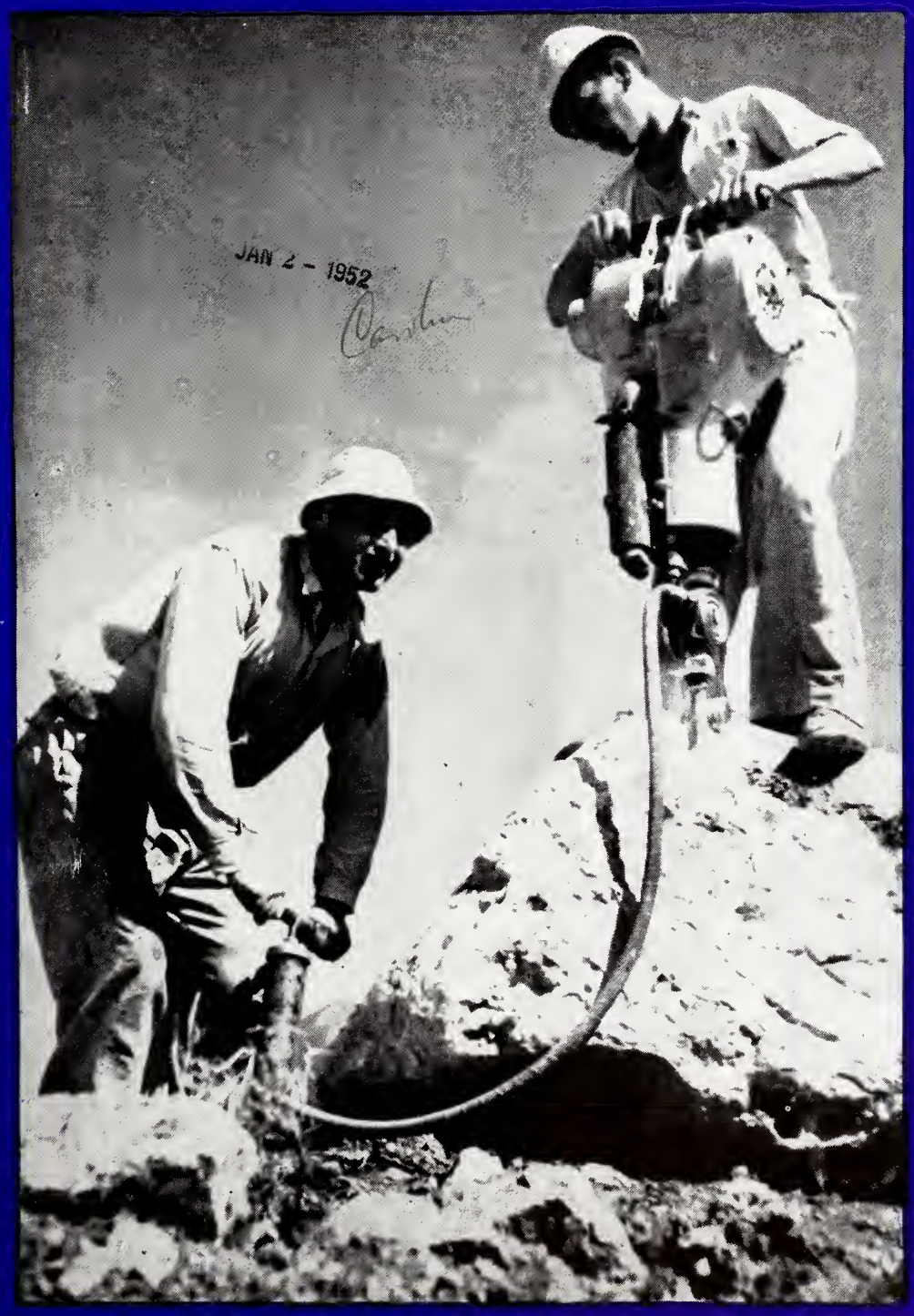


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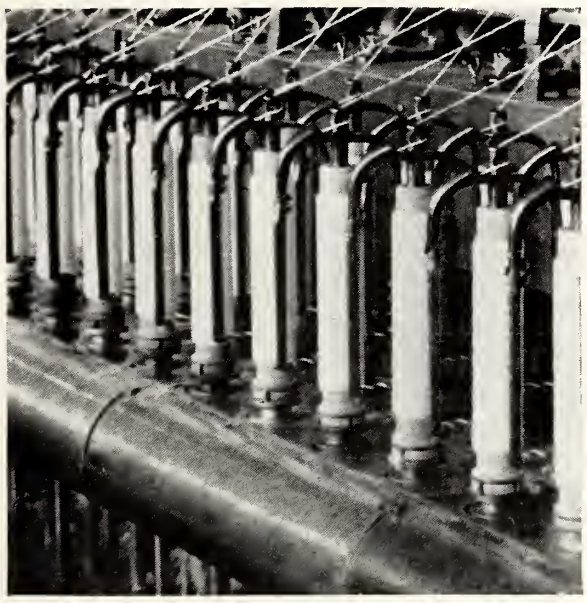

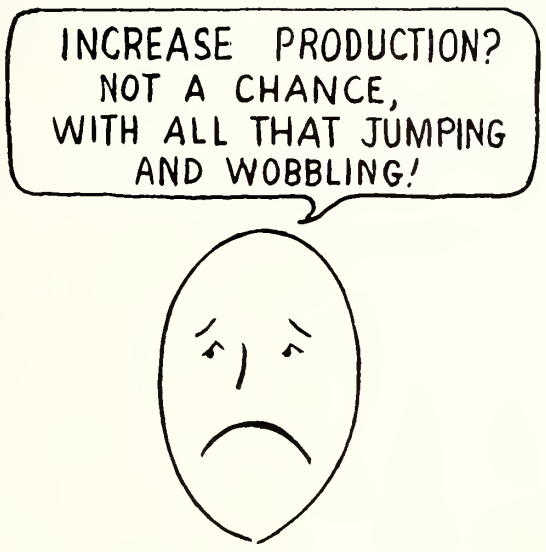


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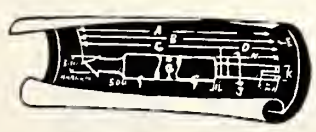

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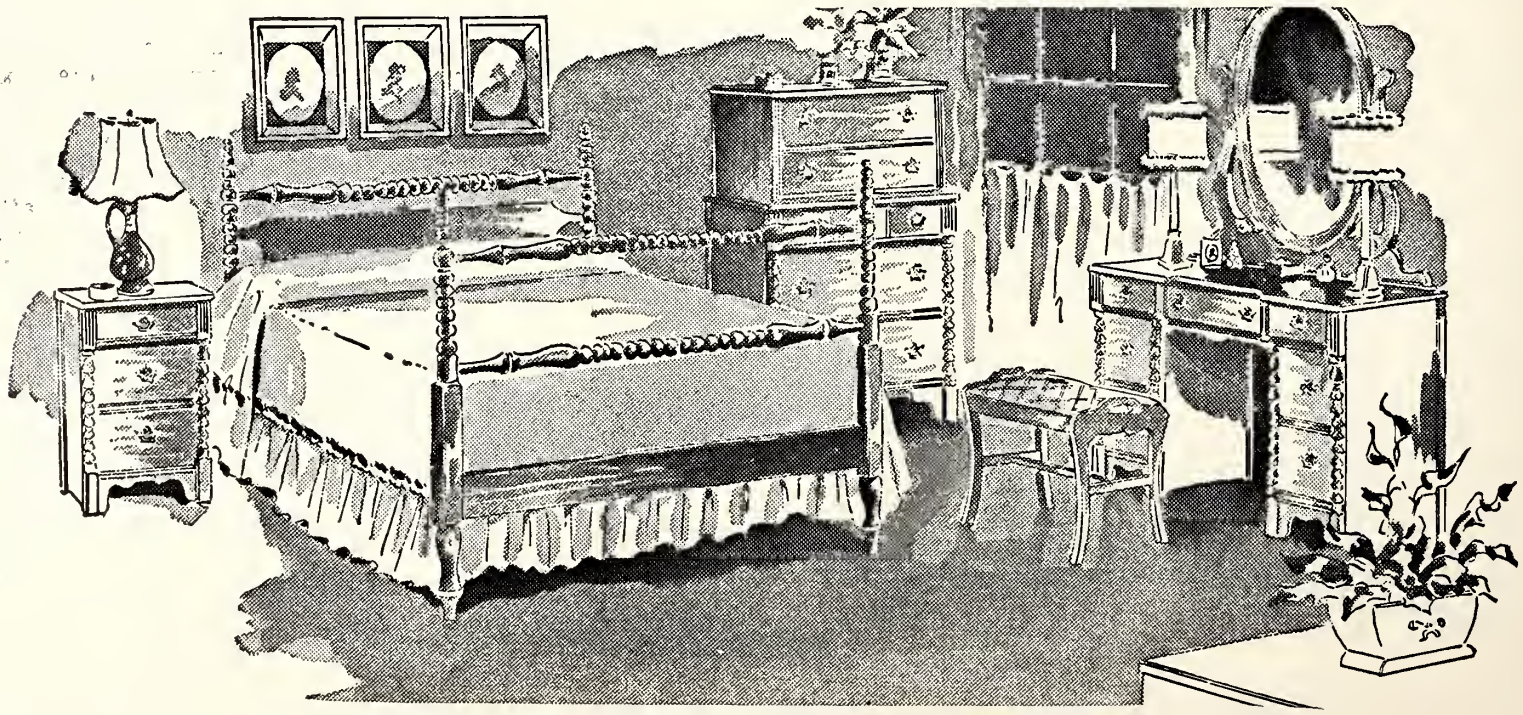

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## EDITORIALS

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### *Give a Bond of the State of Israel!*

The five hundred million dollar bond campaign of the State of Israel is well on its way, and results in communities that have held their campaigns offer much in the way of encouragement. Of course, the organization of campaigns is still just getting going in some sections, and for those who are starting out we have a suggestion.

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### *Beware the Greeks Bearing Gifts*

West Germany's Bundestag (Parliament), in a session held in September last, passed a resolution that was so startling in its purport as to merit comment. Further interest comes from the fact that it was apparently a spontaneous action, and that the resolution was adopted unanimously. The resolution pledged the government to pay, in some measure, for Germany's crimes against the Jews.

Chancellor Adenauer, according to the report of Samuel Gringauz, in his article, "How Sincere Is Germany?" appearing in the October issue of the ADL Bulletin, told the assembly that "unspeakable crimes were perpetuated (upon the Jews) that imposed upon the German people the obligation to make moral and material amends." This he proposed to have done in several positive steps.

First, that the West German government will rapidly adopt and implement restitution laws to facilitate the return of property expropriated from Jews. Second, that the government desires to make reparations to Israel, recognizing that nation as the haven of the shattered remnants of German Jewry. Third, that the government is determined to implement the first article of its Basic Law, which states: "The dignity of man is inviolable." To this end it pledges support of a widespread program of education through churches and schools, and particularly among German youth, because—quoting the Chancellor—"the law can become effective only if the disposition that gave rise to it is adopted by the whole nation." As part of the program Adenauer promises to stamp out the Jew-baiting and anti-Semitism that flourishes in post-war Germany. This he proposes to accomplish not alone by education but with the use of legislation that will sharpen existing laws and make overt anti-Semitism, particularly the publication and dissemination of anti-Jewish publications, a crime punishable by harsher penalties than is presently the case.

There is the disposition in some quarters to question the sincerity of the proposal. It is variously looked upon as a political move, prompted by the proposed German treaty with the Allies, as well as a grandiloquent gesture that promises much that could not be carried out. Certainly there is difficulty in reconciling it with reports that have been coming out of Germany which seem to indicate on the contrary a resurgence of Nazism.

One thing can be definitely established. Among those who rose in unanimous support of the measure were some who had recently, in public utterance, indicated no contrition, but rather reaffirmed their anti-Semitism. That they should make such a rapid about-face hardly seems plausible, except to the most naive. Hence, many look upon this unheralded pronouncement as something that was staged with possible ulterior motives.

Likewise, there are phrases in the completed document which leave ample loopholes, if we agree that the move lacks sincerity. There is a clause in that portion of the document which refers to reparations, "Limits . . . set to German ability to pay." Then, too, there is the reservation that "the great majority of the German people abhorred the crimes against the Jews and had no part in them." If we were to accept this on its face value, we would assume that the Nazis were a minority group, whereas all evidence points unmistakably to the contrary.

Regardless of whether the resolution is ever implemented or not, what interests us is the fact that the West German government for the first time, in a document that will be a part of its recorded history, has accepted culpability for German atrocities and an indication of responsibility of the German people to make "moral and material amends." Even if nothing more is heard of the proposal—even if the entire procedure was a planned "act"—future generations all over the world will have no doubt that crimes were committed—and by the Germans. Not that we needed any additional evidence; there are reams of eye-witness and other accounts of unquestioned authoritativeness. Nevertheless, the admission contained in the Bundestag's resolution now makes it unanimous. For that reason alone it is important.

### *Resort Discrimination*

The summer vacation season has receded into the past and sufficient time has elapsed for us to look back on that old "bugaboo," resort discrimination. Of course, in many areas, the vacation season goes on all year around, but it seems to be a matter of record that for the most part vacations continue to be largely a summer proposition.

In retrospect there isn't much new disclosed. If there has been any improvement in the situation it wasn't sensationally apparent over the past summer. Complaints have been lodged by the American Jewish Congress, that faithful watch-dog, in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island, alleging that advertising policies of newspapers have been circumvented by the use of such phrases as "near Christian

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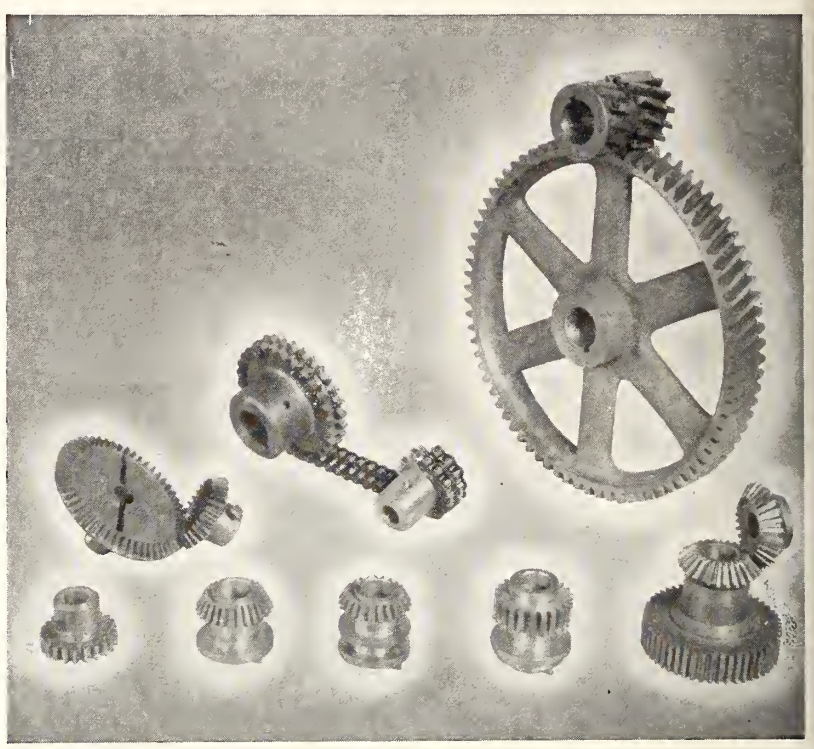

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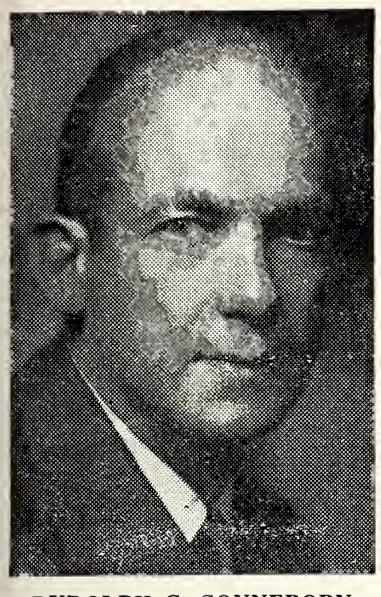

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# Building a Stronger Israel

*By* RUDOLPH G. SONNEBORN

**Mr. Sonneborn, outstanding American industrialist, is President of the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, which directs the sale of State of Israel Bonds in this country.—THE EDITOR.**

A PEOPLE building a new world in Israel, dedicated to providing homes for the persecuted Jews throughout the world, and rapidly taking their place among the nations of the world, have today, three and a half years after achieving independence, embarked on a huge industrial revolution. It is an industrial battle, as vital and as dramatic, in many ways, as the recent War of Independence. And the stakes are just as real. The future of the State of Israel depends on the result.

In this current battle, the main weapon is the $500,000,000 State of Israel Independence Bond Issue, now being offered in our country. Americans are being asked to provide the capital to enable Israel to fight and win her economic independence.

Leading economists have analyzed the past earnings of Israel and studied its future economic possibilities in detail. We Americans, investing a total of $500,000,000, should know that, on the basis of their studies, such an investment is sound.

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Just as the new nation was tested in war, so the new industry of the new nation sprang from the two wars imposed on Israel. During World War II, Palestine, shut off from the import centers of Western powers, had to develop her own industrial resources very quickly.

The Arab boycott following Israel's War of Independence has imposed the second severe test on Israel's industry, forcing it, in effect, to develop along more difficult paths. The immediate and easy market for semi-skilled exports that the Arab boycott has removed has made Israel develop essential skills to match those of higher industrial centers. Israel now moves toward becoming the "Switzerland of the Middle East."

Let us look at a brief history of Jewish industry in Palestine, for a moment. During World War II, when Palestine had less than half the industrial capacity she possesses today, the country was able to make a real contribution to the Allied War effort.

The people of Palestine made and delivered to the Allied Army the equivalent of $100,000,000 in manufactured products. This impressive figure, it must be remembered, was reached more than six years ago, and it would require no great effort to double such a figure today. More than half of this $100,000,000 consisted of products from metalworking plants. Textiles, leather and apparel accounted for one quarter. Chemicals contributed six per cent. The shape of Israel's future industrial life was forged during this war period. Land mines, electrical cables, boots and shoes, storage batteries, machine gun parts, barbed wire, fire extinguishers, engine parts, spare parts for vehicles, light naval craft, ship's propellers, shipbuilding tools, cranes, air compressors, hydraulic jacks, electric transformers, tents, tarpaulins, uniforms, precision instruments, hospital equipment—all came pouring off the assembly lines of Israel. Jewish engineers, architects, building contractors and workers constructed fortifications, bridges, harbor installations and air fields all over the Middle East. Jewish laborers and engineers participated in the erection of the Abadan oil refinery, the largest in the world.

The impressive war record of Israel was achieved under difficult circumstances, in a country distant from other industrial powers. This has given to Israel's industry a character of independence and has fostered ingenuity and resourcefulness. Israel has learned to stand on her own two feet

During the war, as Israel strove to meet military and civilian needs, many new products were developed. Such new products include steel casting, hydrofluoric acids, optical and scientific instruments, lathes, drills, looms, new drugs, agricultural machinery and a variety of other products. The entire job of making new machinery and adapting existing machinery was done by native Jewish machine shops. The new diamond industry, for example, was equipped with machinery and tools made exclusively in Palestine.

And what was done in World War II is now being repeated, on a huge expanded scale, within the framework of the United Nations cooperation.

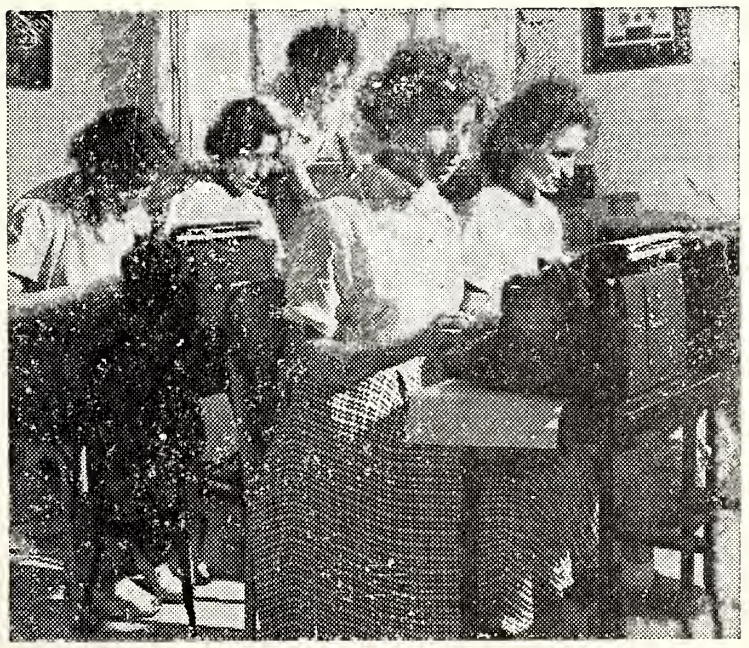
With such an auspicious industrial coming of age, Israel has now taken great strides towards consolidating her economy. This consolidation depends in large part on capital available for investment. The $500,000,000 State of Israel Independence Bond Issue, currently being offered in this country, will supply this necessary capital.

The impressive record of Israel industry stands as a firm foundation upon which Israel can now build. Let us briefly examine this current building of key industries, which are the hard core of any industrial system. There is a sound basis for feeling that the previous progress made will serve as an introduction to a greater and more sensational growth.

Basic in any industrial growth is the fuel available. The great refinery at Haifa is now operating at 30 per cent capacity. Full-scale operations await United Nations actions on Egypt's blockade of the Suez Canal, which prevents tankers from bringing crude oil into Haifa. It is expected that this situation will be clarified shortly and the Haifa oil refinery will soon be in full operation.

Any investor in Israel should be aware that the country contains deposits of peat and bituminous limestone, good sources of fuel. The exploitation of these sources awaits capital. Studies of the Negev indicate that this area may have substantial deposits of oil. The discovery of oil in the Negev and the installation of oil wells will help Israel achieve an industrial revolution, bringing prosperity to the country and speeding up the development of the nation.

## *Commercial Training in Israel*



**ISRAEL NEEDS SECRETARIES? SECRETARIES THERE SHALL BE—Fledgling secretaries pound typewriter keys in the newly-instituted commercial curriculum at the Beth Zeiroth Mizrachi in Tel Aviv, one of the network of projects sponsored in the Holy Land by Mizrachi Women's Organization of America. Shorthand, typing and secretarial curriculum augments the vocational high school's varied programs in home economics, dress designing, pedagogy and institutional management.**

**New Power in an Ancient Land**

The industry of Israel is essentially dependent on electrical power, although there are some direct oil-fired installations providing the power in the cement, glass, and brick industries.

The master plan for the development of this electrical power during the next decade provides for a capacity of approximately 1,000,000 KW. Of this total, 15% to 25% may ultimately be supplied by water power. During the next few years, however, there will be no significant hydropower available.

It is doubtlessly true that Israel's development is hampered by the power shortage. However, the scheduled delivery of some 200,000 KW of powerhouse equipment from the United States will help alleviate this shortage. The first unit capable of producing 40,000-50,000 KW will arrive in Israel this month. It is expected that similar units will follow soon.

**Conquest of the Desert**

The conquest of the desert depends on water, and while Israel is not lavishly endowed with water, there are sufficient supplies to insure a healthy and steady growth. This year, and each successive year, irrigation will add approximately 40,000 acres to the area available for cultivation.

With a greater supply of water, industry has expanded. Pumps are now manufactured in Israel, and motors to drive these pumps are being built. Pipe fittings are produced and there are three plants equipped to make water meters.

Pipe production has expanded greatly. Pre-stressed concrete pipes of large diameters are turned out in a plant which has a greater capacity than the largest of such plants in the United States. This plant near Majdal is just one of the many pipe plants mushrooming all over Israel.

The developments in the field of pipe production illustrate how Israel is moving toward a self-sufficient economy. In 1950, Israel imported about 110,000 net tons of finished pipe, and would have imported more if supplies had been available. This year, Israel is making her own pipes, and her foreign exchange has benefited, with a real saving to the people. The substantial gains made in the manufacture of pipes are dependent on a supply of steel, bought from the United States. In 1952, the pipe mills of Israel will require about 150,000 net tons of steel. It must be pointed out that the continuous development of the Israel economy will lag if this steel is not forthcoming. Dollars are needed to enable Israel to increase her dollar earnings.

**Haifa, Gateway to the Middle East**

Haifa, the main port of Israel, now handles more than 191,000 metric tons of cargo per month, an increase of more than 25% over last year. Israel needs three things to become the shipping center of the Middle East: (1) new quays and a drydock at Haifa, within the present breakwater; (2) storage areas and additional barge areas in the Kishon section; and (3) another port in the southern part of the country. Investment in Israel Bonds will supply the necessary capital to proceed with this expansion.

The highways of Israel are superior to any in the Middle East, and can be depended on to carry the increasing volume of manufactured goods to the ports.

A word should be said about the growing importance of air transport in Israel. While not much freight is moved by plane, passenger travel is heavy. Apart from immigrants, there are now about 4,000 passengers arriving and departing monthly from airports in Israel.

The basic chemical industry of Israel is being transformed by two major developments. The largest development is the current expansion of Fertilizers and Chemicals, Ltd., in Haifa into a plant with a capital of $12,000,000. The second great development is the renovation of the potash works at the Dead Sea, with an investment of $8,000,000 plus an additional investment of $3,000,000 in access roads.

These two developments, when completed, will result in Israel's producing all the basic industrial acids and all the basic fertilizers. The entire chemical industry has great potentialities, for the country abounds in skilled and experienced personnel in this field. Many economists feel that Israel can enjoy a phenomenal development of the chemical industry if capital is available for initial investment. State of Israel Bonds are the most important source of this money.

Apart from the many ordnance shops servicing and repairing cars, airplanes and ships, Israel's metal-working industry today consists of 800 factories and 1,800 repair shops and workshops. Their present annual capacity for the use of metal runs to 90,000 metric tons of iron and steel, 7,800 tons of copper, 10,500 tons of brass, 6,800 tons of aluminum, 800 tons of lead, 1,200 tons of zinc, and 300 tons of tin—all going to feed the growing industrial production of Israel.

If you were to list all the different plants using these metals, you would have a cross-section of the industry of a healthy country. Plants capable of building vessels, tanks, heavy structures, chemical plants, cars, trucks, brakes; plants equipped with large lathes, planers, drilling machines, grinding equipment, large hydraulic presses; plants for precision instrument production; a large iron foundry employing 700 men making castings up to 5 tons in weight; a plant turning out motors up to 25 H.P., all these are currently operating.

This impressive list of Israel's metal-working industry is no more than the basis for huge expansion.

The basic materials for the building trade are already in Israel, in good supply and of good quality. Additional investments are needed to fully utilize this abundant supply of materials. There is one plant in Israel making high quality cement. A second plant will be completed in the immediate future, and a third plant is planned. The two new plants will have a greater capacity than the present one which produces 380,000 metric tons of cement annually.

Plywood production has been developed in Israel with such skill that it is now exported to the United States at a profit, despite the 25% protective tariff in this country. Plants for the production of glass, now being made at the rate of about 700,000 square meters per year, will have tripled their output in a very few months. Sand from the Negev is used in the process. The recent discovery that eucalyptus, which grows very well in Israel, can be used in building, opens still another avenue for rapid expansion in this field.

**Clothing a People and Turning Immigrants into Productive Citizens**

In the clothing field there are about 20 factories, which possess the most modern specialty machines and can meet the most rigorous specifications. Men's shirts and pajamas are made on a large-scale assembly line process. Shoe production will soon reach a total of 3,000,000 pairs per year.

The training of immigrants in modern textile and shoe factories provides additional encouragement for expansion in these fields, once the capital is provided. An important development this year has been the establishment of a plant to produce rayon staple fibre. Spinning and weaving plants have been improved so that they can now handle finer yarns.

These changes will permit greater economy in important raw materials and higher standards of quality. Capital is the main factor required for completing these two developments.

**Food for Israel—Food for the Rest of the World**

In addition to supplying its own people, the food processing industry in Israel is capable of exporting the following:

Fruit juices—400 tons daily.
Chocolate and sweets—25 tons daily.
Beer—100,000 litres daily.
Biscuits—25 tons daily.
Jams and marmalades—50 tons daily.

A number of agricultural products provide a substantial surplus for profitable export. $1,500,000 worth of citrus fruits were exported last year, and this could easily be increased. Exports of sweets and chocolates could be multiplied several times.

A few basic lines of food production require expansion with the growth of Israel. Flour milling is perhaps most important among them. A sugar refinery is already in process of construction.

There remains, however, one major inadequacy in Israel's food processing. The country is short in every kind of facility for food storage. It needs cold storage for vegetables and fruits; it needs refrigerated storage for meats, fish and dairy products; it needs storage for grain. Skilled personnel to build these cold storage plants is available; all that is needed is capital.

Israel is in a position to become the "workshop of the Middle East," enjoying a growing and profitable economy, prepared to make a real contribution to the stability of the Middle East. Her economic history has provided the foundation upon which it is possible to build.

How strong the building will be depends on the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Drive.

## *General Assembly of CJFWF Elects*

**A GENERATION OF CJFWF PRESIDENTS.—The re-election of Julian Freeman, (second from left) to the Presidency of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds for 1952 climaxed the Council's 20th annual General Assembly held November 30-December 2 at Chicago. Mr. Freeman is congratulated by William J. Shroder, Cincinnati, first CJFWF President, 1932-1939. Stanley C. Myers, Miami, third CJFWF President, 1946-1950, is on the left; and Sidney Hollander, Baltimore, second CJFWF President, 1939-1946, is on the right. More than 750 Jewish leaders from all parts of the United States and Canada, participated in the three-day conference. The delegates outlined plans to meet American Jewry's 1952 total responsibilities in Israel, overseas, nationally and locally.**

# Charleston Center Athletic Program

## Objective--Health and Happiness

*By* NAT SHULMAN, *Executive Director*

NAT SHULMAN

THE role that health education plays in helping to achieve the Center's objective of developing happy, well adjusted individuals, is an important part of the total program of the Center.

Increasingly, recognition is being given to the fact that good health is an important requirement for sound personality development. The importance of good health to the country and to the individual, young and old, presents a challenge to the health programs of Jewish Centers throughout the country.

Despite the fact that it has no athletic facility, the Charleston Jewish Community Center during the past six years has endeavored to carry on a well-rounded athletic program to meet the health needs of the Charleston Jewish community. We have made use of every available athletic facility and play field in the community on a free or rental basis. We have used our small building whenever possible, and, to the amazement of many, carried on fairly well.

On September 1, 1950, the Endowment Fund Committee of the Charleston Center, Edward Kransberg, chairman, purchased a four-acre tract, which we hope will give us what we need to carry on a full and complete program for boys and girls, men and women, of all age groups.

A small paved area in the rear of the present Center building is used for basketball, kickball, volley ball, roller skating and circle games. Don't misunderstand the seemingly convenient wide scope of activities; when one activity is conducted, nothing else takes place, since the area is so small.

As for the building itself, we had the necessary additions made in order to set up a boxing ring in our ballroom. Due to the many activities which we have there, the ring can only be erected on those nights, once a week, when the boxing club (age group 8-12) is scheduled and then taken down.

With regard to employing community facilities for our program, use is made of the pool at the Y. M. C. A. for one of our boys' clubs, as well as their gym for our junior basketball team in the Church League. For practice sessions and games of our senior basketball team, we have made rental arrangements with the College of Charleston for use of their gymnasium, The Citadel, and Bishop England High School. Since these facilities are heavily used at times, we have further arranged to use the A & I Fair building, which is a part of the local Charleston Recreation System. For our softball and junior baseball teams we use the diamonds of the park and playgrounds of the city.

As for our athletic teams, let me cite a few and give some detailed pictures on others:

For the past two years, we have had a team entered in the City Little Baseball League. The boys range in age from 8 to 12 years. They are taught the game, value of group adjustment in play, sportsmanship, group loyalty and coordination of mind and body. To see these youngsters play is truly a thrill, particularly those of eight and nine engaged in real and earnest competition.

Our softball teams are entered in both the city and Y. M. C. A. leagues. These teams are composed of boys from 16 years of age and older; what we term as intermediate and seniors.

Our basketball teams over the past few years have really performed well. For two years in succession our senior team was Southeast Champions of the National Jewish Welfare Board. In 1950 the community gathered funds to send them to the National tournament in Pittsburgh, Pa., there to be liminated by the Lynn, Massachusetts, team by one point.

This same senior team was city champs of Charleston that year, 1950. This year, 1951, they entered the St. George, S. C., Junior Chamber of Commerce Invitation Tournament and won the A. A. title. Our junior basketball team is in the Y. M. C. A. league each year, and our midget and mite teams in the city playground league.

These different teams create a problem for proper leadership and a place to practice. Without our own facility, we have somehow managed with a great deal of difficulty. Seymour Bar-

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# Ben Levinson---
# *Noah from Dixie*

G. Ben Levinson of Newport News and Williamsburg is the "Noah from Dixie," in an article appearing in a recent issue of *The Grit*, widely-known Pennsylvania weekly publication.

*The Grit*, which years ago was a "must" in thousands of homes through the east and midwest and pushed only slightly by the old *Toledo Blade*, carried the article about the cattle shipping activities of the Levinsons.

It appeared in the March 11 issue with a number of photographs of shipping activities at the waterfront where Levinson ships out thousands of cattle to the State of Israel. His shipments first gained national and international attention under the former UNRRA program (United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration).

Cattle and horses were shipped from old Pier X—munitions pier in World War II at the extreme end of the C. & O. waterfront—later the site of the camp established for Italian soldiers after Italy became a "non-belligerent" and later a "co-belligerent" with the Allies.

Various piers are used now by the Levinsons—and Pier X is pretty much a memory.

When Ben and his brother Sol Levinson began shipping cattle overseas they did so over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad lines because no other railroad line showed any interest in the business. Later—as it developed what a big business this cattle storing or whatever one does with cattle awaiting shipment, and the shipping itself, amounted to—the situation changed.

**Home Town Boys**

The Levinsons are strictly "home boys." They want Newport News to get all the business they have—and Ben says that "the community has been good to us, we ought to be good to the community." As simple as that! So the cattle come in now over the C. & O. lines to the C. & O. piers. Some still is shipped from New Orleans, bound for South America, but the ships are at New Orleans.

Ben not too long ago made a tour to Israel—he flew from New York to Spain; hobnobbed around over there for a while with some wealthy Spaniard business man, flew on to Israel for a real tour of the barren land the Jewish people are remaking into fertile fields; thence to Greece, Rome and back home again.

The story of the Levinsons and their UNRRA shipments was carried a couple of years ago in the *Daily Press*. Part of it is included in the official records of UNRRA and the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

**As Seen by An Outsider**

But here's what *The Grit* of Williamsport, Pa., says, in the article heretofore referred to:

"Virginia Cattle Dealer, Complete With Southern Accent, Sends Animal-Laden Ships Abroad — Has Handled 212 Boatloads Since He Entered Business in 1945."

That's the headline. Here's the story:

"These days there are strange sights and sounds around the shipping town of Newport News, Va. If it's not the braying of mules on the waterfront it's the neighing of horses or the mooing of cattle.

"After short sojourns at a sprawling ranch, these animals are led into a huge shed near the docks and shooed Indian-file through chutes into 'flying stalls.' They are then hoisted skyward by derricks over the rails of waiting freighters and lowered into the dim recesses of cargo holds.

"The man in charge of all this live-stock shipping is Ben Levinson. He's a modern Noah who sends numerous animal-laden Arks to many parts of the world.

"The animals come from various parts of the United States by rail and are harbored temporarily on Levinson's 400-acre farm before they are shipped abroad.

"Since he began his unusual occupation, early in 1949, Levinson has handled about 212 boatloads of animals, approximately 207,000 head. In recent months he has delivered 7,500 mules to Greece and 1,900 to a private rancher in Spain.

"His firm now is shipping Holstein dairy cattle to Israel, whose government has commissioned him to purchase and deliver 12,000 dairy cattle, including some pedigreed bulls, and 3,000 mules.

"When Levinson gets an order for mules or cattle, he flashes word to scores of agents across the country. They let him know how many animals they can obtain for him, and he tells them when to ship them to major depots like Kansas City, Mo., Fort Worth, Texas, and others in preparation for the rail trip to Newport News.

"Levinson can accommodate as many as 2,000 head simultaneously on his farm. He has special areas for sick animals, including isolation pens and a dispensary. There every animal is fed and quartered and (unlike Noah's animals) inoculated against the usual diseases, while waiting an average of eight days for sailing time.

"Ocean transportation is usually in converted Victory ships. Lately, however, he has been using ships of the Isbrandtsen Line.

"Before Levinson may ship animals out of the country an inspector from the United States Department of Agriculture culls the sick and other misfits from the herds at rail depots before they are shipped East. They are culled again at Newport News.

"Before it is placed on a ship, each animal is 'branded' with numbers on its neck, and carries a little envelope with its certified pedigree.

"The various countries choose their animals on the basis of their suitability to terrain, climate, and existing feed conditions. Greece and Yugoslavia, for example, are rugged, mountainous lands. There small horses and mules are in great demand, and Brown Swiss cattle are preferred.

**Three Ships in One Day**

"Shipping for ECA, the government of Israel, and private interests, Levinson has handled more animals than all other organizations combined. His firm often has loaded a ship a day. It takes about five hours to move 800 animals from his corrals to their stalls in a ship.

"In one hectic 24-hour stint in 1946, Levinson earned the gratitude of government officials by loading three ships in one day. His record was spoiled, however, when the boiler of one vessel blew up and the animals had to be transferred to another ship, making a total of three ships loaded and one discharged in one 24-hour day—a world record at one pier, this Noah proudly boasts.

"Levinson's crews eat in their own mess hall abroad ship and serve their own food. When they are shepherding cows across the sea they naturally get lots of fresh milk from their charges.

"Levinson, a bright-eyed, leathery Virginian with a pleasant Dixie accent, loves the odd business. He and his brothers and his father have been in the cattle business for decades. When they are not shipping animals overseas they are buying two-year-old cattle from Montana, feeding them for about eight months, and selling them to eastern buyers."

**Down at the Farm**

And here a word about the Levinson farm, where Levinson is the genial host at any and all hours. Right now he is in a Newport News hospital, or was a few days ago, after being injured in an accident at the farm.

*The Grit* article continues:

"An easy mixer, Levinson gives frequent parties for his ranch employees. Consequently, he has no difficulty keeping a full staff. Several veterinarians and their families stay on the premises in private houses. Often college boys on vacation sign up to go overseas with the animals.

"College boys and co-eds from nearby William and Mary frequently drop in for Levinson's famous barbecues. At first a few students would

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drop in occasionally to ride horses. Gradually the word spread. During the Second World War as many as 100 service men would 'visit' the place in a single weekend.

"Levinson likes to handle the huge barbecue pit himself at his parties, no matter how many guests he has. He burns hickory logs over heaps of live coals until they're red. Then he tosses king-size hamburgers directly on them. After the hamburgers are broiled enough, he covers them with a tantalizing sauce of horseradish, worcestershire sauce, catsup, melted butter, and onion juice.

"No business suit cattle dealer, Levinson knows his animals. He can tell the age of a piece of beef from the gnarl of the gristle, and in addition he can spot whether it is grass or grain-fed."

# Richmond Bond Campaign Setting Fast Pace

The Bonds for Israel Drive in Richmond is moving into high gear, with over $200,000 in sales already recorded, and two gala entertainment programs looming in February aimed at lifting the total.

A Yiddish show has been booked for Lincoln's birthday, Tuesday, February 12, at the Women's club, 211 East Franklin street. There will be drama, comedy, and music for all the family. And free admission, too.

Then, for ladies, a fashion show is being planned for the end of the month. An exact date will be announced later.

Among earlier events sponsored by the drive was a Chanukah festival for the kiddies and their parents.

But the biggest day so far in the campaign was November 14. More than 375 people turned out to hear Governor Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland, at a dinner given in his

**GOVERNOR JOHN S. BATTLE DECLARES ISRAEL BOND WEEK—Left to right: Lewis Markel, Sydney Lewis, Samuel Z. Troy and S. S. Seldes watch Governor Battle sign Israel Bond Week statement.**

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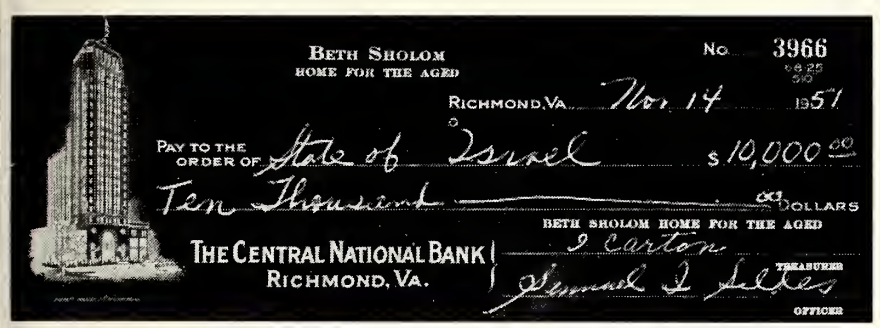
honor. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a $10,000.00 check by I. S. Seldes, president of the Beth Sholom Home for the Aged for Israel Bonds. Other organizations made purchases, including the Oakwood Hebrew cemetery for $3,000.00 and the Hebrew Sick Aid association for $1,500.00.

Governor John S. Battle of Virginia designated the week of November 11 as Israel Bond Week.

The success of the dinner was due mainly to the hard work by Campaign Chairman Sydney Lewis and David Arenstein. The dinner was followed by a "B" Day solicitation on December 2. Over 30 workers spent the day going from door to door selling Israel Bonds and over $10,000 from 43 purchasers in new sales were recorded for that day.

The general chairman of the Richmond Committee is Samuel Z. Troy and his co-chairmen are Lewis Markel and H. J. Bernstein.



**$10,000.00 BOND PURCHASE BY THE BETH SHOLOM HOME FOR THE AGED—Mr. S. S. Seldes, left, presents $10,000.00 check to Governor T. R. McKeldin for Israel Bonds at November 14 dinner, as Harry Hershfield and Mrs. McKeldin watch.**

## IN NEWPORT NEWS

**Bond rally in honor of the 77th birthday of Chaim Weizmann, president of the State of Israel, held in the Newport News Jewish Community Center, for Newport News, Hampton and Phoebus communities. Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Jacak Rubin, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Levinson, Jan Bartel, guest of honor, and Herbert Nachman. Mr. Rubin and Mr. Levinson are co-chairmen of the Bond Campaign, and Mr. Nachman was winner of a television set.**

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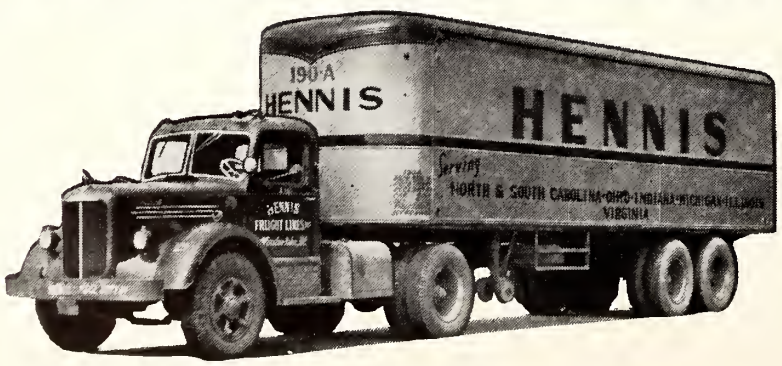


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# It's a "Fully Restricted" Town

*By* BERT COLLIER

**The following article is reprinted from the September, 1951 issue of The ADL Bulletin, monthly publication of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.—THE EDITOR.**

DELRAY BEACH is a pleasant resort community about fifty miles north of Miami on the famous "gold coast" of Florida. Its relaxed atmosphere, its emphasis on recreation and its dependence on tourists as a means of livelihood are typical of a number of towns that lie like jewels along the fabulous stretch of expensive real estate between Miami and Palm Beach.

In one respect, however, Delray Beach is unique. **It has developed a community policy of anti-Semitism that has taken deep root among businessmen, civic leaders and ordinary citizens.** There is a curious attempt to rationalize this bigotry into an attitude of "Let's keep everybody happy," the mark of a town that lives on visitors with fat wallets.

"We have no restricted policy in this town," indignantly declared a builder-real estate dealer who rents a number of apartments to tourists. "I'd rent or sell anything I own to a Jew, or anyone else. But I wouldn't be honest with them as my clients if I didn't point out that Jews who come here usually aren't very happy. I've seen it happen too many times. They come for a visit or to establish a home, and pretty soon they get fed up and move away. The reason is that there's no synagogue, or common meeting place for them to gather with their own people and make friends. That's not anti-Semitism. That's good sense and good business. We can't prosper with dissatisfied customers."

The disclaimer of anti-Semitism might seem to be borne out by the lack of "restricted clientele" signs on the hotels and motor courts along Highway A1A through Delray Beach. Discriminatory signs are numerous along this highway from Hollywood to Palm Beach, particularly in the newer towns that spring up around a real estate development for purposes of traffic control, garbage disposal and such municipal services.

Fort Lauderdale, for example, down the coast about twenty miles, has an average of around fifty "restricted" outside signs blatantly advertising the discrimination which flourishes in that community. The citizens of Delray Beach profess to look down upon such public notices of intolerance as vulgar. They have developed other ways to handle the matter.

The business man who disclaimed anti-Semitism is one of that rare group in this young area—a native citizen. His fellow townsmen, mostly from other states, concede that his opinion is respected and that his voice carries weight. But few of them are as vocal as he, or as skillful in protective coloration. Casual conversation on street corners, in stores and meeting places, leaves no doubt that discrimination is a matter of general knowledge and agreement if not, indeed, even pride.

"I don't know how they keep the Jews out," said a man in a drug store. "That's something the real estate men handle among themselves."

Another volunteered an amplification: "A couple of years ago a dealer sold a piece of property to a Jew. The other dealers got together and told him they wouldn't do any business with him if he did that again. He agreed to stay in line. He had to, if he wanted to make a living there."

The situation, admittedly, is directed by the real estate people of the community. It is this group of some dozen or so individuals and firms that handles the great bulk of property transfers, a good part of the rentals other than rooms let to overnight motorists, and responds to out-of-town inquiries that come to the Chamber of Commerce and other agencies.

Their "gentleman's agreement" to discourage Jews from acquiring property, however rationalized, is basic in the conspiracy. From this, it is easy to pass on to a policy of restricted hotels and motor courts and other forms of bigotry and discrimination through community pressure.

This policy is backed by the citizenry. Proof is ample, not only in the talk of the townspeople but in the written record. There is one letter, for instance, written March 9, 1951, by a leading Delray Beach real estate firm in response to an inquiry:

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t is also the only city on the East Coast fully restricted to Gentiles, both s to buying and renting."

Advertising material of Delray Beach establishments frequently emphasizes the discriminatory pattern of the community. For example, handbills of the Talbot Apartments in Delray Beach boastfully proclaim "Exclusive Delray on the Gold Coast—Restricted."

Some do not put it so boldly. A few who may be defensive make quite a point about one Jewish family that has lived and had business interests in Delray Beach for a number of years. But curiously enough, they group with this family several other non-Jewish families of foreign extraction—Syrian-American and Greek-American—as proof that there is no anti-Semitism.

This fuzzy thinking and strained logic is also shown by the town's attitude toward John B. Reid, local developer. Reid is the operator of a Miami Beach hotel—the Marine Terrace—whose discriminatory advertising is notorious.

Here in Delray Beach, Reid, in the development of a real estate project, uses the device of deed restrictions, plus compulsory membership in an "exclusive" yacht club, to bar all those "not of Caucasian race," not only as to ownership but also occupancy of the buildings. The deed makes an exception of "domestic help on the premises."

Reid is well known in Delray Beach where he operated before branching out in Miami Beach. His neighbors of two decades consider him a "sharpie" in his promotional schemes, but they concur heartily in his anti-Semitic restrictions as another example of "saving unfortunate Jews from an unhappy experience."

It might be interesting to consider Delray Beach further, and how it became one of the most completely anti-Semitic communities in the nation. There are no outward marks of difference. Its streets are like those of other small towns, with modifications due to its status as a semi-tropical, ocean-front resort. The people are about equally divided between the whites and the strictly-segregated Negroes. The white residents, as in most Florida communities, have come largely from neighboring Southern states and the Middle West. Most families are nominally affiliated with Protestant churches, though the city is not noticeably religious. On the other hand, it is not "wide open" as to gambling and vice, as in the case of some few others in South Florida.

Conditions at Delray Beach would be difficult to duplicate elsewhere because of the peculiar importance of real estate in the economy of the town. Except for the agriculture of the surrounding area, real estate and services based on real estate, provide almost the entire income. This magnifies the importance of the real estate operator and gives him a greater voice in deciding community policies.

This, of course, is generally true of all municipalities on the Florida East Coast. But Delray Beach is more closely-knit than most and has successfully kept out the shady operators who try to make a fast dollar and move on to greener pastures. This makes for smoother operation and firmer control. It makes it easier to exclude persons from this pleasant community who might not be "happy" in such an environment.

But the question persists: Can Americans efford the luxury of "bigotry as usual" in such communities as Delray Beach?

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Paris.—The current director of the visa division of the Polish immigration department in Warsaw was the leader of the post-war pogrom on Jews in the city of Kielc, it was reported recently by the Poale Zion daily "Unser Wort."

The report states that the Warsaw official, who was commandant of Kielc during the pogrom, had been convicted by the Polish government and given a prison sentence, but that he was later exonerated as the result of interference by influential circles and was subsequently given the immigration post by way of compensation.

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# Christmas Was Coming

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

JAN acted strange at first, finding it difficult to understand the customs of the boys who played on the streets of the great American city. His mind was slow at first to conceive what certain things meant in a game like stickball, where the hitter had to outrun a ball, scamper like lightning to first base and arrive there safely in order to continue in the inning. As the days grew in size there was more playing in the open and he came to understand the customs and rules, watching patiently and with the eagerness of a sparrow for his daily portion of crumbs to be spilled on the street by a bird-lover. The small webs of doubt that hung around his eyes and lips thinned out and soon were dissolved by the constant rays of light streaking through.

WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

He was not a dull child by any means, standing there trying to grasp the actions of the players. No one invited him to play. He was new on the block and the boys hadn't yet warmed up to him. Then again, there was considerable doubt whether he would make a good player, one that either side would want to choose at the flip of a coin. He had a philosophy all his own and was not disturbed by the way things were going.

Regardless of which way the coin turned up, Jan knew Christmas was coming soon. There seemed to be so much goodness in the day of celebrating the birth of Christ, people giving away gifts and exchanging all sorts of things: even an abundance of love. He usually found many things he never expected from persons he didn't even know, all showing the spirit of kindness, tenderness, the act of giving, the thought of understanding his feelings. He would mention something off-handedly, that is, to the Kablowskis, not thinking anything of it, and sure as daylight it would be his for the wearing when Christmas came around.

Jan would stand at the curb completely happy by himself, his right arm severed just below the shoulder, an index finger and pinky missing from the remaining hand. He liked to watch the boys hit and run: it was exciting, exhilarating. They were older than he, by several years at least, and each of them could hit the ball and run fast as a storm wind. One time it was stickball, then longball, box or baseball. The boys knew how to toss the rubber or leather with skill, tallying points for their side, no matter where the chips fell. Each day the sides were different, the result of choosing from candidates available at the time. No one chose him; no one asked him to play, but he had his own way of enjoying the games from the sidelines.

Jan would never talk about himself to anyone. He was adopted by the Kablowskis when the authorities in Warsaw learned, after months of investigation and checking, that they were his only surviving relatives and lived in the United States. Kablowski was a mechanic in an assembly plant and doing as well as anyone in his job could be expected to do. He had long wanted a child of his own, but for some unforeseen reason could not have one. So when word reached the Kablowskis of the terrible nightmare that befell their native town and that Jan was homeless, they made immediate arrangements to have their nephew brought over, welcoming him with their all.

The Kablowskis never bothered Jan much. They tried to teach him as much of the American ways as they knew. Their broken English they passed on to him with little qualms

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for perfection. They knew little about ball games or any other sport, because back in the Old Country it was work and more work for the Kablowskis and very little time for play. Therefore it was up to Jan to learn what he could about American games in his own way, as he was doing now.

It was not long after Jan arrived at the Kablowskis that he found a favorite vantage spot to watch the games. He was now beginning to understand, figuring things out for himself: the light was seeping through vague and doubtful clouds. Outdoor sports were taking on a new meaning. They were fun. Sunday mornings in Spring usually were the kind made for stickball. It was not sultry or hot like July and August when the sweat would trickle down your back the minute you started running.

Frankie Lang, captain of the first side up, was the batter. Jan watched him, how he held the broomstick down toward the lower end, both hands clenched tight around the wood as he swung and contacted the rubber ball. It sailed like an arrow through the air all the way down the block. The sting of the stick against rubber did something to Jan. It set a spark glowing. The fire caught on as Frankie raced down the stretch to touch first base, a chalked square on the gutter near the curb. Frankie saw one of the outfielders running after the ball. He sped like Mercury to second and third base, glanced over his shoulder and then scurried on home. It was a four-bagger, prize wallop of the game.

As Frankie touched home base, he slowed down, began to pant, his chest expanding or dropping with each puff. Quickly. Puff, puff. More heaving of the chest. Jan was at the peak of excitement. He felt like running; he was batter up, the one who hit the ball way out, down to the end of the block, circuiting the bases like a speed demon. He was Frankie the captain who had just hit the homer. His chestnut eyes sparkled with delight. He panted, watched Frankie for each motion and quieted as Frankie sat down on the curb just behind the catcher. The heaving of his chest had slowed to just above normal and in another minute he was calm as the others.

At bat now was Jim Dalton, the redheaded kid from the floor above Jan. He took his stance, broomstick firmly in hand. When the ball came over the plate Jim took a lunging cut at it, the contact sending the rubber deep into left, rolling on the ground. Jim was dashing to first, and as Jan watched he was Jim scooting off to first before the outfielder could stop the play.

Tommy Roberts was up next. He played around with the big stick for a minute or so, let the first ball go by. Jan, standing there on the sidelines, also let the first ball sail by. Too high, he said to himself. Let this one come over straight and I'll wang it into the river. He whacked into the rubber, the same time Tommy did. Swipe. He could hear the wind. A sure hit. He was off to first base, chasing Jim Dalton to third. The outfielder fumbled the ball and this gave Jim a chance to rush home, rounding all the bases in a breeze. Jan waited until Tommy was ready to go. Then Jan made a dash for home plate, reaching it safely for the third scoring honor in the inning. Just like Tommy.

Jan was Pete Scalfoni, Moe Horowitz, Al Applegate, and Leonard Wapson as each came to bat, struck at the ball and either retired after three strikes or reached base on a hit.

He was each and every player on the opposing team, and as they gripped the stick, Jan was Billy Sandow, the catcher; Al Foster, first baseman; Bobby Bush, playing second; Henry Robinson, third; Dave Koslow, the pitcher; and Sam Pearlman and Jose Silvera, the outfielders. He got every hit they did, ran like a silver streak whenever they made a dash for base or home plate.

Now it was the basketball court and Jan was on the sidelines, eyes eagerly absorbing the motions of the players. Jose Silvera was aiming for the basket after dribbling the ball a few yards. Jan was Jose running down the court, left hand behind him as his right tapped out a steady dribble on the leather that bounced until he stopped, steadied the ball in both hands and let it fly for the basket. It skirted the rim once, then waltzed around it twice and fell in. Jan sighed relief, took up his next position.

The ball was thrown up into the air, in the center of the playground by the umpire as jumpers for both teams reached high into the air, as if bounding from a springboard, clutching for leather. Moe Horowitz, lean and lanky,


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grabbed it, threw it to Bobby Rush. Bobby and Jan bounced it as they ran the length of the court. One was the player, the other a shadow. Bobby pitched for the basket. Jan followed each motion, aimed carefully. In it went, clean, without even touching the metal circle.

Another game. Now Jan was Billy Sandow. He had overtaken the ball from an opponent. When Leonard Wapson snatched it away, Jan dribbled it with him until they were under the basket. One sidestep, a pitch and it was in. Cheers. Pats on the shoulder. Great play. Bravo! Hoorah for Jan!

He was elated, wanted to play more, but the boys had to break it up. Had to go home for lunch. It was noon. Meal time. They were hungry after such strenuous activity.

After lunch it was cards, so the boys could relax before taking on more of the muscle flexing. Jan sat on the curb with the others, watching each play as a bookworm would read through a novel. He didn't know much about the game, but when Jim Dalton or Tommy Roberts won, so did Jan. He didn't know what it was to lose. He could do everything they did.

Hop, skip and jump was a cinch, like apple pie with ice cream. Leap frog. Broad jump. Nothing to them. Running jump over backs or boys whose heads were linked in the crotch of the fellow ahead of them. Easy as anything. With his two hands solidly set for the jump, Jan hurdled a couple of backs, landing firmly in position to give the next jumper and others to follow enough leeway to come through without feet touching the ground. Boy, oh boy, was this a game! It not only required skill, but the strength of a bull to hold up under the weight of some pretty good jumpers from the other team. This was the kind of sport Jan liked. He could go for it again and again.

There were other games, other activities. And in each of them Jan was the hero. It didn't make any difference whether the games were played here or in his own country. He was everything he depicted, getting compliments, friendly and cheerful pats on the shoulder. "Good work," the fellows said. "Swell playing! Keep it up now; don't let us down!" He felt light as a feather, swelling with pride.

Later there was a round of chatter, reading of the day's baseball results. Jan was right in the thick of the gossiping about the Yankees, or Giants, or Detroit Tigers with all the zest he could muster. He'd argue like Dave Koslow would for the Pittsburgh Pirates, not that he didn't like the Yankees or Giants but because the Smoky City team was in the limelight, in first place in the National League. He'd talk World Series and praised the team he thought would win it. He rallied to the Celtics as National Basketball champs and the Rangers as tops in hockey.

There was nothing Frankie, Moses, Leonard or Al knew that he didn't wise up to in quick order. He was right in there, part of each and every one of them, yet always on the sidelines. Christmas was here. There was no waiting now: it was with him every day he felt this way.

The Kablowskis asked Jan, "How are you getting on with the boys?" and he said, "Very well, thank you." He was gradually forgetting the tragedy of his homeland. He was beginning to see life anew, the American viewpoint, the land where they told him you live without fear. He saw daylight as it was intended to be, not shut in, not crouching, hiding: no fear, no wonder what the morrow would bring: torture, rape, mass murder . . .

He'd grow up in this country, land of bounty. To look forward to Christmas was one thing. Anticipation. He did not have to anticipate any more. He'd make friends. But above all he wanted no pity, no part of it. That is why he would not push himself on the boys. He was not the type; yet he was growing up, wanted friends, the kind that are like you, understood you for what you are inside, not outside.

Sometimes the fellows were a little rough, but he didn't mind that as long as it didn't affect him. They would even forget themselves sometimes. They'd get sore at one another and it was not unusual to see a Moe Horowitz or Jose Silvera take exception to a remark Louis Patsroni had passed. It could have been one of the boys from the block having a loud disagreement with someone from another block.

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"Let him have it," one of the other fellows egged on. Fists began to fly. The other fellow's gang was now equipped with sticks, waving them in all directions. Where they came from Jan didn't know, but now Pastroni's sympathizer had wood in their hands, and what started out as a fist fight, to settle a verbal clash, developed into a gang war. It became a matter of weapons instead of words.

Jan was bewildered, could not understand it. Fists were wraped around long wooden objects. All kinds of sticks suddenly and menacingly were banged against each other as one side tried to beat up the other. Suddenly his feelings about Christmas were being befogged by threatening clouds, clouds that hovered above him and would not go away.

Then, without warning, a milk bottle came hurtling from a roof. It crashed before his very eyes into a hundred pieces, resounding with a plop that could be heard blocks away. Another bottle tumbled down, cracked, small chunks of raw edges bouncing in every direction. Out of nowhere came a sharp whistle. Whoever it was kept blowing hysterically for the police. Then another whistle sounded off in the opposite direction. Another hysteria and another. From all directions now. Sounds. Echoes. Hysteric sounds. More echoes. Hysteric echoes.

All hell was breaking loose and the din of it made Jan scared. It reminded him of the unleashed terror that befell his little home in the Warsaw ghetto, when bombs struck without warning and wiped out his parents, left him maimed for life. It was frightening, this recurrence of fighting in the streets. He was terrified, this happening in America where they said . . . .

He ran into the hall, up the four flights of wooden stairs. He opened the door of the Kablowski flat, dashed into the room. He dived under the bed just as he did when the terror struck back home. He wept and the funny noises coming from under the bed, his peculiar action of running in without saying anything brought his aunt panting, searching for him. She found him kneeling under the bed, horror spread over his face, his body a tumultous quiver.

"What is it? What has happened?" she cried out, her hands outstretched as a grief-stricken woman pleads for understanding.

"The fighting. The murderers are at it; they are after me," Jan screeched from under the bed.

Mrs. Kablowski bent down on her knees. "Give me your hand, Jan. You are mistaken. There are no murderers here; there is no fighting in the streets."

"There is, I tell you; I saw it with my own eyes. They were using clubs, throwing bottles, killing people, those murderers. I tell you I saw it with my own eyes only a few minutes ago."

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She must act quickly, Mrs. Kablowski mumbled. Minimize the whole affair, say something to pacify the boy's fears. "It must be some kind of a game they are playing; no one will be hurt," she said. "It is only one of those games that appears a little rough to boys who do not understand it. Come now, don't go around like a wild one just because some boys are having fun in the street! Maybe you don't understand the kind of game they are playing!"

Jan crawled out from under the bed and faced his aunt.

"I only understand that someone will be hurt. The clubs, the bottles crashing from all directions. Someone surely must be killed already."

"Now, now, calm yourself, Jan," Mrs. Kablowski urged. "There is no need to get so upset. If someone accidentally gets hurt, it will not be you. And if it will make you feel any better no one is going to get killed. Maybe a little black and blue, but that's all. On Christmas they throw snowballs and sometimes you get a black eye with a little blue here and there, but it means nothing. It means nothing, I tell you."

Jan did not say anything. He sobbed without trying to stifle the noises that came by his heavy nervous breathing. The sounds were getting softer and softer. Soon he would settle down and they would stop. Mrs. Kablowski had mentioned Christmas and snow, and now Jan thought how odd it was that people should want to hurt one another on Christmas. It was not that way in his country and he would only think of nice things happening, not what he saw.

"Listen, Jan," Mrs. Kablowski said in a final effort to soothe him. "It is unfortunate we live in a neighborhood where the boys sometimes play so rough. One day soon, we hope to move to another neighborhood, where boys your age and older do not play so wild. Would you like that? Will that make you feel better?"

"Yes," he said quickly, looking up into her strong brown eyes. "Yes, Mamma Kablowski; I would like that very much. I would feel better, very much better." Christmas was coming, he said, but she did not hear the sound of it from his trembling lips.

Mrs. Kablowski pressed Jan close to her soft wide bosom, laid his head tenderly in her caress. He picked up his head and she kissed him as if he were her own. Yet, as she kissed him, a stream of doubt trickled through her mind.

"We will move as soon as Pappa begins making a little more money. I would like to change right away but I cannot do it with what he brings home these days."

She held on to his eyes with all the motherly love she could give him. "Now, Jan, wouldn't you like to go down again? That rough game must be over by now."

"No, Mamma. I want to be with you until bedtime. I want to be near you Mamma, in case those terrible men come back. I don't like those men they came to our house and they wanted to take us all away, only the bomb hit the house and everyone was killed and they left me for dead and now I don't want to go back downstairs; I can't go back; I don't want to go back I tell you. You can't make me . . ."

Again Mamma Kablowski pressed him close to her soft bosom, waiting for the storm to quiet down and at the same time wondering how long it would take before they could move from the neighborhood. She kept her thought processes working as she hugged Jan, soothed him, patted him tenderly. With each motion of her hand she could feel something not quite clear working up into an idea that might come to a head before her husband came home. It had to be an idea that must susceptibly change her scope in life and in the process Jan would find a new outlook, a new avenue of retreat.

Christmas was coming. Christmas was coming the way he knew it, the only way he wanted to know it.

Jan might even get to play ball with his three fingers. He could make a fist, if he tried; could even get an artificial arm and hand so that the missing parts wouldn't be noticed. He could get to do a lot of things if . . .

Big Ben, sitting on the kitchen table,

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Goeteborg, Sweden — (WNS) — A unique birthday party was held recently for Julius Heuttner, a watchmaker who dedicated his life to rescuing people from the clutches of Hitlerism during the reign of terror in Germany.

Delegates from 15 nations, and many people whom he saved from certain death at the hands of the Nazis, paid tribute to the 70-year-old Heuttner at a dinner at the Grand Hotel attended by this country's leading figures and foreign delegations. Over 1,000 messages from people in twenty countries were sent to the celebrant, among them one from Winston Churchill. Prior to the reception thousands of people, including high foreign diplomats, passed before Heuttner's home in tribute to his humanitarian efforts in saving 36,000 people, 20,000 of whom are now in the United States. Heuttner stood on the balcony of his house as the procession passed by, shedding tears as he recognized some of the people he saved and important dignitaries who came to honor him. The city was in a festive mood, with all homes covered with Swedish and foreign flags. A huge orchestra on the square played the Swedish national anthem and folksongs while hundreds of people he befriended shouted greetings.

Heuttner began his rescue work in 1933, when Nazi terrorism was rising rapidly over Germany. In cooperation with the Swedish Red Cross and the Mosaic Society, he helped Jews escape Germany to Sweden. When the Jewish refugees from Germany reached Sweden, Heuttner opened his home to them, feeding and clothing them preparatory to sending them off for refuge in the United States and other countries. Later, he interested a number of Swedish merchants in his errand of mercy and in giving wider support to the Swedish Red Cross. When the war broke out, Heuttner turned over to the Red Cross a huge sum of money for rehabilitating the refugees. A register he kept of the refugees he met personally shows a list of 36,000 names.

When he began his rescue work, Heuttner told newspaper reporters, he "had no idea" what gigantic task he had undertaken, adding that for nearly twenty years all his time "was occupied by refugee problems." He said he was happy to see his work ended now and that it was his "ardent hope that Europe shall not experience such a period of horror again."

### JUNIOR HADASSAH CONVENTION ELECTS NATIONAL OFFICERS

Miss Gloria E. Rubin, Brooklyn, New York, was re-elected National President of Junior Hadassah, the Young Women's Zionist Organization of America, at the closing session of the organization's 28th annual convention held at the Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass., on November 21-24. Nearly 500 delegates and guests attended the three-day conclave.

Elected with Miss Rubin were the following National Officers: Misses Annabelle Bienenfeld, Belle Harbor, N. Y., re-elected vice-president; Ruth Goldstein, New York, N.Y., vice-president; Priscilla Krupin, Astoria, N.Y., re-elected vice-president; Betty Landau, Charleston, West Virginia, re-elected vice-president; Sylvia Nevelson, Los Angeles, California, re-elected vice-president; Rita Kasakow, Philadelphia, Pa., secretary; and Rose Aronowitz, Elizabeth, New Jersey, as treasurer.

**JACOB KAPLAN, president of the Welch Grape Juice Co., has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Committee.**


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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

**I DON'T FEEL SCATTERED**

Lately, I have been reading more and more, the term "diaspora" in the Jewish press and hearing it in speeches and conversation. It means you and me; we are assigned to diaspora. It is a term to differentiate between Jews like us who live all around the world and Jews who live in Israel. We, it seems, are diasporites, to coin a word.

I looked up Webster's New International Dictionary for the exact meaning of diaspora. It's a word from the Greek meaning "dispersion applied collectively to those Jews who, after the Babylonian captivity, were scattered through the old world and later to Jewish Christians living among the heathen."

In modern usage it is taken from its frame of historic reference and made to apply to you and me in the U. S. It is frequently used with something of a sigh: Oh this diaspora! We are of the scattered! It suggests a kind of exile far from home, as if you and I were of a scattered remnant trying to get along in the world far from Israel. It suggests rootlessness.

Even the Reform Union of American Hebrew Congregations seems to think of itself as an institution of diaspora, though only lately it has built itself a million-dollar, seven-story house that reaches deep down into the foundations of Fifth Avenue, New York. In the current issue of its bimonthly magazine, *American Judaism*, it conducts a symposium on the question, "Is it possible to live a full Jewish life in the diaspora, or is this possible only in Israel?"

(The Union's founder, Rabbi Isaac M. Wise, preached a Judaism that was to be rooted deeply in the American soil and was never to be thought of as a plant not exactly indigenous here.)

Well, I myself don't feel at all scattered. My roots feel deep down in this U. S. land, though our family didn't

ALFRED SEGAL

start here until the early 80's when my father landed at Castle Garden. When I am spoken of as one of a diaspora, the inference might be that I am a sort of stranger here, a stranger who belongs to the scattering out of the land of Palestine.

I say this in deepest love for Israel as the birthland of my religion and its ideals, as the country of other Jews, my kinsmen, who are trying to make a good habitation out of it. I say it as one who prays that in Israel will be established the good way of life

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for the people who live there, in accordance with the Jewish ethical teaching, for the admiration of all mankind, an exemplar.

But in relation to Israel, I am not just a Jew scattered away from there, not a fellow without a home that he can really call his own. Gentlemen of the Jewish press and of the Speakers' tables do not serve us well—though they mean well—when they speak of us as diasporized people.

I believe that I speak nearly for every Jew in the U. S. in this protest. We feel as well settled here as Mayflower descendants. We have our Plymouth Rock. One day, in New York, years ago, I saw it.

I went down to the old aquarium on the Battery but not for the purpose of looking at fish. I knew this fish house as the building that used to be called Castle Garden in the time when it was the landing place for immigrants from Europe. I went there to find my father's footprints on the stone step at the door.

There he had landed in the 80's. The step was deeply worn by millions of feet. Yes, my father's feet had been of these. This step was our Plymouth Rock, as sacredly of the American scripture as the rock on the shore of Massachusetts.

From there these fathers started without privilege or favor and made themselves and their children of and for America, built good lives, counted their success complete in the goodness of their children whom America had advantaged.

We, their children, have no sense of being temporary, as may be implied in the carelessly used term "diaspora." We don't think of ourselves as grains of sand pushed around by the tides. The only difference we recognize between us and Mayflower descendants is that their fathers came over in earlier ships and ours got here by steam propulsion.

So let's quit thinking of ourselves as people in a diaspora and let writers speak of us only as Jews of America, Jews of England, Jews of France, not diasporites; and let speakers wipe the word off their tongues and quit looking nostalgically backward through windows of "diaspora."

I myself drop that word from here on. So I must change slightly—and for the better—the question that the Union of American Hebrew Congregations asks in its magazine: "Is it possible to live a full Jewish life in the United States of America, or is this possible only in Israel?"

And I try to answer it: As I see it, a full Jewish life has to do from beginning to the end with what the prophet Micah said: "It hath been told thee, O man, what is good, and what the Lord doth require of thee: Only to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God."

And with what Rabbi Hillel said to the man who had asked him to give the whole Torah in brief in a moment. Rabbi Hillel replied: "Do not unto your neighbor what you would not have him do unto you; this is the whole law, the rest is commentary."

In the words of Micah and of Hillel is the fulness of being a Jew, and why do I need any special land to be Jewish in? I can do justly and love mercy and walk humbly with my God even in my office in this American city. I can deal decently with my neighbors, as Torah, through Hillel, says I should to be a worthy Jew.

## Christmas Was Coming

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told Mamma Kablowski that her husband would be home in two hours. She had to step on it, speed up the tiny particles in her thinking cap. Something must come out of them. There was no other way out.

"Go in and take a nap till Pappa comes home, Jan. I've got a lot on my mind now. Go into your room and sleep off the dried-up tears, so when Pappa comes home you should be fresh and ready for what we have to talk about."

Jan went into his room and softly closed the door.

From there on it was up to Pappa and Mamma. Jan knew they would do everything in their power to prevent his becoming terribly scared again. They would not let him be frightened so.

It would take time, but he would look forward to the morrow and the days thereafter as eagerly as the sparrows to their next spray of crumbs. What was time but day with so many hours of hope!

His eyes narrowed in delight as a smile toyed with his thin lips. He seemed almost to hear himself saying *Christmas Was Coming!*


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# UJA Lays 1952 Plans

## Goal of $151,500,000 Adopted at National Convention

At a three-day National Conference held in Atlantic City starting on December 14 and conducted in an atmosphere of affirmation and determination to see Israel through present crises to an era of economic strength, more than 1,000 leaders representing the overwhelming body of American Jewry voted unanimous adoption of a $151,500,000 goal to set the stage for the United Jewish Appeal's nationwide campaign in 1952. In addition, the Conference unanimously drafted Edward M. M. Warburg to serve as UJA General Chairman for the second year in succession.

Prominent among those who took part in the conference are United States Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland; Israel Ambassador Abba E. Eban; UJA General Chairman Edward M. M. Warburg; David Horowitz, Director General of Israel's Ministry of Finance; Jewish Agency Chairman Berl Locker of Jerusalem, and Dr. Nahum Goldmann of New York; Chairman John Gibson of the United States Displaced Persons Commission, and national leaders of the United Jewish Appeal and its constituent agencies.

These latter included William Rosenwald, National Chairman of the UJA and Chairman of the Appeal's Special Drive to raise $35,000,000 in cash during the last four months of 1951; Rudolph G. Sonneborn, National Chairman of the UJA and the United Palestine Appeal; Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, UJA National Chairman; Morris W. Berinstein, Chairman of the UJA's National Campaign Cabinet; Mrs. S. Alexander Brailove, Chairman of the UJA's National Women's Division; Walter Bieringer, President of the United Service for New Americans; Jack D. Weiler, Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, and Milton Kahn, outstanding Boston Jewish leader.

The conference also heard from Moses W. Beckelman, Director-General of the Joint Distribution Committee; Moses A. Leavitt, Executive Vice-Chairman of the JDC; Ellis Radinsky Director of the United Palestine Appeal, and Dr. Joseph W. Schwartz UJA Executive Vice-Chairman.

The National Conference at its closing session Sunday afternoon, was marked by a National Cash Roll Call in which community leaders presented to Mr. Rosenwald checks representing final installments on the UJA's short-term drive for $35,000,000.

In addition to setting the UJA's 1952 campaign objectives, the National Conference marked completion of the United Jewish Appeal's 13th year as American Jewry's major financial instrumentality for support of rescue, settlement and reconstruction programs in Israel and other parts of the world.

**Arnold Leder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Leder, of Whiteville, N. C., who was Bar Mitzvah in Goldsboro, Rabbi Solomon Herbst, officiating, on November 3, 1951.**

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# B'nai B'rith in North Carolina

Joseph Hanchrow, president of the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges, reports many meetings and various activities of the Lodges throughout the state. He has made visits and spoken before the following groups, having traveled from one end of the state to the other during the past month:

New Bern B'nai B'rith Lodge, at which the guest speaker was Maurice Weinstein of Charlotte, second vice-president of the district. Mr. Hanchrow spoke on the activities of Hillel units in the state and building of the new Hillel House at Chapel Hill.

Mr. Hanchrow visited the lodges in Asheville, Hendersonville, and Winston-Salem, giving a general talk on the B'nai B'rith activities and presenting the Hillel picture. The Leopold Zunz Lodge of Goldsboro held its sixty-fifth anniversary reception on November 18, at which time Melvin S. Harris of Columbia, S. C., president of District Grand Lodge No. 5, was guest speaker. Mr. Hanchrow introduced Mr. Harris at this affair.

Following the Goldsboro meeting, Mr. Harris attended the meeting of the Rocky Mount Lodge, where he was also introduced by Mr. Hanchrow. Mr. Harris and Mr. Hanchrow followed this up with a meeting in Fayetteville. Mr. Hanchrow also spoke at the Kinston Lodge meeting, giving the general B'nai B'rith picture and stressing the importance of Hillel and the support of the Hillel House by the state.

Mr. Hanchrow finished off the month of December with an address before the Raleigh Lodge, followed by one at the Durham Lodge, and concluded with a meeting in Gastonia.

On December 2, the North Carolina Advisory Board of A. D. L. met in Greensboro at the O. Henry hotel. Ted Freedman, regional ADL director of Richmond, Va., was guest speaker. Chairman of the Advisory Committee is Henry Bane of Durham, who made the arrangements for the meeting.

**B.B.Y.O. DELEGATES' MEETING**

The annual BBYO Delegates' meeting was held in Greensboro on December 1-2. Approximately 50 boys and girls from various chapters of AZA and BBG in the state were present for this affair which started off on Saturday evening with a dance at which the local Sigmund Selig Pearl AZA chapter was host.

Highlight of the dance was the announcement of the newly-elected sweetheart of the Sigmund Selig Pearl chapter, Miss Ann Falk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Falk of Greensboro. Ann was presented with the official AZA Sweetheart pin and a bouquet of roses by Sherold Klein, president of the chapter. She will represent the chapter during the 1951-52 season and was in Charleston, S. S., to represent them at the Regional Winter convention, which was attended by a large delegation from North Carolina.

Business meetings and a luncheon took place on Sunday. The luncheon was prepared and served by mothers of some of the AZA members. Mrs. Han Mayer, Mrs. Max Kriegsman, and Mrs. A. F. Klein. Many of the other mothers of the members provided refreshments for the dance.

Leon Eplan and Henry Shavitz, students at UNC, conducted a seminar on BBYO activities and program during the afternoon. Henry Shavitz is national vice-president of AZA and Leon Eplan is a former member of the National Board. Both have been actively interested in AZA for a number of years and contributed much to the meetings.

Leonard Clein of Winston-Salem, who had been acting president of the state council, was elected president for the remainder of the term which ends in June, 1952.

Rabbi Simcha Kling, of Beth David Synagogue, Greensboro, was the guest speaker.

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A Yiddish radio broadcast from Bucharest this week disclosed that Rumania's chief Rabbi, Dr. M. Rosen, had issued a call prior to the Rosh Hashonah holidays that the "shofer" be sounded in all synagogues in honor of Soviet Russia.

The Chief Rabbi's call said Russia merited the honor for all it had done for the Jewish people and the state of Israel.


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# COLUMBIA, S. C.

Rabbi Israel Tabak of Baltimore, Md., addressed the joint meeting of the congregation and Hillel Foundation of the University of South Carolina. Rabbi Tabak came especially to participate in the Religious Emphasis activities at the university.

At a recent meeting of Beth Sholom Congregation, the possibilities were explored for organizing a Newcomers club for the purpose of bringing newcomers to Columbia in closer touch with the Congregation. A. I. Jacobson was appointed chairman of this project and will select his committee to work further on it.

The children of the Beth Sholom Religious school participated in a program of Chanukah activities in celebration of the holiday. The school now has the largest attendance in its history, with 120 children attending the Religious school, and the Hebrew school.

The newly-elected Board of Directors of the Synagogue were officially installed at the late Sabbath service on Shabbos Beraishes. Irwin Kahn, outgoing chairman, was installing officer. The following officers and members of the board will serve during the forthcoming year: M. B. Kahn, chairman; Jack Golden, treasurer; Nathan Sanborn, financial secretary; Isidore Bernstein, recording secretary; Jake Freed, Leonard Bogen and Sam Litman, Isidore Gergel, and Hy Gerson will serve as trustees.

The Columbia chapter of Hadassah presented a play "Out of the Frying Pan," which was a huge success. The play was directed by Frank Harris and the following participated in it: Mrs. Sidney Taylor, Mrs. Sanford Count, Mrs. Sherman Gordon, Miss Kathleen Walberg, Miss Barbara Bogen, Burt Olshan, Mick Lourie, Ralph Gottlieb, William Walberg, Saul Horowitz, and Maynard Neider, and Dave Wallace.

The Paul Schwartz chapter of AZA observed National AZA Sabbath with services conducted by the group at the House of Peace Synagogue. Maxcy Rivkin served as Cantor, Robert Bloom led the English readings, Donald Katz and Stanley Krugman delivered the sermons and prayers were offered by Marvin Walberg.

The AZA group held a successful Thanksgiving dance which was climaxed with the crowning of the AZA Sweetheart.

At a beautiful candlelight ceremony held by the B'nai B'rith girls, the following new members were installed: Lois Shanman, Barbara Dreifus, Maxine Revelise, Phyllis Love, Annette Berry, Lila Coplan, and Clara Donen. After the oath was taken, Ricky Blasenstein, vice-chairman, gave a short welcome speech.

Those girls yet to be installed are: Ellen Jane Arnold, Anita Block, Debbie Gray, Rita Lefkowitz and Madeline Ross.

Representative Emanuel Celler of New York was guest speaker at a community-wide rally held at the House of Peace Synagogue for the purpose of planning the Israel Bond Drive.

Planning the meeting were Ben Arnold, State Chairman of the Drive; Jules Bank, district president of the ZOA; M. B. Kahn, representing the House of Peace Congregation; Robert Rosican of the Tree of Life Congregation; Mrs. M. Neider and Mrs. L. Baker. Professor Coleman Karesh acted as toastmaster for the evening.

Dr. Erland Nelson, professor of psychology at the University of South Carolina, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Akiba club. His subject was "Mental Health and Coping with our Problems."

The Akiba club sponsored a New Year's dance which was a huge success.

Rabbi Gordon recently delivered the invocation to the convention of the South Carolina Student Council Association, was guest speaker at the USO for servicemen, was guest lecturer at the Social Psychology class of the University of South Carolina, and was made an active member of the USO Operating Committee for Laurel Street USO.

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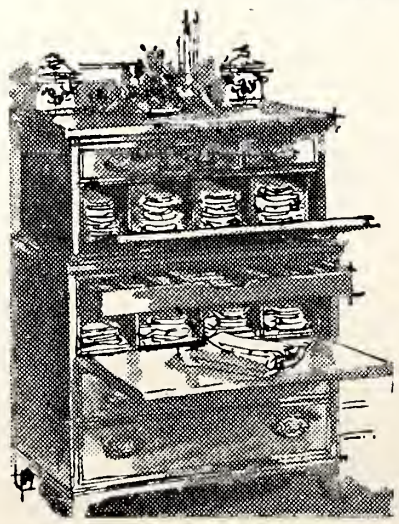

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**By Mrs. Daniel Sechtin**

Ground-breaking ceremonies for the B'nai Israel Sunday School and Community Center building were held on December 6. Prominent ministers and civic leaders joined the congregation to dedicate this building, which has been a long-waited project in the community. Milton Silver, honorary president of B'nai Israel, dedicated the land, and Rabbi E. B. Ershler read from Psalm 121. Herman Bernard, vice-president, read Chronicles 29, after which Rabbi Gold gave a prayer of thanks. Robert Silver delivered the chairman's address and the assembly joined in the ancient Hebrew prayer of Shehechyonu. Solomon Robinowitz broke the first bit of ground after which past presidents or their representatives turned the ground with shovels. These included: Mr. Robinowitz, Mrs. Philip Silver, Mrs. Robert Wagger, Harry Doctor, Ben Herman, Dr. Max Rones, Harry Kaplan, Edward Leyton, Mrs. Milton Silver, Samuel Shavitz, and the present president, Joseph Barr. Norman Samet read Psalm 150, at the conclusion of the ceremonies.

Rev. Thomas Smyth, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church and president of the High Point Ministerial Association, brought greetings. Greetings were also brought from Joseph Barr, president of the congregation; Irving Silverstein, president of the High Point B'nai B'rith; Mrs. Israel Bloom, president of the Ladies Auxiliary; and Mrs. Samuel Hyman, president of the Council of Jewish Women.

The building is expected to be completed by April, 1952.

Regular meeting of the Council of Jewish Women was held at the home of Mrs. Ben Herman. Mrs. Samuel Hyman, president, was in chair to hear reports and preside at the business meeting. The group voted to send one CARE package to Korea and to purchase a $10.00 bond from the Tuberculosis Association. Various other committees reported and Mrs. Norman Silver gave a brief resume of the study group meeting.

Highlight of the meeting was the program, which consisted of a television skit presented by the delegates to the recent Mid-Atlantic Conference of the Council held at Norfolk, Va. The delegates were Mesdames Samuel Hyman, Seema Morris, Alvin Rabhan, and Louis Greenberg. Attending the conference also were Mrs. Harry Jacobs, recording secretary of the conference and Mrs. Sam Tobias, president and regional board member.

The December meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of B'nai Israel Congregation was held at the Syngogue, with Mrs. I. Bloom presiding. Mrs. William Gold, Hadassah chairman, introduced a skit, "Torch of Modin," with Mrs. Maurice Cohen, Mrs. Danny Sechtin, and Mrs. Gold, participating. Plans were made for the "White Elephant" sale held for fund-raising for the benefit of Council and the Auxiliary.

The children of B'nai Israel Sunday School celebrated Chanukah on Sunday afternoon, December 30, with an appropriate program and refreshments. The older students presented a play while those in the younger group held a candle drill.

Installation of officers of B'nai Israel Congregation took place at a congregational banquet with a program following. The following officers were installed to serve for the year 1951-52: President, Joseph Barr; vice-president, Herman Bernard; secretary, Ben Herman; financial secretary, Jake Samet; treasurer, Stanley Taylor. Milton Silver is honorary president, and Solomon Robinowitz is honorary vice-president. The Board of Governors consists of: Murray Abeles, Arthur Cassell, Harry Doctor, Jake Harris, Ben Herman, Harry Jacobs, Harry Kaplan, Edward Leyton, Emanuel Rosen, Jake Samet, Phillip Silver, Robert Silver, Ben Swartzberg, Israel Bloom, Louis Greenberg, Samuel Hyman Willard Myers, Samuel Shavitz, and Irving Silverstein.

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Mrs. Sara Wagger upon the new store into which she has just moved.

Visitors in the community include Mrs. Manuel Zang of Boston, Mass., mother of Mrs. Robert Sirrull.

Mrs. Edward Leyton recently visited her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Sheckter, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

**Participating in the ground-breaking ceremonies for the B'nai Israel Sunday School building yesterday were the past presidents of B'nai Israel Synagogue who each turned over ground as a part of the land dedication program. Left to right are shown Solomon Robinowitz, Mrs. Phillip Silver, Mrs. Robert Wagger, Harry Doctor, Ben Herman, Dr. Max Rones, Harry Kaplan, Edward Leyton, Mrs. Milton Silver, and Samuel Shavitz. Joseph Barr, present president of the High Point Hebrew Congregation, is pictured at right.**

## Dunn, N. C.

**By Benjamin Sternberg**

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Dunn, North Carolina, is now on the map. My map, that is—and the maps of several hundred Jewish men on bivouac, men from every section of the country. And JWB, through Julius Cohen, its North Carolina area Armed Services director, has done its part to project tiny Dunn into the local limelight. In the minds of these men, weary and battered by the dusty war games recently staged in North Carolina, Dunn is more important than any place in America—except their home towns.

I'd arrived in Fayetteville on a Tuesday. Cohen said, "Services at Dunn tonight. And it's something you'll remember for a long time." Chaplain Margolies, listening, nodded his head in vigorous agreement.

"Where did you say?" I asked.

"Dunn. Dunn, N. C., twenty-three miles from here."

We drove out that black night, through hills, forests, and terrain which made you understand at once why the military labeled this as maneuver area.

And then, Dunn. A few lights on the Main Street . . . fewer pedestrians . . . a Protestant church, and sounds of Jewish services floating through its colorful windows. We walked in and saw more than 75 men, some in fatigues (and appropriately weary), others in full dress and fresh. Scattered among them, in prayer, a sprinkling of the Dunn Jewish community.

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swarm of Jewish soldiers. Satisfaction, pleasure for the opportunity of serving these boys, were spelled out in her manner, in her eyes. And it was as if a rubber stamp of these same feelings had been impressed on the features of the other Jewish volunteers.

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And the boys cannot show enough gratitude at this display of warmth and human concern.

Hours later, we pulled out of the Fleishman driveway and headed back toward Fayetteville. The boys had given their thanks and were drifting back to their encampment. We passed the early departees for several miles down the black road, and reached the point where the walkers plunged into the woods. We thought perhaps the blackness of the night now was only external to these men, as they carried with them the lightness and cheer passed out in tiny Dunn.

## Greensboro, N. C.

Miss Ann Falk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Falk, was elected Sweetheart of the local Sigmund S. Pearl AZA at their annual Sweetheart Dance on December 1. Ann represented the chapter at the regional convention in Charleston, S. C., December 24-28. A junior in Greensboro Senior High School, Ann has been an active member of the Etta Spier B'nai B'rith Girls, a participant and second place winner in the "Voice of Democracy" contest in Greensboro, and outstanding in many social and civic affairs in our community.

**Mrs. J. M. Krawitz**

Mrs. J. M. Krawitz, 56, passed away on Sunday, December 9, after an illness of one year. Funeral services were conducted by Rabbi F. I. Rypins of Temple Emanuel with burial at the Hebrew Cemetery in Florence, S. C.

Mrs. Krawitz, the former Leah Nachman of Lake City, S. C., lived in Greensboro since 1921 and was manager of the Jo Belle Hat Shop. She was an active member of Temple Emanuel and a past officer of the Sisterhood. She was also a member of the American Legion auxiliary.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are two sisters: Mrs. S. Wolf of Albemarle, and Miss Rachel Nachman of Greensboro; brother, Dr. Mordecai Nachman of Greenville, S. C.

Carrying out a wish often expressed by Mrs. Krawitz, physicians removed her eyes soon after death which took place at the hospital, for donation to the national eye bank, Manhattan Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital in New York. This noble gesture on the part of a woman who knew that she had not long to live, will make it possible for some sightless person or persons to see again.

Mrs. Nancy Saslow Joseph, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Saslow, was married to Marcus Rubenstein of Palm Beach, Florida and Stamford, Conn., on Sunday, December 1. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Richard E. Singer at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rubenstein, in Palm Beach.


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*by* MIN KLEIN

**INSTALLATION FATHER-SON BANQUET held by the Sigmund S. Pearl AZA of Greensboro. Seated at the head table are: A. F. Klein and Sherold Klein, incoming president, who was among the officers installed; Ronald Kriegsman, outgoing president and his father, Max J. Kriegsman. Other officers installed were: Robert Goldberg, vice-president; Louis Mayer, secretary, and Robert Lavietes, treasurer, all of whom were present with their fathers.**

Temple Emanuel convened for its fall congregational meeting, enjoying a delicious dinner served by the Sisterhood committee, and conducted business on the past several months' activities. Highlight of the evening was the address by Rabbi Abraham Shusterman of Har Sinai Congregation in Baltimore, who came especially for this occasion.

Once again the Inter-Faith meeting for public school teachers was a highly successful event Sponsored annually by the Council of Jewish Women and the Sisterhoods of Beth David and Temple Emanuel, the public school teachers of our children are invited to visit with us and learn about Judaism, its customs and ceremonials. This year the meeting was held at Beth David.

In charge of the entire program were Louise Falk and Gene Jacobs, with a large number of members assisting. Various holiday tables were prepared and explained by the following ladies: Succoth, Mrs. Rypins and Mrs. M. Susman; Purim, Mrs. M. Friedlaender and Mrs. David Rothchild; Chanukah, Mrs. S. Kling and Mrs. S. Levine; Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashonah, Mrs. Sol Jacobs and Mrs. M Feiner; Passover, Mrs. Lewis Rosenberg and Mrs. Harold Sher; Sabbath table, Mrs. Max Zager and Mrs. Sol Greenberg. Sara Smith was in charge of invitations, Blanche Lyon and Irene Miller presided at the tea table which was beautifully arranged by Carolyn LeBauer, Joan Bluthenthal, and Betty Roth. Gene Jacobs welcomed the guests and Rose Freedman introduced Rabbis Rypin and Kling, who spoke to the group on the various ceremonials and celebrations. Highly successful affair and the teachers seemed to derive much benefit.

Council study group this year was based on the theme "Modern Architecture and Its Contribution to the Home," with three interesting sessions provided by George Ivy, of the WC Art department; Ed Loewenstein, well-known architect in our community; and Blair Smith of the Studio of Design. The enthusiasm with which this series was received was rewarding to chairman Jean Hornig, and her committee. Louise Falk, Clara May Friedlaender, Margie Camras, and Kay Stern.


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More honors to council when Clara May Friedlaender, past president of the Greensboro Section, was elected vice-president of the Mid-Atlantic Conference at its recent convention in Norfolk.

Add another to the list of outstanding B'nai B'rith meetings, the recent panel discussion which featured the regular monthly program of the Sidney J. Stern Lodge, when a record attendance listened to four well-equipped participants present "Our Teenagers and Why They Act the Way They Do." With Michael Rand as the able moderator, this subject was presented from the viewpoint of the school, the Synagogue, the community and home, and the medical profession by David T. Helberg, Mrs. Simcha Kling, Jack Salz, and Dr. Adrian Rubin.

The annual Chanukah luncheon meeting of Temple Emanuel Sisterhood started the round of Chanukah celebrations at Temple Emanuel, with a program adapted to the Chanukah spirit following upon the heels of the business meetings and lunch.

Beth David PTA met for their second regular meeting, and stressed the celebration of Chanukah with a program "Chanukah Institute." Partcipating were Mesdames S. Kling, L. Myers, and Susan Levine.

'Tis said that the annual B'nai B'rith New Year dance rang out the old and rang in the new with a highly successful affair.

Thirteen members of the Play-Liker group at WC, accompanied by Chancellor Graham, provided an interesting evening at the Temple Emanuel Brotherhood dinner meeting, with "Chautauqua Talk" being the center of attention for the group, backed by the Chautauqua committee.

Activities among our junior citizens include the highly successful convention of the N. C. State BBYO Council early in December, which held its meetings at Temple Emanuel and Beth David. Host chapter Sigmund S. Pearl AZA of Greensboro, started the affair off with a dance at which time they announced their recently elected chapter sweetheart, Ann Falk, who graciously accepted the honor for the forthcoming year and who represented the local chapter at the Southern Regional Conference in Charleston, which was extremely well-attended by members of the local AZA and BBG.

Another bouquet to Ann for coming out second high in the "Voice of Democracy" contest sponsored at Senior High by the Greensboro Jaycees and the radio and TV associations. Michael Temko also participated in this fine project.

For a successful performance in "Mother Was a Freshman," in the Greensboro High dramatics group performance, Evelyn Greenberg received many well-earned compliments. Thus also Sherold Klein who portrayed Governor Bradford in another GHS presentation and did a commendable job of speaking. Evelyn and Sherold are presidents of their respective BBG and AZA groups and have had an active and prolific few months of accomplishment and performance.

The BBG Chanukah meeting last month was a delicious supper planned and prepared by the girls themselves, and an interesting program befitting the holiday.

The AZA boys want us to remind you to put your scrap paper out on your porch for their collection on Sunday, January 6.

Chanukah was appropriately observed on the WC campus with the annual supper and program presented by the Beth David and Temple Emanuel Sisterhoods, giving the girls a good send-off before their winter vacations.

Both religious schools provided Chanukah entertainment and observances for the children and the candles glowed once more with the agelessly beautiful story of Judah Macabee.

Removal to other communities has taken from our midst Mrs. Hattie Oettinger, who has gone to New York for residence. Evelyn Bolonkin and family who have returned to South Carolina, and the Lester Smallwoods who are now residing in Lyons, N. J. But by way of compensation there is news that the ever-popular Max Sands

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family have all come back south and are now at 4207 Riverside Drive, in Richmond, Va., near enough to come to Our Town frequently.

Welcome visitors in our community were the Alan Kahns and little daughter, who visited Norma's parents, the Walter Bernsteins, for the first time in many months.

Barry Farber looks none the worse for his recent peep through the Iron Curtain and talking with him about his experiences is the ever-delightful treat that Barry always provides.

The Victor Bateses held open house on December 16 to have Victor's brother, who is here on a visit from Europe meet some of the folks from the community.

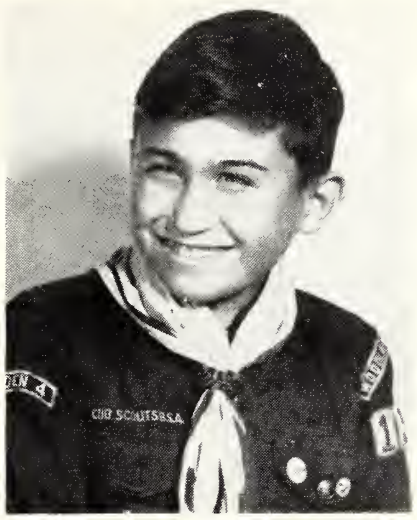
Naomi Marks took little Diane for a ten-day visit to New York City so that grandparents Marus could revel in her accomplishments.

Congratulations to Greensboro's grand old couple, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marks, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Teddy Page.

Back from Columbia university in New York City is Gene Miller, assistant City Editor of the local paper, sent for special study at Columbia, being one of a few such editors selected throughout the country for this honor.

Condolences to the Phil Segals upon the passing of his father in Denver, Colorado, to the Bill Kelmansons upon the passing of his father, and to the family of Mrs. Leah Krawitz, who passed away after a long illness, on December 9. It is also a fitting time for us to express our deep appreciation for the warmth and friendliness extended to us in our time of loss.

Reluctantly, we see 1951 recede into the background among the years that have gone, and speculatetively we look forward to what 1952 will bring, coming upon us so quickly.



**THEODORE LA PAGE**

Theodore LaPage, son of Mrs. Rosa Marks LaPage, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah with services at Beth David Synagogue on Friday evening, December 14, and Saturday morning, December 15. Following the Friday evening services, Mrs. LaPage was hostess at an informal reception honoring Teddy. After the Saturday morning services, guests were invited into the lounge for refreshments.

Teddy led the services and gave an address. He was prepared for his Bar Mitzvah by Rabbi Kling. Teddy is president of his Sunday School Class and active in the group of young people at Beth David. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marks.

**Welcome, Stranger!**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roth announce the birth of Barbara Ann at Sternberger Hospital on December 15.

**WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.**

**Eli B. Michalove**

Eli B. Michalove died at his home here on December 13. He was formerly a resident of Greensboro, and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Philip Michalove of that city is a brother. Other survivors are his wife; three daughters, Sarah Frances and Sylvia Ann Michalove, both of the home, and Mrs. Paul Shear of Key West, Fla.; one son, Philip Michalove of Winston-Salem; two sisters, Mrs. Samuel Kalin of Hendersonville and Mrs. Barney Pearlman of Asheville; and another brother, Dan Michalove of Hendersonville.

## Rocky Mount, N. C.

**Mrs. Erle Kellert, Reporter**

Tuesday, November 27, was designated as "Aaron Coplon" Day at Beth-El Temple. Mr. Coplon was honored with a beautiful and most impressive candlelight ceremony in which the officers of Beth-El participated. Mr. Coplon was lauded for his devotion and untiring efforts in behalf of the Temple and the congregation generally. A gift of silver-backed military brushes and comb was presented to Mr. Coplon. At the close of the ceremony, refreshments were served.

A dance, sponsored by the Beth-El Sisterhood was given at the Club Rio. It was a most successful and enjoyable affair and was attended by many local and out-of-town guests. A beautiful stole, knitted by Mrs. Lillian Lippman, was raffled off, the proceeds going to the Sisterhood. The Sisterhood meeting, preceding the dance, was held at the Temple house, with Mrs. O. Levy and Mrs. K. Berk as hostesses.

A suprise party was tendered Mrs. M. P. Ostrow by the Beth-El Sisterhood who was honored for her loyal and untiring efforts in behalf of the Temple and the Sisterhood. Mrs. Ostrow was presented with a lovely gift in appreciation of all that she has meant to the group. A local radio station recently honored Mrs. Ostrow when she was chosen "Most Likeable Lady of the Day," at which time she was interviewed by a member of the radio station and presented with a bouquet of flowers.

Dr. and Mrs. H. Feurst announce the birth of a daughter, Sarah Lee, on October 7. Mrs. Feurst is the former Dale Rosenbloom of this city.

Miss Sherry Kellert was a patient at the Sanatarium where she recently underwent an operation.

M. Meyer of Enfield has returned from Park View hospital where he underwent observation for a few days.

Miss Sura Meyer of Enfield who is attending the University of Miami, was home with her family for the winter vacation.

Mrs. Aaron Coplon has returned from an extended visit with her daughters and other members of the family in Cleveland, Chicago, and Martinsville, Indiana.

Mrs. Francis Gold has returned from the Sanatarium where she was a patient for several days.

## Hickory, N. C.

**Philip Datnoff, Reporter**

The Glenn Zerden Lodge of B'nai B'rith held its November meeting at the Clinker Brick Villa, at which time Dr. Spurlock of Statesville, N. C., addressed the members telling of his activities while serving with the Israeli Air Force in their Fight for Freedom.

Congratulations to the following families who have had blessed events during the past months:

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lerner of Lenoir, N. C., on the birth of a daughter, Marlene Dale, their second child.

Dr. and Mrs. Julian Hershfeld of Valdese, N. C., on the birth of a son, Max Sholom, their second child.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Lerner of Taylorsville, N. C., on the birth of a son, Jack Ivan. The Pidyan-Haben was held Sunday, November 25, at their home with Mr. Sam Katz of Morganton, acting as Kohen.

Mrs. Hyman Kramer and son, Gary Neil, of Whiteville, spent three weeks


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visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. L. E. Zerden.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Katz have returned to their home in Morganton after spending ten weeks visiting in and around Washington, D. C.

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Krieger of New York City, father of Ben Krieger of Greensboro and Marvin Kreiger of Drexel, who have recently moved to Drexel, N. C.

Howard Zerden, student at UNC at Chapel Hill, spent the holiday season at the home of his mother, Mrs. L. E. Zerden.

Julius Cohen, student at North Carolina State College, spent the holiday season with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Phil Datnoff on their sixth wedding anniversary, December 23.

The community was saddened by the untimely death of L. E. Zerden on November 1. A resident of this community for the past 43 years, he was hailed as one of the pioneers of the mercantile trade in this section. Survivors in addition to his wife are Mrs. Phil Datnoff, Marvin Zerden, Mrs. Hyman Kramer of Whiteville, and Ester and Howard Zerden.

## Durham, N. C.

**Dorothy H. Rose, Reporter**

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Daniel had a Bar Mitzvah for their son, Melvin Gordon. A reception was held at B'nai B'rith club rooms on Sunday, November 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice P. Rose announced the birth of a son, Stephen William, on November 28.

**Mrs. Marie Munich**

Mrs. Marie Munich, 72, passed away at the Montefiore Hospital in New York City, on Wednesday, December 5, after an illness of several weeks. Formerly a resident of Durham, Mrs. Munich had made her home in Greensboro and New York. A native of Russia, she came to North Carolina about 38 years ago. Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. A. F. Klein of Greensboro; Mrs. Joseph Axelrod of New York City; and Mrrs. A. L. Simpson of Union, N. J., and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rabbi Krauss of Durham, with burial in the Durham Hebrew cemetery.

## Wilmington, N. C.

**Mrs. Justine Raphael**

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**Carnival Time**

The Covenant club was a splash of color. Noise and excitement electrified the air. It was Carnival Time. Reigning over this delightful domain was Benji Abrams and Molly Burke Freedland. This royal couple had won the popularity contest and the afternoon was theirs. King Benji and Queen Molly Burke were presented with a gold crown, flowers and a prize. The carnival was a fund raiser of the Sisterhood, and it was a very successful event. Even the grownups had a good time. The hot dogs, hamburgers, homemade cookies, cakes, and candies were delicious; and there were concessions that attracted all ages. Mrs. B. D. Schwartz won the turkey raffle. Credit for the carnival is shared by the chairman, Mrs. L. Blaustein, by her committee: Mrs. B. Berman, Mrs. N. Stein, Mrs. M. Fleishman, Mrs. M. Turem, Mrs. F. Rechin, Mrs. H. Forrester, and Mrs. J. Raphael; by those persons who ran the concessions; and by those who donated the prizes.

**Around the Town**

The marker recently set up by the State Historical Society denoting the Temple of Israel as the oldest Synagogue in the state is a source of pride to us all . . . Congratulations to Gene and Ann Neuwirth who have moved into their very modern and very lovely new home . . . Superman must be building Lorraine and Milton Fleishman's house, it is going up so fast . . . Frances and Jack Seidman enjoyed

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# Charleston Center Athletic Program

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kowitz, assistant director of the Center, guides these teams and has done well with the material at hand.

Prospects of a championship team for the current season do not appear too good as most of our boys are now serving with a larger team, Uncle Sam's Army.

Our boxing club has held boxing tournaments in the ballroom which have been well attended. The boys are eight to twelve years old and are taught fair play, group loyalty, the importance of physical fitness, along with the art of self-defense. This group is led by a volunteer, Mr. Murray Marlowe, former Golden Glover of New York City.

All communities have their golf enthusiasts who place their sport above any other activity. Realizing this, the Athletic Committee has held a tournament these past two years at the Municipal Golf Course. Approximately 30 participate, with the best three receiving an award. The local golf pro is brought into the picture to work out the necessary handicaps to equalize the competition.

Last year the Center sponsored a team in the local duck pin league. The activity was fairly well received, but was abandoned this year due to the difficulty of finding participants on the night set aside for this league.

Each year, during November, the Center holds its annual Athletic Award Night. At this time, the participants of the several athletic teams are presented with tokens of award and listen to a speaker extoll the values of a good physical education and health program.

So much for what is going on in a limited fashion in a limited faciiity. In the next few paragraphs, I would like to state what I hope will be our program when we attain our new facility.

In the first place, there is a large group in the community who would affiliate more with the Center were there a wider range of athletic facilities. For these persons along with the others who now participate, we hope to have a gym and the necessary water facilities. The outdoor area would be equipped for softball, basketball, tennis, volley ball, etc.

We hope to have a good health club with the necessary steam room, masseurs, and an exercise room for those who cannot engage in the more vigorous athletic program.

When we speak about this new facility taking care of health needs, we speak of men and women. As things now stand, with a limited facility and staff, our program in the main deals with boys and men from the health program aspect.

Although our community is small as is our facility, we have managed to conduct quite a program, a program which has appealed to a great number of folks in the community. We look forward to the day when we can institute a health and physical education program which will meet the needs of men and women of all age groups.

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New York.—The food situation in Israel is serious but not critical, it was declared by Mrs. Beba Idelson, member of the Israeli Parliament, now visiting this country.

Mrs. Idelson's statement, made at a press conference, was deemed a reply to a New York Times statement that Israel was undergoing the worst food shortage in its existence, one that was imperiling the health of the child population. Mrs. Idelson said last year's drought had caused many shortages, but that children in Israel were receiving balanced diets.

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Emanuel Batshaw, Field Secretary of the Southern Section, National Jewish Welfare Board, was the guest speaker at the semi-annual meeting of the Jewish Community Center. Mr. Batshaw is a graduate of McGill University and received his post-grauate degree from the Montreal School of Social Work. He saw two years' service in World War II holding the rank of captain.

Also at this meeting, Klyde Robinson, chairman of the Center Athletic Committee, presented awards to the athletes who participated on the following teams and activities during the year:

Little League baseball team, Church League softball team, Church League basketball team, Senior basketball team, Playground League basketball team, Winners of the JCC Boxing tournament, and Winners of the JCC Ping-Pong tournament.

Center Appreciation night was observed at the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, December 16. Organizations worked together to present a program of skits for this affair. Proceeds went to the Center Day Camp Fund. Sol Levine was master of ceremonies.

Officers elected by the Henrietta Szold group for 1951-52 are: President, Lynn Dumas; vice-president, Ruth Ann Kahn; secretary, Phyllis Rundbaken; treasurer, Barbara Rundbaken. Mrs. Harry Appel is the leader of this group for this year.

The Emma Lazarus chapter of Young Judea was founded in November, 1951, with the following officers forming the first slate: President, Ellen Solomon; vice-president, Selby Toporek; secretary, Dorine Wearb; treasurer, Leona Baker, and adviser and leader, Miss Sandra Garfinkle. The group is making plans for a busy year ahead.

The local Army and Navy Committee sponsored a highly successful affair for the Army and Navy personnel of Ft. Jackson and the surrounding area. Young ladies from the Charleston area acted as Junior hostesses. Miss Harriet Rundbaken was chairman of the planning committee for the girls. Assisting were Misses Barbara Lerner, Betty Rose Givner, and Sara Cohen; also, Jerry Boyer, Charles Kassell, Merrill Alexander, and Art Rubin, who are stationed at the Charleston Naval Base.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Pearlman announce the birth of a son. Mrs. Pearlman is the former Betty Mae Bernstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bernstein, of Burlington, N. C.

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## Kinston, N. C.

Members and their wives of the local B'nai B'rith Lodge attended a dinner on Thursday evening, November 29, at Faye's Spaghetti House. Members were guests of the Lodge. Joseph Hanchrow of Wilson, president of the North Carolina Council of B'nai B'rith Lodges, was guest speaker, and he brought an inspiring message to the large group attending.

News has reached this community of the recent life-saving feat of Aubrey Bronstein, who is stationted with the U.S. Army in Hawaii. His quick thinking saved two men from drowning. Congratulations!

Samuel A. Steingold of Norfolk, Va., visited with the David Freedmans.

The Harry Pearsons had as guests their daughter and son-in-law and granddaughter, the Dan Bagatelles and Noel Ann.

Guests of the E. Traubs recently were Mrs. Ellis Handelman and her son of Wshington, D. C.

The Abe Stadiems were receiving congratulations upon the naming of their daughter, Abbe.

Leo Brody received congratulations upon the recent marriage of his brother, Alexander of Sumter, S. C., and Miss Jaqueline Goldman of Hopewell, Va., who were married in Richmond on Thanksgiving Day.

Rabbi Tolochko conducted special services at B'nai Sholom Synagogue in New Bern, in honor of a large number of Cherry Point Air Station Marines who recently returned from maneuvers in the Caribbean. Rabbi Tolochko also conducted services at Camp LeJeune in the absence of Chaplain Sobel.

On Friday evening, December 7, Miss Gertrude Weil of Goldsboro, was guest speaker at Sabbath services. Miss Weil, member of one of North Carolina's most prominent Jewish families, had visited Israel in the Spring of 1951 and spoke of her experiences during that visit. The entire service was dedicated to Hadassah and its work. Following the services a social hour was held, with Mesdames Leo Brody, Dave Bernstein, and Max Chused as hostesses.

Chanukah was celebrated in Kinston on Sunday, December 23. The annual play took place in the Religious School and a gay time was had by all.

## Wilmington, N. C.

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a wonderful vacation in Florida while Grandpa and Grandma Berger took care of the children. Incidentally, the Seidmans described Julie and Mary Norma Winkle's ultra-modern home as fabulously beautiful . . . Ben and Lorraine D'Lugin are beamingly happy about the addition to their family Johnny Edward . . . Maxine Schwartz was elected into the National Honor Society . . . Jerry Turem and David Lieberman turned Thespians in a local high school production . . . Gerry Kallman is recuperating after her appendectomy . . . Norma Berman is home again after her Richmond operation . . . A special New Year greeting to Pvt. Howard Guld up on the Canadian border and to Pvt. Al Levine, half a world away in Korea.

**Personality in the News**

Miss Paulette Stein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stein, is our personality in the news for this month. A freshman at the University of Georgia. Paulette was recently elected sweetheart of the AEPi chapter on the Georgia campus. The announcement of her election came to Paulette as a surprise one evening when she was dining at the AEPi house. Later she was serenaded by the fraternity

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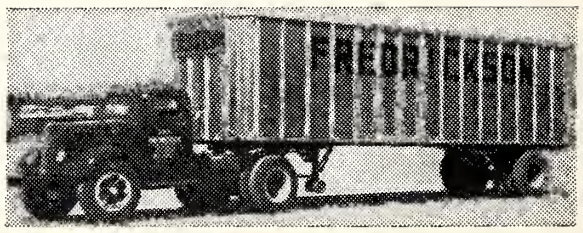


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brothers at her dorm, Miller Hall. To be named sweetheart is a great honor and thrill and Paulette is radiant about it.

## Rockingham, N. C.

**Engagement**

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Brown of Rockingham announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley, to Morris Lobel of Washington, D. C. The marriage will take place in Rockingham on January 20.

## Gastonia, N. C.

At the meeting of the Sisterhood-Hadassah, a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Max Planer, chairman of the recently very successful rummage sale, and her committee, consisting of Mesdames Binder, S. Cohen, Mel Cohen, Mark Fox, Levinson, Ben Planer, Sam Planer, Sapperstein, and Sherman.

The New Year's Eve Party held by the Sisterhood-Hadassah at the Armington Hotel was a highly successful affair.

Special Chanukah services were held by Rabbi Mark at Temple Emanuel on Friday, December 28. "Jewish Heroes—Past and Present," was the theme of his sermon. On Sunday, December 23, Temple Emanuel held its Chanukah celebration for the entire congregation, with special treats and entertainments for the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gurney, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Girard, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Witten were in New York to attend a dinner and meeting for the Weizmann Institute of Science, in which they have shown great interest.

A dinner and forum discussion on Judaism was sponsored by the Frank Goldberg Lodge of B'nai B'rith, with all the teachers of the Central school in attendance. The teachers received a great deal of information on Jewish customs and ceremonials, which should serve to provide them with much better understanding of the Jewish children whom they teach.

## Asheville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Marder announce the birth of their son. Mrs. Marder is the former Miss Naomi Cooley.

The Brotherhood of Temple Beth Ha Tephila sponsored its annual Father-Child night on Tuesday, December 4. The Sisterhood prepared the dinner and an excellent meal and program were enjoyed by a large group present.

Chanukah was celebrated at the Beth Ha Tephila Religious school with the lighting of candles and special services for the children. A holiday from Religious school was granted the children in order to participate in the celebration.

Bishop G. Henry, outstanding theologian and speaker and leader in the Episcopal Church was guest speaker at Beth Ha Tephila on Friday evening, December 1.

Mrs. Joseph Hearst of Norfolk, Va., president of the Eighth District, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, was guest speaker at the "Paid Up" Membership Luncheon of the Sisterhood of Beth Ha-Tephila. Mrs. W. Michalove is president of the Sisterhood.

"Can We Stop Inflation?" was the subject of discussion at the Asheville Town Hall meeting on Thursday, November 29. Participating in the discussion were C. C. Bridgers, A. Gilbert, Eric Rosenberg, and E. Munster.

## Jacksonville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gould of Jacksonville, announce the birth of their son, William Robert, on November 10. Chaplain Samuel Sobel conducted the Bris, which was followed by a reception attended by many relatives and friends of the Goulds, as well as members from Camp LeJeune and surrounding area.

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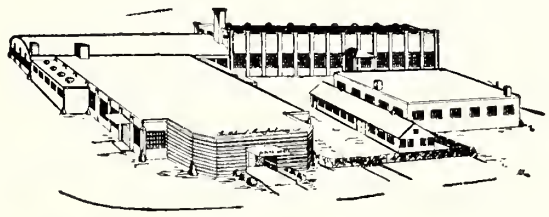

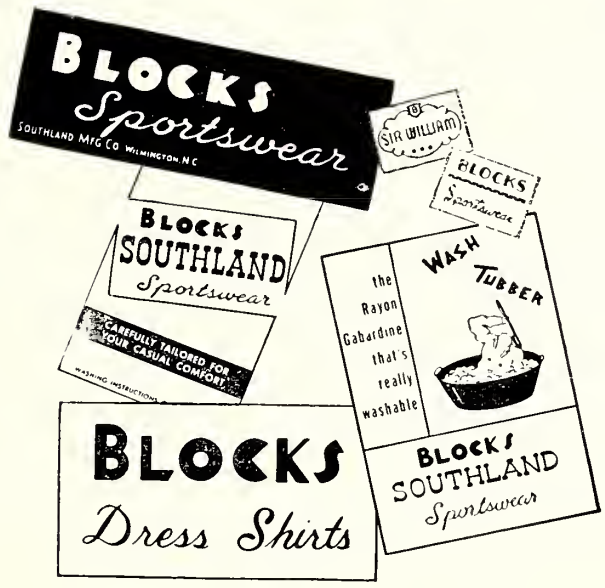


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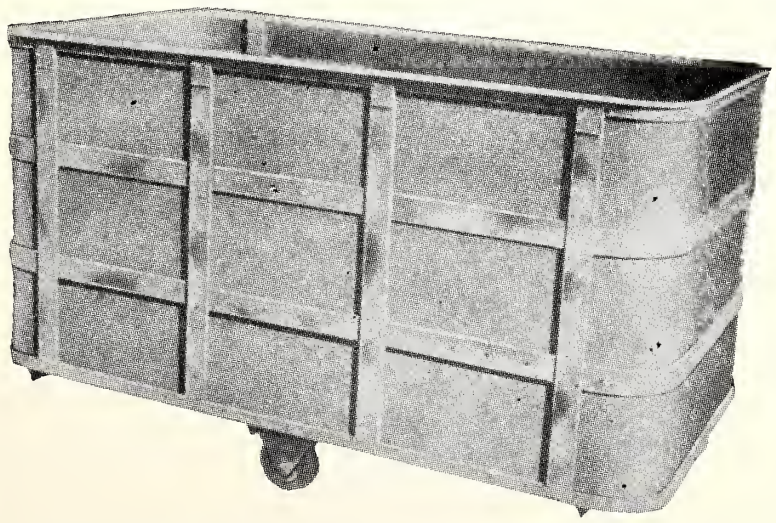

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## Statesville, N. C.

**Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Reporter**

The Salisbury-Statesville Council of Jewish Women held its first meeting of the fall at the home of Mrs. Milton Steinberger in Statesville, with the president, Mrs. Harry Feit, of Salisbury, presiding.

A review was given of the past and current community projects of the council. These projects include the medical loan and the linen loan closets maintained in Iredell county in Statesville and Rowan counties in Salisbury, under the supervision of the Health Departments of the counties, also the purchase of wheel chairs for county use in Iredell county and the assistance given to the Rowan county home. New projects the council decided to sponsor will be note books and pencils to be sent to the children of Israel and the setting up of the "pen-pal" connections with those children.

Friends of Mr. Bernard Katz are very happy to learn that he is doing fine and is now at home after his serious accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rochlin and daughter, Linda, visited Mr. and Mrs. Abe Rochlin in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fried of Boston, Mass., visited their daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gordon and Dr. and Mrs. Allen Lurie.

Mrs. Milton Steinberger and Mrs. Edward Leyton of High Point just returned from a visit to Tuscaloosa, Alabama and Atlanta, Georgie. While at Tuscaloosa they visited Mrs. Leyton's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Sheckter at the university, and in Atlanta they visited Mrs. H. Steinberger and family.

The community regrets losing such a lovely couple as Dr. and Mrs. Allen Lurie. Dr. Lurie was called back into service and is now stationed at Boston, Mass., he was connected with the Davis hospital at Statesville. Lots of luck, Allen and Norma.

Joe Gordon of High Point and son, Cadet Davey Gordon, of Hargrave Military Academy, visited the Gordons and the Steinbergers.

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Frankfort—Dr. Max Horkheimer, a Jew who once lived in the United States, has been chosen Rector of the Frankfort University. The new Rector is an authority in social sciences and author of many books on the subject.

## Charlotte, N. C.

Hadassah met at lunch at Temple Israel for a special program on Youth Aliyah and a film "My Brother and I," was shown. Mrs. Maurice Weinstein, chairman of the Youth Aliyah program, gave a talk.

Mrs. Herman Rosenstein was chairman of the Sisterhood bazaar held at Temple Israel on December 2. Grab bags, games, raffles and prizes, featured the evening of fun. Highlight of the entertainment program was the magic show put on by Mr. Pepper. Mrs. Jay Schrader won the electric dryer.

The Young Couples club elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Sol Levine; vice-president, Leon Greenberg; secretary, Mrs. Milton Bayer; and treasurer, Joseph Fogelson. Hostesses at the meeting which ended with a social hour, were Mesdames William Mayer, Sam Wallace, and Jack Stern.

The following boys and girls of the fourth grade of the Temple Israel Religious school, participated in a play entitled: "How the Jewish Flag Was Born": Ira Madans, Ira Meiselman, Joshua Tofield, Phyllis Grosswald, Jerrie Eisenberg, Barbara Kossove, Philip Guller, Ivan Chase, Ronald Reinstein, and Philip Levine. Mrs. Hyman Levine directed the play.

Rabbi Nathan Hershfield gave a book review on Karl Stern's "Pillar of Fire," at Temple Beth El on December. Mrs. Walter J. Klein was in charge of tickets for the affair.

Kindergarten Director, Mrs. B. Rappaport, with Mrs. John Fitzpatrick assisting, presented an unusually arranged display of kindergarten activities and talents at the open house at Temple Israel. Refreshments were served to the parents and children by hostesses Mrs. Joe Cohen, Mrs. Leon Greenberg, and Mrs. Seymour Shubkin, with the assistance of P.T.A. chairman, Mrs. Manny Guller.

Attending a meeting of the Cemetery association at the Temple were: President, Alfred E. Smith, and I. D. Blumenthal, Ben Jaffa, Harry Roth and Morris Speizman. Tentative plans were made for a Hevrah Kadishah dinner in March.

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iorities. Plans are also underway for Brownie Troop and Boy and Girl couts. Mrs. I. Silverstein received articular mention for her activities ith the Brownies, and Jerome Joffe nd Cubmaster Melvin Shapiro for eir work with the Cubs.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Roy ilienfeld who were married on Sunay, December 23, at Temple Israel, in harlotte. Mrs. Lilienfeld is the forer Miss Florence Pepper of Charotte.

Melvyn Sanford Schaffer, son of Mr. nd Mrs. Louis Schaffer, celebrated is Bar Mitzvah with services at the emple B'nai Israel in Maplewood, .J., on December 15. The Schaffer mily formerly lived in Charlotte nd are still members of Temple Isael here.

Rabbi Tofield represented Temple srael in New York at the Education onference held by the Jewish Theogical Seminary recently. This conerence considered the needs and roblems of adult education.

Following are the new officers of the BYO elected at the meeting held at emple Beth El on December 2: Elot Schwartz, president; Gerald Sinoe, vice-president; Connie Bernestein, secretary; Barri King, treasrer; and Myrna Smith, scribe.

## Fayetteville, N. C.

**By Edith Stuhl and Judith Edelman**
**Reporters**

The Fayetteville community sends ew Year's greetings to our friends, nd we hope that they will enjoy hearng of our activities at home and at earby Fort Bragg. Our new Beth Isael Community Center has been the necca of our monthly "Brunches" and ocials for the Jewish youth at Fort Bragg. Our men and women are to be ongratulated for the work they have one in helping the Jewish Welfare Board to make a "home away from ome," for these men and their famlies. In appreciation for the hospiality extended to them, the men at ort Bragg presented an American lag to the Fayetteville community t our Armistice Day program.

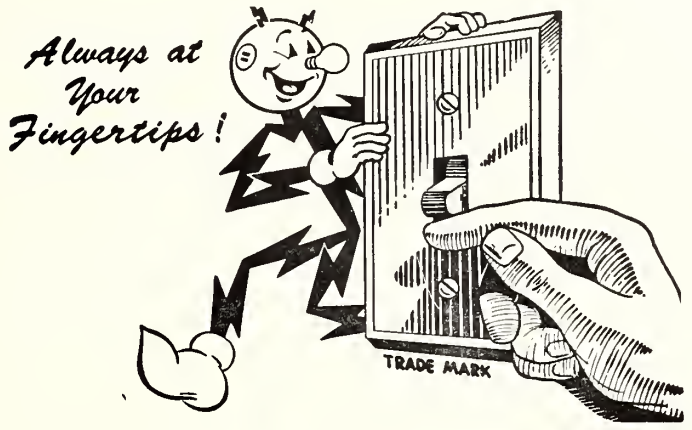
A gala affair of the fall season, that vill be remembered for a long time, as the dinner dance given at our enter by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fleishan of Dunn, in honor of the Bar Mitzah of their son, Morton. Thanksgiving was ushered in by a dance given by the B'nai B'rith.

On December 2 the Beth Israel Congregation sponsored a lecture by Rabbi Israel Tabak of Baltimore, who is giving a series of lectures at the University of South Carolina. He spoke on the philosophy of Judaism and also conducted an open forum which was enjoyed by all.

Hadassah activities of recent weeks included the Regional Education Institute at Wilmington, conducted by Mrs. Mary Lee January, our Regional president. Thirteen of our local members were present including Mrs. Harry Stein, president. We were very proud to have Mrs. Sam Elfman, Regional Program chairman, conduct a part of the Institute and Mrs. Joseph Mendeldorff present a delightful program. Plans are being completed for Hadassah's festive New Year's Eve affair which will include dancing, a show, and a "bagel and lox" breakfast.

Beth Israel Sisterhood held a regular monthly meeting on November 14 with Mrs. Aaron Satisky presiding. A card party is being planned to raise additional funds for the Women's Division of the UJA to be held at the Beth Israel Center. An orchid to Mrs. Bernard Fleishman and Mrs. Leonard Freed for their beautiful display of Jewish gifts for sale. The highlight of the meeting was a talk by Lt. M. Weinstock, who gave a vivid description of the untiring and inspirational

**MINA ROGOZIK, the former Commander of CHEN, the Women's Army of Israel, has come to the United States as the delegate of Moetzet Hapolot (Council of Working Women in Israel) sister organization of Pioneer Women.**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The congregation is glad to welcome Rabbi and Mrs. Plimmer and their mother to our community.

Pfc. Fred M. Rawicz, formerly a member of the Israeli army, has given a series of lectures after services at the USO - JWB Institute of Jewish Studies each Monday evening. His lectures have dealt mainly with Israel and his own experiences in the Israeli army. Music recorded in Israel forms a part of the program presented by Pfc. Rawicz. Rabbi Murray Alstet of Fayetteville has been giving courses in Hebrew as part of the Institute.

Dr. Samuel Howie, minister of the Highland Presbyterian church in Fayetteville, was guest speaker at the main chapel at Ft. Bragg on Friday evening, December 7. Dr. Howie, an outstanding speaker in this area, was the recipient of the B'nai B'rith award in Fayetteville for better understanding in the community. Lt.-Col. S. L. Crumpton, post chaplain, delivered the invocation and Lt.-Col. Wallace M. Hale of the XVIII Airborn Corps, the benediction. Harry Erstling of Fayetteville rendered the liturgical selections and Pfc. Sam Fixman gave the Kiddush. A social hour followed the services.

On Sunday, December 9, an afternoon of dancing and entertainment, provided by talent from the Ft. Bragg post, brought a large crowd to the Beth Israel Center in Fayetteville. Junior hostesses from Woman's College in Greensboro, from Duke University, from Durham, Raleigh, Charlotte, and surrounding communities, came especially for this occasion.

## Hendersonville, N. C.

**By Mrs. Kalman Sherman**

**Approaching Marriage Announced**

Mrs. Sam Cooley announces the approaching marriage of her daughter, Celia Cooley Patla, to Mr. Joseph S. Mann, of Whiteville, N. C. The wedding has been set for December 30.

**Hadassah Activities**

Mrs. Hiliary January, Seaboard Region president, visited the local chapter of Hadassah during the past month. Plans were made for a more extensive educational program and another donor dinner this year.

The Hadassah chapter entertained at a "Come As You Are Breakfast" on November 25, at the Jewish Community Center. A hilarious time was had by all. Members of the committee were Mrs. Nathan Patla, Mrs. Sam Williams, and Mrs. Kalman Sherman.

A very impressive Game Party highlighted the December fund-raising a tivities. Hostesses for the affair we Mrs. Dan Michalove, Mrs. Morris We berg, Mrs. Boyd Cohen and Mrs. Patterson.

Plans are being made in conjuncti with B'nai B'rith to sponsor a Ne Year's Eve dinner-dance at the co munity center.

**Condolences**

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Mo ris Kalin on the passing of her fathe Mr. Shep Alpern in Atlanta, Georg

**Travelers**

Mrs. Jannie B. Rosenberg is visiti with the Mac Provdas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cohen of Atlan dashed up to see the Ed Patterson

Mrs. Nathan Patla is visiting Whiteville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schulman a daughter, Toni, flew to Washingt for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kalin and so Barry, off from college, are vacatio ing in Sarasota, Florida.

Miss Ruth Weisberg of Washingto D. C., and Herman Weisberg, on a te day leave from the Navy, spent t Thanksgiving holidays with the parents, the M. Weisbergs.

Get well wishes to Mrs. Jack Davi and Mr. Boyd Cohen.

## Savannah, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen K. Myers Savannah, Ga., have announced t birth of a son on November 27. M Myers is the former Amelia Bloc daughter of Mrs. M. E. Block Greensboro, N. C.

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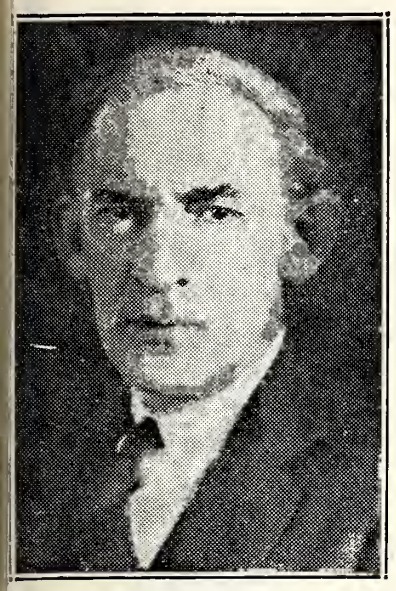

LOUIS LIPSKY

# Louis Lipsky

*By* HARRY SCHERMAN

**Louis Lipsky was honored on the occasion of his 75th birthday at a dinner held at Delmonico Hotel in New York City on December 4, by the American Zionist Council. Mr. Scherman here pays just tribute to this veteran and ardent leader in Zionism.—THE EDITOR.**

IN the history of the creation of the Jewish State—a history hich is yet to be written—there are w chapters which from the human ewpoint are warmer and more at- active than that which is constituted y the half-century of collaboration etween Louis Lipsky, American Zion- t leader, and Chaim Weizmann, first resident of the State. The theme of is chapter is a blending of the per- nal and the historical, illustrating ow two great characters found the erfection of comradeship in the pur- uit of a common ideal, and how dif- erence of circumstances and diver- ty of upbringing contributed, in such friendship, to closer unity.

These two men, who are almost of n age, came into the Zionist move- ent from contrasting worlds. Weiz- ann's childhood and boyhood were assed in the dark, tyrannical Russia f the Czars, Louis Lipsky's in the right freedom of America's democ- acy. Weizmann's manhood was a eriod of wandering from land to land; ipsky's was passed uniformly in his ative State of New York. Weizmann itnessed the beginnings of the dis- ntegration of European Jewry; Lip- ky witnessed the beginnings of the henomenal growth of American ewry.

One would have thought that under uch circumstances the motivations of hese two men in Zionism, their in- erpretations of the movement, their rogress of action would be, if not ntagonistic, then certainly at vari- nce. But from the time of their first ersonal meeting, at the Vienna Con- ress in 1913—and even before that ime when they were already in com- unication with each other — they orked in the most remarkable har- ony. Of Lipsky, Weizmann writes n his autobiography, *Trial and Error*: Though for long months we did not ommunicate with each other, we al- nost invariably reached the same onclusions on important problems."

The reason for this accord did not ie simply in the selfless devotion hich both men brought to the cause; nen may differ earnestly, even pas- ionately, with the purest motives. Nor s it to be explained by the instinc- ive friendship which sprang up at he first personal contact; friendships too have sometimes yielded to principle, in the Zionist as in other great movements. Its source lay in the single fact that, behind their differences of origin and early experience, the two men represented, to an extraordinary degree, the same Jewish tradition, the creative and eternal Jewish tradition.

Weizmann, the child of pogrom-ridden Russia, never interpreted Zionism as mere relief from oppression; Lipsky, the child of American freedom, never interpreted Zionism as philanthropy for others. Both of them saw in the rebuilding of the Jewish State a historical fulfillment based on the ancient destinies of the Jewish people. Weizmann writes: "I found in Lipsky an unusual combination: he was perhaps the leading theareti- cian among the American Zionists, but he possessed a remarkable under- standing of the European movement." This understanding, transcending lo- cal experience in both men, was root- ed in a millenial Jewish consciousness. It brought together the *cheder* boy of Pinsk, Russia, and the son of Roch- ester, New York, in a tacit common viewpoint which needed no formula- tion, and which survived long periods without personal contact.

A group of Louis Lipsky's friends decided, at a recent formal gathering, to found a Lipsky Exchange Fellow- ship at the Weizmann Institute of Science of Rehovoth, Israel. A vari- ety of motives entered into this de- cision.

There was first the desire to sig- nalize, by some appropriate action con- nected with Israel, Louis Lipsky's seventy-fifth birthday. It was also felt, however, that though many use- ful undertakings might, in some per- manent form, do honor to his name, something of a special nature was called for—something that would ex- press, together with the regard and affection of Lipsky's friends, a per- sonal aspect of his relationship to the movement. It would, therefore, be particularly appropriate to link the names of Lipsky and Weizmann in an enduring memento of their friend- ship. Thus was the the idea of the Lipsky Exchange Fellowship at the Weizmann Institute of Science.

As its name indicates, the Lipsky Exchange Fellowship will be a foun- dation to bring scientific workers of the Weizmann Institute to American research centers, and vice versa. The practice is of course not new; it is standard with all the world's research centers, and it was adopted by the Weizmann Institute at its inception, continuing the already established tra- dition of the Sieff Institute, which was the need of the Weizmann Insti- tute. But in many cases this necessary interchange of knowledge and work- ers was hampered by lack of funds. This defect the Lipsky Exchange Fel- lowship is designed to remove.

The friends of Louis Lipsky have found a special pleasure in associat- ing his name with such a fundation. For the encouragement of these inter- changes between Israel and the Dias- pora has more than a scientific mean- ing. Science in general will be served; the growth of the scientific spirit in the new Jewish State will be served too; and what is of equal significance, the bonds of a spiritual community between Israeli and American Jewry will be greatly strengthened.

There are scores of brilliant young Jewish scientists in America for whom a sojourn in Israeli's great research centre will mean a freshening of the spirit in many areas; there are many young scientists in Israel for whom a sojourn at one or more of Amer- ica's great scientific institutions will be an unforgettable and fructifying experience. The knowledge that for decades to come such an interchange will continue in the joint name of Louis Lipsky and Chaim Weizmann must be a source of deep gratifica- tion to all who have known in any degree the careers of these two out- standing Jews.

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## *Navy Bestows Highest Rank on Chaplain*

**CHAPLAIN GOLDBERG PROMOTED TO NAVY CAPTAINCY.—Chaplain Joshua L. Goldberg, district chaplain of the Third Naval District and Jewish consultant to Joint Chaplains Board of the Deparment of Defense, has been promoted to captain, the highest rank achieved by a Jewish chaplain in the Navy. Chaplain Goldberg is the liaison between the Joint Chaplains Board and the Division of Religious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board, which recruits, endorses and serves Jewish Chaplains in the armed forces. Rear Admiral Walter S. Delaney, district commandant, is pictured, right, presenting the Chaplain with shoulder boards bearing the four stripes of his new office.**

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# The Cooking Page

The winter season is the occasion for more than the usual amount of entertaining, and hostesses are frequently at a loss to plan simple and yet effective repasts. Here are some suggestions that might apply to just a bridge foursome, or to a group of a dozen or so.

### CANAPES

For serving at the beginning of dinner and giving zest to the appetite, canapes are extremely useful. They may be either hot or cold and made of anything that can be utilized for a sandwich filling. The foundation bread should be two days old and may be toasted or fried crouton fashion. The nicest way is to butter it lightly, then set it in a hot oven to brown delicately, or fry in hot fat.

The bread should be cut oblong, diamond shaped, in rounds, or with a cutter that has a fluted edge. While the toast is quite hot, spread with the prepared mixture and serve on a small plate with sprigs of watercress or points of lemon as a garnish.

Another way is to cut the bread into delicate fingers, pile it log-cabin fashion, and garnish the center with a stuffed olive. For cheese canapes, sprinkle the toast thickly with grated cheese, well-seasoned with salt and pepper. Set in hot oven until the cheese melts and serve immediately.

### SARDINE CANAPES

Toast lightly diamond-shaped slices of stale bread and spread with a sardine mixture made as follows: Skin and bone six sardines, put them in a bowl and run to a paste with a silver spoon. Add two tablespoons of lemon juice a few drops of Worcestershire sauce, a dash of pepper, two teaspoons of chopped parsley and four tablespoons of creamed butter. Garnish with a border of whites of hard-boiled eggs, finely chopped, and on top scatter shredded olives.

### NUT AND CHEESE RELISH

Mix one package cream cheese with one cup of chopped nut meats, one teaspoon of chopped parsley, two tablespoons of whipped cream, salt and red pepper. Roll into balls and serve cold, garnish with parsley and chopped nuts.

### WHITE CAVIAR

Take roe of any fish, remove skin, salt; set aside over night. Next day beat roe apart, pour boiling water over it and stir; when roe is white, pour off the water and let drain; then put in pan with two tablespoons of oil and salt, pepper, a little vinegar, and mix well. Let stand a few days before using.

This caviar may be substituted in all recipes for the Russian caviar or domestic caviar may be procured in some shops.

### CHICKEN LIVER PASTE NO. 2

Take one-quarter pound chicken livers that have been boiled soft; drain and rub through grater, add one-quarter cup of fresh mushrooms that have been fried for three minutes in two tablespoons of chicken fat, chop these, mix smooth with the liver, moistening with the fat used in frying the mushrooms, season with salt, pepper, paprika and a little onion and lemon juice. Spread on rye bread slices. Garnish plate with a red radish or sprigs of parsley.

### CHEESE BALLS

Take mashed cream cheese—add butter, cream and a little paprika. You can chop either green peppers, almonds or olives in this mixture, or the juice of an onion. Roll into small balls and serve on lettuce leaves. This is also very good for sandwiches.

### IMITATION PATE DE FOI GRAS

Take as many livers and gizzards of any kind of fowl as you may have on hand; add to these three tablespoons of chicken or goose fat, a finely chopped onion, one tablespoon of pungent sauce, and salt and white pepper to taste. Boil the livers until quite done and drain; when cold, rub to a smooth paste. Take some of the fat and the chopped onion and simmer together slowly for ten minutes. Strain through a thin muslin bag, pressing the bag tightly, turn into a bowl and mix with the seasoning; work all together for a long time, then grease a bowl or cups and press this mixture into them; when soft cut up the gizards into bits and lay between the mixture. You may season this highly, or to suit taste.


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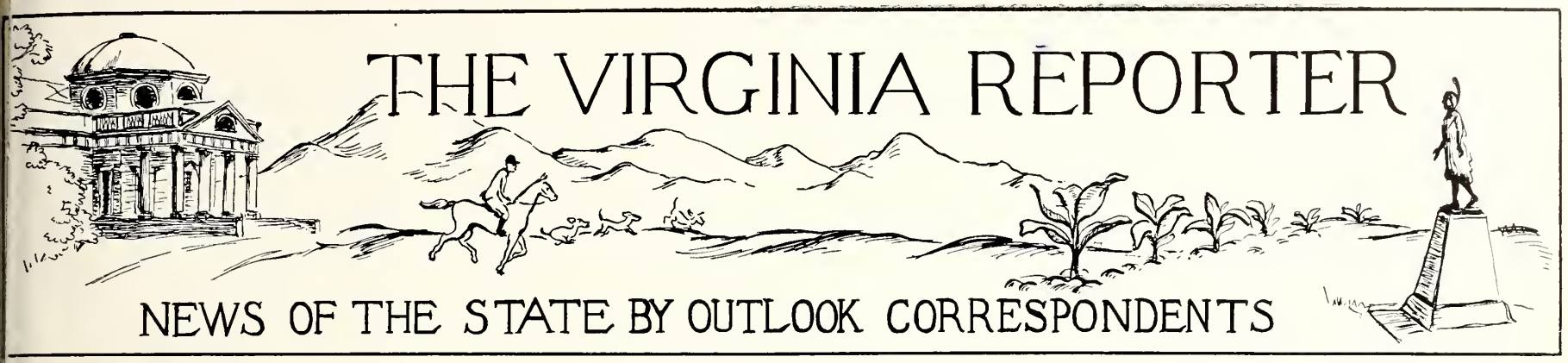


## RICHMOND, VA.

### HADASSAH

**By Mrs. E. J. Lipson**

The Richmond Chapter of Senior Hadassah held its annual "Paid Up" Membership luncheon at the Richmond Jewish Center. It was a gala affair with an attendance of several hundred members.

A feature of the afternoon was the musical comedy titled "O'Shoshanna." The star of the play was Mrs. Bernard Maslan who turned in a performance of creditable acting ability. The cast was, additionally, Mesdames Herman November as narrator, and Mrs. Irvin Forman, Mrs. J. Picon, Mrs. Julian Shapiro. Mrs. Ben Cohen furnished the accompanying music while Mrs. Harry Abramson led the audience in a songfest. The play was under the personal direction of Mrs. Murray Kolimsky, chairman of programs, and was a fine piece of stage business.

An elaborate luncheon was served by the Hostess Committee, with Mrs. Anne Hessellson and her co-chairman, Mrs. Stanley Wasserman. They prepared the delicious food assisted by a large committee, which also did the serving. The food for the luncheon was procured at no cost to the Chapter by Mrs. Nathan Kessler.

A surprise visit by the eminently-famous Mr. Harry Hirshfield, noted "funny man and jokester," was one of the highlights of the afternoon. His many humorous stories amused the audience. This was one of the largest "Paid-Up" membership affairs ever held by the chapter.

Mrs. Irvin Forman, Mrs. G. P. Schwartz, Mrs. Joe Picon, Mrs. Malcom Kallman.

The Richmond Chapter Senior Hadassah annual donors affair will be held in the form of a Theatre Party at the WRVA Theater on Wednesday, January 30, 1952. It will be a two-hour professional Jewish-American styled stage show. Admission will be your receipt for your 1952 Pledge towards the donor affair. Each donor is entitled to two seats for the performance.

Proceeds of this major affair will go towards the local Chapter quota of Youth Aliyah and Hadassah's Medical organizations quota.

Those in charge of this large project are: Mrs. Lewis Steinberg, chairman, with Mrs. Ben Garfield, co-chairman. They will be assisted by a committee of over fifty members.

### CONGREGATION BETH AHABAH

**Josephine S. Friedman, Correspondent**

Overactivity and not the lack of it, has been the reason for the absence of Congregation Beth Ahabah news in your publication. Even now it is difficult to know where to begin and where to end. So for this time, we will concentrate, primarily, on Religious School activities.

This year, we have a new Religious School Director, Mr. Joseph L. Portnoy, who is directing his talents and energy toward building a "bigger and better" Religious school. Already, it is necessary to have classes both on Saturday and Sunday due to increased enrollment. He is surrounded by a group of excellent teachers who are carrying out new ideas inaugurated by him. There is a course of formal instruction, tempered by a social atmosphere in the classrooms. In this manner the pupil is instrumental in the formation of the course of study based on his needs.

A Student Council has been organized consisting of representatives from each grade. Thus the students have a voice in school management and there is better cooperation between student body and faculty. The students plan their social affairs with financial help from the Sisterhood. Classroom books are augmented by visual aids, and a large collection of religious records is at the disposal of each classroom as well as many and varied books for supplemental reading by parent, pupil, and teacher. For Chanukah this year. Mr. Portnoy had the pupils make their own Menorahs (instead of having them given as in previous years) and prizes were given for the best ones.

Under the sponsorship of the Council of Religious Education, by Mr. Lewis Held, a luncheon is being held in our Social Center for city-wide inter-denominational Religious School Directors. This is only one of the many civic affairs that will be sponsored and held in our Social Center during the year.

Naturally, our rabbi, Dr. Ariel L. Goldburg, is always busy but never too busy to cooperate and give sound advice where needed. To his many congregational duties, this year he has the added ones of part-time chaplain at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Virginia, and McGuire Veterans Hospital in Richmond. He is always in demand for speaking engagements both at home and away and gives as generously of himself as time will permit.

'Thanks for listening!" We will write in again soon.

### BETH SHOLOM HOME

On December 17, 1951, the residents of the Beth Sholom Home were hosts to the Grand Group. Mrs. Bowman, and Mrs. Samuel Troy, together with a committee of the residents planned this Chanukah party.

On December 18, 1951, the Brownies under the leadership of Mrs. Paul Cohen, came to entertain our residents with a Chanukah play. The children bought out of their allowances, small gifts and refreshments for the grandmothers and grandfathers at the Home. The Sisterhood also gave a Chanukah party for our aged on December 30, 1951, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Everyone was welcome.

All these activities are greatly appreciated by residents. To show their appreciation to the Sisterhood of the Beth Sholom Home, our aged ladies and gentlemen had a meeting among themselves and decided to have ten (10) trees planted in Israel in honor of the Sisterhood. They collected the necessary money and after receiving the certificate, they appointed a committee of two gentlemen, Mr. Leon Kimmel, and Mr. Max Engel, both residents of our Home, were selected to go to the Sisterhood's meeting which was held on November 20, 1951, at the Jewish Center, to make the presentation of this certificate. Both gentlemen spoke to the ladies of the auxiliary and told them how much their work was appreciated by everyone and urged them to keep up the good work. Mrs. I. Carton, president of the Sisterhood, was very surprised and moved when she accepted the certificate.

## Temple Beth Israel

**by**

**MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ**

### WOMEN'S CLUB

January is a wonderful month! The world is new and bright and the slate of the year passed is wiped clean . . . except perhaps for slight marks where particular lasting moments of history have been writen. We stand on top of time during the month of January, a whole year of it spread before us, to move in any direction we may choose. But it is a mute question whether Fate has our path already waiting for us, or if it is our ownselves who tip-toe out into the "great adventure" of Life on the unmarked year, in whatever direction WE desire . . . leaving never-to-be-retraced steps in the snows of Time.

The Women's Club of Temple Beth Israel has marvelous plans ready for 1952 and with the new year they have renewed their efforts toward bettering the Synagogue and the community.

On January 10, 1952, the first project of the '52 calendar takes place in the form of a membership affair. Mrs. Louis Frankel, who replaced Mrs. George Padow as first vice-president last October, will be director of this

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endeavor. According to Mrs. Frankel, she will be assisted by Mrs. Sidney Tronfeld, Mrs. Jerry Fine, Mrs. Irving David and Mrs. Paul Cohen. Coordinated plans to make this membership drive a truly successful one will produce a delightful evening for all who attend.

Mrs. B. D. Mollen, program chairman, will present a group of players from the Richmond Professional Institute's Drama Department, sponsored by Mr. Raymond Hodges, RPI Drama director, in a gay one-act play entitled, "The Blue Teapot." Those in the cast include Frank Badders, Alma Rihm, Ann Lindsey, and Joe Lowenthal. Director of the play is Ann Graves, costumes by Pat Bawling and sets designed by Jim Enderly. The Drama Department of RPI has once before presented a play for the Women's club and tremendous requests for repeat performances have brought the Drama Student's Workshop back again.

Mrs. Samuel Levin and her gingham-aproned hostesses will serve a beautiful dessert-supper following the program. New members will be presented "Beau" corsages and an enjoyable social evening will follow.

So, remember this special date, January 10 at 8:15 p.m. Beth Israel Social Center at Boulevard and Grove avenues. Bring all your friends so they can enjoy a truly excellent social club as well as one that takes an active interesting part in Temple and civic activities. As you will see, the Women's club makes the most of their valuable allotment of time.

Speaking of time, here is some really exciting news. The Brotherhood of Temple Beth Israel doesn't claim to have anything directly to do with Mr. Einstein and his various theories . . . but they have come up with the most wonderful way of making those once dreary, dull, long-lasting Sunday evenings become shorter and so much more enjoyable. The prize-winning solution friends, is nothing less than the organization of the "Candlelight Club." This club is sponsoring a series of once-a-month dances to be held cabaret style at the Temple Social Center. For the nominal fee of $1.50 per couple there are refreshments and along with that a delightful dance orchestra. Due to the overwhelming success of the "Candlelight's" first endeavor last month, the club plans to hold the monthly dances with different costume and decorator motif, perhaps one month featuring Latin America and the next Western U.S.A. Any way you look at it it spells enjoyable and relaxing fun. So come on everyone don't let time drag for you. Start your 1952 path in the right direction. For that wonderful feeling of accomplishment join the Women's club and for refreshing social dancing be sure to be with us at the next "Candlelight Club" dance. So until our paths meet again next month. Bye, now.

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

**By Mrs. R. Reinhard**

The Richmond Section National Council of Jewish Women, is having an evening meeting at Beth Ahabah's Social Center on January 14, at 8:00 p.m. Men and women are cordially invited to attend this meeting and may be assured of an interesting evening.

This meeting is to be a legislature and the program committee is anticipating a speaker from Washington whose name will be announced at a later date.

Also in January there will be four study groups. These will include subjects on the following: Jewish Art in American Life, Music, Literature and Plastic Art.

## Staunton-Waynesboro

**By Estelle Kauffman**

Mr. and Mrs. Taft Cohn announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara, to Pvt. Harold Lee Friedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Friedman, of Norfolk. Miss Cohn is attending

**MISS BARBARA COHEN**

Richmond Professional Institute of the College of William and Mary and Medical College of Virginia. Pvt. Friedman attended William and Mary College and is at the present time stationed at Camp Pickett, Virginia. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Barber, who are the proud grand-


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arents of George Bennet Land, son f Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Land of redericksburg. After attending the ris, Mr. and Mrs. Barber headed outh for Miami Beach for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Finkel and hildren, Mary Ellen and Sidney, spent hanksgiving week end in Roanoke.

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Abe osenthal and daughter, Mrs. Jack oldberg, on the passing of Mr. Rosenhal. Althought he had been ill for ome time, great sorrow and shock as felt by both communities over his loss.

## Martinsville, Va.

**Irs. Ralph Hollander, Correspondent**

**NATHAN WEINSTEIN**

It is heartwarming that in a community such as Bassett, Va., Mr. Nathan Weinstein is the newly-elected resident of the Kiwanis club. Mr. Veinstein is a past president of the )hev Zion Congregation in Martinsille, a very active member of B'nai 3'rith and a member of the board of irectors of the Ohev Zion Synagogue. Ir. Weinstein and his family are the nly Jews in Basssett. So we offer our ongratulations and best wishes on his lection.

Miss Esther Weinstein, daughter of Ir. and Mrs. Nathan Weinstein of Bassett, Virginia, became the bride of ferman Maurice Obstler, son of Mr. nd Mrs. Joseph Obstler of Baltimore, Maryland, at 5:00 o'clock Sunday eveing, November 18, at the Forest Park Country club in Martinsville. Rabbi Goodkowitz performed the ceremony.

Mrs. D. C. Bassett, pianist and Miss leanor Tiller, vocalist, presented a rogram of nuptial music.

The bride, given in marriage by her ather, wore a gown of ivory satin ith imported French lace and illusion neckline. Her fingertip veil of illusion fell from a tulle and satin Juliet cap, edged with matching seed pearls. She carried a crescent bouquet of white orchids, fleur D'Amour and stephanotis.

The club was decorated with kentia palms, cathedral candles, southern smilax and vases of large white chrysanthemums and snapdragons.

Miss Rhona Weinstein, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Philip Medicus of New York, Miss Clara Rochkind of Baltimore, Md., Miss Addie Belle Boyd of Bassett, and Miss Osna Smith of Baltimore. The bridesmaids wore gowns of goya blue tulle net skirts over pink with blue velvetine bodies and capes. The maid of honor wore an identical gown in gray over pink. They carried crescent bouqets of ceris carnations.

Joseph Obstler, father of the groom. served as best man. Ushers were Irving Weinstein, brother of the bride, Edward Obstler, brother of the groom, Philip Medicus, and Robert Solomon of Baltimore.

Mrs. Weinstein, mother of the bride, wore a gown of silver blue with a large pink orchid. Mrs. Obstler, mother of the groom, wore a gown of rose with a deep purple orchid.

For traveling the bride wore a gray and black velvet and faille ensemble with matching accessories and a corsage of orchids.

Immediately following the ceremony, the bride's parents entertained with a dinner and reception, also at the club. After a southern honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Obstler will reside in Bassett.

The A to Z Book club held its annual banquet and installation of officers at the Club Martinique on December 1. The new officers are Mrs. Harry Levy, president; Mrs. Leon Globman, vice-president; Mrs. Stanley Sater, secretary - treasurer; and Mrs. Gilmore Rudman, historian.

**David Otto Goller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goller, whose Bar Mitzvah was celebrated at Ohev Zion Synagogue on November 16, and 17, 1951.**


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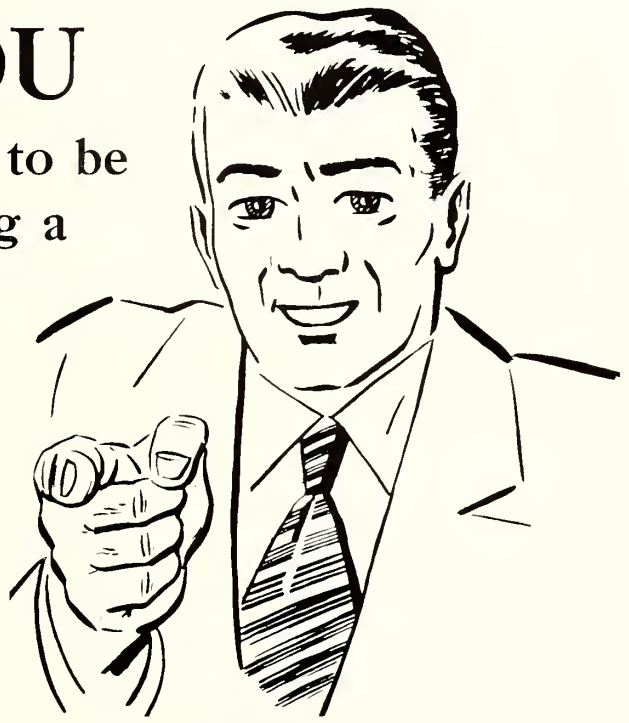

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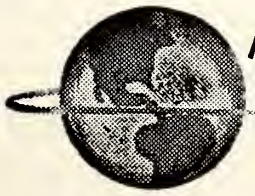

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## Fredericksburg, Va.

**Belle Herr, Correspondent**

**A Tribute to Rabbi Leon Elsberg, Who Passed Away November 27, 1951**

Listening to the speakers, Rabbi Ariel Goldberg, of Richmond, Virginia; the Rev. Phillip A. Roberts, president of the Fredericksburg Ministerial Association; and Dr. Clyde Carter, of Mary Washington College, at the Public Memorial rites for Rabbi

THE LATE RABBI LEON ELSBERG

Elsberg, the minds of all those attending, flashed back to the time when the Rabbi came into our midst as our Spiritual and Religious leader.

His stressing of a free pulpit, his guiding hand, his activities in both Civic and Religious Inter-Faith exchanges, brought to bear upon us our deep loss.

The Rabbi, 39 years old, was an ardent worker for closer relationship of his own faith with others in the city, since he came here to take the Beth Sholom pulpit 16 months ago. His lecture series last fall, dealing with modern problems on the basis of best-seller books, were aimed at a community-wide audience. The Rabbi believed one of his best accomplishments here was development of Beth Sholom's Religious school in which two Gentile children joined their young Jewish friends every Sunday morning to be taught history and Hebrew. He was particularly proud of the conversion of one Gentile woman resident of the city. He was also proud of the fact that Fredericksburg was making a new name for itself. Speaking at a businessman's bi-weekly meeting, he told the group that since he came here, he had found no one resident who could not qualify for the title of "Good Neighbor," the Rabbi had made a proposal that the city will come to be known, not only as "America's Most Historic City," but as "The City of Good Neighbors."

Here is a quotation from a letter received by the Rabbi from Senator Benjamin T. Pitts:

"I have had many opportunities to watch your work closely during the year that you have been here, and have said often that you have been one of the healthiest influences that could have come to the City of Fredericksburg. I know how small the Jewish community is, and have wondered how they manage to maintain a leader like you, and a program like yours even with the grateful support that you must have from every Jewish citizen of Fredericksburg; for although many of my Jewish friends have been respected for years as individuals, I feel that you have built a greater respect for them as a religious group than they have ever enjoyed."

Rabbi Elsberg was to have begun a open series of book review lectures at his congregation the night he died ironically the first lecture was to have started with "From Here to Eternity" by James Jones. His death of a heart attack was discovered the night a capacity audience of about 100 waited in the Temple Beth Sholom to hear his lecture.

## Newport News, Va.

**By Mrs. Irving Berlin**

The community of Newport News is looking forward to the Center's New Year's Eve party. Music will be furnished by Jap Curry and his famous night club orchestra. A night of fun is in store for everyone, at the community center's third annual New Year's Eve party.

Adath Jeshurun's Sunday morning breakfasts, where members of the Congregation's Men's club meet after Sunday morning services, to discuss the problems and needs of the congregation. Friendships are cemented, and important business can be transacted in a congenial, leisurely atmosphere. The Schule has also added to its library, children's record albums, which contains Bible stories, children's songs in Hebrew and English, and holiday songs. Children may borrow the records, and keep them out for one week. The Gift Shop, which contains Menorahs, records, books, jewelry, bric-a-brack, dolls, etc, has proved to be extremely profitable and a source of pleasure to those who have availed themselves of it.

Jewish Book Month was ecelebrated at the Jewish Community Center with books and literature written by Jewish authors. Along with this was an art exhibit sponsored by local Jewish talent, as well as a lecture on "Jewish Contribution to Art," by Dr. Leo Ka

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f Hampton Institute, who also had xhibited work by the students of Hampton Institute.

An institute on "Judaism In the Home," will be conducted by Mrs. J. J. inkle for members of the Sisterhood f Rodef Sholom Temple. The topic f the first two sessions will be "How o Observe Chanukah in the Home."

This season the Jewish Community enter initiated two new groups, amely, the Teen-Age club, which consists of all boys and girls between he ages of 13 to 18, and the Center's o-Ed group consisting of boys and irls past their teens. Both groups ave geared their programs to meet he needs of all their members. Thus ar the teen-age group has had a uccessful membership social and a hanksgiving "Come As You Are" affair. The past your teens group have lanned a "rough-it" party and a musical appreciation group for the month f December. Both groups will take ctive participation in inter-city affairs, the city's bowling league, dramatic workshops and athletic events.

On January 12 and 13 the Virginia ewish Young Adult Conference will e held in Norfolk. All of the Newport ews Young Adults are anxiously lanning for this week end, which will onsist of a social, cultural, and athetic programs.

Once again the Foreign Film Classics lub of Newport News will present for he entire community seven outstanding films which will be shown on Saturday nights beginning with "L'Affaire Blum" on January 5, 1952. All showings will be at the Jewish Community enter at 8:15 p.m. The entire program is as follows:

January 5—L'Affaire Blum (German).

January 19—Thunder Over Mexico American).

February 2—Well Digger's Daughter (French).

February 16—Carnival in Flanders French).

March 1—The Ghost Goes West British).

March 29—Tent City (Israel). Plus osch Art Film.

April 5—Day of Wrath (Danish).

The Jewish community of Newport News is proud of its armed forces program which is held every Sunday night at the Jewish Community Center. The local young men and women of the armed services have made Sunday "A Must" on their week's calendar. During the month of December the Langley Air Force band and local talent presented a floor show. On Sunday, December 9, Mr. Majahara captivated the imagination by the use of tricks and personal demonstrations. Each week one of the local or national organizations acts as host for the evening. They make the boys feel at home by serving refreshments and introducing them to boys and girls of their own age. Many of the men in uniform have been integrated in the center's activities and participate actively in the young adult council, gym classes, discussion groups and serve as group leaders.

## Portsmouth, Va.

**By Irma Koff**

Dear Lontzman:

The time has come again for a little chat on what's news in the Portsmouth Jewish community, and let me tell you, pals, things are really popping. The organizations are working hard with more meetings scheduled than nights in the week. Or so it seems. Then too, Cupid is unleaching arrow after arrow and snaring many a heart in the city.

Knowing the people in this town, you're all probably more interested in the social tid-bits than anything else. So let's go.

I guess you all know that Barbara Sears was married to Irving Kourland, of New York, on December 16. The other big wedding is coming up on January 27, when Trudy Jacobs and Gil Friedman, of Norfolk, take that long, long trek down the aisle.

On the engagement list are Irene Katz and Carl Janow, of Rhinebeck, N.Y.; Doris Fine and Jerry Gallup, of Hampton, Va ; and Marilyn Weinstein and Allan Bernstein, of Norfolk. We've heard rumors of several others in the wind but we'll wait for confirmation from the "horse's mouth."

Whoops, most forgot a couple of other marriages. It's hard to keep up with you guys and gals and this is the winter. Can you imagine what it will be like come spring? Anyway, Julia Dolid was married to Jerome Milhiser, of Baltimore, and Adele Ruth Eskin grabbed a Brooklyn, N. Y., boy, Herbert Metzger.

Also due for Mazel Tov is Henry Jacobs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Jacobs, who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on January 12.

There's plenty of other news from this town where they're still talking about Sisterhood's Cotillion. It was one of the most beautiful affairs we've been to in a long, long time. The Cotillion Figure was led by Mr. and Mrs. Milton Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Mervis. Morton Levy was responsible for staging the Figure.

The bevy of debbies who took part were: Miss Sandra Joy Inson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Inson,


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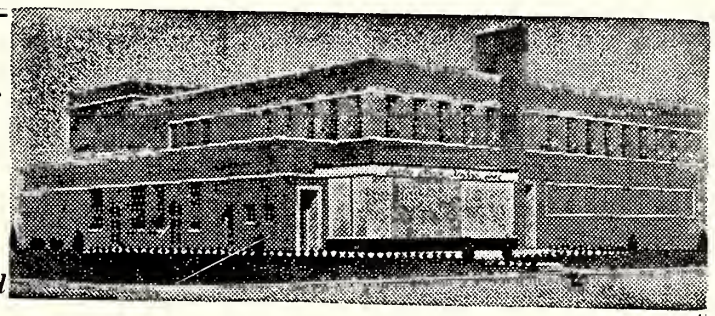

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Country club members also had a good time recently at the first formal dinner-dance of the winter season. And, oh, how those Southerners can make danceable music!

Guess who also had a good time recently? Joan Sufrin, Dot Levin, and Helen Katz, who attended the Junior Hadassah National Convention in Boston. They're still in a whirl at the inspiration of the whole convention. They also tell me that the Junior Hadassah girls had a good time at the pancake party at the Club on December 17. Gloria Stein was chairman of the successful party in commemoration of Chanukah.

Sisterhood is planning its annual card party due in January. The way people in this town enjoy cards. Sisterhood should have a sell-out. We hope—it's a worthy cause.

B'nai B'rith men are looking forward to their fund-raising event in January and Sid Keller, president, says the lodge had 26 new members. As for the ladies, their membership drive is still on but to date they have snared 22 new members Their membership tea will be held this month at the club.

Hadassah is busy making money too and they held a four-weeks rummage sale for HMO. Their famous Angel of Mercy page will run in February. In the meantime, the birthday of Henrietta Szold was observed at the December meeting when the inspiring film, "My Brother and I" was shown.

The Jewish War Veterans and the auxiliary are still busy helping all they can in the city. The JWV boys will sponsor the Blood Bank in March and the women presented Christmas and Chanukah gifts to the patients in the Naval hospital as well as sending several packages to the men in Korea.

The ZOA had an interesting guest speaker at their December 27 meeting when they heard a talk by Mortimer May, a regional officer.

God bless the Ladies' Aid society This, the oldest Jewish organizatio in Portsmouth, in continuous service will celebrate its 45th anniversar this month.

David Peck was installed as th new president of the Junior congrega tion at their banquet on December 3( Good luck, David, we know you'll d a good job.

And that's the Portsmouth news fo this month. See what I mean abou activity? Until next month, then, thi is thirty, and a happy New Year!

Your friend,
Irma.

## Suffolk, Va.

**By Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg**

Suffolk Hadassah is thrilled by th success of the its first Angel of Merc venture. The response was most ger erous and we also feel a wonderfu piece of public relations work was a complished at the same time. At th regular meeting of Hadassah on Tues day evening, December 11, Mrs. Han Bernstein, president, reported o Angel of Mercy and thanked all of he co-workers. At this meeting, Mrs Meyer Goldberg, program chairma presented a three-fold program on th Youth Aliyah, Henrietta Szold's birth day and Chanukah. Mrs. H. I. Jaffee Youth Aliyah chairman, gave a brie talk on Youth Aliyah accomplishment of the past year and its plans for th future.

The Ladies chapter of B'nai B'rit is planning a Canasta Party for th early part of January. This was de cided at the meeting held on Tuesda evening, December 4, with Mrs. Fran Laderberg presiding. Mrs. Stella Davi was appointed chairman of arrange ments for the party. Mrs. Charle Levy was hostess for the evening.

Since so many other activities hav been taking place, Sisterhood decide to postpone its dance until early i the New Year. As has been the custo for several years, Sisterhood hold no meeting in December.

The annual Chanukah party wa held by the Sunday school with D Murray Kantor in charge. Movie were shown and many enjoyabl games were played. Members of th Sisterhood were hostesses and gift were exchanged by the children. gay time was had by all.

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RABBI LLOYD TENNENBAUM

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Dear readers, I don't think I've ormerly introduced you to our new abbi, whom we are very proud to ave. He is Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum f Rochester, New York. A young man ith abundant intelligence behind his nassuming exterior. After high school raining in his home town, he was warded a state scholarship to Yeshiva Jniversity, New York, from which he vas graduated, cum laude, in 1946.

He received his rabbinical ordinaion and master of Hebrew Literature legree at Jewish Theological Semnary of America, in New York in 1950. Rabbi Tennenbaum also took graduate vork in logical philosophy at Columbia University.

Living with him is his charming oung wife, the former Silvia Steinberg, to whom he was recently married. Mrs. Tennenbaum, a native of Frankfort, Germany, came to the United States with her parents in 938. After receiving her B.A. degree um laude, from Barnard College in 950, she worked toward her master of arts degree in art history last year at college. Mrs. Tennenbaum, a talented artist, had two of her works shown in the Lynchburg Civic Art League Exhibit. Her parents live in Buffalo, New York, where her father, William Steinberg, is conductor of the Buffalo Symphony orchestra.

At the November meeting of the Lynchburg Civic Music club, Rabbi Tennenbaum gave an address on "Music in the Jewish Church." Illustrating his text by using to advantage his trained voice in songs and chants, he supplements his talk and singing by recorded music in accord with his subject.

It seems that much of our Jewish happenings and many of our social figures have been making bold newspaper print lately. The District 8 meeting of the executive board of Temple Sisterhoods that took place at the Virginia Hotel figures largely in the important events depicted in the news.

"The Place of Ceremonials in the Modern Jewish Home," was the topic under discussion at the afternoon session held at the Virginian Hotel. Approximately 100 guests from Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia attended the meeting. Principals in the participation in the discussion were Rabbi Ernst Conrad of Hagerstown, Maryland, moderator; Mrs. Lee Lichtenstein, Cumberland, Maryland, and Mrs. Julian Meyer of Roanoke.

Lynchburg Sisterhood of Agudath Sholom officers attending were: Mrs. S. N. Lichtenstein, president; Mrs. Cy Eichelbaum, first vice-president; Mrs. Jeff Shapiro, recording secretary; Mrs. I. Schewel, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Ben Schewel, treasurer. Program chairman was Mrs. Ben Schewel and co-chairman Mrs. Gus Berman. Mrs. Edward Goldstein and Mrs. Ben Kulman were co-chairmen of reservations.

The officers who were present you might like to know were: Mrs. J. Hearst of Norfolk, district president; Mrs. A. F. Klein of Greensboro, first vice-president; Mrs. Edward Putzel of Baltimore, second vice-president; Mrs. Jesse Goodman of Washington, recording secretary; Mrs. Marvin Cooper of Norfolk, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein of Lynchburg, treasurer; Mrs. Ben Schewel of Lynchburg, auditor and Mrs. Jesse Miller of Baltimore, parliamentarian.

The annual Sisterhood bazaar attracted a large attendance this year. Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein, president of the organization, announced successful results. The various heads of committees are as follows: Sewing, Mrs. Ike Cohen; Knitting and Crocheting, Mrs. Gus Berman; Novelties, Mrs. Elliott Schewel; Foods, Mrs. Ben Schewel; Luncheon, Mrs. Marks. Mrs. Richard Samuels was committee chairman of the bazaar.

Other personalities and pictures in the newspapers of the week were Mrs. Ben Schewel displaying her favorite pineapple noodle ring under the title heading "Food Lynchburgers Enjoy." Another photograph shows the mayor


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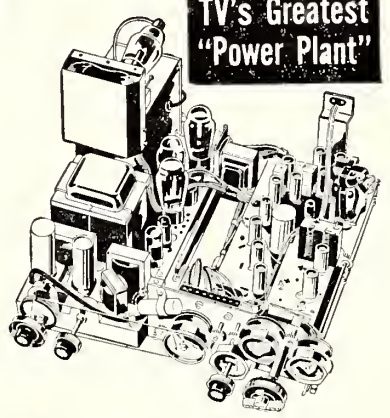

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The Little Theater production of "The Enchanted Cottage" is making news. Heading the cast of important players is Allan Cohen, assistant psychologist at Lynchburg State Colony. Cohen is a former tackle for the Miami All-City team and played football in high school. Cohen was seen in the role of Bashforth.

Another talented newcomer, in the role of Major Hillgrove, was Allen Sheckwitz. Allen seems to come by it honestly as his family were associated with show business. His father, Louis Sheckwitz is a theatrical producer and vaudeville actor and his four sisters appeared professionally as "The Lewis Sisters."

Lynchburg Chapter, National Conference of Christians and Jews, elected Dr. Kenneth Cooper, Thomas Morrison and Kenneth Badgett as its three co-chairmen for the coming year. It was announced that Dr. Orville W. Wake, president of Lynchburg College, would serve as general chairman of Brotherhood Week, February 17-23.

An editorial entitled "Israel Crossroads," was well-written in the Daily Advance, during the local bond drive in Lynchburg. I cannot at this time go into the article in detail but it goes on to say, quote, "That the bond issue will meet with success in this country is probable for the United States is friendly toward Israel and private funds from this country have been a leading factor in establishing the State." Further comment, quote, "Perhaps a vital test of this support will appear in regard to the bond issue, and not be confined to the Jewish people alone. At least there will be, if the bond issue is a success, stronger ties between this country and Israel and so an additional strengthening of the New State . . ."

A busy month has passed and many new activities are in the making now that the New Year is here it may help our self respect and social etiquette not to argue price when approached to buy tickets for a social function from which we ourselves derive the benefit in fun. Encourage local talent and entertainment by lending support instead of opposition.

### HADASSAH ANNUAL BALL

Hadassah giving the community its first taste of novel and exciting entertainment over a long while climaxed its season with a picturesque Gay Nineties Ball, which was held at the Jewish Community Center. The unanimous success of the ball was evidenced in the happy smiles of both the young and old who were gathered together to recall the nostalgic pleasures of another day.

Under the direction of dance chairman, Mrs. Gishy Aronson, the Gay Nineties motif was carried out in the decorations for the ball, music for the evening and general entertainment. Large cardboard signs announcing the various performances were shown to the audience preceding each act.

A sixty-minute all costumed program entitled "Gaslight Gaieties," featured the melodrama, "The Villainous Shah of Shush," in which the following cast starred: Sally Bletz, Al Sheckwitz,

ishy Aronson, Allen Cohen, Jeanette osen, and Allan Oster. Marian Bletz oked elegant singing the romantic allads of the "90's" and Jule Motz ade a hit with her musical rendi- ons.

Another example of the excellent lent present was Gus Berman, Phil oldstein and Allas Oster. Phil Gold- ein's singing of "Are You From ixie?" seemed to warm the hearts the receptive audience who clam- ed for more. The final act was the ever Floradora sextette, a hilarious urlesque with the following posing female dancers: Charles Navis, tanley Feldman, Sam Rosen, Al ohen, Junius Abramson and Al heckwitz. Dressed as their gentlemen dmirers were Harriet Kaye, Dolores eldman, Ellen Abramson and Gwen orchoff.

A waltz competition and a commun- y sing were added features. Darrin 'Brien and his orchestra garbed in erbys and mustaches played old songs hat enchanted the merrymakers until he very end of an evening that every- ne seemed reluctant to conclude. mong the hostess patrons were the llowing members: Mesdames Robert leta, Ben Kulman, Herman Lichten- tein, Phil Kastan, David Arnovitch, ack Bletz, Hyman Alper, Julie Dem- ky, Isidore Adler and Simon Alper.

Assisting with the decorations were lizabeth Lichtenstein, Joan Demsky, nd Sadie Silverman.

Co-operating with Committee chair- an, Sam Rosen, for the distribution f tickets were, Mrs. Abe Adler, Mrs. I. Hurwitz, Mrs. M. Grossman, Mrs. J. bramson, Mrs. S. Feldman, Mrs. C. avis, Mrs. R. Turkel, Mrs. F. Adler nd Mrs. N. Garchoff.

Favors including handlebar mus- aches were contributed by a New ork night club, Bell's Gay Nineties.

Proceeds from the event will aug- ment the Hadassah fund for the Medi- al organization.

## Harrisonburg

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

Many of our congregation are al- ways ready to give our Mayor Lau- ence Loewner a helping hand in civic affairs. Members of our Sisterhood nd Brotherhood helped in making Hallowe'en night a successful one vithout any damage in our city.

Rabbi Lanyi spoke about the House f Living Judaism at the Brotherhood harter night supper affair. Those hat attended had a wonderful time.

Our congratulations to the new Joseph Ney Company store. We are all proud to have such a magnificent modern store as this in our city.

The Harrisonburg Chapter of Hadassah held its meeting and study group combined with Rabbi Lanyi as their guest speaker. They made plans for the Chanukah party held at the home of Mrs. Paul Miller.

On December 3, the Brotherhood held a meeting and a social afterwards. They are starting to make plans to celebrate the birthday of the building of the Temple in Harrisonburg.

On December 27, Adrienne Sonn was married to David Robinson of Luray, Virginia. Our best wishes to this happy couple.

## Roanoke, Va.

**Mrs. Ralph Katz**

**TEMPLE EMMANUEL**

The delightful custom of inviting all the children of the congregation to special service was repeated on Friday evening, November 30. Services started promptly at 7:30 p.m. and were followed by refreshments most enjoyed by the younger set. It is worthwhile attending just to watch those intent, thrilled youngsters as they so eagerly take part in their first adult service.

A joint meeting of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood was held at the Temple on Tuesday, November 13, at 8:15 p.m. It was scheduled thus so that as many members as possible be afforded the pleasure of hearing the guest speaker, Mr. Harold Sander, head librarian of the Roanoke Public library.

A board meeting of District Eight, NFTS, was held at the Virginia Hotel in Lynchburg on Wednesday, November 7. This meeting was of special interest to the Temple because the afternoon featured two speakers, one of whom was our own Mrs. Julian Meyer, president of Temple Emmanuel Sisterhood.

**BETH ISRAEL**

Here are the results of elections held the last of November at the Congregational meeting: President, Mr. Julius Fisher; vice-president, Mr. Harry Rosenberg; financial secretary, Mr. Julius Harris; corresponding secretary, Mr. Julius Harris; recording secretary, Mr. Morton Honeyman; treasurer, Mr. Harry Katz; chairman of the board, Mr. Marcus Kaplan; board of directors, Cecil Blum, Marcus Kaplan, Michael Cohen, Herbert Kurshan, Paul Bernstein, I. Fox, N. W. Schlossberg, Jack Berman, Beyer Becker, Hy Fox, Arthur Levin, Julius Shapiro, Harry Goldstein, M. I. Harris, Babe Louis, M. L. Masinter, Udell Brenner, H. Davidow, and Dave Newman.

Orchids are in order for Mrs. Milton Blank, general chairman of the dance given on Thanksgiving Eve which was sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary and held at the Patrick Henry hotel, for a succesful and enjoyable affair.

Beginning its second year, the Torah Circle is off to a good start. At its one-hour sessions on Sunday afternoon, the reading for the next Sabbath is translated and interpreted into Eng-

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lish by Rabbi Rothenberg. Then Mr. Barbanel brings gems from the Midrash. The session is concluded with a reading from the prophetic books, given by Mrs. Kalkin in Yiddish.

Mr. Herbert Ellenbrogen. supervisor of Field service for the United Synagogue spent a day in Roanoke in November, meeting with congregational leaders, and speaking before the board meeting. He pointed out the expanding program of conservative Judaism. Citing the Rabbinical department, he said that twice as many students are enrolled now as were in 1945. He said that as our needs are growing so must our support become enlarged.

The Men's club met on Wednesday, November 28, at 8:00 p.m., in the vestry room of the synagogue. Guest speaker was Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum of Congregation Agudath Sholom in Lynchburg. He is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, class of 1950, and served the Town-Village Synagogue in New York City before coming south. His topic "The Ghetto," was enjoyed by the men and women who came to hear him and learn of the culture that arose in the various Jewish Ghettoes.

For Jewish Book Month, November 23-December 23, enlarge and newly-catalogued library of the congregation was opened. There were special reviews in the four ladies book clubs and also presentations of Jewish Books to the public library.

With the rabbi in the community-talk in the High Holy days and their music before a circle of the Thursday morning music club . . . Guest speaker at the Father's night of Huff Lane P.T.A. after Yom Kippur . . . Addresses on successive Sunday mornings to the Adult Bible classes of First Christian church, Trinity Methodist, and Green Memorial church . . . Discussion leader at the class for Sunday school teachers at the YWCA on November 7 . . . Guest speaker to Evangelical United Brethren church, Madison Junior College and Addison high school Thanksgiving assembly.

### HADASSAH

The charming ladies of Hadassah, Mrs. Meyer Becker, Mrs. Herbert Kurshan, and Mrs. Lee Rosenberg, acted as hostesses at the November meeting held at Temple Emmanuel in the library. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Peter Meyers, the vice-president, Mrs. Stuart Felten, presided. The annual city-wide card party was planned. The following ladies were commended for their Blue Box donations of over five dollars: Mrs. Berliner, Mrs. Tinik, Mrs. Natkin, Mrs. Helen Rosenberg.

Hadassah has many phases, but here is a new idea to help the ladies entertain more graciously in their own homes. If their tables need a caterer, a contribution to Hadassah will furnish the following caterers: Edna Loebl, Sylvia Becker, Yetta Gerskov, Sylvia Finkelstein, and Zelda Goldstein.

Our chapter also has a baby sitter service headed by Sylvia Finkelstein.

The Pan Phillian club has only one event each year to raise funds for its welfare work.

This year's event was on Thanksgiving night, November 22. The club gave its thirty-first annual charity ball at the Hotel Patrick Henry from 10 p.m. to 2 a m.

Ten members formed the social and philanthropic group on January 17, 1920. There aren't many more members now, only 18, but the club's nonsectarian welfare work has expanded greatly. Mrs. A. L. Horowitz was the first president; other charter members still active are Miss Ann Kohen, Mrs. Max Barker, Miss Bertie Harrison, Miss Ruth Kohen, Mrs. Joseph Cohn, and Mrs. Jake Weinstein.

Two new projects are coming up this year: one is to furnish sick room supplies for needy families going home from any of the Roanoke hospitals. The plan has the endorsement of the Public Health department and the Family Service association. A storage room for these supplies will be set up in the new public health center. A wheelchair, bed linens and blankets have already been loaned to patients.

The other new activity is the "adoption" of a needy child in Israel. Funds will be sent to a nursery school there to care for a particular youngster.

Work of the club beginning in the 1930's included helping to provide free lunches for indigent school children and support of the Greenvale Nursery school. The club now gives monthly allotments to the school and helps provide clothes and playground equipment.

Pan Phillian participates in public fund drives and works closely with the Public Welfare department and other groups.

Mrs. Manis Shapiro and Mrs. Fred Bulbin are chairmen of the charity ball. Mrs. Cohn is the present president of the club; Mrs. Bernard Moss is vice-president; Mrs. Sybil Heller, treasurer; Mrs. Bulbin, secretary; and Mrs. Barker, auditor.

Mrs. Moss and Mrs. Horowitz are in charge of welfare work.

### B'NAI B'RITH

B'nai B'rith men and women met in the vestry room of Beth Israel Synagogue on November 14. Plans were made for the New Year's Eve charity ball to be held at the Patrick Henry hotel. After the business session a joint program followed. Mrs. Tobias Rothenberg gave a book review on "A Believing Jew," by the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Miss Gail Rubenstein, a junior at Jefferson High school, gave a talk on her experiences at Girls' State, which she attended this summer at V.P.I. Miss Rubenstein was sponsored by the B'nai B'rith through recommendation of Mrs. Reba Hash, girls' counselor at Jefferson.

B'nai B'rith men and women sponsored their monthly party at the Veteran's hospital for 200 men. Bingo was played and refreshments served. The following were hosts: Dr. Eli J. Brewer, and Mrs. Sadie Golden, chairmen, Mrs. Milton Blank, Morton Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shapiro, Mrs. Harry Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Maury Lee Strauss, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Rosenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berman, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fisher, and Miss Sarah Louise Fisher.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Barbanel on the birth of a grandson in East Paterson, N. J. Congratulations as well to Rabbi and Mrs. Rothenberg, the new uncle and aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goldfein, on the birth of a son in Baltimore.

Welcome back, to Mrs. Lake Rosenberg, who has returned from a lengthy stay in a Wilkes-Barre hospital.

Congratulations to Harry Abram on his being accepted for admittance y the Medical College of both the U- versity of Richmond and Univers y of Virginia.

Congratulations to the parents f Mrs. Edgar Abram, Mr. and Mrs. Sh , on their fiftieth wedding anniversa .

Congratulations to Steve Lichte- stein, who was elected president f the Phi Epsilon fraternity at Wa- ington and Lee university.

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churches," "Protestant and Catholic churches nearby," instea of the conventional "selected" or "restricted" clientele.

The mills of the gods grind slowly, and it may take a lon time before we see much improvement in this situation. If an when it does come, we doubt much if it will be hastened by leg action, but will have to depend more on an awakening of th consciences of the offenders, which we will admit isn't givin us much to which to look forward.

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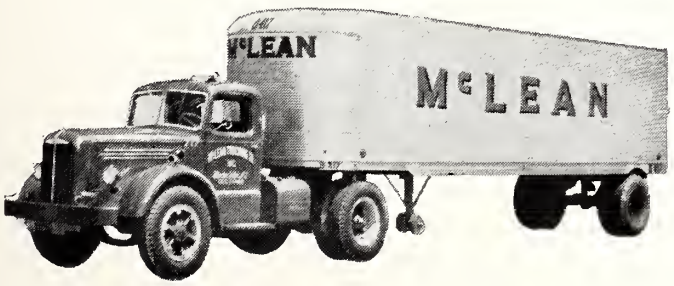


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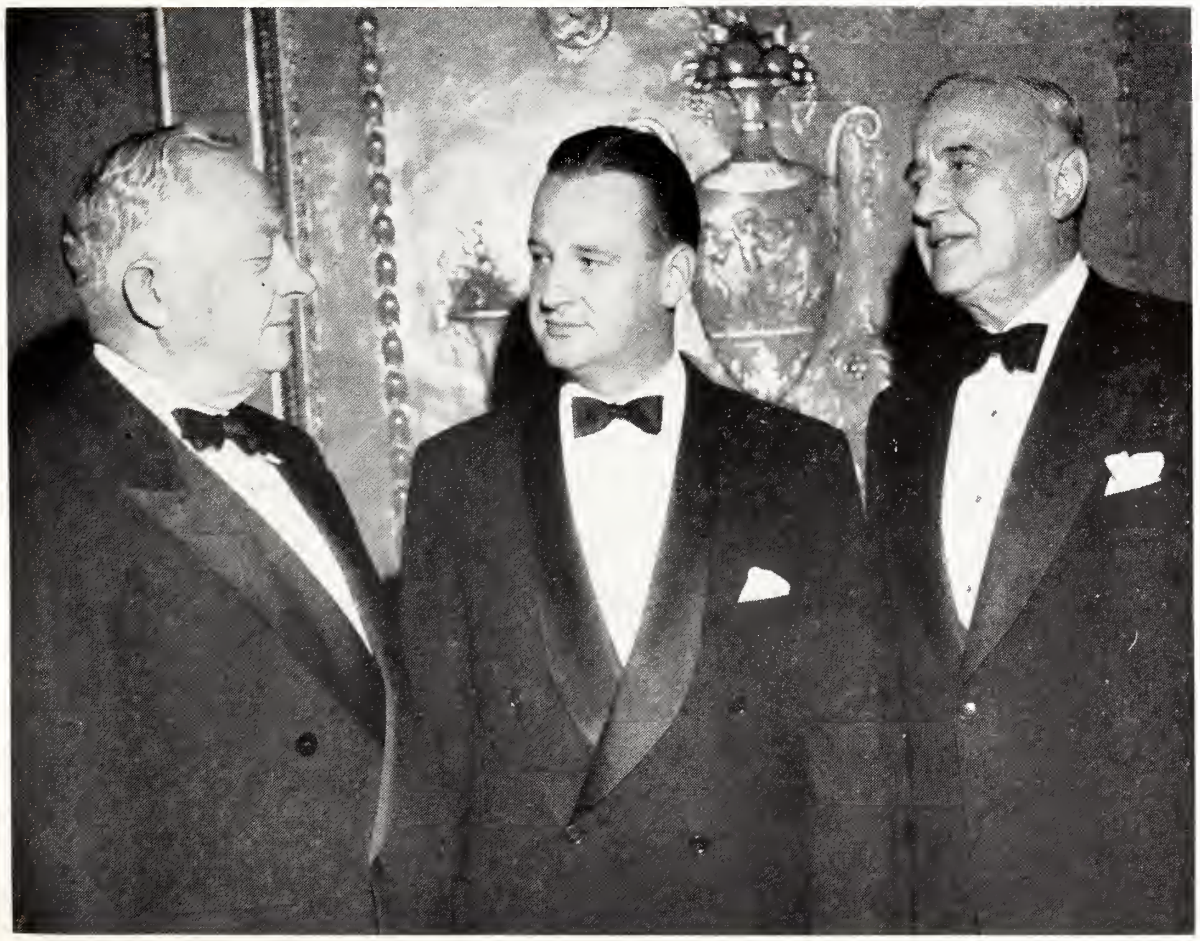

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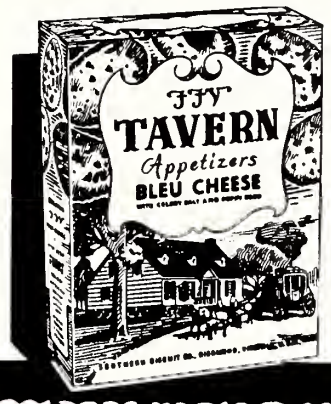


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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *Brotherhood in Action*

Once again we celebrate Brotherhood Week—February 17th through the 24th—and once again the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the sponsoring group, has a representative number of Catholics, Protestants and Jews supervising the commemoration of the occasion. One need but read of the disturbing violence which has taken place in Miami, Florida, to realize that there is yet much work to be done in breaking down the barriers of racial and religious intolerance.

There has been so much of what might be termed "lip service" connected with Brotherhood that when one runs across an example of applied brotherhood it is worth recording. We have in mind just such an example in the will of the late Rabbi Maurice M. Mazure, of Greenville, S. C., who died last August. Rabbi Mazure made bequests in his will to many charitable and communal organizations, and included were Catholic, Protestant, Jewish and Negro endeavors, all being equally remembered. His bequests, the amount of which is estimated to be in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars, reflected the regard of the deceased for all humanity, regardless of creed or color. A detailed story of this remarkable document appears elsewhere in this issue.

If Brotherhood Week, the philosophy of which should prevail throughout the entire year, instead of just one week, can help to create a state of mind that must have been Rabbi Mazure's before he died, many of the world's ills would quickly disappear. Of course there are many other encouraging signs, and it will require many more years of effort and education before we can begin to feel that the aims of Brotherhood Week have been anywhere near accomplished. We must continue these efforts, undaunted by setbacks, firm in our conviction that our cause is a just one.

### *Mr. Ben Gurion Speaks Again*

In an editorial appearing in our November issue, entitled "Which Is It, Mr. Ben Gurion?", we commented on the frequent inconsistencies in public statements made by Israel's Prime Minister in which he alternately castigated American Jewry for its failure to agree to a nationalistic ideology and as often apologized, claiming that he was "misunderstood." Some of our readers felt that we had been unduly severe in our criticism.

Mr. Ben Gurion recently made another speech, this time before the Knessett, Israel's Parliament. In this he charged that the Zionist movement in America has become "bankrupt" since the establishment of the State of Israel. He based his accusation on the assertion that not five American Zionist leaders had come to live in Israel since the State was formed.

This latest tirade has drawn bitter replies from such eminent American Zionists as Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America; Mrs. Rose Halprin, national president of Hadassah; Louis Lipsky, veteran Zionist elder statesman; Leo Wolfson, and others equally prominent in the Zionist movement in this country. Their viewpoints found counterparts in much of the Israeli press.

Mr. Browdy said in part: "It was most unfortunate and ill-timed for Mr. Ben Gurion as Prime Minister of Israel to hurl before the world the charge that 'the Zionist leadership in the United States had gone bankrupt since the establishment of the Jewish State because five leaders did not rise to come to Israel.' This was unfortunate because the entire question of immigration of American Jews into Israel had been thoroughly thrashed out at the last World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem when American Zionist leaders made it clear in unmistakable terms that American Jewry cannot be panicked into migrating to Israel. American Jews are first and foremost citizens of the United States and consider this country as their permanent home. While we propose to send to Israel a substantial number of technicians, professional and agricultural experts to help tide them over the transition period which so often precedes adjustment, we cannot and will not create or stimulate an exodus psychology among the Jews of the United States."

Mrs. Halprin commented in part: "Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, strongly takes issue with Israel Prime Minister Ben Gurion's statement that American Jewish youth with professional and technical skills will emigrate to Israel because of discrimination in the United States. Our belief is that some young Jewish youth with professional and scientific training will emigrate to Israel, not for negative reasons, but because they will accept the challenge to help build a new nation, in accord with the American pioneering tradition. Whatever discrimination exists in America against any minorities is being constantly combatted by all Americans of good will in the spirit of American democracy.

"As one of the principal components of American Zionist leadership, we also deny his charge that American Zionist leaders have gone 'bankrupt since the establishment of the Jewish State,' because some of them did not settle in Israel."

The first part of Mrs. Halprin's remarks refers to another comment by Mr. Ben Gurion which shows how little he knows the American scene. His statement that "a Jewish engineer in America will not easily obtain employment in a non-Jewish firm and there are not enough Jewish firms to absorb all intellectuals" is as far from the fact and are his other premises. If he expects any "know-how" to go to Israel on that basis he will have a long time to wait.

What intrigues us most in these periodic outbursts are the questions, what does Mr. Ben Gurion expect to accomplish by these repeated highly unjust and inflammatory accusations, and what is in back of them? Why should he seek to alienate American support? For it must be obvious that a continuation of this antagonistic attitude may cost his country valuable American cooperation.

Explanation is made in some quarters that his remarks are made merely for home consumption and constitute a political attitude made necessary by inter-party strife within Israel. Even

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# Brotherhood Week

## COLLECTIVE THINKING ABOUT GROUP RELATIONS AIDS IN UNDERSTANDING

**JOINT BROTHERHOOD WEEK STATEMENT**

Brotherhood Week is a call to all men of goodwill to commit themselves anew to the cause of peace and freedom in a world threatened by the forces of aggression and tyranny. Peace and freedom are the characteristics of a society in which men treat each other with brotherly regard, each giving to the other the respect and the rights he desires for himself.

Only faith in God, however, can sustain such brotherhood, for men know their true destinies only as they know themselves to be children of God. It is for this reason that we call particularly upon the Church and the Synagogue to give leadership to our 1952 observance of Brotherhood Week The success or failure not only of Brotherhood Week but also of our year-round efforts to improve human relations must ultimately depend upon the strength of its spiritual foundation.

As Protestants, Catholics and Jews we do not propose to comprise our separate religious convictions, but the faith in God which is so important to each of us compels us to acknowledge a common responsibility to maintain and protect human rights and to seek a larger measure of justice for men of every religion, race and national origin.

In appealing to the clergy of all faiths to support our movement with spiritual resources, we record our conviction that the stronger men are in their own faith in the Fatherhood of God, the better they are prepared to treat all men with dignity and respect.

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**By the Right Reverend**
**HENRY KNOX SHERRILL**
**President, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A.**

The call to a deeper realization of brotherhood is important particularly at this hour. But brotherhood must be more than a broad generality. To be real it must be personally practiced in everyday life. In addition, brotherhood must include differences of opinion, even of conviction. Brotherhood means a faith in God as the Father of all and a resulting charity, for we are brothers one of another.

**By Rabbi**
**SIMON G. KRAMER**
**President**
**Synagogue Council of America**

In these days of great moral crisis, the need for unity and brotherhood becomes increasingly more evident.

Now, more than ever, must the American people translate their religious doctrines and their ethical ideals into the simple every-day practice of the love of neighbor, the protection of the poor, the weak and the oppressed, and the fair treatment of all people who live in this blessed land of ours. We must live democracy by respecting the differences which separate us, but even more so by stressing more and more those high ethical ideals which unite us and make us one people—one nation under God. In this way alone can we hope to achieve that larger brotherhood for which all of us hope and pray.

The Synagogue Council of America therefore urges Americans of all religions to join in the observance of Brotherhood Week, which represents a great effort to strengthen our sense of fellowship and understanding, on which the fate of America and of all the world depends.

**By the Most Reverend**
**MARK K. CARROLL**
**Bishop**
**Diocese of Wichita, Kansas**

The United States of America is the only nation in the world of its kind. Nearly all other nations are held together by hoops of steel—identity of religion, race, complexion and culture. The United States is the "United Nations" in miniature. Because of its cosmopolitan characte it is a veritable mosaic of religion races, complexions and political b liefs. The love of God and neighb is the spiritual cement that will mak it great and strong.

Democracy, alone and in practic has not given America its essenti unity nor has it granted and guara teed equal rights to all of our peopl Religious bigotry, racial discrimin tion, social intolerance have plague our nation before and since colonia days. And why has bigotry enjoye too long a holiday in the Unite States? The reason is that while a Americans know their rights as cit zens, only a pitiful minority kno their duties. While many can el quently write and discourse on th rights of American citizens, all to few remember that rights beget dutie and they are correlative terms. Eac

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# The Zionist Scene

## By Israel Schen

### *Nationalism, Chalutziut and Zionist Ideology*

**The controversies that characterized the last World Zionist Convention in Jerusalem, together with statements made by David Ben Gurion, Prime Minister of the State of Israel, in recent months, have so muddied the waters that even the most ardent Zionists in this country are puzzled as to what it is that the new State would have American Jews do that would satisfy them. The following article, by Israel Schen, reprinted from the Zionist News Letter of November 27, 1951, published in Jerusalem by the Information Department of the Jewish Agency and the World Zionist Organization, seems to us to show the differences in thinking that are the basis for the inability of American Jews to see eye to eye with Israel. It is published, not because we agree with its sentiments, but in a sincere desire to help in an understanding of Israel's viewpoint. Because of its length, it will be presented in two parts, of which this is Part I. The second and concluding installment will appear in our March issue.—THE EDITOR.**

AMONG the many addresses delivered at the recent Zionist Congress was one which seems to call for particular attention in these columns—that by Mrs. Rose Hilprin, President of Hadassah, and a member of the Jewish Agency Executive in America. It may serve a useful purpose to try and analyze some of the utterances she made and views she expressed, in order to see what substance is in them. Her address was mainly centered around two themes: the question of nationalism, and *chalutziut*. On both of them she expressed herself emphatically and, it must be said, frankly; for she has acquired the reputation of being one of the most forceful exponents of the new attitude that has manifested itself in American Zionism during the past few years. But, although Mrs. Halprin stated her case with admirable lucidity, it rests, in part, on pillars that are ideologically infirm.

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What is Mrs. Halprin's conception of Zionism? According to her, "*We need the Zionist movement, of course, for the great task of immigration and of furthering the economic stabilization of the State, strengthening the bonds of Jews outside with those in Israel. We need it for the maintenance of Jewish cultural values in the Diaspora. We need it as a vehicle for the prevention of a great catastrophe which might come to pass, namely, that in ten, fifteen or twenty years we might find that the youth of Israel and the youth of the Diaspora do not know each other, have no common language, no common aspirations, no common approach.*" If we disregard for a moment Mrs. Halprin's subsequent qualifications, which tend to weaken this forthright statement, we could regard it as a valid exposition of the Zionist creed. And, even if personal fulfilment of Zionism is not mentioned, it could be assumed to be implicit and to flow from it as a natural and logical consequence. The first question that poses itself, however, is who "we" are. If, by that pronoun, Mrs. Halprin means the Jewish people as a whole, her conception of Zionism, as expressed in the sentences quoted, can stand; at all events, there is nothing in them to precipitate a major discussion within the Movement. But if the connotation of "we" here is American Jewry, it puts a somewhat different complexion upon her interpretation of the meaning of Zionism.

Zionism is, and can only be, the function of the Jewish people in its totality. We once had occasion in these columns to rebut the assertion that Israel alone needs a Zionist Movement. Israel, as an entity complete in itself, it might be argued, does not need a Zionist Movement: all it needs is financial and economic help, and a sufficient number of Jews to enable it to survive and become self-sufficient. If it could obtain the necessary help and resources of manpower without a Zionist Movement—as, indeed, some people seemed to think when the State was established—the Movement could be dispensed with as far as Israel's own immediate needs are concerned. The criterion, however, is not the needs of Israel or of any other single Jewish community in the world, but those of the Jewish people as a whole. The Jewish people needs Zionism. Hence it follows that Zionism cannot be something specifically designed for Jewry in America or in any other country. Naturally, we maintain that Zionism and its values answer the needs of American Jewry and of every other Jewry in the world, and that they also answer the needs of Israel, today perhaps more than ever before. But if every Jewish territorial community were to have the kind of Zionism ostensibly suited to its own conditions, we should soon find such divergencies appearing as to create deep and irreparable cleavages within the Movement. It was not without good reason and sound intuition that the Congress sought for a common ideological denominator in preference to imposing an ideological formulation that some sections of the Movement could not accept at this stage, much as the failure to achieve such a formulation may be regrettable in itself. The maintenance of common ground for the Movement, however, does not mean that technique and approach should not be adapted to the mentality and background of each community, where necessary. What must be borne in mind is that there can be no compromising on underlying principles. For the unity of Zionist concepts will ultimately determine the unity of the Jewish people.

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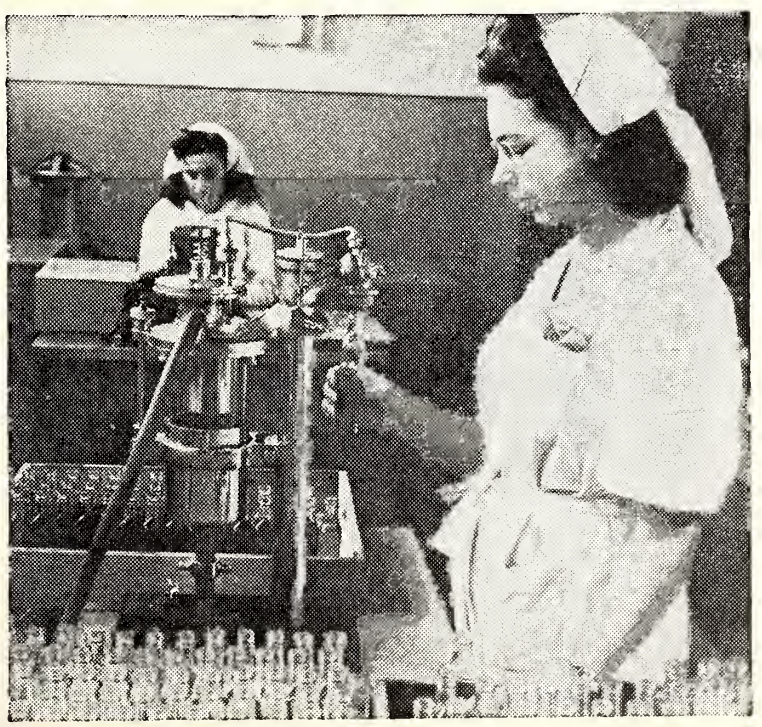
That there are apparent grounds for believing that Mrs. Halprin may be placing a narrow interpretation upon "we" is borne out by her definition of twentieth century nationalism. "*A nation,*" she said, "*is a people living within its own geographical and territorial boundaries, whose citizens owe total political and military allegiance to the State. Now, within such a democracy and such a nation as the United States, there is room for and acceptance of cultural pluralism—for the existence of various cultures in addition to the mainstream of the dominent American culture.*" Going on to illustrate manifestations of "cultural pluralism" by non-Jewish groups, she said: "*There is room for the concept of Jewish peoplehood,*" which "*does not violate the concept of nationhood as we know it in the United States.*"

What, one cannot help asking, would the new American Zionist theoreticians have done if there had been no other groups in the United States to provide them with "cultural pluralism"? And what are these new definitions of "nationhood" and "peoplehood" (a term not to be found in our two-volume edition of Webster's *New International Dictionary*) and the distinctions between them? In this connection, we have to ask a further question: to what degree are American Zionists prepared to contemplate the prospect of their children's coming to settle in Israel, and to what degree are such definitions and dis-



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There appears to prevail, in some parts of the Diaspora, an unfortunate misconception of the meaning and obligations of nationality. A Jew living in the Diaspora is, and should be, a loyal citizen of the country in which he dwells. He must obey its laws, speak its language, pay its taxes and discharge his obligations to it, even to the extent of laying down his life for it—as very many Jews have done. He may also exercise his right to take part in its public or cultural life. No country can or does demand more from its citizens. But some Diaspora Jews go much further and seem to think it incumbent upon them to pledge themselves to live where they are to the third and fourth generations. It is, after all, only a sign of the *Galut* mentality that the Jew should consider it necessary to take upon himself a gratuitous moral commitment, in excess of any assumed by his non-Jewish fellow-citizen, that no one would think of demanding from him. What wrong does the Government of England, for instance, see in a Jew's deciding to go and settle in Israel after living as a loyal citizen in England since his birth and discharging all his obligations of citizenship? On the contrary, they speed him on his way with sincere good wishes and conceive for him a genuine respect. There is no default or betrayal of patriotic duty, implicit or otherwise, if a Jew says: "While I am here, I am a good and loyal citizen; but I intend one day to settle in Israel, and I am educating my children towards that end." No one is interested in future intentions of this kind or the means he adopts to secure them, so long as they do not conflict with his duties or loyalty to his domicile—as they do not, at any rate, not in the countries of the Western Diaspora with which we are dealing here (the era when any kind of mental reservation will be considered "thought-crime" — to use the term coined by Orwell in his "1984"—ha fortunately not yet dawned).

In any case, the leaders of Amer ican Jewry may as well reconcil themselves to the fact that, in th course of time, the State of Israe may have an effect they do not ye anticipate. An Israel representativ serving in Latin America reported about a year ago, a curious phenom enon. The non-Jews in the countr he was speaking of had previously experienced some difficulty in under standing exactly who and what were the Jews living in their midst, with whom they maintained the most cor dial relations. Those Jews had come from Russia, Poland and other coun tries, yet they were not Russians Poles or anything else that they could understand and identify. But, after the State of Israel came into exist ence, the non-Jews were able to solve the riddle: the Jews in their midst came from Israel—not the dim and remote Israel of ancient times, but the Israel of today. This is too obvi ous an anachronism to warrant any comment in the interests of "pure" truth. Yet it is, historically and psychologically, profoundly true: Israel has not only become the future homeland of Diapora Jewry, but has again become its visible country of origin.

This does not imply any undertones of anti-Semitism. On the contrary, it enables the non-Jews to understand that the Jew in their midst has his own country after all, even if he does not live in it for some reason. It enables them, indeed, to lay the ghost—as Pinsker put it in his *Autoemancipation*—of a people which, having lost its country and independence, ought by rights to have died long ago, but which, by obstinately surviving in defiance of all the known laws of his-

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# An American Rabbi Looks at J. D. C.

THE vast network of services provided by the Joint Distribution Committee is making the Atlantic Charter a reality, providing freedom from fear and freedom from want for tens of thousands of needy Jews throughout the world," reported Rabbi Adolph H. Fink of Temple B'nai Israel, Salt Lake City, Utah, on his recent return from a two-months study trip to Israel, Europe and Morocco.

Rabbi Fink left the United States for Israel early in July to attend the Institute of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, remained for four weeks, studying conditions in the Jewish State. He visited immigration camps, inspected new housing, agricultural settlements, schools, industrial projects, and interviewed many leading Israeli personalities. From Israel he proceded to France, Germany, and French Morocco, to gain first-hand information on JDC assistance programs for the sick, the helpless and the needy. JDC receives funds for its relief, reconstruction, and resettlement programs from the United Jewish Appeal.

Praising JDC for its Malben program for the "hard core" in Israel, Rabbi Fink described the Village for the Blind as "one of the most forward-looking projects I have ever seen. This village, known as K'far Uriel, is literally remaking life for nearly 100 blind families, bringing independence and self-respect to sightless Jews who only a short time ago were beggars in the mellahs of Oriental cities or helpless DP's." He pointed out that this village, with its workshops, its vegetable gardens and its schools, is a "daring and imaginative experiment in human rehabilitation."

The American Rabbi said that he was heartened to learn that some 50 per cent of the 10,000 handicapped immigrants who have received medical-welfare care through Malben have been reclaimed for useful life. "This work with the ill, the aged and the incapacitiated," the rabbi said, "is an example of what can be accomplished when deep concern, a sympathetic approach and scientific know-how join forces to rebuild life and hope."

In Paris Rabbi Fink visited JDC-supported hospitals, children's homes and other installations. He was most deeply impressed by the Paul Baerwald School of Social Work. This school, established by the JDC in 1949 in Versailles, is bringing American social work techniques to Jewish communities throughout the world by training social workers from a score of countries.

Pointing out that there is an acute need for improved social work techniques, the American Rabbi said, "The Baerwald School is setting new standards in welfare procedures. If the 30 scholarship students, now attending the school, were increased to 300, all could be absorbed by Jewish communities to the betterment of welfare programs everywhere."

Describing as unforgettable a scene which took place in an old-age home outside of Munich, Rabbi Fink said that he spent several hours with 100 aged people, the majority of them survivors of Theresienstadt. "One little old lady," he said, "bright and alert at 97, summed up the situation for herself and her colleagues: 'We are too old to move on to other lands. All we need is peace and friendliness. Tell the Jews of America the Joint has saved our lives and is supplying our needs.'"

While in Germany, Rabbi Fink visited Foehrenwald, one of the last of

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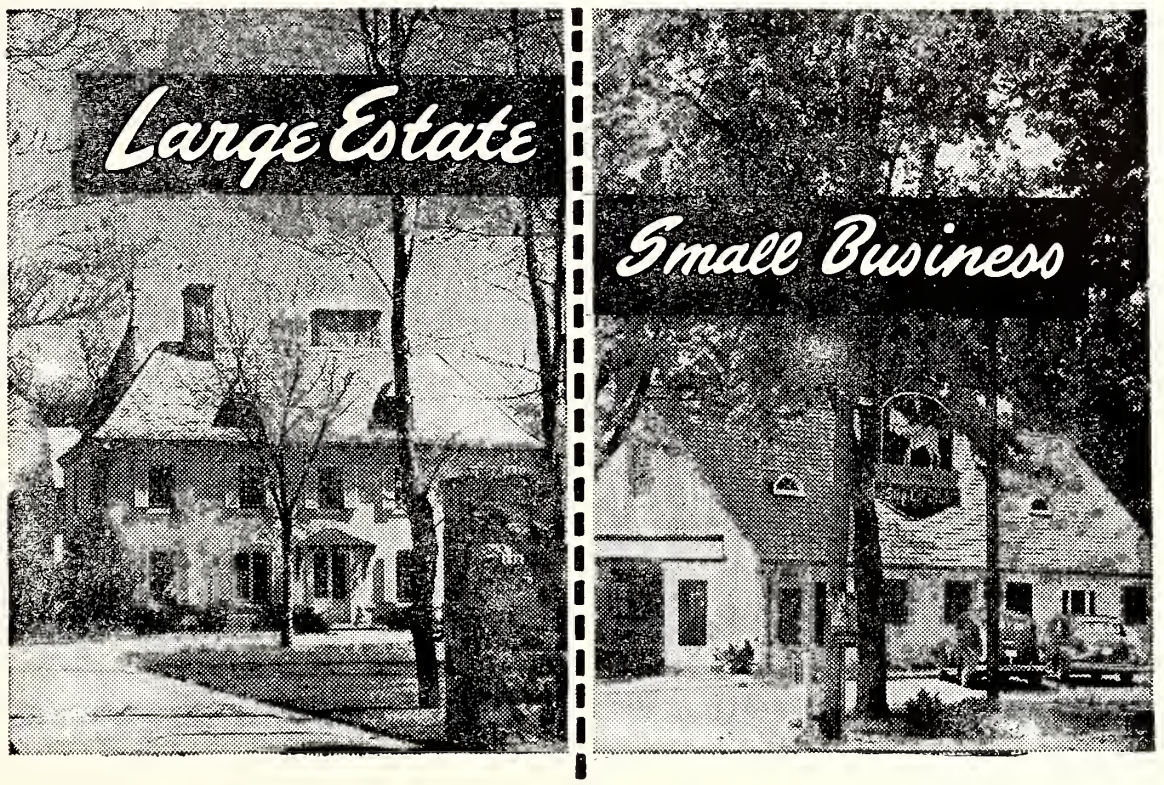


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the camps for Jewish DP's. Among the 3,500 inmates he found many children who were born in the camp and had never known a home of their own.

Rabbi Fink stated that the bulk of the Jewish DP's who wish to go to Israel have already departed. For the most part, those who still remain in Germany, Austria and Italy would leave the DP countries tomorrow if they could come to the United States. "How many will get here," he said, "is uncertain. For the many 'hard cores' in the camp," he pointed out, "Israel and the Malben program is the only answer."

The last leg of the rabbi's journey took him to Casablanca where, in spite of the briefing he had received before his departure, he experienced a real shock. "It is difficult," he said, "for Americans to imagine the filth, squalor and degradation of the mellah. Our poorest one-room shanty and our most dilapidated city tenement are luxurious compared to the dark, airless, alley dwellings of the Jews of Casablanca."

But in this disease-ridden wasteland abounding in ignorance and superstition, he noted many hopeful signs. In the JDC-sponsored kindergarten Mazagan he watched clean, healthy children sitting down to a well-balanced meal and learned that tens of thousands of boys and girls in other schools and kindergartens receive their only substantial meal each day as guests of JDC.

"The schools of Casablanca are a study in contrasts," Rabbi Fink declared. "They range from a primitive one-room cheder where some 50 ragged urchins are crowded into a space that should accommodate 10, to well-equipped schools of the Alliance Israelite and the Ozar Hatorah, where boys and girls are given opportunities to grow to maturity and train for useful lives.

"Most of JDC's child-care program in North Africa centers around these modern schools. Here staff physicians and nurses keep careful check on the health of their young charges; here hot luncheons are served each day and here, too, personal cleanliness and hygiene are considered as important as reading and geography. The size and scope of these tasks can only be appreciated when it is understood that some 40 per cent of the children in these schools suffer from trachoma or tinea and the overwhelming majority of the young students are underweight and undernourished."

Emphasizing the progress that ha been achieved, Rabbi Fink said tha in the mud-strewn mellah you can pic out the children who benefit by JD programs. "They are clean, neat an healthy—a happy contrast to thei sordid environment."

Commenting further, the Rabb pointed out that with limited fund much has been accomplished for th children of Morocco in three shor years. "But," he added, "there is crying need for increased assistance t rescue more little ones from poverty ignorance and disease. Since many o the Jews in these areas will becom future citizens of Israel, the assistanc we bring them today assumes new im portance. It is better for Israel an better for the people themselves i they arrive healthy, equipped wit some skill and with sufficient educa tion to make their contribution to thei new home."

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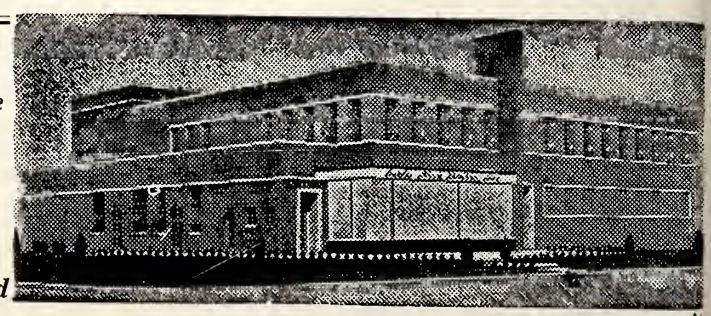

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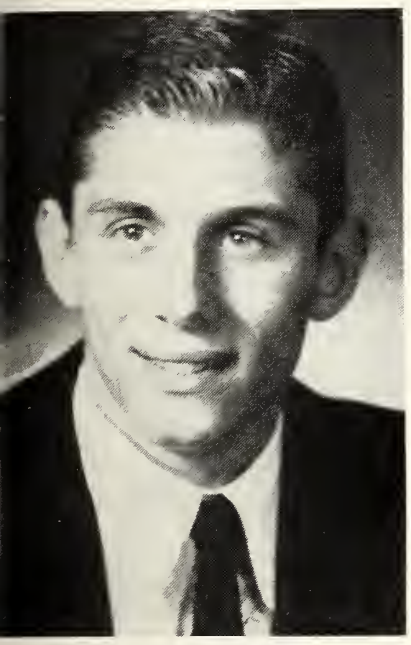
# Religion in Yugoslavia

*By* BARRY FARBER

**The writer, a Greensboro student at the University of North Carolina, recently went to Yugoslavia as the American representative of the National Student Association, to attend the Zagreb Peace Conference. Here he gives a close insight into the position of the Jews, and the general religious situation.—THE EDITOR.**

IT was after midnight when my train crept through the rock tunnel separating American-occupied Austria from communist Yugoslavia. Travel between the two countries is virtually non-existent, and the conductor and were sitting alone in the compartment munching salami sandwiches.



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In Zurich, the night before, I managed to pick up a dusty copy of a Yugoslav language guidebook and I was desperately trying to learn enough Serbo-Croatian to get me from the train station to my hotel in Zagreb. The book was written in the pre-war days of King Peter's regime and the clerk in Zurich warned me that several phrases would be "outdated and distasteful in Yugoslavia today."

The train lurched to a halt in the Yugoslav border town of Jesinice and a crowd of workers, soldiers, women, and children surged into the coach, filling every available seat, rail, and baggage rack. The small American flag in my lapel plus a few packs of Phillip Morris won me quick social acceptance throughout the third class coach. Everybody peppered me with questions regarding America and the Western nations. One of the most eloquent comrades produced the inevitable jug of plum brandy and, waving it above his head, declared that the United States and Yugoslavia are the two shining examples of freedom, and Truman and Tito reign as the glowing luminaries radiating hope to the oppressed peoples of the world, and that I, my family and friends, should all live ten thousand years.

The festival spirit vanished when a blue-uniformed guard of Tito's border patrol wearing a smart military cap with a red star entered our compartment to check passports. I held out my pass, cleared my throat, and proceeded to exercise my few words of Serbo-Croatian.

"*Kako ste, gospodin*" (How are you, Sir), I began, with an accent more Dixie than Slavic. He answered with a frown, then stamped my visa and turned to leave.

"*Sbogom*" (Goodbye), I shouted, trying to recapture his good graces. His frown soured from a grimace to a glare, and he stalked from the compartment leaving a tense and stony silence.


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I didn't know what I'd said wrong, but I could tell I had committed my first major *faux pas*. I felt as ill at ease as the gentleman who peeps through a keyhole and sees another eye.

For a few minutes the ticking of wrist watches took over the conversation. Then an elderly professor leaned over and asked, "Is this your first trip to a People's Democracy?" (He meant a "communist state.") I replied that it was. He smiled and told me he could perhaps give me some helpful hints for future behavior.

"In the first place," he began, "you should never use the word *'gospodin'* (sir) when addressing a citizen of New Yugoslavia. That title is a relic of the old capitalistic regime and is reserved for foreigners visiting our country. The correct term nowadays is *'drug'* (comrade)."

He put his arm on my shoulder like a father instructing his three-year-old son never to come downstairs in pajamas when there's company.

"Also," he continued, "it might be wiser to say *'do vijenia'* instead of *'sbogom'* when bidding a person farewell. *'Sbogom'* literally means 'May God be with you.'"

He paused a moment as the train passed a steel factory brightly decorated with a neon red star and a portrait of Marshal Tito.

"I'm afraid," he said, "that God is not too popular around here any more."

Communist ideology rejects all concepts of the existence of a Supreme Being or Creator. As a result religion in the various Marxist countries is subjected to treatment ranging from ruthless suppression to cool toleration, depending upon whether or not the regime in question would profit by keeping the church intact.

Yugoslavia is unique in that her communist government split with the Moscow Cominform in 1948, making it necessary for Tito to win friends in the West or collapse of his own weight. Up to the split with Russia, Tito followed the established communist practice of preaching "hands off" religion while using every available form of hidden coercion to weaken the church as a source of influence and power. When, overnight, Russia and the satellite states became enemies, the Belgrade regime was quick to condone religious activity in an effort to gain support among the Western nations. They didn't remove the collar from the neck of the church. They merely gave it a longer leash.

The three predominating religion in Yugoslavia are the Catholic, in th western provinces of Slovenia an Croatia; Greek Orthodox, in Serbi and Macedonia; and a surprisingl large number of Moslems in Bosni and Hertzegovina left over from th days of the Turkish occupation. Th bulk of the Jewish population which in pre-war days, was centered in th urban areas of Zagreb and Belgrade fled to Israel soon after Germany sur rendered. "They left with free enter prise," declares a political scienc teacher.

Anti-Semitism is no problem in Yu goslavia. Israel and Yugoslavia hav established most cordial diplomati relations, and a Jew, Moshe Pijade occupies the third highest position o power in the Yugoslav government Many Jewish boys fought in the rank of the Partisans and are listed toda among the national heroes in the wa of liberation.

The New Yugoslav Constitution adopted in 1945, separates church an state, and guarantees complete free dom of religion, insofar as the church refrains from delving into secular mat ters. The Belgrade Government take great pains to impress upon visitor from the Western nations the fac that religious life in Yugoslavia i untouched by the state and that th "vicious rumors regarding persecution of the church are merely malignan lies stemming from agents of the Com inform." Meanwhile, the State in dulges in backstage conspiracy, some times subtile and clever, to insure tha the Church will never be a threat t the communist regime.

My guides in the large cities were always quick to point out the many

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# LENA AND THE MAGICIAN

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

**The author of this story will have published this spring a collection of twenty outstanding stories under the title of "Ma and Me." Martha Foley, editor of "The American Best Short Stories" and "The Best of the Best," recommends "Ma and Me" as a warm and interesting book of a boy's love for his mother. It will be published by Story Book Press of Dallas.—THE EDITOR.**

LENA COHEN was thirteen and the daughter of Rose Cohen. Lena liked magicians, sometimes known as prestidigitators, and was quite intrigued by the men with black capes who would make things appear from out of nowhere and also make them disappear one, two, three, with or without a killabaloo or killabalah.

Rose Cohen didn't mind Lena's interest in this art of the hand being quicker than the eye. It was good,

WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

as a matter of fact, and helped solve one of the greatest problems she had with Lena.

Being an adolescent on the plump side, Lena suddenly found that her face and skin became marked with pimples and acne. These required special treatment, continuous cleansing of the skin so that the pores with the blackheads would clear up.

Some children are difficult to handle when it comes to personal problems like acne, and Lena was one of those. She would not wash her face as often as her mother directed, and so the condition became worse.

As a matter of fact, Lena's face became so marked up that Mrs. Cohen finally decided to go to the doctor herself. She was worried sick. She had tried to get Lena to accompany her, but without avail. Nothing Mrs. Cohen would promise could induce Lena to go along. She just didn't like doctors, that's all.

Dr. Aaronson, a friend of the family for many years, sympathized with Mrs. Cohen. "Yes," he said, "she's at that age, the adolescent stage when children became unusually difficult to handle."

"Well," asked Mrs. Cohen, "what am I to do? I can't let her go on this way. I'm sick because of it and I can't go on this way much longer."

"Is there anything Lena wants very badly? Something like a special dress or coat? Or maybe a television set?"

"Yes. She wants us to get a television set, but I got enough with the radio. Who needs a television set?"

"Yes, I understand how you feel," Dr. Aaronson condoned. "But you can get her to do the impossible, if you will promise her the thing she wants most."

"Do you think I should do this, doctor? Do you think it will pay for me to bring a television set in the house for something like this?"

"This acne condition can become very serious and affect her life later on. I recommend you give her a television set . . ."

"Not so quick, doctor! She won't come to see you whether I promise her a set or not."

"All right. In that case, I'll tell you what to do. There's a new thing on the market called Acnomel. I'll give you instructions how to apply it and you report to me every week. This way I'll know the progress she is making and tell you when to stop."

"But how can I approach her with this all of a sudden? I can't just say I'm buying this Acnomel for you, Lena, and you've got to take it to clear up your face. She'd resent it."

"In that case," said Dr. Aaronson, "tell me what else she likes very much. Something that will be a little easier than taking the application."

"Well, she likes magicians."

"Prestidigitators?"

"If that's what you call magicians and they can make things disappear, that's what I mean."

"Let's see now." Dr. Aaronson started thinking. A few minutes later he

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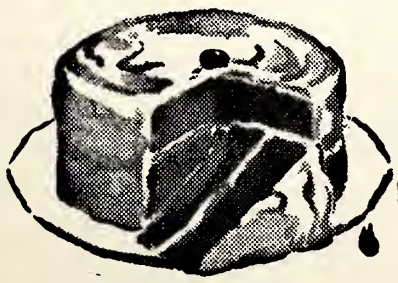

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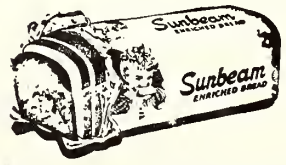


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# The Cooking Page

We have had some requests for soup recipes, and inasmuch as mid-winter is good soup time, we are glad to respond with these suggestions, which are sufficiently varied to meet almost all taste requirements.

### MUSHROOM AND BARLEY SOUP

Take one quart of hot bouillon, add a quarter pound barley which has been boiled in water; and one ounce of dried mushrooms which have been thoroughly washed and cut in pieces, an onion, carrot, bayleaf, parsley and dill. Boil all these and when the vegetables are nearly tender, remove from soup, add the meat from the bouillon, cut up in small pieces, let soup come to a boil and serve.

### OXTAIL SOUP

Wash two large oxtails and cut into pieces. Cut one onion fine and fry in one tablespoon of drippings. When brown, add oxtails to brown, then put into soup kettle with four quarts cold water. Add one tablespoon of salt, one tablespoon of mixed herbs, four cloves and four peppercorns. Simmer for three or four hours. Skim off fat, strain. Vegetables cut into fancy shapes and boiled twenty minutes may be added.

### GREEN PEA SOUP

Make your soup stock as usual, adding a pint of washed peapods to the soup. Heat a tablespoon of drippings, put in the peas, with a little chopped parsley, cover closely and let simmer; keep adding soup stock when dry. When the peas are tender put into the strained soup. Season with one teaspoon of salt and two teaspoons of sugar, add drop dumplings to this soup before serving.

### CREAM OF ALMOND SOUP

Blanch, and grind or pound one-half pound almonds, let simmer slowly in one pint of milk for five minutes. Melt one tablespoon of butter, blend with one of flour. Do not allow to bubble. Add one cup of milk and thicken slightly. Then add the almond mixture and simmer again until creamy. Remove from fire and add one cup of cream. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Cream may be whipped or left plain.

### BARLEY SOUP

Take one cup of barley, two onions cut fine, one-half cup of carrots diced, one teaspoon of salt, pepper to taste; add two quarts of water and simmer two or three hours. When water has evaporated add soup; if you are making fresh soup, keep adding the "top soup," strained, to the barley and let boil until tender, one-half cup of celery root boiled with the barley improves the flavor.

### DRIED PEA SOUP

Soak one cup of picked and cleaned dried split peas in cold water overnight, drain, put on with two quarts cold water, a smoked beef-chuck or any other smoked meat; let boil slowly but steadily four hours or more; add one-half cup of celery, diced, one small onion cut fine, one tablespoon of salt, one-eighth teaspoon of pepper, cook until the meat and peas are tender. Remove meat when tender. Skim fat off the top of the soup. Heat one tablespoon of the fat in a frying pan, add one tablespoon of flour and gradually the rest of the soup. Season to taste and serve with the smoked meat, adding croutons.

### LENTIL SOUP (LINZEN)

Soak two cups of lentils overnight in cold water. Drain and add to a sliced onion which has been browned in two tablespoons of drippings; when these have been fried for five minutes, add three stalks of celery cut in small pieces or some celery seed, pepper and salt to taste, and two quarts of warm water, boil all these slowly, stirring occasionally until the lentils are quite soft. Pass all through a sieve, return to saucepan, heat again and serve.

### CREAM OF CELERY SOUP

Break three stalks of celery in one-inch pieces and pound in a mortar. Cook in double boiler with one slice of onion and three cups of milk for twenty minutes. Remove onion, heat two tablespoons of butter, add two tablespoons of flour, one-fourth teaspoon of pepper, one tablespoon of salt; first two-thirds of a cup, and gradually the rest of the celery broth, add one cup of cream; cook until smooth and serve at once.

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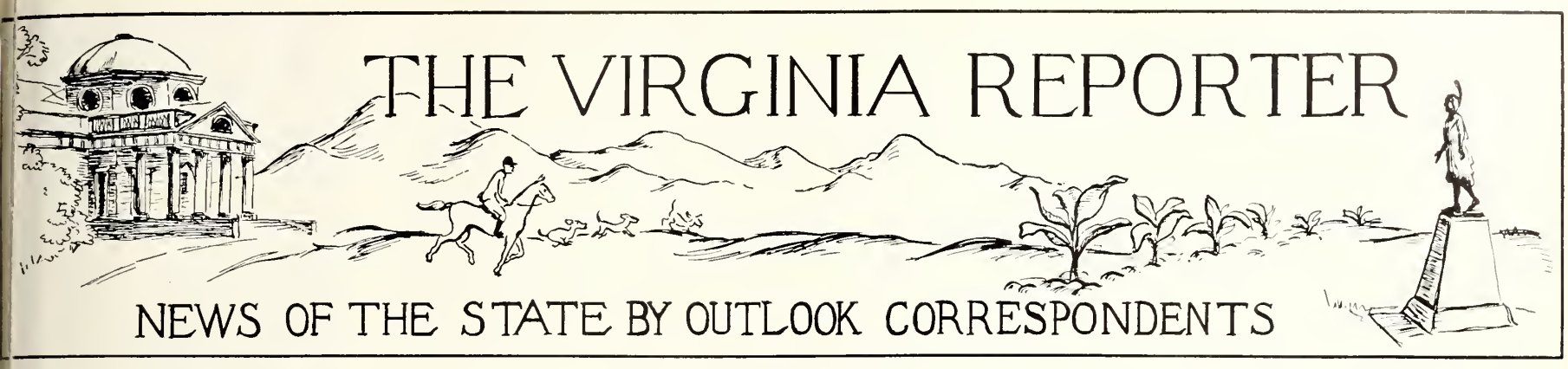


## RICHMOND, VA.

### Temple Beth Israel

by

MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ

"I want a clothes dryer because . . .", "I want a television set because . . .", "I want a deep freeze because . . .", or "I want a washing machine because . . ." No doubt you've seen the above starting sentences many times and bemoaned the fact of adding the required "25 words or less" beside the numerous box tops and postage to enter a nationwide contest that might win you one of the above modern miracles. But imagine, if you can, the terrific opportunity awaiting you to win your choice of the above listed articles by merely purchasing a ticket to Temple Beth Israel's Bazaar, February 10, 1952, for only $1.00!

The Bazaar, to be held in the Social Center of Temple Beth Israel, Boulevard and Grove Avenues, on Sunday, February 10, will be one of the most outstanding citywide affairs ever to be sponsored by all groups of the Temple. The general chairman of the affair will be Mr. Philip Yecies; representing the Sisterhood will be Mrs. H. H. Mollen; Mrs. Philip Yecies will represent the Women's Club, and Mr. Alfred Mollen the Brotherhood. Of course, there are many members of the schul and the various organizations who are too numerous to mention that are helping in this endeavor. To these silent workers the entire congregation gives its thanks for their overwhelming support and cooperation.

There will be many interesting booths that will sell hand-made articles, as well as games of chance and many things for every member of the family to take part in. The Bazaar starts at 5:30 in the evening, and this is to allow the children an opportunity to come and join in the fun. In order for the whole family to take part, there will be a special food booth and besides the regular Bazaar "fare" this booth will serve various salads and desserts so that the entire family can stay and have dinner at the Bazaar.

We want all of our friends and members to be sure to plan being with us February 10 and help make this always-enjoyed affair a real success. The entire proceeds of the eveing will go in the Temple Building Fund and all the organizations are pulling together to make is just that.

So remember, bring the entire family, grandma, too—she'd enjoy it, I'm sure—and take an active part in your schul activities. It's important that our members attend and bring their friends, and all members and friends of other organizations are cordially invited to attend. Just think how thrilled you'll be to win your choice of a dryer, deep freeze, washing machine or television set, besides three other door prizes. Incidentally, you don't have to be present to win. Let's all get behind our temple and make this endeavor a winning one. Won't you be thrilled I told you about it when we deliver your choice of the above . . . all I'll say is, "See, I TOLD you so!" The tickets are only $1.00, but there is no admission price; you may buy as many tickets as you wish. Do it now . . . and hope to see you there.

I know you'll be interested to hear what we plan for our February meeting, and Frances Mollen has a most interesting program scheduled for February 24 at the Temple Social Center at 8:15. Mrs. Goldie O. Bass will be the guest speaker for the evening, and as some of you know, Mrs. Bass has been a plain clothes policewoman for many years. It will be most interesting, we believe, to learn what place women have in police work. So plan to be with us Thursday, February 24, for a most enjoyable evening program and refreshments.

Oh, and by the way—for all of you girls who missed out on the beautiful Membership Affair in January, you can still take advantage of our invitation and join the Women's Club this month. If you join now and pay $2, your dues will be paid up until September. Honestly, you just don't know what you're missing if you don't join the Women's Club. So how about giving up that canasta game one Thursday night in the month — you still have three other Thursdays — and come with us and really and truly enjoy a wonderful club with friendly members, and all working toward a beautiful goal of Schul support and charity. Join us this month; how about it?

### SENIOR HADASSAH

**Mrs. E. J. Lipson, Reporter**

The regular January meeting of the Richmond chapter, Senior Hadassah, was held on January 9 at the Beth-El Center at 1:30 p.m. Rabbi Jacob Milgrom of Beth-El Temple was the principal speaker and his subject was, "My Trip to Israel and the Youth Aliyah Camps."

Detailed reports on the annual donors theatre party were given by the co-chairmen, Mrs. Lewis Steinberg and Mrs. Ben Garfield, with Mrs. I. Kayne, donor affair treasurer. The report on the paid-up membership of the Senior Chapter was most encouraging.

Under the able direction of Mrs. Murray N. Kolinsky two unusual skits were presented. The theme was to underline Hadassah's splendid work in the Hadassah's Medical Hospitals. The cast did a fine job of acting, which was appreciated by a receptive audience. The skits were, namely, "Exception" and "A Family Affair." The cast was: the nurse, Hannah, Mrs. E. J. Lipson; young boy, Avrom, Mrs. M. D. Grandis; Fatmah, Mrs. Ben Bernstein.

The February meeting of the Senior Chapter will be held jointly with the Beth-El Sisterhood at the Beth-El Center. This is an annual affair for both organizations and will be headed for the afternoon by Mesdames Harry Lowenstein, for Beth-El Sisterhood, and Murray N. Kolinsky, for Senior Hadassah. The organizations will celebrate the National Jewish Music Month.

### BETH EL TEMPLE SISTERHOOD

**By Mrs. Allan G. Minko**

On December 19, in Temple Social Hall, Beth El Sisterhood held their annual paid-up supper meeting. This was in the form of a Chanukah party, with a Chanukah story being narrated by Mrs. Sam Gerson. Also arranged for this meeting was a complete table setting displaying the traditional festival of Chanukah as observed in the Jewish home. The blessing was given by Mrs. Rudy Stahl and closing prayer by Mrs. Irwin Shapiro. Mrs. Morris Okun and the Beth El Choir sang the Mo-az Tzur. This presentation was beautifully done and a real inspiration for more Judaism in the home was experienced by our membership in attendance.

This Sabbath at Temple was also a homecoming welcoming our students. Participating in Temple service and a panel discussion which followed in Social Hall on "Does Judaism Stand a Chance on the Campus?" were the following: Sally Segal, Ronald Levin, Hermine Lipson, Joan S. Perlin, Bernice Burkat, Buddy Meyer, Alvin Lehman, Mose Greenberg, and Nadine Bear.

A question and answer period followed this panel discussion.

On January 16, Sisterhood held a joint meeting with the Brotherhood in Temple Social Hall. A program entitled, "Mrs. Steinberg Partner in Heaven," was presented with members of both Sisterhood and Brotherhood participating. Mrs. Abe Grandie and Mr. Mac Reese were chairmen of this program, which is an Eternal Light program, having been presented by NBC at an earlier date.

February meeting of Sisterhood will also be a joint meeting, this month with Hadassah, to be held in Temple Social Hall. This meeting will honor Jewish Music Month, with program arranged by Cantor Okun, with Mrs. Harry Lowenstein chairman.

Mrs. Louis Perlin, president of Beth El Sisterhood, and the vice-presidents, Mrs. Hy Cashvan, Mrs. Abe Grandis and Mrs. Ben Perlin, have selected the following members to serve on the 1952 nominating committee: Mesdames Moe I. Backer, Irving Cantor, Stuart Goodman, Jerome Meyer, Herman November, Charles Rosenfeld, and Louis Weinstein.

It is the purpose of this nominating committee to acquaint themselves with all members of the Sisterhood, in order to present a slate of officers for the coming year at the April meeting.

### GRANDMOTHER'S CLUB

The Grandmother's Club celebrated its fifth birthday in the form of a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Peter Lichtman, incoming president. Founded in 1946 by a group of grandmothers, the organization's membership consists of many past presidents, officers and important committee chairmen of Richmond's leading Jewish women's organizations.

Though primarily based on social activities, the members of the Grandmother's Club continue to contribute their services and their financial aid to these many organizations. The luncheon was also in honor of the new president, Mrs. Peter Lichtman, with the balance of the slate of officers installed at the same time. They are: Mesdames H. Jaffe, vice-president; H. Klaff, secretary; A. Cohen, treasurer; Lena Galumbeck, program chairman; M. Shapiro, publicity. The membership also includes Mesdames Herman Watts, H. Rosenbloom, Bessie Gray, Herman Linas, L. Block, M. Smeyne, and Mrs. Nathan Newman, of Miami, Florida, honorary member.

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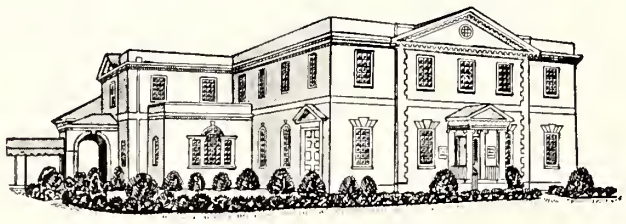

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## Harrisonburg, Va.

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

The children had a wonderful time at the Chanukah party. They told the story of Chanukah in a play in which all the children took part. What, with presents and refreshments for all, who wouldn't have a good time?

Rabbi Lanyi, who hasn't been well for some time, is now in a New York hospital under observation. Latest reports are that he will have to be hospitalized for at least another ten days or so for treatment. In the absence of Rabbi Lanyi, Mike Mintzer will read the services on the coming Friday nights.

One of the highlights of the year took place on December 27, when Adrianne Sonn and David Robinson of Luray became united in marriage. Rabbi Joseph Friedman, now of Wheeling, W. Va., performed the ceremony. Rabbi Lanyi could not assist because of his illness.

Many of our congregation spent some of the holiday out of town.

There wasn't too much activity around our Temple because of the Christmas holidays and most of the folks were busy in their business occupations.

## Suffolk, Va.

**By Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg**

The last part of December was given over to business, so there was very little activity in any of the organizations. The period between December 25 and the New Year was a time for relaxation, for parties and dances and out-of-town visitors in our midst. All of this culminated in gala New Year's affairs, after which everyone concentrated on returning to normal.

B'nai B'rith's Men's and Women's chapters held only brief business meetings in January. Nominations for new officers were made, with the date for voting and installation of new officers set for sometime in February.

The January meeting of Hadassah was held on Tuesday evening, January 8, in the vestry room of the Synagague. A final report of the Angel of Mercy ad was made by the president, Mrs. Hanks Bernstein. This ad, which appeared in the local newspaper in a Sunday edition in December, drew favorable comments from everyone, Jew and Gentile alike. It was a great piece of work, besides being wonderful success financially. Mr Meyer R. Goldberg, program chairman, presented a program based o the theme of the month, America affairs. A book review, "Cairo to Da mascus," by John Roy Carlson, wa also given and was greatly enjoye by the members.

Dr. Murray Cantor has made hi monthly Hadassah study group high ly instructive this year. He is pre senting groups of Hebrew words whicl the members may use in conductin regular Hadassah meetings. It is ex pected that by the end of the year the Suffolk Hadassah members wil have an extensive and useful Hebrew vocabulary.

The Sisterhood of Agudath Achim Synagogue resumed its regular monthly meetings in January. Plans were made for a fund-raising affair to be held in the Spring. A most interesting program was presented by Mrs. Pearl Scherr, program chairman.

Munich—Of the 1,100 Jews in Hamburg, Germany, more than six hundred are supported by charitable institutions, according to reports reaching here. About thirty per cent are in the civil service and the rest are storekeepers employing mostly Jewish help.

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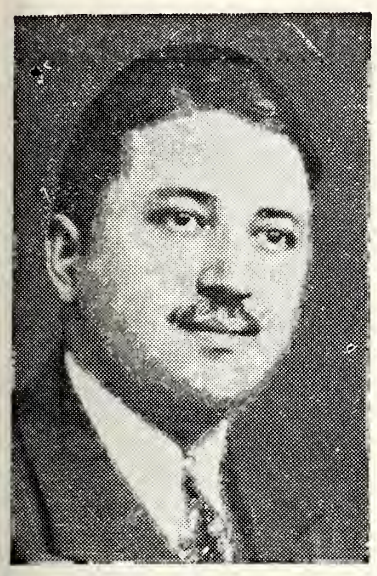

**CHAIRMAN, 1952 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE—Rabbi Leon Machlis, of Staten Island, New York, was the overall Chairman of the Annual Midwinter Conference of the Rabbinical Council of America, which was held on January 15 and 16 in Lakewood, New Jersey.**

## Staunton-Waynesboro, Virginia

**By Estelle Kauffman**

The annual Chanukah party for the Sunday School children was held December 23. Games were played, gifts were exchanged, and refreshments disappeared from the scene rather quickly. It was lots more fun than just having regular old lessons.

Several parties were given and there were a few scattered travelers during the holiday season. "Home for the holidays" were Miss Peggy Klotz of New York City, Miss Cecille Kauffman of Baltimore, Miss Nancy Cohen of the University of North Carolina, Miss Barbara Cohn of Richmond Professional Institute, and Mr. Jay Grossman of Washington and Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Weinberg, Miss Flora Barth, and Miss Fannie Strauss attended a Golden Wedding Anniversary in their family, held in Chicago, Ill. Miss Barth was the honor attendant in the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Morty Sloane visited friends and relatives in Philadelphia.

## Portsmouth, Va.

**By Irma Koff**

Dear Lonzmen:

This wish comes a bit late, I know, but like everyone else, there's so much popping all of the time in Portsmouth that time flies by. Anyway, a very happy, healthy, prosperous, and peaceful New Year to you all.

And while we're talking about new years—how about making a resolution to subscribe to the American Jewish Times-Outlook? Considering the abundance of good stories, articles, and news of other communities that appear in the magazine each month, the cost per subscription is very nominal. They tell me in the Richmond office that they are very willing, in fact anxious, to have a Portsmouth Jewish organization sell subscriptions to the magazine to all Portsmouth people. The organization will then keep a large portion of the money received from each subscription for their own charitable work.

Frankly, I can think of no better way for an organizaion to pick up some loose change, and judging from the many fund-raising drives, there isn't an organization in the whole city that doesn't need money.

Any organization interested in taking on this project should immediately contact Nathan Kessler at Post Office Box 701, Richmond, Va. In the meantime, if you want to receive your copies of the magazine (and who doesn't?) contact Mr. Kessler about that, too, for full information.

As usual, the social news from Portsmouth is still moving along rapidly.

On New Year's Eve, Miss Marion Adele Cogen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cogen, was married to Sheldon Joseph Leavitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paul Leavitt, of Norfolk. The Leavitts will reside in Chicago.

Miss Trudy Jacobs, daughter of Mrs. Sophia Jacobs of Portsmouth and Al Jacobs of Norfolk, was married at the Suburban Country Club on January 27 to Gilbert Friedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Friedman of Norfolk.

Congratulations are also in order for Henry Jacobs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Jacobs, who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on January 12.

The sincere sympathy of the entire community is extended to the family of the late I. H. Rosenfeld.

Keeping up with the news of the organizations is difficult, but here goes.

Hadassah's rummage sale is proving so successful that it will continue for several more weeks. If you want bargains, go up to the store on Effingham Street, near High; and if you've got rummage to dispose of, call Mollie Cates.

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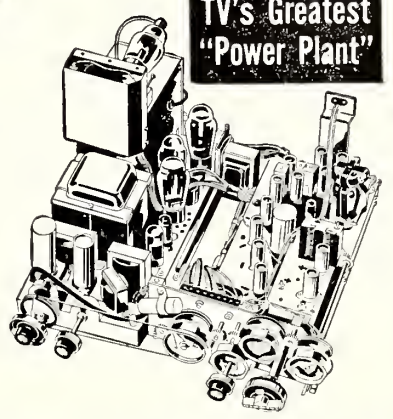

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**MRS. IRWIN KOURLAND, the former Miss Barbara Ann Sears, daughter o Mrs. Hyman Sears and the late Hyman Sears, who was married on December 1( at the Suburban Country Club. Mr. and Mrs. Kourland will reside in Nev York City.**

What else with Hadassah? Oh, yes, a joint meeting, featuring an educational panel discussion, was held with ZOA in January, and at the February meeting guest speaker will be Mrs. Avram Harman, who has recently returned from Israel.

And speaking of fund-raising drives, B'nai B'rith will hold one in February, but the details as of early January were still in the embryo stage.

One of the outstanding speakers ever heard in Portsmouth was Chaplain Garson Goodman, the first and only Jewish Chaplain for the Atlantic Fleet, who was the Jewish Chaplain of the First Marine Division in Korea. When Chaplain Goodman spoke at the January meeting of the Sisterhood, he brought the war in Korea right into the Jewish Community Center.

Sisterhood's other activities during the month included a card party and also a book review by Mrs. Bernard Rivin.

Under the sponsorship of the Sisterhood, 135 members of the Junior Congregation were served at their annual banquet on December 30.

Several of the children presented a play, "The Magic Hammer," ably directed by Mrs. Elias Friedman. Those in the cast included Steve Jacobson, Mendel Chovitz, Jerry Frank, Dean Casper, Morris Blachman, Marshall Berman, Steve Markman, Paul Bloom, Barbara Lavine, Doris and Alice Epstein, Barbara Longman, Judy Nemeroff, Marilyn Friedman, Toby Flack, and Betty Friedman.

And on January 8 the Hebrew Ladies' Aid Society presented an interesting and enjoyable quiz program.

That's 30 for now.

Your friend,
IRMA.

## Hampton-Phoebus, Va.

**Mrs. Lawrence J. Gale, Reporter**

**SISTERHOOD**

A cantata, "The Seven Golden Buttons," a folk tale set to music, was presented in the ceremony observing the forty-third anniversary of the B'nai Israel Synagogue, which was founded in 1908.

The cantata, under the direction of Mrs. Morris Gottlieb, had the following cast:

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Piano accompaniment was by Mrs. Samuel Hendin.

Alfred Goldstein, vice-president of the congregation, served as chairman of the evening, and the annual candle-lighting ceremony was presided over by Mrs. Herbert Goldstein, president of the Sisterhood.

Following a welcome by Seymour Saunders, president of the congregation, greetings were extended by the presidents of the various organizations affiliated with the synagogue. These include: Sisterhood, Mrs. Herbert Goldstein; Hadassah, Mrs. Louis Greenspon; Community Council, Arthur Lieverman; B'nai Israel Forum, Howard Rohr; Synagogue Youth Group, Miss Patty Sharf; B'nai Israel Juniors, Lewis Ellis.

The program was opened and concluded with a prayer by Rabbi Allan Mirvis. A reception in the B'nai Israel Center followed the program.

Mrs. Kieve Sear and Mrs. Milton Epstein were co-chairmen of the committee in charge of arrangements for the affair. Other members of the committee were Mesdames I. A. Saunders, Mildred Fox, Edgar Baron, Max Weissman, and Morris Sandler.

Sisterhood is looking forward to its next meeting when Mrs. Edward Garrick will give a resume of her recent European trip.

On Sunday evening, November 11, Sisterhood served as hostesses at the Jewish Community Center social for servicemen. Those who served on this committee were Mesdames Jack Fisher, David Zwerdling, Arthur Greenberg, and I. Cooper.

Big plans are now underway for the annual Card Party Day. Mrs. David Norad and Mrs. Seymour Saunders are serving as chairmen for the event.

**Hadassah**

The hand-made sale, an annual classic for local Hadassah, was featured at the last meeting, and was a tremendous financial success. The fund-raising committee, consisting of Mesdames Stanley Goldstein, George Recant, and Melvin Carmel, was in charge, and turned in well over a hundred dollars from the affair. Mrs. Morris Gottlieb served as auctioneer. Home-made foods, as well as hand-made baby clothes and knit items, made the sale an exciting one.

**B'nai Israel Juniors**

Lewis Ellis was elected to serve as president for the first half of the current year by B'nai Israel Juniors. The other officers elected are Joyce Gottlieb, vice-president; Linda Gerrick, secretary; and Michael Rohr, treasurer.

The group undertook the sale of toys, gifts for parents, as well as cards, gift wraps, seals and ribbon for Chanukah. These items were displayed and sold at the close of religious school sessions.

**B'nai Israel Congregation**

Philip Abraham, Arnold Beckhardt, Gerald Bloch, Jerry Pasamanick, and Eric Strauss were welcomed into membership of our congregation at the last meeting. We hope that their affiliation with our organization will prove to be mutually beneficial.

**B'nai Israel Forum**

The next meeting of the Forum will be held at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Allan Mirvis. Chaplain Shoffman of the Langley Air Force Base will be the guest speaker.

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**By Gishy Aronson**

The holiday season with its out-of-town guests and visiting offspring was climaxed by a festive dance sponsored by B'nai B'rith as an annual celebration. Horns, confetti, music and noise were all part of the jubilant carnival spirit that gave the Community Center a Mardi Gras atmosphere for the night. A buffet dinner, drinks, and rhythms by Ed Turpin were included in the evening's fare. At the stroke of twelve, after a hug and kiss, the Lynchburgers welcomed in the New Year.

Seen dancing to a dreamy strain were Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Greif (nee Ruth Sybil Berman) who were home for the holidays. Jitterbugging in his own inimitable style, Bertram Schewel exercising his scissor-like legs gave the revellers an added treat. Joan Demsky and Dot Samuels looking like Park Avenue in their "poodle cuts." Mr. and Mrs. M. Hurwitz, always good sports, sat quietly at their tables spectating. Julius Demsky, Dick Samuels, Jeff Shapiro and Abe Adler, responsible for the gala affair, beamed proudly as everyone seemed to have a merry time.

The best feature of the New Year is its open season on males, but with Lynchburg's scarcity of bachelors, I'll leap if I ever see one (Leap Year pun).

Miss Audrey Ellen Feinman was home on vacation from the University of Alabama. Mr. and Mrs. Ike Schewel's grandchild, Elaine, returned to Norfolk after a three weeks visit. Returned home from the sunny sands of Florida are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Grossman. The Elliot Scheles left the Hill City for Baltimore. The Herman Lichtensteins, Morton Trutts, Stanley Feldmans and Sam Rosens have all gone up yonder to New York. Dan Oppleman, who is studying for his doctorate at Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., has been spending the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Oppleman.

It seems that everybody has had a holiday but the stork, who has been working overtime to bring us new bundles of joy. Twice blessed at one time are Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Somers, who were presented with twins—an adorable girl and boy. Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein, who are the proud grandparents of their first grandchild, Jay Ross, born to Bettye and Armand Kavitz in Arlington, Va., have recently returned from the Pidyon Ha-ben. The reason for the smile on Mrs. Marks' face is her newly-arrived grandson, Jay Robert, born to her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Marks, in Hatboro, Penn.

Chanukah season made its entrance with the children of the Sunday School making festive at the annual party given for them at the Temple. The Magic Dreidel, a dramatic skit, was presented, with the following appearances: Ira Lesagor, Allan Grosman, Carol Gorchoff, Joan Rogasner, Cathy Goldstein, Betty Sue Feinman, Barry Bank, Bobby Eichelbaum, Allen Arnold, Bonnie Gershen, "Flip" Somers, Marcia Somers and Robert Arnold.

Gifts were exchanged and each chil was presented a bag of nuts and car dy. Slides on the story of Chanuka and scenes from the motion pictur "David and Bathsheba" were shown

The ambitions of Rabbi Lloyd Ten nenbaum to further the cultural an intellectual endeavors of the commu nity merits an editorial pat on th back. For those who see fit to respon there will be lecture courses offere in Hebrew, Bible, History and Con temporary Problems. Already in prog ress are adult Hebrew classes conven ing on Monday evenings for thos who have had previous Hebrew in struction. Also under the directio of the Rabbi there will be a beginner class started in the near future. Be sides the enlightening sermons of th Friday night services there has beer added a background of serene orga music. This organ has been purchase by the Sisterhood for use in the Tem ple, and will be executed by Mrs Alex Teass for regular Friday evenin assemblies. Hopes for the eventua organization of a choir of congrega tion members have been expressed.

As for the B'nai B'rith it seems that under the direction of Sam Rosen, new membership and attendance chairman, a system has been worked out to urge better attendance by contacting each member personally on the day of the meeting.

William Bank and Bob Leeds are co-chairmen of the B'nai B'rith Blood Donor Drive. The organization has been called upon this month to furnish the names of fifty people who are willing to participate in the blood bank program.

The whole community mourns the death of Jacob R. Feinman, whose recent passing away saddened everyone. May I join the congregation in extending heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

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# NEW HOPE IN 5712

*By* MORRIS LAMB
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THE traditional blowing of the Shofar ushering in the year 5712 will re-echo with promise and hope for Jews throughout the world. As the old and young flock into the temples of Europe, the crowded synagogues of the Moslem world or the newly-built houses of worship in Israel, they will observe this Rosh Hashonah with gratitude for past gains and with fervent prayers for the future.

In a makeshift synagogue of the Foehrenwald DP center — the only Jewish camp still in use in Germany — several hundreds gathered for the traditional observances. They were for the most part aged, sick and incapacitated—men, women and children who bore some of Hitler's deepest wounds. But as they bowed their heads over their prayerbooks, their thoughts were centered on the future, not the past. For this Rosh Hashonah, the seventh since liberation, brought promise that their dreary existence as stateless DP's would soon end, that the months to come would see them in Israel for cure and rehabilitation.

But the fulfillment of this promise is directly dependent upon bricks and cement, the skill of workmen, beds and medical equipment shipped from the United States, and, most of all, on funds provided by the Jews of America through the United Jewish Appeal. For the prayers of the "hard core" DP's in Foehrenwald can only be fulfilled through the expansion of the special welfare program maintained and administered by the Joint Distribution Committee for sick and incapacitated new arrivals in Israel.

Each month of the year 5711 witnessed bricks piled on bricks to complete old-age homes, hospitals, and other installations. Each month of the year just past saw X-ray machines, surgical instruments and other supplies landed at Haifa to equip modern medical institutions. And simultaneously came weaving looms, lathes and cobblers' tools—instruments for integration of former patients into the economic life of Israel.

One year ago JDC's welfare program, known as Malben (Organization for the Care of Handicapped Newcomers), was little more than a blueprint for the future. Today, less than two years old, the JDC's welfare program in the Jewish state is caring for 3,700 incapacitated immigrants in 70 institutions.

But perhaps JDC's greatest achievement is the return to productive life in one short year of men and women who only a short time ago were helpless, dependent invalids. Through Malben rehabilitation centers, sheltered workshops, loans and vocational training projects, more than 3,000 have bridged the gap from idleness to self-support.

But what of the DP's in the makeshift synagogue in Foehrenwald? What of their fervent prayers that the year 5712 will witness the end of their futile existence in the DP camps of Germany and the beginning of a new life in Israel? Each month toward the close of 5711 saw some of their group departing. As each invalid train left Germany, bringing the aged, the sick and the maimed into Italy for trans-shipment to Israel, hopes mounted.

But there are still 3,000 "hard core" Jewish DP's in Germany, Austria and Italy—with their families they number nearly 9,000. How soon will they be able to exchange their DP status for full citizenship in Israel? How many dreary months must pass before they too may have modern medical care, scientific treatment and a chance for rehabilitation?

In Israel at Beer Yaakov a TB hospital with 500 beds, the largest in Israel, is nearly completion. At Gedera, the Village for the Blind is being expanded to admit 500 patients. Near Nathanya, ground has recently been broken for an institution which will

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But with each sizable expenditure, JDC is in the literal sense pioneering in the field of human relations. When the blind beggar is taken out of the squalid mellah of Casablanca and in a few short months attains independence and self-respect in the Village for the Blind, a new chapter in rehabilitation is written. When the DP crippled in the concentration camp era is given prosthesis, taught to walk again and aided by a loan to start a small business, a new record is achieved in man's service to man.

For JDC in Israel is taking the cast-off wrecks of an era of misery and ruthlessness, providing their bodies with new strength and their hearts with new purpose. Some 50 per cent of the patients who have gone through Malben institutions are today recovered to the extent that they can support themselves and their families, thereby making positive contributions to the new state. This record of achievement will unquestionably become more impressive as new facilities are opened, new techniques perfected.

In carrying forward its Malben program, JDC is following a pattern of 36 years of aid to the distressed. Traditionally, after each catastrophe that has come to the Jews overseas, JDC's tasks of rebuilding life have been carried forward in three phases. First has been emergency assistance on a mass scale to relieve suffering and save lives. Then has followed reconstructive efforts to encourage a return to economic independence. Third, and most difficult of all, has been the mopping-up operations undertaken for special groups of the wretched, destitute and helpless.

Today, seven years after World War II, JDC is waging its fight for Jewish survival on all three fronts. For, despite the fact that since Liberation it has aided more than a million Jews, brought more than 500,000 to new homes, chiefly in Israel, and assisted some 300,000 to achieve self-support, as many as 300,000 Jews in Europe, North Africa and the Near East are still dependent upon JDC's relief, reconstruction and resettlement programs.

Almost 50 per cent of the still needy Jews are aged, sick and handicapped people who will require JDC relief, medical care and other services for many years to come. Since the overwhelming majority of them cannot be brought to Israel for Malben care, they will continue to crowd the JDC-supported hospitals and institutions in Hungary, Western Europe, North Africa, and other areas for an indefinite period.

For the "hard cores" who can g to Israel . . . the incapacitated DP's, th sick and often half-blind Jews of th Moslem world—Malben is the chie instrument that makes their emigra tion possible. But there are alread in the Jewish state some 10,000 "har core" immigrants who but for Malbe would become a sizable economic bur den on the new state. It is to pro vide for those who have already lef and for those who will come in th future that JDC in Israel is maintain ing and expanding its welfare progran for the sick and the helpless.

Meanwhile, in the synagogue ir Foehrenwald this Rosh Hashonal there is new hope. For the lame the halt and the sick, the future seem brighter. The men, women and chil dren, who only two years ago seemed doomed to drag out a miserable exist ence in an alien land, are now look ing forward to a rebirth in Israel.

Will these pitiful wrecks of th Nazi era be able to leave in the yea 5712? Or will Rosh Hashoanh 5713 still find them praying hopefully in the synagogue at Foehrenwald?

The Jews of America by their generous response in the months to come write the answer to these questions.

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# Sixth Session of General Assembly U. N. and the Problems it Faces

*By* NEHEMIAH ROBINSON

THE sixth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, which opened in Paris on November 6 and is expected to continue for four months or more, takes place at a time of great international strain. Old conflicts and new struggles darken the horizon, keeping the world in a state of fear. What can humanity expect from this session? How much can it contribute to peace and stability?

The United Nations was expected by its founders to achieve its goals of maintaining international peace not only through such direct action as collective measures to prevent aggression. It was also expected to pursue this objective by developing friendly relations between the nations, by encouraging respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms and by promoting cooperation to solve international economic, social, cultural and humanitarian problems. The first objective is, admittedly, essential as well as spectacular, and efforts to achieve it are undoubtedly urgent; but the latter goals may prove to be, in the long run, no less important.

The grave international conflicts which we are now witnessing, the results of a transition period through which the world is now passing, must be solved if the entire globe is to be spared a series of destructive wars. Yet the mere resolving of these conflicts will not solve all the ills of our planet. To recreate genuine stability on the earth, plagued by so many ills, a long-range program to wipe out these evils by the common efforts of all the nations and to establish a basis for a peaceful co-existence of all mankind must be adopted. The implementation of this task may not produce dramatic results in a short time; the world, preoccupied by daily crises, may look upon this patient work with a certain disdain and some may even regard it as some kind of child's play. There can, however, be no doubt of its intrinsic value for the future of mankind.

The agenda of the Paris sessions shows that the General Assembly will again be asked to deal with all these problems. It will face acute conflicts of immediate urgency and long-standing frictions; it will also discuss attempts to foster international cooperation in every field of human endeavor as well as items referring to the projection of individual human rights.

Among the acute present conflicts the most important are those of Korea and Morocco. The latter issue was

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placed on the provisional agenda by members of the Arab League who regard this French protectorate as an excellent field for their propaganda drive to oust the European powers from long-established positions on other continents. To grasp the significance of this Arab move for the future, it must be viewed in connection with recent events in Iran and Egypt and with the threat of changes in Iraqi-British relationships. On the other hand, no one can say with certainty that the General Assembly will actually take up the Moroccan question; France opposes any discussion and the Assembly itself has final authority in setting the agenda.

The long-standing sources of conflict now before the Assembly include Greece and China and the question of Palestine. The whole gamut of problems with which the Palestine Conciliation Commission has been dealing in its efforts to solve the Arab-Israeli conflict will come up for discussion, as will the question of the Arab refugees. Equally vital is the item on Libya. In the two years since the Assembly decided to transform the ex-Italian colony into an independent state, practically all the steps necessary to achieve this end have been taken. However, the Assembly must approve the reports of the UN Commission for Libya and of the powers (Britain and France) now administering Libya. Further, the demands of the Jewish minority in Libya, supported and preferred by the World Jewish Congress for the right of emigration and the right to administer its own communal and other organizations have not been granted and will have to be pressed once again.

In addition, the Assembly agenda includes three long-range plans for international peace and security. One of these, dealing with methods which may be used to maintain and strengthen world peace in accordance with the purposes and principles of the UN Charter, is the result of the work of a 14-member Collective Measures Committee established by the Assembly at its last session. The committee has recommended that readily-available armed forces be maintained to keep the peace, that the problem of a collective security system be the subject of further study, that economic and financial measures be applied against aggressors and for the benefit of the victims of aggression. The second plan, the Secretary General's recommendations for the development of a twenty-year program to achieve peace through the UN, consists of ten points. Some refer to strengthening the UN machinery, others to such diverse questions as the promotion of higher living standards and of human freedoms, the advancement of colonial peoples, the development of enforceable international law, the control of armament and atomic energy. The third item, dealing exclusively with the international control of atomic energy, will be a discussion of the efforts of the Committee of Twelve established last year to work on this problem and will involve no final decisions.

Together with these problems, the Assembly agenda includes a number of items on the less sensational but fundamental work of the UN in the field of eliminating future tension and readying the world for conditions of peace. One of these items, concerned with large-range economic problems, was discussed at the last session of the Economic and Social Council, which made recommendations on such issues as the necessity to provide funds for the economic development of under-developed areas, the need for technical assistance and land reform in these regions. The Assembly, which will review the ECOSOC recommendations, may seek new ways to accomplish the UN objective of aiding under-developed countries.

Another subject in the field concerns the problem of strengthening existing international law and creating new and binding international rules. The Assembly will examine the work of the International Law Commission, which was charged with preparing a code of offenses against the peace and security of mankind, a declaration of the rights and duties of states, a definition of aggression and similar questions. The code of offenses is of particular importance because it includes crimes against humanity; in other words, it seeks to incorporate the principles established in the Nuremberg trials into a broader binding international code, the first of its kind in human history. This is a topic in which the World Jewish Congress has been interested since the start of Hitler's war against the Jews and to which the Congress will continue to devote attention during the Assembly's session. The formulation of the rights and duties of states has a considerable bearing upon the rights of the individual and is, therefore, interconnected with the problem of the protection of human rights.

The problem of human rights is directly involved in the topic before the Assembly on the draft Covenant of Human Rights. Following the Assembly's last session, when a number

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**Miss Belle Herr, Correspondent**

Chanukah services were conducted by Mr. Louis Hirsch on Friday night, December 28, with children of the Religious School participating. Gifts were given to the children at the end of the services. The attendance for the services was most gratifying.

**Religious School**

The Religious School meets every Sunday at the Beth Sholom Temple; history being taught by Miss Aileen Hirschman, student at the Mary Washington College, and Hebrew by Mr. Louis Hirsch. As a tribute to the memory of our late Rabbi Elsberg, who was so genuinely interested in the Religious School and the children, the history and Hebrew classes are being taught on a voluntary basis. There, too, the attendance so far has been very good.

**Beth Sholom Sisterhood**

The January meeting of the Sisterhood was held in the form of a covered dish supper. As each Sister had kept her "dish" a secret, much fun and many surprises were in store for everyone. Miss Susie Peach Foster, of Mary Washington College, was guest speaker. She delivered a most interesting message.

A memorial committee was appointed by our president, Mrs. Julius Margolis, to take care of placing a memorial to our late Rabbi Elsberg in the Temple, which will take place some time in the future.

The Sisterhood is getting out of a lethargy state caused by the sudden death of our beloved Rabbi, and since the "show" must go on, the monthly card parties are to be resumed, which is a means of revenue for the Sisterhood, and a pleasant get-together for the ladies.

**Personals**

Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Yanow, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gorfine, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stevens. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gallant have our best wishes for their 56th anniversary, and Mr. Gallant's 78th birthday, celebrating the two events on the same day.

Birthday congratulations to Marc Fenton Gorfine and Judith Ulman.

Get-well wishes to Mrs. David Yanow, who has been confined to her home for the past several months, and to Mr. A. L. Huskins, who is recuperating from a recent illness, visiting relatives and friends in New York City.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Land were Mrs. Land's four nieces from Baltimore.

Visiting Mrs. R. J. Miller were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller and their two children from Atlantic City.

Visiting Miss Belle Herr and Mrs. David Yanow were their sister Natalie Herr from Brooklyn, N. Y.

Visiting Dr. and Mrs. Clayton Blum were Mrs. Blum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Schleyn, from Brooklyn, N. Y.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hirsch is Mrs. Hirsch's mother, Mrs. F. Klaw from Baltimore.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gorfins is Mr. Gorfine's mother, Mrs. Yett Gorfine from Baltimore.

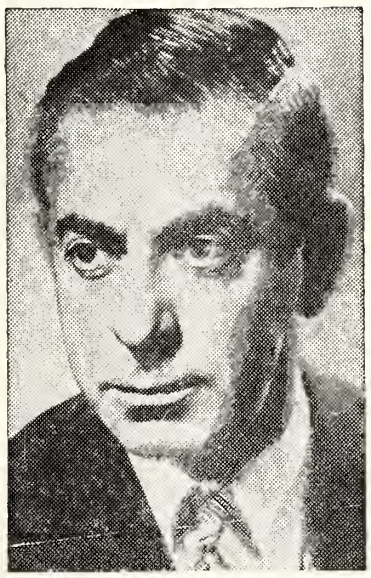
Mr. and Mrs. Nat Wolff and family, from Fredericksburg, were visitors of Mrs. Wolff's parents in Newark, N. J.

Recent visitors to Baltimore were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morganstern and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kaufman.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hirsch spent several days in New York City, and Dr. and Mrs. Martin Blatt holiday'd in Washington, D. C.

Marvin Sager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sager, was recently discharged from the Marine Corps, and will resume his studies at the University of Virginia. Good luck, Marvin; glad to see you home.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Land upon the birth of their fourth child, a son, named George Bennett Land.



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**Mrs. Harold D. Simons, Reporter**

MRS. MALCOLM ALTERMAN of Atlanta, Ga., whose marriage took place there on December 2. Mrs. Alterman is the former Janice Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cohen, formerly of Winston-Salem. Her grandmother is Mrs. Henry Miller of this city.

With horns blowing, people shouting and much ado, the Council of Jewish Women sponsored their annual New Year's Eve Dance in the Grill Room of the Reynolds Building. Under Mrs. Joe Davis and her committee's capable hands, Winston rung out the old and ushered in what we hope will be a prosperous and happy 1952 for everybody!

A mazeltov to Herbert and Carolyn Sosnik upon their marriage in Charlotte, N. C., a few weeks ago. The Sosniks have set up housekeeping in Rockingham, N. C., and we wish them many years of happiness and luck. Also to Peggy Rosenbacher, daughter of Mrs. Claire Rosenbacher and Mr. Sandel Rosenbacher, we wish a mazeltov. She is to be married to Henry Tager of Durham, N. C., in June. A lovely open house was held for Peggy and Henry upon the announcement of their engagement.

The first Bar Mitzvah took place in our new Temple Emanuel on December 28. Larry Schwartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Schwartz, was the young man to have this impressive ceremony. Al and Therese were really proud of Larry and the community was equally proud as Larry showed that he, like his parents, would shoulder a great number of the responsibilities of this community.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lefkowitz upon the birth of a son.

Our deep sympathy is extended to the family of Phil Michalove upon the death of Phil's father, E. B. Michalove; to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Silverstein upon the death of Mrs. Silverstein's sister, Mrs. Lena Schaefer, and to the families of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Zerden and J. Solomon upon the death of Marvin's father, L. E. Zerden of Hickory, N. C.

MISS JOAN ROBIN
**Winston's AZA Sweetheart**

AZA boys showed up in Charleston, S. C., for the AZA Regional Convention with their sweetheart, Miss Joan Robin. Those boys attending were Leonard Clein, Stuart Teichman, Bob Polan, and Bob Rosenbacher. We understand they really had a wonderful time.

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# VISITING *Around Greensboro*

*By* MIN KLEIN

January was a busy month for both sisterhoods in our community. . . The Beth David group sponsored an evening of Yiddish songs and a movie in Yiddish, something new in the community. . . Cantor Mann of Elizabeth City, who pleased so many listeners when he was at Beth David for the High Holydays, filled a return engagement to provide Yiddish songs for the occasion. The movie, "The Singing Blackmith," was fun and entertainment in Yiddish. . . Temple Emanuel Sisterhood sponsored its annual Study Group, the subject this year being, "Our Judaism Today and Tomorrow." Rabbi Rypins led the project which provided stimulating thought on the subject, which was divided into three sessions, with the hostesses at whose homes the meeting took place, being Mesdames L. Rosenberg, H. Silvers, and H. Lavietes . . . Something new came to the community also when the Temple Sisterhod, under the sponsorship of the District 8 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, brought Rabbi Mordecai I. Soloff of Baltimore, outstanding Jewish educator and author of Religious School textbooks, for a workshop and teachers institute, at which special guests were the teachers of the Temple Emanuel and Beth David Religious Schools. This was a golden opportunity for the teachers and the Religious School leaders. . . Program chairman, Al Jacobson, of the Sidney J. Stern B'nai B'rith, presented another interesting program when a special evening was devoted to ADL, one of the most important phases of BB work. Guest speaker who addressed a large audience was Henry Epstein of NYC, vice-chairman of the ADL National Executive Committee. Norman Block had charge of this project.

The Temple Emanuel Brotherhood once again hosted the Father-Son-Daughter dinner and party, with the Sisterhood committee preparing a delicious dinner, while the program, consisting of games, prizes, and a presentation by a ventriloquist, delighted everyone of every age. . . Also under Brotherhood sponsorship was the appearance of Rev. Herschel Folger of the Friends Church in Greensboro as guest speaker at Temple Emanuel on Friday, January 18.

Hadassah collected a number of items for their annual Palestine Supply Shower as the luncheon meeting at Temple Emanuel on January 21. Gene Jacobs, chairman of the project, was assisted by committee members Rebecca Zuckerman and Pauline Scher. Pearl Startz is program chairman.

Vacationing Greensburghers during the past few weeks were the David Coopers, who were on a special New Year's cruise to Bermuda—Ruth is still raving and we enjoy hearing about it. . . The Martin Bernsteins took off for a two weeks flight to California, while Mom and Dad Walter and Tibs spent some time in Florida, going down via Charleston, where they visited with family. . . The Milton Zaubers also chose Florida, where Mollye will be until Spring, while Milton will do some commuting. . . The Max Millers spent several days in Baltimore, attending a Bar Mitzvah. . . Rabbi and Mrs. Kling and daughter took advantage of a short lull to drive

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to the Land of Sunshine, also, and then back to work once more. . . Rita and Irv Weisler decided to go in the opposite direction and had a fling in NYC. . . The High Schoolers used their winter vacation for some traveling, heading for conventions and just general traveling. . . Carol Greenberg and Marilyn Neerman were in NYC for the conference of the United Synagogue Youth, while the Regional AZA and BBG, convening in Charleston, S. C., attracted leaders from our local groups. . . Al Klein, regional adviesr now, drove some of the boys down, so that the local AZA chapter was represented by Sherold Klein, Aleph Godol of this chapter; Ronnie Kriegsman, past Aleph Godol; Bob Goldberg, Bill and Ben Marks, and Bob Pearlman. Sherold returned as regional treasurer. . . BBG's representing the local chapter were: president, Evelyn Greenberg, who came back as regional secretary; Ann Falk, recently elected sweetheart of the local AZA; Barbara Prago, 1950 Sweetheart; Marsha Krieger, whose Mom, Lena, was there also. . . Lena is a former adviser to the local group. Older daughter, Joanne, went to Atlanta at the same time, for a reunion of Blue Star Campers and staff.

WC was back to normal soon after the winter vacations ended and celebrated with a supper and dance at Beth David social hall, this affair being hosted by the students at UNC, Chapel Hill, bringing over cars full from Duke and State, to join the lovelies at WC. Surprise over the winter vacation were Seniors Edna Friedman of Charlotte and Shirley Uden of Leaksville, both of whom came back with exceptionally brilliant third fingers, left hand. . . Marty Jacobs brings his talent back home, and we're glad his new connection with the Greensboro Little Theatre group will give us all an opportunity to see him in dramatic and directorial capacity.

On the hurry-and-get-well list are Elma Dryzer, who is a very pretty convalescent, Abe Stadiem, little Stewart Rogers, and Louise Falk's mother, Mrs. Dannenbaum, whom Louise went to see through an operation in Wilmington.

Council's January program consisted of a cleverly arranged report from the delegates to the recent Mid-Atlantic Conference in Norfolk, when Hilda Weinstein, president, and Clara May Friedlaender, Mid-Atlantic Regional vice-president, told of their experiences at the convention, in a round-table discussion with the two presidents of the local section who asked the questions which the delegates answered. Making a turn-abou tea was served to the ladies just b fore starting the meeting . . . whic reminds me to pass on a whole han ful of orchids to our local mornir daily for the fine publicity given a recent Sunday morning edition our inter-faith program for publ school teachers held in December . . we read it with great pride in i presentation.

And now in closing, for the tim being we just call attention to th forthcoming event of great interes which will take place in Our Tow come the end of March when the 8t District of the National Federatio of Temple Sisterhoods, and the Mic dle Atlantic Region of the Union c American Hebrew Congregations . . also, the forthcoming Hadassah Dono Luncheon at which there will be a outstanding and well known speake Special meeting in February will b for the purpose of setting up plan for this important affair. . . Be o the lookout for a BIG AFFAIR to b held at Temple Emanuel on Saturda evening, February 23, sponsored b the Temple Sisterhood. Fun, Foo and Frolics for all.

Edward Cone, assistant professor o music at Princeton University, wa presented by the Friday Afternoo Club, in a program of music at th Alumnae House at Woman's College while he was home for a visit with hi family during vacation. Mr. Cone son of Mrs. Julius Cone of Greens boro, was presented by the Club pres ident, Mrs. Marc Friedlaender, her

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lf a well known pianist in Greensro. Hostesses for this event were e musician's mother and Miss Kathine Taylor, dean of Woman's Colge.

Mr. Cone, native of Greensboro, reeived his early education here and ad extensive music training in northn schools and abroad. A composer note, Mr. Cone attended Princeton niversity prior to joining that instiition's faculty, following his service the U. S. Army during the second orld War.

Mr. Cone's program before the Friay Afternoon Club consisted of some riginal compositions, works by Bark, Brahms, Bach, Schubert, and hopin.

MRS. ZENA HARMAN

Mrs. Zena Harman will be the guest peaker at a pre-donor meeting of the reensboro Chapter of Hadassah on Vednesday, February 27, 1952 at Beth avid Synagogue at 8:15 p.m. The onor Dinner is to follow in March. Mrs. Harman is chairman of the Iadassah Tourist Department. Her ork as a publicist and social worker n Israel have given her a wide knowledge of all phases of life and conditions in Israel.

"Tourism is part of the life of Israel's economy," says Mrs. Harman. "Promoting tourism serves to further two basic aims of Hadassah—to acquaint its members personally with Hadassah's achievements in Israel, and to provide the income which Israel desperately needs to develop in peace and achieve stability."

Combining brilliance and charm, Mrs. Harman is a graduate of the famous London School of Economics and Political Science. Born and raised in London, she later moved to the Union of South Africa, where she married. In 1940 she emigrated to Israel, where she has lived ever since. Her forthcoming visit to Greensboro gives promise of an interesting and stimulating meeting, to which the public is cordially invited.

The annual meeting of the 8th District, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and the Middle Atlantic Region of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will be held in Greensboro, N. C., March 22-24, 1952. Headquarters of the convention will be the O. Henry Hotel. Board meetings, panel discussions and round tables will be conducted by each group separately. A joint banquet and Oneg Shabbat will start the convention on Saturday evening, March 22. While the meetings of the UAHC will end on Sunday afternoon, the Sisterhood will continue through Monday, March 24. Election and installation of officers will be a part of both groups. The Sisterhood meeting on Monday will close with a luncheon at Starmount Forest Country Club.

Members of the national board of both groups will be present for this occasion and will participate in the program. Hosts for the convention will be the Sisterhood and congregation of Temple Emanuel. Mrs. Max I. Miller, president of the Sisterhood, is general Sisterhood chairman for the convention, assisted by a large number of committees of the local Sisterhood. Mrs. A. F. Klein, a past president and member of the District board, is program chairman. Both of these chairmen will work jointly with Rabbi Rypins and George Blankstein, president of the Temple Emanuel Congregation and chairman of the UAHC convention committee.

Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst of Norfolk, Va., is president of District 8, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. William L. Bush of Washington is president of the Middle Atlantic Region of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

**Obituary**

Samuel Weinstein, 78, passed away on December 25 at St. Leo's Hospital after being in declining health for about two years. Mr. Weinstein, who had been a resident of Greensboro for 34 years, was formerly from Baltimore, Md. He was in the mercantile business here until two years ago when ill health forced him to retire.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Weinstein is survived by two sons, Sol B. and Maurice Weinstein, both of


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Greensboro; four daughters, Mrs. Sam Lyon of Greensboro, Mrs. Meyer Kline of Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Louis Legum of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Sam Rosenberg of Greenville, S. C.; sixteen grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rabbi F. I. Rypins of Temple Emanuel, Greensboro, and Rabbi William Gold of B'nai Israel, High Point.

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### HENRY EPSTEIN ADDRESSES THE SIDNEY J. STERN LODGE

The January meeting of the Sidney J. Stern Lodge, B'nai B'rith, was held at Temple Emanuel on January 21, with an address by Henry Epstein, vice-chairman of the Anti-Defamation League's National Commission, as the feature. Mr. Epstein's message was enjoyed by a large delegation of members, wives and friends. Norman Block, chairman of the lodge's Anti-Defamation Committee, was in the chair.

Mr. Epstein has been active for many years in advancing the cause of social legislation. Now a prominent practicing attorney in New York City, he was Solicitor General of New York State from 1932 to 1942. During his term of office, a period which marked a milestone in the extension of social and welfare services, he was instrumental in drafting liberal and forward-looking legislation on relief, social security, minimum wages and unemployment insurance.

He has argued many cases involving these vital matters in State and Federal courts. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Bar Association of the City, County and State of New York, as well as a member of the Grievance Committee of the New York City Bar Association. During the last war he was counsel to the Federal Commission on Employment Discrimination.

Mr. Epstein has brought to his public life a brilliant academic and legal background. Born in South Carolina, he was graduated from Harvard College Summa Cum Laude. Thereafter, he taught history at the college while receiving his training in law. After serving as a Naval officer during the first World War, Mr. Epstein completed his law studies and then established his law practice in New York City.

Chairman of the National Community Relations Advisory Council for four consecutive terms, Mr. Epstein has consistently fought for civil rights. His championship of democratic ideals and his far-seeing concepts of law for social betterment have made him a much sought-after speaker for meetings and discussions.

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## Gastonia, N. C.

The regular meeting of the Sisterhood-Hadassah featured a program by Mrs. Jules Witten, program chairman, who gave an interesting report on current events in Israel. Reports were given on the refrigerator recently purchased, the New Year's Eve party and the bridge sponsored by Mrs. Marshall Rauch and Mrs. Leon Schneider.

The Gastonia Sisterhood-Hadassah received a Certificate of Membership in the House of Living Judaism, recently completed building in New York, housing the administrative section of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. These certificates were awarded to the Sisterhoods for their share in helping to build this House of Living Judaism.

Plans are in progress for the annual Donor dinner, with Mrs. Sam Planer, chairman, assisted by Mesdames Herbert Girard, Morris Levinson, Ben Lieber, and Abe Slutsky.

A new committee has been appointed in the Temple to assist with increasing Temple attendance. This committee consists of Mesdames Sidney Cohen, Julius Fox, and Sam Planer.

Rabbi Mark recently delivered lectures at Mars Hill College and Brevard College. He is also Chaplain for the Rotary Club and was recently elected to the Board of the Executives Club.

An impressive religious ceremony, consecrating the Slutsky's new home and affixing a Mezuzzah, was held by Rabbi Mark. During the Rabbi's ministry in Gastonia he and Mrs. Mark have given mezuzzahs made in Israel to the following families in their new homes: the Melville Cohens, the Hahns, the Leon Schneiders, the Slutskys, and the Alvin Wittens.

The community extends sincere sympathy to Mrs. Jerome Mark on the loss of her mother.

# The Will of the Late Rabbi Maurice M. Mazure

## A REMARKABLE DOCUMENT

The will of the late Rabbi Maurice M. Mazure filed in Greenville, S. C., revealed bequests of thousands to charity and a humble commending of his spirit "into the hands" of his Jehovah.

The Greenville rabbi, who died August 17, 1951, at the age of 75, left legacies totaling thousands of dollars to Greenville General Hospital, Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children, Phillis Wheatly, the Greenville Family Welfare Society, Federated Jewish Charities of Greenville, St. Anthony's Friary, and Greenville Public Library, as well as to a number of close personal friends.

Other thousands went to Jewish agencies for the resettlement of Jews in Palestine, to Negro colleges, and the New York Times for relief purposes.

The revered local clergyman remembered his God to the end. His will written in 1947, began:

"Into Thy hands I commend my spirit. Thou redeemest me, O God of Truth."

His estate, described only as "substantial" but understood to amount to about $250,000, came largely through inheritance from his brother, Bernard H. Mazure of Detroit.

Under the will $5,000 is to go to General Hospital for establishment of a urological clinic. Rabbi Mazure said he selected "this particular department of medicine in honor" of a close friend, Dr. Mordecai Nachman.

Shriners' Hospital will receive $1,000, to be used for furtherance of its work, in honor of Dr. J. Warren White.

Rabbi Mazure left $1,000 to the Family Welfare Society, "That on the eve of each Thanksgiving Day they will give a well-prepared dinner in Greenville to one hundred or more worthy Negroes." The will stipulates an expenditure of $100, plus interest, annually for 10 years after his death.

St. Anthony's Friary was named beneficiary of $500 for its work among Greenville Negroes, and Federated Jewish Charities of Greenville is to receive $100 annually for 10 years for Jewish philanthropy.

The Greenville rabbi left $50,000 to the Jewish National Fund of Jerusalem Karen Kayemeth l'Isroel Ltd.

THE LATE MAURICE M. MAZURE

of Jerusalem for purchase of two tracts of land for resettlement purposes. Memorialized by the tracts will be his brother, Bernard, and his parents, Ruvein and Taube Levinthal Mazure.

In regard to these bequests, Rabbi Mazure said he hoped the Fund would "select for this settlement fertile soil to encourage the settlers in their efforts . . . I would like to have these nachlouth settled by people who are anxious to make a living from the soil so that our lives might be secure."

Another $15,000 was left to Hebrew University of Palestine for the "Rabbi Maurice M. Mazure Scholarship Fund" and a bequest went to Howard University of Washington, a Negro school, with stipulations that the residue of the estate be divided among four Negro schools "which have as their object the teaching of Negroes to earn a living by working at a trade."

To the New York Times he left a trust fund of $20,000, the income to go annually to the relief of persons designated by that newspaper "from time to time as 'the One Hundred Neediest Cases'."


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## CHARLOTTE, N. C.

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth El held its regular meeting in the form of a dessert luncheon. Guest speaker was Mrs. Mayvelle Smith. The gift certificate on the clock raffle was won by Mrs. S. T. Taylor, who also was the winner of the $9.00 on the Tel-A-Quiz night. Mrs. P. Koss and Mrs. B. Dans acted as hostesses for this meeting.

The Young Judeans of Charlotte were guests of the Hadassah chapter at lunch in the social hall of Temple Israel. The Young Judeans presented a prose poem about Chanukah, "A Light To Live By," with the choral group furnishing the background music. Mrs. I. Ashendorf, president of Hadassah, was in the chair.

A special drive was held in Charlotte for new and used clothing for infants and children to be sent to the immigration camps in Israel. In charge of this project were Mrs. Clare lia, and Morris Speizman.

A special welcome to college students home for winter vacation was extended by Rabbi Tofield, and a discussion group among the students was held after services on December 21. A large crowd of students and parents attended this interesting evening.

The Charlotte Federation of Jewish Charities met at the home of its president, H. L. Schwartz, to review and vote upon the recommendations of the Allocations Committee for the coming year. On the nominating committee were Paul Fligel, I. H. Madalia, and Morris Speizman.

The Temple Israel Sisterhood held a dessert luncheon meeting in December, at which time the program highlighted Jewish Book Month. Mrs. Louis Valenstein, the librarian, was in the cast which presented "The Talking Bookshelves." Others in the cast were Mesdames Ruth Silverman, Estelle Cyrul, Esther Naumoff, Rosa Weinstein, Anita Trum, Alice Schreiber, Bernice Roberts, Dorothy Goldberg, Ida Sandler, Rosalie Ashendorf, Doris Fligel, Ethel Firestone, Sid Farber, Ellen Joffe, and Mickey Schwartz. Mrs. Lee Kritzer directed. Mrs. Clara Schulman was at the piano. Hostesses were Mesdames B. Rappaport, Harry Schwartz, and Eli Ashkanazi.

For their January meeting, the Sisterhood presented "A Call to the Torah," directed by Mrs. Charles Farber, with the following others participating: Mesdames Jerome Levin, I. Ashendorf, Sol Levine, Leonard Slesinger, Harold Pollard, Jerome Joffe, Dorothy Goldberg, and Mrs. S. S. Fligel. The Sisterhood also sponsored a square dance at the Temple Israel social hall on January 19. Mrs. Morris Speizman was in charge of tickets for this event.

The January meeting of the Beth El Sisterhood featured an original play by Mrs. J. Levitan, "John's Other Letter." The cast included Mesdames I. H. Madalia, J. Durkheimer, and Levitan.

The Community Center of Beth El met on Saturday, January 12, in the vestry room of the Temple, at which time "This Is Show Business" was presented. A comedy "take-off" on the well known TV program, it consisted of the following participants: Fifton Cladiman Sternberg, M.C., Lam Sevenson Golden, George Faurman Wallas, and project Femerson Shubkin, with Sweetheart Bonnie Mitchell Collins doing the commercial for "Lucky Latkes Make Fat Tummies."

The Sabbath services at Temple Israel on Friday evening, January 4, honored the newly elected Men's Club officers. Manny Guller, newly elected president, greeted the congregation on behalf of the other officers, and appreciation was expressed to the retiring officers for the service they had rendered to the group. Other officers elected were: Arthur Frank, vice-president; Arthur Pressman, vice-president; Adolph Balkind, treasurer, and Leo Grosswald, secretary. George Brownstein was chairman of the nom-


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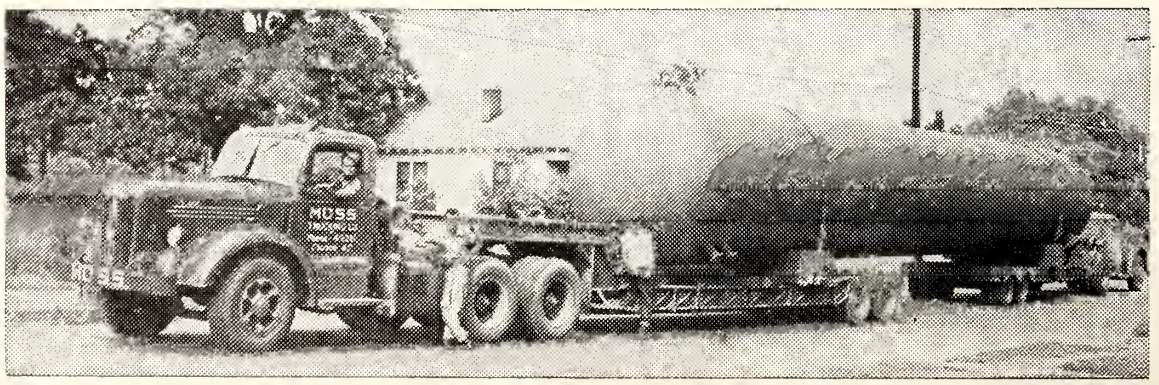


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inating committee. The outgoing officers were: Arthur Frank, president; Arthur Pressman, vice-president; David Watnik, secretary, and George Brownstein, treasurer.

Mrs. Bernard Rappaport and daughter, Linda, have left Charlotte to go to Japan where they will join Captain Rappaport who is with the U. S. Army there. While the community regrets the fact that they are leaving, everyone extends to the Rappaport family all good wishes for happiness in their new home. The community also rejoices with Mrs. Arnold Berkowitz who went to New York to meet her husband, Sergeant Berkowitz, recently returned from Korea and Okinawa after 16 months of overseas duty.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Richter upon the birth of their son, Lloyd. The baby is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Richter of Mt. Gilead.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goodman, Jr., upon the birth of their daughter, Beth. The baby is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goodman.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Lilienfeld on their recent marriage. The ceremony was performed at Temple Israel by Rabbi Tofield and Cantor Leib, after which a dinner was held by the bride's parents. Mrs. Lilienfeld is the former Florence Pepper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pepper of Charlotte. Mr. Lilienfeld is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Michael Lilienfeld of New York.

Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Friedman announce the engagement of their daughter, Edna, and Philip Bernanke, son of Dr. Jonas H. Bernanke and Dr. Pauline Bernanke of Dillon, S. C.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family of Paul Raff who passed away recently.

## Goldsboro, N. C.

**Mrs. Seymour Brown, Reporter**

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Kadis announce the birth of a son, Louis Sheldon, on December 27, 1951.

Mrs. Morris Leder coached and directed a Chanukah play in the Religious School, "Let There Be Light." The narrative was given by Martin Bernstein, student at UNC who was home for winter vacation. After the play, which was most effective in costume and lighting, the Sisterhood served a hot dog supper. The chairman of the supper was Mrs. Charles Korschun. Judah Lesser, the Chanukah man, dressed as a clown, gave Chanukah gifts to all.

The Sisterhood of Oheb Sholom Temple met on Wednesday, January 9, for their regular monthly meeting of business and program. Committee reports were given and other business matters transacted.

Mrs. Edna Oettinger is spending the winter in California with family and friends.

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of policy decisions on this question were made, the draft was discussed in the Human Rights Commission and in the Economic and Social Council. Because the Human Rights Commission was unable to complete the tasks assigned to it and because its work provoked new problems, ECOSOC decided to request the Assembly to reconsider its decisions of last year concerning the scope of rights in the Covenant and to discuss measures to implement the Covenant on an international plane. This is a topic which has engaged the attention of the World Jewish Congress, as a non-governmental organization granted consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, since the work on an international bill of rights began in 1946. Representatives of the World Jewish Congress attended all meetings of the various UN bodies, which dealt with the problem and submitted extensive memoranda and suggestions; they will do the same at the new Assembly sessions so that a well conceived covenant may finally become binding in international law and human rights may be effectively safeguarded by the United Nations. The Assembly will also deal with a number of smaller items relating to the same topic, such as the rights of Indians in South Africa and the abolition of corporal punishment in trust territories.

The perennial problem of refugees and stateless persons figures again at the agenda of the General Assembly. It will come up in connection with the report of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (appointed last year), the discussion of this problem in the last session of the Economic and Social Council and the expected termination of the activities of the IRO. A related problem is the question of the legal status of stateless persons. Early this year a special conference adopted a comprehensive convention relating to the legal status of refugees but did not formulate similar safeguards for non-refugee and stateless persons as was proposed by UN bodies. At the request of the Secretary General, the Assembly will discuss the measures required to protect the rights of such persons.

In addition to the enumerated problems, the Assembly will have before it the complicated and highly important question of admission of new members. According to the Charter, states must be recommended for membership by the Security Council. Owing to existing tensions, the Security Council has been unable to make such recommendations. Methods will be sought to overcome the present deadlock within the provisions of the Charter.

The scope of the tasks, as outlined, is as broad as possible and the difficulties manifold. It is impossible to expect that they can be solved within the short span of several months. But the United Nations seeks to bridge conflicts instead of deepening them, apply patience and persistence in dealing with problems in which different states or groups have a different interest or a different approach. It can only be hoped that this method, for which no substitute exists, will succeed at least in part.

## Leaksville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Uden have announced the engagement of their daughter, Shirley, and Alvin Martin Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Young of Trenton, N. J. The wedding is planned for the coming summer.

Miss Uden is a senior at Woman's College, Greensboro, and will receive her degree in secretarial administration.

Mr. Young, who was graduated from Bordentown Military Academy, Bordenton, N. J., expects to graduate in June from Duke University where he is majoring in economics.

## JEWISH CALENDAR

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| **Purim** | **March 11** |
| **Passover** | **April 10** |
| **Shavouth** | **May 30** |
| **Tishah B'Av** | **July 30** |
| **Rosh Hashonah** | **September 20** |
| **Yom Kippur** | **September 29** |
| **Succoth** | **October 4** |
| **Simchath Torah** | **October 12** |
| **Chanukah** | **December 13** |

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# PLAIN TALK

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I was visiting in one of the many Jewish cemeteries of our town late one afternoon. As I strolled among the tombstones, suddenly up out of one of the graves popped the image of a man, and more than that: I recognized him at once. He was my old dead friend Morris. . . . "Morris!" I cried out in startled, almost frightened, surprise.

But before I go on to tell of my encounter with Morris among the tombstones, I should tell you something about the area in which his bones abide, though not in perfect peace, as I discovered when I spoke with him.

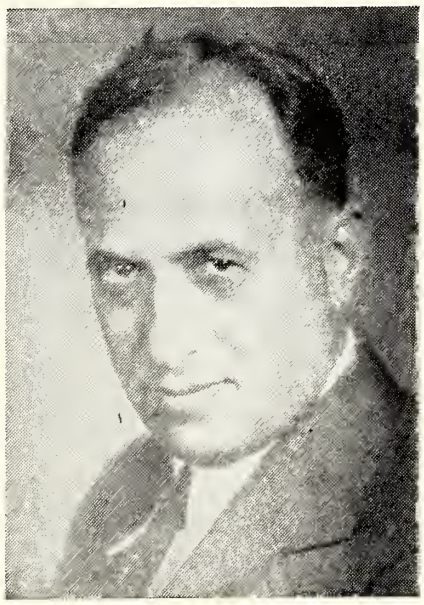
Morris' grave lies on a street called Sunset Avenue which is really more like a country road than a metropolitan thoroughfare. It winds along through grassy hillsides, past a Catholic hospital, past a church of Italian descent and finally comes to a group of eight Jewish cemeteries. In one of these Morris had been sleeping until the moment he ascended out of his grave to speak with me.

I am somewhat acquainted with cemeteries generally, that is to say, cemeteries that are not Jewish. In the western section of our town stretches a vast cemetery full of Catholics who, in their unity, are content to sleep together in one large place. In the Protestant cemetery all Protestants of whatever denomination are content to rest together.

On Sunset Avenue the eight small Jewish cemeteries receive the Jewish dead of our town—four on each side of Sunset Avenue. If you don't know the intra-mural conflicts of Jewry, you may be asking, Why does it take eight cemeteries to house Jews who, in death, anyway, should come together in the peace of a single graveyard?

This eight-fold division of Israel in death appears to be a continuation of our many divided parts in life. Yes, in death, as in life, the separation of the groups continues.

To the grassy slope of their cemetery on Sunset Avenue come Reform Jews to sleep out eternity. And right next to them, you might say . . . In fact, there's no legal dividing line between the resting places of the Reformers and the Conservatives; and you can't tell the difference between the Conservative graves and the Re-



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form. It's all the same earth. Only the living religious prejudices divide these dead.

There's a frail fence, though, between the dead Reformers and the dead Orthodox Jews who sleep in their own cemetery on the south side of the Reformers. From among the Reformers you can hop over the fence —if your expanding middle-age abdomen permits—and in an instant you are among the strictly Orthodox. These are Orthodox out of Russian origin and on that account their place is called the Russian cemetery, although its Hebrew name is Ohave Sholom which means friends of peace.

But the eight segments of Israel assembled separately on the two hillsides along Sunset Avenue, give no testimony of peace. Right next to the cemetery of the Friends of Peace rest Sephardic Jews who stem out of Turkey and much earlier still out of the Inquisition in Spain. Their tombstones cover them wholly, unlike the tombstones in the other graveyards which stand like sentries at the edge of the graves.

To the north side of Sunset Avenue go the ultra-Orthodox of our community to rest toward the time when Messiah shall arrive and gather them all back to Jerusalem, as the legend says. These, of course, can have no truck with their next door neighbors in Judah Toura cemetery where abide Jews who had no synagogual affiliation in their lifetime.

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in a cemetery of their own, sleep a considerable group of the brethren of a Jewish fraternal lodge. Adjoining them, with no line between, there is still another graveyard in which paupers from among us are sheltered.

In this place of the very poor one discovers a token of the unity not to be seen elsewhere on Sunset Avenue. There our free burial society receives all who are poor—Reform Jews, Conservatives, Orthodox, or without any religious label at all. They are the poor who couldn't afford affiliation with any of the varieties of Jewish life.

One awful sinner sleeps among them. Long ago in the prohibition time he was found dead on a road by pistol shot. The kindly burial society took him in with the rest of them, didn't inquire into his sinning.

Well, that's about the whole story of the divisions of Israel as observed on both sides of Sunset Avenue. Visiting there that late afternoon, I was quite naturally meditating on all the separate graves of Jewry which I could encompass by one sweep of my eyes over the two hillsides.

"Oh," I thought, "this scene is a symbol of Israel. Jews don't seem to be able to get together even in death. It's like a vase broken in many parts."

It was just then that my friend Morris come popping out of his grave . . . "You scare me half to death, Morris. Where you think you're going?"

Morris replied he had overheard me thinking . . . "and I've been thinking the way you have," he said. "All these separations among Jews!"

In his lifetime I have known Morris as a kind of rebel against the way things were going in Jewish life and in human life generally . . . "But what can we do about all this, Morris?" I asked him.

"For myself," he said, "I am starting on what you might call a sit-down strike, to protest against all this separateness among Jews. I intend to sit atop one tombstone and another by way of asking the main question: What difference does it make? Huh? I may be of some help toward unity in Israel."

Morris had hopped on a stone in the Reform cemetery. He himself had just come out of a grave in the ultra-Orthodox cemetery . . . "So long, Morris, I'd like to sit with you but my wife's waiting for me to come home for supper. Besides, it rather chilly here."

## Wilmington, N. C.
**By Mrs. Justin Raphael**

Most of the home town folk welcomed 1952 at the Covenant Club. A few celebrated out of town: the Bob Bermans, the Nathan Blocks, and the Noah Pliscos were in Florida; the Justin Raphaels were in New York.

Wilmington's young set made New Year's Eve an event to remember. They dined at the Azalea Room, danced at the Covenant Club, and breakfasted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Schwartz. Included in the group were Loretta Berlin and Ralph Goldstein; Maxine Schwartz and Howard Zerden from Hickory; Felice Guld and Martin Levinson from Norfolk, Va.; Sandra Kalfin and Marv Zager from Fredericksburg, Va.; Zelma Brower and Billy Kingoff, Zelma's house guests: Ruth Lapin and Audrey Brezin from Chicago and their dates, Bobby Friedman and Mel Schwartz; Manny Bernstein, Max Epstein, Herbert Moskovitz, and Spudy Cohen. (Spudy is Charlie Cohen's younger brother who has recently moved to Wilmington.) Two anniversaries: Mr. and Mrs. S. Berger and Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris, and a birthday: Mr. A. Goldstein's, were celebrated during the evening. Mr. Joe Schwartz deserves credit for a well planned affair.

The Covenant Club elected its officers for the New Year at the last meeting. Lynn Alpern is the new president. Joe Simon is vice-president; Leo Plisco, treasurer; Justin Raphael, historian; Tina Forrester, corresponding secretary; and Ann Harris, recording secretary. Since the women have only recently been enfranchised, they are particularly proud of the two women elected to office. The new Board of Directors consists of Ben Kingoff, Sam Berger, Buddy Neuwirth, Sam Warshauer, Bob Berman, and Benny Schwartz.

The stork surprised Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stein with twins December 11: a boy, Philip Steven, and a girl, Barbara Molly.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Schaefer were married January 27 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Mrs. Schaefer is the former Sylvia Mildred Axler.


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## High Point, N. C.

**Mrs. Daniel Sechtin, Reporter**

The High Point Council of Jewish Women held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Schultz, with Mrs. David Levine and Mrs. Marin Sirull as associate hostesses, with the evening being presided over by the president, Mrs. Samuel Hyman.

The program featured a report in the form of a playlet, of the United Nations meeting in Paris on the disarmament proposals made by Dean Acheson. Mrs. Norman Silver, education, chairman, directed the playlet and also portrayed Mrs. Adolph Robinson. Mrs. Al Rabhan took the part of Dean Acheson, Mrs. William Gold portrayed Vishinsky, Mrs. Phillip Silver was Dr. Jessup, Mrs. Sema Morris acted as Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, and Mrs. Robert Ruden acted as the television announcer.

The annual New Year's celebration was successfully held this year at the Sheraton Hotel ballroom. A buffet dinner was served at 9 o'clock, followed by dancing until 1:30. Credit is due the following for making the evening so successful: Mrs. Arthur Cassell, Mrs. Mose Samet, Mrs. Irving Tilles, Mrs. Gilbert Bernard, Mrs. Herman Bernard, and Mrs. William Gold "Tent City," a movie portraying the growth of Israel, was shown at the December meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of Congregation Beth Israel.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Silver had as their guests, Mrs. Silver's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sy Wechsler of New York City. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cassell was Mr. Cassell's sister, Mrs. Louise Epstein of Lynbrook, Long Island. Guests in the home of Mrs. Gertrude Tobias were Dr. and Mrs. Al Sollosy of Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trockman, Mr. Allan Trockman, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sablosky of Indiana were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jacobs. Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Scheckter of Tuscaloosa, Ala., visited Mrs. Scheckter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Leyton. Mrs. Joseph Romirowsky of Chicago was visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Rabbi and Mrs. William Gold. Miss Shirley Mann of Raeford and Miss Shirley Shrago of Goldsboro were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Sechtin for New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jacobs announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Ruth, to Allan Trock-

MISS HELEN JACOBS

man, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trockman of Evansville, Ind. No date has been announced for the wedding.

The betrothal was announced to close friends at an informal open house given by the bride's parents at their home.

Home from school for the holidays were Teesa Bloom, Molly Samet, Elliot Abeles, Jerry Wagger, Helen Jacobs, Dianne Wagger, and Morty Erschler.

Also home were Pfc. Irving S. Silver from Kessler Air Force Base, Mississippi, and Bernice Stadiem, MUSA, USS Midway.

The Board of Governors of the Synagogue is made up of Israel Bloom, Louis Greenberg, Samuel Hyman, Edward Leyton, Millard Myers, Samuel Shvitz, Robert Silver, Irving Silverstein, and Ben Swartzberg.

The entire community offers condolences to Mr. Joe Barr on the loss of his brother, Hyman, of Baltimore, Md., and to Danny Ballow on the death of his father.


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Solomon Whitlock Lees, 66, leading Asheville merchant and vice-president of Bon Marche, Inc., died in an Asheville hospital on December 25. He had been hospitalized one week.

A native of Asheville, Mr. Lees received his early education there and at Oak Ridge Military Academy. His entire business career was in connection with the firm founded by his father in 1889.

Funeral services were held in New York City, with Rabbi Sidney E. Unger of Beth Ha Tephila, of which Mr. Lees was a member, conducting the services.

In addition to his wife, the former Miss Helen Stern of New York City, Mr. Lees is survived by four daughters, Miss Peggy Lees of Asheville, Mrs. Henry Kramer of New York City, Mrs. Sidney Specter of New Rochelle, N. Y., and Mrs. Arthur Korf, of Kenosha, Wisconsin; and one son, Whitlock Lees, of Portland, Oregon. Also, two brothers, Morris and Louis Lipinsky of Asheville, and one sister, Mrs. Robert Thorner of Richmond, Va., six grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

The Dramatic Club recently organized by the Asheville Community Center meets on Thursday afternoons at the Center building. Fifteen boys and girls of the age group from 8-12 are enjoying the advantages of this club, under the direction and guidance of Mrs. J. L. Van Dyke. Mrs. Van Dyke is also giving the youngsters lessons in parliamentary procedure. All boys and girls in the above age group are urged to join and participate. It is hoped that an adult dramatic group will also soon be formed.

Dr. Amelia Bauer Kahn, Director of the Mental Hygiene Clinic of Asheville and Buncombe County, was guest speaker at the Mother's Study Group on Thursday afternoon, January 17. Subject of Dr. Kahn's address was Emotional Development of the Child. A discussion period followed the talk.

A new and interesting program has been started at the Center entitled "You and Your Family." Under discussion will be the questions of interest to all parents and their children. There will be several meetings along this line, with the first one having taken place on Wednesday, January 9. This is a one-hour program in the evenings and is drawing a good deal of interest.

T. Galumbeck, 57-year-old founder and president of Galumbeck and Company, Inc., dry goods firm here, died on January 8.

The popular Asheville merchant was born in Halifax County, and was educated in Norfolk, Va., schools.

He came here in 1921 to organize the firm which bore his name, and was elected to its presidency shortly afterward.

Active in church and civic affairs, he was a member and second vice-president of Temple Beth Ha Tephila and a member of the Lions Club, Executives Club, Mount Hermon Masonic Lodge, Asheville Elks Lodge Asheville Shrine Club, B'nai B'rith and the Asheville Country Club.

Surviving are his widow, the forme Miss Frances Fruhauf; two daughters Mrs. Norman Sultan, of Asheville and Mrs. Joseph Cohn, Pulaski, Tenn. two brothers, Jake Galumbeck of Norfolk, Va., and Matthew Galumbeck o Washington, D. C.; and two grand children.

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**MAKE PLANS TO CELEBRATE 300th ANNIVERSARY OF JEWISH LIFE IN THE UNITED STATES**

The 300th anniversary of the settlement of Jews in the United States will be marked by a nationwide celebration in 1954 and 1955, it was announced here by Ralph E. Samuel chairman of the Committee on Organization for the celebration.

Initiated by the American Jewish Historical Society and the American Jewish Committee, the celebration is expected to have as its basic theme the American heritage of religious and civil liberty.

In a press conference held in the national offices of the American Jewish Committee, Mr. Samuel also announced some of the names of those who have accepted membership on the national Committee on Organization for the celebration, including Senator Herbert H. Lehman, Eddie Cantor, Prof. Selman Waksman of Rutgers, Richard Rodgers, Admiral Lewis Strauss, Joseph M. Proskauer and Arthur Hays Sulzberger.

The Tercentenary Celebration of Jewish Settlement in the United States, to begin in September, 1954, Mr. Samuel said will be an occasion for demonstrating to the world once more the tremendous potential of democracy, as symbolized in this land, where people of every faith, race and origin work together in the service of humanity's highest ideals.

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# Jewish Braille Review Publishes 20th Anniversary Edition

THE *Jewish Braille Review* has marked its twentieth anniversary as the only Jewish Braille magazine in the world with the recent publication of its Twentieth Anniversary Anthology, in letterpress for sighted readers.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, in a message to Leopold Dubov, founder and editor of the *Review*, said: "It is gratifying to know that the magazine is read just as eagerly by members of the Christian faith as by those of the Jewish faith. It deserves keen appreciation as a messenger of good will among the sightless."

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said: "It is a great satisfaction to know that this magazine, though primarily intended for its Jewish readers, is read and appreciated by Christians." And Helen Keller, famous blind leader, commented: "It is splendid that the Jewish blind and the rest of us can have within reach of our fingers a periodical so rich in stimulating thought. Eagerly I gather its gleanings from history, poetry and art. I get so much to think about from the surveys of world problems and philosophical discussion. I am impressed by the noble sentiments in such articles as 'Einstein's View of Life,' 'Maimonides Prayer,' and 'A Challenge to Israel.' The unconquerable spirit of your race in its age-long struggle is magnificently reflected in the pages of the *Jewish Braille Review*."

Asserting that the JBR had decided to issue a printed twentieth anniversary edition in order that the Jews of America "could see for themselves how well this unique monthly magazine had performed its cultural and religious stewardship to the Jewish blind as Jewry's ambassador to the inhabitants of Braileland these twenty years," Mr. Dubov said that before the *Jewish Braille Review* came into being in 1931, "the Jewish blind were completely cut off from any bonds of information, knowledge and cultural contact with the peoplehood of Israel and the Jewish heritage. Before then there wasn't a single line in Braille of Jewish interest or content that the Jewish blind could read for themselves. What they did read in their Braille editions were such anti-

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Semitic caricatures as Shylock and Fagin." Indeed, he added, not only has the JBR acted as the "key to Jewish knowledge, scholarship, current events, great books, religion and contributions to civilization for its Jewish readers, it has also served the discerning and discriminating Christian reader as well. The sections in this printed anthology show the sighted American Jewish community how the magazine has been a window on the Jews and Judaism for the Christion blind too. As a result, the Jewish vacuum once filled for the non-Jewish blind by misinformation, prejudice, canard and anti-Semitic propaganda no longer exists."

**Anthology Selections and the Children's Supplement**

The anthology is divided into several sections. The one on Judaica includes "The Kol Nidre Prayer," by Julius Greenstone; the "Hebraic Influence in English Literature" by Hudson Maxim, an appreciation of the Talmud, etc. There are sections on Jewish identification and Jewish ideals, selections from great Jewish poets and writers, articles on Jewish history and the Jewish Blind Society of England.

Of particular appeal is the "Children's Supplement" for blind Jewish children, five of whom—Lewis Schuman of Harrison, N. J., Susan Zisselman and Edward Weiss of Brooklyn, Joyce Driben of Brookline, Mass., and Neil Schlang of Columbus, Ohio—appear in this issue. What is inspiring about the letters written by the parents of these children, Mr. Dubov said,

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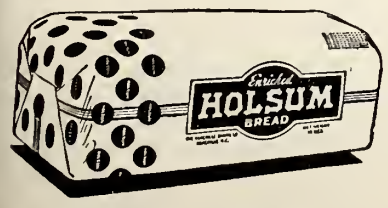

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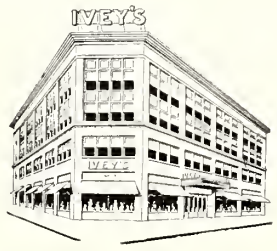

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## Fayetteville, N. C.

**Mrs. J. Adelman, Reporter**

Julius M. Cohen, USO-JWB area director of North Carolina during the past four years, has been assigned to Southern California, it was announced by the National Jewish Welfare Board, agency officially accredited by the Department of Defense to serve on behalf of military personnel of Jewish faith in the armed forces. Mr. Cohen will make his office in Los Angeles where he will cover 23 military installations in California and Arizona. Mr. Cohen's place will be taken by Irving Cheroff, executive director of the Jewish Community Center of Worcester, Mass., and a World War II veteran with five years of army service. Mr. Cheroff holds master's degrees from both Ohio State and Columbia University.

Before leaving North Carolina Mr. Cohen was honored at numerous farewell parties. Tributes likewise were paid at Fort Bragg and Camp LeJeune Marine Base, and by numerous military officials and others.

On Saturday evening, January 5, an impressive testimonial affair was given for Mr. Cohen. Taking part in the program were Mr. J. Bernard Stein, master of ceremonies; Mr. A. M. Fleishman, Chairman of the JWB Armed Forces Committee; Chaplain Margolies and Chaplain Hale of Fort Bragg; Mr. Alan Blaine, Director of Recreation at the Veterans' Hospital; Rabbi Tolochko of Kinston; Rabbi Alsted of Fayetteville, and Gerald Waitman, representing the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization. Gifts were presented to Mr. Cohen from the BBYO and the Fayetteville community. The guest of honor thanked everyone with an original poem set to music. At the close of the ceremonies a social hour was enjoyed with refreshments served by the ladies of the Beth Israel Sisterhood.

Lt. General John R. Hodge, Commanding General of the Third Army, stated in part: "With my knowledge of your wonderful service, I can only say that I regret very much that you are leaving, and can only attempt to express to you my deep appreciation of the splendid work you have done for all of our servicemen and women. It certainly has given me a feeling of confidence to know that you were heading the work of the board there and the knowledge that things would be well handled. I wish you full success in your next assignment. We shall miss you and will remember the fine work you have done."

A native of Rochester, N. Y., Mr. Cohen was a member of the 21st Regiment, New York Guard. A former newspaperman, he was managing editor of the Ledger chain of papers. He is a past president of the Rochester lodge of B'nai B'rith, was a member of the board of directors of the United Jewish Welfare Fund, and active in numerous communal enterprises. A graduate of Cornell University, he did graduate work at Teachers College, Columbia University, and in 1948 was awarded a fellowship for graduate work in human relations at the University of North Carolina by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. For the past two summers he was consultant for Youth Conferences sponsored jointly by the Civitan Clubs of North Carolina and the NCCJ at Wildacres. In 1949 he was awarded a plaque by the Fayetteville chapter of B'nai B'rith for bettering relations between Fort Bragg and Fayetteville Jewry. His first assignment was in Norfolk, Virginia, where his USO Club served over 1,500,000 servicemen in a two year period.

Plans are being made for the annual Hadassah Donor Luncheon to be held here early in April, with Dr. Frank Hall of Wilmington as guest speaker.

Hadassah sponsored a gala New Year's Eve party and dance at the

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# Exhibits by Greensboro Jewish Women at Seminar Held at Beth David Synagogue

MRS. ARTHUR FREEDMAN is shown at the table of Jewish books displayed for the Inter-Faith meeting for public school teachers conducted on December 3 by the Sisterhoods of Temple Emanuel and Beth David, and the Greensboro Section of the Council of Jewish Women, at Beth David.

MRS. MAX ZAGER and MRS. SOLOMON GREENBERG are shown at the Sabbath Table.

MRS. HAROLD SCHER and MRS. LEWIS ROSENBERG are shown at the Passover display.

# RELIGION IN YUGOSLAVIA

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eautiful churches with gleaming pires, intact stained-glass windows, nd well-attended morning masses. requently I was called upon to no- ice "the number of people worship- ing without interference before this hrine" and "that towering cathedral hose open doors are unguarded by he police." I was puzzled. Did they vant applause for not machine-gun- ing churchgoers in the streets?

Yugoslavia's position in the world rena is most precarious. Flanked by he four bayonet borders of Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, and Albania, she ives in constant danger of invasion. Ier "friends" in America and Britain ometimes seem reluctant to aid a ommunist nation, especially one vhere religion's status is, to say the east, uncertain. Therefore, in order o win smiles from the West, Marshal ito occasionally gives the Church a iss on both cheeks to brighten up he ecclesiastical showcase. Archbish- p Stepinac was freed from his prison ear Zagreb amid great fanfare and howmanship. Church illuminaries are requently guests of honor at state anquets in Belgrade.

The attitude of the Yugoslav Gov- rnment now seems to be "Block the Church as a power but nourish it as a symbol. Tolerate the older genera- ions in the Church but woo the youth way." In spite of the appealing free- lom clauses in the Constitution and he frequent newspaper pictures show- ng Marshal Tito posing with clergy- nen, it's impossible to keep the cork f reality from bobbing to the surface. The visitor notices that gala youth estivals are scheduled for Sunday norning so that children will think wice before spending the day on a ard bench in an austere church.

Americans traveling through Cro- atia and Slovenia claim to have seen members of the Security Police offer cigarettes to Catholic boys and girls on Sunday as a reward for skipping Mass and taking in a youth rally in- stead. No aspirant to a position of authority in Yugoslavia would do well to be identified as a churchgoer. These tactics meet with varying degrees of success in the different regions of the country. I was filled with an unbounding admiration for the indomitable spirit of the Catholic Church in resisting this "kid glove" form of suppression.

Perhaps the true State attitude toward religion is best expressed on the screen. In Belgrade I saw the latest Yugoslav film release entitled *"Posledni Dan"* (The Last Day). The Church was pictured as a clearing-house for spies and "enemies of the people." In the last scene an enemy agent was shown escaping from a church steeple by climbing down the bell rope. The bells tolled louder and louder as the "enemy" made his way closer to freedom.

On my last night in Belgrade I was entertained at the Youth Section headquarters of the Communist Party. Plum brandy was furnished by the State and the spirit of good will ran high. We all decided to put our ideology to bed for the night and everybody suddenly became old friends. By this time I had learned to say *"drug"* (Comrade) instead of *"gospodin"* and *"Do Vijenia"* rather than *"sbogom"* (God be with you). My little anecdote of distress at the border earned good-natured chuckles from the communist youth leaders.

The discussion gravitated to religion and when I confessed to a belief in God my hosts erased their smiles and looked upon me as we would regard an African native who believed carrying a caribou shinbone in his tunic would ward off evil spirits. Finally the president of the University of Belgrade raised his goblet and said, "Mr. Farber, we disagree on many matters relating to politics, religion, economics, and society. However, I see no reason why your people and mine should be incapable of co-existing peacefully upon the same planet."

One of the Yugoslav students then fetched my overcoat and we walked down the stairs alone. As I opened the door to leave I offered my hand. *"Do vijenia,"* I said with a smile. He replied with a warm handclasp and the word *"Sbogom."*


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# The Sabbath

*By* A. J. HESCHEL

*Reviewed by* LUDWIG LEWISOHN

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**"THE SABBATH—ITS MEANING FOR MODERN MAN."** By A. J. Heschel.
Farrar, Straus & Young, Inc., New York. 118 pages, $2.75.
**Reviewed by Ludwig Lewisohn**

Two things mark all Jewish experience, all Jewish feeling—the dwelling in time rather than in space and the sanctification, not the rejection, of life and nature. Out of these two aspects Dr. A. J. Heschel weaves his great vision of the primordial sanctification of time through the culmination of time in THE SABBATH—that Sabbath which is and is to be not a preparation for activity in space, but the recurrent culmination of sanctity in time and so lifted out of time into the texture of eternity.

His vision and message, drawn from the depth of Jewish experience and attitude are vision and meassage for all men in this disastrous age. If we could establish the Sabbath sanctity; the culmination of time which lifts us out of time; if we could recurrently attain to a measure of that sanctification of life which marked the calling of the Sabbath "holy" at the dawn of creation—it is evident that man would be on the road of that redemption from space and the devices of space which this age so sorely needs. Techniques perish; the spirit can be healed only through the operation of the spirit. The Sabbath is the time and scene of that healing.

To quote Dr. Heschel's words:

"To set apart one day a week for freedom, a day on which we would not use the instruments which have been so easily turned into weapons of destruction, a day for being with ourselves, a day of detachment from the vulgar, of independence of eternal obligations, a day on which we stop worshipping the idols of technical civilization, a day on which we use no money, a day of armistice in the economic struggle with our fellow men and the forces of nature—is there any institution that holds out a greater hope for man's progress than the Sabbath?

"On the Sabbath it is given us to share in the holiness that is in the heart of time. Even when the soul is seared, even when no prayer can come out of our tightened throats, the clean, silent rest of the Sabbath leads us to a realm of endless peace, or to the beginning of an awareness of what eternity means. There are few ideas in the world of thought which contain so much spiritual power as the idea of the Sabbath. Aeons hence, when of many of our cherished theories only shreds will remain, that cosmic tapestry will continue to shine "Eternity utters a day."

Its beautiful prose and its impressive simplicity blend harmoniously with deep thought and a fine faculty for exemplifying a point by poignant stories drawn from the vast realm of Jewish tradition and lore. Exquisite wood cuts of real sweep and imagination, supplied by Ilya Schor, combine with an enchanting text in making the reading of this newest Sabbath book a true delight.

The book comes as a timely contribution to the National Sabbath Observance Effort undertaken this year by the Conservative Movement. A special edition has been printed by Farrar, Straus & Young for the United Synagogue of America, which is sponsoring this national project.

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**Illustration by Ilya Schor from "The Sabbath" by Abraham Joshua Heschel, author of "Man Is Not Alone: A Philosophy of Religion." "The Sabbath" was recently published by Farrar, Straus and Young in cooperation with the United Synagogue of America and its National Sabbath Observance Effort.**

# HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.

**By Mrs. Kalman Sherman**

The Hendersonville chapters of B'nai B'rith and Hadassah co-sponsored the annual New Year's party at the Community Center. Highlighting the evening was the buffet supper served at mignight. Square dancing, movies of Hendersonville past New Years, games, music, horns, and noise-making added to the jovial spirit of the evening.

Members of the committee were Messrs. Sam Kalin, Kalman Sherman, Ed Mottsman, Marty Beckerman, Mac Provda, Bill Rubenstein and Meyer Levinson; and Mesdames Louis Sherman, George Heyman, Charlie Rosenfeld, Meyer Levinson, Sam Williams, Morris Kaplan, Bill Rubenstein, and Kalman Sherman.

**Sunday School Children Enjoy Chanukah Celebration**

With the lighting of the Menorah, singing Chanukah songs, exchanging gifts, and munching refreshments, the children celebrated Chanukah. Under the direction of Mrs. George Heyman, the older children presented the puppet show, "The Story of the Maccabees." Puppets were worked by Claire Jean Kalin, Sandy Levinson, and Bea Rubenstein. Sunday School teachers Mesdames Kalman Sherman, Bill Rubenstein, and George Heyman were in charge of arrangements for the party.

Mr. Beryl Cohen has joined the staff of the Sunday School.

Special services were held Friday evening, December 28, in celebration of Chanukah. Refreshments were served immediately following the services.

Congratulations to Bobby Patterson, who is the newly-elected president of the Asheville chapter of AZA. He and Don Michalove joined a group of boys from Asheville and attended the AZA convention in Charleston, S. C. From there they vacationed in Florida for a few days.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Mann on their recent marriage. Mrs. Mann is the former Cealie Cooley Patla.

Mrs. Sam Levin and daughter, Carolyn, of Atlanta, visited the M. Kalins in their new home.

Mrs. Morris Schas had her sister, Mrs. Hymie Miller, of Charlotte, as her guest, while Mr. Schas was visiting in Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gaesar and son Philip visited the Sam Altmans in Charleston, S. C.

Mr. Mac Provda is visiting his family in New York.

Our deepest sympathy to the Ascher family on the sudden passing of Mr. Henry Asher on December 21.

## Hickory, N. C.

The Young Adults Club of Temple Israel, Charlotte, held their December meeting at the home of Miss Sonya Witten. Members were present from Charlotte, Lincolnton, and Hickory. Miss Arlene Baumrind of Charlotte and Miss Sonya Witten were hostesses.

Congratulations to Harry Lerner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lerner of Lincolnton, on his being elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society at UNC, Chapel Hill. Harry is a junior at UNC where he is a member of the Phi Lambda Phi social fraternity and an active worker in Hillel.

Congratulations to Manuel Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen, who was elected captain of the 1951-52 Hickory High School basketball team.

Teddy Kramer, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Kramer, was elected Master Councilor of the Jones W. Shuford Chapter of Order of DeMolay.

Howard Zerden of Hickory, Harry and Sammy Lerner of Lincolnton, attended the Fourth Regional AZA Convention held at the Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, S. C., on December 25-28.

Mr. Hersh Cohen spent a few weeks vacationing in Miami Beach following the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. Seigbert Loeb of New York City spent the holiday season visiting at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Berndt and family.

Miss Susan Kramer of New York City spent a few days of the holiday season visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Kramer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen and daughter Sarah attended the Cohen-Pelessky wedding which was solemnized on January 5 in Savannah, Ga. Miss Cohen is a niece of Mr. Harry Cohen.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Eddelman have recently moved into their newly purchased home on 538 Fifth St., S.W.

Mrs. Marvin Zerden and son, Solomon Glenn, and Miss Esther Zerden spent a few days visiting with Mrs. Hyman Kramer in Whiteville.

**WOULD HAVE POPE PIUS NAME GOVERNOR GENERAL OVER JERUSALEM**

A proposal that all of Jerusalem be placed under a United Nations general governor to be named by Pope Pius was made in Paris by Ahamad el-Shukairi, assistant secretary general of the Arab League, before the special political committee of the United Nations General Assembly.


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# EDITORIALS

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if that were true, it is not justification. But we sense a deeper motive which we base on contributory remarks made in his speech before the Knessett. Among these are statements which refer to the status of immigration to Israel. It was pointed out that, now that the harrassed Jews in countries of the Middle East had been transferred en masse, as in the case of Yemen, Iraq Bulgaria et al, immigration on a large scale had bogged down and new sources of settlers were needed. The Prime Minister said that unless the gates of Russia are opened to Israel, "we shall be faced with a serious problem in a few years of lack of candidates for immigration to Israel."

Why is Israel so impatient to build up its population in a hurry? During the period of mass immigration, the Jewish population in Israel rose from 654,000 to 1,390,000—more than double. From all authentic reports, the country is having considerable economic difficulty in digesting the large number of newcomers that have come there in the past several months. Housing is still woefully inadequate, and the people are subject to a rigorous austerity program. Normal tactics would seem to be to take a breather, particularly in view of the fact that most of the emergency immigration situations have been met.

Early in the history of the State of Israel there were vague rumors that the new state was considering a policy of imperialism. Reports were that a plan for territorial expansion was merely awaiting a propitious moment, and that additional land occupied by Arabs was deemed proper for annexation. This was given little credence in this country at the time. Yet now it appears to be a possible answer to the apparent desire for a large population. An over-crowded Israel would be a reasonably substantial argument for more land. We sincerely hope that this reasoning is fallacious. We are quite certain that if Israel were to embark on a policy of aggression, it would do so without the approval of most of America's millions of Jews. Perhaps some other less baleful reason will appear for this concern for numbers.

So far Mr. Ben Gurion has not followed his usual policy of apology following his latest tirade, although it is reported that he made an attempt to soften his charge before the Knessett by substituting for the word "bankrupt" the phrase, "American Zionist leaders have not stood the test." Meanwhile, as we said in our previous editorial, we are still pretty much in the dark as to how the *people* of Israel feel toward American Jewry. It may be that the Prime Minister is merely speaking for himself or his party. His attitude may not be that of his government or his people. It certainly would be helpful if the matter could be cleared up. Most of American Jewry would like to continue its sympathetic moral and financial support of the new state. Repeated criticisms, such as the latest of Mr. Ben Gurion, do not help the situation. There is urgent need for something more satisfying than the plea of being "misunderstood." We sincerely trust that it will soon be forthcoming

Elsewhere in this issue begins a two-installment article, in which Israel Schen, writing in Jerusalem, refers to statements made by Mrs. Halprin at the Jerusalem World Zionist Convention. The reading of this article may help to give us an understanding of Israel's viewpoint.

# TOURIST TRADE— Big Business In Israel

*By* M. Z. FRANK

WHEN I first met Yehuda Arazi, in Rome, late in May, 1948, he was sitting in the Mediterranean Hotel and worrying about shipping arms and men to embattled Israel, the fledgling State, less than two weeks old. He was then—and had been for some time—a cloak-and-dagger hero of the Jewish struggle for independence. A handsome man, with a strong young face and flowing white hair, deliberate but sure in his manner, he made quite an impression on me. After spending a whole day in his company, I looked forward to meeting him again some day.

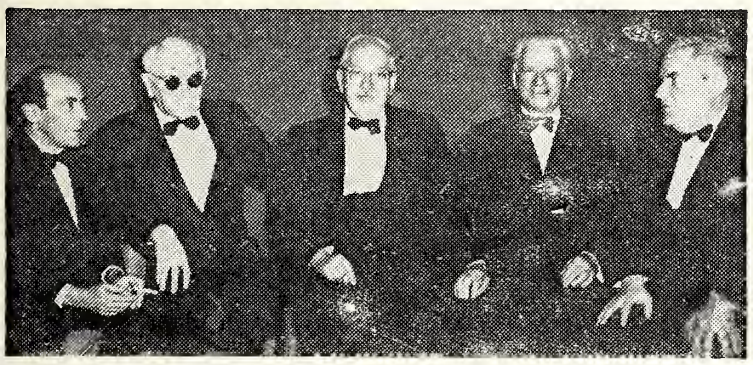
Early in September, 1951, I ran into Yehuda Arazi again—also sitting in a hotel and worrying. But it was not a hotel in Rome and his worries were of a non-military nature. Yehuda Arazi is now manager of the newest hotel in Israel, north of Tel-Aviv, and it is the best hotel so far. Yehuda's present worries are how to complete his hotel—known as Ramat Aviv (Spring Heights) and to start building another one like it in Jerusalem and another one in Haifa, on Mount Carmel.

"I have been to every big hotel in the United States and Canada," Ben Sugarman of Toronto, Canada, was raving, "and I haven't seen anything as good as that." I shared the room with Ben and concurred in his opinion.

Joe Sklar of Passaic, New Jersey, on his first visit to the country, said exactly the same.

Douglas Brandt of Los Angeles admitted it was pretty good, but that it was, he said, in fact, just a "glorified motel." But Douglas Brandt is here to build houses, and any such admission from a man in similar business ought to carry some weight.

"What kind of businessman are you?" I asked Arazi. "You know I am a newspaper man and you're not



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trying to get me to say something about your new hotel."

"We've made it a principle not to employ any artificial means of publicity for our hotel," Arazi explained. "We intend to become well-known through satisfied visitors."

Ramat Aviv, officially designated as a "garden hotel," consists of a number of bungalows, all of which were prefabricated in Italy. Each bungalow has two or three rooms, with a bathroom and a telephone in each room—an unusual arrangement for Israel and for most hotels in Europe. What is still more uncommon is the simple but tasty and comfortable furniture. The dining room is on a lawn, near which there is a swimming pool. So far as I know, this is the first hotel in Israel with a swimming pool. The service is excellent. The food is as good as the country can provide for tourists—who are perhaps unduly pampered by the food authorities, considering the severe shortage in the country. But this is how some of the badly-needed dollars are being brought in.

"I thought I could do more for the Government by running a good hotel which will bring in a million dollars a year in foreign exchange than by sitting behind a government desk," the manager told us.

Yehuda Arazi met enough Americans in the course of his underground activities and heard enough of their gripings about hotel accommodations in Israel to know what they needed. So he set out to give it to them. He raised half a million dollars in American investments and a similar sum in pounds sterling. One of his heaviest investors is an Italian Jew living in the States. Then he got the Government to chip in a hundred thousand Israel pounds.

The Government allotted Arazi a plot of ground from which in April, 1948, when I first visited Israel, Arabs were sniping at our party.

Ramat Aviv has eighty rooms now. Twenty more will be added in the three-story building when it goes up. This central building will contain a dining room, a dance hall and offices. For the time being, the dining room is in the open, and in the daytime, you eat under an umbrella to shield you from the sun. Before the rainy season starts, the present lawn-eatery will be covered up.

I mentioned Douglas Brandt of Los Angeles. He is an architect by profession, and is the President of the Israel American National Construction Company of Los Angeles. Of the two men he was with, one spoke English, Czech and Hungarian, the other, a portly, prosperous looking gentlemen, only Hungarian. That was Mr. Philip, a well-to-do Hungarian Jew living in Italy. The only language we could converse in was German.

"Funny how Jewish history runs in cycles," Mr. Philip said. "I was a thoroughly assimilated Magyarized Jew, but my son is a Zionist and came to this country to fight for it."

Mr. Philip's son probably had something to do with Mr. Philip's business in Israel—and with Douglas Brandt. It is a million-dollar proposition t build California-style bungalows i Israel, all furnished with the lates modern gadgets and sell them at price accessible to the middle clas Since the climate of California an Israel is almost the same, the type o bungalows appropriate for the one wil do for the other. There is this differ ence, however, the California bunga lows are made of wood, while the Is rael ones are made of bricks, concret or stone. Some day, when the redwoo trees Ben-Gurion ordered planted i the Negev grow up, this difference wil be eliminated.

The plan for the bungalow contain every gadget and convenience, includ ing a refrigerator, an electric kitche and screens which keep out flies whil letting in the sunlight, and what not

When negotiations are complete with the Government, the compan will put up the first ten thousan bungalows in Ramat Gan. Then Moun Carmel will follow.

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# Getting a Heart of Wisdom

*By* THE HONORABLE LEWIS L. STRAUSS

**This address was delivered at the second annual Thanksgiving Convocation, Tuesday, November 20, 1951, when degrees of Doctor of Letters, honoris causa, were conferred on James B. Conant, President of Harvard University; A. Whitney Griswold, President of Yale University; and Arthur Hays Sulzberger, President and Publisher of The New York Times, at the Jewish Theological Seminary.—THE EDITOR.**

THIS will be an evening to record and long remember in the hronicles of our Seminary which, in onoring three great Americans, is lso honored by their presence in our alls. I am reminded, as many of you ust be, of another evening in this hamber nearly fifteen years ago when e were celebrating our Jubilee. It as soon after the Tercentenary of arvard. President Conant, despite he considerable burdens upon him, ame to New York to speak to us. He elivered a scholarly and inspiring ddress on the subject of "Learning's ecessity for an Able Minister." He poke of the spirit which motivated he founders of Harvard University, kening it to "the spirit which keeps live the great stabilizing religious tra- itions," of which he said, "Judaism s perhaps the most striking example."

This year also is an anniversary. t is an anniversary for President riswold and for Mr. Sulzberger. Yale niversity is celebrating its two hun- ired and fiftieth birthday and the *ew York Times* is concluding its irst century. The attention men pay o birthdays and anniversaries, both nstitutional and personal, is signifi- ant perhaps because institutional irthdays remind us of the brevity f our own lives against the back- round of institutional continuity, and ersonal anniversaries have a way of ointing up the fact that the sands are unning in the hourglass and that our ndividual days are finite and num- ered.

When the author of the Psalms— nd I like to think that the writer f a particular one as indicated in its eading was Moses himself—rather han some wraith invented by the igher critics—when Moses, then, composed the majestic Ninetieth, he prayed, "Teach us to number our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom." I believe that means that if men were to recognize the ephemeral character of their personal appearance on the stage of eternity, they would put their time to better use. I advance this not very profound interpretation with some diffidence, since the scholars evidently assumed that the passage was so clear that it received no rabbinic commentary.

"Getting a Heart of Wisdom" appealed to me as an appropriate theme for a Convocation at which our honorary alumni represent great educational institutions, sources of public enlightenment, and exemplars of the search for truth and wisdom. They share another significant attribute in that they were founded by devout and God-fearing men.

Harvard University was first endowed by a Puritan minister and Harvard's character dedicated the university "To the education of . . . youth . . . in knowledge and godlynes." A contemporary letter expressed the spirit of the founders in these words,

**MRS. SAMUEL KAPLAN, of Chicago, served as local chairman of the 12th national convention of Pioneer Women, the Women's Labor Zionist Organization of America, which was held in Chicago in September.**


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"After God had carried us safe to New England, and wee had builded our houses, provided necessaries for our livelihood, reared convenient places for God's worship, and settled a Civil Government; one of the next things wee longed for, and looked after, was to advance Learning and to perpetuate it to Posterity."

The founders of the New Haven colony, like those of Massachusetts bay, believed that the pursuit of wisdom and the practice of religion should be the cornerstones as well as the chief fruits of an ideal state, and the establishment of Yale by a body of clergymen followed as a natural consequence. President Griswold's first predecessor was a minister and it was in his parsonage that Yale's first students sought admission to the university.

In a later generation, when the *New York Times* was revived to become a great organ of public education, its young proprietor, Adolph S. Ochs, a God-fearing layman who had been greatly influenced by a great Rabbi, Isaac M. Wise, rededicated the paper "To the enlightenment of mankind and the moral use of power." A spiritual inheritance is common to all three institutions.

It is of interest to note that the colleges which were founded by men of religious belief and which continue to some degree church-related, have an extraordinary record as the training-ground of men of science. Of the ten colleges which lead in the development of scientists, seven are church-related. This has recalled the statement credited to Max Planck, "Religion and natural science do not exclude each other, as many contemporaries of ours would believe or fear; they mutually supplement and condition each other." A heart of wisdom might perhaps be defined in the light of this as a heart of religious conviction "supplemented and conditioned" by all knowledge and discovery.

Now, of course, none among us knows anything of the duration of the search for a heart of wisdom and many thoughtful men have become reconciled to the conviction that the quest is endless. It is important to remember that there is a distinction, not always noted, between wisdom and knowledge. They are not at all the same. For wisdom cannot be stockpiled like rubber or uranium, nor, except symbolically, even be put between book covers as can knowledge. As a friend has put it, "Wisdom is knowledge tempered by experience—knowledge humanized and moralized."

But, though getting a heart of wisdom may be a life-long preoccupation and, therefore, without ascertainable end, there is *no uncertainty about its beginning.* That is a much simpler matter. We have been told repeatedly what that is. "The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom." Yirath Elohim, the "fear of God," and Daath Elohim, the "knowledge of consciousness of God," are the two terms for religion which appear in Holy Writ. Dr. Kaufmann Kohler once said, "Where fear of God is lacking, violence and vice are rife. It keeps society in order and prompts the individual to walk in the path of duty. It is for this reason that it is called the beginning of wisdom. The divine revelation of Sinai had as its main purpose 'To put the fear of God into the hearts of the people lest they sin'." God alone was to be feared, not man. The Psalmist feared no evil even though in the Valley of the Shadow of Death itself.

I am aware of the fact that fear, even the fear of God, is not a generally acceptable theme. We are living in an age when fear is unpopular and is being rapidly psychoanalyzed out of our lives for us. We try to be free from fear and, to some extent we have succeeded. True, we still fear another war and things which threaten physical injury or discomfort to ourselves and those we love—but also we have very nearly emancipated ourselves from the fear of God. Many good people consider that fearing God is an archaic concept, unworthy of modern man and incompatible with the idea of loving God.

Being no theologian, I shall have to leave it to those so trained to reconcile these two concepts of man's approach to the Deity. To me there is no confusion. I personally believe that both the fear and love of God are essential. However, I believe we must not fear God in the same way we fear another war. In the understandable passion for freedom from fear of war, of disease, of hunger, we have somehow lost the distinction between fear of the preventable and avoidable—of the dark, shall we say—on the one hand, and the fear of God on the other.

Perhaps Pascal explained it as well as anyone has when he said: "There is a virtuous fear, which should be the effect of faith, and a vicious fear which is the result of doubt . . . Persons of the one character fear to lose God; those of the other character fear to find Him."

The importance of God-fearing as the first step on the way to getting a heart of wisdom may be appraised today by the decline in that quality. We have all recognized lately a lowering of public moral standards. I leave aside the international aspect, where whole nations have become debauched or enslaved, and speak only of our own country. Every morning we read

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the giving and taking of bribes, favoritism, of all the catalogue of ns under the blanket term "corruon." These apparently are as comon in high places as in low. That ey are not isolated instances is oved by the sad statistics that while r population has grown by a little er 14% since 1940, major crimes ave increased by 18% and in the rst half of this year were 5% ahead the preceding year.

What are we to think? Are our thical standards becoming debased have they simply drifted from the id moorings? The impulse which t times many of us here tonight ust have secretly felt—that it would e becoming to put on sackcloth and t upon ashes to evidence our shame nd sorrow at being a part of the curent scene—might be an emotional elief but not a solution.

Perhaps in so far as those conditions ffect our government, something can e done. We may find it useful and erhaps imperative to go back to first rinciples in the qualifications of men or public office. In the 18th chapter f Exodus, we find Jethro's advice to Moses on the selection of governors f the people. "Moreover," he said, thou shalt provide out of all the peole able men, *such as fear God*, men f truth not caring for their own gain, nd place such over the people." Or ve can recall the words of Washngton in his farewell legacy to his ellow countrymen when he cautioned gainst reliance upon the moral standrds of anyone whose code of honor vas not based upon a belief in God. Let us with caution," he said, "indulge the supposition that morality an be maintained without religion, . . . eason and experience both forbid us o expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle."

Perhaps the current debasement of our standards is only an unpleasant nd transitory phenomenon. Perhaps, s some believe, it is the inevitable ut impermanent aftermath of the isruptions of a great war. In any vent, the great organs of public information, of truth and instruction, whose representatives we are honoring tonight, are our mainstays, for hrough them the pursuit of wisdom will go quietly on. Through them ever larger numbers of men and women may have an opportunity of learning first principles, of starting on the road to a heart of wisdom. That at least we can hope.

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I like to recall an evening in my youth, the first time that I sat at the hospitable table of Justice and Mrs. Holmes in Washington. A memento of that evening is a small volume of speeches, including one delivered by the Justice in 1891 and titled *The Use of Colleges.* In it, I think, one finds Mr. Holmes' expression of getting a heart of wisdom. "Somebody once said to me," he wrote, "After all, religion is the only interesting thing," and he adds, "I think it is true, if you take the word a little broadly and include under it the passionate curiosity as well as the passionate awe which we feel in the mystery of the universe. This curiosity is the most human appetite we have. All living things yearn to get near and yet a little nearer toward the unseen ocean into which pours the stream of things."

Certainly the *New York Times* and Harvard and Yale are strongholds of ideals, 'more remote and vast than fortune'—'guardians of a faith which sets men gladly to a task of which they do not ask to see the end.' May we be taught to number our days and get us hearts of wisdom.

In that spirit we of this Seminary seek to pay a symbolic honor to all tenders of the eternal light of truth, and we salute you, Dr. James Bryant Conant, President of Harvard University; you, Dr. Alfred Whitney Griswold, President of Yale University; and you, Mr. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, President and Publisher of the *New York Times.*

## Rocky Mount

**Mrs. Erle Kellert, Reporter**

The regular meeting of the Beth El Sisterhood was held in the Temple House, with Mrs. J. Rosenbloom and Mrs. H. Feurst as hostesses. Proceeds from the Beth El Bingo party held at the Temple House will go toward the Sunday School fund.

Rocky Mount welcomes a newcomer into the community, Lou Shabott, who recently came here from New York City. Mr. Shabott is associated with the local radio station, WCEC.

Miss Lee Rosenbloom and Mrs. R. Rosenbloom visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosenbloom during the winter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Eicher are spending a month at the Bancroft Hotel in Miami Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kornfeld are vacationing at Miami Beach and are visiting their relatives, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Kite.

**PARENTS ASSOCIATION AGAINST PRAYERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

A resolution opposing the Board of Regents' proposal to introduce prayers in the public school system was adopted by the United Parents Association of New York City.

**RABBI WOLFE KELMAN has been appointed Executive Director of the Rabbinical Assembly, national organization of Conservative rabbis.**


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New and Retiring Officers of Regional A.Z.A.

The 15th annual convention of the Southern Region of Aleph Zadig Aleph took place in Charleston, December 24-27. The program consisted of business meetings, athletic, religious, social and cultural programs, seminars and election of regional officers. Starting with a dance on the opening evening, the event closed with a semi-formal dance on the evening of the final day of activities. A stag supper, luncheon for advisers, and a carnival were some of the highlights of the affair.

Sidney Davis of Charleston chapter No. 143 was general chairman and was assisted by a large number of Alephs. While most of the functions took place at the Charleston Community Center, the Hibernian Hall and the various Synagogues were also the scene of much of the activity. Approximately 200 guests, delegates and advisors attended.

An innovation at the meeting was the organization of a regional BBG, with Rochelle Katzin of Winston-Salem as the first president.

Newly elected AZA officers for the region are: Jerry Seigal of Atlanta, Godol, or president; S'gan or vice-president, Alan Mandel of Atlanta; Mazkir, or secretary, Charles Goldberg of Charleston; Gizbor, or treasurer, Sherold Klein of Greensboro, N. C. Eli Leff of Charleston and Al Klein of Greensboro, N. C., were elected Regional Advisers.

Arnold Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schraibman, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, January 12, 1952, with services at B'rith Shalom Synagogue. Mr. and Mrs. Schraibman were hosts at an informal reception at the Jewish Community Center immediately following the service.

Meyer J. Horowitz was elected and installed as master of Friendship Lodge No. 9, Ancient Free Masons, at a meeting at the Masonic Temple. He succeeds Maurice Goldstein, who was presented a past master's jewel by past master L. J. Jenkins. A banquet at K. K. Beth Elohim followe the meeting.

Other officers elected and appointe were: G. Vernon Horowitz, senic warden; Aaron Solomon, junior wa den; Harold P. Givner, past maste treasurer; Maurice Goldstein, pa master, secretary; Jack M. Kurtz, se ior deacon; James H. Dabbs, Jr., ju ior deacon; Irving Sonenshine an Wilbur L. Floyd, stewards; Rabbi Lev is A. Weintraub, chaplain; Joseph Salvo, tiler; and Robert R. Pregnal organist.

Arthur C. Furchgott, post maste acted as marshal, assisted by Horac G. Adams, past master.

The Men's Club of Beth Israel spor sored a weiner roast and card part in the social hall of the Synagogu on January 15.

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Mrs. Manning Bernstein was in arge of the luncheon; Mrs. M. Rit-tenberg was in charge of the prizes awarded; Mrs. Harold Jacobs and Mrs. Louis Schwartz were in charge of publicity.

**Congratulations to . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. A. Appel on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Sidney, and to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schraibman on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Arnold.

Miss Priscilla Miller, daughter of Mrs. Max Miller, whose engagement has been announced to Allan Living-stain, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Liv-ingstain.

## LENA AND THE MAGICIAN

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apped his fingers. "I think I got the solution to your problems."

"Yes? Well, what is it?" Dr. Aaron-n told her of the brainstorm that t him suddenly.

Before Mrs. Cohen left the doctor's fice a plan had been worked out mpletely between the two conspir-ors. She was prepared to start on e plan, but first she had to find a agician in whom she could put her ust, to follow out what she and Dr. aronson had agreed upon. She kept oking at the newspaper advertise-ents for the next week, searching r a magician at work in town, either the Roxy or some other theatre, or one of the educational centers.

She spent a week hunting avidly ith no success. Finally, Mrs. Cohen ecided to look in the telephone book. he went to the corner drugstore and ere it was what she was looking for, he Magicians Society of America. he wasted no time calling the office r information about a nearby mem-er. The office was nice about it, ld her where she could locate one her own neighborhood.

The next day she visited Mr. Hyman ornkrinkle at the address given her. e was not at home the first time she ent there, but on her second trip at evening she found the man she as looking for.

Mrs. Cohen explained her problem. Ir. Kornkrinkle told her that he nly did odd jobs, now and then, as magician because he was an account-nt by profession. That's how he made is living, not as a disciple of magic. Could he consider teaching Lena? nly the preliminary details, he said. hey agreed on future procedure. He ould give her one lesson a week and t the same time make half dollar ieces come out of her ears.

When Lena came for her first les-on, Professor Kornkrinkle studied er face. Lena had been excited about he visit to a point. She had always anted to meet a magician face to ace, shake hands with him and study losely how he did his tricks. But ow, her face fell to the floor, liter-lly speaking, because she knew Pro-essor Kornkrinkle had something up is sleeve that had no bearing on his ct. He could not perform for her ecause of the sad condition of her ace. He shook his head in disapproval.

"Now, look here, my child," Pro-essor Kornkrinkle said. "You are a retty child and I'm going to make ou prettier." Lena's eyes illumined. Professor Kornkrinkle said something mumbo jumbo, waved his hands be-fore her eyes. She closed them, as if under a spell, but it didn't last long.

Suddenly, Professor Kornkrinkle had two pieces of paper in his hand. Lena's eyes were opened wide, curi-osity tugging at her like a kitten at a ball of wool.

Mrs. Cohen stood by anxiously wait-ing to see what would happen, as the magician read from the first piece of paper.

"On this piece of paper," he began, "is a note that says you are very anxious to get a television set."

Lena's eyes lit up, but she didn't say a word. The professor continued to open the second sheet and read therefrom. "On this sheet of paper, it says you do not like doctors and will not take care of your face." The eyes that had brightened suddenly dimmed.

"Is that correct?" Professor Korn-krinkle demanded. Lena kept her silence.

The magician had expected opposi-tion on this count and was prepared for the next step.

"You see my hand," he said to Lena, as he fingered the back of her left ear. Lena looked him squarely in the face, as he pulled his hand from be-hind her head with a half dollar in it. "This is magic and you are now richer by fifty cents. Here, take it; it's yours."

Lena hesitated. She didn't want to take money from strangers, but when her mother nodded approval she ac-cepted the coin. "There are more from where this came," he said, "and they will be doubled each week, if you do what I tell you."

Lena was doubtful. She wanted to think before she said yes or no. She started to count fifty-cent pieces in the air, drawing imaginary numbers with her index finger.

The plan was clicking.

"If I come here about two or three months I'll have enough for a tele-vision set, won't I?"

"Well, it all depends on how much you want to spend on a set, but that's the general idea."

"All right, Mr. Kornkrinkle. What do you want me to do?" She looked at her mother, who again nodded ap-proval and smiled.

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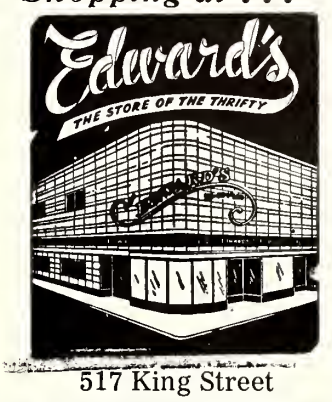

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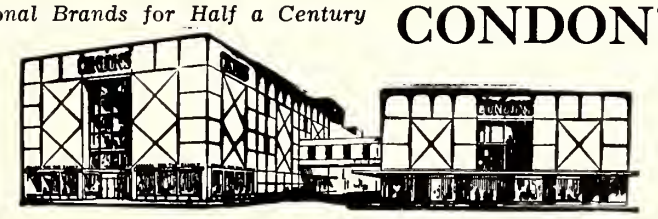
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store, get a tube of this stuff and use is according to directions on the box."

Lena's chin fell about an inch or two, but she held her tongue rigidly in place. She was thinking hard. Should she accept the proposal Professor Kornkrinkle was making her? She didn't care what happened to her face so much as she did the doubling up of those fifty-cent pieces every time she came back for another lesson. Her mother would come with her and report on how she was doing from week to week.

Let's see, what did they expect her to do when she got the Acnomel? She had no idea, but it couldn't mean more than three applications at the beginning. Then two and finally one, until all the spots cleared from her face. She remembered her mother telling her that's how many times she had to wash each day in order to get results. It must be the same thing, except with the stuff that came out of a tube to make it work faster.

She looked over at her mother, and her mother smiled lovingly at her. She looked to the professor and he smiled down at her, patiently waiting, hoping she would say yes.

"Will you show me how to do this trick first; you know, picking fifty-cent pieces from the back of my ears?"

"No," said the magician. "That's my biggest secret and I won't reveal how it's done until the day I'm told your face is one hundred per cent clear and you don't have to use Acnomel or any other cleanser but plain soap and water."

Still Lena did not say yes.

"By that time you will have enough money to buy a television set, and I wouldn't be surprised if it's a nineteen inch tube."

"Honestly? Did you figure it out like that?"

The magician looked over to Mrs. Cohen slyly, nodded his head and said, "Yes, that's the way it's been figured out."

"All right," she conceded. "I'll say yes."

And so it was that a magician made the acne on Lena's face disappear. He was happy to do it without charging Mrs. Cohen for his efforts. As a matter of fact, he got a great kick out of the regular visits of Lena. noticing the weekly improvement in her facial condition. It cost Mr. and Mrs. Cohen the price of a nineteen inch television, but the results obtained were worth twice the amount.

To this day Lena says she bought her own television set and, believe it or not, the Cohens have a devil of a time trying to see the Goldbergs on TV every Monday night. Whether they see the Goldbergs or not, th Cohens are satisfied just as long they don't have to hear the word *acn* again.

## The Zionist Scene

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tory, created a problem by the ver unnaturalness of its survival.

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As time goes on, it seems safe t predict, non-Jews everywhere will a tribute the origin of their Jewish fe low-citizens to the modern State Israel. This is likely to make for th far greater security of Diaspora Jewr and, paradoxically, to make the tas of educating towards Zionist self-fulfi ment all the harder. But it will ce tainly endorse the Jew's natural righ to assert his determination to com to Israel without any imputation o his patriotism while he lives in th Diaspora. It will also show how littl substance there is in talk of "cultura pluralism," and how unreal are th distinctions between the artificial cor cepts of "nationhood" and "people hood." And, if the possibility of suc a tendency in the United States shoul be denied, it may be useful to recal that, at the great banquet held i that country in honor of Dr. Weiz mann's birthday, General George Mar shall, addressing the predominantl Jewish audience, referred, naturall and unselfconsciously, to Israel a "*your* State."

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Dealing with *chalutziut*, Mrs. Hal prin predicted that there would on


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y be a movement of young Jews m the United States to Israel, and t they would come out of positive tives, in search of *"completely inteted Jewish life,"* which *"is only ssible in Israel . . ."* Rightly, she jected to attempts to couch the peal for *chalutziut* in negative ms. But, on the other hand, her ediction that for the present *"chaziut will inevitably remain a more ited movement"* hardly betokens a icere belief that in the future it ll be less limited; for one does not ge a cause of which one is deeply nvinced by prophesying its immedie lack of success—that is hardly calated to inspire confidence and genate action.

Mrs. Halprin resorted to the wellrn argument that Jewish and world story *"demonstrate clearly that mass mbers and large-scale uprooting of oples come only where there exist favourable conditions and external essures . . . There was no mass ovement from Poland, from Gerny, from Czechoslovakia. Masses gan to move only with Hitler's era."* at this is what happened is largely ue. But the tentative "laws" of hisy cannot be applied with any dee of certainty to future situations, pecially when new factors are inlved. Today, we have the new fac- of Israel's existence, which was t there before Hitler. And Israel capable of developing an immense awing-power—if the Zionist Movent learns how to transform and generate it—that will bring tens, not hundreds, of thousands of Jews voluntarily from the Western Diaspora to Israel. Why resort to the so-called "laws" of history, when the survival of the Jewish people and its return to its own country after two millenia of exile constitute their effective rebuttal? Can the argument put forward by Mrs. Halprin be considered valid in its own right, or is it an attempt, possibly subconscious, to defend a certain attitude and approach to *chalutziut* and to immigration from the Western Diaspora in general?

According to Mrs. Halprin, *"There is no Zionist organization in the world that does not recognize* chalutziut *as a cardinal principle in its programme. There is no Zionist organization in the world that does not understand fully the need of Israel for youth from the free countries of the world. This is part of Zionism. So was this land built."* But is this altogether true of the Zionist organizations in America? The only comment that can be offered is, Would that it were so.

But the principal inconsistency in Mrs. Halprin's reasoning can be detected in the following passage from her Congress address. She said: *"Any attempt to make the Zionist Movement today synonymous with* chalutziut *must inevitably reduce its numbers. Instead of 600,000 organized Zionists in the United States, you will have 20,000 to 25,000. Is that what you want? Under present conditions, when you need mass support for mass immigration and mass needs? In ten or fifteen years it may be right and proper to have the Zionist Movement become a* chalutziut *Movement, to make it a hard core of* chalutziut (sic). *But now! Is this the correct historic timing?"*

Not even the most ardent advocate of Zionist self-fulfilment envisages the Zionist Movement as "synonymous with *chalutziut*." All he would ask is that *chalutziut* be encouraged to occupy a central role in Zionist activity, as, indeed, the 23rd Congress Resolutions prescribe. Israel's need for *chalutziut* today is great; but so is the need for it of American Zionism and of the Jewish people as a whole. The *chalutz* movement must become the vanguard of Diaspora Zionism, the living, dynamic nucleus around which the Zionist Movement should gather, and from which it should derive the motive force for all its other activities, whether in the sphere of fund raising or in that of cultural and educational work. It should indeed be as Mrs. Halprin said, that *"there is no Zionist organization in the world that does not recognize* chalutziut *as a cardinal principle in its programme"* (not in its theory or ideology only, but in its programme). To speak of trying to turn the 600,000 Zionists of the United States into *chalutzim* (which is the only meaning we can assign to the concept of making the Zionist Movement synonymous with *chalutziut*), thereby reducing their numbers of 25,000 or so, is illogical. For we can scarcely imagine that there would be a falling-off in Zionist membership as a result of increasing the number of American *chalutzim* on training farms from under a hundred to over a thousand; and to raise their number to a


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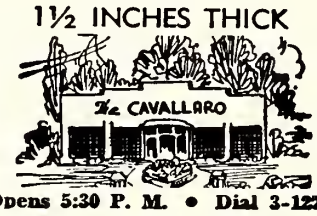

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thousand within one year would indeed be an achievement. Moreover, we emphatically deny that this would have the effect, implied by Mrs. Halprin, of alienating the large-scale contributors to Zionist funds. There is, in fact, no inconsistency between making a genuine and wholehearted attempt to foster *chalutziut*, and at the same time furnishing "mass support for mass immigration and mass needs." Has the growth of *chalutziut* in England, South America and South Africa in recent years impaired the quality of Zionism in those countries or led to a falling off in fund-raising or educational and cultural activities? Any shortcomings that may be evident in those spheres are certainly not attributable to the growth of *chalutziut* there: on the contrary, they may be due to the insufficiency of its growth.

In her anxiety to show that the Zionist Movement should not be made synonymous with *chalutziut*, Mrs. Halprin failed to indicate how the programme of *chalutziut*, as she envisages it, is to be implemented, or what its dimensions should be (beyond suggesting that, for the present, it will be "more limited"). The point which seems to have escaped Mrs. Halprin is that, if *chalutziut* is to make any real headway in the U.S.A. today, it will require a sincere, wholehearted effort of major proportions. It will not be enough for the senior Zionist bodies to give the *chalutz* movement passive approval: they will have to provide active encouragement—which they have not done hitherto and which they show no disposition to do in the immediate future. *Chalutziut* cannot exist *in vacuo*: it requires an atmosphere to breathe, so that it may live. Otherwise it can have no prospect of further developing. And such an atmosphere cannot be created unless there is genuine enthusiasm for *chalutziut* — on the part of the senior Zionists.

As far as the question of timing is concerned, it should be realized that the present is never the right time for any action that requires a changed approach and makes demands that may upset fixed ways of life. It will always be inconvenient. So it was in Russia fifty years ago, and so it is in America now and will be fifty years hence. Why should *chalutziut* be more timely in America ten or fifteen years from now than it is today? Does Mrs. Halprin believe that, since by that time the supreme financial effort now demanded from American Jewry to stabilize Israel economically will presumably be no longer necessary, the Zionist Movement will then be able to indulge in the luxury of *chalutziut;* and, if it occasions a falling off in Zionist membership, it will no longer matter? On the contrary, if nothing is done about it now, there will be no *chalutziut* in America, in ten or a hundred years' time; and, conversely, if a really vigorous *chalutz* movement is to be built up there—and it may indeed take as many as ten years—the groundwork must be laid now, without delay. Fortunately, the Congress was alive to the need for *chalutziut* now, and took several decisions for its immediate and active encouragement. But its decisions will be set at naught unless all sections of the Zionist Movement, and above all its leaders, proceed with their implementation forthwith.

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Beth Israel Center. In addition to dancing and supper, there was a program of featured acts called "Polkoff's Paradise." Mrs. Harold Cohen was in charge of tickets. This was an enjoyable affair which attracted a large group of military and civilian guests, with the proceeds going to the many needs of Hadassah.

Mrs. Herschel Lange of Asheville, newly appointed JWB representative at the Oteen hospital in Asheville, brought to the Fayetteville VA hospital a program of entertainment from the Asheville area, known as the NBC Grand Ole Opry Show and several other attractions for the patients. The Fayetteville committee, Mrs. Oscar Vatz as chairman of a group of ladies from the community, and A. M. Fleisman, chairman of the JWB Armed Services division of Fayetteville, also provided a program for the regular Coffee Hour at the hospital. The patients were provided many ways of celebrating Chanukah.

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Among those who sent greetings to ie *Jewish Braille Review* on its twentieth anniversary were Irving Miller of the American Jewish Congress; Frank Goldman of B'nai B'rith; Maurice Eisendrath of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; Arthur Lourie, Consul General of Israel; Mrs. Samuel Halprin of Hadassah; Percival Howe of the New York Association of the Blind; Mrs. Irving Engel of the National Council of Jewish Women; Arthur Hays Sulzberger, publisher of the New York *Times;* Benjamin Graham of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind; Harry Conover of the Industrial Home for the Blind; William Ziegler, Jr., of the American Foundation for the Blind; Maxwell Abbell of the United Synagogue of America, and Mrs. Emanuel Siner of the United Synagogue's Women's League.

## BROTHERHOOD WEEK

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merican citizen is secure in his ghts only when all other Americans n duty recognize and respect such ghts.

Common to all Christians and Jews nd any creature created by God is ie great Commandment of Love. This the law of Mount Sinai and this is ie theme of the Sermon on the lount. Nowhere in the Scriptures re we exhorted to be tolerant of ther people. Tolerance means "to ear with," "to put up with," surely o prescription for cordial human reitions. True charity admits of no ubstitute. If we prostitue our love y admitting some and excluding othrs from our affections because they iffer from us in race, religion, color, olitical beliefs, then we are countereit religionists and traitorous Amerans. Bigotry, prejudice, racism, hated can be the cancer to destroy the nity and freedom of America—love, ood will, respect for human dignity, ordial relations can be the powerful piritual stimuli to maintain our glorious traditions of a free, happy, prosperous, united people.

Let us never forget this great truth: o human being is wholly bad. We nust develop the precious art of makng allowances for others as we exect others to make allowances for us, and we must never intrude into the sanctuary of an individual's religion or politics. What a man believes sincerely in regard to religion is his own affair. If you expect others to recognize and respect your religious beliefs, then it is only common sense to accord that same recognition to all others. Live and let live!

I most cordially endorse the blessed aims and aspirations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. I have been an active participant for eighteen years in Conference work and I have only the happiest memories of the fine ministers and rabbis who have co-labored with me. No meed of praise will come to me or to any other American because we are favorably disposed to good fraternal relations in these wonderful United States. We are simply carrying out the Great Commandment—"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

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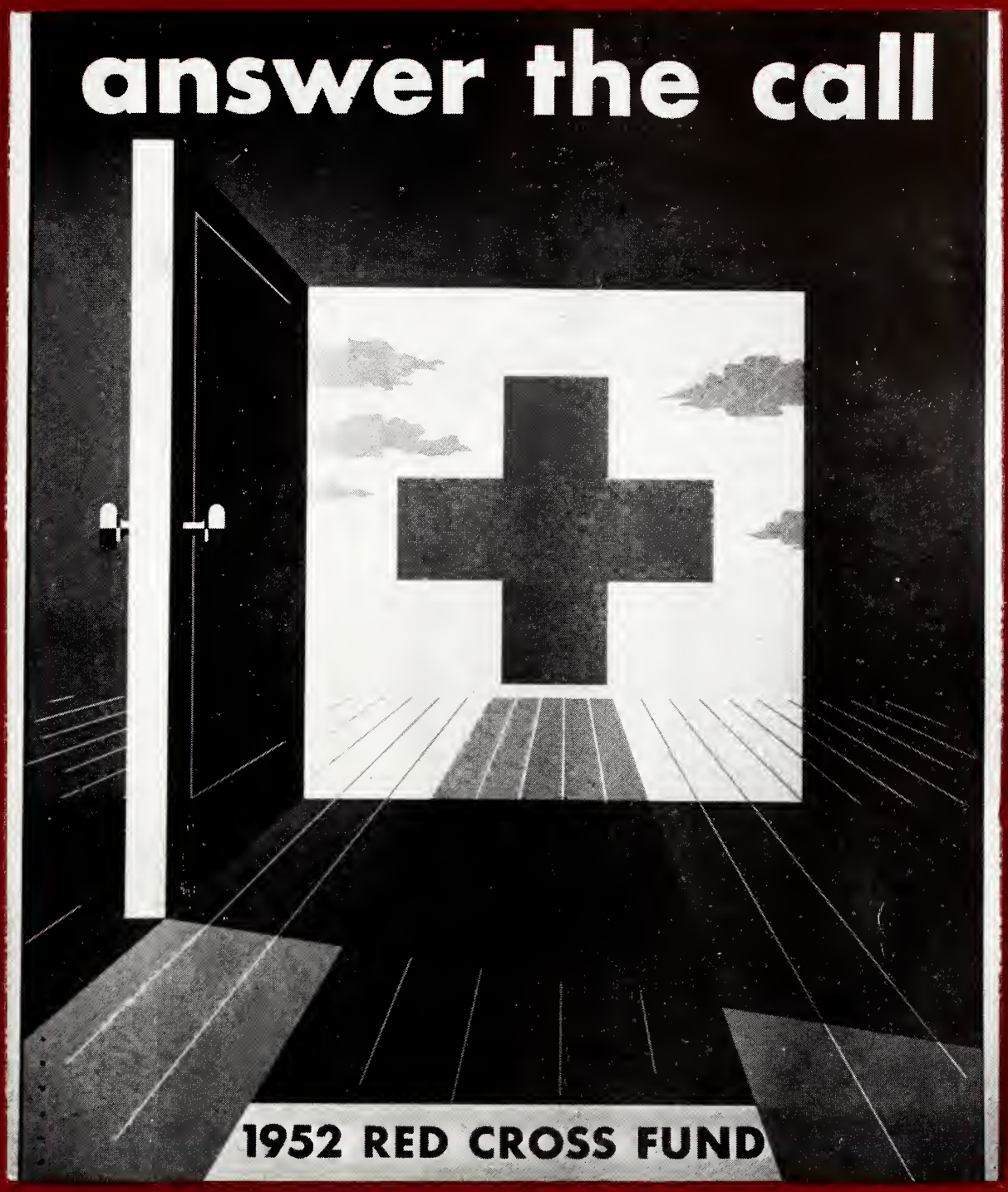


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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *Answer the Call*

The 1952 Red Cross fund appeal comes at a time of continuing world-wide crisis that demands a great voluntary effort n the part of everyone since military strength alone cannot solve he problems created by this crisis.

Many of us take the millions of Red Cross workers and their umanitarian activities for granted—and few of us realize the nany things they do in our name each day—tasks of mercy we vould perform gladly if we were at hand or if we knew the need.

Each day volunteers in towns and cities throughout the country carry on a staggering program. Blood is collected and made vailable to the armed forces and to civilian hospitals; able-bodied nd hospitalized servicemen and women are assisted in a thousand vays; disaster sufferers receive emergency care and shelter as vell as long-term rehabilitation aid.

Through less dramatic programs of service the Red Cross rains nurses' aides, home nurses, and first aiders, all of whom rovide a foundation for civil defense—self-help. The Red Cross ives our children an opportunity to serve their community, nation, and world—thus preparing them for the responsibilities of itizenship. In the fields of health and safety the Red Cross stands eady to give us instruction, training, and information. Internationally, it helps to make the facilities and advantages of our ountry available to other countries and peoples in need.

The Red Cross has a far-reaching effect upon the life of every American, especially during these uncertain times. Let's do our art to keep the services of the Red Cross geared to meet the eeds of the nation and all its citizens. Answer the call of the Red Cross today so that Red Cross can answer the call of Americans tomorrow.

### *Purim*

So many of the episodes concerned with the persecution of the ews have had tragic endings that when a gala occasion such as Purim comes along, allowing for joyous celebration, it is doubly welcome.

The story of Purim is of course, familiar to all of us. In the days of King Ahaseuerus (there were several kings to bear that name and it has never been definitely determined which Ahaseuerus this was) the King, after discarding his first wife, chose as her successor a maiden known both as Hadassah and Esther. It is as the latter that she has come down in history.

It seems that the King's counsellor, one Haman, took out on the Jews his animosity for one Mordecai, who he felt had hurt his vanity. Haman garbed his anti-Semitism in the cloak of patriotism, and for a long time gave the Jews a hard time. It was only when Queen Esther threw her lot with Mordecai that the Jews were relieved of their oppression—and Haman.

While the holiday is especially dear to the youngsters who delight in showing their feelings for the scoundrel, Haman, with their noise makers, during the recital of the Megillah, yet it is a time for retrospection for their elders too, who can rejoice in the extrication of their forbears from a trying situation.

### *Some Random Thoughts on Bigotry*

Perhaps it was the fact that another Brotherwood Week had come and gone that resulted in our projecting some thoughts on bigotry into expression. Or maybe it was coming upon a statement made by that brilliant writer and analyst, Philip Wylie, in his fascinating fantasy, "The Disappearance." Mr. Wylie sums up succintly what has been said by other non-Jews in different ways. In his book, he comments, "It is not the Jew who can heal anti-Semitism, but the Gentile alone, whose intellectual sickness anti-Semitism is."

In the light of the attention the McIver Report has focused on B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League, and other defense agencies, this truism will bear reading twice. We have no quarrel with these agencies. They are doing a needful work well. Which reminds us of a question which a non-Jewish friend of mine, who is interested in the A. D. L., asked us, in perfectly good faith: "Why," queried this friend, "does an organization that is doing so much *positive* work, continue to use a name (*Anti*-Defamation) which has such a *negative* connotation?" I couldn't adequately answer him, for I have myself, never had a satisfactory explanation.

Brotherhood Week brought back the occasion for a re-examination of what causes antipathies among people. If there were one common answer to be culled from all the speeches that were made throughout the land during this occasion, it most probably would be "understanding." It is amazing how little people understand one another, largely because they do not take the time to find out what makes the other fellow tick. If we were to realize how much all of us have in common, in our thinking, in our way of life, in the goals for which we are shooting, we wouldn't be so much disturbed by differences in how we worship God.

There is an important thought for us Jews in this reasoning. It is our job to let our neighbors know that our differences are relatively on the surface. We should make this plain in discussions on common problems—not overly agressively, but positively, in calm debate. If we find ourselves in agreement on a point, we should voice that agreement. If we disagree, we have the right as citizens of the United States to voice that disagreement. Tell 'em! Sell 'em! Do not shrink from participation in a friendly conversation because of some fancied inferiority complex. It is our conviction that if it were possible to bring to attention the similarity of our problems and how we go about arriving at solutions, we would accomplish as much as all the defense agencies combined—and at considerably less expense. We have taken non-Jewish neighbors to our Temple Sabbath services, (just as we have, in turn, attended their churches with them)—not to make Jews out of them, but to let them see how we worship God. Many of them wonder. We are positive the experience has broadened their view-point.

We have said before, and we say again, that in our humble opinion, you cannot legislate good-will. If you pass a law making

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# Early American Jewry

## A Review of Dr. Jacob R. Marcus' Book

*By* CHARLES REZNIKOFF

**EARLY AMERICAN JEWRY.** By Jacob R. Marcus. Philadelphia, Pa., The Jewish Publication Society of America, 1951. 329 pages and 15 illustrations. $3.50.

DR. JACOB R. MARCUS

This volume is about the Jews of New York, New England and Canada, from 1649 to 1794. It is the first of two volumes about early American Jewish life, and is based on letters in the printed proceedings of learned societies or still among unpublished manuscripts.

Dr. Marcus' book is not only learned but delightful, for it has the very speech and life of a time long ago. It is also a significant book. Like all good histories, the subject-matter is of yesterday but also of today. That we may fully understand the letters, Dr. Marcus explains them to us and tells us who wrote them: the characters speak to us from his pages about their problems and, at times, we find them like our neighbor's or our own. It is a new kind of history: every quoted word authentic and yet a history not unlike a novel or a play.

For example, when Phila Franks in 1742 eloped with Oliver Delancey, of "a noted (Gentile) family and really very fancy," her mother wrote the son in London: ". . . Good God, wath a shock it was when they acquainted me she had left the house and had bin married six months. I can hardly hold my pen whilst I am writting it. Itt's wath I never could have imagined, especialy affter wath I heard her soe often say, that noe consideration in life should ever induce her to disoblige such good parents . . .

"My spirits was for some time so depresst that it was a pain for me to speak or see any one. I have over come it soe far as not to make any concern soe conspicuous but I shall never have that serenity nor peace within I have soe happyly had hitther-to. My house has bin my prison ever since. I had not heart enough to goe near the street door . . . I wish it was in my power to leave this part of the world . . ."

Although Abigail Franks in that same letter says of Oliver Delancey that he was "a man of worth and charector," trying no doubt to make the best of it, seven years later Oliver and some of his friends with blackened faces smashed the windows and burst open the door of a poor Dutch Jewish immigrant in New York; they "pulled and tore everything to pieces . . . and used very indecent language."

A nice son-in-law for Jacob Franks, president of Shearith Israel!

'When Aaron Hart in 1786 sent his eighteen-year-old son, Moses, from Three Rivers on the St. Lawrence to New York, Moses' mother added a postscript to her husband's letter: ". . . When you arrive you will on my account say everything affectionate to my d'r Mammy and rest of my family . . . You will go to Mr. Eleazar Levy and present my best respects to him and Mrs. Levy and to Mr. Solom'n Myers Cohen and Mrs. Cohen and family, Mr. Hyam Myers and family . . ."

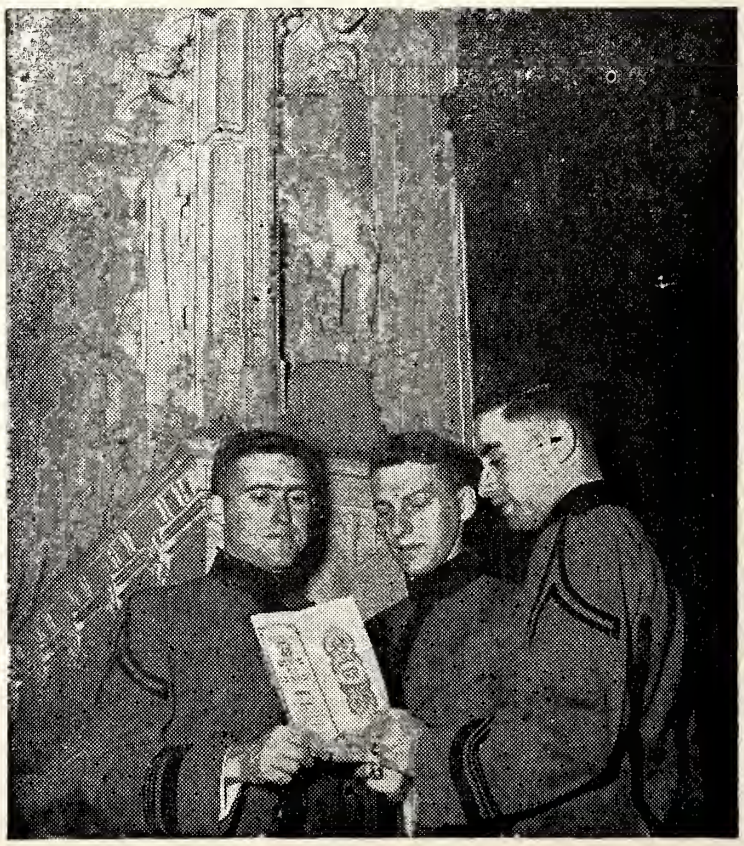
Aaron Hart had gone to Canada with the British troops during the French and Indian War, probably as a sutler, and had settled in Three Rivers to become the richest Jew in Canada. For one thing, he had learnt to hold his tongue, and the last letter to his son reads: "You will say as lettle as passeble about your business to any of the Jues in New York nor to your Unkils to (too). You must remain *Pesah* in a Jues house. Pray take care of your self and God bless you."

Some of the best letters in the book are by Samuel Jacobs who probably did not learn to hold his tongue. Like Hart, he had gone to Canada with the British troops and was in Quebec, at the latest, a month after his capture (1759). In 1761, he discharged one of his agents as follows: "Mr. Aaron, Sir: It is my desire on the rec'pt of this letter you (w)ill leave my house at St. Anthuens. You have been at a good expence to me and of no service, therefore you ill try if you can be of any to yourself, and prepare to Montreal where you ill let each of our (Jewish) brothers take an equal trouble with you as I have done. For had you staid much longer in (New) York, you would tire out your friends there, which was but few.

"Let my advice still be to you, not to aim at merchandize to raise yourself by, at the present, but go into some honest house and work for your victuals, and if you get nothing too aforehand, you ill still keep yourself out of trouble and be an honest man. "Ingenuity will shine in a man even if he is carrying a log of wood, therefore let the man you are with find out your ingenuity by merit and not by them horn buttons you have brought with you, and where are not worth five pence, and you have exposed me with them, both here and there, if it had been in your power . . ."

The specialist in American Jewish history, or American history for that matter, will be very pleased by the book, for he will find in it the answer to many a question as to a name or date, the details of a career, or the reason for a local regulation. Th general reader of history will see current in human affairs that bega its course long ago and far awa traced to his own country. Any co lection of books about Jews, no ma ter how small the collection is, mus have this book, of course. And ever American Jew who has a shelf for th Bible, a prayer-book, and a genera history of the Jews, will want thi book beside it for a profound, accu rate, and delightful study of how th European Jew over the years becam an American.

## *West Point's Statue Of Judah Maccabee Inspires Cadets To Discuss Israel Bonds*



**A statue of Judah Maccabee, ancient Jewish hero whose successful defense of Judea is celebrated during Chanukah, stands among the representations of leading military commanders at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. Shown in front of the statue or three members of the Academy's graduating class discussing the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Drive. Cadets Melvin Young of University City, Mo., Herbert Schandler of Asheville, N. C., and Jerry Brisman of New York City, N. Y., were special guests at the Israel Bond Chanukah Festival held at Madison Square Garden in New York City.**

# MY FIRST SIXTY YEARS

*By* EDDIE CANTOR

EDDIE CANTOR

**Eddie Cantor, beloved entertainer and humanitarian, outstanding American and Jew, celebrated his sixtieth birthday on January 31, 1952. He was honored on that day at a dinner in New York City sponsored by State of Israel Bonds. THE EDITOR**

IT is a difficult thing for a man to review sixty years of his life —especially sixty years as hectic and as full of change as these past years have been. A man in my business must somehow remain young—in spirit if not in years—and looking backward is not the way to do it.

Yet the comparison between then and now is interesting. For example, when I was born, Benjamin Harrison was President of the United States. I'll bet that a lot of the kids who read about him in their history books today find it hard to believe that anyone born during his term of office can still be alive and kicking. In those days, the total population of New York and Brooklyn, which were still separate cities, was scarcely two and a half million. There were no automobiles, no radios—and television was just a gleam in Marconi's eye.

These luxuries were not the only things missing on the East Side of New York during my childhood. We were familiar with cold and hunger. We wore ragged clothes, and lived in tenements. Yet sometimes I think that the lessons we learned in the meaning of America, the meaning of friendship and common humanity, were well worth all the hardships.

We had our troubles but our Americanism and our Judaism helped us bear them. My grandmother Esther, who raised me, couldn't afford to give me much **Heder** training, but I learned to be a Jew in much the same way that I learned to be an American. I learned what it means to be a Jew from seeing the way in which Jews reacted to the troubles of others. It seemed to me that this was their special distinction. A Jew who didn't have charity in his heart wasn't a good Jew. We didn't know much about scientific charity in those days, but there was a "pushke" in every home. A Jew was always helping others.

America stood for the same thing. Americanism means equal opportunity and justice for all. It is because of this that not only Jews, but Irishmen, Italians, Russians, Greeks and people of a hundred different nationalities have come to America. To be a Jew and to be an American means to pursue the same ideal. I think I am a better American because I am a good Jew and a better Jew because I am a good American.

When I started out, acting was my profession and doing good deeds (schnorring) was by hobby. Today it is almost the other way around. I am proud of my record as a "schnorrer." I have schnorred not only for Jewish causes, but for Protestant, and Catholic causes. The Jews on the East Side weren't raised to see others suffering and stand idly by.

When I have protested against injustice, I have protested not only as a Jew, but as an American, because, as I say, it is this indignation against unrighteousness which is the fundamental principle of both.

I think some of you will remember the occasion six years ago when I took advertising space in the New York Times to denounce the British General, Sir Frederick Morgan, who was chief of UNRRA operations in Germany. Sir Frederick, you will recall, took it upon himself to denounce those of us who were trying to aid Jewish D.P.'s in getting to Palestine. He said that we were part of a world Jewish plot, and that the condition of the Jewish survivors was far from being as bad as we said.

General Morgan's statement dramatized for me, and I believe for many others, the tragic fact that Hitlerism did not die with Hitler. In a sense, his statement, vicious though it was, served a useful purpose. It became increasingly clear to hundreds of thousands and millions of Americans that the struggle for Jewish Statehood was part and parcel of the fight against the remnants of Hitler's philsophy.

To my mind, the creation of the State of Israel is the most effective answer that has ever been given to those who still adhere to Hitler's ideas. The people of Israel have proved, and are proving every day, that Jewish courage and Jewish initiative can overcome the most difficult handicaps. They are proving their ability to work and sacrifice, and die if necessary, for the ideals of democracy and justice.

About a year and a half ago, Ida and I made our first visit to Israel. We saw with our own eyes what we had been talking about for a long time. I can't begin to tell you what a thrill that trip was for us. We saw a land humming with energy and growth. We saw people returned to health and hope after years of a living death in concentration camps and DP camps. We saw clearly, for the first time, the future that these people—**our** people —are building for themselves and their children for generations to come.

In the short time since our visit, Israel has made great progress. I think that one of the clearest indications of this is the fact that her Government has undertaken the issuance of the $500,000,000 Independence Bond Issue. It takes courage to invite that sort of investment, and the assurance that Israel has the means and the resources to build a strong economy in a relatively few years. It is one of the greatest thrills of my life to know that I have lived to see the day when the Jews of Israel are self-sustaining, when they are strong enough economically to ask for a loan with the knowledge that they have the capacity

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**Robert J. Gurney of Gastonia, North Carolina State Chairman for the State of Israel Bond Drive, is shown meeting Eddie Cantor at the State of Israel Bond dinner held January 31st to celebrate Cantor's sixtieth birthday. 1,700 men and women from all parts of the country each bought $1,000 or more in State of Israel Bonds in order to attend the dinner, as a result of which $2,616,000 in Israel Bonds were sold. The $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Issue is the cornerstone of Israel's historic program of economic development and immigrant absorption.**

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# Purim as a Symbol

THE Purim festival, one of the most colorful in Jewish annals, keeps alive the story of how Haman, the Hitler of ancient times, was frustrated in his plot to destroy the Jews of Persia in the fifth century before the Christian era. In the light of Jewish history, the pages of which are studded with tragedies, it is quite natural that the Jews of other countries at other times should have instituted their own Purims to record for later generations the dangers which had been averted by their forefathers. Consequently there are many places in the world where Jews celebrate two Purims, one on the 14th of Adar in the Hebrew calendar (March 11th this year), the day which tradition tells us the intervention of Queen Esther with King Ahaseurus (Xerxes) foiled Haman and the second on some other day which commemorates Jewish redemption from the hands of a human enemy or from a natural calamity.

The number of such extra Purims has been variously estimated as anywhere from 20 to 100. And their names —Earthquake Purim, Purim of Bandits, Gunpowder Purim, Purim of the Christians, Plum Jam Purim and French Purim—are as bizarre as the events they commemorate are interesting.

GUNPOWDER PURIM recalls a gunpowder magazine explosion at Vilna in 1804 in which 31 persons were killed and the home of Chief Rabbi Danzig wrecked. By a miracle the rabbi and his family escaped uninjured and so he established a special Purim on the 15th day of Kislev, 10 days before Chanukah. Plum Jam Purim dates from 1731. Just fours days before the regular Purim that year a Christian girl in Bohemia became ill after eating some plum jam purchased from a Jewish grocer. Other members of the family also took sick and the father died. The burgomaster ordered the arrest of the Jewish grocer on a charge of poisoning. But it was soon established that the man had died of tuberculosis so the grocer was freed. And in memory of the event he established Plum Jam Purim.

In Bulgaria the Jews celebrate the PURIM OF THE POISONED SWORD on the 9th and 10th days of Cheshvan in commemoration of an event in 1807. The governor of the city of Vedan, a noted swordsman, challenged one of his officials to a duel. The latter used a poisoned sword and the governor, who lost the duel, became critically ill. Since the duel had been fought in secret, the cause of the governor's illness was a mystery, but his physician, Chacham Bashi, who was also chief rabbi, diagnosed it as poisoning and declared the governor would die. The population then began to whisper that Jews had poisoned the governor and must therefore be destroyed. The governor, however, got wind of the plot and from his death-bed exculpated the Jews from the blame.

On the Greek island of Chios Jews celebrate the PURIM OF THE BAKER WOMAN in honor of an event th occurred in 1820 during the Gree revolt against Turkey. A Jewess wh lived in one of the bastions of th city's fortified wall sets up a stove du ing the siege and began baking brea As she was putting the bread into th oven she accidentally rested the glov ing end of her shovel near a canno the fuse of which took fire, causin it to explode. This awoke the Turkis soldiers who were able to repel Greek sortie as a result of the Jewess act.

PURIM OF THE BANDITS kee alive the memory of the narrow escap of the Jews of Adrianople in 178 when the city was attacked by an a my of mountain brigands. Althoug they were repulsed, the Jewish inhab itants were accused of collusion wit the bandits because the latter ha captured the Jewish quarter and at tacked the rest of the city from tha stronghold. In appreciation of thei deliverance the rabbis ordained th Purim of Bandits.

The FRENCH PURIM is observe by Jews at Ancona, Italy, in memor of deliverance after almost a week' terror during the Napoleonic wars lat in the 18th century. During this week until French soldiers could arrive t save them, the synagogue was invaded the Ark was pelted with stones an preparations were made to burn th ghetto. When the French troops arriv ed many Jews were in their ranks They heard of the danger facing thei fellow Jews and hastened to them They dispersed the attackers and tearing the yellow badge of shame from the heads of the Jews, replaced it with the tricolor cockade.

The Jews of Chirak, Persia, celebrate an interesting Purim on the second day of Heshvan. The story as told in Persian-Jewish literature of the 13th century is as follows:

Abe Alchasan was a Jewish ritual slaughterer and meat seller of Chirak. At one time there was a suspicion that on Rosh Hashonah he was selling trefe meat which he represented as kosher. The suspicion was so strong that although Alchasan was considered a pious man he was forbidden to function as a ritual slaughterer and a general prohibition to Jews against buying from him was issued.

That the suspicion was probably justified is evidenced by the fact that shortly after the slaughterer was punished in this fashion he became a convert and began to harass the Jews.

Since the inhabitants of Chirak were pious Mohammedans, to whom the reviling of their religion was the greatest of sins, the slaughterer convert spread a rumor that the Jews had blasphemed against the Mohammedan population to such an extent that the city fathers issued a decree that all Jews be killed unless they went over to the Mohammedan faith.

The Jewish population capitulated and all became converts. But in the meantime the slaughterer's conscience had begun to bother him. In a short

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# Good Neighbor Exchange

Reprinted from *The Telephone Review*

HE thrill of a lifetime" is the way Antoinette Leavy, training upervisor, Eastern Manhattan, for the ast six years, describes her assignent to go to Israel to teach the telehone operators there courteous and iendly service as practiced by our perators.

She left early this month and exects to be gone six to eight weeks.

The trip came about several weeks go when Dov Josef, Minister of Comunication and Transportation in the rael government, requested through e Israeli Consulate in New York at a representative of the New York elephone Company be sent over to ain the operators in his country. He ressed the point that he wanted them ained like our operators, as he conders the service here "the best to be und anywhere."

"I am not sure just what is to be ne but am planning to go to Jerulem first to determine just what the eeds are," Mrs. Leavy said. "I will so spend some time in Haifa and Tel viv. I am taking with me some visual ds and movies pertaining to efficient nd courteous service which are used training the operators here. I will ain the instructors and they, in turn, ill teach the operators."

While she is gone, she expects to ke advantage of the opportunity to e various places of interest in Eupe and Asia.

Mrs. Leavy was cornered for this terview while she was in the midst preparations for the trip, including king a series of typhoid and smallox shots and a shopping whirl for opical clothing. "With all the inconenience of making preparations. I ill wouldn't miss this opportunity," he said.

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Mrs. Leavy, who is better known to ompany associates as "Toni" Hall ther than by her married name, first egan working with the Company durg a summer vacation from Washingn Irving High School. Up to that me, she had always wanted to be a hool teacher. She started as an opator in the old Greeley Exchange, cated in the theatrical district, and ked the work so much she never ent back to school.

The supervisor said, "I have never gretted the move because I have obined what practically amounts to a llege education by taking various urses during my career with the ompany. Also, in the course of my ork I have done considerable teachg so I have satisfied my ambition ong that line."

During her career, Mrs. Leavy has lled a variety of positions in the traf- department. She was a chief operor at the age of 29 when she had en with the Company 14 years.

As training supervisor, Mrs. Leavy orks with the chief operators planing training courses of all types for he operators. Prior to this post, she was chief operator in various central offices in the Manhattan area. She said, "I always strive to train the operators to be natural and express themselves in a friendly, courteous way."

Mrs. Leavy belongs to the Telephone Pioneers of America and served as vice president of her chapter of the organization at one time, the third woman ever to hold that post. She also was active in the hobby and fashion shows sponsored by the organization and one year was mistress of ceremonies for the fashion show which was held at the Hotel Astor.

She lives in Elmhurst with her husband and their cocker spaniel, "Rusty."

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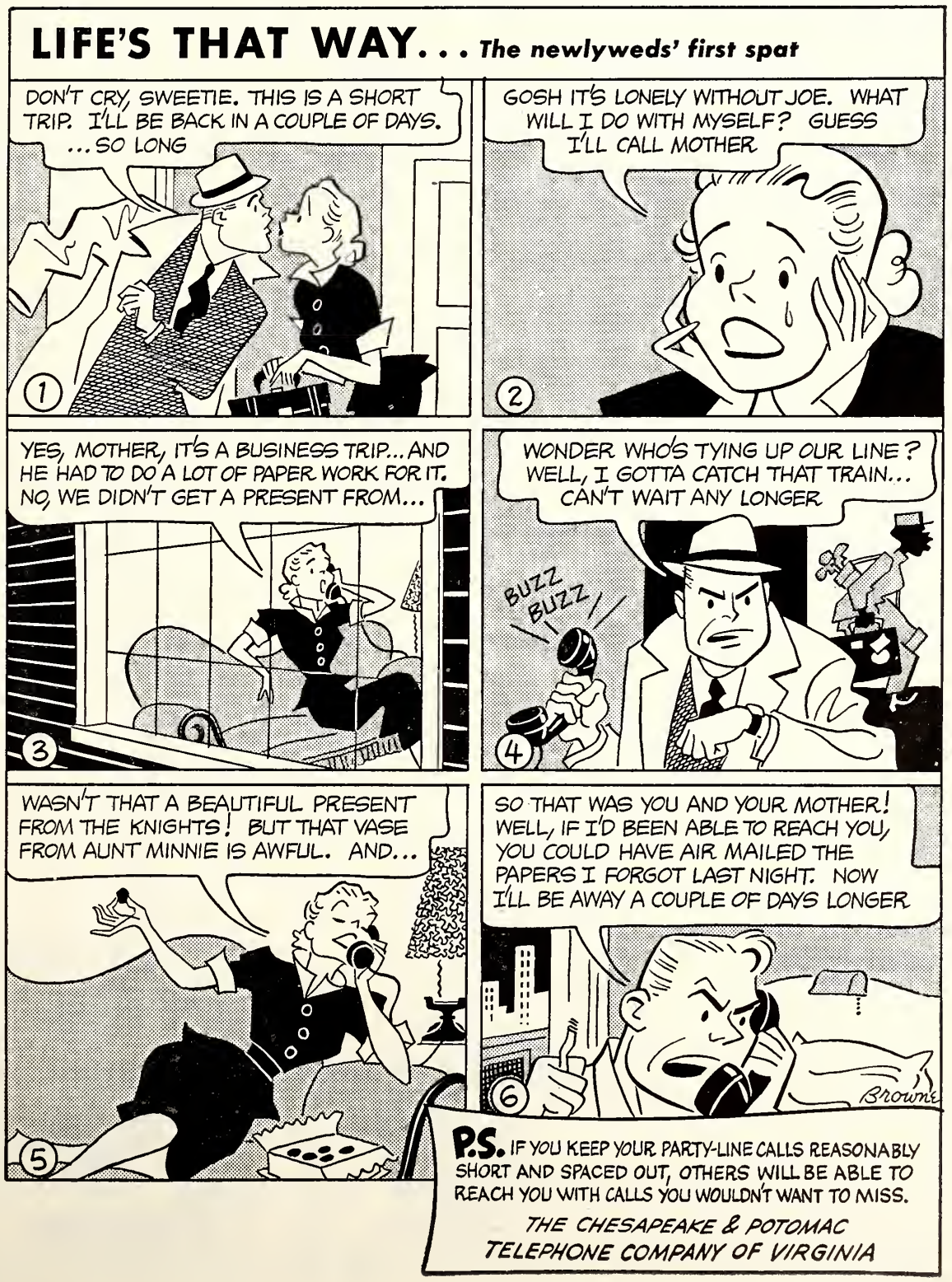
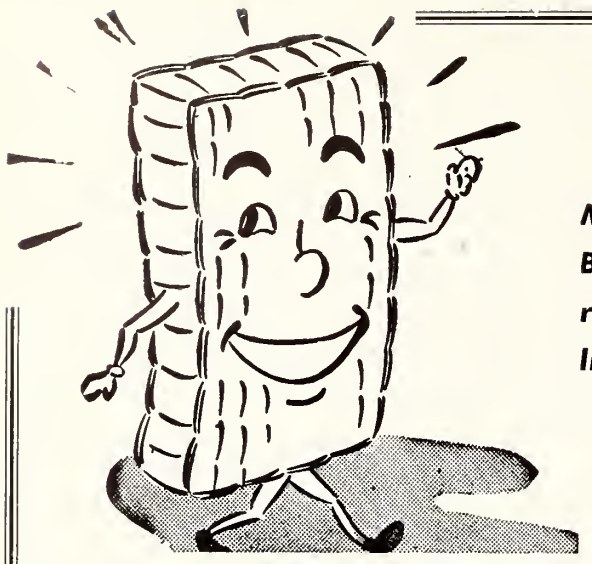
**Mrs. Antoinette Leavy With a Training Class**



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# A Governor Writes To a Citizen

**The following is an exchange of correspondence between the president of the Baltimore Chapter of the American Council for Judiasm and the Hon. Theodore R. McKeldin, Governor of Maryland. THE EDITOR**

Baltimore Chapter
The American Council for Judaism
Post Office Box 322
Baltimore 3, Maryland
July 19, 1951

The Honorable Theodore R. McKeldin
Annapolis, Maryland.

My Dear Governor:

As you know I was present at Saranac when you delivered your speech to the Commercial Law Convention. I noticed that you very arduously urged the buying of Israeli bonds. It is difficult for our group to understand why you should do this, in view of the fact that a number of Jewish people do not endorse the idea of allegiance to Israel which is part of the Zionist creed.

There is no more reason to urge the buying of Israeli bonds than the buying of Iranian or Arabian bonds. In fact, some of the unusual friendliness to Israel that this government has adopted might possibly be a boomerang to us in view of the Arabian attitude toward us.

I am enclosing a paper which explains the American Council for Judaism's position. This letter is written to you simply as a means of furnishing you with the facts.

With every personal and cordial good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,
Philip Heller Sachs,
President.

August 1, 1951

Mr. Philips Heller Sachs, President
Baltimore Chapter
The American Council for Judaism
Post Office Box 322
Baltimore 3, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Sachs:

You have written me concerning my address at Saranac to the Commercial Law League Convention. You say:

"I noticed that you very arduously urged the purchasing of Israeli bonds. It is difficult for our group (the American Council for Judaism) to understand why you should do this, in view of the fact that a number of Jewish people do not endorse the idea of allegiance to Israel which is part of the Zionist creed."

If my stand surprises you, your re action excites in me nothing shor of amazement. It is not my purpos to enter into a technical debate o Zionism. Suffice it to say that Zior ism as universally understood doe not call for political allegiance fro American citizens to the Governmer of Israel. Even more pertinently, th purchase of Israeli bonds involves n act of Allegiance to Israel. I hav never heard it suggested that Amer cans who purchased British or Arger tine or Peruvian or other foreig bonds created any problem of alle giance. They were simply American who had bought foreign bonds.

The implications of your letter hav been answered so often that by no your society should have ceased to b disturbed over this trumped-up prot lem of allegiance. Except in the cas of a few extremist anti-Jewish ag tators, who are considered completel irresponsible for their utterances, have found no problem of this natur in the minds of my non-Jewish friend Very few indeed among your own pec ple share your fear that their Amer can loyalty is in any sense compro mised if they show friendly solicitud for the advancement of the State o Israel. The concern you express ove the danger of a split allegiance is ex cessive and unwholesome, and in m opinion miscontrues the requirement of true allegiance to the United State and its ideals.

Are you intimating that when speak for the Israeli Bond drive tha I am guilty of something forbidde by my allegiance to America? I coul not treat seriously any suggestion tha my American allegiance was someho impaired when I purchased an Is rael Bond or when I urged others t do so. And if my American allegianc is not brought into question by suc action, I do not see how the Americar ism of any of my Jewish friends i impaired if they showed a natura warmth and sympathy for a young na tion whose ideals are quite identica to those of our land. There is n rational basis for fearing a conflict o loyalty if Americans are willing to as sist Israel in the great humanitaria task which it has undertaken. Th overwhelming majority of Amer cans, regardless of creed or nationa origin, do not interpret America

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# Easter Seals at Work

*By* ELEANOR S. MOSHER

*Program Director, North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Chapel Hill, North Carolina*

Easter Seals, as during the past 18 years, will be sent to North Carolina residents one month before Easter. From March 13 to April 13, North Carolinians will have the opportunity to provide unmet services to its handicapped children.

The Easter Seal appeal is sponsored by the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, and is conducted in the 48 states of the United States, and in the District of Columbia, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and Hawaii.

In North Carolina the campaign is conducted by the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Of all the funds raised by its chapters, 91.7 per cent remains in North Carolina. The chapters retain 55 per cent and 8.3 per cent supports the national program of education, research and direct service. The State Society will use its share to direct the program of service and education.

We who are working for and with crippled children are coming to realize that we will always have crippled persons in our communities, and it will probably be true regardless of all the advance in medical sciences and chemistry. Our concern is to make it possible for the people who are crippled to be able to take part in the social, economic and cultural life where ever they live. In other words, to help normal people accept persons with their handicaps, so that school doors will be opened and supplied with teachers and facilities to permit handicapped children to get an education, and prepare for job training. This is what we wish the public to know.

Countless handicapped children have abilities, talent, and intellect which can be developed into usefulness. For this reason, the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, has sponsored institutes, lectures, and demonstration classes in the Summer schools of the teacher training institutions of the State and to give handicapped children learning experiences in normal school surroundings. It has been stated that 60,000 handicapped children in North Carolina are still in need of teachers trained to teach them. The North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, sensing the urgency of the need for special education teacher training, has created scholarships for teachers selected for this training. At present, only 87 special education teachers are in the schools of North Carolina. We need 2,500 of these teachers if our handicapped children are to realize their right to a public school education.

It goes without saying that our parent-education program is expanding in the Study Group composed of parents of handicapped children. As parents become aware of a child's crippling condition they realize the situation is not one of illness which can be cured. They are baffled, appalled, confused, sometimes resentful sometimes resigned. Where to turn for professional diagnosis and treatment becomes of paramount importance. But where to turn?

The seven Study Groups for parents of handicapped children give them the opportunity to talk about their problems, probably for the first time to folks who will understand, and not give pity. They learn from each other of the successes and failures they have had in dealing with their children. By so doing these parents learn too, that although the crippled child is the center of their problem, that often the husband-wife or sister-brother relationship is at stake. Keeping the family in balance is another important problem for all of them. As these parents listen to invited specialists they realize the importance of their own cooperation with doctors, nurses, therapists, psychologists and teachers who are working for the physical, emotional, and intellectual welfare of their children.

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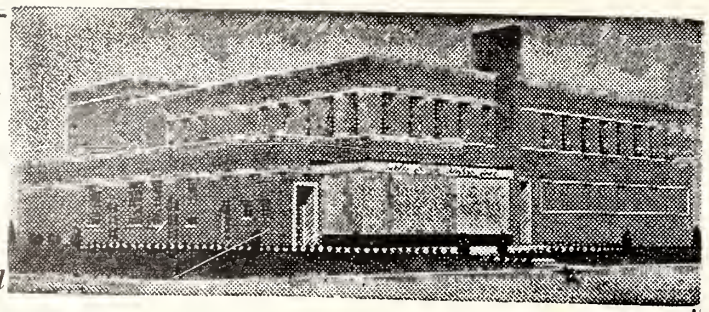

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# RICHMOND, VA., NEWS

## BETH SHOLOM HOME

**By Mrs. Lowenthal**

Through Mr. S. I. Seldes, and Mr. Sam Schultz' efforts, Mr. Al Harris from New York, came to entertain our residents with a program of Yiddish humor. His talent was greatly appreciated by our old ladies and gentlemen.

On January 27, 1952, the Beth Sholom Home held its annual meeting at the Beth Israel Social Center. Those present witnessed the election of the new officers, and also had the opportunity to listen to our guest speaker, Mr. Joseph P. Folkloff, executive director of the Levindale Hebrew Home and Infirmary in Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. Folkloff gave us a very inspiring talk about how to eliminate old age problems and how to keep the aged happy.

Our newly-elected officers and members of the board are: Mr. Samuel I. Seldes, president; vice-presidents, Harry Schneider, Richmond; Lester Sherrick, Norfolk; Theodore Beskin, Newport News; Paul Bernstein, Roanoke; Sylvan Lichenstein, Lynchburg; Leonard G. Karp, Portsmouth. I. Carton, treasurer; Mrs. Edward Marx, Norfolk, recording secretary; Mrs. Jerome Meyer, Richmond, corresponding secretary. Board members elected from Richmond Jewish Community Council are: Mrs. Louis Brodie, Allan Fleischer, Jack Gold, S. J. Kessler, Albert Kleinkopf, I. R. Levet, Stanley Linas, Mrs. Jerome Myer, Sam Perel, David Rothenberg, Joe Rudlin, Samuel I. Seldes, Mrs. Max Shapiro, Mrs. S. Herman Stern, Samuel Z. Troy and Saul Viener.

Those elected from the Beth Sholom Home are: David Arenstein, Ellis Bernstein, Herbert A. Benson, Isador Carton, George Grandis, Albert Liniado, Ted Rees, Sam Schultz, Morris Smeyne, Harry Schneider, Mrs. I. Carton, Mrs. I. Seldes, Mrs. E. Bernstein, Mrs. Sol Evans, and Mrs. Esther Wolfsthal.

Representative of Lynchburg, Va.: Mr. Sylvan Lichenstein and Mr. Abe Cohen. Representative of Roanoke, Va., Mr. Paul Bernstein. Representative of Newport News: Theodore Beskin, Allan Conn and Rubin Greenspon. Representative of Portsmouth: Mr. Sol Fass, Mr. Leonard G. Karp, Charles D. Kanter and Mrs. Max Cramer.

We are sorry not to be able to mention at this time the representatives of Norfolk, Va., whose names will be published later.

## B. AND P. HADASSAH

**By Mrs. Morris Lewis**

The Business and Professional Group of Hadassah, Richmond, Virginia, started the year 1952 with an active and interesting month of January. Also a crowded schedule fo February and March. Judging fron the enthusiasm and interest of th members, this is going to be one o the most successful years in the his tory of this group.

Miss Koenig and Mrs. Mandle lea the discussion on "Great Jewish Wo men in America," at the February 6t study group. Each member promise to bring a guest.

At the board meeting held at th home of Miss Charlotte Imburg, o January 23rd, we were given the low down on the card party, which wa held on February 27th at the Curle Neck Dairy Parlor Room. Tosia Joe and Ida Sternberg obtained som beautiful prizes which were give away that night. Refreshments unde the supervision of Elenore Kavits an Rose Greenspoon. Is "Nuf Sed?" Pas experience has proven their ability i this art. As an added attraction, Mrs Marion Howard was in charge o decorations. A delightful evening o games, prizes, and goodies, was en joyed by all. Hostesses for the eve ning Mrs. Fred Seigel, Lil Frankel Grace Lewis, Marion Howard, and Ethel Budnick.

The board meeting was held at th home of Mrs. Sadie Bernstein, on Feb ruary 23rd, and the next regular meet ing will be at the Jewish Community Center on March 12th; further plans will be made for the Israel Supply Month.

We are very proud of the wonderful response of our members to the U.J.A. drive. Not only will we give all we can, but we have the sincere promise of each B. and P. member to take an active part in the U.J.A. drive. We know that Richmond will go over the top this year.

As always the group is ready to support the Hadassah in all its undertakings. The Bonus Show, given at the W.R.V.A. theatre on January 30th was a great success. Our membership attended in great numbers and a grand time was had by all.

Last but not least, there is the big treat for the month of March. Plans are almost ready for the "Tasting Dinner," to be given by the B. and P. group. All members prepare their favorite receipt, and they give the others a chance to taste their culinary masterpieces. Is that a treat? YUM-YUM! We received some inside information. It just makes our mouths water. The date will be announced later. Look forward to it! We'll be looking for you!

This is only the start of the year. Watch the Richmond Group all through '52. Our slogan for the year is, "Come with me, to the B. and P."

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# Richmond Temple Beth Israel

by

**MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ**

It has been my rewarding pleasure ach month to bring you news of 'emple Beth Israel Women's Club and rom time to time news of the entire ongregation. It is with great pride hat this month I bring you news of remendous interest, not only from he standpoint of the Women's Club r the Beth Isreal Congregation, but f interest to the entire Jewish com-nunity and City of Richmond . . . of ourse I am writing of the arrival of Rabbi Jules Lipshutz as the newly-lected spiritual leader of Temple Beth Israel.

Rabbi Lipshutz is formerly of New Castle, Pennsylvania. He is a native f Philadelphia and attended the Yeshivah Mishkan Israel and Brooklyn Mesivtah Torah Vodath. He continued is rabbinic studies and graduated rom the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Yeshi-ah Theological Seminary and Yeshi-ah University of New York City and imultaneously attended the college of he City of New York. Rabbi Lipshutz ccupied the pulpit of the historic Touro Synagogue of Newport, R. I., ow a National Historic Shrine desig-ated by the United States Depart-nent of Interior. He was also engaged n Chaplaincy duties at the Newport Naval Training Station and Naval Hos-ital, under the auspices of the Na-ional Jewish Welfare Board. He is a nember of the Rabbinical Council of f America, Rabbinical Alumni of Yeshivah University, Mizrachi Organi-ation of America Zionist Organiza-ion of America and B'nai B'rith Lodge.

Rabbi Lipshutz has initiated many ew and interesting projects for the Sunday School, starting with the elec-ion of a student council. More detail f this project will be written up next month. He has conducted most inspiring Friday night services and the congregation is most cordially invited to bring their friends and neighbors to attend this enjoyable custom. He has placed important emphasis on the Oneg Shabbot, and at this informal Schul family gathering, it serves to bring the full love of observing the Sabbath in the traditional manner and participation in devotion, closer to the busy work-a-day public. Be sure to make attendance to temple activities and especially the Friday night services a happy rewarding habit.

On March 21, 1952, the Woman's Club of Temple Beth Israel held their regular monthly meeting. Mrs. Frances Mollen, program chairman has had many requests for special religious films and has scheduled a most interesting one for the March meeting.

A word in closing to give special thanks to the many wonderful people whose terrific cooperation and work made the Beth Israel Bazaar such an overwhelming success. Thanks again. Bye now.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

**Barbara K. Bear, Reporter**

Affairs both national and local have concerned the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women during the latter part of January and February. Representatives of the Legislative and International Relations Committees attended an Action Conference scheduled by National Council of Jewish Women at its Washington, D. C., offices February 19 and 20. The agenda included planned visits to congressmen, legislators and a meeting with State Department officials concerning operations of American foreign policy. Discussion techniques were also demonstrated at these meetings.

Members of the Virginia State Legislature, at committee hearings, heard the Council's view on two important bills now before them. January 24 Council stated its case for better appropriations for the mental hospitals. N. C. J. W. was also allotted time January 29 to speak out against opening the relief rolls to the scrutiny of the general public. Members of the State Legislative Committee of the Council are striving too, for a revised Juvenile Court Bill and for appropriations to implement that bill.

A Council Scholarship student, Batyah Jassy, was the guest speaker February 6 at the monthly meeting of the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women, held at the Beth Ahabah Social Center at 12:30. Miss Jassy is presently studying the administration of social agencies at the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Work. Originally from Germany, Miss Jassy was formerly a field organizer and social worker in Tel Aviv. She is being sponsored by the Overseas and Social Welfare Department of the National Council of Jewish Women.

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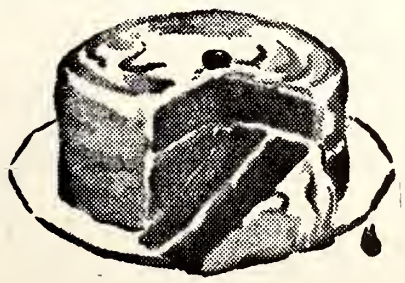

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of Richmond, Virginia. This group is making a vital contribution to Richmond's Jewish citizens of sixty years of age and over. Above all, its members are imbued with the spirit of companionship and the satisfaction of doing something for others.

Grand Group was founded approximately three years ago by the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women. From its inception this organization has proven its value not only to its own membership, but to the community at large by stressing the urgent need for planning for those in the upper age bracket. Originally the purpose of the organization was purely social with the members holding meetings once a month. Since last September Grand Group has added many purposeful activities to its agenda which, combined with the monthly social meetings, provide its members with rich and rewarding experiences.

There are three weekly groups with volunteer leadership provided by the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women. Every Tuesday afternoon a group meets to make toys for the Jewish children of Israel. Thursday mornings find a gathering of "new Americans" learning English conversation through the study of American history and current events. A third group is now being formed to work on the organization's monthly newspaper, "Grand Group Gossip." This paper has now been issued for three months, with contributions submitted by Grand Group members.

Since last October Miss Maxine Rudman, a senior student at R. P. I. with group work experience, has aided the organization in its programming. Miss Rudman is supervised by the professional staff of the Jewish Center. Grand Group has had monthly programs on Jewish books and the meaning of the holidays, to mention a few. Of special importance was the December meeting at which the residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged acted as hosts for the entire membership.

Many vital plans are now being formulated for the future. Grand Group hopes to increase its membership by offering varied activities which will appeal to an ever larger group of Richmond's Jewish citizens in the "golden years of life."

The Jewish Center has provided Grand Group with a permanent club room in its building, while the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women finances the programs. Council representatives and Grand Group members work closely with the professional staff of the Jewish Center.

Some of those contributing to the success of Grand Group are: Mrs. Sam Bowman, Grand Group president; Dr. Samuel Nagler, vice-president; Miss Hattie Brent, secretary; Mr. Marcus Lamm, treasurer; Miss Frances Calisch, advisory board member. Advisers to Grand Group from the N. C. J. W. are Mrs. Samuel Z. Troy and Mrs. Robert Wallerstein. Mrs. Jack Marash directs the making of toys for Israel and Mrs. Morris J. Appelman supervises the English conversation group. Mrs. Irvin Shapiro is motor corps chairman.

## Richmond Senior Hadassah

**By Mrs. E. J. Lipson**

A joint meeting of the Senior Chapter Hadassah and the Beth El Sisterhood was held on February 20th, at 8 p.m. at the Beth El Social Center. This is an annual affair at which time both organizations join to-gether to celebrate the National Jewish Music Month. Rabbi and Mrs. Morris Okum, cantor of Beth El, had charge of the elaborate program which had as it's theme, "A people that sings, lives, and a people that lives, sings." Refreshments were served.

The gala affair for the benefit of the Senior Chapter Hadassah, of Richmond was held on Wednesday, January 30th, at the W. R. V. A. Theatre. A fine performance was given by the entire cast and had the Jewish English flavor so enjoyable to to-day's audiences. The cast featured, Rosalie Alter, eleven year old juvinile actress who has been seen on Broadway in "LOVE LIFE" as well as the Equity Production of "PRIMROSE PATH."

Janie Slevens was the former featured vocalist on the Buddy Roger Orchestra and also has had many roles on television. Comedian Al Stevens is a night club entertainer who kept them rolling in the aisles. Paul Benson is well known as "THE KRAZY AUCTIONEER." Ted and Denny Peters were specialty dances and Betty Walker, as a character actress gave a fine performance. Miss Walker is best known for her portrayal of "MRS. KRAMER" with the "GOLDBERGS" on Television. This was a full two hour show brought down from New York by the Chapter as a fund raising as well as a high light social event. The cast were guests at the "After Theatre" Party at the Raleigh Hotel. Mrs. Lewis Steinberg was Chairman with Mrs. Ben Garfield as co-chairman. The following assisted in this gigantic project:

Mesdames Isadore Kayne, Treasurer for the dance, E. J. Lipson, Publicity, Nathan Kessler, co-chairman, publicity, Howard Lipius, Snack Party, H. Klaff, her co-chairman, Anne Hessellson, refreshments, Stanley Wasserman, her co-chairman, David Cohen, Solicitations, assisted by, Mesdames, Harry Cohen, Harry Abrahamson, Louis Weinstein, Albert Co-

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## NEWS OF THE STATE BY OUTLOOK CORRESPONDENTS

**THE HOLIDAY BALL, an annual affair, sponsored by the Richmond Seetion, National Council of Jewish Women was held at the Virginia Room of the John Marshall Hotel December 29. The girls presented at the Ball are (left to right): Miss Harriet Meyer, Miss Sylvia Troy, Miss Marcia November, Miss Eileen Furman, Miss Maryon Plotkin, Miss Ruth Girshin, all of Richmond. Behind them, their escorts are: Mr. Fred Applestein of Baltimore, Mr. Alan Wurtzel, Mr. Phil Kocen of Richmond; Mr. Irwin Cogan of Portsmouth; Mr. Morton Weinstein, and Mr. Morton Weiman of Richmond.**

hen, Irvin Foreman, Donald Freedman, H. F. Oppleman, Nat Horowitz, I. J. Siegel, Cyrus Slavin, H. Klaff, Bert Brent, Milton Brown, Dave Caplan.

Also, Mesdames, Harry Goodman, Sam Imberg, A. D. Lapkin, Ben Lott, Aaron Miller, Aaron Nachman, Sam Richmond, Charles Scer, Morris Schoenbaum, Ann Gross, Ben Kafka, Phillip Kittenplan, Hyman Flax, B. Shapiro, S. B. Evans, Joseph Binders, Al Chepp, A. Kaminsky, M. Servitz, Julius Shapiro, Jos. Picon, Irwin Shapiro, Sam Penn, Jerome Meyer, Mark Schneider, Hyman Osmalov, Murry Kolinsky, Nissies Cohen, Morris Rosen, M. D. Grandis, Malcolm Kallman, Ben Handell, Getty Schwartz, Sol Banks, Jack Sniderman, S. Pressner, Morton Meyer and Jack Moore.

### TEMPLE BETH EL

**By Mrs. Allan G. Minko**

Temple Beth El will be host to congregations Beth Ahabah, and Beth Israel of Richmond, at a joint service to be held in Beth El Temple for the U. J. A. Campaign. Guest speaker for this special service to be held March 21st, Friday at 8 P.M. will be Rabbi Solomon Goldman, of the Anshe Emet Synagogue, Chicago, Illinois, which is the largest conservative Synagogue in America.

On Friday, February 15, Temple Beth El was privileged to have as guest speaker, Dr. Abba Abrams, distinguished Rabbi of the Jacob Schiff Jewish Center, of New York City. It was with great pains and effort that the Jewish Theological Seminary procured for us this distinquished leader of Conservative Judaism. Dr. Abba Abrams, who spoke in observance of United Synagogue Sabbath, is noted for his outstanding record of service for the past twenty years with the Jacob Schiff Jewish Center, the largest conservative congregation in the Bronx. Also, Dr. Abrams recently served as general chairman of the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, which took place in Carnegie Hall, New York.

The renowned Jewish sculptor, and guest speaker, Mr. Nehemiah Mark, of Mt. Vernon, New York lectured on an exhibition of his work in the Temple Social Hall following Friday evening services, Friday, February 8. Mr. Mark who was brought to Beth El Temple, through the courtesy of B'nai B'rith men and women of Richmond, started working in woods, when as a tutor in Jewish subjects two years ago, sought a device through which he could stimulate his young students in their studies of Jewish history, ethics, literature and law. He feels that in using woods, the whittler can record his impressions directly, and to Mr. Mark, his material is only good if it draws out a Jewish thought which becomes easier to follow, than if it were presented verbally. Because it offers a means of expressing the satisfaction one finds in Jewish life, this work also has its psychological value. An important element of the artist's outlook is formed by folklore and a constant contact with the people who produce it as they feel, and as they aspire. Mr. Mark's lecture and exhibition was most enteresting and enlightening.

The adult institute of Jewish studies, had as their guest speaker, Rabbi Israel Goldman, of Congregation Chisuk Amunah, Baltimore, Maryland to the "Charter Presentation Supper" held on Tuesday evening, February 26, in Temple Social Hall. This institute has been conducted regularly on each Tuesday evening by Rabbi and Mrs. Jacob Milgrom of Temple Beth El, and also on Wednesday morning. A class in Hebrew is taught at both sessions, as well as lectures and study of the Bible and understanding of prayers as recited during temple services.

Beth El Temple Sisterhood is again sponsoring a Purim Variety Show, with participation of Brotherhood, Young Married Set, and Young Peoples League. This variety show will be presented in Temple Social Hall, on Sunday March 16, and Sunday March 23. Mr. Aba Kahan, Director; Mr. Albert Evans, Stage Manager; Mr. Mac Reese, Props.; Music Director, Barney Abrams; Choreography, Mr. Louis Shapiro; Mr. Leonard Sherman and Mel Brooks, Electricians; and Script Chairman, Evelyn Goodman. Over all Chairmen are Mrs. Jacob Fratkin and Mrs. Leon Grossman. Out of town guest are most cordially invited to avail themselves of this wonderfully entertaining show, tickets will be mailed upon request from Temple Office.

On Wednesday, February 20, at 8:15 P.M., Beth El Sisterhood held their joint annual meeting with Senior Hadassah. Members of the Inter-Faith Council were invited to attend this meeting, at which time a program was presented in observance of Jewish Music Month: A "Jewish Music Festival" was presented under the direction of Cantor and Mrs. Okum. Husbands were invited to this meeting, which was well attended.

## Martinsville, Va.

**By Mrs. Anne Hollander**

Congratulations!

To Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Dickler on the birth of a daughter, Robin Lea.

We are happy to welcome back to Martinsville Mr. and Mrs. Abe Eisen and their little daughters. So glad to have you with us again!

The annual Arbor Day program and services were held on Friday night, February 8th. The children of the Sunday School and Hebrew School participated in this program. Following the program, the Sisterhood served refreshments in the recreation room of the Ohev Zion Synagogue.

The Martinsville chapter of Hadassah is conducting its annual fund raising drive. Mrs. Dan Greene, president, reports that the response this year is excellent.

## Hampton-Phoebus, Va.

**By Mrs. Lawrence J. Gale**

### B'NAI ISRAEL SISTERHOOD

The annual Donor Dinner was held in February and included a very fine program. Mrs. F. O. Blechman reviewed Hesketh Pearson's DIZZY, and Mrs. Jules Rosenbaum gave several musical selections. The chairman of the committee in charge of the affair was Mrs. Morris Sandler and those

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# The Cooking Page

The following recipes have been prepared by Rokeach Products, world famous for their goodness and quality. They are varied, and while some are not new, some are, at least to us. All recipes have been standardized and tested by Betty Brown in the test kitchens of I. Rokeach & Sons, hence they ought to be worth trying.

### RAISIN CAKE

Place first 5 ingredients in large-size saucepan. Bring to a boil, stirring until sugar is dissolved. Boil gently 3 minutes. Remove from heat, cool. Mix and sift dry ingredients. Beat into fruit mixture. Beat in remaining ingredients. Turn into a greased and waxed paper lined 8-inch square pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350F) 1 hour or until cake springs back when touched lightly with finger. If desired, frost with Lemon Frosting.

**Lemon Frosting:** Cream ¼ cup Shortening. Gradually add 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar. Stir in 1 tablespoon lemon juice a little at a time; adding enough water to give a good spreading consistency. Add 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind. Beat until fluffy.

- ½ cup Rokeach All-Purpose Shortening
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ cup seedless raisins
- ½ cup dried currants
- 2 cups sifted, enriched flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- ¾ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon allspice
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ¼ teaspoon lemon extract

### APPLE CHARLOTTE

Pare apples and cut into thin slices. Combine with lemon rind and juice and preserves. Pour boiling water over raisins. Drain. Add to apple mixture with nut meats, sugar and bread crumbs. Mix and sift flour, sugar and salt into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening with two knives or pastry blender until mixture looks crumbly. Add beaten eggs, reserving 1 tablespoon for glaze. Work into a soft dough. Turn out on floured board. Cut off 2-3 of dough and roll into a circle ⅛-inch thick and 15 inches in diameter. Line bottom of sides of a greased 10-inch spring form cake pan with dough. Fill with apple mixture. Roll remaining dough into a circle ⅛-inch thick and 10 inches in diameter. Fit over apple mixture, sealing crusts together securely. Brush with remaining tablespoon of beaten egg. Prick top crust to allow for escape of steam. Bake in a moderate oven (350F) 2 hours or until golden brown. Remove sides of pan. If desired, pour 1 tablespoon brandy over Charlotte. Set aflame. Serve hot or cold. Serves 8 to 10.

About 1 quart apple slices.

- 2 pounds apples
- 1 teaspoon lemon rind
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- ½ cup Rokeach Cherry preserves
- ½ cup bleached raisins
- ½ cup coarsely chopped walnut meats
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs
- 2 cups sifted, enriched flour
- ¼ cup sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup Rokeach All-Purpose Shortening
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 tablespoon brandy, if desired

### POTATO KUGEL

Mix and sift flour, baking powder and seasonings together. Set aside. using fine side of grater, grate potatoes into large mixing bowl. Drain off excess liquid. Using coarse side of grater, grate onion into potato mixture. Beat in remaining ingredients. Gradually, beat in dry ingredients. Pour into a well-greased 9-inch square pan. Bake in a moderate oven (375F) 45 to 55 minutes or until golden brown Cut into squares and serve hot. Serves about 8 to 10.

- ¾ cup sifted, enriched flour.
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- ¼ teaspoon Rokeach Pepper
- 6 medium-size potatoes
- 1 large onion
- 3 eggs
- ½ cup melted Rokeach Nyafat

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# PORTSMOUTH, VA., NEWS

**Irma Koff, Portsmouth Star**

Dear Lonzmen:

Between the general exodus of many in the community to the sunny shores of Florida, and the weddings coming and going, Portsmouth has been having its share of fun.

We can't remember all of our lucky friends who took off a few weeks and went South, but some of them were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pilzer, Mrs. Sarah Sears, Mrs. Sophie Hornstein, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Inson, Dr. and Mrs. Julius Caplan, and Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Piler.

As for the weddings coming up in March, the list is long but we're happy to report the good news. Irene Katz and Carl Janow, of Hampton were married March 2 at the United Orthodox Synagogue in Norfolk. On March 16, Doris Fine and Jerry Gaub, of Hampton, will tie the knot at the Hotel Portsmouth; and on March 23, Marilyn Weinstein and Alan Bernstein, of Norfolk will also be wedded.

Mazel tov to the new babies in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Crockin and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Foster and lots of good luck too to Louis Miller who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on March 1.

Before I forget, Ruth Silverman has asked that I remind everyone that her offices are now back in the Jewish Community Center and that goes for all of you people who should be paying your UJA pledges. The money is desperately needed now in Israel.

The community was greatly saddened recently by the deaths of three of its beloved members—Nathan Goldstein Karp, Max Aron, and Nathan Dolid. Our sincere sympathy to the families.

Those who braved the rain one night in January received a treat when Dr. Karl Baehr, executive secretary of the Christian Palestine Committee, spoke at a joint meeting of ZOA, Hadassah, and Junior Hadassah. Speaking on a "Christian Looks at Israel," Dr. Baehr gave a thrilling report of conditions among the Arabs as well as the Jews.

Senior Hadassah is all set for its annual big affair—the donor luncheon, which will be held on March 25 at 1 p. m. at the Suburban Country Club.

In connection with the 40th anniversary of Hadassah, a skit will be presented centering around the life of Henrietta Szold. Chairman is Mrs. Zalmon Blachmman, with Mrs. Fred Dratler and Mrs. Julius Peck as co-chairmen.

The Seaboard Region's Education Day was held at the Suburban Country Club in Portsmouth on Feb. 19, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Maurice Schwartz. Highlights of the program was a luncheon; a symposium, presented by the Newport News and Hampton chapters; a choral presentation by the Norfolk chapter; and a pageant by the Portsmouth chapter.

A hilarious time is expected at the March meeting of Sisterhood when "South Persia" in song and sketch will be given. Of course with Mrs. Elias Friedman directing, we know it will be good.

One of the biggest events hitting Portsmouth and all of Tidewater during January and February was B'nai B'rith's Amateur Talent Contest.

The contest was opened to all amateurs over seven years of age and applications by the hundreds poured in from all of Tidewater. Auditions were held four Saturday nights in Portsmouth with the grand finals on Feb. 23. The first place winner received an all-expense paid trip to New York and an audition with the Ted Mack Original Amateur Hour, sponsored by Old Gold cigarettes. Second prize was a $50 defense bond. Other prizes also were awarded.

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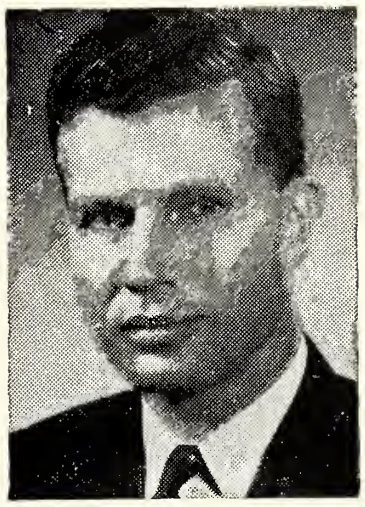

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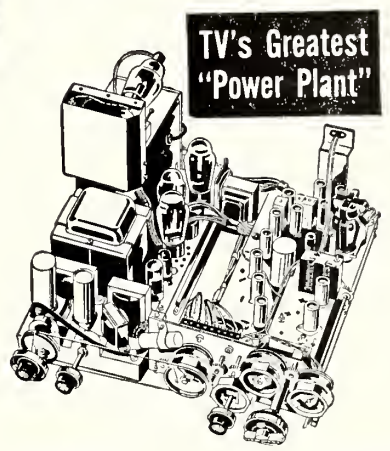


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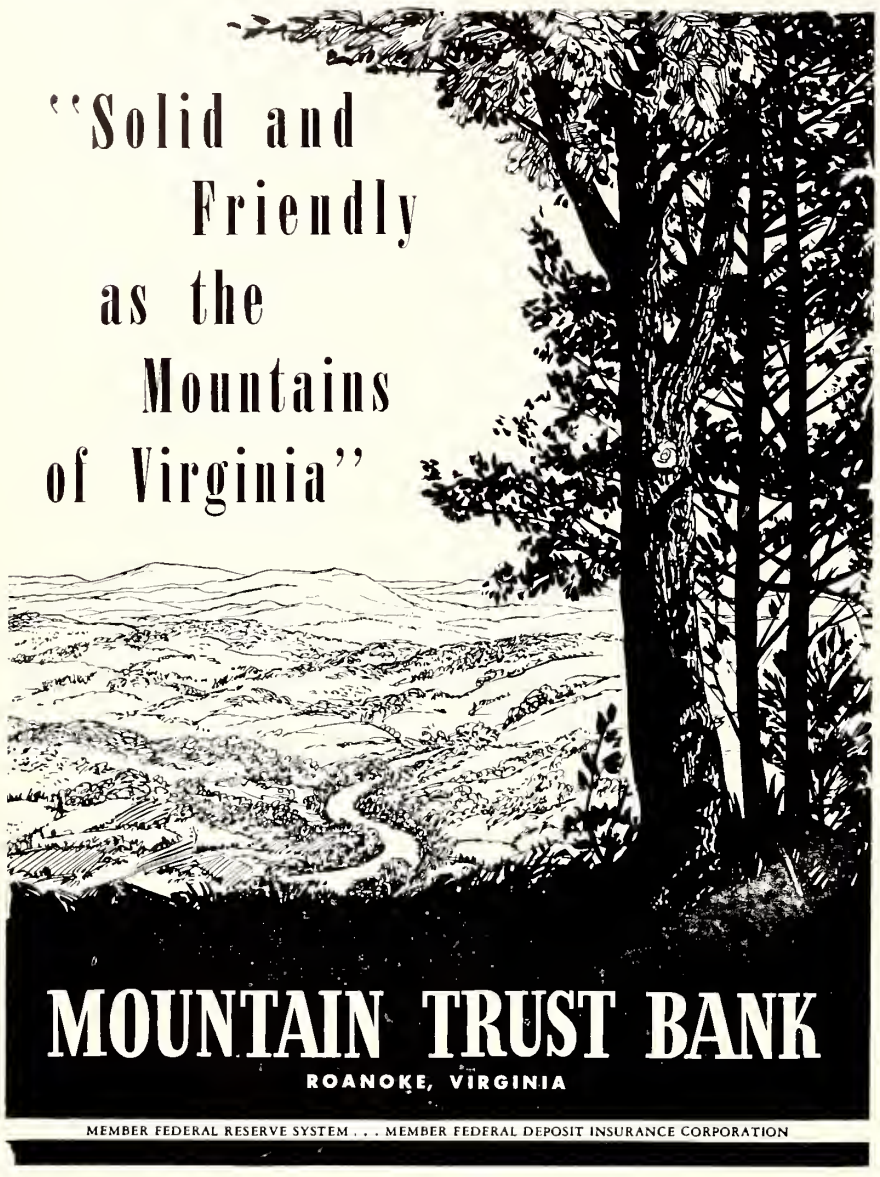


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## LYNCHBURG, VA., NEWS

By Gishy Aronson

**Tete-a-Tete . . .**

It is this time of the year that I close my eyes and dream of far off places. Imagine lying on a coconut palmed beach with mild sea breezes fanning your face while exotic calypso music is heard off at a distance. Coming back to reality and to our own shores we find that Florida, with its lazy days of warm sunshine, is again in the limelight as a favorite winter resort with many Lynchburgers. Julia Feinman back from her airplane jaunt to Florida had an enjoyable southern trip. The Mose Feinmans en route by auto to Miami will spend several days with their daughter, Audrey Ellen, who is a freshman at the University of Alabama. If you happen to be down yonder in Miami, you might say hello to the Max Hurwitz's and the Harry Bermans. Go to Sarasota and you'll have a happy meeting with Mary Cohen and her daughter, Dorothy Nan Samuels and grandchildren, Victor and Lynn. In the same party will be Mrs. Birdie Samuels, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Cohen and their daughter, Barbara Lee and baby Linda Gale.

In the opposite direction toward colder climates and homeward bound to Pennyslvania traveled Mrs. Nathan Somers and son, Stephen. Also Mrs. Henry Ross and little Jeannie. Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Shapiro, after bidding their family and friends a fond farewell, have taken up their new residence in Bloomington, Illinois. We wish them luck.

Mrs. Jack Parrish from Kittaing, Pennsylvania was guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Schewel on Greenway Court. Mrs. Sam Rosen and Mr. Jerome Kay had their attractive sisters as guests recently.

Spotted Mrs. Edward Feinman with her cute "little one" in front of Dr. Hopkins office. It seemed only yesterday that Maxine was the children's favorite when she tended them at the Agudath Sholom Nursery School.

Our heartiest congratulations go this month to Mr. Sylvan Lichtenstein, newly elected president of the Congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Mose Feinman celebrated their twentieth anniversary when their daughter, Betty Sue surprised them with a small party at which members of the family were present. Also due for mention are the Dan Coopers and the Meyer Cohens, who had wedding anniversaries in February. A very memorable occasion was the fifty fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Cooper, which was celebrated during Friday night services at the Synagogue.

Have You Heard . . . that Hyman Somers was greatly active in organizing the March of Dimes Benefit Square Dance, which was held at the Armory under the auspices of the Lynchburg Exchange Club . . . That the Ike Schewels are receiving congratulations on the arrival of their new grandson . . . That Peyton Kulman is enrolled at the University of Miami . . . That Mrs. Charles Navis, who had been ill is on the road to recovery . . . That Mrs. S. Scheinberg is home from the University of Virginia Hospital . . . That the newest chichi topic is the poodle hair cut which many of the girls claimed was "horrid" and are now running to have done . . . That Gishy Aronson went to Dramatic Academy with Kirk Douglas and Lauren Bacall . . . That Hadassah may give a Wild West Hoe-down. Good food and card play for the fund-raising was the order of the day when members of Hadassah successfully staged a luncheon and card party at the home of Mrs. Jerome Kay. Hostesses assisting Mrs. Kaye were Mrs. M. Trutt, and Mrs. S. Feldman.

At the formal opening of The Vogue, Main Street's newly decorated store, Mr. Joseph Feinman will proudly present Anne Fogarty, New York renown dress designer, dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Feinman at their home. Anne Fogarty will spend her birthday in Lynchburg making radio broadcasts, speeches and personal appearances.

The monthly "Oneg Shabbot" was conducted by Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum. His sermon and post-service discussion was "Israel and the American Jew". Refreshments were served and the congregation joined in traditional sabbath songs.

In the Spotlight on the social calendar was the open house reception, to which Rabbi and Mrs. Lloyd Tennenbaum cordially invited members of the community. They were "at home" on Columbia Ave. between the part hours of 3 and 6 P. M.

A smiling rabbi nattily attired in a dark suit received his guests at the door with true Southern hospitality. Intimate groups of people stood huddled together chatting, while others circulated among the crowd. An attractive table covered with white linens and adorned by tall candles displayed numerous delicacies. Mrs. Kay Eichelbaum, wearing a black dress highlighted by a single strand of pearls, was charming as she poured the punch. Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Schewel, who were on hand for the occasion were handsome representatives of the young folks set. Mrs. Ben Schewel and Mrs. J. Gurkel alternated at


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he punch bowl, the former, striking n a brown beaded hat. Everyone eemed to have made an appearance whipping in and out between the designated hours. Bidding farewell to our ostess, a young and gay Mrs. Tenenbaum and our affable rabbi, we determined it was grand having the Tennenbaums with us in Lynchburg.

## Roanoke, Va.

**By Mrs. Ralph Katz**

**Beth Israel . . .**

Beth Israel Ladies' Auxiliary sponsored a gala game night and cake walk on January 21st. There were games, food, fun, prizes and surprises for all who attended.

Jewish Free Day was observed on Sunday morning, February 10th, by the Beth Israel Religious School at the Green Hill Country Club, when each class planted a bit of shrubbery to help beautify the Country Club. Also trees in Israel were purchased from the Jewish National Fund through our Hadassah here.

On Saturday evening, February 2nd, the Junior Congregation of Beth Israel held its first party-dance for children 11-15 from Southwest Virginia.

Hostesses for the Friday evening services over the past months have been Mrs. Julius Fisher, Mrs. Sam Halpen, Mrs. Herbert Kurshan, Mrs. Raphael Ostrov, Mrs. Bernard Diamond and Mrs. Harry Myers. For the Junior congregation hostesses have been Mrs. Udell Brenner, Mrs. Sam Labion, Mrs. Herman Davidow, Mrs. Sam Halpern and Mrs. Cecil Blum.

**Temple Emanuel . . .**

Mrs. Anna Blackwell, executive Secretary of the Family Service Association of Roanoke spoke to the Sisterhood Group at a meeting held on January 8th. Her audience learned of the benefits which her social agency offers our community.

On Wednesday, January 16, Temple Emanuel was privileged to have as their guests Rabbi Mardecai Soloff, Director of Reform Jewish Education in Baltimore, Md. Rabbi Soloff is nationally known for his textbooks on Jewish history and came here under the auspices of the Virginia Region of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. While here Rabbi Soloff was honored by a dinner at the Hotel Roanoke. He later met P.-T. A. at the Temple to survey the needs of the religious school, and to improve it wherever possible.

The following ladies have donated flowers during the past two months: Mrs. Andrew Shapiro, Mrs. Muron Glassner, Mrs. H. D. Weinstein, Mrs. Edgar Abram, Mrs. Sigmund Davidson, Mrs. Calvin Bachrach, Mrs. Abe Wiener, and Mrs. Al Nolan.

The vacancy created on the Temple Board by the resignation of Sidney Falkenstein has been filled by the appointment of Al Nolan to the position of Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The B'nai B'rith's gala New Year's Eve ball was held at the Patrick Henry Hotel. This traditional affair is sponsored with a two-fold intent for the entire community's celebration to usher in the New Year together, and for B'nai B'rith's only money raising affair. The finest entertainment was offered including good music.

**Hadassah . . .**

The first meeting of the year was held on January 28 at Beth Israel. Presented were reports on the Chapter's fund raising drive. To climax the meeting our program chairman, Mrs. Stuart Felton presented an informative program on American Affairs and in conjunction a film on the United Nations.

The following were hostesses at the meeting: Mrs. Leo Rosenberg, Mrs. Herbert Kurshan and Mrs. Meyer Bicker.

Welcome to Roanoke: Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Bieler from Bedford; Mr and Mrs. Miller from Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. William Bane from Allentown, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Stein from Baltimore, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Oppenheim from Durham, N. C.

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brumberg on the marriage of their son, Joseph, to Miss Eleanor Ansell of Harrisburg, Pa., on Sunday, January 20, in Harrisburg; to Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg on the engagement of their son, Robert, to Miss Tobie Wynne Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gibson, of Miami Beach, Fla.; to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cohen on the birth of a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Kaplan on the birth of a son.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. M. J. Schlossberg on the celebration of his 75th birthday. May he en-

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Heartfelt sympathy to Mr. M. J. Schlossberg on the death of his sister, Mrs. August Kan, of Danville.

Condolences to Mr. Abe Totz on the loss of his sister in Baltimore.

## Harrisonburg, Va.

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

We hear via letter that our Rabbi Lanyi is recuperating nicely and that he hopes to be back with us real soon.

Rev. James Swain, of the E. U. B. Church, gave the sermon this past Friday night at our regular service. Following the service, a social hour took place and refreshments were served.

The stork presented a baby girl on January 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rivkin. Congratulations. The Rivkins are comparatively newcomers to our fair city.

The Harrisonburg Chapter of Hadassah invited prospective members to a formal tea at the home of Mrs. Jos. Kimmel. Mrs. Lee Miller and Mrs. Herbert Robinson poured. The table was beautifully decorated. Mrs. David Miller is membership chairman. Mrs. Jos. Mintzer, president, gave the welcoming address.

On January 28, at a regular meeting of Hadassah held in the home of Mrs. David Blatt, five new members were added to the chapter. The meetin was an informative one. A twenty question and answer program was con ducted by the program chairman, Mrs Harold Elpern. Refreshments wer then served.

Miss Adrienne Lois Sonn, daughte of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian L. Sonn o this city, became the bride of David I Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henr Robinson of Luray, in a beautiful cere mony at the Hebrew Friendshi Temple in Harrisonburg. Rabbi Josep Freedman of Wheeling, West Virginia officiating.

The bride, given in marriage by he father, wore an antique ivory satin gown of cathedral length with Quee Anne collar trimmed in small sequins tight fitted bodice, and full bouffan skirt with rosepoint lace insets fall ing into the full train. Her veil of illu sion fell from a coronet of antiqu satin and rosepoint lace with sequins She carried a white satin prayer boo trimmed with orchids, camellias an lilies of the valley.

Miss Molly Harris, of Washington D. C., as maid of honor, wore a gow of wild cherry velvet and tulle wit tight fitted bodice and full boufan skirt, matching headpiece and gloves The bridesmaids were Miss Sara Belle Robinson, of Elkton; Miss Bab Mann, of Charleston, West Virginia

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and Miss Charlotte Roth, of Asheville, North Carolina. Their dresses of wild rose velvet and tulle were identical to that of the maid of honor, and they carried crescent bouquets of orchids and carnations to match their gowns.

Miss Barbara Ann Ney, niece of the bride, and Miss Carol Sue Robinson, niece of the groom, were flower girls. Their dresses were copies of those of the bridesmaids and they also carried matching bouquets.

Herbert Robinson, of Stanley, acted as best man for his brother and the ushers were Joshua Robinson and Sol Robinson, of Elkton; Edward Ney, William Thomas, and Thomas Blatt, of Harrisonburg; and Leonard Robinson, of Stanley.

Mrs. Robinson was born and reared in Harrisonburg and recently was graduated from the National Cathedral School in Washington. Mr. Robinson is a veteran of the European theater in the second World War. After attending the University of Virginia he became associated with his father in the mercantile business in Luray.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the social hall of the Temple with many out-of-town friends and relatives of the couple attending. The wedding festivities climaxed a number of showers and receptions given in their honor.

After a wedding trip in the south, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson will reside in Harrisonburg.

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## Fredericksburg, Va.

**Miss Belle Herr, Correspondent**

**Beth Sholom Sisterhood News:**

The Sisterhood meeting for February, took place in the form of a memorial for our late Rabbi Leon Elsberg, and was held in the social room of the Temple. The children of the religious school have started a library in his memory, and a bookcase was presented at the meeting. Since the children were in charge of the program, Marc Gorfine, was the introducing speaker.

Debbi Land, read the opening prayer, which was recited in verse, and Diane Margolis, made the presentation of the bookcase, also in verse, to Miss Eileen Hirschman, their Sunday school teacher. Miss Hirschman, then in turn, presented the bookcase to Mrs. Hannah Stevens and Mrs. Ida Hirsh, trustees of the Temple.

The following children, Jeffrey Gorfine, Eddie Land, Ronny Mandle, Carol Steinberg, Judith Ulman and Morry Wolfe, participated by donating individual books, pertaining to religious teachings, submitting their offerings in verse, in relation to the late Rabbi.

A large picture of Rabbi Elsberg, that will be hung over the bookcase, was presented by Mrs. Sara Lee Margolis, president of the Sisterhood, and given by the Sisterhood, in his memory. Carol Steinberg then rendered a piano solo which climaxed the children's program.

**Religious School News:**

Since the passing of Rabbi Elsberg, who hasn't been replaced as yet, Mr. Louis Hirsch, has graciously taken over the supervision of the Sunday school classes, teaching the children Hebrew, and Miss Eileen Hirschman continuing in the same capacity, as heretofore. The children haven't lost their interest in their Sunday school classes, as the attendance continues 100 per cent.

**Personals:**

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gallant who have taken up residence in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gorfine spent several days visiting relatives in Newark, N. J. and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sager, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Levy visited New York City.

Mr. David Yanow is spending some time with his mother and other relative in Brooklyn, N. Y.

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**Mrs. Irving Berlin, Reporter**

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The J.C.C.'s Co-Ed Teen-Age group of Newport News has progressed steadily since its inception in October 1951. The year 1952 promises to be a big year for this group with socials and inter-city visits planned with Va. communities. Thus far our young men and women have visited Norfolk.

On Feb. 22, 23, 24, Newport News Teen-Agers played host to the Teen-Agers of Washington, D. C. Our young people will also visit the capital of the U. S. during the spring. Thus far, the program has been geared to increase friendships by having socials, weenie roasts, swimming parties.

This season the group under the leadership of Ben Edelman will intergrate, social, cultural, religious and athletic programs. The officers of the Teen-Towners are: Edward Markoff, president; Charles Becker, vice-pres.; David Falk, treasurer; Doralie Siegel, secretary.

The new "Past Your Teens Club" has made itself an integral part of the Jewish Community Center. The group were the sales force for the Jewish Book Month. The club has sponsored discussions, the first given by 1st Lt. George Newman, who recently returned from Greenland. He lectured on Greenland through the medium of slides, depicting the lives and fortunes of these people. The group given the impetus by Miss Sonya Rosenfeld, president, will participate in the Center's Foreign Film Series and Marriage and the Family discussions.

1952 will witness the birth of the new Dramatic Society consisting of the membership of this new group.

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# SUFFOLK, VA., NEWS

**By Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg**

Things have been moving right along this past month. Every organization has planned affairs for the coming months and everyone is active.

Sisterhood of Agudath Achim held its first meeting in two months on Tuesday evening, January 29, in the vestry room of the synagogue with Mrs. Meyer R. Goldberg, president, presiding. Plans were made for an amateur show to be held in the late spring. The large attendance was in a gay mood and made the entire meeting a most enjoyable one. The program, arranged by the program chairman, Mrs. Brad Scherr, was based on questions of religious customs. A donation to the March of Dimes Drive was voted by the members. Following the conclusion of the meeting, refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Al Ruden and Mrs. Meyer Staub.

On Saturday evening, February 2, the Suffolk Chapter of Hadassah held a card party in the Center, the entire proceeds of which were turned over to the March of Dimes. The affair was in charge of Mrs. Sam Zittrain, American Affairs Chairman. Also in connection with the American Affairs, Suffolk Chapter of Hadassah is planning to sponsor contributions to the Blood Bank in the early spring.

A highlight in February was the dinner dance, which featured the installation of officers of B'nai B'rith. This was held on February 5 in the vestry room of the Synagogue and was a really gala affair. Mr. Julius Fisher, secretary of District Grand Lodge, installed the following men: President, William Rieger; vice-president, Louis Friedlander; secretary, Meyer R. Goldberg; financial secretary, Samuel Schritzer; treasurer, Leon Familamb. Members of the Board of Trustees: Al Ruden, Meyer R. Goldberg and Joseph D. Kress. Mrs. Elias Friedman installed the following officers of the Auxiliary: President, Mrs. Al Ruden; vice-president, Mrs. Frank Ladenberg; secretary, Mrs. Joseph Stutson; and treasurer, Mrs. William Rieger. The principal address was made by Julius Fisher of Roanoke. The past president's pin was presented to Dr. J. D. Kress. Other B'nai B'rith dignitaries present were Brothers Sol Fass and Morton Levy of Portsmouth. At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies, dancing to "Lou Saks and his Orchestra" was enjoyed in the Center.

In keeping with the National celebration of Brotherhood observed the week of George Washington's birthday, Dr. Murray Kantor arranged a special interfaith service on Friday evening, February 22, at the regular service hour.

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## Portsmouth, Va.

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Mrs. Murray Lampert, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the JWV informed me that nomination of officers will take place in March.

Ladies' Aid also presented an outstanding program in February with several of the Sunday School children giving a play, "Chamisa Oser." Also on the program was a talk by Mrs. Martha Wood, head of the local Child Care Center, and a film on the Center.

Leave it to the Junior Hadassah girls. Just let there be a conference some place and off a pack of them go. Edith Farfel, Helen Katz, Gloria Stein, Joan Sufrin, Dot Levin, Beverly Jacobson, Eliane Rubene, Jackie Jaffee, and Joyce Brady attended the regional conference in Baltimore on Feb. 23 and 24.

In observance of Brotherhood Week in February, Rabbi Schwartz exchanged pulpits one time with the pastor of Park View Christian Church.

National Jewish Music Festival was also celebrated in Portsmouth. At the Synagogue services on Feb. 8, a new music service, written by Cantor Paul Grob, was presented. At that time also there was the dedication of the Congregational Songster, with the complete musical portion of the Friday night service transliterated from Hebrew to English.

The following Friday night was the Father and Son service with Steve Jacobson, Richard Weinstein, David Peck, Jerry Frank, Fred Glazer, Dave Frank, Sam Weinstein, Dave Nelson, Sam Berman, Martin Ackerman, Sol Brewer, Charles Kantor, and Israel Casper taking part.

On March 8, at an oneg shabbot, Cantor Grob will read a paper on the Three Phases of Jewish Music and concertize on it.

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# VISITING *Around Greensboro*

*By* MIN KLEIN

The Greensboro Section, National Council of Jewish Women, in its endless pursuit of betterment of social conditions, and in close co-operation with National Council, sent Rose Freedman to Washington February 19-20 to act as its representative at the "Democracy in Action" Conference, held in the Washington Council offices. Imagine being able to meet with Council's outstanding representatives, attending carefully planned and arranged meeting with State Department Officials and experts on social legislation and political leaders. Rose will tell all about her exciting trip at the next Council meeting. . . It was also a special treat for the Freedman's two older off-springs, Jimmy and Adele, who went along for the ride and visited with Grandma Freedman in Baltimore while Mom attended the sessions. . . . Locally, and with the same interest in community affairs, Council lent out its first item from the recently established Medical Loan Closet, which is open to all needy people in the city. . . . Culturally, and for the information and consumption of Council members on the home front, a panel discussion started off a series, the first one being held at the home of Mrs. Sam Levine on February 6—"INSIDE U. S. A.—THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AT HOME" gave many members, most of them newcomers into our community, an opportunity to compare Greensboro with such towns at New Haven, Connecticut, E. Liverpool, Ohio, and Charleston, S. C. Participants were Mesdames H. J. Laviettes, Paul Daktor, Fred Rosenstock, and Sam Levine. Certainly gives us an opportunity to see how OUR TOWN stacks up . . . Temple Emanuel's second annual Family dinner and service brought out a tremendous congregational representation and presented a fine opportunity to break bread together and say "Good Shabbos" in a warm, candle-lit, religiously filled atmosphere. Responsible for the mouth-watering dinner were Sisterhood members Tess Salz and Jerry LeBrun, co-chairmen; Kay Stern, Sisterhood president, Irene Miller, Adelaide Israel, Laura Weinstein, Rose Susman, Selma Clein, Ida Temko, Carolyn LeBauer, Rose Freedman, Elizabeth Rockwell, Mesdames Love, Hyman, Silbiger, Kriegsman. . . . "Convention" was the topic of discussion at the February meeting of the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, with the important NFTS and UAHC meetings taking place on the 22nd to 24th of this month—the reports next month should be gratifying. . . . Beth David Sisterhood adopted a long range project at their last meeting, when plans were made to remodel and refurnish the entire lounge—all efforts point toward a successful venture. President Blanche Lyon, accompanied by several other members, attended the meeting in Durham of the Women's League, Seaboard Region, which is the Conservative branch of the Sisterhood, and all report an interesting and constructive conference. . . . Council' annual Sabbath was held at Temple Emanuel, with the following member participating as speakers, readers, and hostesses: Mesdames Nat Labell, S. J Stern, Jr., Samuel Levine, Al Herman Maurice Weinstein, Arthur Bluethen thal, and Charles Roth. Dottie Rogers melodious voice provided an always enjoyable solo. . . . Irene Miller represented the N. C. Association of Jewish Women at the meeting of the State Legislative Assembly in Raleigh on February 5th and proceeded from there to Durham to attend the state board meeting of the League of Women's Voters, of which group she is state treasurer. . . . Completing their Winter drive for rummage, Hadassah women are now hard at work on the forthcoming Donor's Luncheon meeting, with an outstanding program and speaker to provide an interesting day. . . . The Beth David PTA met on Wednesday evening, February 6, at which time Rabbi Kling spoke on the subject "How to Explain God to Your Children." . . . Rabbi Kling also spoke before the Beth David Men's Club on "Religion in the State of Israel" at their regular meeting, at which time Sisterhood members, with Goldie Zager as chairman, served a delicious dinner. . . . The recently established Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund at Beth David, has been named the "Biller Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund" in honor of the Jack Billers of Burlington who have given so much of their time and energy to establishing and maintaining this worthwhile project. Our congratulations. . . . Hon-

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8:00 p. m.—Convention convenes in the meeting rooms of the Nathan Rosenstein Lodge in Durham.

10:00 p. m. — Reception — Meeting rooms of Nathan Rosenstein Lodge in Durham.

Sunday, April 20—Hillel House, Chapel Hill, N. C.

9:30 a. m. — Convention reconvenes for presentations on Americanism and Civic Affairs.

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12:30 p. m.—Luncheon—Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill, N. C. (Melvin Harris, District No. 5 B'nai B'rith President, principal speaker.)

2:30 p. m.—Dedication Ceremonies, Hillel House.

4:30 p. m.—Arts Forum and Reception, Hillel Foundation students.

7:00 p. m.—Banquet, Carolina Inn, Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld, principal speaker.

Monday, April 21—Hillel House.

9:30 a. m.—Concluding business session of Convention.

12:30 p.m.—Luncheon, installation of new officers. Principal speaker, Julius Fisher, Secretary, District No. 5, B'nai B'rith.

The host lodge for this convention is the Nathan Rosenstein Lodge of Durham. Leon Moel, committee chairman, Sigmund Meyers, Fidelity Bldg. Durham, N. C., convention secretary.

### GREENSBORO HADASSAH DONNOR DINNER

The Greensboro HADASSAH DONOR DINNER will be held at Starmount Country Club on Wednesday, March 12, 1952, at 6:30 P.M.

Funds accruing from the dinner will be used for H. M. O., Youth Aliyah and Child Welfare.

Speaker for the occasion will be the Reverend B. Frank Hall, of Wilmington, N. C.

At the Pre-Donor Dinner, held at Beth David on February 27th, Mrs. Zena Harmon, of National, was guest speaker.

Dr. Hall, Minister of the Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian Church, of Wilmington, N. C., was born in Wilmington, educated in the schools of the city and attended Davidson College, being graduated Summa cum Laude in 1929 with the AB degree. He received his BD degree in 1932 from the Union Theological Seminary of Richmond and also the Hogue Fellowship for graduate study which permitted him to get his Thm the following year. Except for a few months study in Richmond and more abroad for the Doctorate in Theology, which Dr. Hall acquired in 1937, he was minister of the Presbyterian Church in Morehead City, N. C. until the end of 1937 when he assumed the pastorate of the Central Presbyterian Church of St. Louis, which he served until 1948. During that ministry Dr. Hall served in many important posts, some of which were, as President of the St. Louis Church Federation, President of the Missouri Council of Churches, director of the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Westminster College, and the St. Louis YMCA and Community Chest.

In 1943 Dr. Hall went to Europe again, as a representative of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. on the

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General Council of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, and upon his return took the Pastorate in his home town in 1949. Dr. Hall holds an honorary DD degree from Westminster College, and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. While in St. Louis he worked with Carl Voss in the American Christian Palestine Commitee, and went to Palestine with Dr. Voss last spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wise Schiffman announce the engagement of their only daughter, Miss Bettie Marie Schiffman and Robert Stanford Chandgie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Charles Chandgie.

An August wedding is planned.

Miss Schiffman attended Mrs. Fred I. Rypin's private school. She was graduated from Salem Academy at Winston-Salem and in 1951 from Mt. Vernon Junior College at Washington. She is with the accounting department of Community Chests and Councils of America in New York City. Her mother is executive director of the Greensboro Community Chest.

Mr. Chandgie, who also studied with Mrs. Rypins, was graduated from Phillips Andover Academy in Massachusetts and is in his Junior year at Yale University, New Haven, Conn. He is a member of Chi Psi Fraternity.

The annual convention of the 8th District, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and the Mid-Atlantic Region, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, will be held in Greensboro, March 22, 23, and 24. Headquarters for the convention will be the O. Henry Hotel.

Highlight of the 3-day event will be the banquet on Saturday evening which will take place in the O. Henry ballroom. Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, National president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, will be guest speaker at the banquet.

On Sunday, there will be business sessions of both groups, executive board meetings, a joint luncheon and round table discussions or workshops, pertaining to congregational, community and religious school activities. The evening will end with a buffet supper and program at Temple Emanuel, with the local Sisterhood as hosts.

Monday's sessions will be made up entirely of Sisterhood matters. There will be an executive board meeting, election and installation of new officers. The Sisterhoods will end their conference with a luncheon meeting at Starmount Forest Country Club, at which time the guest speaker will be Mrs. Jerome L. Salm of Evansville, Indiana, a member of the national Sisterhood Board and national president of the National Federation of Temple Youth.

Approximately 200 members, delegates, and guests are expected for this outstanding event. The district includes the state of Virginia, District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, and North Carolina.

**MRS. JOSEPH B. HEARST**

Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst of Norfolk, Va. is president of the 8th District, National Federation of Sisterhoods. William L. Bush of Washington, D. C. is president of the Mid-Atlantic Region, Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Local Hosts will include


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the Temple Emanuel Congregation, of which George Blankstein is president, and the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood of which Mrs. Max Miller is president. Mrs. Miller is also overall convention chairman, Mrs. A. F. Klein is program chairman, and a large number of committees are working to make this event a successful one.

Mrs. Joseph Hearst of Norfolk, Va. is president of District No. 8, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and will preside at convention meetings.

MRS. JEROME L. SALM

Mrs. Salm, a member of the national Executive Board and its chairman of Youth Activities, has been outstanding in many branches of Sisterhood work. She is Indiana State Chairman of the House of Living Judaism, a member of the National Committee on District Federations, a past president of the Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and has served three terms as president of her own Sisterhood in Evansville. In addition to her Sisterhood activities, Mrs. Salm is an outstanding leader in her state in a number of civic activities, many of them in the interest of children and youth.

WILLIAM L. BUSH

Past president of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, and also of the Brotherhood of that congregation, Mr. Bush was elected to the Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in 1949 and was made a member of the Executive Committee of that group.

During the war Mr. Bush served as chairman of the Army-Navy committee of the J. W. B. for the District of Columbia. He is a former vice-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Washington.

Elected to his present office in 1950, Mr. Bush is the first president of the Mid-Atlantic region which was formed at that time.


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## Greensboro, N. C.

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ored in our community recently were Ed Lowenstein, elected secretary of the N. C. Chapter, American Institute of Architecture; Arnold Schiffman, who was guest of honor on the Perry Como show while in NYC; Sam Prago, who was guest speaker at a meeting of the St. Leo's Nurses' Association on "Spring Fashions," Dr. Edgar Marks, now a recognized authority on Korea, who spoke before the Greensboro Exchange club at their regular meeting, and Hilda Weinstein who was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Greensboro Library Board. . . . Biggest orchid of the month goes to Greensboro's famous "Mush" Fein whose broad grin appeared in a recent Sunday edition of Our Town's most prominent daily as the donor of more than 100 pints of blood to people who, because of his generosity, are now strong and healthy. . . . Brother Eli has also done his share of blood giving. . . . Credit for another successful Sweetheart dances goes to the Etta Spier BBG whose February 16 affair, long planned and controversially discussed, drew a large crowd from various parts of N. C. who had not seen each other for many months. . . . Leonard Clein of Winston-Salem, active in BBYO and currently president of the State Council, was chosen the Sweetheart of the BBGs for this year. . . . The Sigmund S. Pearl AZA Sabbath on February 8 memoralized Sigmund Pearl in special services, with nearly all members of the chapter participating. —Lou Mayer, Bob Goldberg, Michael Bernholz, Ronnie Kriegsman, Bob Lyon, Robert Weinstein, and Sherold Klein, Godol. Hostess for the Oneg Shabbat was Ann Falk, recently elected Chapter Sweetheart. . . . Rabbi Malcolm Stern of Norfolk, Va. was guest rabbi on the WC campus for Religious Emphasis Week during February 12-14. Sponsored by the Jewish Chautauqua Society of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, a rabbi comes to the campus each year to participate with other ministers in this important function. . . . New little arrivals welcomed into our midst during the past few weeks is Phyllis, the William Wald's second daughter. . . . For the second time in less than a year our condolences are regretfully extended to Mrs. Meyer Sternberger, whose sister, Mrs. Elias passed away in Atlanta after a long and serious illness. . . . Also to the family of Mrs. Elizabeth Waxelbaum, a resident of our city for many years, who passed away at the age of 77. . . . The calendar at our elbow points the way toward Purim once again, within a very few days—time to pull out the "graggers" and start soaking the poppy seeds. . . .

### LORD READING GETS BERTH IN CHURCHILL GOVERNMENT

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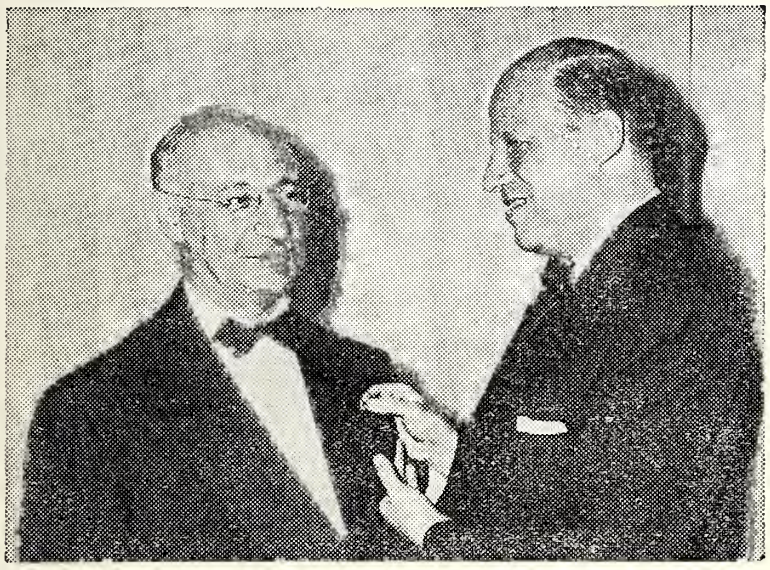
it a misdemeanor for a hotel to advertise "Gentiles Only," it is easy enough for the hotel to change its language and say "Restricted Clientele," or "Christian Churches Near By." The mechanics are simple if the will to bigotry is there. Remove that will—by understanding. Admittedly, it is a job for the long pull, but it has taken the Anti-Defamation League 50 years to try to do it their way. It isn't out of contention that one methodology can replace the other. We are merely suggesting, while the subject is being discussed, to combine the two. We believe it is worth a try.



**JACOB BLAUSTEIN (left) of Baltimore, President of the American Jewish Committee, receiving Zeta Beta Tau fraternity pin from Harold Grotta of Newark, N. J., national president of Z.B.T., after his induction into the fraternity as an honorary member December 30. Following the induction ceremonies, Mr. Blaustein was the principal speaker at a banquet which climaxed the fraternity's Fifty-Third Annual Convention.**

## GASTONIA, N. C.

The Sisterhood-Hadassah held its regular monthly meeting in the Temple vestry with the president, Mrs. S. Cohen, in the chair.

Mrs. Jerome Mark, program chairman, discussed the needs of the Temple building but no action was taken.

Sisterhood-Hadassah sponsored a box supper and square dance on Tuesday evening, February 12. Mrs. Mike Planer was chairman of this enjoyable affair and was assisted by Mesdames H. Binder and S. Mandel.

Rabbi Mark delivered the induction address at Kings Mountain Honor Society.

One of the Sunday School classes of the Shelby First Presbyterian Church were guests at Sabbath services at Temple Emanuel recently. The pastor pronounced the benediction.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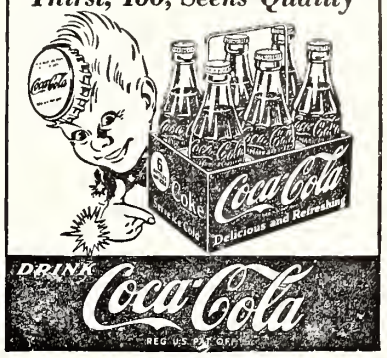

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## WILSON, N. C., NEWS

Joseph Hanchrow was signally honored recently at a meeting of the East Carolina Council, Boy Scouts of America, when he was awarded the Silver Beaver, given for outstanding service to boyhood. Given to only three leading scouters in the Council, Mr. Hanchrow is shown above with the other two recipients and their wives. They are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eagles of Macclesfield; Mr. and Mrs. Hanchrow and Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Howard of Morehead City. The presentations were made at the annual meeting and banquet of the Counci held in Wilson. More than 300 Scou leaders from 20 counties were in at tendance.

Mr. Hanchrow, a successful young accountant in Wilson, has been promi nently identified with Scout activities since he came to the state from New York City, several years ago. He is active in all Jewish activities in his community as well as in the state and is currently president of the State B'nai B'rith Lodges for North Caro lina.

## Statesville, N. C.

**Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Reporter**

William Hoffman, who is a student in the graduate school at the University of North Carolina, was a guest speaker at a meeting of the Eclectic club which was at the home of his mother, Mrs. Wallace Hoffman. Mrs. Hoffman presented her son, who is studying for a PhD. degree at the university and who has written a thesis on Andrew Jackson. He is at present completing the third volume of his book on the colorful military and political figure.

Additional guest at the meeting was Mrs. William Hoffman who with her husband are spending a few days visiting their parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Hoffman.

Statesville welcomes to their com munity, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heilbrunn and daughters, Barbara and Monica who recently arrived from England They have bought a lovely home in Oakland Heights, and Mr. Heilbrunn is connected with the Phoenix Mills. Best of luck to a fine family in this wonderful country.

Mrs. Larry Rochlin and daughter Linda, spent sometime in Miami, Fla. with Mrs. Rochlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mathews Silverstein.

**COPIED FORM THE STATESVILLE DAILY RECORD—IN "DOWN IN IREDELL COLUMN"**

Sympathy of the community goes to Louis Gordon, who was too ill to at tend the funeral of his father, Harry Gordon, in High Point, where the 76

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ear-old retired business leader passed way following a heart attack.

Mr. Gordon was recuperating from n attack of pneumonia at the time is father was taken ill and, consequently, could not make the trip. Mr. nd Mrs. Milton Steinberger, and heir sons, Norman and Stanley, Mr. nd Mrs. Saul Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gordon, Melvin, Alfred and Kalman Gordon, all of Statesville, attended the rites. Mrs. Steinberger being a daughter of the deceased.

Harry Gordon, born in Russia, came o this country early in life and rose o a position of leadership in the business community of High Point, where e spent most of his adult life. He vas a founder and charter member of B'nai Israel Synagogue.

No better tribute can be paid than o say that he rose by his own efforts n an adopted country: that he established a reputation for civic and religious virtue and business integrity n his community, and that in passing, ie left more than he found on arrival.

And, what's more important to us DOWN IN IREDELL, he seems to iave passed these traits on to his children and grandchildren, all of whom ire carrying their own niche in this community.

### Philadelphia, Pa.

Alan Kahn has become associated with the law firm of Richter, Lord & Farage here. Mr. Kahn is the son-n-law of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Bernstein of Greensboro, N. C.

## Asheville, N. C.

A string ensemble presented a program at the Beth Ha Tephila Assembly Hall, which was open to all members of the community. The essemble, composed of Joan Day, Joan Davis, Fred Hoffman, Sol Cohen, Joseph Vanderwart, and Thaise Honaker, vocal soloist, presented music from Mozart, Beethoven, Puccini, Schubert, and others. The next program is scheduled for Sunday, February 24.

An institute for the Christian Clergy of Asheville and surrounding areas was arranged by the Beth Ha Tephila Congregation. This program is under the sponsorship of Union of American Hebrew Congregation and the Central Conference of American Rabbis. The meetings took place at the Temple on Friday, January 25, during the hours from 11 A.M. to 4 P.M., including a luncheon meeting. Serving with Rabbi Unger were Drs. Blackard, Bogle, and Trexler. Theme for the day was "Judaism As a Religion."

Dr. Samuel Cohon, professor of Theology at the Hebrew Union College, was guest speaker at the special program of the Dedication of the new Beth Ha Tephila Assembly Hall on Friday night, January 25.

**Congratulations to . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patla on the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, to Karl Straus of Brevard, N. C. and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Adelstein on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Slavin of Washington, on the birth of their second son. Mrs. Slavin is the former Mimi Crohn.

Miss Sylvia Goldberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Goldberg, became the bride of Edward R. Ricketts of Lynchburg, Va., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Ricketts of Lynchburg.

The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Morris Leiberman in the study of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation on January 24. Miss Mabel Griggs of Washington and Nicholas Argyropolous, also of Washington, were the only attendants.

Mrs. Ricketts, who is a graduate of Lee Edwards High School and Blanton's Business College, of Asheville, is employed with the Navy Department in Washington where she has been residing for some time. She is a member of Tau Gama Sorority. Mr. Ricketts attended National and Corcoran art schools in Washington and is now employed as commercial artist with Embassy Dairy, Inc.

Dave Feldman was installed as president of the Asheville Community Center for 1952, at a dinner held at the center. Dr. Leon Feldman was installing officer. Other officers to serve with Mr. Feldman are: first vice-president, Mrs. W. W. Michalove; second vice-president, Milton Lurey; secretary, Janice Karesh, and treasurer, Herbert Schiftan. Board members installed were: E. T. Linn, Bernard Gordon, Mrs. B. Goldstein, Mrs. R. Gumpert, Dave Lowenberg, Martin Gross, Mrs. Fred Pearlman, Mrs. Hyman Dave, Mrs. I. Felner, Mrs. M. Burka, Mrs. S. P. Horowitz, Mrs. M. Laurey, B. Goldstein, H. Freeman, Dr. A. Kodack, Sam Robins, Mrs. R. Steptowitch, Mrs. D. Hoffman, Elise Jahn, Desse Sheptwitch. Joe Sternberg, retiring president, and Mrs. Sara Goldstein, retiring secretary, were both honored at this meeting for the years of service which they have given.

Rabbi Sidney E. Unger of Asheville, N. C. has been named North Carolina State Chairman of the Rabbinical Council of the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, it was announced by Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman of St. Louis, national chairman. Rabbi Unger will coordinate the participation of the state's Reform rabbis in the annual maintenance fund drive for the national institutions of American Liberal Judaism. The campaign has a national goal of $2,265,000.

MISS MARY JANE SULTAN

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Sultan of 29 Farrwood Avenue announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Jane, to Harris Carl Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Cohen of Dothan, Ala.

Miss Sultan was graduated from Lee Edwards High School and is now a student at the University of Alabama. She is a member of the Sigma Delta Tau Sorority.

Mr. Cohen, a member of the senior class at the University of Alabama, is a member of the Sigma Alpha Mu.

Plans for the wedding have not been announced.

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# ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., NEWS

The Jewish community of Rocky Mount can well be proud of one of its members, Mrs. Leon Epstein, who was named as one of the leading women in our community. To quote the paper, Mrs. Epstein is an immently successful personality who has done more than her share, and for many years has served the community. For the last twenty-five years, she has been active in numerous civic projects.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tonkel will celebrate their twenty-fifth anniversary with a buffet supper at the Beth-El Temple House, Sunday Feb. 3. Congratulations and many more happy years of marriage to Mr. and Mrs. Tonkel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Kornfeld recently returned from a vacation at Miami Beach.

Mrs. D. Newman of Washington, D. C. was a house guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O. Levy.

The entire community welcomes Rabbi and Mrs. Mayer Hannick to our midst. Rabbi Hannick will assume his duties as spiritual leader of the Beth-El congregation.

Mrs. J. Rosenbloom entertained with a delightful card party at her home on Sunset Avenue, Wednesday, January 30, in honor of Mrs. D. Newman of Washington, D. C. Canasta was enjoyed by the guests, high score being won by Mrs. A. Coplon. After delicious refreshments were served, a lovely gift was presented to the guest of honor.

Miss Sandra Irene Levy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Levy of Rocky Mount became the bride of Howard Kouzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kouzel of Washington, D. C. on January 13.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Kouzel recent newly weds were honored with an "at home" at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Levy. Guests were received by the bride and groom and directed to the dining room. Approximately fifty guests enjoyed tea dainties and other delicious refreshments served on the handsomely appointed dining table. Mr. and Mrs. Kouzel are making their home in Washington, D. C.

## Newport News, Va.

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The group had its first informal affair in the form of a "Rough It" party. All members were dressed in casual clothes as an evening of fun and frolic was held at the Center. This year the group will visit and play hosts to local communities of Va. The men and women of this group take a very active part in the success of the Sunday Night Socials which are attended by the local young members of the community and the men and women of the Armed Forces. Miss Gloria Flax is vice president; Anita Lowenthal, treasurer; and Ernest Zelinger, secretary.

The N. N.. Jewish Community Center began its membership drive during the month of January. Jack Spigel and Percy Smith are co-chairmen of the drive, and Louis Morewitz is chairman of the drive.

On Feb. 11 the Council of Jewish Women had a "Paid Up Membership" Social and the second act of "Born Yesterday" was presented.

The Jewish Community Center of N. N. offers clubs for boys and girls of all age groups. The J.C.C. Freshmen, under the leadership of Lt. Lee Shulman and Melvin Jurzer have a varied program of athletics, trips of interest, hikes, holiday celebration for boys from 8-10, 10-12. The J.C.C Intermediates led by Lt. Phil Brach compete in athletic contests with local teams and teams from Richmond, Norfolk, and Portsmouth. This group has discussions, parties, dancing instructions, etc, for boys from 13-15 years. The William Binder group, consisting of boys from 15 to 18 years of age is under the sponsorship of Mort Gleckman, and have a varied program of social, cultural, and athletic programs. This group travels to many communities in Virginia. This year the girls clubs ranging from 10-12 years are led by Miss Carole Nissnick; 12-14 led by Miss Anita Lowenthal, and 14 to 17 by Miss Frances Minkoff. They meet weekly, and the group has been formed on the basis of the child's age, sex, and emotional maturity. The club programs develop from the members with the staff acting as a "helping" person in a democratic setting.

## Hickory, N. C.

**Phil Datnoff, Reporter**

Members and their wives of the Glenn Zerden Lodge B'Nai B'Rith attended their January meeting at the Moose Lodge on Lake Hickory on the 23rd. The movie on "The Institute of Judaism," taken at the N. C. State


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Institute at Wildacres was shown. Members partook in a discussion of the film following the presentation. Isadore Kaminsky and David Cohen were new members admitted into the Lodge.

Mrs. David Jacobs of Dayton, Ohio, the former Miss Dena Cohen of Hickory, has returned to her home after spending several weeks visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cohen.

Mrs. Philip Datnoff attended the Lavitt-Goldenberg wedding in New York City while there on a buying trip.

Vacationing in the land of the sunshine at Miami Beach are the following from this community: Mrs. L. E. Zerden and daughter Esther; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Katz of Morganton and Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Cohen also of Morganton. While there Mrs. Cohen will spend most of her time at the home of her mother, Mrs. Katzen.

Miss Gloria Lavitt, of New York City and North Carolina, became the bride of Dr. Philip T. Goldenberg, of Hartford, Connecticut, in a noon wedding, January 20, in the Jade Room of the Waldorf-Astoria, New York. The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jacobson of Canton, Ohio, performed the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Sam Lavitt of Hickory.

The bride's attendants were her aunt, Mrs. Joseph Nalanbogen of Paterson, New Jersey, and the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. Saul Reichlin of Hartford, Connecticut. The bridegroom had as his best man, his brother, Dr. Irwin Goldenberg. The ushers were Louis Lavitt, uncle of the bride; Arnold Goldenberg, brother of the bridegroom; and Paul Lavitt and Leonard Lavitt, brothers of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Harry Lavitt and the late Harry Lavitt. She attended the Woman's College, University of North Carolina, in Greensboro, and Pace College, New York City.

Dr. Goldenberg attended Cornell University and Boston Medical College. He served as a Captain in the Medical Corps during World War Two, and at present is a resident at the Newington Veterans Hospital. The couple will make their home in Hartford, Connecticut, after a short trip to North Carolina.

MRS. PHILIP T. GOLDENBERG

Among those from out of town attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Hersh Cohen and Miss Minnie Bingham of Hickory.

## Clinton, N. C.

**Engagement . . .**

Mrs. Isaac Hurwitz announces the engagement of her daughter, Shirley, to Raphael R. Paull, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Paull of New York and Montreal, Canada. Miss Hurwitz is a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy and has been living in New York for some time. Mr. Paull is a graduate of Olivia College, Magill University, and received his master's degree in sociology from Columbia University. He is administrator of the Lynn Realty Company of Montreal, and operates the Angora Mills, Ltd.

The wedding will take place in May in New York City.

### MISS BEN GURION WILL TOUR U.S.A. ON BEHALF OF HADASSAH

Israel Prime Minister David Ben Gurion's daughter, Renana, arrived in New York City by plane from Lydda for a two-month country-wide tour on behalf of Hadassah.

The 26-year-old daughter of the Prime Minister speaks English fluently. This is her first visit to the United States and her first series of public speaking engagements. Her topic will be "Israel Through the Eyes of Her Youth."


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Dr. Samuel Goldenson, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Emanu-El of New York City, was guest speaker at Temple Israel on Thursday evening, January 17. Dr. Goldenson spoke on "Judaism's Relevance to the Modern World." Following the address, Rabbi and Mrs. Tolochko were hosts at an informal open house at their home, honoring Dr. Goldenson.

Coming through the courtesy of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Dr. Goldenson, who visits many congregations throughout the country, is well known in the state of North Carolina for the many fine presentations with which he has delighted many audiences here.

Rabbi Tolochko conducted the morning devotionals for the Ministerial Association over station WFTC during the week of January 21 through the 25th. The Rabbi also addressed the Officers' Wives Club of Camp Lejeune on the subject: "Psychosomatics and Peace of Mind."

Rabbi Tolochko, who is Auxiliary Chaplain for the area, conducted the services for the Cherry Point personnel which were held in New Bern on January 30.

The regular monthly meeting of the Sisterhood-Hadassah took place at the home of Mrs. Morris Heilig.

In celebration of National Jewish Music Month, a special musical program followed services at Temple Israel on Friday evening, February 8. In addition to recorded music, a program was presented by local talent, including Herbert Fleisher, pianist, Michael Page, violinist, and Harriet Chused, vocalist.

## Charlotte, N. C.

At the February meeting of the Beth El Brotherhood, Roy Mitchell, who is leaving Charlote, was presented with a gift as a token of appreciation for his devoted service to the Temple and to the community. I. H. Madalia, president of the congregation, paid tribute in a brief talk to the extraordinary service rendered by the Mitchell family to the Temple and the Brotherhood.

On February 20, the Charlotte Hadassah held a dessert luncheon meeting at Temple Israel. Topic of discussion was the JNF. As part of the program, a fashion show was presented through the courtesy of H. Miller of Lucielle's.

Rabbi Nathan Hershfield addressed the Beth El Brotherhood on "The Lifetime of a Jew." This was a continuation of his series begun some time ago. A social hour followed the address.

The Mr. and Mrs. Club of Beth El met in the Temple Vestry room for its regular meeting. The lectures on "The Making of a Modern Jew" continue at each meeting, with a discussion period following.

The following Religious School students of Temple Beth El were honored recently for perfect or nearly perfect attendance during the Fall term: Kindergarten: Leland Fuerstman, Sally Sherwood, Jenel Stewert Philip Wallas. Grade I: David Fuerstman, Ronnie Goodman, Richard Klein Dickie Lowen, Jimmy Madalia, Johnny Wallas. Grade IV: Joan Fuerstman Allen Hirsch. Grade VI: Trudy Finman, Bonnie Shubkin. Pre-Confirmation class: Fred Hirsch, Barri King Joan Koss.

Sidney Levin was elected president of the Amity Club to succeed H. L Schwartz. Other officers to serve for the coming year are: first vice-president, Herman Blumenthal; second vice-president, Pinkie Koss; recording secretary, Seymour Shubkin; corresponding secretary, L. Goodman; and treasurer, Sol Fligel.

The semi-annual dinner meeting of the Temple Israel congregation met in January. Guest of honor at this meeting was J. L. Pressman, chairman of the Building Committee, who was presented a beautifully bound miniature plaque, copy of the Building Committee Plaque presented to the congregation by Alfred E. Smith, Planning Chairman. The meeting was conducted by President Philip Naumoff. Morris Speizman, vice-president, introduced the guest speaker, Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow, who represented the Jewish Theological Seminary. The Cantor led in group singing accompanied by Dr. Albert A. Kossove at the piano. Rabbi Tofield gave the closing remarks. The men of the Young Couples Club served as waiters and the Temple Israel players presented a program. Nearly 300 were in attendance at this meeting.

Cantor Leib, accompanied by Dr. Albert A. Kossove at the piano. presented a program of Hebrew music at the Springdale Presbyterian Church.

Maurice A. Weinstein attended a meeting in Washington called by leaders of the Jewish Theological Seminary to discuss the cultural tendencies of our age.

Under the sponsorship of the Charlotte B'nai B'rith Lodge, Rabbi and Mrs. Ira Eisenstein, nationally known leaders in the Reconstructionist Movement, addressed the Charlotte community on Sunday, January 27. Dr. Eisenstein lectured on "Reconstructionism" at Temple Beth El and Mrs. Eisenstein delivered an address on Jewish music at the installation banquet of the local B.B.Y.O. at which time Elliott Schwartz was installed as president. Dr. and Mrs. Eisenstein are both well known to many people in North Carolina, and especially in Charlotte. They were both at Wildacres last summer for the B'nai B'rith Institute and were an inspiring addi-

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ion to that program. The Charlotte community was indeed fortunate in securing this outstanding couple.

Other B.B.Y.O. officers installed, who will serve with President Schwartz for the coming year are: Vice-president, Gerald Sinkoe; secretary, Connie Bernstein; treasurer. Bari King; Scribe, Myrna Smith, and Chaplain, Ralph Stern.

The fifth grade of the Temple Israel Hebrew School conducted the Sabbath services on Friday, January 18. Cantor Leib directed the students in the service and Rabbi Tofield gave the sermon. His subject was "The Significance of Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mitzvah." Participants from the fifth grade included Billy Ashendorf, Steven Firestone, Gary Balkind, and David Pliner.

Rabbi Tofield recently addressed the P.-T. A. meeting of the Wadesboro, N. C., High School. The Rabbi was introduced by Dr. Jack Kress and the meeting was conducted by Dr. Esther Kress, president of the P.-T. A. there.

Cub Pack number 104 is planning monthly meetings on the fourth Thursday evening and on Monday afternoons. Melvin Shapiro is cubmaster. On February 6th the Father-Cub supper was held at Temple Israel. This marked the 42nd anniversary of Cub Scouts. The following Friday the Cubs will attend religious services in uniform. Irving Richeck was in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Arthur Goldberg and Mrs. William Mayer are Den Mothers. A meeting to organize a Brownie Pack is also scheduled.

Members of the Temple Israel Sisterhood attended the open Board Meeting of the Regional Women's League held in Durham on February 12. Mrs. J. B. Freedland is president of the local Sisterhood.

The Executive Board of the Beth El Sisterhood met at the Temple on Tuesday, February 5. The Sisterhood Tel-A-Quiz was held on Wednesday night, January 30. Hostesses were Mesdames Raff and Bernstein. Jo Gottheimer was winner of the lucky jackpot.

**Congratulations to . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fogleson upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Joseph, on Friday night, January 25 and Saturday morning, January 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Melville Cohen on the birth of their son on January 13.

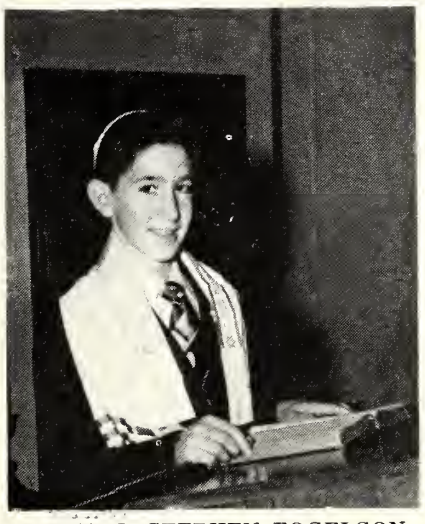
Mr. and Mrs. B. Tischler upon the birth of their grandchild.

Bert Raff who was recently elected to the National Board of the Combined Campaign of the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. Among his many other activities, Mr. Raff is treasurer of Temple Beth El Congregation.

**Marriage . . .**

Miss Sara Nelda Smith of Montgomery, Ala., and Victor Rousso of Charlotte, were married on Sunday, January 20, in the Chapel of Temple Israel. The ceremony was conducted by Rabbi Tofield and Cantor Leib.

Condolences of the community are extended to George Brownstein on the passing of his father, Louis Brownstein of New York City. Also to Edward Hirsch on the passing of his sister, Mrs. F. Isaacson of Montreal. Can., and to Raymond Shulman on the passing of his mother, Gussie Shulman, in Paterson, N. J.



**HOWARD STEPHEN FOGELSON**

Howard Stephen Fogelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fogelson of 723 Mt. Vernon Ave., Charlotte, N. C. was Bar Mitzvah on January 25th and 26th at Temple Israel, Charlotte. Howard participated in the Friday evening service, conducted by Rabbi Aaron J. Tofield and Cantor Samuel Leib when he chanted the evening prayer, recited the Kiddush and delivered a sincere Bar Mitzvah speech in an unusually fine manner. After the Service, a reception was held in the Social Hall at the Temple. At the Sabbath morning service Howard recited his Haftorah and the blessing and was highly complimented by all who heard him. A luncheon was served to the congregation and the relatives and out of towners—who included Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kalmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Fogelson, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fogelson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fogelson, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Fogelson, Mr. and Mrs. Morrie Fogelson, Mrs. Rae Friedkin, Mrs. Louis Markowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Funk, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Koral and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Fernbach of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Orman Haeberle of Milwaukee, Wis.

At the Rose Room of the Hotel Charlotte on Saturday evening, a dinner and dance was given by the Bar Mitzvah parents to 170 relatives and friends. During the evening the guests were delighted to see the Grandparents, great Aunts, great Uncles, sister and cousin, aunts and uncles and parents conduct a beautiful and most touching ceremony as each couple came forward to light a candle on the Bar Mitzvah cake and to wish Howard Mazol.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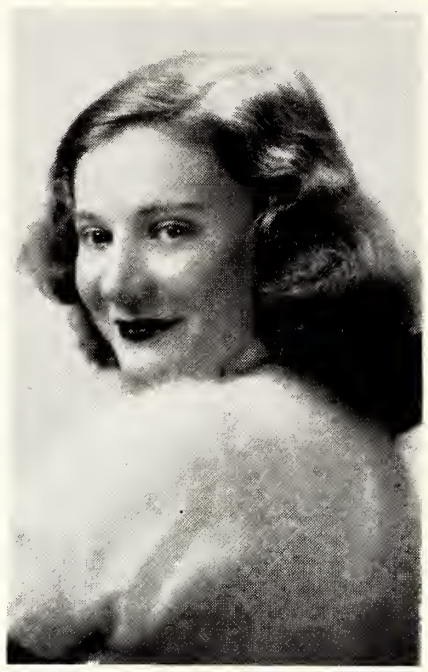

HELENE MAXINE ROSEMAN

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. William Roseman announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen Maxine, to George Max Hahn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hahn of New York City, on January 13. The wedding is scheduled for June. Helen, a Duke graduate, is presently engaged in radio production work at WOR Mutual Broadcasting Company. Her fiance, a Pace College graduate, spent two and a half years in the navy and is at present a partner in the Sidney Hahn and Sons realty firm.

### SMORGASBORD

Mrs. Bob Kalman, Mrs. Sam Warshauer, Mrs. David Jacobi, and Mrs. Abram Solomon were the committee heads for the Smorgasbord Dinner held at the Covenant Club January 27. The affair was a fund raiser for the Concordia of the Temple of Israel. During the evening the Herbet Bluethenthals turned from pink to red to scarlet as they won the men's wear raffle, the door prize, and the woman's wear raffle.

### MARCH OF DIMES DANCE

The March of Dimes Dance chalked up another successful affair for the Covenant Club. Bob and Norma Berman, who remember all too well when their own little boy, Ricky, had polio were in charge of the dance. Bob auctioned off prizes until he was hoarse to raise money for the dance. All the gifts were collected single-handedly by Lynn Alpern, president of the club.

### AROUND THE TOWN

Rabbi Samuel Goldenson, retired spiritual leader of the Temple Emanuel of New York City, was an inspiration to his audience when he addressed the Wilmington College, the First Presbyterian Church, and the Temple of Israel . . . Mr. Herbert Bluethenthal was named to the National Committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion . . . Rabbi Samuel A. Friedman reviewed **Moses** by Sholom Asch in a very interesting manner at the January meeting of the Sisterhood . . . Marcus Goldstein was reelected treasurer of the city's Community Chest Drive . . . Mrs. Victor Goodman is recuperating after a serious operation . . . Paulette Stein was named co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal at the University of Georgia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sam Berger recently returned from a vacation in Miami Beach . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kingoff are in old Mexico . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Retchin left for New York with a full agenda of plays and people to see . . . Dr. and Mrs. S. Kluger are the parents of a bouncing baby boy, born January 25th; Mrs. Kluger is the former Jody Roab. Dr. Kluger is stationed at Camp Lejeune, N. C.


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By Mrs. Kalman Sherman, Reporter

Morris Kaplan (left) Presenting Plaque to Harry Patterson

At a dinner held on January 20th at the Jewish Community the Jewry of Hendersonville honored Mr. Harry Patterson. In presenting the plaque Mr. Morris Kaplan, co-chairman of the Hendersonville drive, cited Mr. Patterson for his services to our community during the past 50 years and his meritous effort to the U. J. A. drive.

Mr. Kaplan also noted the fact that through Mr. Patterson's personal contact $1600 had been collected from the Gentile Community.

Mr. Patterson also lighted the match to burn the mortgage on the Center.

Mr. Mac Provda, president of the Synagogue, presided at the dinner and Mr. Meyer Levinson was in charge of all arrangements. He was assisted by Mrs. Beyrl Cohen, Mrs. B. Ackler, Mrs. Sam Cooley, Mrs. Charlie Rosenfield, Mrs. Dan Michalove, Mrs. Sam Kalin, Mrs. A. I. Gold, and Mrs. M. Levinson.

Mr. Joe Mann sang several selections during the dinner.

Prior to the dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ehrlich held open house at their new home for all members of the congregation.

Congratulations were also in order to Mr. Patterson and his wife on the birth that day of their new grandson, Nelson Paul—son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson of Atlanta.

Mr. Mac Provda visited his folks in New York.

The Marty Beckerman's had as their guest Mr. Max Beckerman of New York.

Mrs. H. Patterson has returned from Atlanta.

Mrs. Sam Cooley, who recently fell and broke her wrist, is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Alex Epstein in Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mann have returned to Whiteville.

Eddie Mottsman deserves a big hand for the fine job he did as co-chairman of Mother's March on Polio. He is senior vice-commander of the Hedrick-Rhodes Post V. F. W.—the third largest post in the nation—Surely wish Eddie would take the commandership—but he says "No"—but maybe!

Theater play-goers will see Ed Patterson and young Mickey Beckerman taking parts this week in the Community Theater's latest play "Squaring The Circle." Also active in the theater's activities are Kalman Sherman, Eddie Mottsman, and Mrs. George Heyman.


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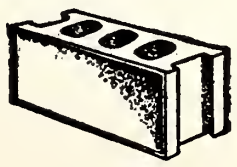

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## A Governor Writes to a Citizen

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patriotism as imposing such an unreasonable restriction upon themselves or on their Jewish fellow Americans.

It is cause for reproach to Christian and Mohammedan nations that some of them have been responsible for the oppression of their Jewish minorities, and that others have shared so slightly with Israel in the work of rescue. It is fantastic to say that Americans facilitating this great humane undertaking are remiss in their duty as American citizens. The words "national allegiance" and "loyalty" have no place in the discussion, and it would be better if your Council would deal with the bond campaign on its supposed merits or demerits without attempting to raise suspicions or disloyalty against worthy and generous fellow Americans.

Historically this bond drive has many precedents. The railroads of the United States, notably the B. & O. and the Pennsylvania, were to a considerable degree financed by foreign investors. Conversely, American capitalists have invested heavily in foreign lands. Many American of Irish extraction bought Irish Government bonds to aid that nation in its infancy, and I have yet to hear it said that they were not loyal Americans. In fact, it would be not unreasonable to claim that by showing their sensitivity to the need of their Irish kinsmen in their struggle for freedom they proved themselves better men and nobler Americans. American citizenship does not exclude cultural, economic and other ties of a non-political nature with a friendly people.

Traditionally, it has been considered no violation of national allegiance for Americans to invest broadly solely for monetary gain. Certainly the purchase of foreign bonds does not become discreditable on partiotic grounds if coupled with the normal financial motivations the object is to save refugees from presecution and to build a homeland for them and to restore a spiritual center for a people to whom we are all religiously indebted. I must reject insinuations made against those who have faith in the glorious fulfillment of the prophetic promise of the Bible and are willing to back that faith with deeds.

People are free to act as their emotions and moral insights dictate in relation to such a program as the building up of the Land of Israel. No interest of our Country can possibly suffer from it. Those who wish may ignore it. Both Christian and Jews, who feel impelled by historic identification, by a sense of justice, by religious impulse, or for whatever reason, to advocate and support this inspiring adventure are free to do so. They are not obliged to empty their hearts of normal sentiments to prove the completeness of their American allegiance. Intimidating citizens into such crippling self-denial is not serviceable to America. To insist upon it debases a priceless quality in genuine Americanism.

As to the fear you entertain that "some of the unusual friendliness to Israel that this Government has adopted might possibly be a boomerang to us in view of the Arabian attitude toward us," I suggest that the question of governmental policy be left to the government. In a time when America is giving assistance to many nations in an effort to strengthen democracy, what has been done for Israel is neither excessive nor unusual. The United States has made even greater contributions to the Arab nations than to Israel. A significant factor in the attitude of the United States toward Israel may be the recollection that during World War II the Jews of Palestine (now Israel), then numbering only 600,000 souls, gave over 40,000 volunteers to the Allies. They served as sappers in removing Rommel's booby traps at El Alamein, and in other dangerous places. The far more numerous Arabs did nothing to support the Allies. This demonstration of Israel's trustworthiness as an ally to the democratic nations of the world justifies the friendly attitude of the United States. Voluntary acts of friendship by American citizens, I repectfully submit, are entirely consistent.

On this question I take my position with such eminent Christian Americans as Dr. Henry A. Atkinson of the American Christian Palestine Committee, Dr. Daniel A. Poling and Dr. Samuel Guy Inman, who recently declared:

> "American aid to Israel is thoroughly consistent with the tenor of our entire foreign assistance program in recent years. Israel is a young and promising democracy; it needs and deserves our help and will richly recompense us. But our help is needed with special urgency, because of the vast, humanitarian task Israel has taken upon itself in absorbing hundreds of thousands of Jewish refugees from Europe and the Middle East."

Your letter adds, "there is no more reason to urge the buying of Israel Bonds than the buying of Iranian or Arabian bonds." My only comment is that if you should prefer to urge the purchase of Iranian or Arabian bonds I might not see fit to follow your advice, but I should cheerfully acknowledge your right to speak as you did without impugning your loyalty as an American. Moreover, when Iran or any other nation undertakes a work comparable in character to that for which Israel seeks support, I should, as an American, consider it an honor to help.

I spoke as I did at Saranac—and have spoken similarly elsewhere and will continue to do so—because I am one of those Christians who believes completely and literally in God's promise to restore Israel to its ancient home. I rejoice that this is happening in my day. I am filled with admiration for the valor and sacrifice of the small population of Israel which has successfully withstood the attacks of its more numerous enemies in the very hour of its birth. I am proud that the United States through the United Nations had a part in establishing this new sister nation, and I feel privileged as an American to assist in a small way in this work.

Under the circumstances I cannot understand the indifference of a group of Jews to this great enterprise. Opposition from such a source is to me quite incomprehensible.

Sincerely yours,
Theodore R. McKeldin,
Governor.

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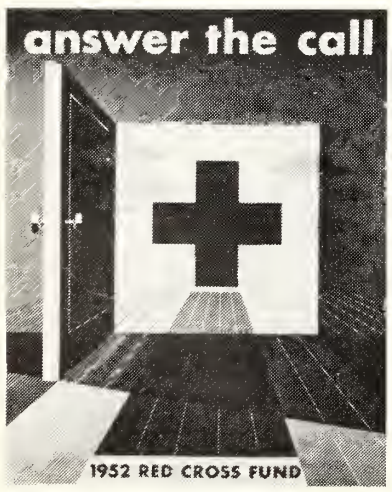
**GOVERNOR SCOTT PROCLAIMS MARCH 16TH ISRAEL BOND DAY**

W. Kerr Scott, Governor of North Carolina, has proclaimed March 16th as Israel Bond Day for the State of North Carolina, in connection with the nation-wide campaign for the sale of $500,000,000 in bonds being carried on by the State of Israel.

A dinner will be held on the night of the 16th at the Sir Walter Hotel here honoring Robert J. Gurney, Gastonia industrialist, who is State Chairman of the campaign. The principal speaker on the occasion of the dinner will be Mrs. Golda Myerson, Minister for Labor in the Isreal cabinet. Mrs. Myerson is on a visit to this country at the present time.

**DOCTOR ISRAEL M. GOLDMAN spiritual leader of Congregation Chiz uk Amuno, Baltimore, Md., and a for mer president of the Rabbinical As sembly, served as Conference Chair man for the annual Education con ference of the Rabbinical Assembly held in December.**

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Working with her were: Mesdames Joseph Newman, Milton Familant, Bernard Cooper, Joseph Getsug, I. Michaelson, Morris Nevias, and Neal Petervin.

The annual polio dance for the benefit of the March of Dimes was a huge success, and the committee did a splendid job. Those working on the dance included: Mesdames Arthur Lieverman, Arnold Beckhardt, Harry Jacobs, Howard Rohr, and Herbert Goldstein.

We are very proud of our membership committee under the leadership of Mrs. Joseph Tannen and Mrs. Bernard Weinflash, who have done such a wonderful job this year. New members who they have introduced this year are: Mesdames Arnold Beckhardt, Martel Epstein, Jerry Pasamanick, Beryl Saunders, Seymour Steinberg, Eric Strauss, Jerome Persh, Alex Burns, Sherwood Hoffman, Julian Berman, Julius Cooper, Harold Held, M. K. Bookman, Richard Cohen, Leon Klein, Abraham Leiss, Harold Friedlander.

**Hadassah . . .**

Hadassah members are looking forward to a very interesting dinner meeting which is being planned for them. Mrs. William Diamonstein and Mrs. E. J. Binder of Newport News, regional board members, will be guest speakers. The meeting will be held for the benefit of HMO fund raising, and Mrs. Harry Jacobs and Mrs. Herman Smith are HMO chairmen.

Local Hadassah has also met with unusual success in collecting money from the floor for canned milk for the babies of Israel. The milk will go over on the next ship leaving the Peninsula for Israel.

**Youth Group . . .**

B'nai Israel's youth are entertaining at the home of Stephen Fox honoring the members of the Youth Group who are graduating from Buckroe Junior High School in February. The graduates are Seamon Gottlieb, Sidney Klein, and Rochelle Patricia Sharf. Mrs. Mildred Fox and Mrs. George Recant are sponsors of the group.

The age group between 9-11 are busily engaged in preparing Tu B'shebat boxes for each member of the Sunday School. The group is working under the direction of Mrs. Herman Switkes.

**Personals . . .**

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Press on the birth of a son, Michael Joseph.

Congratulations to Seamon Gottleib, Sidney Klein, and Rochell Patricia Sharf, on their graduation from Buckroe Junior high school.

Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Morton Stoller on the death of her father.

Appreciation to Mrs. Maurice Epstein on the donation of a Torah Mantel in memory of her sister, Yetta Carmel Hoffman.

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Tunis—Ten thousand Tunisian Jews demonstrated "their desire to emigrate to Israel" at a public meeting at which Yitzhak Raphael of the Jewish Agency spoke.

Another Zionist meeting at which the problem of Chaluzioth was discussed attracted many thousands of Jewish youths.


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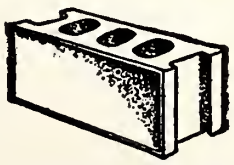

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## Easter Seals at Work

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## Fayetteville, N. C.

I. S. Charoff was recently appointed as USO-JWB director of the North Carolina area, with offices in Fayetteville. Mr. Cheroff succeeds Julius Cohen who served in this capacity since 1948 and who as of January became USO-JWB staffer in Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Cheroff, formerly activities director of the Columbus, Ohio Jewish Community Center, holds a B.S. degree from Brooklyn College and an M.A. from Columbia University. He was formerly a member of the staff of the New York City Welfare department.

## Purim As a Symbol

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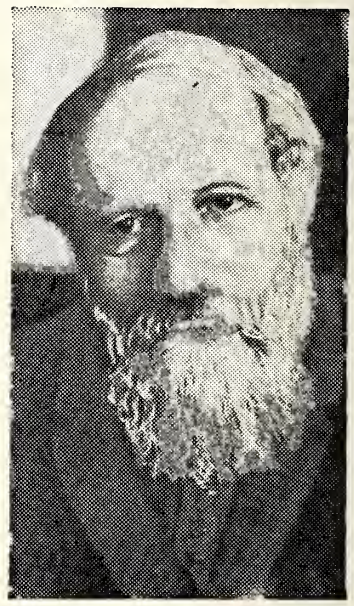
time he became ill and died. Just before the end he called representatives of the city government to his bedside and swore before them that the Jews were innocent and that he had invented the whole story about their having blasphemed against the Mohammedan faith.

Whereupon the authorities issued an order permitting the Jews to return to their own belief. Ever since then the Jews of Chirak celebrate a Purim in commemoration of the event.

There are many other such Purims, for the lesson derived from the story of Purim, that a special Providence stands guard over the destiny of the Jewish people, has so deeply impressed itself upon the consciousness of the Jews that throughout the age and in many lands they have applie the name of Purim to marvelous re demptions from danger. And the nam of Haman, the villain of the Puri story, has become the Jewish symbo for Jew-baiter. In ancient times it wa Antiochus Epiphanes and Titus. I modern times it is Hitler and hi Satellites. Oddly, enough, howeve not one of these extra Purims occu on the actual date of the traditiona festival.

Tunis—A sixteen-year-old Arab stu dent was awarded the first prize fo scholarship at the Ort School here fo the school year 1950-51. He was on of twelve Arab pupils in a class o 104. Because of his popularity amon the students, the Arab youth wa chosen to deliver an address on be half of the student body at the priz distribution ceremony. The youth pai special attention to what he calle the excellent relations between th Jewish and non-Jewish children in th school.



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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

### ALL ABOUT CANTORS

I read about Orthodox rabbis who would put the ban of ex-communication, you might say, upon cantors who get their singing lessons in the new school that the Hebrew Union College (Reform) conducts in New York.

They say these Reform-educated cantors shouldn't be allowed to sing to God in their synagogues. It seems that a cantor out of a Reform singing school isn't considered exactly kosher. And will God and the holy congregation on high tolerate such a person when he presumes to send his voice heavenward?

Now, the other evening, I, who have my own ways of ascertaining what God desires of men, managed to ascend among the heavenly hosts to interview them. What enterprise is beyond the powers of one who has been a reporter for the daily press more than 40 years?

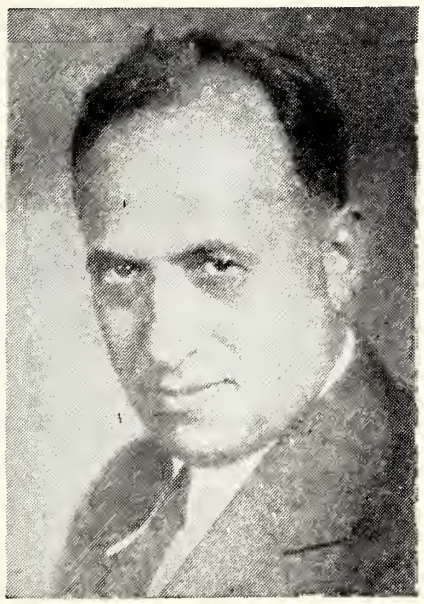
The city editor gives you peremptory assignment that sounds impossible . . . "We want that picture," he says, "and don't come back until you achieve the impossible and come back with that picture. By such education I was able even to attain an interview far out in the heavenly spaces.

As my own editor, I said to myself, Go and find out what they think in heaven about Reform-educated cantors singing to God in Orthodox synagogues, and don't come back without the information.

So I lighted my deepest pipe, seated myself in the softest chair in my living room, drew a couple of drafts out of my pipe and shortly I was rising on the fragrant cloud of my smoke. Thus I came to the gates of heaven.

"I am a reporter," I announced. "I came up to interview Rabbi Hillel, Rabbi Akiba and others of their eminence who are in a position to speak for God."

On second thought, I added that if none of these rabbis was available, I



ALFRED SEGAL

would just as soon speak to one of the prophets.

"I am an admirer of the prophet Micah," I said. (Micah is the one who asked what Jehovah requires of man and he also gave the answer: To do justly, to be kind and to walk humbly with God.) . . . "I admire him especially for his saying that men should walk humbly with God," I told the angel who was keeper of the gate.

And, sure enough, soon I was being ushered into the presence of the prophet Micah. He seemed in deepest melancholy. He explained he had been looking deep down and he couldn't help but weep to see what little of justice, kindness and humility there was among men on the earth.

"And after the thousands of years since I first preached it," he exclaimed. "I said it all in a dozen words and they don't seem to be able to learn the few words . . . But what can I do for you, young man."

I felt flattered to be called a young man, though I realized the prophet was addressing me thus from the eminence of his own immense age.

"Well," I replied, "there's a certain matter on the earth: There are Orthodox rabbis who will not permit cantors educated in a Reform singing school to sing to God in their synagogues. I have called to ask what God thinks of that?"

At this, the veil of melancholy fell from Micah's visage and he laughed . . . "With that trivia men bother their minds!" he chuckled. "Between you and me, I doubt very much whether God notices any difference between the voices of an Orthodox cantor and

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# DURHAM, N. C.

**By Mrs. Louis Cohen**
**Publicity Chairman, Beth El Sisterhood**

The Beth El Sisterhood of Durham was hostess to an open board meeting of the Seaboard Region of its affiliate, the Women's League, on Feb. 12. Mrs. Abe Greenberg, is president of the local Sisterhood. The meeting, first of its kind to be held in North Carolina, was attended by representatives of 16 sisterhoods in the District of Columbia and 12 cities of Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina.

Guest speaker for the sessions was Mrs. Henry Gichner, member of the National Board of the Women's League, in whose honor a reception was arranged on Monday evening, Feb. 11, at the home of Mrs. Joseph B. Robbins on Augusta Drive.

The business meeting was conducted in the Crystal Ball Room of the Washington Duke Hotel on Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with Mrs. I. Levet, president of the Seaboard Region, presiding. Luncheon was served at 1 P.M.

With a membership consisting of 495 synagogue sisterhoods representing more than 100,000 members, the Women's League is the national women's organization of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City, seat of Conservative Judaism in America. Working through the synagogue and the home with an extensive educational program for both children and adults, the League seeks to perpetuate traditional Judaism, demonstrating how it may be lived by modern Americans. Its social action program is designed to make members aware of their responsibility to the community and society. It provides member groups with books, program material, information on political and social issues before the nation, and speakers for special occasions.

Chairman of the committee on arrangements for the regional Board meeting was Mrs. Melvin Gladstein. Mrs. Joe Hockfield and Mrs. Joe Rose are co-chairmen. Others on the committee were Mrs. Nathan Wolfe, Mrs. Robert Lipton, Mrs. Joe Robbins, and Mrs. Louis Cohen.

# High Point, N. C.

**Mrs. Daniel Sechtin, Reporter**

During the January Furniture Market here in High Point, the Council of Jewish Women and Ladies' Auxiliary held its largest and most successful fund raising project for the Community Center by manning the sandwich and coke concessions on thirteen floors of the furniture market.

Sandwiches were made by those members unable to work in the building, while the rest of the women sold them each day for the two weeks of the show. It was a tremendous undertaking, but under the able supervision of Co-Chairwomen, Anna Cassell and Lil Greenburg, everything worked out smoothly. Much praise is due everyone who worked so hard to make this project the success that it was. Special thanks go to Joe and Betty Barr who turned their basement over to the women for the making of the food and to the B'nai B'rith men who pitched in and helped when called upon.

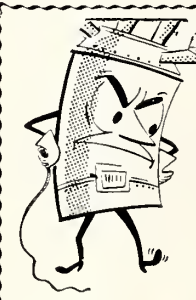
The January meeting of the High Point Section of the Council of Jewish Women was held on Wednesday evening, January 16th at the home of Mrs. Sam Tobias with Mrs. Ben Swartzberg and Mrs. Fred Swartzberg as associate hostesses.

Mrs. Samuel Hyman, president of the group, presided. A letter of appreciation was read from Children's Home in Israel to whom Ship-A-Box packages are sent from time to time.

Following the business meeting an interesting and educational program in the form of an audiomontage called "This Is Your Record," was presented. Participants were Mesdames Harry Jacobs, Al Rabhan, Sam Hyman and Seema Morris.

The Board of Trustees of Family Service Bureau of High Point held its annual meeting in January, at which time Mrs. Ben Swartzberg, who is now serving her second year on the board, was elected treasurer. Rabbi William Gold was elected to serve a three year term as a trustee.

Welcome back to Mrs. Minnie Taylor, mother of Stanley Taylor, who is here visiting Gert and Stanley. Guest of Lil and Irving Silverstein where Lil's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Max Geller of N. Y.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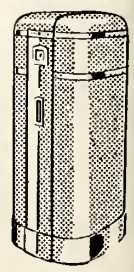
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**Miss Shirley Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Brown of Rockingham, was married on Sunday, January 20 to Morris Lobel of Washington, D. C. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Tofield and Cantor Leib of Temple Israel, Charlotte and took place in Rockingham at the home of the bride's parents.**

## MY FIRST SIXTY YEARS

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o work and produce to repay that oan. I am cheered by the reports I get almost daily, which indicate that Americans are responding with great nthusiasm to the opportunity to invest their funds in the future of Israel.

Looking backward over the many ears that I remember, I think that the present time is perhaps the most crucial that we have yet to face—as Americans and as Jews. The democratic way of life is threatened in many parts of the world. Even now, seven years after the defeat of Nazi Germany, the last vestiges of Hitlerism have not been fully eradicated.

I hope and pray that I will have the strength, as long as I live, to cry out against injustice wherever and whenever it occurs. I think all of us, as Americans, have that obligation and that opportunity. I feel that support of the State of Israel represents above all a small, inadequate measure of justice for those who have suffered and lost so much.

And by granting them this justice, I think we will gain much ourselves. Even in its short history, Israel has demonstrated its ability to contribute much in terms of social and cultural ideas. We shall all be the richer as Israel grows in strength and influence.

### JEWISH CALENDAR

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| **Rosh Hashonah** | **September 20** |
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**Mrs. Harold D. Simons, Reporter**

On January 30, 1952 the Jewish Community Council held its annual mass meeting. This meeting was held in the club room of Temple Emanuel. Newly elected officers of this organization are as follows: Mr. Milton Goldberg, re-elected President; Robert Sosnik—1st Vice President; Fred Burk—2nd Vice President; Phil Michalove—3rd Vice President; Rabbi Erwin Herman—Secretary; and Joe Reznick—Treasurer.

The congregation of Temple Emanuel also elected officers for the coming year and they are as follows: Eli Katzin—re-elected President; A. E. Schwartz—1st Vice President; Norman Waldman—2nd Vice President; Jack Schiller—3rd Vice President; Bruce Levin—Secretary; and Larry Levy—Treasurer.

For the January meeting, the Hadassan had as its guest speaker, Mr. John Wesley Clay, well known philosopher, columnist, lecturer and world traveler. Mr. Clay spoke on his recent trip to South America, giving points of interest about the geography, horticulture, climate and people. At this meeting, Mrs. Nat Silverman, chairman of the Donor Dinner announced that the Dinner will be held on March 11, 1952 on the Balinese Roof with Dr. Frank Hall as speaker. Money raised or the Donor Dinner will be used for the support of various projects in Israel which are sponsored by the United States Hadassah.

At the Regional Convention of the B'nai B'rith Girls held in Charleston, S. C., Miss Rochelle Katzin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Katzin was elected Regional President and Joan Robin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Robin was elected Regional Treasurer. Congratulations to both of them and best wishes for a very successful year.

For the February meeting of the Council of Jewish Women, they had as guest speaker, Beth Tartan, Winston-Salem Journal Home Economics Editor. She spoke on "Foods," giving new ideas on menu planning, excellent ways for entertaining, new recipes and time saving hints. The annual Council Bazaar was held on February 14, 1952 in the Social Room of Temple Emanuel. Everyone participated and had a wonderful time with homemade bagels, blintzes, cakes and other delicacies. There were games of chance, bingo, dart throwing and pitching pennies. After rounds of games, dancing was held and everyone had a wonderful evening! The proceeds of this affair went to Council's Overseas Quota.

In January the B'nai B'rith had a dinner meeting with the ladies of the Sisterhood catering. Mr. A. E. Schwartz and Mr. Bruce Levin led a discussion on the terrorism in Florida and the McIver Report. Mr. Schwartz gave a report on the ADL State Advisory Committee.

On Friday evening, February 22 1952, Norris Horwitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Horwitz was Bar Mitzvah. It was a beautiful ceremony and mozeltov to the parents and to Norris for a job well done.

We extend to Robert Kalet, son of Mrs. T. C. Kalet our heartiest congratulations. Robert was recently elected "Man of the Year" by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, in Jacksonville, N. C. Robert and Harriet are both natives of Winston-Salem and the whole community is proud of them and of their wonderful efforts in Jacksonville where they reside.

**Sisterhood News of Temple Emanuel**

A huge "congratulations" to Sisterhood president, Mrs. Norman Waldman, her officers, and committee chairmen for helping to make the Temple not only a place of spiritual gathering, but also a social center. For under the leadership of Way's and Means chairman, Mrs. Leonard Katzin, this group has undertaken to serve monthly Sunday night suppers in the Temple social hall. Along with a carefully planned, delicious menu, this particular project has been an immense joy to many of our housewives who find the Sunday night supper a wonderful means of relaxation for themselves and their families.


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# PLAIN TALK

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Reform one singing to Him. Only abbis see any difference."

He thought it was a piece of chuzpa n rabbis to discriminate between one oice and another that are raised to od, since God Himself doesn't mind. e winked . . . "You know," he said, it's even more becoming to rabbis an to other men to walk humbly ith God."

He leaned over and whispered: "Beveen you and me, on Sundays I like hear rich voices of Christians singg to God in churches. It's really eautiful."

Micah advised me that, upon my eturn to the earth, I should try to ach rabbis to be humble . . . "You ave a press through which to speak."

My pipe had gone out by then; its plifting incense had dissolved and l at once I had dropped back to e earth, into my big chair. Now my editations fell to the terrestrial level nd I was wondering where the Hebrew Union College's cantors would et jobs after they were graduated.

Very few of the Reform temples ave cantors and if they are to be disowned by the Orthodox synagogues, hat future is there for these singers? n our own town the two Reform mples had cantors long ago, but ntors were dropped on what Reform lled the way of progress.

Instead they have choirs with voices orthy enough to sing to God, even ough most of them are not Jewish oices. I remember the sainted Tim llivan who was a baritone in one our temples. On occasions—such the conjunction of Pesach and aster on one day—Tim Sullivan was pt going between our temple and St. eter's Cathedral which stood across e street. He sang to God in both uses.

As much as I admired Mr. Sullivan, felt it would have been more in ewish tradition to have a chazan singg our prayers for us from the altar. Mr. Sullivan sang to God for the Jews om the choir loft.) I would have en nothing unfitting in a chazan nging on the altar and Mr. Sullivan nging the responses from the balny.

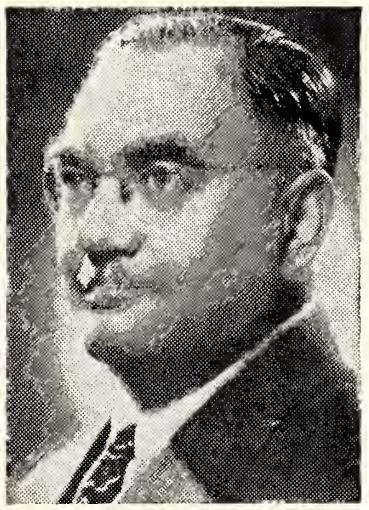
Only the other day I heard about nother Mr. Sullivan (he sings in the Metropolitan opera now) who used to sing in Jewish temples under the name of Mr. Solomon.

Yes, let cantors be restored to sing for Reform Jews in their temples; though I have heard it said that some of the rabbis don't care to have cantors side by side with them on the altar. A cantor is likely to steal the show. And, it must be admitted, a rabbi's sermon might sound flat and anti-climax after the cantor is through with singing the prayers beautifully all morning.

May I suggest that since Reform is training cantors, it takes steps to provide jobs for them in the temples. The voice of a cantor would warm up the chill of many a temple. Cantors really have something that comes from deep out of the Jewish heart and out of Jewish history.

### MRS. SAMUEL J. ROSENSOHN IS NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF HADASSAH

The four-day annual Midwinter Conference of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, concluded with the election of Mrs. Samuel J. Rosensohn as national president and the presentation to Senator Herbert H. Lehman of New York of the Henrietta Szold Citation and Award for "distinguished humanitarian service." Mrs. Rosensohn is from New York City.



**JULIAN FREEMAN is president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds which is meeting in General Assembly in Chicago.**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Hyman Rubin, Columbia's ou standing Jewish citizen has announ ed his candidacy for a post on th Columbia City Commission. H countless friends, Jew and non-Je alike, are rooting for him to be elec ed.

Mr. Rubin is a native South Car linian, a resident of Columbia sinc 1924. He was graduated Magna Cu Laude from the University of Sout Carolina. He is a partner in th wholesale dry goods firm, J. Rubin Son Co., and served as State Chai man of United Jewish Appeal for fiv years. He was president of Distri Grand Lodge No. 5 B'nai B'rith 194 5. In Columbia he has served o Boards of Community Chest, Re Cross, Merchants Association, Chan ber of Commerce, and Columbia Mu ic Festival. He is a member of Boar of Civitan Club, President of Trave er's Aid Society and Secretary City Planning Commission.

# CHARLESTON, S. C.

The Charleston chapter of AZA played a benefit basketball game with the Sons of Pericles on Sunday, January 27. The proceeds went for the March of Dimes Campaign.

On the week-end of Friday, January 24 to Sunday, January 27, the Charleston Hebrew Institute played host to the Junior Congregation of the Savannah, Ga. Hebrew School.

The program started with special Sabbath services at Brith Sholom Congregation. A special Saturday night affair took place which only the children of the Institute and the Savannah delegation attended. Many members of the community turned out for the services conducted by these children.

Mrs. Max Engel, Mrs. Henry Finkelstein, and Mrs. Max Miller were in charge of the supper.

The Men's Club of Emanu-El held their annual dance on Monday, January 21, at the Cavallaro Club. Music for this affair was provided by the popular Casharpo-Marino orchestra. David Alterman and Irving Solomon were co-chairmen for the dance. Sidney Raskind was ticket chairman.

The Men's Club of Emanu-El Synagogue presented one of American Jewry's outstanding spiritual leaders an scholars in a series of two lecture Dr. Ira Eisenstein, leader of the So ciety for the Advancement of Judais and vice-president of the Rabbinic Assembly of America, conducted th series on Thursday, January 24 an Friday, January 25, at which time h was guest speaker at the Sabbat services. On Thursday evening h subject was "What Shall Be the Rel tionship of American Jewry to th State of Israel?" On Friday, the sub ject of Dr. Eisenstein's sermon wa "How Shall American Jewry E United?"

A distinguished Rabbi, Dr. Eise stein attended Columbia Universit from which he received his B.A. d gree, cum laude. He also received h degree of Doctor of Philosophy fro Columbia. He attended the Jewis Theological Seminary of Americ graduating with merit as a Rabbi 1931. Dr. Eisenstein is Associat Chairman of the Editorial Board of th Reconstructionist and author of se eral books. In the Spring of 1950 h served as Visiting Professor of Hom letics at the Seminary. He spent fiv months in Israel and has written e tensively on his experiences there.


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# The Zionist Scene

*By* ISRAEL SCHEN

***Concluding Installment of the Article Which Began In Our February Issue***

There is an intimate connection tween the question of *chalutziut* d another point raised by Mrs. Halin. *"All of us,"* she said, *"recognize d accept the historic and Messianic ncept of* geulat ha'am *and* kibbutz luyot. *Why, then, do we differ? I ink the differences arise in the ojection of that Messianic concept on the organizational scene of toy. I think the differences are sharped when this historic concept, with ich we all agree, is translated into programme of implementation of onism today."* There is only one terpretation to be placed upon this atement: the Messianic concept is l very well in theory and in history oks, but it must not be applied toy. But surely it must be clear that, less Zionism becomes imbued with e Mesianic concept, it will die as a ovement. Take that concept away, d what is left? What will be the spiration for any kind of Zionist tivity—even, in the long run, for nd raising? Indeed, the task before e Zionist Movement is precisely to e that the Messianic concept is ranslated into a programme of imementation of Zionism today." If it ere only a question of method, we uld agree with Mrs. Halprin that e "translation" must be rendered to modern, twentieth-century lanuage, since the old language is no nger understood. But the issue is far wider one of major Zionist prinple, and no one for whom Zionism a matter of the heart as well as the intellect—and that means the erwhelming majority of Zionists—n contemplate the abandonment of at principle, today or at any other me. How, incidentally, recognition d acceptance of the Messianic conpt of *geulat ha'am* and *kibbutz galuot* can be squared with a refusal to anslate it "into a programme of imlementation of Zionism today" preents a problem which appears somehat difficult to resolve.

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As usual, Mrs. Halprin made much the supposed difference between Diaspora" and "Exile" (*Galut*). It as Dr. Silver who gave what should e regarded as the classic argument end all arguments on that point. We forget," he said, "that nobody her than the non-Jew has created ur *Galut*, and that the non-Jew alays defines *Galut* for us." But here e are concerned, not so much with e imagined difference between "Diaspora" and "Exile," as with one of Mrs. Halprin's assumptions about the nature of "Diaspora." In "Diaspora," as distinct from "Exile," she said, Jews live in freedom. *"Our own country permits us to move freely . . . The exit doors are open, and the doors of Israel are widely welcoming. We may go and we may come in. The choice is ours . . ."*

Freedom is a relative, not an absolute, concept. If a Jew living in the Diaspora who has to concern himself about what the non-Jew thinks of him, to defend himself against anti-Semitism—even if it is of the less pernicious social variety, and even if he does not experience it personally—and to compromise on his Judaism in order to make life smoother; if such a Jew believes himself to be free, he must indeed be regarded as free, and there is no use arguing the point. But to assert that Jews are free to leave their American homeland to come to Israel is to state only a partial truth. Of course, they are physically free to come: no obstacle is placed in their path; but mentally and psychologically they are not free to do so. The great majority of young American Jews have been brought up as Americans and know only America. Most of them have but the vaguest conception of the meaning of Judaism; few have any knowledge of Jewish history; and still fewer have more than a superficial acquaintance with Zionism and the realities of Israel. They are, intellectually and psychologically, chained to their non-Jewish environment. Before they can be free to exercise their choice to leave for Israel, they must be enfranchised; and that can be done only by means of a Zionist and Jewish education beginning early in life and continuing well beyond the age of *Bar Mitzvah*. It also requires their belonging to a youth movement with the aim of *chalutziut*, even if not all its members become *chalutzim* in the classic sense of agricultural pioneers, or, indeed, ultimately elect to settle in Israel at all.

A free choice can be exercised only when one is faced with alternatives with both of which one is more or less familiar. But American Jewish youth is not familiar with both alternatives: it knows America only, and Israel not at all, or not in sufficient measure for it to offer a rival attraction. On the other hand, the young Jew who has passed through a *chalutz* youth


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movement and completed his *hakhshara,* or who has at least received a sound Hebrew and Zionist education and absorbed the values inculcated by his youth movement, is truly in a position to weigh the alternatives and decide whether to go to Israel or remain in America. Whatever he decides to do, his choice will indeed be a free one. "The doors of Israel are widely welcoming" only to those who are aware of their existence and who know something of what lies beyond them. It should indeed be the task of the American Zionist Movement, and of the Movement in all other countries, to ensure that the growing generation of Jewish youth is educated to a full appreciation of the alternatives that lie before it.

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Mrs. Halprin expressed her concern lest the youth of Israel and the Diaspora should draw apart. That concern is legitimate, for there is already too wide a gap between them. The youth of Israel is today mainly preoccupied with its own affairs and has little thought for the Jewish youth in other countries. Here, we may hope, the pendulum, which has swung in one direction, will eventually swing back again, and the youth of Israel will come to take a greater interest in the Diaspora. But if matters remain as they are, there is little hope that Diaspora Jewish youth will concern itself with Jewish youth in Israel. Such concern can only be based upon common interest, and common interest must be natural and organic: it cannot be artificially induced by stunts and devices, however ingenious, which are intended as a substitute for the real thing. Experimentation there can and should be. The English Zionist Movement, which has latterly acquired a reputation for quiet but effective action, sent a group of eighteen young men and women on twelve months' service in Israel a little over a year ago. The year has now expired, and all eighteen have elected, by exercising a truly free choice, to remain in Israel permanently. The American Zionist Movement has for some time been discussing alternatives to *chalutziut* as it has been known hitherto, but so far it has shown no clear disposition to take practical action.

Surely it must be appreciated that *chalutziut*—both in its narrower and wider interpretation — the Messianic idea, and all the other basic concepts of Zionism, must form an integral and vital part of Zionist practical, day-to-day activity. Mrs. Halprin's statement that *"there is no Zionist organization in the world that does not recognize* chalutziut *as a cardinal principle in its programme"* is valid as a wish for the future—indeed, no Zionist could put it better. But as a description of the existing position it is, unfortunately, far from correct. It is the task of Zionism today to translate that statement from wish to fulfilment. By all means let there be a search for new methods and approaches; but let there be no self-delusion that the soul of Zionism can exist in an incorporeal framework without tangible substance in the form of Zionist self-fulfilment.

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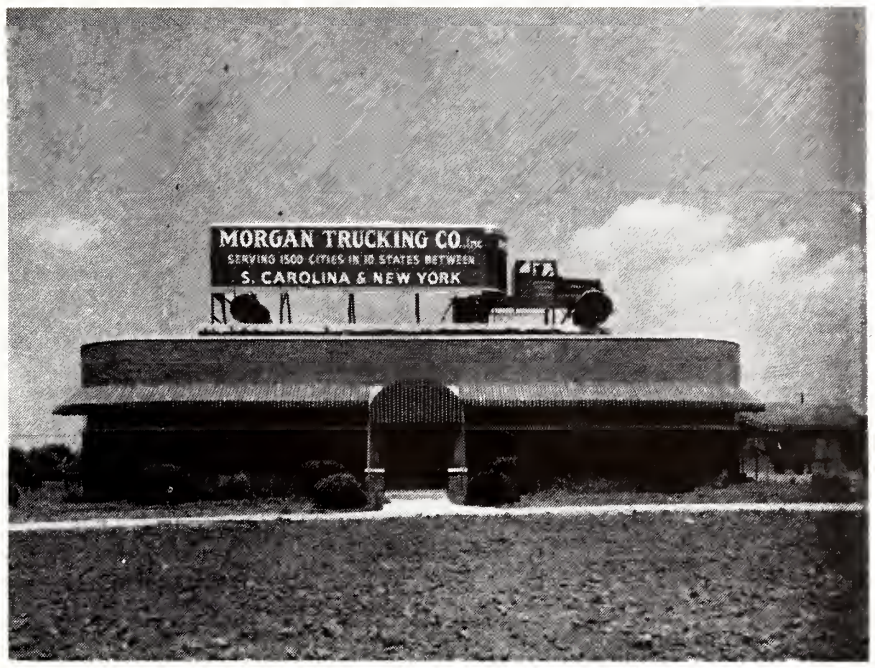


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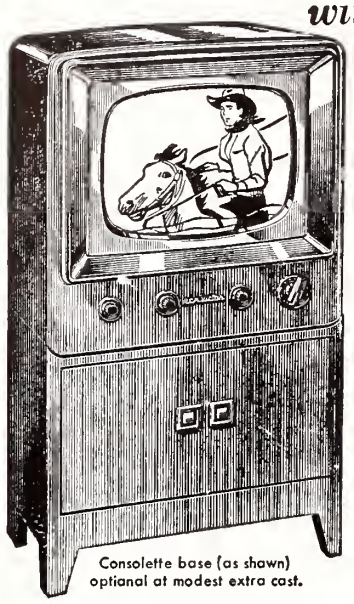


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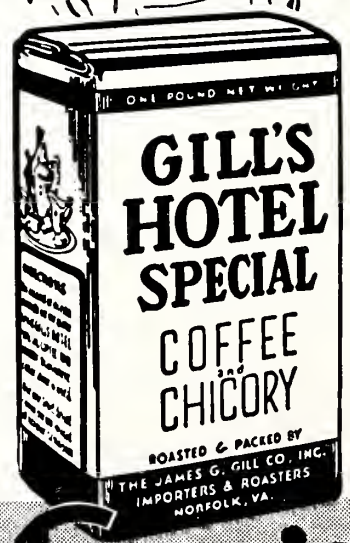


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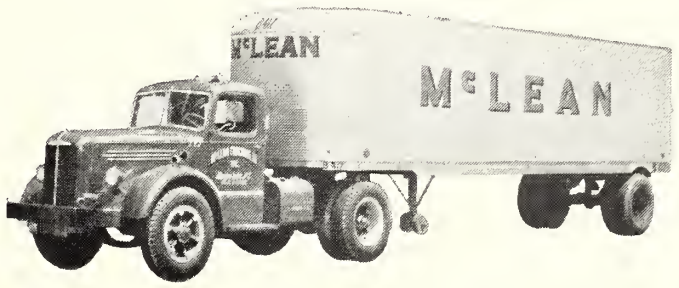


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*By the Translator*

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**When Jewish men and women in uniform sit down, come Pesach, to recount the ancient story of man's first successful struggle for freedom, they will be reading from the new Haggadah prepared by the Division of Religious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB). It is a Haggadah written specifically for its audience—the many thousands of Jewish GIs stationed the world over, as well as the Jewish patients in VA hospitals. The Haggadah itself is, of course, a wonderful narrative; the story behind the making of the new JWB Haggadah also deserves telling . . . and it is told herewith, charmingly and candidly, by the man who did the skilled job of translation.—THE EDITOR.**

Fresh from the printer and ready for distribution is the new JWB Haggadah. True, it doesn't *seem* so very new or different—same old Pesach story in the two customary languages: Hebrew and English. But it *does* have some unique features. Outstanding is the fact that this small paper-bound opus is not merely issued *to* the troops. As the foreword emphasizes: This edition has been especially prepared for the men and women of the armed forces and veterans hospitals.

Nine years ago, as an air force chaplain, I felt that Jewish soldiers and WACS deserved better religious literature (in English) than they were getting. The prayer translations which the National Jewish Welfare Board's Committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities (as it was known in those days) was issuing might be suitable as a "pony" for the classical Hebrew texts. But they did not measure up as devotional literature in the English language. In a paper I prepared at that time for a convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, I pleaded for the composition of services prepared in G. I. (Generally Intelligible) English that would, at the same time, be reverent, esthetic, spiritually moving; a *religious* equivalent of the traditional prayers.

Certainly it is sound to assume that the Psalms and subsequent great Hebrew liturgy were not originally written in archaic language. Contemporary readers did not find the phraseology of these masterpieces dated, outlandish, or corny. Religious geniuses write current literature, timeless in sentiment but in the going speech of their day. To deal fairly with their work in another age and tongue calls for more than diligent dictionary-thumbing. It means sensing the mood, tenor, and total meaning of the classic text and conveying something of all this in the modern idiom, as close to the original in nuance, tone, and power as lies within the gift of the translator. For this, assiduity (read "sitzfleisch") is not enough. Some literary skill and sensitivity are required.

Last spring, the publications committee of the National Jewish Welfare Board's Division of Religious Activities, after conferring with a number of interested World War II chaplains, decided that this might be the time to make the attempt: to produce devotional literature in English that would match the Hebrew Siddur Machzor, and Haggadah in beauty and inspiration. To this end an educational consultant, Rabbi Sidney B. Hoenig, was engaged to begin the work of rewriting all the liturgy issued by D. R. A.

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The task of publishing a new Haggadah was given top priority. This was not a matter of logical choice but of happenstance. The supply of the Pool Haggadah (the work of Dr. David and Mrs. Tamar de Sola Pool) was exhausted. It was a question of readying a new edition, or reprinting the Pool work. This decision, in turn, depended on finding someone willing and able to prepare and submit a complete manuscript of the proposed new book for the approval of the D. R. A.'s sub-committee for Haggadah, the publication committee, the D. R. A. at large, and perhaps even the comptroller of JWB. All this to be accomplished and the pamphlet packed for shipping by December 1951!

The first draft was presented on July 30, 1951. Carbon copies were sent to an educational psychologist, expert on the verbal I. Q. of gobs, doughfeet, and disabled veterans. The new JWB Haggadah is the result of the long, careful labors of these scholars.

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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *The Modern Significance of Passover*

Without question, one of the greatest concepts of the many which the Jewish people have given to humanity is that of liberty. It ranks second only to the idea of one God. Down through the centuries people have been fighting and dying for this concept. Liberty has been won only by blood, and there are yet countless benighted people to whom that blessing has to come.

The festival of Passover celebrates the liberty that came to the Jewish people, with the guidance of Moses, through their delivery from Egyptian bondage. This freedom, won from Pharaoh, has had to be won over and over again as through the years other Pharaohs have arisen to challenge the Jews' right to live as a free people.

And so, as we read the Haggadah at our Seder tables, we are again reminded of this precious hard-won treasure and we resolve anew to guard that treasure well. In our day we have fresh in our minds the courageous battle which saw the establishment of the State of Israel as another example of how Jews, spurred by the desire for freedom, fought determinedly until the goal was crossed.

The world has long marvelled at the tenacity of the Jew. There have been many bleak periods on our history when extermination seemed inevitable. And yet, somehow, we have managed to survive. Celebrating the Passover festival, we affirm renewed determination from the reconstruction of our early tribulations, that the precious contribution which we have made to civilization, must, and will be carried on.

### *Setting the Record Straight*

Be do not believe in pursuing a matter beyond the point where we have made our position clear. However, when it seems that our attitude is capable of being misunderstood, we feel that a further word may be necessary.

Such a situation is presented in the letter which we received from Rabbi Simcha Kling, of Greensboro's Beth David Synagogue which appears elsewhere in this issue. The rabbi's letter infers that we are hostile in our thinking regarding the State of Israel. He is referring to the editorial which appeared in our February issue, "Mr. Ben Gurion Speaks Again."

We do not feel the need to defend ourselves against this inference. Our record speaks for itself, and we just want to set it straight. Since the establishment of the State of Israel in May of 1948, there have been but a few issues of the AMERICAN JEWISH TIMES-OUTLOOK but what have carried stories of the progress being made in the newly-born State. In our Rosh Hashonah (September 1951) edition and again in our January issue of this year, a substantial amount of space was given to a review of the accomplishments in the State since its birth. True, editorially, we may not always have been in agreement with the political maneuverings within the republic, but that, we maintain is our privilege, and should not be construed as hostile.

We believe that we have at no time indicated anything but the most sincere admiration and whole-hearted sympathetic feeling for the *people* of the State of Israel. Our quarrel, if any, is with some of their leaders who allow personal political expediency to cause a possible alienation of the moral and financial support of American Jewry, where the *people* are the sufferers.

Rabbi Kling says, "as to Mr. Ben Gurion's remarks, I fear that he is frequently quoted out of context, and therefore misunderstood." That's the same excuse Mr. Ben Gurion has generally used when he learned of the effects some of his intemperate utterances have had. We might accept this if it happened once or twice, but when it is a recurring thing it is difficult to entertain. Furthermore, the many friends of Israel, Zionist leaders in this country, et el, all of whom have criticized Mr. Ben Gurion in just the way we have, have accepted his outbursts as authentic, despite his pleas of being "misunderstood."

We agree entirely with that portion of Rabbi Kling's letter in which he says, "Every individual will decide for himself where he can live his life to the fullest." But it is a far cry from that philosophy to the one which states that every Jew who is not now in the State of Israel or who does not plan to go there eventually, is in exile, as has been expounded in Israel.

Referring to the reports of possible imperialistic ideas in the State of Israel, to which we alluded in our February editorial, the Rabbi says, "No responsible person or group has ever intimated, in the slightest way, that Israel plans to annex Arab lands. Such an idea is far-fetched and *completely* unreliable. No one who has the slightest knowledge of Israel could ever accuse it of a policy of imperialism." In the first place, we did not charge that the State was committed to a policy of imperialism. We referred to "reports," and despite the Rabbi's rather positive statement, such reports *were* current. Furthermore, The Jewish Agency's Digest of January Fourth reports the formation in Israel of a new political party, "Eitanim," which has as its aim the "re-establishment of Israel within its historical borders." Perhaps the Rabbi should have qualified his definite statement by adding, "according to my knowledge," or, "in my opinion."

We believe that Rabbi Kling and ourselves are not far apart in our ultimate objectives. We both are concerned that the people of the State of Israel have a fruitful, purposeful, and happy future. So much are we concerned that this should be the case, that we rebel against a leadership that jeopardizes that possibility for personal motives. We may each see it in a different light, but that is one of the most precious privileges of our democratic way of life.

We respond to the plea for a greater understanding contained in the closing paragraph of the letter. That is just what we are trying to bring about. But we do not accept that understanding requires that facts should be ignored and that emotion rather than logic should prevail. That would not be true understanding. That "the king can do no wrong" is an outmoded idea. If a leader insists on pursuing a policy that will react unfavorably on his people, he should be criticized, with the hope that he may see the light before the damage he does is beyond repair. That is "understanding" in the democratic manner, as we see it.

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# The Sacred Bridge

## The Kinship Between Synagogue and Church Music

*By* Dr. Eric Werner

Jewish Music Festival is the climax of the year-round effort by the JWB-sponsored National Jewish Music Council to encourage not only the performance, creation and appreciation of the best in Jewish music but also the study of its history and development. Because of the fact that Brotherhood Week occurs during the month of Jewish Music Festival, it is worth noting that careful study of the origins of music for Jewish worship reveals an unmistakable interrelationship between Church and Synagogue music.

In searching for the oldest remnants of our Jewish musical heritage, this writer has arrived at the conclusion that may shock many Jews: namely, that the oldest strata of Jewish musical tradition were preserved better by the Roman, Byzantine, and Armenian Churches than by the Synagogues.

The question of the musical interrelation of Church and Synagogue is not new. The Church has always claimed to be, legally and actually, the heir to the old Synagogue, and some of the Church-fathers have taken pride in their belief that many songs of the early Church came, by tradition, from King David, whom they venerated as a saint and as a prophet—a notion that is quite untenable in the light of modern musicology:

The medieval Jews were quite familiar with this attitude of the Church. They did not dispute it but some were very critical. We know of a number of caustic remarks on this state of affairs, the most famous of which came from the pen of Manuello of Rome, a contemporary (and possibly a friend) of Dante.

The scholars of the 18th and 19th centuries doubted very much the genuine kinship between ancient Jewish and Christian chant; since Jewish written sources were unknown to them, they held that the actual resemblances (which they could not deny) were the result of a long process of assimilation among Jews, whereby some Gregorian tunes—not known as such to the Jews—had crept into the tradition of the Synagogue. However, the discoveries and studies made during the last 40 years, undertaken by the Catholics as well as Jews, show beyond any possible doubt that there is a close interdependence between the chant of the Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Armenian churches, on one hand, and the chant of the Synagogue on the other.

For the history of culture the admonition of Polonius: "Neither a borrower nor a lender be" is without any validity; for—except in the primitive civilizations—there is no "self-sufficient" culture in any part of the world. We Jews have been lenders as well as borrowers. In music, one may say that we lent from our musical treasure up to the 8th or 9th century of our era; thereafter, we began slowly to borrow musical substance from our non-Jewish environments, in the Orient as well as in the Occident.

The Music of the Synagogue is like an ancient site; there are the ruins of the original foundations: there are a number of other strata above these foundations, but they, too, are in ruins. Here and there one may find unbroken objects, the archeologist's delights.

Such unbroken objects can be found in the chant of the Torah and of the Haftora, in the lamentations of Tisha B'av, the 9th of Av, in the lamentations of the Church during holy week, (where the same texts are chanted to a very similar tune). We might say that these "objects" are only very little chipped in the Psalmody of the Roman and Byzantine Churches as compared to the chant of Psalms by the Yemenite Jews. Many of these tunes are almost identical. Since the Yemenite Jews left Palestine before the destruction of the Temple in 70 B. C. E. and had no contact with Christianity during the 1900 years, the scholars insist that their chant and the plain chant of the Church must have a common source. This common source could, of course, be only the Jewish folk-and Temple-song of Palestine so many centuries ago. Today this concept is common to both Jewish and Christian musicologists. Indeed, this idea explains many a strange fact in the liturgy as well as in the chant of the Church. Even the original notation of ecclesiastical music, the so-called ecphonetic neumes, have the same origin as our accents of the Bible; the oldest of these accents are common to Catholic, Byzantine, Armenian, Nestorian, and Jewish manuscripts. In all probability they originated in East Syria about the 6th century.

We know some of the names of Levite descendants who, under Pope Damasus, in the 4th century, were converted to Christianity and became famous ecclesiastical singers in Rome. They have Latinized Hebrew names and their epitaphs tell the whole tale. Without doubt, they must have influenced the music of the Church.

As late as in the eleventh century, there are cases where some old Jewish tunes found their way into the Missals of the Roman Church. A famous case in point is the "Great Olenu" of the High Holidays that was taken over by French Christians in Blois after the destruction of the local Jewish community.

After the ninth century, when the Western Church became more and more independent of its Oriental fountainhead, the situation was reversed: the Jews began, ever so slowly, to borrow from the Church In some cases we can trace this borrowing of tunes from the services of the Roman and the Byzantine Church to a specific place or time. It should be noted that between the melodies the Jews lent and those they borrowed there is a considerable difference. The tunes borrowed by the Synagogue have changed very little; those borrowed by the Church did undergo a systematic transformation under the hands and pens of the musical theoreticians of the Church. We are able, to a certain degree, to distinguish well between the older strata of chants and the more recent ones. This holds true for the chants of the Church and those of the Synagogue.

Every year new findings are increasing the evidence, so that we are almost enabled to rebuild the general structure of the chant as it was practiced in Synagogue and Temple at the time of Jesus and the centuries thereafter.

Hence it is no exaggeration to call the tunes, common and sacred to both faiths, "a sacred bridge," over which many thousand tongues have sung, civilizations have passed, and which many generations of man have adored and exalted. Like a gigantic rainbow the Sacred Bridge spans its majestic arc from continent to continent, encompassing thousands of years. We admire it no less than our Christian brethern, for it is an integral part of our heritage as well as of theirs.

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**The world of Jewish Music has been holding its annual J. W. B.-sponsored Jewish Music Week, and, as is generally the case—many topics having to do with Jewish music have been discussed. We consider the following article by Dr. Eric Werner a splendid contribution to the subject.—THE EDITOR.**

**James G. McDonald, Chairman of the Advisory Council of the $500,000,000 State of Israel Bond drive, and former U. S. Ambassador to Israel, is in Israel to survey the industrial and agricultural expansion being made possible by funds derived from the sale of Israel Bonds. Before his departure aboard the Queen Elizabeth, Mr. McDonald expressed strong hopes for the development of peaceful and friendly relations between Israel and the neighboring Arab states.**

# Israel's Road to Independence

*By* GOLDA MYERSON
*Minister for Labor in Israel's Cabinet*

MRS. GOLDA MYERSON

**It was our privilege to attend the Emergency Conference at the Israel Embassy in Washington on March 1 and 2, at which Mrs. Myerson sent this message to the readers of the American Jewish Times-Outlook. —THE EDITOR.**

It is true that we have come to American Jewry many times before for money, but the State of Israel Bond Issue is quite different. Now we come and we say: We have the capacity, we have the natural resources, we have the skill, we have the will, we have the people to make good, to stand on our own feet. But we must have investment dollars to give us the machinery, to give us the tools, to give us the pipes for irrigation, the turbines for electric power, the raw materials for our factories, the steel for new railroads —the resources that can make us self-sustaining in a matter of the next six or seven years.

One thing must be clear in the Israel Bond drive. This is the first time that we are asking you to lend us the money to do this tremendous job.

Everyone should know how we are going to pay back the money that comes in through the Israel Bond Drive. Before leaving Israel about ten days ago I decided to go and see for myself the answer to this question. I did not read through voluminous reports. I did not consult our own experts. I decided to get the information at the source. And so I spent several days visiting new factories, new installations. The interesting thing is that I found the best arguments in the Negev. Not so long ago people in America and elsewhere could not understand why we in Israel were so stubborn in our refusal to give up the Negev. They used to say to us, "What do you want with such a God-forsaken desert? What good will it do you to fight for it?" When the British were there, we did not have much of a chance to find out what the Negev was all about. When they left we had to drive the Egyptians back to save it. Then a short time ago we finally got our first opportunity to look around. You see, some of us read our Bibles pretty carefully and the Bible speaks of Israel, not only as a land of milk and honey, but it makes very definite references to iron ore, copper and other resources.

With the first money we received from the Israel Bonds we proceeded to develop the Israel Mining Corporation. I am happy to report that within the last six months we have uncovered in a tremendous crater in the Negev an estimated 500 million tons of phosphate rock. We are already extracting enough phosphates to meet our own needs for fertilizer and chemicals. What we need now is the machinery and the transportation facilities to make phosphates a very important export in the immedate future. At the present time a ton of phosphate brings a price of 15 dollars. In a matter of a year or two at the latest, we can be in a position to earn 30 million dollars a year through the export of phosphate alone. Closer to Beersheba in this "worthless desert" there is another mine that we have started with the help of the Israel Bond money. Here we are digging up kaolin and glass sand for all kinds of ceramic and glass products. Up to a short time ago we had to spend dollars to import glass sand from Belgium. Today we don't have to import any glass sand aymore. In fact we have enough to produce all the glass products we need for ourselves and to expand our production for export.

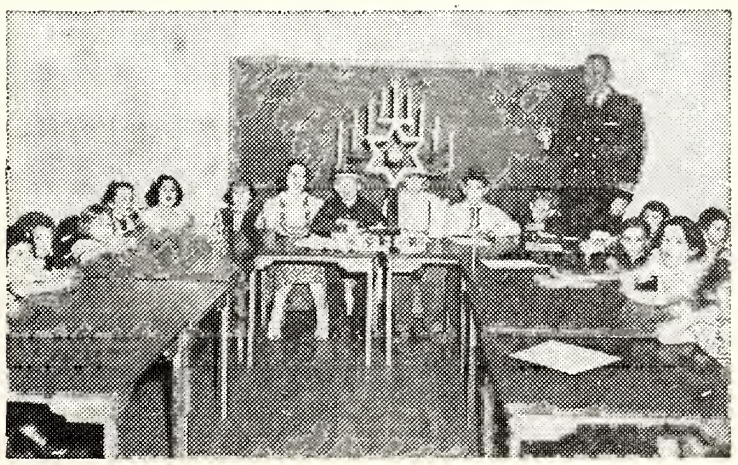
Let me cite only one more example. Many of you know that for some months we have been engaged in a big project to drain the Huleh Lake and swamp on the Syrian border in the North. We had a very simple but very important objective. The purpose of the drainage project was to add 25 thousand acres to our land area for cultivation. But in going forward with this work we discovered large deposits of peat. The experts tell us that we have about 20 or 25 million tons of peat in the Huleh district. We can use the peat as fuel and for fertilizer and again we will save very substantial amounts of hard currency every year.

The fact is that we in Israel live in two worlds. On the one hand we face a very critical shortage of foreign currency. On the other hand we can stretch out and almost reach the fruits of our sacrifice, the products of our labor, the returns of our investment, of our toil and our resources and see the end of the road of our hardship and growing pains. How do we cross the bridge from the grave position which we are in today, where we do not have enough dollars to import minimum amounts of food, to the firm and comfortable soil of productiveness and self-sufficency? What good are all the rosy prospects of tomorrow if we find ourselves strangled by a lack of dollars today? Does it make our position easier to know that we have so much new wealth in natural resources, if we do not have the dollars to convert those resources into the products that will give us the means to survive and to grow strong? We have explored every possible avenue of support. We know that the United Jewish Appeal helps us care for the immigrants and the new settlers. We have received grants and loans from the Government of the United States. But these are not enough to see us through this short-term but cruelly dangerous period of transition. I say to you with a heavy heart that everything that we fought for, everything that many of our young men and women died for not so long ago will be lost, if the Jews of America do not respond quickly and on a vast scale to the Israel Bond drive.

Those of us who have government responsibility in Israel have wrestled with this problem for many days and many nights. When the Prime Minister asked me to go to the United States he said to me, "You have nothing to fear. All you have to do is tell the Jews of America what our problems are, tell them frankly the grim situation that is facing us and they will understand —they will act in the same heroic fashion with which they came to our side in the darkest days of our war of independence."

I have no fear. I must say in all sincerity that I am deeply troubled about the obligations which we have to meet in the coming weeks and months, but I am just as deeply confident that American Jews will do their utmost. I am just as deeply convinced that they will not fail us.

Basically the Israel Bond drive involves the preservation of Israel. Through their response, American Jews are hastening the day when Israel will be truly independent— independent of need, independent of fear, independent to give every Jew everywhere the moral and spiritual strength to serve mankind on the highest level of human endeavor.



**JEWISH SUNDAY SCHOOL AT A MILITARY POST—An example of the kind of "new sights" seen by Rabbi Judah Nadich on his tour of military installations: a Jewish Sunday School at Camp Lejeune, N. C., showing Chaplain Samuel Sobel leading children of post personnel in singing Hanukah songs. Chaplain Sobel is one of corps of 78 full-time Jewish chaplains served by JWB's Division of Religious Activities, on whose behalf Rabbi Nadich made the tour upon which he rendered a detailed report.**

# DEFINITION *or* DISTORTION?

*By* SAMUEL NEWMAN, M. D.

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The JEWISH PROBLEM was precipitated into the world by Abraham who in his early youth, according to legend, smashed the idols of his father Terah. Abraham's revolt against his pagan environment marked the beginning of the entry of the Hebrew factor into the stream of Western civilization, to which, in the words of Ludwig Lewisohn, "the pagan world reacted with irritation and wounded pride and repressed dismay."

In Egypt, when the Israelites were a small clan, a new king arose, "who knew not Joseph," and said to his people: "Behold, the people of the children of Israel are too many and too mighty for us; come, let us deal wisely with them, lest they multiply."

In their desert wanderings the refugees from Egypt loomed large and menacing in the eyes of their neighbors. Balak, king of Moab, sent messengers to Balaam, saying, "Here is a people that has come from Egypt; they have been swarming over the face of the earth, and here they are now, settled opposite me; pray come and curse this people for me . . ."

In Persia (44th century B.C.E.) Haman said to King Xerxes, "There is one race scattered and separated among the races in all provinces of your kingdom; their laws are different from those of every other race; they do not obey the king's laws; therefore it is not proper for the king to tolerate them. If it please the king, let an edict be written for their destruction."

In the year 59 B.C.E. Cicero exclaimed: "Every state has its religion; we have ours. But even when Jerusalem stood and the Jews lived in peace, the character of their rites harmonized but ill with the splendor of this empire, the dignity of the Roman name and the institutions of our ancestors."

In the first century C. E. Apion, the Alexandrian grammarian and leader of the stoic school of philosophy, declared that leprosy was a disease indigenous to the Jews, that the Jews were devoid of any gift for government or the arts, that their laws were abominable and full of hatred for others, that they annually sacrificed a foreigner and that they worshipped the golden head of an ass.

Dion Cassius, a Greek historian of the early centuries of the Christian Era stated that the Jews of Cyrene killed both Greeks and Romans, ate their flesh, smeared themselves with their blood, and dressed up in their skins, and that the same practice was reported in Cyprus and in Egypt until Emperor Trajan put an end to it.

With the spread of Christianity the tragic and gory history of the Jew truly begins. In the fourth century C.E. even saintliness did not operate for the benefit of the Jews. St. Gregory of Nyssa, with the eloquence for which he was famous, composed against them a comprehensive indictment:

> "Slayers of the Lord, murderers of the prophets, adversaries of God, haters of God, men who show contempt for the law, foes of grace, enemies of their father's faith, advocates of the devil, brood of vipers, slanderers, scoffers, men whose minds are in darkness, leaven of the Pharisees, assembly of demons, sinners, wicked men, stoners, and haters of righteousness."

In the edict issued by Pope Innocent III (12th century C.E.) known as the "Constitutio pro Judaeis" Christians were admonished not to destroy the Jews "completely."

The French Revolution which initiated the Era of Emancipation for western Jewry was to solve the woeful JEWISH PROBLEM by means of a new definition of the term Jew. The Jew was no longer to be defined as member of a distinct race, nation or people. He was to be defined as member of a religious communion only. Clermont-Tonnerre, the liberal deputy of French National Assembly (1789) exclaimed, "To Jews as human beings—everything; to Jews as a nation — nothing." The **Grand Sanhedrin** which Emperor Napoleon convoked (February 9, 1807) declared themselves Frenchmen of the Jewish faith, on whom the laws of the state were as binding as on any citizen. In an address of homage presented to King Victor Emmanuel II (1870) the leaders of the ancient community of Rome and of other Jewish communities of Italy, asked to be considered loyal Italian subjects, "remembering only when in our Temples of worship that we are Israelites."

Some thought that in order to conform to the changed civic and political status of the western Jew, radical surgery on the Jewish religion had to be performed. Judaism was to be divested of any racial or ethnic elements and transformed into a universal religion or pure ethical cult, thus losing its essential historic nature.

Unfortunately the course of history does not accommodate itself to rational grooves. Soon enough it became evident that the emancipation of the Jew was not the fruit of the evolution of a nobler sense of human relationship or of the concept of universal human brotherhood. In the words of Max Nordau:

> "Emancipation of the Jew was not the result of a recognition that a great injustice was committed against him; that he was treated cruelly and the time arrived to atone for a thousand-year-old sin. It was only the result of a straight geometric way of thinking of French rationalism in the 18th century . . . Jewish emancipation was a necessary accessory in a highly civilized state, as for instance, the piano which must find a place in the salon even when no one in the family plays the piano."

It is imprudence and self-deception to decry as anti-Semite every one who points to our uniqueness or doubts our assimilability. On the other hand it is naive to regard as friend every one who is anxious for our assimilation, or self-annihilation. Extremes or opposites often meet. Lagarde, (1884), one of Germany's leading academic humanists as well as an influential publicist, in his program for the conservative party of Prussia wrote: "The Jews are a serious misfortune for any European people."

The stature and influence of Hillaire Belloc as an English man of letters has not been diminished by his periodic assurance of his wide circle of readers that a Jewish international plot threatened to destroy Christian civilization, especially the English part of it. The editor of an influential Christian weekly who believes that the Jews would make a worthwhile contribution to American civilization by total assimilation did not hesitate to publish an editorial, "Israel Without God," at the very moment when an agonized, prayerful and ecstatic people watched anxiously and hopefully the birth pangs of the State of Israel.

The extermination by Germany of six million Jews in a fiendish scientific way with the acquiescence of the civilized world is the crowning testimony to the insincere acceptance of the definition of the term Jew as a member of a Jewish religious communion only.

In the November, 1951, issue of COUNCIL NEWS, Rabbi Leonard J. Rothstein in an article entitled, A DEFINITION, poses the question: "Jews in America, American Jews or Jewish Americans—which are we?" He comes to the conclusion that a Jew in America is not an American Jew but a Jewish American. "Universalists in Judaism," he states, "hold the view that the conquest of Palestine by Rome in 70 C.E. marked the turning point in the life of Jews. They ceased forever to be a nation and became transformed into a religious communion. And it was the will of God that this should happen, for, thereby, they were launched upon their divinely appointed task expressed in the words: 'Ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests and a holy people'."

"Universalists in Judaism" is something new. The study of comparative religion has brought to light essential similarities in every religion. Precepts on the cardinal qualities of the moral life; spiritual sentiments; a passionate yearning for the perfect; the ethical content of the Decalogue; the Golden Rule; and the fundamental issues—God, duty, immortality—are common to ALL religions. But each great religion has a distinctive note of its own and it serves to differentiate each from all the rest. Judaism is a universal religion in the sense that it contains the universal elements common to all great religions, but it also contains a

particularism without which there can be no Judaism. Likewise without a particularism there can be no Christianity.

There is no formulation of Judaism, whether Orthodox, Conservative or Reform in which the concept of **Jewish peoplehood** does not occupy a pivotal position.

> "Whatever concept of God a Christian theologian excogitates, he is then compelled to weld with the personality of Jesus, who represents as him the revelation of the Deity. In a somewhat similar way, there is an intimate connection in Judaism between a thinker's philosophy of religion and his estimate and function of the Jewish people." (Modern Philosophies of Judaism, Agus).

In all versions of the Bible the passage in Exodus 19:6 reads, "a holy nation," not, "a holy people." Why was that passage misquoted in Rabbi Rothstein's article? The allergy of the American Council for Judaism to the term "nation" in connection with Jews does not justify misquoting the Bible.

Rabbi Rothstein's statement, "And so Reform and Anti-Zionism abhor the designation of 'Jews in America'," is a poisoned arrow shot beyond the target of truth. Reform and Anti-Zionism are not bedfellows. The aim of Zionism, as formulated in the official Basle Program, reads:

> "Zionism aims to c r e a t e a publicly secured, legally assured home for the Jewish people in Palestine."

In the Guiding Principles for Reform Judaism, formulated at the meeting of the Central Conference of American Rabbis at Columbus in 1937, the section devoted to Palestine reads:

> "In the rehabilitation of Palestine, we behold the promise of renewed life for our brethren in the land hallowed by ancient memories and hopes, and affirm the obligation of all Jewry to aid in the upbuilding of Palestine as a Jewish homeland, in making it not only a haven for the oppressed but also a center of Jewish cultural and spiritual life."

In spirit and essence, if not in words, the two statements are identical!

The American Council for Judaism is harking back to the "classic" pattern of Judaism as laid down in the Pittsburgh Platform, 1885. But the essence of Reform Judaism is changed. In the words of Solomon B. Freehof, a leader is contemporary Reform Judaism. "It is the resolve of the Central Conference to keep Reform Judaism liberal and alive to the realities of the age." The Pittsburg Platform is petrified Reform Judaism, not live, dynamic, Reform Judaism. To clothe the sectarian or negative ideology of the American Council for Judaism with the mantle of Reform Judaism is an adroit act of legerdemain.

The incompatability of the basic views of the American Council for Judaism with those of modern Reform is apparent in the comparison of the statements on Jewish Unity.

The Digest of Principles, The American Council for Judaism, states:

> 'The basis of unity among Jews is Religion.'

The Union Hymnal (third edition, 1936, page 550) states:

> "A common past, a common history, common sacrifice and suffering, the same language and literature, a common hope and ideal and a common faith constitute the spiritual background of a people . . . In addition to the bond of believers in the same religion, Judaism, there is the consciousness that we belong to the people, the Jewish people."

The concluding statement in Rabbi Rothstein's article reads, "And since, at all times, but never more than now, a common denominator, a unifying factor is needed among the diverse elements that constitute our democracy, I do my bit in supplying it by calling myself not a 'Jew in America' not an 'American Jew' but a 'Jewish American'." One does not contribute more to the **common denominator** or **unifying factor** by calling himself "Jewish American," or contribute less by calling himself "American Jew" or "Jew in America." One contributes most to the **common denominator** and **unifying factor** by cherishing American ideals and the American heritage.

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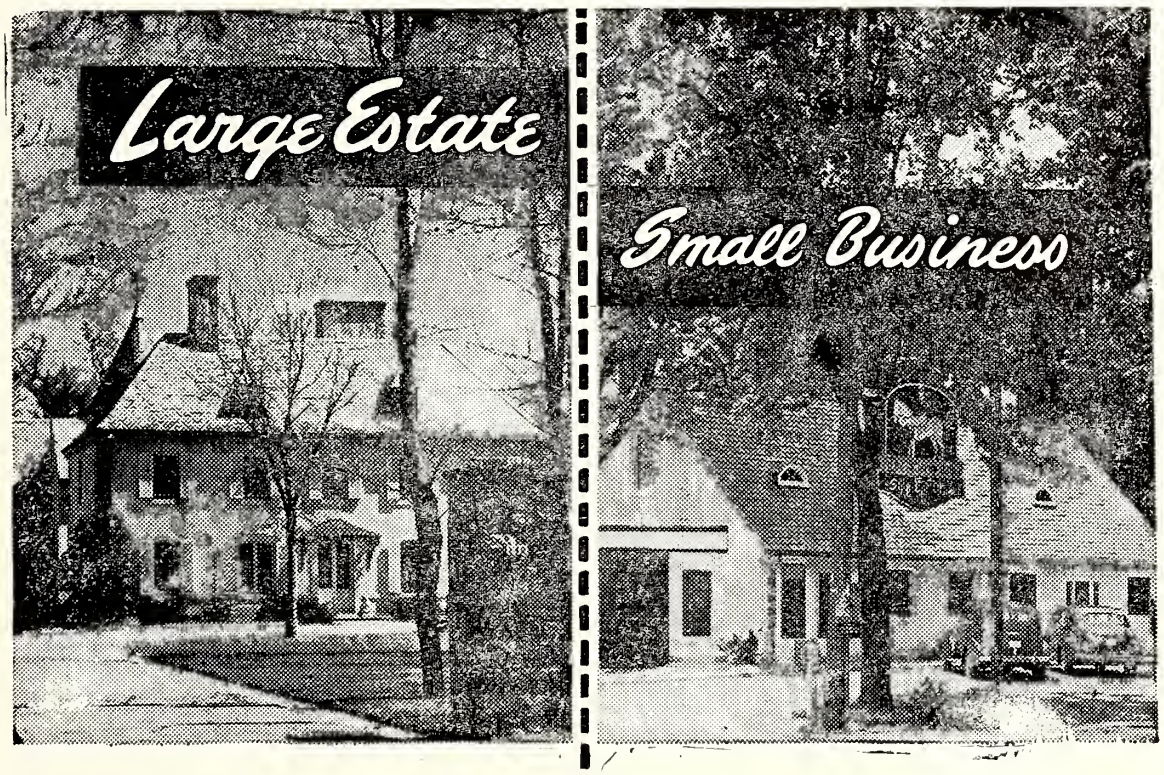


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# Ah Cherchonia!

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

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When ever I think of the Easter holidays, Passover, and the abundance of good and better days ahead, the mild and warmer days, I am reminded of a story that has the essence of all that is good in its telling. It is a yarn woven into a cloth of seeming reality, and there is a particular warmth in the characters that brings a feeling of faith and security to those who would believe in them.

And so, as the segments begin to reveal themselves, it really doesn't matter whether Poushkin's or Chekhov's is in existence today. It's been some time since it all happened and, as best our leading man could recall, the two places of interest were separated by only a few blocks, both meeting the exacting taste of a gourmet. Our young man visiting one in preference to the other on a particular evening was predicated purely on the tide of events at the office, as you shall see.

Poushkin's was a lively place. If troubles heaped on David during the day he'd lost them in the gaiety and music of a friendly people. For at Poushkin's gloom and gaiety did not see eye to eye. One had to give way and gaiety never lost ground in these surroundings.

It was hard to resist being carried away in the wave of levity at Poushkin's. Moshkin pecked a brassy harpsichord. Karmoff swished a stringy bow on an old violin. And Tretchka, whose once gleaming eyes lost their luster years ago, tweaked a toneless mandolin.

Chekhov's was a place to enjoy the quiet of a forest, austere and serene, where one could revel in the delicacies of the homeland to the last spicy sauce, where a waiter by the name of Martan would try to scrape up a conversation if he noticed something wrong.

David hadn't been to Chekhov's much. Now and then only, when he had a good day. Or when he made up his mind he'd had too much of Poushkin's.

Today was another in the series of trying days. Words with superiors. More words. They threatened to fire him but didn't. Another warning.

Why he didn't take the easy way out was hard to explain. He could just as well have resigned. But maybe it was sensitive pride that wouldn't let him capitulate.

Anyway, today was a replica of yesterday and the day before

WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

Poushkin's again loomed as an only means of escape.

Poushkin himself made every effort to induce comraderie among his customers. You could sense it the minute you set shoe in the place. By the way he conducted himself; the lilt of song in his every step, airy, gay.

Sometimes you wondered if he wouldn't be lost without his place: the festive, infectious music; the blatant customers who poured out their surplus energies.

Moshkin, Karmoff and Tretchka were singing when David entered, chanting in their native tongue, much of which he'd forgotten. Here and there a smattering came back to him.

He looked around. Not a table was available. Happy for Poushkin. Somehow David felt put out only to have his thoughts interrupted.

"I am sorry," Poushkin said. "Me, too," David should have replied but didn't.

"Please do me a special favor tonight," he said, "and let me double you up."

Much as he disliked it, David agreed. Poushkin preceded him through a narrow corridor of elbows and shoulders.

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"We have something very special tonight," Poushkin said, sliding a chair under David. His pride as gourmet pinked his face. David looked into the owner's fat jowls and beaming eyes. "All right," he said without giving it another thought. "Your choice is mine."

Poushkin shambled off, a chore well done.

Across the table sat Linya, eyes lowered, hair smoothed back and unaware of his presence.

"Good evening," David said above a whisper.

Linya raised her head slightly, lips together in silence.

Poushkin's specialty was put before David. He looked for a word or two of recognition and still there were none.

Cherchonia broke the silence. She was in the air, a result of a coalition among the musicians. Slow and soothing were the opening bars. The lift and sparkle of her refrain had taken over, possessed David.

This wasn't the first time it had happened. It was always this way when she came to life. He'd stop whatever he was doing to listen and love her in the privacy of his inner feelings.

Then suddenly David noticed Linya lift her eyes to receive Cherchonia, her body swaying gently to the drawling rhythm.

Moshkin, Karmoff and Tretchka played on, the tempo moving faster, into crescendo . . . . .

And then, as if a void struck, Cherchonia quit the room.

Linya caught herself, jerked up her head, eyes meeting across the table.

"I must apologize," she said softly. "It wasn't very nice to shut my eyes to the world because of a song. Think it foolish, if you must, but Cherchonia just seems to overwhelm me every time we meet."

He was tempted to confess his own feelings but didn't. More important was the fact that the wall she had built up was now crumbled. The distance between them was clear, all obstructions had been eliminated. Linya went on. "This song fills me with the spirit of a gypsy; its strains seep through my body, almost paralyzes me, and I become its servant."

Linya spoke a mutual language and he saw her as a new person breathing with her lips and living with her eyes.

"I'm so enraptured by this music," she explained, "I could listen for hours, into the dawn. You see, I get very little of it at home . . ."

Her stiffness retired, Linya went on to reveal how she was brought over from the other side; how she was left with an old wrinkled aunt when her folks died; how she was on her own most of the time, studying art only to find a snub-nose market as reward.

She had managed to find a prosaic job in an office to keep ends together, but art was her ambition, success her rainbow and some day she would reach out and grasp it.

How she and the rainbow would meet was left unsaid, for Poushkin came upon them, politely informing then it wouldn't pay to keep the current on any longer. It was later than they had realized. Time, up to now, had been their ally; now it was an enemy.

When he left her nothing was said about tomorrow or evenings to follow. She had no right to assume he'd meet her again, yet David took it for granted the next time he went to Poushkin's she'd be there, like tonight, alone with Cherchonia to drop in at the whim or will of the musicians.

The next day he telephoned Poushkin. Again Poushkin said he was sorry about last night. "You should be happy," David said.

"I am. I am always happy," he answered. "That is as much my business as serving good food."

"Well," David broke in, "I called to tell you I wouldn't miss tonight's special for all the world."

"Fine. Fine!" Poushkin said. "My special tonight will be . . ."

"Oh, it really doesn't matter. What I called for was to reserve the same table I had last night. You know, where Lin—I mean Miss Sarkoff—sat. Do you think you can arrange it."

"Ah, ha." Poushkin said. David could almost see his eyes bulging with delight. "It seems I catch on. You can depend on Poushky."

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# How "big" should government be?

Lincoln was President at a time when the federal government had to take away from its citizens more rights and responsibilities than ever before.

But he didn't like it. He believed, with the writers of the Constitution and the Declaration, that our government should protect people's independence, not push people around.

"In all that the people can individually do as well for themselves, government ought not to interfere," Lincoln once said.

Lincoln never let Americans forget that. He kept reminding the nation that the government's vast wartime powers must be only temporary.

He made powerful enemies. For there are always those who want to see government run things — and run people — permanently.

We have them today. They think up all kinds of reasons why the federal government should take over this or that business, industry or service. They never say they want socialism. Maybe they don't even realize it. But that's actually what they propose.

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# Pipes for the Negev

BY M. Z. FRANK

TO produce greater proportions of its own food supply, Israel must have irrigation pipes to bring water to the farthest corners of its territory. Pipes are especially necessary to water the Negev, where water is scarcer than in any other part of the country. Many ambitious irrigation projects are being planned, the most famous of them bearing the name of Walter Lowdermilk, but all of them require pipes.

Pipes are extremely difficult to obtain these days, even when the rising prices on the world market can be met. The Korean war and the world-wide armament race have combined to limit the supply of metal for pipes, regardless of price. Last winter's unfortunate drought, combined with the scarcity of irrigation pipes, did much to upset Israel's agricultural planning. Had it not been for these misfortunes, Israel, despite the inexperience of a new government harassed by stupendous tasks, would have had enough tomatoes, potatoes and onions. As it developed, there was a shortage of all three vegetables this year and substantial supplies had to be imported.

A year has gone by, but the concern about water pipes remains. One way to overcome the pipe shortage is to manufacture pipe in Israel. The steel would have to be imported, but with proper planning the amount could be kept to a minimum. The Israeli engineers and architects have already proved their ingenuity at saving steel in construction projects.

Plans have been drafted for making pipes out of concrete, but their usefulness is limited. A sample of a pipe made of a light metal, which is more easily obtainable and less expensive than steel, was shown be by Mr. Rubin, the Secretary of the Haifa Manufacturers' Association. It is being manufactured by a new firm established in Haifa by Italian Jews. Nevertheless, steel is steel and the Middle East Tube Company still uses large quantities of it for manufacturing irrigation pipes.

The Middle East Tube Company holds special interest for the American reader for two reasons: one, the rather general reason that the money for producing irrigation pipes to water the Negev comes from Israel's $500,000,000 Independence Bond Issue, now being sold in America; the other, that the Company is largely American-financed and controlled.

Mr. Barney E. Hokin of Chicago of the Nikoh Tube Company, is the chief American investor. Solel Boneh, the Histadruth contracting building concern, is the Israel partner. Mr. Samuel Margolin is the General Manager. Mr. Bernard Dov Lewin of New York and Haifa is the representative of the Hokin interests. Mr. Lewin took me out to the plant the other day.

There are 350 dunams—90 acres—set aside by the Jewish National Fund as "the Pittsburgh of Israel." The area is nearer to Acre than to Haifa,

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# North Carolina Launches Bond Drive

Governor W. Kerr Scott, of North Carolina, was the guest of honor at a dinner held on March 16th, at the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh, signaling the start of the campaign for the sale of $500,000,000 in Bonds of the State of Israel, in this state. Mrs. Golda Myerson, Minister for Labor in the Israel Cabinet, was the principal speaker at the dinner, which was a tribute to Robert J. Gurney, Gastonia industrialist, who is chairman in the state for the Bond Drive. The dinner was attended by representatives of communities throughout the State.

The presentation of a plaque to Mr. Gurney was made by Mrs. Myerson as a prelude to her address, which gave the current story of Israel's economic situation. Mrs. Myerson made a plea for the support of the Bond Campaign in order that the start which has already been made in the economic development in the new state might be hastened to the end that Israel might soon become an independent entity.

Morris Speisman of Charlotte was chairman of the meeting. The Governor was introduced by Moses Richter, of Mount Gilead. Mrs. Myerson was introduced by E. J. Evans, Mayor of Durham. Henry Montor also spoke.

It was announced that the group attending was responsible for the sale of more than $400,000 worth of bonds.

Mrs. Myerson, who came to this country in the interest of the Bond Campaign as the representative of Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, was the central figure in an Emergency Conference held at the Israel Embassy in Washington, on March 1 and 2. Representatives from Jewish communities throughout the country were in attendance at this executive session, and Mrs. Myerson repeated to the dinner audience in Raleigh what she had previously told the Washington Conference. The speaker reviewed the economic condition of the new republic, and stressed the urgency of the immediate situation. She told of the austeritory regime and pointed to the need for the sale of a minimum of $200,000,000 in bonds this year, with at least $100,000,000 in cash. Mrs. Myerson pointed to the rapid progress that is being made in industrial development within the State and said that once the immediate hurdles were passed, there were high possibilities for the State as an important industrial factor in the world.

Mrs. Myerson designated Raleigh as one of the few cities on her speaking tour while in the United States. The Israeli official reported to the North Carolina community on Israel's serious economic difficulties stemming from the doubling of her population to 1,400,000 through the immigration of "impoverished and persecuted refugees." "These immigrants would not be alive today if they did not come to Israel," she said. "We, on the other hand, could not move forward in our economic development without the addition of this population which has quickly demonstrated its skill and courage to help build the country."

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Few women have reached such heights of international fame as Mrs. Myerson. Cited as a "Woman of Achievement" together with Marian Anderson and Dorothy Gordon at the annual convention of Federation of Jewish Women's Organization in January, Mrs. Myerson has been internationally acclaimed as one of the most remarkable leaders in the free world today. Farm worker, author, diplomat, executive, government leader, school teacher, mother and crusader for peace and freedom,

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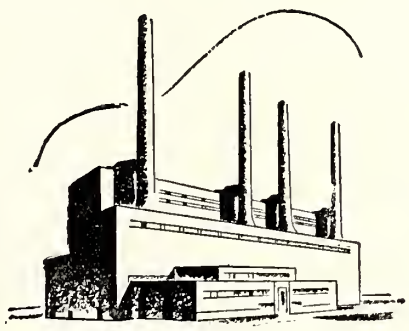
ROBERT J. GURNEY

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# Judah P. Benjamin

## A Little-Known Portrait

*By* LOUIS GINSBERG

Seldom does my interest in Jewish History and my hobby of coin collecting coincide but recently an interesting event occurred. I was browsing through my collection of Confederate notes when the picture of a bearded Southern gentleman with a faint smile on his face caught my eye.

I felt that here was a familiar face, a Jewish face no less with an unmistakable Jewish smile, but at the moment unidentifiable. Knowing a little about Confederate history and knowing but one Jew who played a very important role in the history of the Confederacy, I concluded that the portrait on the $2 note was none other than Judah P. Benjamin, eminent Jewish statesman of the Confederacy. To verify my belief I wrote to an authority on Confederate money, Mr. Philip H. Chase of Philadelphia, who confirmed my belief.

He informed me that Judah P. Benjamin's picture appears on $2 Confederate notes dated June 2, 1862, December 2, 1862, April 6, 1863 and February 17, 1864. In addition, I should state that to my knowledge Mr. Benjamin's portrait is the only portrait of a Jew on any American money in the long and varied history of coinage in America.

In pursuit of further enlightenment on this phase of Mr. Benjamin's long and fascinating career, I found some interesting data in various biographies written about him.

The first significant detail is that in 1862, Mr. Benjamin, the newly appointed Secretary of State was quartered in the same building as the Honorable Christopher G. Memminger, Secretary of the Treasury. This building was the Customs House on Main Street in downtown Richmond, Va. He occupied offices on the upper floor with Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederacy. It is very probable that due to Mr. Benjamin's great influence with Pres. Davis and with the government, the honor of having his portrait on the $2 note was afforded him.

An interesting sidelight is that Mr. Benjamin was interested in numismatics. Benjamin wrote a letter on this subject to Senator Clement Clay complying with the Senator's request for suggestions regarding a national seal for the Confederacy, a device for the national coin and on other matters relating to coinage, weights, and measures.

For the seal Benjamin proposed 'a cavalier' copied from the equestrian statue of Washington in Capitol Square at Richmond. The cavalier would be applicable to the Confederates, a nation of horsemen.

Benjamin also proposed that the Confederacy issue a $5 gold coin to be called a cavalier, and that there be $10 and $20 pieces known as

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# Direct Israel-German Negotiations . . . Yes!

*By* Dr. Nahum Goldman

Public discussion on the issue of Jewish claims against Germany has become increasingly violent and confused because there has been a tendency in the public mind to mix up two quite different aspects of the over-all problem of German-Jewish relations.

On the one hand, there exists the problem of the relationship between the Jewish and German peoples, as well as (on a more concrete and formal level) the relationship between the State of Israel and the German State. This great historical and moral problem, as I have often pointed out, is not yet ripe for solution. Neither the counting of noses in committee, nor the verdict of a congress or parliament, no matter how representative, can resolve it. Its resolution lies in the lap of time.

This much is clear: before the Jewish people will be able to set aside their bitter memories of the Nazi regime and be prepared to normalize relations with the German people—before, that is to say, Israel can establish diplomatic relations with Germany and Jews begin to cooperate with Germans as they now do with other peoples—the passage of time will have to bring about prolonged changes in the German national character. The Germans will have to disown, once and for all, the neo-Nazi and aggressive elements which dominate many sectors of their life today. They will have to give evidence of a faith and loyalty to democratic ideals and a respect for human rights which has so far been missing among so many of them. They will have to crush, finally and irrevocably, their anti-Sematism. They will have to show, not alone by word but by deed, that they have grown to consider that Nazi Germany was their enemy, as well as the enemy of the rest of mankind.

I cannot emphasize too strongly that it was never the intention of either the Government of Israel or of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany—the two official bodies which are dealing with the problem of German reparations—to undertake the responsibility of "normalizing" German-Jewish relations. This is a responsibility which rests exclusively upon the Jewish people as a whole and it cannot be shouldered, as I have said, by any group of leaders, no matter how representative they may be.

But there is quite another aspect to the problem which can and must be kept separate from the over-all problem of German-Jewish relations. This has to do with the simple fact that the Nazi regime stole from Jews all over Europe tremendous amounts of property, both public and private. Who can deny the moral right of the Jews to make every effort to get back as much of this property as is humanly possible? This unquestionable moral right accrues to individual survivors of the Nazi terror who now seek to acclaim their private property. It accrues to the living heirs of those who lost both their property and their lives. And it accrues to the Jewish public bodies which are acting in behalf of the millions who were killed and who left no heirs.

To deny this right, to take the position that we don't want our own

DR. NAHUM GOLDMAN

property returned to us by the Germans, would be, in my opinion, absolutely immoral. To take such a position would mean that we are ready to pay a premium to murderers and robbers.

The right of the Jews to reclaim what had been taken from them was recognized long ago not only by world opinion, but in practical fashion by the Western Powers. The first of the powers to act in this regard was the U. S. Government which, at the request of Jewish organizations, instituted in the American zone of Germany a series of regulations providing for the restitution of stolen property to the original owners or their heirs, or—in cases where no heirs survived—to the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization. The American action was taken five years ago. Similar steps have been taken more recently in the British and French zones.

The Jewish Restitution Successor Organization—commonly known as JRSO—includes in its membership most of the leading Jewish organizations of the world. Principal administrative responsibility for it rests upon the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Joint Distribution Committee, which—by agreement—are the beneficiaries of the proceeds.

It is to be noted that the JRSO has been operating in this field for a number of years. It has maintained offices in Germany. Its representa-

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# A Letter from Rabbi Simcha Kling

**THE AMERICAN JEWISH TIMES-OUTLOOK welcomes at all times comments from its readers. We are happy to reprint here a letter received from Rabbi Simcha Kling, of Beth David Synagogue, Greensboro, N. C. —THE EDITOR.**

Dear Mr. Brown:

I am writing to you in reference to your editorial "Mr. Ben Gurion Speaks Again," and would appreciate your publishing my letter.

I feel it necessary to make a few comments, for one who reads your editorial is liable to misunderstand the entire picture of contemporary Jewry.

First of all, it is imperative to understand *why* Israelis think as they do about Jews living outside of Israel. Just as one cannot isolate one phrase of a sentence, one cannot isolate one moment of history. For two thousand years, *all* Jews have prayed and hoped for a restoration to Zion. This meant, to all generations, the return of each and every Jew to the ancestral homeland. With the birth of Zionism and the reality of the dream, two schools of thought developed; One was called *Shelilat Hagalut*, the negation of the Diaspora, and maintained that Jews could not long continue to live *Jewish* lives outside of the Land of Israel because the non-Jewish environmental forces were too great. The other school of thought maintained that if the center in Israel were powerful enough, it would influence world Jewry and even those Jews not in Israel could live good Jewish lives. This is not merely a question of some Israelis misunderstanding American Zionists; it is a basic question of Zionist outlook. Most of American Jews are not *Sholelay Hagolah* (Negators of the Diaspora) and will do all that is possible to make American Jewry rich (in a spiritual sense). We should not go around accusing or threatening those who disagree with us; we should so act as to prove that we are correct.

Secondly—as to Mr. Ben Gurion's remarks. I fear that he is frequently quoted out of context and therefore misunderstood. In the Knesset, Mr. Ben Gurion spoke on "American Zionists and Immigration," and said: "I do not agree with the members of my own party . . . who rebuked and reproached the Zionist Congress . . . It is not that the American Jews are inferior to those from Russia, but conditions are different . . ." So, let us not call Mr. Ben Gurion's remarks "highly unjust and inflammatory accusations" (to quote your editorial). Certainly he would like American Zionists to come to Israel—and some will. Every individual will decide for himself where he can live his life to the fullest. But as long as Israel is a state only for its own citizens, we need have no worries. No one can force us to do what we do not wish to do AND *we* should not threaten our brothers to think as we do!

And now, to my last point. I am amazed — simply amazed — that you could possibly imply what you did at the end of your editorial. Such irresponsible talk (I am referring to the suggestion of expansionist tendencies might come from Arab feudal landlords, who fear the democracy that Israel spreads, or the Council for American Judaism, who fear Judaism). No responsible person or group has ever intimated, in the *slightest* way that Israel plans to annex Arab lands. Such an idea is far-fetched and com*pletely* unreliable. No one who has the slightest knowledge of Israel could ever accuse it of a policy of imperialism. To understand why Israel is willing to undertake even greater hardships in order that more Jews may come, one must know contemporary Jewish thinking; it is one of the few great spiritual acts of *any* group in modern times. To twist the idea of the Restoration to Zion into terms of colonialism and materialism is to miss the grandeur and greatness of the very miracle of Israel and is indeed calumny and evil.

In conclusion, Mr. Editor, let me plead for greater understanding, for less suspicion and for unbounded help for the greatest event in 2,000 years of Jewish history . . . Only by sympathy and truth can we progress.

Yours sincerely,

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# New Jewish Literature for The New Jewish G. I.

*By* ARTHUR WAYNE

MANUFACTURERS aren't the only species of productive man that works seasons ahead. If the spectacle of fur coats, for example, being readied for winter wear at the height of the summer thermometer is an incongruous one, what of Rosh Hashonah as a deadline for completion of a Passover Haggadah?

While the makers of fur coats and other commodities have only such mundane things as markets and expediency to guide them, the National Jewish Welfare Board's Division of Religious Activities, under whose direction and supervision the new Haggadah for GI's and hospitalized veterans is being prepared, has nothing less than a Talmudic injunction as its blueprint (Pesahim 6a).

While the advance planning that is central to the work of the Division happens to offer an interesting juxtaposition in dates in the case of the new Haggadah, it must be emphasized that all projects of the Division are subject to timetabling. Concurrent with production of the Haggadah, for example, are two other D. R. A. liturgical projects for the Jewish GI and the Jewish hospitalized veteran, each of these projects consisting of two sections. The first is a regular prayer book and a High Holy Day prayer book (a machzor); the other is a recorded talk on the Bible and a talk on the Talmud.

To be ready for use in whatever corner of the earth Jewish GI's are stationed, the Haggadah for Passover 5712 (1952) had to be in complete manuscript form and in the hands of the printer by Rosh Hashonah. This, of course, is to allow time for the press run and world-wide distribution, so that when Jewish men and women in the uniform of the United States sit down, next Pesach, to recount the ancient story of man's first successful struggle for freedom, they

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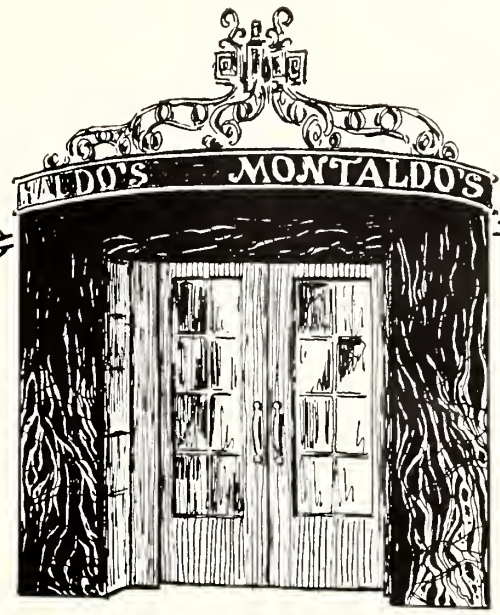


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The new JWB Haggadah will, of course, include detailed suggestions as to the actual conduct of a Seder, and these directions have been prepared with a view to the special atmosphere in which GI Seders are often conducted.

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The new regular prayer book is a departure in several aspects. Since a separate High Holy Day prayer book has been prepared, that section of the regular book has been completely eliminated, as has a Seder Service contained in the old one. Retained is the Yizkor service, formerly part of the High Holy Day section, and added are: a special Sabbath morning service; more private devotions for specific occasions (in the special prayers section); several familiar English hymns, and the blessings for the reading of the Haftarah.

The prayer book begins with a Friday Eve Service, is followed by a Sabbath Morning Service, and goes on to a daily service and services for the three festivals: Passover, Shavuos and Succoth.

Then comes the Reform Service, taken bodily from the standard Union Prayer Book. This section, too, includes Friday Eve, Sabbath Morning, and Weekday Prayer Services. Reform service and the opposite numbering of the traditional, the pagination of the new prayer book will be from right to left throughout.

The third section will contain prayers of a personal nature, in which the GI can find a source of personal solace. This is the portion which will also contain well-known English and Hebrew hymns.

The first drafts of the prayer books are now in the hands of a special subcommittee of the D.R.A.'s publications committee. It is anticipated that by year's end all corrections and revisions will have been completed and the texts ready for the printer. If the timetable holds — and there is every expectation that it will ——the prayer books will be in the hands of Jewish GI's and hospitalized veterans by Rosh Hashonah 5713 (1952).

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# Social Research for Jewish Survival

*By* Dr. Jacob Fried

**Editor of "Jewish Affairs," formerly of the United States State Department, Rutgers University and the New School for Social Research.—THE EDITOR.**

**I. JEWISH IDENTIFICATION**

How can minority group membership be made healthy, vigorous and creative, and, at the same time, how can this membership be healthfully integrated with citizenship in the general community?

What can be done to help the minority group member resist the corrosive influence of discrimination?

In this, the eighth year since its founding as the social research arm of the American Jewish Congress, the Commission on Community Interrelations will continue its significant and pioneering investigations into these critical questions of Jewish belongingness by its staff of expert social scientists.

This basic research last year, made an important start on taking this central problem of Jewish identification out of the realm of hope, faith, opinion and guesswork and placing it within the scope of scientific measurement and fact.

In fact, the major focus of CCI's entire research program last year was in this very area of Jewish group identification and the solution of two interrelated problems: (1) Helping the individual Jew to draw positive and creative values from his identification with Jewishness; to broaden and deepen his participation in Jewish community life; and at the same time to live as a fully integrated citizen of the general community. (2) Promoting the creative survival of the Jewish group through the achievement of the goals of enriched personal identification and increased participation in democratic Jewish community living.

The vital importance of these problems is readily apparent. They have troubled the Jewish communities throughout the United States, for upon their solution depends the quality and purpose of Jewish survival. Indeed, bitter experience has taught American Jews that the consequences of a child's failure to acquire a Jewish education is not mere ignorance of things Jewish, but a spiritual void in the child which is only too quickly filled by the non-Jewish environment with a thousand and one subtle insinuations, half-truths, distorted evaluations and downright innuendos about any and all phases of Jewish life which the child, devoid of Jewish learning, accepts as "Jewish knowledge." The hurt such "knowledge" does to his personality, modern psychology tells us, is very great indeed. Belatedly, it has dawned on Jewish community leadership in many cities that it is as much a community obligation to forestall the inflicting of this type of hurt on its members as to prevent or mitigate hurts caused by economics or other hazards over which the individual has no control. Thus buttressed by objective psychiatric evidence, the statement can now be made to Jewish parents that efforts to keep a child ignorant of his Jewish identity and heritage are not only misguided attempts to shield him from the facts of life and Jewish living in a Gentile world, but a grievous injury to his healthy integration in American society.

CCI's first studies in this research area had in fact dealt with the reaction of Jews to their memberships in the Jewish group. It sought to learn why so many Jews see themselves only as members of a minority group which is looked down upon. More tragic is the tendency of many Jews to incorporate this low assessment by others into their own attitude to themselves—the tendency often referred to as self-hate. We are only too familiar with the Jew who, through insecurity, draws from contact with non-Jews into a kind of self-segregation. CCI was also concerned with the third and perhaps more common figure, the Jew for whom a question of his identity evokes only emptiness and confusion. For a person's full development, full growth, full creativity cannot possibly take place while such conflicts, doubts and confusions remain unsolved. The last year saw CCI make significant progress in the arduous task of supplying the basis for the American Jewish community's prophylaxis against such conflicts, doubts and confusions.

One of these important studies by CCI to determine what being Jewish means to children who attend Jewish centers, was in fact concluded last year. It continued earlier investigations which had shown that many young Jews tend to express more

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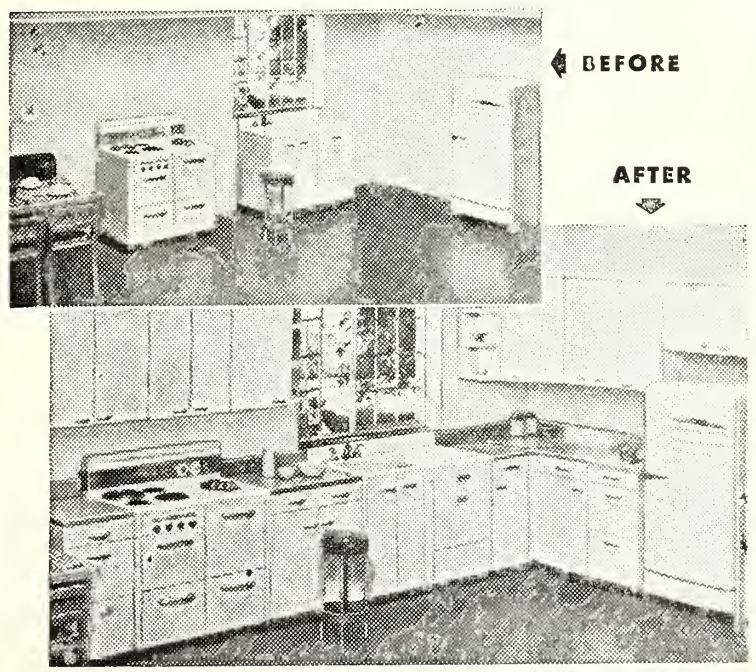

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problems than satisfactions about their Jewishness; that many see the non-Jewish world as essentially alien and hostile; that young Jews tend to take over the majority evaluation of Jewish customs and behavior, and that they are apt to be ambivalent in their feelings toward non-Jews.

Designed to test and sharpen some of these earlier findings, CCI studied 160 boys between the ages of 7 and 17 at 14 New York Jewish Centers from "high" and "low" social and economic classes and from two contrasting Jewish environments.

The study discovered that a change of feeling toward Jewish identity occurred as children grew up. This change reflected the broadening interests of the child rather than a rejection of Jewishness. It was marked by an increasing reluctance to be socially and culturally isolated, and a deepening concern about non-Jews that was associated with defensiveness and insecurity.

Secondly, it was found that more children of "low" social and economic status and whose environment has been intensely Jewish, take it for granted that being Jewish is sufficient reason for engaging in Jewish content activities, and they feel more at home among Jews than non-Jews. The children of "high" social-economic status and whose environment is "low" on the other hand, prefer non-Jewish activities and mixed associations, and are at the same time, more worried about anti-Jewish hostility.

These results are important to the planners and personnel of the Centers in their work, and to the community in deciding upon what areas of activity to emphasize and contribute to financially. They must consider how with increasing acculturation there is an increasing desire for social and cultural integration with the general community. In the case of the age and socio-economic breakdowns this desire for social integration is clearly associated with increased defensiveness and feelings of insecurity.

Those findings obviously also have important implications for the purposes of Jewish survival. The desire for social and cultural integration with the general community can simply lead to assimilation. On the other hand, such a desire is, in itself, both natural and good. The important point is that understanding the dynamics involved makes it possible both to further this desire and, at the same time, to use it for purposes of strengthening identification with the Jewish community. This requires a reorientation of the methods and emphases of Jewish education. Essentially this means that, not only is Jewish education likely to fail if it creates a sense of alienation; but also that it is most likely to succeed if it creates a sense of integration.

### II. JEWISH PARTICIPATION

During 1950, CCI also began its study of the participation of Jews into American Jewish community life. While the formal structure of the Jewish community is typically democratic, it is confronted with the important problem of how to become fully democratic in process as well as in structure, by successfully involving the community members in widespread active participation. To the solution of that problem, CCI has devoted its expert research talents.

The investigations last year were concerned with these basic questions: What activities can be considered as "participation" in the Jewish community? What are the incentives and blockages to participation for the individual Jew? How is participation in the Jewish community related to the question of Jewish identification?

The three steps involved in studying these questions are now well underway as a result of CCI's spadework since last September. They are: (1) An intensive examination and evaluation of existing information relevant to problems of participation. This involves a review of social science research on participation and apathy as a general problem in American community life; a parallel summary of available surveys of Jewish communities; conferences with social scientists and experts in the field of Jewish community organization. (2) Field studies in one or more communities on the various aspects of participation to check all hypotheses against the actual situation itself. (3) Self-surveys on the problems of participation in various cities, aimed at changing the participation pattern.

The aim of these studies in Jewish identification and particpation is to determine what the relationship of Jews and Jewish communities should be to Jewish values and ideals in America. Or as the question is paraphrased: What of Jewish survival in America—to what end and for what purpose? This is the heart of the matter of Jewish life in America. The

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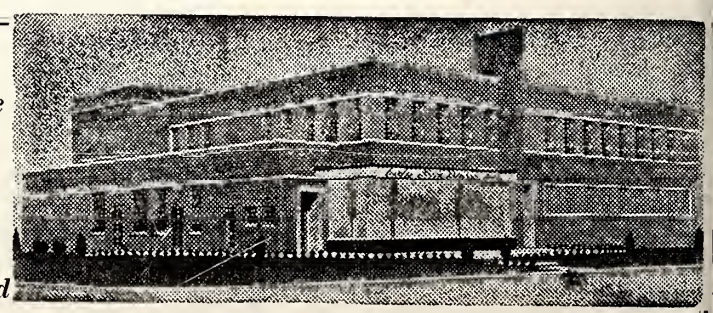

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# Meet A Lady From Israel

## *An Interview with the Daughter of Israel's Prime Minister*

### *By* NATHAN ZIPRIN

I first met Renana over a cup of coffee with the New York Times. I had waded through the first pages of the newspaper with heavy heart. A turbulent sea had quenched its thirst with some forty men. The Paris news told of international bickering fraught with terrible consequences. In Korea men were needlessly dying while their superiors were debating cease fire terms. Captain Carlsen was receiving world plaudits for his breath-taking fight with a raging sea bent on showing that its wrath was not to be bridled by man's courage. In Washington there was speculation about the White House huddle with picturesque and astute Churchill. And in Israel there was deep tension over the momentous issue of negotiating reparation claims with Germany.

Then my eyes fell on a charming feminine face that at once diverted me from the path of world trouble. It was a wholesome face. What were the young woman's accomplishments to merit a picture in the Times? The print below told an objective story—she was the daughter of Israel's Prime Minister and, as guest of Hadassah, she was to visit a number of major cities in the country in a speaking tour designed to picture Israel through the eyes of her youth.

**Father and Daughter**

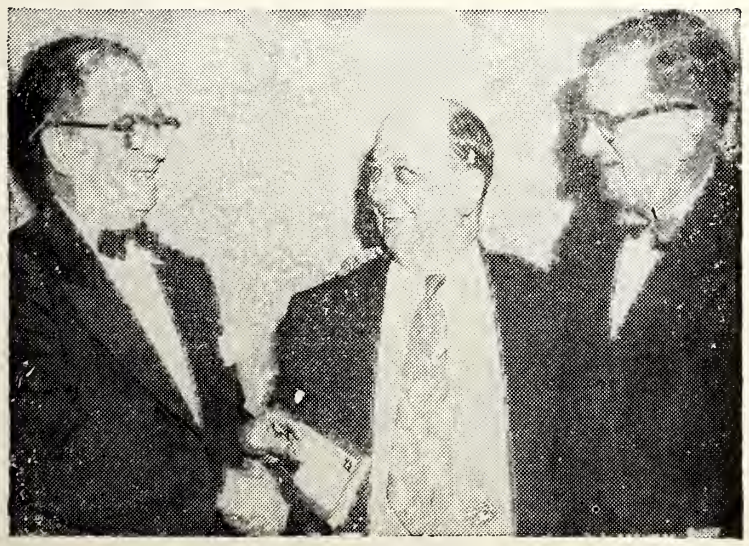
The second time I met Renana was in person. The soft smile was still there, but this time I shared it alone. Of ordinary height and trim figure, the young lady gave no evidence, either by speech or dress, of being from a foreign country. She spoke English well and the outfit she wore was in good taste.

After talking to her briefly, it became apparent that Renana need not have been the daughter of a distinguished father to have merited an invitation from Hadassah. At twenty-six, though her education was interrupted by a war of liberation in which she was an active participant, Renana holds a masters degree in biology from the Hebrew University and hopes to cap her educational career with a doctorate in science. She is currently a junior officer in the Israeli Army, having fought through the entire siege of Jerusalem. However, her military career antedates the establishment of the State, for she served in Haganah, the Jewish army of defense before the rise of Israel.

Unlike her father who at a comparable age already achieved political stature in the Zionist labor movement, Renana seems to have no flair for politics. When I laughingly referred to her father's frequent temperamental outbursts in Knesset, she smilingly retorted that the stories must have been tainted a good deal with the imagination that is rightfully the heritage of newspapermen. "My father," she told me, "is a kindly, generous and patient man with his family and I can't imagine him otherwise even in the heat of debate and under political and other provocation."

**Israel's Youth**

The youngest daughter of the Prime Minister, and the only one of his three children born on Israel soil, Renana is so full of understanding of the problems, interests and ambitions of Israel's youth that she could deliver a discourse on the



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subject extemporaneously for hours without exhausting herself. Not only because she is part of that youth, but primarily because she is an intelligent expression of that youth. We deliberately avoided talking about the current political, social and economic problems in Israel. What I wanted to know was how the youth was bearing up psychologically under the burden of building a new society.

And I received an honest and objective answer, "You understand, of course, that we in Israel do not yet have a homegeneous youth like you have in your country," she told me as her face took on a determined seriousness. There is the native youth, accustomed to struggle and the pioneering ways. It is an idealistic youth, assertive, forward looking and ready to make whatever sacrifices may be further required. And then there is the immigrant youth which can be divided into two segments, those who were saved from the death camps of Europe and those who were rescued from the poverty and squalor of the Moslem countries. This segment of youth differs from the natives only in the sense that it has not yet become integrated into the young life of the country. There is the barrier of language that had to be overcome. There were psychological hurdles to master. There were cultural disparaties to be adjusted. For that reason it is premature to speak of Israel's youth in its entity in terms of a single and outstanding common trait or characteristic. However, the entire youth is linked by one great purpose—to make Israel a great democratic reservoir and to attain economic independence and security.

**Boys and Girls**

The youth of Israel, Renana confided in me, is not radically different from the youth of any other country. The young ladies there are as style conscious as their counterparts in any part of the world. The young girls love lipstick, cosmetics and the rest of the paraphernalia deemed essential to feminine beauty. They love to dress well, using home-made and imported apparel. The more serious among them love the theatre, the cinema and the concert hall. The less sophisticated among them find other outlets for amusement, among them dancing to the tune of American swing music. Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman and Duke Wellington are as much on the lips of the teenagers in Israel as they are in the United States. Among the attractions common to all girls are the fashion shows, of which there is an abundance in the country.

The young men, too, have diversified interests. Along the coastal areas it is aquatics. Inland there is soccer, football and even some baseball. Despite the hardships it is facing, the youth of the country loves to dance, mingling native and foreign pattern in a unique design. Basically, however, the youth is serious. It does not take the future lightly. It is fully aware of the difficulties and pitfalls still facing the young state.

One of the definitive signs of the seriousness of the youth, Renana told me, is the incidence of early marriage. When I told her that I had read that professional matchmakers were thriving in Israel, Renana laughed heartily, declaring "how could it when youthful marriages are the rule rather than the exception in our country?"

Renana, when I saw her, had not yet had the opportunity to go to town in New York City, however much she dreamt of it. Her appointments were many and time was running thin. Ahead of her lay an itinerary that is to take her to a number of major cities, where she hopes to bring the message of Israel's youth. But the gleam in her eyes told me that she hoped to visit us again, but in greater leisure.

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*By* AL SEGAL

### INTERMARRIAGE

"This is another problem of intermarriage for you to help solve," the young Baltimore gentleman's letter began.

I was about to toss his letter away, since I'm quite fed up with problems of intermarriage that are sent my way. They're all pretty much like. A guy wants to know whether it would be all right for him to marry that Christian girl and break his mama's heart. Or that gal tells about the doctor of philosophy who has asked her to marry and would it be a mistake to marry a PhD even though he isn't Jewish?

Yes, all that sort of agony, as if there aren't problems enough in Jewish life without my being the agent of these private ones to inflict upon the public. So I have been projecting all such into my wastebasket. They'll be getting married, anyway, regardless.

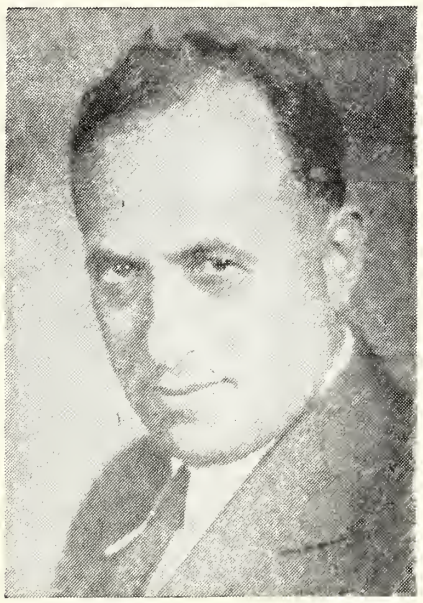
I was about to brush off the Baltimore letter in the same way when its second paragraph caught my eye and compelled my attention.

The young man was saying: "But this isn't like other problems of intermarriage. This is a problem of intermarriage between Jews and Jews; that is to say in particular, a marriage of an Orthodox young man and a Reform Jewish girl. I am the young man, and, believe me, I have been suffering as much as if I had told my parents I intended to marry a girl out of one of the Christian churches.

"You should know my parents" . . . He described their religious devotion to the ancient ways . . .

"You might say that our house is the seat and shrine of the Shulchan Aruch. And I respect my parents for their faithfulness to religious traditions.

"They have rejoiced in me because, unlike most of my contemporaries, I still lay t'fillim and recite the prayers of the morning, in concert with my father on days he can't be in the synagogue."



ALFRED SEGAL

"Not that I can intellectually approve of this literal interpretation of the commandment to wear the Law as a frontlet between my eyes and to bind it as a sign upon my hand. I wrap myself in these phylacteries for my parents' sake."

In their house there was the

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spiritual serenity that might have been found at the Holy Ark in the ancient temple—until that day. That was the day when at dinner he took courage to tell them: "Papa and mama, I'm going to be married."

They had been hoping for this a long time. His father had said it wasn't good for a young man to keep on being single. His mother, by way of throwing out hints at him, had time and again expressed a desire to have grandchildren. She was the only one among her friends who hadn't any grandchildren, she had said reproachfully.

Then they asked him: "And who's the girl that's to be our daughter-in-law?" he gave them her name which might have been Zilch but wasn't.

"Zilch!" his father exclaimed. "I've never heard the name. To which schul does her father belong?"

That question brought on the crisis . . . "They belong to a temple," the boy replied.

"A Temple!" his father cried out with such a voice of horror as he might have given out if he had been told that the girl was out of the mosque of Omar.

"A Temple!" his mother cried. "A gov! Intermarriage!"

She said that in all her old days she had been praying for Jewish grandchildren and what kind of Jewish grandchildren could come from a Reform mother . . . "More goyim!" . . . She wept . . . "They will be grandchildren who will grow up for a temple."

"I have been trying to set them straight ever since," the young man had written. "I tell them that a Reform temple is Jewish, too, and that people who belong to it are Jewish and recite the Sh'ma."

" 'What do they know about being Jewish?' my father asks. 'Reformers!' My mother says she could never come to my house to eat a meal . . . 'A stranger in my own son's house.' "

He has obtained the girl's promise to keep strictly kosher when they set up housekeeping, if that will appease his parents. And he has promised them to keep on laying t'fillim every morning, even after he is in house, in all his life to come.

His mother says: "Kosher! What can a girl like that know about being kosher? Did she learn from her mama?"

His father asks: "Did she learn it in the temple?"

"So I am at the end of my string with them," the young man was saying: "Of course, my devotion to this young woman is such that I couldn't think of rejecting her even for the sake of my parents whom I have always respected.

"Yet it would hurt me deeply to know that they are unhappy on account of my marriage, to be to them like some scorned stranger. I don't want that."

He was appealing to me to write something for his parents to read and by which to be persuaded to accept the girl . . . "Maybe you can bring them around. Please write something on my side. I'm sure that's the way you feel."

But who am I to tell them? They will probably say I am another goy. I could write my opinion that being Jewish is not all in being strictly ritualistic, but their stern tradition would brush me off.

I hand the young man's problem to higher authority—to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform) to Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath who is executive president of the Union. I shall be happy to print whatever Rabbi Eisendrath may say for the enlightenment of these intransigeant parents.

(And, by way of giving a hearing to both sides—if there is another side—I will also print what any Orthodox rabbi may have to say about this.)

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## *Meet the U. J. A.'s National Radio Chairman*

*By* DAVID C. GROSS

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Within minutes, he had begun to set up what would in a few weeks become a dramatic, vivid half-hour UJA radio show, that would be aired in every corner of America and that would have an estimated listening audience of 10,000,000.

Still clutching his envelope—upon which were scrawled notes, phone numbers, dates—Himan Brown, National Radio Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the last seven years and a well-known producer of such nationally-famous radio shows as "Inter Sanctum," "Barry Craig, Confidential Investigator" and "International Airport," waved a quick farewell to everyone in sight, and was off . . . to direct a rehearsal of still another UJA radio program.

"Hi" Brown, as he is known by everybody with whom he comes in contact, is a man with a mission. He devotes his time to Israel and to Jewry and manages, between his commercial obligations, to produce and direct numerous national radio shows for the United Jewish Appeal, the Israel bond drive and other Jewish groups. He performs all of these activities on a wholly voluntary basis.

In his early forties, and good-looking enough to play a leading role in a popular TV show (which he once did), Hi Brown is a native New Yorker, the product of Brooklyn's own Jewish melting pot—the famous Brownsville section, which has turned out so many stars of the entertainment world.

Educated at Boys High School and the City College of New York, Hi went to Brooklyn Law School and earned his law degree, although he has never practiced. While still in college, he became active in radio, as actor, writer, director and producer. He produced the first daytime "soap opera" program ever broadcast on a national hookup.

The rise of Nazism, the annihilation of most of Europe's Jews and the establishment of Israel all had a profound effect on many American Jews, including Hi Brown. Although he had a good Jewish education and during his formative years spoke a good deal of Yiddish at home, it was not until the Nazis came to power and their ravings began to reverberate around the world that Hi Brown became deeply and consciously aware of the fact that, as a Jew, he owed a debt to his people.

Once determined to aid in the struggle for Jewish survival, in the medium that he knows best, Hi Brown has never swerved from that course.

Hi Brown feels that the UJA programs he puts on the air—of which

HIMAN BROWN

there were eight in 1951, the greatest number ever broadcast in any one year since the establishment of the UJA in 1939—serve to make clear to the American public the story of Israel and of American Jewry's efforts in its behalf.

Hundreds of letters that pour into the UJA offices after each show from every section of America support Hi's view that the programs are a great source of understanding and good will.

"I always knew that our shows had a strong impact on the millions of people who tune in," he says. "But I admit that I got a lump in my throat when Miss Margaret Cuthbert, Supervisor of the Public Affairs Programs for NBC, took time out to write a little note of congratulations after our last UJA show, and to attach a check for UJA."

He explains further that "in our shows, we try to make the Israeli man in the street as understandable as possible to the average American."

Citing "Laughter in the Wind," a program depicting the humorous side of life in Israel today, which co-starred Sid Ceasar and Ralph Bellamy, Hi pointed out that many of the quips and jokes used in this script were based on similar anecdotes which grew up around the pioneering days of America's frontier days. "Our pioneers in the 1850's were experiencing the same hardships that the Israeli settlers are now going through in the Negev," Hi says.

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This past fall Hi flew to Hollywood twice to transcribe radio shows in which such noted stars as Greer Garson, Joseph Cotten, Jack Benny, Mercedes McCambridge and John Hodiak appeared. As he has often done in the past, he put UJA on top of his priority list and neglected his own affairs—which are extensive to produce these shows.

He smiles when he tells it: "I got on a plane Wednesday night and was running through a first rehearsal by Thursday evening. That same night I flew back to New York with the taped recordings and Friday afternoon I was editing the show to fit the half-hour schedule. I love it!"

Hi has great admiration for the executives of the four major national networks—CBS, NBC, ABC, and MBS—who contribute two half-hour periods each to UJA during the year and go out of their way to provide sound-effects men, aides and other assistance.

Hi's name is somewhat legendary to the nation's top radio people. When he calls up to say he would like a half-hour of free time on a nation-wide hookup which will be heard by 10,000,000 people on the day before Rosh Hashanah in behalf of the UJA, people get busy and start shifting schedules, programs already booked and even sponsors to grant his request.

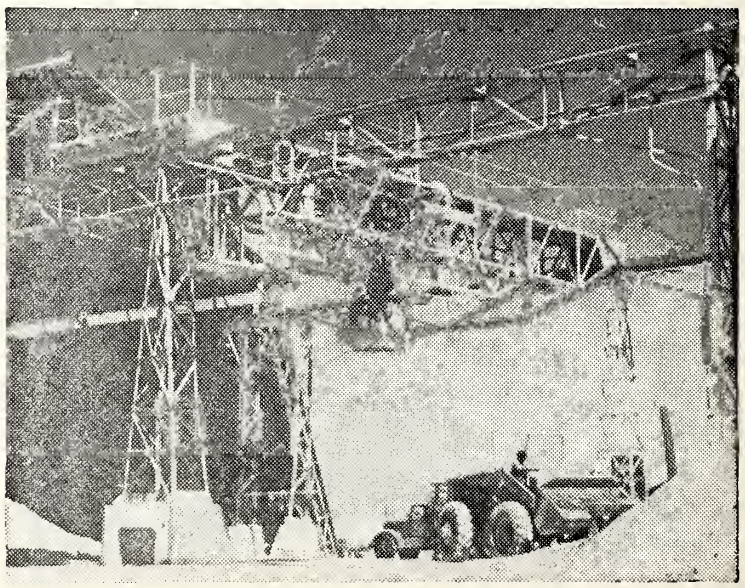
What's more, nationally-known radio, TV and screen stars feel miffed if Hi doesn't ask them to star in a UJA show at least once during the year. Greer Garson, who turned out a magnificent performance as a woman physician in a "Maabarah" in Israel in the last program of the 1951 series, made him promise that he would have a role for her in the 1952 Spring series.

The Hollywood Coordinating Committee, thanks to Hi's efforts, has given the UJA a virtual carte blanche in the selection of movie stars who donate their services to the UJA's radio programs. What's more, the Committee even takes a hand in making the stars available to the UJA.

He likes to tell of the time he was rehearsing Mercedes McCambridge, Academy Award winner, for a recent UJA show, "The Incredible Village." As in many of the UJA programs, there was a good deal of Hebrew dialogue in the script, and the spunky actress was having a little difficulty pronouncing such words as "Kibbutz" and "Aliyah." Hi was trying to guide her, when she shot back at him, "What do you expect from an Irish 'Shiksa' like me?"

Next time you tune in to the UJA radio shows, and hear the name of Himan Brown listed as producer and director, remember that so far as he is concerned, he is only one of an army of UJA workers, each doing his part in a campaign to save lives and strengthen Israel.

## *Israel Has High Hopes For This Industry*



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# LIBYA—Another Ancient Jewish Community—Disappears

*By* NEHEMIAH ROBINSON

THE United Nations decided to proclaim Libya an independent State on December 18, 1951.

The Libyan constitution provides for a hereditary monarchy with a federal representative form of government for the country with its three component provinces: Tripolitania (about 800,000 inhabitants), Cyrenaica (about 300,000), and the Fezzan (about 40,000). There are to be two chambers: a House of Representatives, to be elected on the basis of one deputy for every 20,000 inhabitants, and a Senate, to consist of 24 members equally distributed among the three provinces, half nominated by the King and the other half by the three provincial legislative councils. Each province is to have a governor appointed by the King and assisted by an executive and legislative council. Tripoli and Benghazi form the dual capital of the State.

Islam is declared to be the State religion but the right of others to practice their religion is provided for. Arabic is declared to be the official language, but freedom to use any language in private transactions, religious publications, cultural matters, and public meetings is guaranteed.

The proclamation of the States ends the wrangle over a strategically important vast but very sparsely populated North African territory which, in the course of history, probably saw more political changes and foreign invasions than any similar area. It cannot even be said that the territories comprising Libya had a common fate: for the major part of their history the two larger territories (Tripolitania and Cyrenaica) led their separate lives and under different regimes. Cynenaica was linked to Graeco-Egypt, Tripolitania to Phoenician Carthage. Cyrenaica went with Byzantium, Tripolitania with Rome. The desert on the Cyrenaica-Tripoli frontier comes down to the sea at the Gulf of Sirte. This gulf was characterized by an expert on Libya as unquestionably one of the most decided frontiers, natural and human, to be found anywhere in the world.

**The Country and Its Population**

The territories comprising Libya have an area of about 680,000 square miles, which is larger than the area of Iran, over 1½ times that of Egypt, and over four times that of Iraq. It is 14 times the size of the State of New York. But this vast area has a population of only about 1,150,000 souls, or less than 6 per cent of the population of Egypt, less than 7 per cent of the population of Iran, and less than ¼ of the population of Iraq. This is due to the fact that, except for the fertile coastal belt and scattered oases. Libya is a vast arid wilderness of sand, rock, gravel, and a few barren mountains. Shade temperatures of over 120° F are common in summer, when the temperature often rises to 140°F Libya is virtually treeless, except for date palms, cultivated orchards, and xerophytic shrubs. It has no minerals whatsoever; the population lives by agriculture, animal husbandry, sponge and tunny fishing. Its main export articles are wheat, wool, skins and hides, some finished artisian goods, and esparto grass.

To present a picture of the economic strength of this territory, suffice it to say that the per capita an-

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In 1946-47 the combined revenues of Tripolitania and Cyrenaica amounted to about £4,865,000 or somewhat over £4 per head of the population. The total imports in 1948 aggregated £3,668,000, or somewhat over £3 per head. In 1947 Libya possessed altogether 150 miles of railroad track and 2,990 miles of carriage roads.

The population of Libya consists of several groups. The overwhelming Moslem part (about 1,080,000 souls) is divided into those of Berber origin, those classed as Arabs, and negroes and mulatoes (descendants of former slaves; in former times as many as 8,000 were brought to and sold from Tripoli annually). Minorities are represented by 45,000 Italians, 2,000 Maltese, and 400 Greeks, in addition to 5,000-6,000 Jews. Illiteracy is widespread, because the Italians who were the masters of the country from 1912 to 1943 did not concern themselves much with schools for Moslems. In 1943 there were fewer than 5,000 Libyans in secular schools. The British administration raised the number to 19,500 Moslems in secular schools and another 14,400 in State-aided private schools. It is reported that in Cyrenaica there are four Arabs with university training (out of the total population of 300,000), and in Tripoli about 10 possessing university training of some kind. There are no native doctors, nurses, engineers or technicians. There is hardly a score of qualified native teachers.

As mentioned, the British developed in Cyrenaica an Arab education system, but not much good can be predicted about its future, judging from the fact that an illiterate was appointed headmaster of a school in Derna and all the British could do was to obtain his demotion, not dismissal.

**The Political Situation**

The pattern which is likely to develop in Libya, unless mitigated by other forces, may be seen in Cyrenaica, where all power, except in international affairs and defense, was handed over to the Emir (king) in 1949. The Emir chose his ministers and advisers from among his friends and sychophants and retained them in office despite popular disapproval and the misgivings of many of his British advisers. His relatives are receiving substantial State pensions, are granted monopolies and concessions (including the sole right to export the esparto grass valued at £500,000 yearly, passenger transport, etc.). Ministries tend to be filled with cousins and friends, as is general in the Middle East. In contrast, the Tripolitan government has remained reasonably free from nepotism and autocracy.

The method of dealing with discontent in Cyrenaica also closely resembles that prevalent in other Middle Eastern countries. Popular dissatisfaction with the Emir's administration, intensified by last year's bad harvest and unemployment, led to riots in Benghazi last July. When the judge in charge of the case meted out light sentences, he was promptly replaced by another man.

The independent State of Libya comes into being at a time of great stress in North Africa and adjacent regions. As recently as last year, no impartial student of the area ever maintained that the Libyan territories are ready for independence. Weak and insecure as a regime must be in a country which was practically never united, it becomes even more endangered by the circumstance that the leaders of the various regions are at odds whether they should favor a unitarian or—as proposed by the U.N. —a federal system. Furthermore, the present King of Libya, Sayyid Idris es Senussi, lived for many years in exile in Egypt and appears to be cool toward cooperation with that country, and favors closer ties with the British and other western powers, while the National Congress reportedly leans heavily toward Egypt, their neighbors. The organizer of the anti-Semitic National Congress Party, Beshir Bey Sa'awdi, is now advocating, under the influence of his Cairo contacts, a policy of "get rid of the foreigners and everything will be all right." He is rousing the country with a campaign of downright xenophobia — a policy which is bound to be exploited by ambitious politicians in any country in Libya's stage of development. Libya will undoubtedly be wooed by the Arab League which uses its establishment as a lever against French rule in North Africa. As Libya borders on both Tunisia and Algeria, it can be used as a propaganda platform in these countries. It is reported that the Arab League is intensifying its propaganda campaign in Libya.

In addition to the difficulty of administering a country under the conditions described above, the economic problems facing the new State are a serious challenge to the government:

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# Pro-Arab Propaganda in America

*By* ARNOLD K. ISREELI

Well-planned, systematic, and quite efficient pro-Arab propaganda is making the rounds of the American press, colleges, universities, churches, missions, philanthropic and social groups and government circles.

It would be perfectly in order if this were propaganda **for the Arabs.** They have a right to enlist the sympathies of our wealthy and influential country. They possess enormous stretches of land which are desert or semi-desert; great rivers which go to waste; millions of starving fellaheen and nomads who can hardly keep body and soul together; millions of children growing up without education and medical care.

The trouble, however, is that this is not so much a campaign in favor of the Arab as **against the State of Israel,** against the welfare of the Jewish people, against American aid to Israel—and all of this in the spirit of the "big lie," taken over bodily from the totalitarian pattern, on the premise that the more you repeat the lie, the more it will be believed. The theory assiduously advanced is that Arab hostility to the western world stems from America's—or the West's—friendly attitude towards Israel; that otherwise the Arabs would enthusiastically have thrown themselves into the arms of the West. The suggested inference is clear: Withdraw your helping hand from Israel, and you will gain for the free world devoted Arab friends. Apparently, there would otherwise not have been a Suez-Sudan problem, or an uprising against Britain in Iraq, or any opposition to the Western bloc in Syria.

But why, indeed, did Syria revolt against France in 1941? France's attitude towards the Zionist movement and Jewish interests in Palestine was such that it could not have left the Arabs dissatisfied.

The nature of present-day Arab nationalism is best exemplified by the massacres in recent years inflicted upon non-Arab Moslems, like the Kurds in Iraq or the Alawis in Syria, and non-Moslem people like the Assyrians and other minorities.

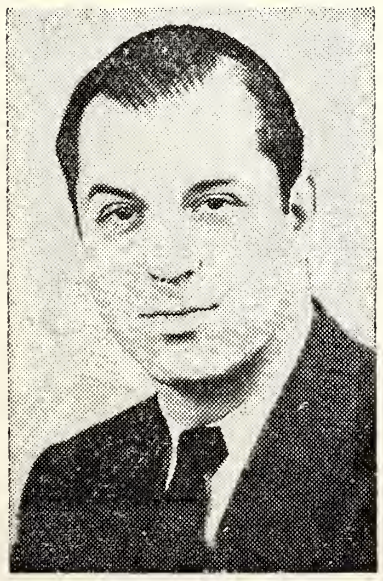
Why do the Copts of Egypt and the Maronites of Lebanon resist the existing regimes and the Pan-Arab nationalism of these countries?

Admittedly, the Arabs are reeling under the shock of the blow they sustained in their war against Israel, but why did they, in the first place, conspire to fight Israel? Was distant Iraq hurt by the rise of the Jewish state? What loss has she suffered? What was Egypt deprived of? Or Lebanon?

The truth is that a Pan-Arabic movement, with a Pan-Islamic underpinning, is now raging, threatening to engulf, not alone West Asia, but **Southeast Asia and North Africa.** At least, that is the ambition of the Pan-Islamists in that region; Christians and even non-Arab Moslems there fear it and are ready to combat it. The fight against the West proceeds under the sensational slogans of "Down with imperialism" and "Down with colonialism." Certain liberal circles in the United States fall for such shibboleths, though this is nothing but a fanatic Arab-Moslem fight which has the earmarks of the Islamic wars of the Seventh Century. It is a fight against the sinful West, a fight to save Islam and its adherents in their pristine purity; and all sorts of schemes are devised to quell the minorities, by law, by pressure, or by downright slaughter.

Yes, there are Christian leaders in the Arab lands who still sincerely hope to graft the political and social systems of the West upon the Arab world. But the wiser among them are beginning to discern that the hope is a false one. The protagonists of the West are allowed to prattle and to create a good impression for Arabism on the international scene, but in the Arab lands laws are promulgated which make Islam the official creed, and legislation is based on the Koran, as in Egypt, in order to deprive non-Arabs and non-Moslems of any role in the public or even business life of the country.

What really counts is not so much what the Christians like Malik of Lebanon or Faris El Khoury of Syria say, but rather what the Rector of the Al Azhar University in Cairo, the head of the "Muslim Brotherhood" and the former Mufti of Jerusalem think. The Christian representatives of the Arab lands are



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hired tongues or bedeviled pupils of Christian Missionaries, who perhaps still believe that it is possible to produce a spiritual revolution in the Levant. The Arab leaders, and especially the spiritual Moslem guides, know better.

The battle against the West is a battle for Islam. The Arab nationalists have pinned their hopes on Islam, first, because many of them are themselves Islamic zealots and, second, because it is expedient to have powerful allies. When you say Islam, you include Iran, Afganistan, Pakistan, down to Indonesia in the East and Morocco in the West.

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The pro-Arab campaign in America extends over several fronts and is conducted, not so much by the Arabs themselves as by "well-meaning" Americans, on the one hand, and "interests" on the other.

It is a system stretching from the intellectual and philanthropic circles at the top, through various religious groups, and into the cesspool of anti-semitism.

It starts with Dorothy Thompson's group, into which known anti-Zionists have been drawn and reaches its tentacles to the special Near-East organizations, such as the Near East Society, the Near East Foundation, the Near East College Association and from there to important officials of church institutions, such as the World Council of Churches, the National Council of Churches, and the various Missions, and finally sinks into the anti-semitic sewers of Gerald L. K. Smith and Mervin K. Hart.

The charter members of Dorothy Thompson's "American Friends of the Middle East" include the following notorious anti-Zionists:

Dr. Millar Burrows, who not long ago published a book "Palestine Is Our Business," an out and out anti-Zionist and anti-semitic opus: Vincent Sheehan, who had evidenced Zionist sympathies but then suddenly changed color, similar to Miss Thompson; Dr. Philip K. Hitti, a Syrian Christian who pours brimstone on Jews and Zionists; two former American Ministers in Iran and Saudi-Arabia, William A. Eddy and Wallace Murray, who, while in the State Department, were a frequent target of Zionists and liberals; Garland Evans Hopkins, of the Christian Century, and now Executive Vice President of Dorothy Thompson's group, an outspoken anti-Zionist and a former lobbyist for the Protestant missionaries in the U. N.

Through Dr. Harold B. Allen of the Near East Foundation, who is also a member of Miss Thompson's group, there is a connection with philanthropic pro-Near East circles; and through William E. Hocking and Dr. Ralph Hutchinson, of Harvard and Lafayette Colleges respectively, there is a connection with the intellectual world.

How is the propaganda carried on? Dorothy Thompson's coterie is organizing institutes in many colleges and universities to study the problems of the Middle East. The lectures there are given exclusively by Arab representatives or American anti-Zionists. Although Israel is part of the Middle East, no lecturer from Israel has ever been invited.

When lectures are scheduled, invitations go out to pro-Arab Americans affiliated with colleges in the Middle East—all anti-Zionists—and they speak against the Jews and the Zionists. Here we may cite, as an example, Stephen B. L. Penrose, President of the American University in Beirut; Dr. John S. Badeau, President of the Cairo University; Alfred Carlton, President of the Aleppo College, Syria. All of them, in the name of education or religion, hold forth against Israel.

A classic instance of anti-Zionist propaganda with the aid of all the American factors, was presented last year, by the visit of Yusif El Bandak, son of of the Bethlehem Mayor, who paraded as General Secretary of the "Christian Committee of the Holy Land." Under the auspices of an assortment of "friends" of the Middle East, he travelled around the country, months on end, and harangued in the universities, churches, various institutions and at public meetings, seeking to implant venomous hatred against the State of Israel. He spread terrible lies, which have been exposed, about Israel's mistreatment of Christians and their Holy Places. He aroused vehement protests by Jews as well as by humanity-loving people in general.

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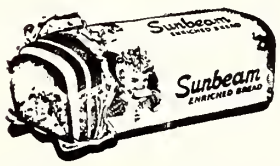


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The propaganda in the press of this country is sponsored, not alone by the press attaches of the several Arab legations in Washington and their consulates over the country whose quibbles, by the way, sometimes find their way into such respectable organs as the **New York Times**—but also by writers, priests, professors, civic workers, etc., who have their special Middle East bias. You meet with their outpourings in many magazines, such as **Time, Readers' Digest, Atlantic Monthly**. Recently, even the **New York Herald-Tribune** had a series of biased articles from the pen of Stewart Alsop. The anti-Zionist periodicals are the **Christian Century** (non-denominational) and **The Sign**, a Catholic organ. Honest American journalists, when in the Middle East in search of material, often turn to the American colleges and intellectual Arab circles which are connected with these colleges, and you may be sure they get the "right stuff."

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The reader is no doubt curious to know what are the motivations which make of these Americans such zealous friends of the ruling sets in Arab lands and opponents of Israel.

First, as mentioned above, an illusion had been fostered years back by direct intellectual influence and proper education America would succeed in remaking the way of life of the oriental man. The state, the business world, and the churches all united behind this idea, and aid societies and colleges were established in Turkey, in Beirut, Cairo, and in Greece. These institutions have brought up several generations under the influence of the Protestant Missions in the United States. We stress Protestant because the Catholic influence in the Middle East worked through other channels, likewise unfavorable to the Jews.

Recently, one more factor has been added: the need to defend the Middle East against the danger of Communist Russia. A Middle East Command is being blueprinted with the intention of taking in as many of the Arab countries as possible. Consequently, there is the tendency to cater to the Arab rulers. Thus the Church, the Missions, the intellectual promptings, oil, and finally, international considerations have combined to keep the Arabs satisfied. And since the Arab writhes under the festering wound of his defeat by Israel, salve must be applied to soothe the pain. If Israel does not like it, well, let her turn to the American Jews—and get an occasional sop from our Government.

That is the situation and we must not fool ourselves. We must keep a watchful eye. American Jews several times defeated the narrowmindedness of the official trend in this country which menaced the interests of Palestine Jewry; but now this pro-Arab trend is reaching out through the land and poisoning public opinion. It should be the duty of every decent American, certainly of every serious-minded Jew, to expose the emptiness and futility of this trend.

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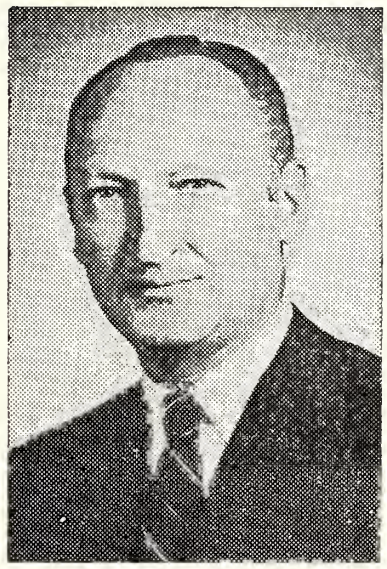

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# The Cooking Page

Passover is one of the favorite festival occasions, when specially prepared dishes associated with the holiday are the order of the day. Here are a few that are tried and true.

**PASSOVER MATZOTH PUDDING**

6 or 8 Matzoth squares (broken into small pieces)
1 egg to every Matzoth square (yolk and whites of eggs separated)
1 cup sugar
½ glass wine
2 apples (peeled) and cut into squares or sliced
Grated rind and juice of ½ lemon and 1 orange
½ glass raisins
1 level tablespoon salt
1 cup chicken fat

Place broken Matzoths in a pan of slightly salted water. Soak for short while. Drain in a collander. Beat yolks of eggs in a deep bowl, add salt. sugar, orange, lemon (juice and rind), wine, chicken fat. Beat together well. Whip whites of eggs to a stiff froth and set aside. Add Matzoths and apples to egg yolk mixture, stir well, until evenly distributed. Gently fold into this mixture the egg whites until the whole mixture is smooth.

Place carefully, gently into a deep well-greased pan. Sprinkle top with ¼ cup sugar and 1 teaspoon cinnamon, if desired. Bake in medium-slow oven, one hour or less according to your oven.

Add lemon sauce topping if desired.

**PASSOVER SPONGE CAKE**

½ cup cake flour
¼ cup potato flour
6 eggs (use at room temperature)
juice of 1 lemon and grated rind.

Pre-heat oven to moderate, slow oven.

Separate yolks and whites very carefully. Dip out yolks, if any remain in whites (egg whites will not beat properly unless clear). Beat whites stiffly, adding a pinch of salt, and place aside. Beat yolks in a deep bowl until lemon colored, add lemon juice and rind and beat again. Add yolk mixture to the beaten whites. Beat well and long to make a light cake (about a hundred strokes). Gently fold in combined, sifted cake flour. Pour mixture into round or square, wax paper lined cake pan. Bake in moderate, slow oven until done. Test with a toothpck or straw until it comes out of the cake clean and dry. Take out of oven when done. Leave in the pan, in a cool place, until cake cools off. Then invert onto cooling rack for an additional 15 minutes. Remove pan. Cake should be feathery light. Do not jar cake in process of baking. It can drop. If cooling rack is not available, use clean table-cloth on smooth table. Sprinkle sugar on cloth and invert cooled cake on top of it.

**PASSOVER LEMON SAUCE**

1 cup cold water
6 eggs
1 ¼ cup sugar
juice and rind of 2 large lemons

Bring cup of water to a boil. Add juice and rind of lemons. Beat eggs and sugar together, well. Gradually add egg and sugar mixture to boiling water. Stir constantly. Cook and stir until thickened to a nice consistency. Set aside to cool and it will thicken some more.

This sauce can be used as a topping for sponge cake and Matzoth pudding. If desired, this sauce can be used, thickly spread between layers of sponge cake, as a filling for a fine Boston Cream Pie.

**PASSOVER CNADLECH**

3 eggs
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
3 tablespoons chicken fat (cold)
1½ cups Matzoh Meal
¾ cups cold water or chicken soup

Beat eggs, salt, pepper and fat well, add Matzoh meal, then add water or soup and mix well. Let stand covered for at least an hour or more. Then make into balls and put into soup while soup is boiling. Cover pot and do not remove the cover for at least half an hour. Cook for 1 hour.

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**By Mrs. Morris Lewis**

As expected, the card party held at Curles Neck Dairy on February 27th, 1952, was a huge success. A lovely crowd of members and their friends turned out for the evening of fun and games. A good time was

MRS. MORRIS LEWIS

had by all. The B. & P. again proved their ability to make all their affairs enoyable to every one. Many thanks to Miss Charlotte Imburg and her able committees.

The work of a B. & P. member is never done. Before the last party was over, a new project was started. Something new has been introduced to this never-tiring organization. A novelty party, known as a "TASTING SUPPER" is planned for April 2nd, in conjunction with World Jewish Child Day. It's a treat, never before attempted. But according to the enthusiasm of all concerned it will be a treat long to be remembered in Richmond. We will tell you all about it in the next issue.

Great plans have been made for the Hadassah Linen Shower for Israel. Our members will do all in their power to make this project the success it should be. Mrs. Seymour Mandalowitz and Mrs. Al Greenspoon are chairmen of the program for this evening.

Over twenty-five members of our group have pledged to work for the Jewish Welfare Fund. Many more will sign up before the drive starts.

A nominating committee, consisting of Mrs. Frank Friedenberg, chairman, and Mesdames Nathan Baer, Sid Silverman, Seymour Mandalowitz, Julius Mandel and Miss Fay Passamaneck, has been appointed. They will recommend a slate of candidates for the forthcoming election of officers to be held in May.

For interesting and enjoyable evenings, remember our slogan: COME WITH ME—TO THE B.& P.

### TEMPLE BETH AHABAH

**Mrs. Josephine S. Friedman**

With Passover in the not too distant future and with the election of new officers for the Beth Ahabah Couples' Club, the Social Center is buzzing with activity. Purim parties for the Religious School were held, the pupils masquerading to represent one of the characters in the Book of Esther. What fun for all! The New Americans Club held their Purim party on March 22nd. It was a grand affair done in their usual enthusiastic and clever way.

Congratulations and good luck to the following officers and board recently elected by the Couples' Club.

President, Harry Lee Cohn; Vice-President, Fred Grunewald; Secretary, Ellen Sibley; Treasurer, Bernice Slipow; Board of Directors: Werner Bellman, Robert Reinhard, Marrin Arenstein, Sidney Mittelman.

The first affair under the new regime was a Purim affair held March 12th in Beth Ahabah Social Center. There was a dinner and dance, and a good time was had by all.

On Sunday, March 9th, a special service was held in the Temple in honor of Mrs. Tillie Miller, who has devoted thirty years as a teacher in the Religious School. Through her efforts the children of our Congregation have received religious education and spiritual values which will enhance their lives and make them better citizens in the community. For this special occasion Dr. Goldburg chose as the subject of his sermon, "Education and Courage."

Next on the agenda are plans for Passover. A model Seder for the Religious School will be held under the supervision of the Religious School Director, Mr. Joseph L. Portnoy, and the Sisterhood will honor the pupils with a spring dance. This occasion is eagerly anticipated by all.

The month of February was filled to overflowing with speaking engagements for the Jewish Chatauqua Society during Religious Emphasis Week at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia, and at one of the meetings 1250 students attended—this on a voluntary basis. He also filled speaking engagements at Virginia Union College, Richmond, Virginia and Randolph-Macon College at Ashland, Virginia. All of these engagements have been sandwiched between his regular duties at Beth Ahabah.

Dr. Goldburg and several members attended the Mid-Atlantic Council Regional Conference held in Greensboro, North Carolina March 22-24. More about this next time.

## Richmond Temple Beth Israel

**by**

**MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ**

Two typewriter ribbons and three blocks of paper ago, I sat down to write for you the Passover news from Temple Beth Israel, but like the child with the Passover table laden with traditional delights, I know not which choice bit of news to savor first so again like him I sit in momentary unnatural silence. Ah, but first things first so let me relate the interesting and happy news of Beth Israel as it was made.

Abe Dere, President of Beth Israel Congregation has informed me that invitations have been sent out to all neighboring camps to invite servicemen and women to Beth Israel for the Passover services. This yearly invitation is happily looked forward to by the people in service away from home and has become a Temple Beth Israel tradition.

On Sunday, April 6, 1952, at 10:30 a.m. in the synagogue the Religious Schools will present a pre-Passover model Seder which the children themselves have prepared and will present. As part of the Religious School, this same group from the combined daily Hebrew school and Sunday school have presented two concerts in the past. On Jewish Arbor day a beautiful program was presented. Symbolizing the happy events a tree planting ceremony took place and children of both schools presented a play which was climaxed by serving Israeli delicacies. The Women's Club presented each child with a bag of oranges, apples, dates figs, prunes and raisins signifying the bounty of this festival.

On March 16 this same group celebrated the happy occassion of Purim with a Purim concert. The celebration featured a drama followed by a masquerade and grand march. Prizes were awarded for the most beautiful, original and comical costumes and refreshments followed this very happy and joyful celebration. Due to Rabbi Jules Lipshutz and Cantor Oscar Berry's enthusiastic efforts, the Religious Schools membership each week increases and the sincere efforts and enjoyments of the students is apparent with the success of each program.

And now a most important event has come again. The Sisterhood and Women's Club is having its combined Rummage Sale. Comes at a perfect time for you too, because now with Spring with us you can just save all the fuss and bother of storing all your old clothes by giving them to Beth Israel for sale This is a wonderful way for you to solve your storage problems and also help your Temple too. Remember any old furniture and toys you may have is also good for resale so please try to gather as much as you can and call Mrs. Paul Cohen at 6-6373 and she will arrange for pick up service. Only your cooperation can make this endeavor a successful one so let's all help.

Speaking of Women's Club activities Mrs. Jules Lipshutz has taken over chairmanship of Religious Studies at each Women's Club meeting. At the previous meeting Mrs. Lipshutz spoke on Sabbath and had a model table set to demonstrate her talk. Many women have expressed a desire to extend the religious studies beyond the enjoyable short regular meeting programs, which are part of the Women's Club regular program. To fill this need Rabbi Jules Lipshutz has started a study class which is held once each month on a Thursday night in the Temple library. Everyone is invited to join this informal group and enjoy either reviewing or learning Jewish customs and literature.

Incidently speaking of well, just about everything as I have this month, please keep in mind the Women's Club Gift Shop. Now with Passover with us remember Mrs. Herbert Flax has many wonderful Passover items for sale. Call her

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That is about it for this month friends. Each bit of news has been savored and I hope you've enjoyed reading all about Temple Beth Israel's activities. Beth Israel is your headquarters for the entire family's spiritual and recreational activities. For your children the Religious School's classes and enjoyable programs. For yourselves and children the regular Friday night religious services followed by the informal Oneg Shabbot in the Temple Social Center. For the Women, the Women's Club and Sisterhood with their varied projects of religious and community interest and by all means let's not forget the Brotherhood for the men and the splendid Candlelight Dances sponsored each month by them. For $1.50 per couple sub-debs and their escorts as well as young and old married couples alike can enjoy an evening's entertainment and dancing to a grand orchestra by candlelight. Refreshments are served and real fellowship and good fun prevails. Remember there is an activity for each and every member of your family at Temple Beth Israel . . . It's there waiting for you to enjoy and benefit from. And so in closing, may I wish you a happy, healthy and joyous Passover from all of us at Temple Beth Israel, to all of you. Bye now!

### TEMPLE BETH EL

**By Mrs. Allan G. Minko**

Beth El Temple was honored to have one of their most devoted and ardent workers, and member of the Board of Sisterhood, Mrs. Jerome S. Meyer, to head this years Women's Division of the 1952 Jewish Welfare Fund Drive, held the 30th of March. Also, Mrs. Louis Perlin, President of Beth El Sisterhood, and Mrs. Leonard Meyer, Mrs. Louis Perlstein, Mrs. Louis Steinberg. Mrs. Max Laster, Mrs. Sam Troy, and Mrs. Milton Brown are assisting Mrs. Jerome S. Meyer as Majors and special gifts division heads of this years drive. We are proud of the active participation of our Beth El Women in the drive, our thanks to the many solicitors and to the women who head divisions.

On Sunday, March 16, and Sunday March 23, the Fourth Annual Purim Variety Show was presented: with the four affiliated groups of Temple Beth El participating: Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Young Married Set and the Young People's League. This variety show was a three act operetta, under the capable direction of Mr. Abe Kahan, assisted by Albert Evans, stage manager, and Mac Reese, props. Music director, Mr. Barney Abrams, Choreography, Mr. Louis Shapiro and electricians and sound, Messrs. Leonard Sherman, Melvin Brooks and Leon Gary. Script chairman, Mrs. Evelyn Goodman, assisted by Mrs. Ben Perlin, reservations and tickets, and over-all chairmen were Mrs. J. H. Fratkin, and Mrs. Leon Grossman.

This operetta, consisting of song and dance, humorous skits and musical selections was also presented in its entireity at the McGuires Veterans Hospital, on Monday, March 24. Each year this show has been taken to McGuires Hospital, and very enthusiastically received by veterans, so much so, this year's performance was a request from the recreation division of the hospital. Temple Beth El is happy to have entertained even for a few short hours our veterans hospitalized in Richmond.

Cast appearing in this Variety Show are as follows: Blanche Gary, Conia Garber, Bernard Goldstein, Ruth Ellen Raskind, Marilyn Helmus, Rosalind Salken, Shirley Kahan, Ann Gordon, Sylvia Grandis, Selma Brown, Lilly Schwartz, Hi Garber, Bess Goldman, Charles Borton, Ann Maslan, Eli Feldman, Lan Singer, Evelyn Goodman, Rose Grossman, Sybil Weingart, Elaine Weiman, Selma Freedlander, Wilma Abams, Milton Adams, Beryl Adams, Vivian Kayser, Louis Shapiro, Art Lazarus, Harvey Helmus, Shirley Brooks, Toots Cantor, Ruth Brown, Tip Levin, Charles Siegel, Irving Berlin, Norman Meyer, Josephine Adams, Paula Abrady, and Cantor Morris Okun of Temple Beth El. Proceeds from this Purim Variety Show will be used for Temple improvements, as contribution from the four participating groups of Temple.

The Seventh Annual Spring Conference of the Seaboard Branch of the National Women's League of United Synagogues of America of which Beth El Temple Sisterhood is affiliated will be held this year in Richmond, on April 28 and 29th. All sessions to be held at the Hotel John Marshall, with exception of a supper for out of town delegates only, to be held in Temple Social Hall, on Monday evening.

This conference opens Monday morning at 10 o'clock, with an open board meeting. At 1 o'clock, a

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Mrs. I. R. Levet, of Beth El, Richmond, Va. is president of the Seaboard branch and together with cooperation of the following Beth El Sisterhood members are planning this conference: Mrs. Reuben Goldman and Mrs. Emanuel Wasserman, Chairman and Co-Chairman; Mrs. Louis Weinstein, Chairman of Hostesses; Mrs. Joseph Sunderland, Chairman of Supper; Mrs. Kurt Marcus, Floral Decorations; and Mrs. Henry Fine, Luncheon Arrangements.

All Sisterhoods affiliated with the Seaboard Branch of National Women's League will be represented to this conference. Please make reservations to attend all sessions and luncheon, by writing to our chairmen, to Temple Office.

The highlight of this conference, of course, will be our guest speaker, Mrs. Harry J. Brevis, wife of a Rabbi, and today the principal of the first and only Jewish public school in the city of Buffalo. Mrs. Brevis is the originator and National Chairman of the Judaism in the Home Project, on which she puts much emphasis by developing programs and editing manuals used by all affiliated Sisterhoods.

Anna Bear Brevis, was brought up and educated in Buffalo, New York. She is a graduate of the Buffalo Teacher's Training School and of the University of Buffalo. During the second year of her teaching career in the Buffalo Public School, she developed a method of teaching reading which won her wide recognition, and a promotion the following year to the possition of critic teacher in a Teacher's Training Center. A few years later, while still in her twenties, she became Principal of an elementary school, the first and still the only Jewish Public School Principal in the city of Buffalo.

She is a member of the New York State Principals Association, and of the National Education Association. Her work with the parent Teachers Association brought her in May 1950, an Honorary Life Membership in the New York State Congress of Parents and Teachers. Mrs. Brevis, as a wife of Rabbi Harry J. Brevis, has always evinced an interest in all things Jewish. In 1934, the late Mrs. Stephen S. Wise invited her to become a member of her cabinet in the Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress, with which organization she served as National Chairman for two years. She also served as Vice-President and Program Chairman of the Buffalo Chapter of Hadassah.

While a member of the Buffalo Bureau of Jewish Education she developed the Jewish Mothers Holiday Institutes, which were an outgrowth of her article in the "Reconstructionist" of May 1947, entitled "Public School Principal Looks at Jewish Education." Descriptions of these institutes appeared in subsequent articles in the "Reconstructionist" and "Synagogue School."

The sixteen affiliated Sisterhoods of the Seaboard Branch will be privileged to have Mrs. Brevis as guest speaker to the conference. It will be a real inspiration to all who avail themselves of this opportunity by attending this conference in Richmond, Virginia.

The Legislative Committee of the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women is continuing its discussion series at the Jewish Community Center at 12:30, on the backgrounds of the candidates running in the presidential primaries. Friday, March 28 Harry S. Truman and Estes Kefauver were discussed and Friday, April 11 the backgrounds

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of Richard Russell and Adlai Stevenson are on the slate. Previously Robert Taft, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Earl Warren and Harold Stassen were on the discussion agenda.

The State Legislative meeting in Newport News Tuesday, April 29 will have as its topic of discussion, what has been accomplished in this General Assembly and will set its goals for the next two years. Attending will be representatives from sections in Richmond, Petersburg, Norfolk, Alexandria, Arlington, Falls Church and Newport News. Miss Madeleine Mayer and Mrs. Sidney Trattner are co-chairmen of the meeting.

Mr. David Brinkley, head of the NBC newsroom in Washington, was the guest speaker at the monthly Council luncheon meeting Wednesday, March 5 at the Beth Ahabah Social Center. Mr. Brinkley's talk covered the current Washington scene. Television fans know Mr. Brinkley as the Washington correspondent on the Camel News Caravan.

A collection of books from New York and paintings by Jewish artists, or those on Jewish themes, were exhibited by Council in conjunction with the Jewish Community Center's music festival the evening of March 2.

Twelve new Americans are now attending night English classes at the John Marshall High School. They are being sponsored by the National Council of Jewish Women.

The General Assembly recently heard Mrs. Sidney Meyers, in behalf of Council, speak in favor of repealing the poll tax.

Mrs. Morris Appelman has been appointed chairman of geriatrics of the Group and Recreation Division of the Richmond Area Community Council.

An advisory committee to the Grand Group has recently been appointed. Mrs. Samuel Z. Troy is chairman; Mrs. Robert Wallerstein, co-chairman. Committee members are: Mrs. Ellis Bernstein, Mrs. Fred Grunwald, Mrs. Walter Kolm, Mrs. Max Laster, Mrs. Bernard Magel, Mrs. Jack Marash, Mrs. A. L. Rosenzweig, Mrs. Irvin Shapiro and Mrs. Sam Wurtzel.

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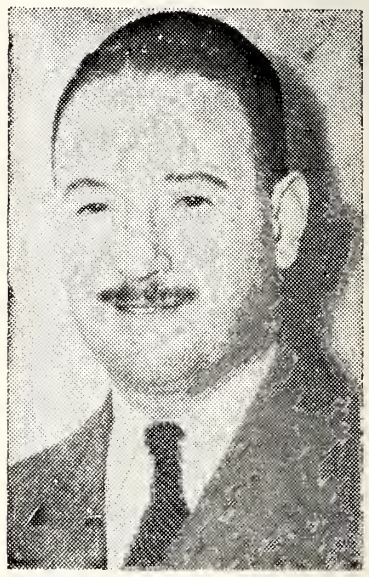
It is my pleasure to convey warm Passover greetings to the American Jewish Times Outlook, and to its many readers who enjoy a wealth of sterling journalism permeated in the interests of God, country and democracy. The story of Passover has always had meaning for Israel. It has earned the esteem and reverence of the world, in the sense that



**RABBI JULES LIPSCHUTZ**

genuinely true freedom consists in the privilege of enjoying our own rights, and certainly not in the denial of these rights to others. At Passover time, it is proper to recall famous reminders from the Torah about the ugliness of slavery and the beauty of freedom. Israel truly speaks for democracy when we read, "And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not do him wrong. The stranger that so journeth with you shall be unto you as the home-born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt, I am the Lord your God."—Leviticus 19: 33-34. Millions of aching hearts who already have witnessed redemption may truly chant with Israel . . . "O give thanks unto the Lord, for

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A wise person once said, "Liberty will not descend to a people; a people must raise themselves to liberty; it is a blessing that must be **earned** before it can be **enjoyed.**" We are still trying eagerly to impress this thought upon the minds of nations, as liberty cannot be established without morality, nor morality without faith. The story of the Exodus of Passover bids us, however, to be hopeful. The triumph of the small minority of Israelites, over the great power of Egypt has been duplicated in our own day when new Israel has stood its ground successfully against what one might have thought would be overpowering odds. May the words of the Hagaddah be chanted at the Seder table with the reminder to society; "let all those who are hungry enter and eat thereof; and all who are necessitous, come and celebrate the Passover."

## Martinsville, Va.

**by Mrs. Ralph Hollander**

**B'NAI B'RITH NEWS:**

The annual installation banquet of the Heiner-Fusfeld Lodge was held March 17th at the Club Martinique. The main address of the evening was given by Abe Shewel, Past President of the 5th District. As usual Mr. Shewal gave an inspiring talk. Mr. Julius Fisher, sec'y of the 5th District installed the new lodge officers who are: Theo. Berlin, Pres., Dr. Sam Kaufman, 1st V. Pres., Sam J. Kaplan, 2nd V. Pres., Ed Altshull, Treas. and Joe Rudman, Sec'y. Our own Leon Globman, Pres. State Assn. B. B. extended us greetings from the State. Danny Greene did a splendid job as toastmaster. Mrs. Herman Obstler of Bassett, Va. gave a piano recital that was well rendered. We concluded with a dance. Banquet committee was Ed Altshull, entertainment and Ralph Hollander, program.

The Sunday School children presented a Purim play written and directed by Rabbi H. S. Goodkowitz. The children were attired in costumed depicting biblical characters. The parents of the children were also in masquerade. Following the play, traditional refreshments of hamantashan and Purim goodies were served.

Welcome back to Mr. and Mrs. William Altshull, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Globman and Mr. and Mrs. Nat Morris of Rocky Mount, Va., who were in Miami Beach last month.

Our sympathies to Mrs. Gilmore Rudman on the death of her father, Morris Moses of Baltimore.

## Lynchburg, Va.

**by Gishy Adler Aronson**

Tete a tete — Having a recent bout with the flu bug takes yours truly out of the social butterfly class this month. But despair not gentle readers, I still have choice bit's of news for you.

Rabbi Aaron J. Tofield, spiritual leader of Temple Israel, Charlotte, spoke to members of Agudath Sholom Congregation at a special meeting. Rabbi Tofield was ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary of American in 1939 and holds degrees from Columbia University and the University of Tulsa. He was Chaplain in the Army.

The Sisterhood sabbath was conducted at the regular Friday night services by the following women: Mrs. Lewis Somers, Mrs. Sam Rosen, Mrs. Charles Navis and Mrs. Bert Schewel.

Mrs. Abe Schewel, Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein and Mrs. Ben Schewel, will attend the District No. 8 N. F. T. S. in Greensboro.

I would appreciate receiving your money for your renewed subscriptions if you haven't already paid for them. You may get in touch with me by calling 2-0798.

I wish to extend wishes of good health and speedy recovery for those who have been ill. Special thoughts go out to Mrs. Lloyd Tennenbaum, Mr. I. Oppleman, Mr. Abe Cohen and Mr. W. Oppleman.

Until next time when I hope to gather more news for you, break off a piece of Matzos for me. I will be seeing you at the Community Seder.

If you haven't already heard, that new look in Alan Oster's eye means love and the object of his affections is Phyllis Feinman. What with Valentine Day not long passed, Leap Year here and Spring on the way, what could be a more appropriate

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time than now to herald in their wedding bells? So I hereby formally declare that Mrs. Jacob Feinman has announced the engagement of her daughter, Phyllis Leah, to Alan Joel Oster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Oster of Pawtucket, R. I.

The bride elect was taken by surprise when she was recently honored at a gay kitchen shower, given by joint hostesses, Joan Demsky and Zelda Ross at the Demsky home on Parkland Drive. Clever decorations in accord with the theme of the party was a center piece composed of carrots and celery in flower-like arrangements. This was flanked by lighted candles for which Irish potatoes formed holders. Shrimp paste served in a frying pan and potato chips on a cookie sheet rounded out the already charming table of delicious refreshments. Games were played and gifts presented. Those on hand for the occasion were relatives and immediate friends of Miss Feinman and Mr. Oster.

Colorful New Orleans was the stopping off place for Mr. and Mrs. Mose Feinman on a recent southern trip. Sight seeing and good eating made their vacation an enjoyable one. I love to hear about your travels, dear readers, won't you phone and tell me about them?

## HARRISONBURG, VA.

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

On Feb. 13, our Sisterhood sponsored a covered dish supper which was successful in more ways than one. The food was delicious; the entertainment by members of our Congregation was super; the net income showed a financial success too.

Rabbi Lanyi will be unable to fill our pulpit any longer due to his very severe illness. We miss him greatly and we are all praying for his speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Morton Nussbaum as their son Monroe was married on March 9th to Miss Sandra Doshay, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Doshay of Mount Vernon, New York.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller on becoming grandparents for the second time. Their daughter, Mrs. Morton Fox of Roanoke, Virginia, presented them with a new baby girl on March 1.

We regret that Mr. and Mrs. Harold Elpern who have been in Harrisonburg are leaving our fair city. Mr. Elpern has accepted a position in Lynchburg, Virginia. Good luck to them.

The Hadassah Chapter held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Harold Elpern. Plans were made for the Donor luncheon which will be held in May. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Harold Elpern and Mrs. Herbert Rivkin gave a condensed version of "What Is Torah." Refreshments and Social hour followed.

## Staunton - Waynesboro, Va.

**Estelle Kauffman, Correspondent**

The Sisterhood Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Sam Kauffman. Plans for a Kaffee Klatch and the Seder Supper were discussed.


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The Sisterhood held a Valentine's party in the recreation room of the Temple. An enjoyable time was had.

The B'nai B'rith held its election of officers at their last meeting, which was held in Waynesboro. President, Harry Hyman; Vice-president, Harry Kreitzer; Secretary-treasurer, Jerome Grossman.

The children of the Sunday School held their Purim party on March 9. Games were played and refreshments were served, including Hamentoshen.

Both Communities were sorry to see Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loewenthal and daughter, Lynn, leave Staunton for their new home in Brooklyn, N. Y. We wish them every success.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Grossman entertained at their home in Waynesboro recently in honor of Mr. Grossman's birthday. It was a delightful party and was enjoyed by all.

## Hampton-Phoebus, Va.

**Mrs. Lawrence J. Gale, Reporter**

**SISTERHOOD**

Sisterhood's annual dance, the most important fund raising event of the year will be held at the Original Club in Newport News, and an intensive campaign is now under way to make the affair a huge success. Mrs. David Zwerdling is in charge, and is being assisted by Mesdames Benjamin Vogel, Howard Rohr, Louis Greenspon, Herbert Goldstein, Morris Gottleib, Harry Jacobs, Allan Mervis, Joseph Newman, Bernard Weinflash, Lawrence Gale, and Phillip Abraham. There will be a drawing for a beautiful set of luggage to be given away at the dance. Mrs. Arthur Lieverman and Mrs. Joseph Greenberger are in charge of the drawing.

Mrs. Howard Rohr will review the highly entertaining novel "Mink on Weekdays," by Felicia Lamport, at the next meeting of the Sisterhood.

Thanks to the efficient work of Mrs. Morris Sandler and her committee, the annual donor dinner and the program were enjoyed by all. Under the direction of David Goldenbaum, a dramatic reading was presented which was very well received.

Mrs. Arthur Greenberg and Mrs. I. Cooper were appointed Sisterhood's representatives to the Community Council.

**HADASSAH**

Mrs. Joseph Tannen will review the novel "Quiet Street," by Zelda Popkin, at the next meeting of Hadassah. The story, a warm and personal portrayal of the struggle for Israel's independence is one which will be of great interest to every Hadassah member.

Mrs. Tannen, Education Chairman, has announced and asked for participation in the Hadassah Honors Course. Each member is urged to read at least five books, selected by the National Education Department as the best in Jewish History and Literature; by sending to National a short essay on any of these books, she will be entitled to a set of Hadassah bookplates without charge.

**B'NAI ISRAEL CONGREGATION**

At the next regular meeting of the Congregation, a film "Tent City" will be shown after the business session during which a nomination committee will be appointed by the president, Seymour Saunders, to submit a slate of officers for the next year.

"Tent City" is Israel's latest motion picture, made available through the United Palestine Appeal, and has been enthusiastically received by preview audiences in major cities throughout the country. It is judged not only as the best feature-documentary to have come out of Israel, but as representing an entirely new stage of film-making.

Hosts for the evening will be Harry Jacobs, George Recant, and Arthur Greenberg.

**YOUTH GROUP**

James Goldstein was elected president of the Synagogue Youth Group to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Miss Patty Sharf.

To fortify itself for the hard work ahead in promoting its annual Penny Carnival, which promises to outdo all others this year, the group has indulged in a series of "fun" activities. Skating and bowling parties have provided the amusement.

**B'NAI ISRAEL JUNIORS**

The Juniors entertained at their March meeting with a Purim party at the Center.

At their last meeting, a film strip on astronomy was shown with narration and excellent explanations by Michael Rohr.

**FORUM GROUP**

The Forum held its annual Purim party this year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenpon.

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*By* LIONEL KOPPMAN

The Jewish Community Center, American-produced house of freedom, is a natural modern setting in which each generation can discover for itself the authentic and durable significance of the festival of Passover.

Functioning in the dual role of the community's "home" and an agency which serves the entire Jewish community, the Center is: (1) a place for community-wide Passover celebrations; (2) the "informal school," where all members of the family—in discussion groups, arts and crafts projects and other Center activities such as music, dramatics, journalism and dancing groups—learn the rich and intrinsically positive message of freedom, and (3) a training ground, where parents learn how to plan for and conduct Seders in their own homes.

Many Jewish Community Centers stage Model Seders to acquaint groups with the holiday, its origin and history, its symbols and traditional interpretation and its significance for them. Others conduct third Seders after the family celebrations to spur discussions on the meaning of freedom today, human rights, displaced persons, immigration and other subjects.

The Washington Heights YM-YWHA in New York City, for example, marks the deliverance from the house of bondage by conducting one youth Seder for the intermediates, inter-seniors and seniors and another for the juniors. Across the Harlem River, the Bronx YM-YWHA has held, in addition to parties and other events, two community Seders, with the older members participating in a Third Seder.

In Passaic, N. J., with the festive board covered with all of the traditional holiday foods, the YM-YWHA Seder for the youngsters is highlighted by the presentation of unusual gifts for the finders of the Afikomen. The Arlington (Va.) Jewish Center arranges a Seder for several hundred children. In Brooklyn, the Golden Age Club of the Hebrew Educational Society conducted its first Seder just five years ago, while in the same year, the Oakland (Cal.) Jewish Community Center conducted the first public Seder in its history.

A Model Seder, designed "to strengthen the feeling of belonging of our young people, and their pride in their Jewish heritage," is one of the ways in which the Lynn (Mass.) Jewish Community Center observes the Festival of Freedom. A Seder with interfaith overtones was held, at least on one occasion, by the Junior Senate of the Jewish Community Center of Wyoming Valley (Wilkes-Barre, Pa.), The recitation of the kiddush, the four questions and "a narrative of contemporary significance" are the highlights of the service conducted at the New Haven (Conn.) Jewish Center.

Special Hagadahs are prepared for these Seders so that the participants can understand how the message of Passover can be applied in their day-to-day living. For instance, a Hagadah prepared for a children's model Seder service at the Paterson (N. J.) YM-YWHA by Arnulf M. Pins, then principal of the Y's Sunday School, lists the traditional ten plagues and then ten modern ones: discrimination; the telling of lies; crime; injustice; disease; poverty; famine; slavery; slums, and war.

"Even today," this particular Hagadah reads, "we still have ten plagues, and must all work together, with members of other religions, to get rid of them."

A unique club leaders' Hagadah was prepared by the advisor of Jewish activities at the 92nd Street YM-YWHA in New York City several years ago. Instead of describing the four kinds of sons, this Hagadah depicts the four kinds of leaders and the four kinds of club members. The "Seder" dish is prepared with Jewish content materials, Y publications, vocational guidance and case work material, program aids in dramatics, music and other fields, and club leaders' reports. Jewish content, this Hagadah adds, "instills in the club member a positive and sympathetic attitude to things Jewish. It gives the club members a spirit, a tone,

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a morale—describable only in the term 'Jewishness.' "

In Detroit, the children's Seder tendered by the Jewish Parents Institute of the Jewish Community Center is the culmination of a series of activities such as making decorative Hagadah covers and preparing a Hagadah for and with the assistance of the club members themselves. The Music Committee of the Institute has produced a recording titled "The Passover Story," which tells the story of the festival as seen and understood by a young American girl.

Among other Jewish Community Centers which mark the holiday by having model and third Seders with Hagadahs to match are: the Y, Jewish Young Adult Council and Council House, St. Louis; Pittsburgh Y; Jewish Community Center and Jewish Youth Council of Essex County, N. J.; Milwaukee JCC; the Greater Miami Jewish Community Center; Jewish Young Adult Council of Detroit; the Jewish Centers Association of Los Angeles; Jewish Community Centers of Cleveland, Lancaster JCC; Buffalo Jewish Centers; Bridgeport JCC; Toronto Y; Tri-City Jewish Center, Rock Island, Ill.; Trenton JCC; Hecht House, Dorchester, Mass; Staten Island JCC; Jewish Center of Jackson Heights, Queens; 92nd Street Y, Emanu-El Brotherhood, Jewish Settlement of the Lower East Side and Educational Alliance, all Manhattan; Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst, Brooklyn Jewish Center and Hebrew Educational Society, all Brooklyn; and Jacob Schiff Center, Bronx.

As a training ground, the Jewish Community Center shows parents, in workshops and institutes, how to conduct Seders in their own homes. These workshops usually consist of speakers who discuss the origins, observance and significance of the festival, a Seder demonstration, the learning and singing of Passover melodies, the preparation and display of Passover arts and crafts, and the eating of Passover delicacies.

A community-wide workshop is conducted at the Milwaukee Jewish Community Center. In San Carlos, Calif., the Peninsula JCC conducts a two-session workshop—a women's session, which deals with the preparation of Passover dishes and Seder foods, and a men's session dealing with the actual conduct of the Seder.

The education committee of Stanford, Conn., Jewish Center sponsors a seminar on the Freedom Festival's origin and significance, while the Parents Group of the Bridgeport, Conn. JCC conducts a modern Seder and institute. Women members of the Wilmington, Del., YM-YWHA learn how to prepare traditional Jewish delicacies at the Y-sponsored cooking class. The Trenton Jewish Community Center and the Jewish Young Adult Council of Essex County also conduct very effective workshops.

Most of these events are conducted with such ease and grace that the casual observer might suppose that they just happen. The truth of the matter is, however, that those demonstration Seders and other Passover events which have the most beauty, dignity and meaning for the participants are those which have the greatest wealth of know-how, resources, planning and hard work behind them.

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which makes available to its 343 affiliated Jewish Community Centers and YM-YWHAs and other community agencies a substantial quantity of program materials which include: A 96-page manual titled, "PASSOVER: Program Material for Youth and Adults," by Philip Goodman, director of Jewish education, JWB Jewish Center Division; a number of Jewish Center Program Aids, including one on "Music for Passover" by Leah M. Jaffa, JWB music consultant; "Jewish Festival Crafts," an arts-and-crafts handbook by Temima N. Gezari; "Jewish Designs" by Sol Nodel; "Games of All Kinds for the Jewish Club"; a 102-page handbook, titled "The Jewish Holidays" by Mordecai Soltes; crossword puzzles by Louis Kraft; "That Boy Heine," a play about the early life of Heinrich Heine, by Pollen Glass, and the Jewish Center Songster, edited by Bernard Carp. In addition, the JWB-sponsored National Jewish Youth Conference has sent a program aid to its 325 affiliated Jewish youth and young adult councils and national Jewish youth organizations to encourage Passover discussion groups, institutes and other events as part of their Jewish Youth Week observances.

The phrase "Front and Center" describes the activities of Jewish Community Centers which not only conduct events and projects for their civilian communities but also participate wholeheartedly in JWB's program for those Jewish men and women in the Armed Services and in veterans hospitals.

For instance, at least 10 Jewish Community Centers in New York City alone cooperate in JWB's Passover food package shipments abroad and in this country. The YM-YWHA in Philadelphia is one of the sites where servicemen from Fort Dix and other installations are served holiday meals, while the Montgomery County, Md., Jewish Center marks the festival with a mass Seder to which GIs are invited.

In Nashville, Tenn., the Jewish Community Center assists the local JWB Armed Services Committee in finding sleeping quarters and home hospitality for servicemen who come to the city. In Boston, the JWB committee of the Jewish Centers Association conducts Seders for men at Cushing General Hospital, Bedford VA Hospital, Chelsea Naval Hospital, Otis Air Base and Ft. Banks. Among other Centers which conduct vigorous programs for servicemen are those in Denver, Rochester, N. Y., Newport, Los Angeles, Baltimore, Louisville and New Orleans.

The Jewish Community Center and JWB Armed Services Committee of Harrisburg, Pa., conduct a Seder at the Cumberland Disciplinary Barracks. Hospitalized veterans and servicemen in the San Francisco area take part in Seders held at the San Francisco Jewish Community Center under the auspices of the local JWB Armed Services Committee. The Hebrew Community Center in San Antonio is the site of an annual community Seder.

The Jewish Community Center, then—because of its positive approach, its community-wide character and its acceptability—has become firmly established as an agency which meets the special, expressed needs of American Jews as Jews and as Americans—an agency where they learn to blend the beauties of Judaism and Americanism—where they identify themselves as Jews—where they are given countless opportunities to develop wholesome personalities as free as possible of present-day stresses and strains—where democracy is a daily living experience. It has become, in a real sense, a "house of freedom."

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# How Passover Came to Korea

## *A Deeply Touching "Collective Reminiscence" by Jewish Chaplains In the Far East Combat Zone*

**As a particularly appropriate Passover feature article, the American Jewish Times-Outlook presents herewith, in cooperation with the Division of Religious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB), this little "anthology" of excerpts from the reports of Jewish chaplains to the JWB. Dealing with the way Passover was celebrated in Korea last year, these notes must impress the reader with the truth of Chaplain Lifshutz' words, "In this troubled land, its (Passover's) message took on flesh and blood." This article gives vivid emphasis, as well, to the importance of the American community's continuing concern with the welfare of our men and women in uniform.**
**The chaplains whose notes are quoted here, and who are now on new assignments in the U. S., are: Oscar M. Lifshutz, executive officer Army-Air Force Chaplains School, Ft. Slocum, N. Y.; Garson Goodman, U. S. Naval Training Base, Norfolk, Va.; and George Vida, Ft. Meade, Md. There are six Jewish chaplains now on duty in Korea, the highest number since the outbreak of the conflict. They are: Herbert Brichto, Meir Engel, Maurice Kleinberg, Harry Z. Schreiner, and Arnold M. Shevlin, all Army, and Reuven Siegel, Marine Corps.—THE EDITOR.**

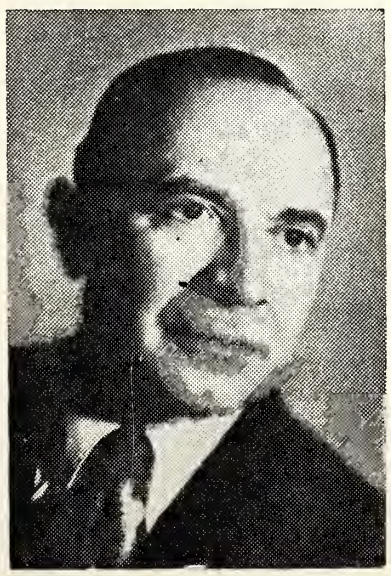
HQ EUSAK (Lifshutz) — Passover is shaping up. And so I am busy once again with the happy but complicated work of shipping supplies to minor units isolated from the rest—and I have a special cargo plane to do the job!

(Incidentally, I met Secretary of War Frank Pace and General Matthew Ridgway yesterday, and they were gracious enough to make some very nice—and to me, unforgettable—comments about my work.)

HQ IX CORPS (Vida) — Have you ever searched for **chometz** in a tent? And I mean a small tent—a tent with two cots, one stubborn stove, and fourteen boxes of Passover supplies. The supplies from JWB have arrived in good shape. Thanks to the generosity of JWB and the cooperation of the U.S. Army Quartermaster, we will serve an excellent seder meal. We plan to have four sedarim.

TAEGU (Lifshutz) — Passover greetings! Everything is all lined up and everyone is now fully equipped. I spent the past two nights at the airport getting the Passover supplies out and waiting for shipments to come in. We go on the road Sunday with a special Passover truck. We will have a mobile Passover kitchen which will roll up the main supply route and provide Passover food, religious equipment, and services for all the men who are far away from the key points. The radio has given us spot announcements every three hours for the past three days, so that everybody here knows it is Passover—including the Koreans. The cooperation I have received from the chaplains of the various faiths has been wonderful.

38TH PARALLEL (Goodman) — It is the 20th of April, 1951. The sun will be setting over the mountainous terrain on the central front of Korea. Alongside an airstrip stands a large chapel tent furnished with beautifully decorated hand-built tables to accommodate over seventy expected guests for the Passover seder. My fighting Jewish marines are pouring in from the far-flung battlegrounds to celebrate the Passover. As I hurry to greet them, I can see their great happiness that they were able to come to celebrate the Passover. It is significant of a family reunion on a joyous occasion. As they enter the chapel, there is surprise and wonder expressed on every face at the sight of a scene witnessed only back home—clean white tablecloths, real dishes, matzahs, wine, trays with gefilte fish, horseradish, bitter herbs, hardboiled eggs and salt water, salami, nuts and raisins . . . Yes, behind the front lines. As the sun set, the candles were lighted on all the tables. Lifting



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our glasses of wine, our chanting of the Kiddush blended in with the rumbling of our gunfire in the background. Yes, our Jewish marines and doughboys, the troops fighting for freedom for all, and their chaplain shall long remember that seder. It is on behalf of our boys that I thank the Women's Division of the JWB for making this Passover celebration possible so far away from home.

IN THE FIELD (Goodman) — Thanks to the cooperation of the chaplains of the various faiths in this Division, the Passover seder was a great success. In addition I visited all the front lines in order to contact every single Jewish man throughout the entire central front on the 38th parallel.

PUSAN (Rosen) — We had a beautiful seder service here at Pusan. The spirit was truly home-like. Also at Hq. X Corps a highly successful seder was conducted on the same night by a Jewish officer, with men from all the X Corps units attending—104 in all. I visited the corps and its divisions before Passover and made all the arrangements for the seder. In Pusan we had 170 at the first seder.

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA (Vida) — The first seder was conducted at Hq. IX Corps. Sixty-three people attended, among them the Commanding General, the chaplain, and the assistant chaplain of IX Corps. General Hoge delivered a beautiful address on "World Peace." The next morning services were conducted at the 101 Signal Battalion.

TAEGU (Lifshutz) — We have just returned from the front after completing a tour of our men scattered about the Korean peninsula. Operation Passover is over and our mission is completed. During the complicated preparations for the holiday, Chaplain Tobey, 8th Army Chaplain, called me into his office to state that he wanted every Jewish boy in Korea taken care of. This became our motto: "No soldier of the Jewish faith is to be forgotten." Orders for matzahs, wine, and kosher-for-Passover foodstuffs were placed with the JWB; the Army Quartermaster was alerted to our needs; wheels began to turn and soon our Passover supplies began pouring into Pusan. Our first seder was held in the 4th Field Hospital in Taegu. At sundown, the men began to arrive. Vehicles of all types came into the compound. In the large dining-room of the mess hall, a committee of nurses completed last-minute touches. The lights were dimmed, the candles were lit, and the men began to file in to take their places at the tables. They stared with open mouths at the decorations, which had been shipped in from Japan by air courier. Soon a hush descended on the candle-lit hall and a **yom tov** atmosphere settled upon the assemblage. We were under way and the seder had begun, a seder in Korea, in a combat zone, in the year 5711 . . . . The next morning we held our Passover services at EUSAK Chapel. The air was charged with the holiday spirit, and everyone participated with zeal and vigor.

As soon as the last boy had left to rejoin his outfit, Operation MAPS (Mobile Army Passover Seder) got under way. A 2½-ton truck pulled up to the supply building, and matzahs, wine, nuts, gift parcels, and everything, including the gifts of the Women's Division of the JWB, were loaded. Perishables were removed from the reefers, and we were on the road. Passover on Wheels! . . . Festive seder services at Taejon and Suwon, joyous reunions with boys all along the road, Passover supplies and gift packages distributed to happy recipients wherever we went, three flat tires sustained on the ardous trip—and Operation MAPS was over. We had traveled many miles and had seen many people. Everywhere we had witnessed unanimous, heartfelt gratitude to those who, though thousands of miles away, had made such a holiday possible for us. During the long hours of the trip we thought and talked much about the meaning of Passover, for in this troubled land its timely message took on flesh and blood. One thing was certain: Our faith had served as a warning beacon during some of life's darker hours.

### LYBIA ASKS JEWS NOT TO MIGRATE TO ISRAEL

TEL AVIV (WNS) The Government of Lybia has asked the remaining several hundred Jews in Tripoli to remain in the country and not to emigrate to Israel, it was reported here by a number of recent Jewish arrivals from the country.

The new immigrants related that government authorities in Lybia had promised to safeguard Jewish lives and property. The departure to Israel of an estimated 15,000 Jews from Israel, the arrivals disclosed, affected Lybia's domestic and foreign trade.

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As a final word, which demolishes the basis of Rabbi Rothstein's thesis, it may be added that the patron saint and president of the American Council for Judaism in his recent statement of principles of the Council "This Is The Council," by Lessing J. Rosenwald, uses the phrase, "American Jews," not "Jewish Americans," throughout the statement.

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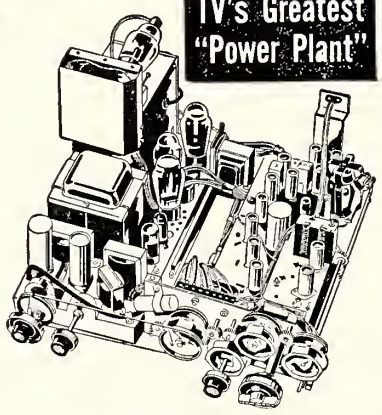

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It seems no time at all since last Passover and here the Passover season is with us again. Our very best wishes to all our friends for a very happy holiday and joyful Sedorim.

This past month the flu germ really got to most of our families, particularly the children. It is good to note, however, that no one was too seriously affected and everyone is well again.

The Sisterhood of Agudath Achim Synagogue held a very interesting meeting on February 25th. It was decided to purchase a new piano for the vestry room and an affair will be held late in the Spring for the purpose of raising funds. The speaker of the evening was Mrs. Zena Harmon, Israeli alternate to the United Nations, who gave her audience a very clear picture of Israeli problems. Following her talk a reception was held in the Center with Mrs. Samuel Schritzer, Mrs. Joseph Stutson and Mrs. George Stein as hostesses.

Dr. Murray Kantor has started something new for Friday night services. Each Friday night one of our young boys conducts the entire service, both in Hebrew and English. The small boys do this beautifully and are a real inspiration to the entire community.

Hadassah held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday Evening, March 11th, in the Vestry room of the Synagogue. This month featured Hadassah Supplies and a large collection was brought in by the members and will be sent away by the Hadassah Supplies' chairman, Mrs. Sam Levy and her co-chairman, Mrs. William Rieger.

For the second year, Suffolk Hadassah joined with Portsmouth Hadassah in holding its annual Donor Luncheon. This affair was held on March 25th at the Suburban Country Club in Portsmouth. The large group of Suffolk ladies present enjoyed the lovely program presented by the Portsmouth Chapter.

Suffolk B'nai B'rith men and women met for the monthly March meeting on March 4th, in the Vestry room of the synagogue. These were purely business sessions, with plans being made for the Spring season.

A gay masquerade party was held on Purim evening Monday, March 10th, following the reading of the "Megillah." Refreshments, movies, games and plays, featured the evening with the children exchanging "Shalah Moros" gifts.

On Saturday evening, March 15th, the Purim Playlets were presented by the Sunday School. In the first play titled, "Mr. History Explains," the following children took part: Benita Bernstein, Brian Zittrain, Mark Schnitzer, Sarah Lee Rieger, Edith Goldberg, Jeffrey Bernstein, Larry Familant and Lillie Laderberg. The second playlet, "Purim's Children," featured the following cast: Joseph Familant, Bayla Goldberg, Jackie Hirsh, Ellen Bass, Sandra Stanfield, Aubrey Goldberg, Franki Kress, Harold Familant, Harriett January, Mark Schritzer and Jeffrey Bernstein. Masters Joseph Weintrob, David Bolding, Harry Hirsch and Paul Rogers gave recitations. It was a most enjoyable evening and we were all understandably proud of our youngsters.

In March the following couples received congratulations: Mr. and Mrs. George Kozah on their twenty-nineth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Weinberg on their thirty-third wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bass on their fifty-second wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert January on their twenty-fifty wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hilary January on their twentieth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lubin on their fifth wedding anniversary.

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The last meeting featured the showing of slides by Col. Edward Dannemiller taken during his stay in Israel as a member of the United Nations Truce Missions.

**PERSONALIA**

Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Robinson on the birth of their son, Ronald; to Mr. and Mrs. Morton Levin on the birth of their daughter, Barbara Joan; to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Persh, on the birth of their son, Michael Gary.

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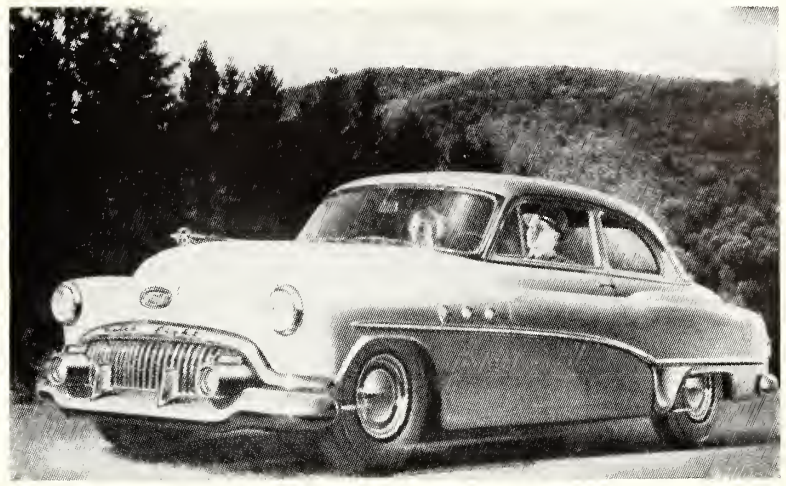
As Carlson explains, he embarked upon this dangerous investigation into the anti-democratic forces in the Moslem world because he felt that his earlier exposes of the enemies within our gates were only the beginning of his work. An American of Armenian parentage, he came to this country as a youth. The freedom he found here only emphasized the sickness suffered by the Middle East, from where his forebears came. He decided to probe the causes. This book is the result.

Using the same techniques which made *Under Cover* possible, Carlson, under one alias or another, ingratiated himself with leading anti-Semites in London. They, in turn, believing him to be one of their own kind, gave him introductions to their Arab counterparts in Cairo. From there on, doors were opened to him all through the Moslem world. He became the confidant of religious fanatics, Moslem terrorists, British and German anti-Semites, political racketeers and military opportunists — all sworn to drown the Jews of Israel in their own blood. And when finally the first chanting, wild-eyed Egyptian volunteers slipped illegally into Palestine to attack Jewish settlements even before the Mandate ended, Carlson was among them—attired in Arab costume and, triumphantly enough, appointed as their official photographer.

Carlson lived with Achmed Hussein's fascist Green Shirts, dedicated

**Jinx Falkenburg, radio and TV commentator, as she received a citation from Mrs. Joshua L. Lewis, national president of Mizrachi Women, at a recent New York luncheon of the religious-Zionist women's organization. The plaque certifies that the names of "Jinx Falkenburg and Tex McCrary have been inscribed in the Golden Book of the Children's Village and Farm School, in Raanana, Israel."**

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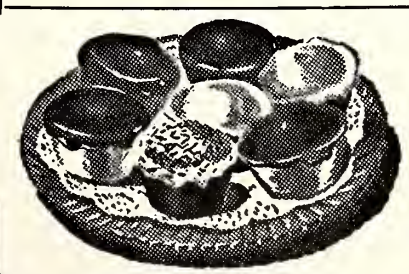

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to a bloody *Jehad*—Holy War—against Israel. He interviewed Sheikh Hassan el Banna, the frenzied leader of the terrorist Moslem Brotherhood. He interviewed the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, after trailing that arch-troublemaker through half the Middle East. He spoke with King Abdullah of Jordan. He spent time with Maj. Abdullah el Tel, Commander of the Arab Legion in the Old City of Jerusalem—the same el Tel who was later convicted of helping plot the assassination of King Abdullah. He helped run guns from Cairo to Jerusalem, noting, in passing, that the center of the traffic was the Mufti's secret headquarters in Cairo. He listened to the stories of British deserters in the Arab armies, who wrote home letters beginning: "Dear Mum — I am still alive and having a wonderful time fighting the Jews in Palestine." He underwent the seige of Jerusalem, suffering hunger with the Jews; he shuttled between Arab and Jewish lines, gambling death either by Jewish snipers or by Arabs (had they learned his true identity). He saw the surrender of the Old City of Jerusalem—he describes this with moving eloquence—and the ruthless Arab pillage and looting that followed. He uncovered Nazi cells in Damascus, interviewed the mysterious woman Communist leader of Beirut, visited hashish dens and plantations—and through it all, gained a vivid insight into the feudal ways of life and the sex habits of the vast Arab masses.

Carlson is gifted with the reporter's eye and ear. He gives us a picture of Arab exploitation, of the anti-Western fanaticism of Arab nationalism, of the incredible poverty of the Arab people, of the corruption and indifference to human values of the Arab ruling classes, such as no other contemporary writer has presented. Nothing in current literature, for example, can equal for its evocation of sight, sound and odor Carlson's description of Aishash el Tourgaman, a typical Arab slum. No newspaper reports of rioting in Cairo, no deft explanations by Arab spokesmen at the United Nations, can convey the true nature of Arab xenophobia and its tinderbox quality, as sharply as Carlson's story of his day-to-day experiences in the lower depths of the Moslem world.

Part of the reason for this is the fact that Carlson avoided nightclubs and fleshpots, and disdained meeting Government officials prepared to paint a pleasing picture over cocktails. As he points out, he was not interested in tourism or Egypt's past glories. And part of it is undoubtedly due to Carlson's unique fitness for his task. He spoke Armenian, Turkish, German, French, English, and a smattering of Arabic; with the tan he acquired under the Egyptian sun and the mustache he grew, he looked more Arabic than some of the Arabs with whom he lived; he was gifted with a chameleon-like ability to merge perfectly into whatever background he found himself; and he had sufficient presence of mind, developed through his long experience as a secret agent, to wiggle out of every dangerous situation into which his daring thrust him.

Particularly moving is Carlson's account of his stay in Israel, described in the last pages of his book. Earlier he had been in Jerusalem only. After hostilities ceased, he went to Israel aboard a ship carrying Jewish immigrants from Cyprus to Haifa. Here something of the wonder of Israel reborn touched him. He admired the society being built there, even as he recognized the problems before it. He compared Israel with what he had seen in Egypt and Syria, and he was impressed by what he found—"the personal concern of one human being for another." He discovered himself undergoing a profound emotional experience, as a son of Armenians who, like the Jews, had been a persecuted people and who for a thousand years have dreamed of the independence they have yet to win.

Carlson has written his book out of deep emotion and out of deep faith in the dignity of man. He has sought to probe, to understand, to bring the little known into the light of day. *Cairo to Damascus* holds up a mirror to both the Arab world and Israel. That mirror, if highlighted by the reporter's dramatic skill, is at the same time a true mirror and what it shows should be of interest to every thoughtful American. It is a memorable picture of one of the world's most explosive areas in which, as Carlson testifies, the little State of Israel stands as a sturdy beacon of hope: a promise of what can be done in that part of the world if only there is honesty to face facts, and a will on the part of democratic peoples everywhere to work together for the benefit of all.

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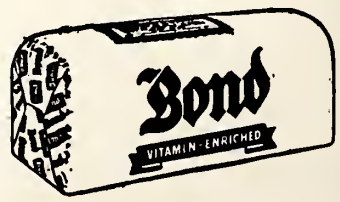

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# Health and Nutritional Problems in Israel

DR. MOSES EINHORN, noted gastroenterologist, editor of Harofe Haivri (The Hebrew Medical Journal), has just returned from Israel.

Dr. Einhorn has had unusual opportunties to observe and study conditions in the country. He spent some years at the Herzlia Gymnasium of Tel Aviv, from which he was graduated, and his last visit took place in 1945 during World War II. Harofe Haivri, founded and edited by Dr. Einhorn, has appeared for 24 years in Israeli and American editions and is the sole Hebrew medical journal to be published outside of the State of Israel.

The Israelis received Dr. Einhorn as one of themselves and he was tendered a number of receptions in recognition of his services to medical science and to modern Hebrew.

Dr. Einhorn was deeply impressed by the energy, devotion and heroism of the Yishuv which has met many difficult problems and is confronted by many more. In view of the fact that present problems are created largely by the large immigration of impoverished Jews from ravaged war countries and lands of persecution, these responsibilities must properly be shared by world Jewry, although the chief burden is borne by the Israelis themselves.

Dr. Einhorn points out some of the immediate needs of the country in connection with health, housing and food.

1. **As to health**, there are at present approximately 3,000 physicians in Israel, about 1,700 connected with the various Kupat Holim, about 200 in the health department of the government, the remaining number in private practice, all earning a livelihood. This number does not begin to meet present requirements. Previous to the establishment of the State, the immigration coming as it did from Europe brought with it a fair quota of physicians. Since then the immigration of several hundreds of thousands of Jews has come from Yemen, Iraq and North Africa and includes practically no physicians, although the need for medical care has increased and must

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**Mrs. Roosevelt smiles approval of children's handiwork during recent visit to Bessie Gotsfeld Children's Village and Farm School in Raanana, Israel, a project of the Mizrachi Women's Organization of America. Mrs. Dvorah Rabinowitz, a former president of the women's religious-Zionist Organization, exhibits a tablecloth made in the Village weaving shop by the young Israelis miss to the left.**


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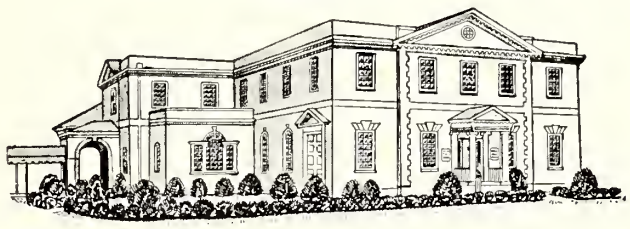

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**VIRGINIA JEWISH YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE**

The Jewish Community Center of Newport News will be the site of the next Virginia Jewish Young Adult Conference. The executive committee of the Conference met on March 9 in Newport News and made tentative plans to have the next Conference in June. Young men and women from Norfolk, Portsmouth, Richmond, and Newport News, Hampton, Jewish fraternities and sororities of the neighboring colleges will participate in the program. Howard Popkin, President, appointed Miss Anita Loewenthal, David Falk and Charles Becker as coordinaters for the Affair.

**ALLIED JEWISH APPEAL**

Mrs. Emanuel E. Falk, past Virginia State Chairman of the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal will serve as chairman of the Women's Dvision of Newport News for the 1952 Campaign. Mrs. Falk is Vice-President of Senior Hadassah and is very active in Jewish community affairs. Last summer Mrs. Falk and her husband, Mr. Emanuel E. Falk, visited Israel where they became better acquainted with the problems and achievements of Israel and World Jewry.

**MUSIC FESTIVAL**

The Annual Festival of Jewish Music that was held on March 26 at the Jewish Community Center was one of the outstanding events in the six year history of the Music Festival conducted in Newport News. Mrs. Jules Rosenbaum and Dr. Beryl Oser, co-chairmen of the Festival were able to arrange for the celebrated dance team of Katya Delakova and Fred Berk, world renown creative dance artists. Their repertory ranged from essays to legends of different people from humor to tears. Their costumes were colorful and exciting and contributed to a rich rewarding theatre experience. The dancers completely captured the hearts of the audience. Newport News looks forward to many enjoyable Music festivals in the future.

**GOLF**

The Jewish Community Center has initiated Golf Instruction classes. Mrs. Louis "Lolly" Aronow, well-known Virginia golfer conducts classes for beginners and advanced students every Tuesday evening.

**BRIDGE**

Mr. Abe Goodman started his Bridge Classes for the 1952 season. Mr. Goodman conducts a Beginners Course, Refresher Course, and Fundamental and Duplicate Play.

**PASSOVER CHILDREN'S SERIES**

On April 13, the third program of the Hadassah-Jewish Community Center sponsored Children's Series will be held at 4:00 P.M. at the Center. It will feature Larry Klepner in his "Adventures in Magic." Through the medium of magic, Mr. Klepner will dramatically tell the

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story of Judaism with special emphasis on the Passover Holidays.

All of the campers, parents and counselors of "Camp Kadima," the Center's Day Camp, will be invited to attend the program. Songs, games, fun will all be part of the afternoon's activities. Mrs. Benjamin Miller, chairman of Day Camp Committee, extends an invitation to all old and new campers to come and have a good time.

Mr. Herb Kruckman, clever cartoonist and caricturist performed for all age groups, including the military personnel of the area on March 9th at the Center. His performance with chalk created a living approach to the story of Purim and other Jewish holidays.

**NARCOTICS**

The Jewish Community Center's Teen-Age Group, members of the Young Adult Council, Center's Co-ed Group heard Captain William F. Peach of the Newport News Police Department speak on "Narcotics and its Effects" on March 18th. It was one of the most educational and enlightening discussions that was held for this age group.

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continue to increase greatly. The natural mortality among the older physicians has of course accentuated the problem. The graduates of the Medical School of the Hebrew University will ultimately, in the years to come, help in meeting the health needs of the country, but thus far there has been but one graduating class, numbering sixty-three young men and women. Certificates to practice are issued to all graduates of recognized medical institutions. All physicians serve from four to six weeks in the Mabaaroth looking after the medical needs of newly arrived immigrants.

There is a like need for dentists, of whom there are probably not more than one thousand in Israel. The government has dispensed with the demand for the two years additional training usually demanded of immigrants in other countries. Dental technicians submitting proper evidence of professional training are also permitted to practice. There is also a serious lack of medical supplies of all kinds.

**2. As to the food situation,** it will take some time for food production to keep pace with the rapidly increasing population. It takes years for newly planted fruit trees to bear. In the case of vegetables, the problem is not so difficult, for where there is water the climate makes possible two crops a year, and every loyal Israeli with any kind of suitable land holding produces his own garden truck and keeps a few hens to supply himself and his family with eggs. Dr. Einhorn considers it preferable to send food packages by mail rather than scrip which entails the holder to receive food from the service organizations. These organizations are frequently short of supplies. These packages should contain, in addition to food, gauze, cotton, adhesive tape, soap, toilet paper, napkins and multi-vitamin tablets.

3. **As to the housing,** the shortage is acute, notwithstanding the extraordinary extent of building going on. Cooperative apartments are very popular, the units consisting of one or two rooms, kitchen and bath. There is a great lack of electric refrigerators, highly important in the tropical and subtropical regions of Israel for keeping fresh and preserving most kinds of food. Food packages from abroad are greatly appreciated, particularly if they include essential vitamins.

Dr. Einhorn lays great stress on the importance of recognizing the fact that until the great mass immigration comes to a close, Israel will need the cooperation of world Jewry in bringing about the complete rehabilitation of the harassed and suffering Jewish masses who seek refuge in the homeland. It is not a task for a few years but one so great that it must take more than a generation to complete. The heroic people of Israel cannot be required to meet the heavy burden alone.

These problems were discussed by Dr. Einhorn in Israel with all his friends and comrades at the various receptions tendered to him, by the alumni of Herzlia, by his Wolkovisker landsleit who wished to do him honor in recognition of his tribute to their old home in his remarkable Wolkovisker Memorial Book and inscribed his name in the Jewish National Golden Book, by members of the medical profession, and by various other organizations in recognition of his services to the Hebrew language.

Before his departure, Dr. Einhorn himself tendered a reception and dinner in honor of the old teachers of the Herzlia Gymnasium. More than two hundred graduates of the first classes were present. He prizes highly a copy of the Bible bound in silver presented to him by the teachers and alumni of the Herzlia.

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# Peretz and His Centennial

*By* SAMUEL PASNER

When Isaac Loeb Peretz died during the Passover week of 1914, over one hundred fifty thousand people came to his funeral. They arrived to attend the last rites of a man who had been acclaimed as the father of Yiddish literature. Today his name is recalled in all parts of the world on the occasion of the one-hundreth anniversary of his birth.

It was on May 18, 1852 that Peretz, according to writers who made a close study of his life and works, first saw the light of this world. He was born in a small Polish town of about twelve thousand people. His early childhood he passed at home in an environment where the Jewish religion played an important part. At the age of three, he began to study the Bible. At six he was learning the Talmud. When he became fifteen, he received the key to a library that a young Polish musician gave him before his death. Peretz devoured the contents of this library with its secular knowledge. At about twenty, he was married to a young woman he had never before seen. This marriage, arranged by his parents, was not successful. Later, he remarried.

The first literary efforts of Peretz were in Polish. Subsequently, he availed himself of his knowledge of Hebrew. Still later, he decided to employ Yiddish in his literary endeavors.

Peretz prepared at first for the practice of law. For nearly a decade he was pleading cases in law-courts. His Talmudic learning was regarded by some of his admirers as the basis for his frequent success as a lawyer. Denied the right of continuing the practice of law, he was forced to seek other means of livelihood. Accordingly, he accepted the offer of a former Jew, Jan Bloch, to make a study of the economic conditions of Jews in Poland. When the statistical assignment terminated, Peretz, in a further effort to earn a livelihood, obtained a position as bookkeeper and clerk with the Jewish Community at Warsaw and held this position until his death. While thus employed, he found time not only for extensive writing but also for assistance to promising Jewish writers who flocked to him for help and guidance.

The vast literary work he left for posterity frequently describes the poverty of the ghetto and the need for determination on the part of the downtrodden Jew to refuse to surrender hope for a happier life to come. Peretz not only reveals the pathos of a people persecuted and oppressed but also the sublime spiritual beautry of the ideas prevalent among Jews. His heroes are men and women of every-day life; the porter, the poor seamstress, the father who tries to make his child forget hunger through a melodious musical tune, or the husband who is worried about the means of obtaining food for the Passover festival. The spirit of the Jew that Peretz seemed to inspire appeared later in the memorable battle of the Warsaw Ghetto in which Jews with their fists fought against the armed Nazi might. Finally, the gifted eyes of Peretz were able to observe and to describe the Chassidic adherents with their ectasy and their admiration or their leaders, despite the fact that he himself was never an ardent devotee of Chassidism.

Peretz wrote in many different fields. He was a poet, a dramatist, a journalist, an essayist, and a story-teller.

In poetry, Peretz created a stir at an early age with his Yiddish poem "Monish." Sholem Alechem published it. Peretz shows his ability in creating a Yiddish poem out of a legend. He tells us that the devil came to mislead a pious and learned Jew named Monish to abandon his learning and religion in order to obtain the love of a Christian girl. Monis is eternally condemned for his acts.

As an essayist, Peretz tried to educate Jews. The education he desired for himself and his fellow-Jews was to be not only religious but also secular.

Peretz himself felt that he excelled as a dramatist. He looked upon his play "The Golden Chain," with its revelation of Chassidic life at various times, as his greatest production. However, he is considered most successful as a story-teller.

A story of Peretz which was included by one author in a collection of the world's best stories is the famous "Bontche Schweig." Bontche was a poor porter who had been killed by a passing truck. His death on earth was unnoticed. All his life he lived and suffered in silence. When he was brought to Heaven, he was, however, warmly welcomed. Wheeled in a golden arm-chair, he was greeted by Father Abraham. His virtues were extolled to supreme heights. The prosecuting attorney

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Another frequently-told story of Peretz is entitled "If Not Higher." It deals with a rabbi who disappears at about the time of Yom Kippur. His devoted adherents insist that the Rabbi goes to Heaven. A skeptic scrutinizes the movements of the Rabbi and sees him disappearing for the purpose of obtaining kindling-wood to warm the home of a sick, poor woman. When asked later if the Rabbi goes to Heaven, the skeptic replies affirmatively adding, "If Not Higher."

Still another of the stories of Peretz might be especially worth relating not only because of its interest but also because of its timeliness during the Passover season. The story is called "The Magician." It deals with a magician who came to a small town a short time before Passover. No one was able to determine from where that man had come. When questioned, he would at times disappear miraculously. Finally, he rented a hall to display his art. To the amazement of the spectators, he would swallow burning coal, draw many colored ribbons out of his mouth, throw out of his boots numerous living turkeys, pour out of his hands whole plates filled with golden coins, and toss out of the air many Sabbath loaves and breads. People wondered how a man able to do all of this still remained penniless.

While the magician was in the town, Chaim-Yone, a former wealthy lumber merchant who had lost all his money, began to think of what to do for Passover. He spurned the offers of neighbors for help and asserted that he had faith in God as his provider for Passover. His wife, Rifke-Bele, after a frantic search throughout the house, found only one object of value, a silver spoon. Her husband, however, decided to sell this spoon to give the money to the poor who, as he said, had a prior claim.

Finally, Passover came. Chaim-Yone entered a dark, dim home, where there was not a sign of the seder. Poverty-stricken, he had been unable to furnish even the food needed that night. Nevertheless, he urged his wife not to mourn, but to help him recite the Haggardah in a happy tune.

Suddenly, the door opened and an unannounced guest entered. Told that no seder had been prepared, this guest announced he had brought his own seder. Indeed, at the sound of his voice and motions of his hands, silver candlesticks, snow-white tablecloths, couches and footstools appeared; and, soon afterwards, wine, matzos and even haggadahs with golden borders. Chaim-Yone and his wife saw the magician before them with all his skill. They rushed to the rabbi to ask if they might partake in such a seder. Told to participate if only reality developed out of the magic, they returned to their home. The magician was gone, but the table was set and adorned, and a splendid seder was in store for them to enable them to enjoy a genuinely happy Pesach holiday. Then they realized that the magician was none other than Elijah the prophet.

Such are some of the stories in the prose and poetry of Peretz, the writer whom Maurice Samuel described as the Prince of the Ghetto.

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**Irma Koff, Reporter**

Dear Lonzmen,

I'm finally finding out there's one problem to writing this column and that's the length of time that elapses in getting the news and having it appear in print. So if some of it sounds stale to you, just realize that I'm writing this column on March 3 and you won't be reading it until some time in April.

Another problem is that because this is the April issue, I should be saying "spring is in the air." Well, by the time you read this, I hope it will be. But looking out of the window now in March, spring weather is more of a wish than a reality.

Of course, comes April and with it comes not only a change in seasons but a change in officers for most of the organizations. They all seem to be having nominations, elections, or installations of officers planned for their April meetings.

The Hebrew Ladies' Aid Society is planning a big meeting for their election of officers while both B'nai B'rith Men and Women held their installation on March 26 at the Suburban Country Club.

New officers taking over for Sol Fass Lodge of B'nai B'rith are: president, Dr. Arthur Siegel; vice president, Jack Laskin; second vice-president, Curtis Coan; recording secretary, Sol Brewer; corresponding and financial secretary, Morton Levy; guardian, Ted Steiner; warden, Jake Jacobson; monitor, Sidney Keller; and assistant monitor, Rabbi Maurice Schwartz.

And while we're on the subject of B'nai B'rith, let's not forget that the women are sending toys and recreational material to the Maladjusted Children's Home in Israel.

The Jewish War Veterans are planning their Charity Ball and installation of officers on April 30 at the Suburban Country Club. That's always a grand affair and you won't want to miss it.

The Vets are also right on the ball when it comes to getting donors to meet the quota when the bloodmobile came to town on March 24. They came up with a great idea—giving a free ticket to a Portsmouth Cubs baseball game to anyone in Portsmouth who gave a pint of blood. Chairman was Harry Kocen and the men were assisted by the Women's Auxiliary.

Everyone had a wonderful opportunity to show off their new spring outfits at Hadassah's usual superb donor luncheon, held March 25 at the Suburban Country Club. Last year the Suffolk chapter joined Portsmouth at the donor luncheon and enjoyed it so much they came back for more this year.

Highlight of the program was a play on the life of Henrietta Szold, in celebration of Hadassah's 40th birthday. The cast included Rev. and Mrs. Paul Grob, Mrs. Irvin Cohen, Bobby Floum, Mrs. Albert Laderberg, Clifton Bloom, and Mrs. Sol Zucker. The play was directed by Mrs. Albert Laderberg, assisted by Mrs. Philip Goldberg.

I've been regretting the fact that I'm one of the few New Yorkers who still hasn't seen "South Pacific." But —I'm a lucky kid, after all. Living in Portsmouth, I got the chance to see "South Persia," presented by Sisterhood at the Suburban Country Club on March 4.

The terrific cast was headed by Phyllis Blachman as Queen Esther. Others in the cast were Moe H. Glazer, Mrs. Julius Peck, Ted Steiner, Charles D. Kantor, Steven Jackobson, Mrs. Sidney Keller, Mrs. Walter Floum, Mrs. Philip Goldberg

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Sisterhood is also planning another bang-up affair — the Mother-Daughter affair and presentation ceremony in April at the Community Center.

And did you hear Mrs. Paul Reich give that wonderful book review for Sisterhood on March 31?

Getting to the lighter side of the news, for a few minutes. Doris Fine and Gerald Galub, of Hampton, were married at the Hotel Portsmouth in March, and are now living in Hampton. Other new Hampton residents are Irene and Carl Janow, who were married March 2. Cupid hit Mindy Chovitz with his bow and she's now engaged to Ralph Richards of Norfolk (a former New Yorker) yippee!

We were all glad to welcome back into our fold as permanent residents Renee and Morris Galkin.

And in case you didn't know it, both Marilyn and Beatrice Greenfield, daughters of Rabbi and Mrs. Eugene Greenfield, now of Detroit, Mich., were recent brides.

Mazel tov for the Bar Mitzvahs of Louis Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, on March 1; and Steven Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Nelson, on March 29.

The Synagogue was also kept busy during March when Girl Scouts' Own was observed there on March 9. The splendid inter-denominational services were an inspiration to all. The children of the Sunday School also got their chance to see Sisterhood's "South Persia" when it was presented for them on Sunday morning March 9.

The community was saddened by the loss of Mrs. Gussie Mogul and Mrs. Josie Scher. Our sincere sympathy to both families.

Junior Hadassah also had a purim program at their March meeting and their donor is coming up in April.

And to end on a very serious note. Yes, it's spring, and with spring comes hope and faith for the blooming of a new and better life. And so we remind you it's also time for UJA. Won't you open your hearts and pocketbooks this year so that spring fever may penetrate into the far corners of Israel, to brighten their land and lives.

That's 30 for now.

Your friend,
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**During his 17-day tour of U. S. military installations in England, France, Germany and Italy, S. D. Gershovitz, JWB executive vice-president conferred with Jewish chaplains on duty in the European command and with Aaron Grodsky, director of JWB's Servicemen's Clubs in Germany, on a stepped-up program of morale service for Jewish GIs. Shown here are, l. to r.: Chaplain Mordecai M. H. Daina, Chaplain Henry Tavel, Chaplain Morris Mathews, Mr. Gershovitz, Chaplain Samuel Rosen, Mr. Grodsky and Chaplain Ralph H. Blumenthal.**


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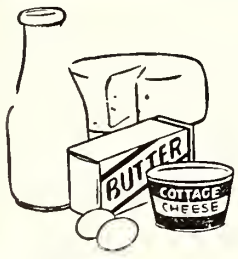

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**Miss Belle Herr, Correspondent**

**BETH SHOLOM TEMPLE NEWS**

In the absence of a regular Rabbi, services are being conducted on a layman basis by Mr. Louis Hirsch, and various guest speakers are brought in to highlight the evening. On Friday, Feb. 22nd, Commonwealth Attorney Mr. W. B. F. Cole, of this city, was the principal speaker. A social hour generally follows the service.

**Reading from left to right, Mrs. Hortense Hirsch, recording secretary, Mrs. Norma Morganstern, treasurer, Mrs. Mae Suskin, financial secretary, Mrs. Sara Lee Margolis, President, Mrs. Miriam Miller, Vive President, and Mrs. Barbara Blum, correspondence secretary.**

On Friday, Feb. 29th, Rabbi Marcus S. Simmons of Dorchester, Mass. conducted services to which the public was invited; he finished the weekend with a service on Sunday, March 2nd at the Temple. Rabbi Simmons is an alumnus of the Oxon University and formerly lived in Scotland. Everyone present was fascinated by the Rabbi's sermons.

**SISTERHOOD NEWS**

The Sisterhood held a call meeting on Feb. 18th for the purpose of deciding on the purchase of a Torah which is being donated by the Sisterhood in memory of Rabbi Leon Elsberg, dedication to take place in the near future. The Ways and Means committee has been pretty active outlining get together events, the first social affair was a Purim party on March 10th, in the form of another covered dish supper, the previous supper proved a huge success, but this time it included the men folks, and a gala evening was enjoyed by all.

The Sisterhood lost one of its oldest members with the passing of Mrs. Bessie Gallant on Feb. 19th. Our deepest and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mr. Maurice Gallant and his family. Services were conducted at the Temple by Rabbi Ariel Goldberg from Richmond, Va.

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

In conjunction with the Purim party, the children participated in a Purim play, called "Casting of Lots." The small fry did very well with the parts given them. They excel in their Hebrew lessons and the attendance is still up to par.

**PERSONALS**

Happy birthday to Mrs. Hortense Hirsch (Mar.) and to Mrs. Leah Lyons, (Apr.) Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Steinberg, who celebrate their 23rd anniversary on April 14th.

Visiting these parts were Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Yanow and son Richard from Brooklyn, N. Y. visiting Mr. and Mrs. David Yanow, Miss Natalie Herr, visited her sisters, Belle Herr and Mrs. Sydna Yanow. Dr. and Mrs. Clayton Blum's visitor, was Dr. Blum's mother from Philadelphia, Pa.

**B'NAI B'RITH NEWS**

Installation of new officers took place on March 12th in the form of a Dinner which was held at the Princess Anne Hotel. The following were installed: Messers, Manny Mandle, President, Abe Scher, 1st Vice President, Sam Garmel, 2nd Vice President, Morris Steinberg, Treasurer, Harry Sager. Secretary, Julius Margolis, Trustee, and Abe Suskins, Chaplain.

## Judah P. Benjamin

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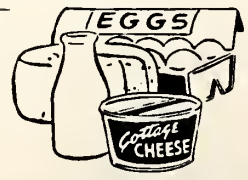
double cavaliers and quadruple cavaliers.

Mr. Benjamin's smile, which attracted me to the portrait, stands out in the Confederate series of notes. These notes are conspicuous for their drab scenes and grim looking statesmen. His smile seems to reveal a deep, inner conviction regarding man's fate in a hostile world.

This belief was evident in a statement reputed to him that "there was a fate in the destiny of nations, and it was wrong and useless to disturb oneself and thus weaken one's energy to bear what was foreordained."

On reading about the life of Mr. Benjamin, it becomes obvious that Mr. Benjamin realized that because he was born a Jew he was able to face the future with courage. Certainly, his courage and fortitude is written in the smile and on his face appearing on the $2 Confederate note—a bit of forgotten but nonetheless significant portraiture.



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**Economic Problems Paramount In Israel**

Since the creation of the State of Israel, none of its many problems has received more attention than the economic one. It should be pointed out, however, that Israel is no great exception in this respect. Since the end of World War II, economic problems have loomed large in all parts of the world. With but few exceptions, it has been proven that nearly every country needs economic assistance. We, who live in this land, have become accustomed, by now, to nations everywhere, asking and receiving economic aid, as a result of the aftermath of World War II and the critical situation resulting from Communist aggression. One of the major aims of the Communists is to keep the world in disorder. Indeed, it has been stated correctly that Russia has a vested interest in world economic chaos and is constantly endeavoring to worsen the situation.

In such circumstances, economic progress is not easy. Israel is a new and rapidly growing land. Its development calls for more and more economic assistance as well as new capital. Students of economy here, have often enough pointed out to us that it is only in recent years we have become the great creditor of mankind; that for two centuries we required economic aid from the older lands. It should also be mentioned that Israel is a country "born" with a relatively heavy population per square mile and that in these first years, its density is almost three times as great as in our own United States. This creates capital and eco-

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**Josef Rotenberg, 49, and his family, who were waiting at a German port to go to Canada after they had been turned down by U.S. authorities in Germany, got the surprise of their lives at the eleventh hour when Abraham Rockmore, counsel for HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, in Washington, D.C., won their appeal. Josef, his wife, Bronia, 34, and their two daughters, Guttla, 5, and Mary, 1, went from Munich to Bremen to board a ship for Halifax after they learned that their proof of residence in Germany had been deemed insufficient. Just before they were due to embark for the Dominion, HIAS officials informed them they had won their case, brought them back to Munich, and processed them for immigration to the U. S. They are shown on their arrival in New York, with the baby sleeping calmly through the most important event of their lives.**

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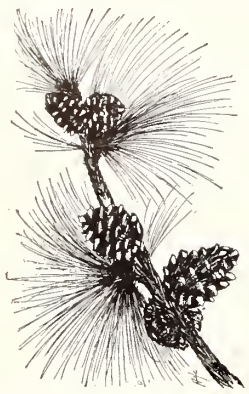

# NEWS *of the* CAROLINAS

## CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

### *Addresses Silver Anniversary Banquet of Z. B. T.*

**Gordon Gray, president of the Consolidated Universities of North Carolina, addressing the banquet of the Alpha Pi Chapter of Zeta Beta Tau, held in February at Chapel Hill, commemorating the Silver Anniversary of the chapter.**

Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity at the University of North Carolina celebrated its 25th anniversary with a banquet and dance at the Carolina Inn. A large number of alumni from all over the state attended this important event. President Gordon Gray of the University, was guest speaker. Norman Block of Greensboro accepted the silver anniversary plaque which the active members of the chapter presented to the charter members.

Miss Hattie Dietz of Covington, Ga. was presented as the ZBT Sweetheart of the Alpha Pi Chapter for 1952. She was crowned by Miss Sidelle Simmons of Atlanta, Ga., the 1951 Sweetheart.

Ted Frankel of Atlanta, is president of the chapter at Chapel Hill.

On Tuesday evening, March 4, the Hillel organization at Chapel Hill presented its second annual concert of Jewish music at Hill Music Hall. This was in observance of National Jewish Music Festival.

The program included liturgical music by a cantorial soloist and a quartette; Ernest Bloch's "Baal Shem Suite" for violin; Maurice Rael's "Trois Chantes Hebraique" in Yiddish for soprano; Bloch's "Evocations" for two pianos; and Israeli folk music by the Women's Glee Club of the University of N. C.

This annual project has become a permanent institution on the campus, and is eagerly awaited each year.

Rabbi Samuel Sandmel, formerly Hillel Director at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, has been appointed a member of the faculty of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion effective next fall. Rabbi Sandmel will be Professor of Bible and Hellenistic Literature, it was announced by Dr. Nelson Glueck, President of the Cincinnati School.

Rabbi Sandmel will be remembered by a number of North Carolinians who knew him during his Hillel days here, prior to his entering the U.S. Navy in 1942. He served more than three years as a Navy and Marine Corps chaplain and was placed on the inactive reserve status with the rank of Lt. Commander. A native of Dayton, O., Dr. Sandmel was ordained at the Hebrew Union College in 1937 and received his Ph.D. from Yale in 1949.

## Hillel House To Be Dedicated

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, National Director of B'nai B'rith's Hillel Foundations, will be the principle speaker at the dedication of the Hillel House, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C. on Sunday April 20th. The dedication will take place in conjunction with the annual convention of the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges, which will begin on Saturday night, April 19th.

Other honored guests who have thus far signified their intention to be present at the dedication exercises include Chancellor of the University, Gordon Gray, R. B. House, and Dr. Frank P. Graham.

The dedication of the Hillel House at Chapel Hill is the culmination of a dream of many years. The Foundation at the University of North Carolina has struggled along with inadequate physical facilities for most of its existence at the University, and now that the long hoped-for building is a reality, there is much rejoicing throughout the State.

The host lodge for this convention is the Nathan Rosenstein Lodge of Durham. Leon Moel, committee chairman, Sigmund Meyers, Fidelity Bldg., Durham, N. C., convention secretary.

**The Program**

Saturday, April 19—Sundown—Registration.

8:00 p.m.—Convention convenes in the meeting rooms of the Nathan Rosenstein Lodge in Durham.

Sunday, April 20—Hillel House, Chapel Hill, N. C.

9:30 a.m.—Convention reconvenes for presentations on Americanism and Civic Affairs.
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12:30 p.m.—Luncheon—Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill, N. C. (Melvin Harris, District No. 5 B'nai B'rith President, principal speaker.)

2:30 p.m.—Dedication Ceremonies, Hillel House.

4:30 p.m.—Arts Forum and Reception, Hillel Foundation students.

7:00 p.m.—Banquet, Carolina Inn, Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld, principle speaker.

Monday, April 21—Hillel House.

9:30 a.m.—Concluding business session of Convention.

12:30 p.m.—Luncheon, installation of new officers. Principal speaker, Julius Fisher, Secretary, District No. 5, B'nai B'rith.

## Statesville, N. C.

**Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Reporter**

Mrs. John Hoffman and daughter Rosemary, of High Point visited Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Hoffman.

Mrs. Elliott Cohen visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Mendelson of Charleston, S. C. She went there to participate in the celebration of her parents' twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Ellis Gordon just returned from Boston, Mass., where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Freid.

Congratulations to the Salisbury community, "our neighbors." They have purchased a lot and have started making plans for their new Temple and community building. Lots of luck to a community that's got what it takes to succeed.

Friends of Louis Gordon, will be happy to learn that he is now recuperating at his home from a seige of illness, and is on the road to recovery.

What a break for Norman Steinberger—being elected to take care of some of the beauty queens who are representing several colleges that are playing in Statesville this week, during the 9th annual North State Conference Basketball Tournament here. Statesville High School is sponsoring the beauty contest.

Statesville regrets on losing Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Cohen. Elliott has been called back in service and is to report at San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Gordon attended the three-day session of The Iron and Metal Institute at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City.

This is out of my territory: but I can't help but add a word of praise to a wonderful group of women, The Ladies Auxiliary of High Point. While I was visiting the furniture show in High Point, I was so fascinated watching these women at work at the furniture building selling sandwiches and drinks to the furniture men and visitors—and how they were working! Some of the women on the same job for two weeks and occupying all fourteen floors of the building. What a marvelous zeal and devotion that the ladies were giving to the task of raising funds for their new community center which is now under construction—hats off to a swell bunch of outstanding women.

## Fayetteville, N. C.

**Congratulations to:**

Chaplain and Mrs. Morris B. Margolies, of Ft. Bragg who were married at the Ocean Parkway Jewish Center in Brooklyn.

Lt. and Mrs. Melvin J. Huber on the birth of their son, Michael Clay.

A highly successful Valentine affair was held at the Beth Israel Center under the joint sponsorship of the USO-JWB and Beth Israel. Dancing, entertainment, and refreshments featured the evening which provided many hours of entertainment for servicemen and their guests. The committee in charge of this very successful affair was made up of: Monroe Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Cohen, Leon Fleishman, Aaron Satisky, Mike Kanzer, and others from the community.

Irv Cheroff, recently appointed director of the N. C. area, attended the meetng of all USO workers in New York Cty, sponsored by the JWB.

## Rocky Mount, N. C.

**Mrs. Erle Kellert, Reporter**

The regular meeting of the Beth El Sisterhood was held in the Temple House, with Mesdames S. A. Temko and Al Fox as joint hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tonkel celebrated their silver wedding anniversary in February with a reception in the social hall of Beth El Temple. A buffet supper followed after the reception. About 125 guests came to pay honor to Mr. and Mrs. Tonkel. In the receiving line were, in addition to the honor couple, Miss Sophie Rocklin of Baltimore, sister of Mrs. Tonkel; and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ben Silk. Out of town guests for this affair were:

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Mr. and Mrs. Tonkel received many gifts of silver.

A lovely Canasta party was given by Mrs. M. P. Ostrow in honor of her house guest, Mrs. Celia Brown of Baltimore, Md. After the game, delicious refreshments were served. A monologue was given by Mrs. Count Gold, which delighted all present. The hostess presented her guest with a gift.

Mrs. E. Epstein is spending her winter vacation in Miami. Mr. and Mrs. E. Epstein have also gone to Miami.

Miss Mamie Lee Rosenbloom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rosenbloom was married on Sunday, February 17 to Joseph William Fritz son of Mrs. Max M. Fritz and the late Mr. Fritz of Cambridge, Mass. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Myer Hannick at the home of the bride's parents.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride had her sister, Mrs. Herbert Fuerst, as matron of honor. Jake L. Rosenbloom, brother of the bride, was best man. Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Rosenbloom were hosts at a luncheon honoring the bridal party and out of town guests.

Mrs. Fritz holds an A. B. degree from Salem College and did graduate work at Columbia University. Mr. Fritz attended the University of New Hampshire and holds an A. B. degree from Tuft's College and an L. L. B. degree from Boston University. He is an attorney in Boston where the couple will make their home.

## Asheville, N. C.

In observance of National Brotherhood Week, Reverend Alexander Harper of Weaverville was invited to occupy the pulpit at Beth Ha-Tephila. Rev. Harper has visited this pulpit before and his many friends once more enjoyed his sermon.

A Jewish Music Month program was presented during the Oneg Shabbat at Beth Ha Tephila, at which time the Sisterhood was host to the Congregation. On Sunday evening, February 24, the second in a series of concerts sponsored by Beth Ha Tephila took place in the Temple Assembly Hall. Joseph Vanderwart was in charge of the program, which consisted of works from Mozart, Brahms, and Schuman. In addition to Mr. Vandewart, other participants were Mr. Cohen, Mr. Davis, Rev. L. A. Harper, and Mrs. Thaise Honaker, as soloist.

A special program depicting scenes from the life of Lincoln, was presented along with the luncheon served on the first Sabbath of each month for the children and the mothers of Beth Ha Tephila attending. The service was conducted in the Temple by Peggy Bauer and Carolyn Lichtenfels of the fifth grade and by Frank Orovitz of the eighth. Al Isaac, the Saturday morning assistant prinipal, also participated. Mrs. Leon Feldman, Mrs. Hyman Dave, and Mrs. Alred Lichtenfels were in charge of this affair. Each month a committee composed of the mothers will take charge.

Dr. Unger was guest speaker at Appalachian State Teachers College where he gave a series of lectures and spoke to the students during assembly period. He also spoke at Warren Wilson College, at the Teachers College in Johnson City, Tenn., he spoke before the students at Sylva, N. C. and gave the invocation at the State Republican Dinner. Dr. Unger also spoke at the service of the Central Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, conducted vesper services at Highland Hospital, and addressed the student body at Lee Edwards High School.

The annual Purim Party for the children of Beth Ha Tephila was held on Sunday, March 9, and took the form of a masquerade. The children were in costume, prizes were given, and refreshments were served. A family Purim party was also held on Purim night.

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son Jay David, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Adelstain, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Delegates to the Annual convention of the District 8, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Greensboro, March 22-24, were Mrs. W. W. Michalove, president of the Beth Ha Tephila Sisterhood and Mrs. Leon Feldman, member of the District Board. Several other members of both the congregation and the Sisterhood also attended this outstanding affair.

A gala Purim celebration was held at Beth Ha-Tephila for the entire congregation, starting with a Purim supper which included all the trimmings. The entire affair was held in the Temple Assembly Hall, and the show, supper, and general celebration were enjoyed by the entire attendance. The committee in charge of arrangements were Mesdames Ben Klein, Burka, L. Feldman, R. Rifkin, F. Pearlman, Moser, R. Gumpert, H. Goldbloom, O. Feistman, J. Solomon and Sidney Unger.

## Williamston, N. C.

**By Mrs. Irving Margolis, Reporter**

In celebration of his fiftieth birthday, Samuel Zemon was honored by his wife at a buffet supper at a local restaurant. An orchestra provided music for dancing. Over 150 guests came to extend good wishes to Mr. Zemon.

Mrs. Ben Ganderson of Plymouth was hostess to the Jewish Women's Auxiliary of Williamston, Windsor, and Plymouth at their February meeting. It was decided that the group would send packages to CARE in time for Passover.

The program, the reading of a delightful story of Jewish interest, was presented by Mrs. Samuel Zemon.

Dr. Richard Margolis of Baltimore, Md. and Norman Meyer of Huntington, L. I., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Margolis.

M. M. Levin spent several days in Philadelphia on business.

Mrs. Samuel Zemon visited relatives in Staunton, Va.

Mrs. B. Goldstein entertained at a luncheon at her home in Windsor, honoring Miss Barbara Margolis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Margolis of Williamston, whose engagement to Norman Meyers of Huntington, L. I., was recently announced.

Guests in addition to the honoree were Mrs. Frank Margolis, mother of the honoree, Mrs. Irving Margolis, aunt of the honoree, Mrs. C. B. Pittman, all of Williamston; Mrs. Ben Ganderson, of Plymouth, Mrs. J. Levy, Mrs. Lou Novey, and Mrs. Lou Kaskin, all of Tarboro.

**Miss Barbara Joan Margolis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Margolis, whose engagement to Norman Meyers, son of Mrs. Irving Meyers, and the late Mr. Meyers, of Huntington, L. I., has been announced. The wedding is planned for June. Miss Margolis is a graduate of Salem Academy, and attended Duke University. Mr. Meyers attended New York University and Drexel Institute of Technology.**

Mrs. Goldstein presented the honoree with a novel arrangement of all wooden items needed for her kitchen. An orchid marked the honoree's place.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Novey of Tarboro spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Irving Marfolis.

Mrs. Frank Margolis and daughter, Barbara, visited in New York City recently.

C. D. Pittman has returned from a business trip to Baltimore, Md. and Pittsburgh, Pa.

## Charlotte, N. C.

In observance of Jewish Music Month, Rabbi Herschfield devoted his sermon and services at Beth El on February 29 to the theme "Is There A Jewish Music."

About 40 members of the St. James Methodist Church attended the Brotherhood Service at Temple Israel. Rev. Rollin P. Gibbs accompanied the group. Rabbi Tofield used for his sermon the motion picture "Quo Vadis," "What Judaism and Christianity Have in Common."

The Temple Israel Men's Club met in the Temple social hall on February


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27. In observance of Brotherhood Week, Morris Speizman, representative of the Jewish Community on the National Conference of Christians and Jews spoke on the Jewish viewpoint of Brotherhood Week. A social hour followed the meeting. Manny Guller is president of the Club and George Brownstein had charge of the program.

A discussion of the McIver report was the feature of the February meeting of the Charlotte Lodge, B'nai B'rith. Participants were David Hoffman, Morris Speizman, Rabbi Nathan Herschfield, and Maurice Weinstein. Alfred Smith was moderator. Daniel Retchin is president of the Lodge.

The Beth El Sisterhood held a dessert Canasta and bridge luncheon on March 15 at the Temple.

The Temple Israel Sisterhood held a dessert luncheon meeting at the Temple. Special guest speaker on this occasion was Mrs. Henry Gichner, president of the Seaboard Region of the Women's League. Hostesses were Mesdames: A. Goldberg, Joseph Greenspan, M. Darholt, and D. Levin. The president, Mrs. J. B. Fredland, announced that trees and shrubs had been planted on the Temple lawn. Mrs. I. Silverstein, Mrs. Arthur Pressman, and Mrs. Joe Fogelson reported on the meeting which they attended in Durham, of the Regional Women's League.

Rabbi Tofield was in Lynchburg, Va., to help organize a "Friends of the Seminary" group there. He addressed the congregational meeting while there. Morris Speizman is chairman of the Charlotte "Friends of the Seminary" and spoke in Fayetteville recently in observance of United Synagogue Sabbath. Sol Levine spoke before the local group at the same time.

The Hebrew Cemetery Association met on Sunday evening. March 2, at a banquet held at Temple Israel. Rabbi Tofield, Rabbi Herschfield, and Cantor Leib participated in the program. Guest speaker was Cantor Geffen, of Congregation B. B. Jacob in Savannah, Ga. He spoke on "The Function of the Cemetery Association." I. D. Blumenthal was banquet chairman and Alfred Smith is president of the Association.

The Beth El Sisterhood held a luncheon meeting on March 11 in the Temple Vestry. Revisions of the constitution were discussed and a general business session was held.

Purim was celebrated by both congregations with special Sabbath pre-Purim services and with gay observances for the religious school children and other young folks. The Beth El Religious School held its annual carnival on Sunday afternoon, March 9, with games, costumes, and contests. At the same time the Temple Israel Sisterhood was host to their gala Purim ball held in the Temple Israel Social Hall. Music for dancing was furnished by Ziggy Hurwitz and his orchestra. On the committee, in addition to the Ways and Means chairman, Mrs. Herman Rosenstein, were Mrs. Leon Rirestone, chairman; Mrs. H. L. Schwartz, tickets; and Mrs. Alfred E. Smith. At Temple Beth El Rabbi Hershfield used for his pre-Purim sermon "What is Purim?" On Monday evening before Purim, Beth El celebrated with special services.

"What is Torah?", a cantata under the direction of Dr. Albert A. Kossove, was presented at the meeting of the Temple Israel Sisterhood, with the following participating: Mr. Arthur Goodman, Jr., Dr. Irene L. Kossove, Mr. Dan Retchin, Mrs. Nathan Sutker, Speakers; Mrs. George Brownstein, Mrs. Leon Fireston, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goldberg, Mr. Ed Greene, Mrs. David Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kritzer, Mrs. I. C. Kurtz, Mrs. Sol Levine, Mr. Eric Sternberg, Singers; and Mrs. Ray Shulman, Pianist. A social hour followed the meeting.

Congratulations to:

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Spolender on the birth of their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schwartz on their adoption of a daughter.

Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Silverman on the birth of their daughter.

Rev. and Mrs. L. Wallace on the occasion of the birth of their granddaughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wallace of York, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schlanger on the engagement of their daughter, Joan and Emil Goldsmith, son of Mrs. Meta Marx of Philadelphia, Pa.

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**HOWARD T. SILVERSTEIN**

Howard T. Silverstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Silverstein, became Bar Mitzvah on February 29 and March 1. Friday evening services were conducted by Howard, at which time he delivered his Bar Mitzvah speech. Following services, Lil and Irving received the congregation in the social rooms where delicious refreshments were served. Howard very aptly recited his Hafatorah on Saturday morning, after which luncheon was served.

On Sunday evening Howard was honored by his parents with a dinner and dance at the Rainbow Supper Club. Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Howard's friend, Norman G. Samet, who, along with Howard's many young friends, wished him well. Highlight of the evening was the lighting of each of the candles on the Bar Mitzvah cake by Howard's maternal grandfather, paternal grandmother, parents, sister, aunts, uncles, and Rabbi.

Out of town guests for the happy occasion were: Mr. Lewis Teitelbaum, Mrs. Fannie Silverstein, Mrs. Ida Leffler, Mr. Milton Silverstein, all of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Max Geller, Long Beach, L. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Mac Silverstein, Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. Irving Teitelbaum, Hewlitt, L. I.; Mrs. Fay Friedman, N. Y., N. Y.; Mrs. Sadie Shysetin, Brooklyn; Mrs. Syde Keller, Brooklyn; Mr. Ruby Weyman, Rockville Center, L. I.; Miss Marlene Geller, Long Beach, L. I.; Miss Irene Leffler, Brooklyn; Mr. Jay Teitelbaum, Hewlitt, L. I; Mr. Merrill Leffler, Brooklyn, N. Y.

**YOUTH ALIYAH LUNCHEON**

A most informative and interesting afternoon was had by the High Point ladies at their annual Youth Aliyah Luncheon held at the Synagogue, Wednesday, Feb. 27, 1952.

Rabbi Wm. Gold delivered the invocation. Mrs. Max Zager, Youth Aliyah Chairman of the Greensboro Chapter was the guest speaker. Basing her talk on her recent trip to Israel, she gave an up to date picture of Youth Aliyah work there.

Those who worked on the Luncheon Committee were Mesdames Wm. Gold, chairman; I. J. Jacobson, H. Doctor, M. Cohen, I. Bloom, J. Barr, L. Greenberg, S. Morris, M. Stadum, J. Harris, H. Jacobs, M. Ginsberg, D. Ballow, M. Schwartz, and L. Kress.

We're glad to see Sara Kaplan up and around again after her recent illness and hope it won't be too long before Sylvia Silver and Rose Pliskin are joining her on the road to good health.

Visiting relatives in Houston, Texas is Molly Swartzberg. All tan and rested are Lou and Lil Greenberg, Norman and Bernice Silver, Pauline and Al Swartz, Sam and Rose Shavitz, Joe and Billy Barr, and Al and Minnie Rabhan, who recently returned from the land of sunshine.

On February 26, a dinner was held at the Sheraton Ballroom to raise funds for the new community center. The invocaton was rendered by Rabbi Gold. During dinner souvenirs commemorating the ground-breaking were given out. Contributions of local and out of town friends were announced, after which portions of the building were auctioned off and individual contributions were acknowledged.

Mrs. Alvin Margolius of Norfolk, Virginia, a member of the National Committee on Service to Foreign Born of the National Council of Jewish Women, was principal speaker at the Council Sabbath of the High Point Section, which was held on Friday evening, March 14, at the B'nai Israel Synagogue. Mrs. Margolius outlined major aspects of Council's programs in this country and abroad.

The organization's Overseas Services include the maintenance of a home in Paris for unattached Jewish women, American scholarships to women abroad who will be trained for welfare work in their own countries, shipments of work and play materials to children's homes abroad, and support of the School of Education of the Hebrew University in Israel.

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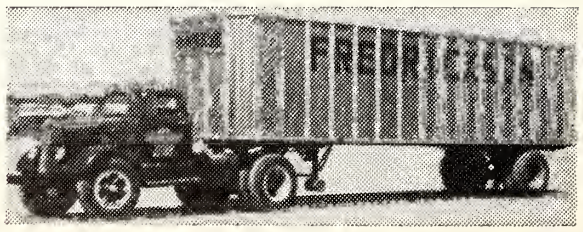
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As yet, it is uncertain as to where this year's debutante ball will be held. However, arrangments for the affair are well under way. Co-chairmen Penny Ballow and Barbara Swartzberg have sent out letters and applications to young ladies in various parts of North Carolina who are eligible to make their debuts this year. The debutantes will be entertained on Saturday night, May 17, at a buffet dinner at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Tobias, after which the girls and their escorts will have a "get together," to get to know one another. Following the rehearsal Sunday afternoon, there will be a social hour, after which the ball will be held.

## Wilmington, N. C.

**Mrs. Justin Ralphael**

"Good night! Good night! Parting is such sweet sorrow
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This beautiful Shakespearean quotation expresses the sadness that we feel over the moving of Fred and Emma Retchin from our city. Not to have these two as active members of our community will be a great loss. We certainly shall miss them. The hope which sweetens our sorrow is that they will find much happiness in Charlotte, N. C., and often will be visitors in their old home town.

**COVENANT NEWS**

Any resemblance to Little Red Riding Hood Covenant Club style and the original fairy tale is purely coincidental. Nathan Stein, Bill Schwartz, Joe Schwartz, and Ken Alpert played the principals. Louise Schwartz, Buddy Neuwirth, and Arnie Neuwirth sang in a delightful trio. Sam Hartman rendered several songs on his mandalin. The dance team of Milton Finkelstein and Bernard Warshauer held the audience spellbound. Even the Andrew Sisters (Bill Schwartz, Milton Finklestein and Nathan Stein) were there. The funniest skit of the evening was a farce on Canasta Parties. Leon Blaustein, Joe Schwartz, Ken Alpert and Joe Simon were the ladies involved. Bob Berman was the Master of Ceremonies and Hannah Blocker was the musical director. Dot and Joe Simon wrote and directed the skits.

**SPEECH CLASS**

A sudden avalanche of women filled the quiet WGNI studio on Tuesday morning. It was the Hadassah-sponsored speech class under the able direction of Ruth Caplan. Paul Parker, local radio announcer, tape recorded the voice of every member of the class. We were amazed when the tape was played back. "Is that what I sound like?" echoed throughout the room. Members of the class are Sarah Freedland, Norma Berman, Henny Neuwirth, Horty Alpert, Jennie Finklestein, Fanny Freedman, Ann Harris, Dot Simon, Louise Schwartz, Silvia Schwartz, and Shirley Raphael.

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were elected into the Family Service Society. Mrs. Robert Kallman was elected to the Board of Director . . . Mrs. Charlie Blocke was in the N. C. Junior Serosis "Frolics of 1952" . . . We are all grieved to learn of the illness of Mrs. Mary Ketler and wish her a very speedy recovery. Visiting in Wilmington were Mrs. Robert Berman's mother, Mrs. Philip Merkin, of Brooklyn, N.Y., and her sister and brother-in-law, of Whitmeyer, S.C. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. Retchin were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Retchin of Charlotte and Mrs. Max Kaplan and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atkins of Kirkland Lake, Ontario . . . Joe Levine was the top bridge player for February . . . Lt. and Mrs. Shel Kluger had a Pin Yan Haben for their boy February 27th . . . Best wishes to Bill and Bernice Schwartz in their new home.

## Goldsboro, N. C.

**Mrs. Seymour Brown, Reporter**

Everyone is taking trips these days. Mrs. M. M. Epstein has returned from Miami Beach; the Morris Leders are still there, and the Ike Kadis' are planning to go to Miami soon.

Mrs. Harry Shrago has returned from a visit to New York and Boston where she visited with her daughter, Hannah, and family.

Mrs. Harvey Breit, the former Miss Elaine Brown, spent three weeks here visiting her sister and brother, the Max Kirschners and the Seymour Browns.

The community is sorry to hear that the Hyman Meyers family is moving to Richmond, Va. They will surely be missed by all.

Mrs. Ida Hamin and Mrs. Morris Leder were in charge of the pre-Purim celebration for the children of the Religious School, on Sunday, March 9. A masquerade with prizes, songs, refreshments and the reading of the Purim story entertained the young set. Mrs. Jake Shrago was in charge of refreshments.

Congratulations to Shirley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mannah Shrago, upon her election as Chief Marshall of the high school for next year.

The regular meeting of Goldsboro Hadassah was held at the center, with Mrs. I. Bernstein as hostess. Plans are being made for an outdoor dinner to be held later in the Spring. The business session was presided over by Mrs. Ben Ellis, president, after which Mrs. Seymour Brown gave a short resume of the Youth Services in Israel. Miss Fannie Kadis and Mrs. Leder, program co-chairmen, have done an excellent job of bringing interesting programs to the group this year.

The Sisterhood meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Emil Rosenthal, with Mrs. Herman Levin, president, in the chair. Reports from the committee for the new Center indicate that this committee is active with arrangements of organizaton, purchase of needed equipment, etc.

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**Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, who has been associated with The Dropsie College for 39 years, was honored on Monday, March 17th, on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of his assumption of the Presidency of the college, American Jewry's highest institution of learning. Dr. Neuman was the guest of honor at a dinner at the Hotel Warwick on the evening of March 17th, following a special convocation held in the afternoon at which honorary degrees were presented to a number of distinguished scholars.**


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# The Role of Free Enterprise in Israel

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nomic problems that young nations in the past, have not known. In addition, Israel is not only a new land but an "old-land." There is no virgin soil to exploit. On the contrary, much has to be put into it before anything can be taken out of it—another situation that other new states have not confronted.

**American Jews Are Charity-Minded**

All of the foregoing creates an obvious need for great economic assistance on the part of Israel, which is not always too well understood by us here. Unfortunately, as a result of its bitter experience following World War I, America has not encouraged investments abroad. There are also other reasons. It is a fact that returns on venture capital, here in the United States, are quite large; that our tax laws do not prove helpful to those who would take chances abroad.

Over and above all this, is the old-fashioned psychological attitude among American Jews vis-a-vis Israel and Palestine, that it is a proper recipient of our philanthropic and charitable generosity; but in an economic sense we do not have any distinct attitudes. Throughout the years, many of the Zionist Movement's best friends have become so accustomed to giving, that it has never occurred to them what a role investment can play. Israel,—and prior to that—Palestine—was a land conducive to the free play of the imagination and the evoking of sentimental feelings; a land of the Bible and in the present day, one of romantic pioneering, all not strictly related to the work-day realities of life. This constitutes an emotional barrier that must be considered.

Gradually we are beginning to understand that imagination has its limitations and must in the end give way to sharp realities; that if large numbers of people are to live and prosper in Israel, they must have a firm economic foundation. It therefore seems reasonable to assert that the same rules that apply in the United States, should and could work in Israel.

As Americans we must support the new State with capital, management and technology. These we are but beginning to provide. We are learning, too, that just as we here in America have not been psychologically prepared for a sound and sensible approach to Israel, so, too, we discover a similar attitude on the part of Israelis.

**Understanding America's Economic Success**

Perhaps one of the most important services we, as American Jews and potential investors can contribute to the new land, is in the realm of economic ideas. With these, of course, are closely associated, political interpretations. For some reason or other, we have been too reticent in bringing to Israel an understanding of America's economic success.

It is true that the average Israeli recognizes or believes that America is a land of prosperity and wealth, but he does not have a true picture of how and why this has been brought about. Our first major task should be a sound interpretation of the free enterprise system which has made the United States economically great and has achieved the highest standard of living the world has ever known; that has brought the greatest good to the greatest number and has preserved our political rights, making it, at this moment, the most powerful nation in the world.

Israel, like many other nations, may well learn the merits of this system which contrives to bring out the best in the economic creativity of the individual, giving an opportunity for men of great ability and genius to use their talents, with resultant benefits to all. Indeed, we must help prepare an economic climate in Israel which will both produce a better understanding of our situation and make it possible for the American businessman, when he does go to Israel, to feel more at home than he has, in the past.

This, of course, does not imply that we come with chauvinistic attitudes. Nor does it mean that we are not interested in experimentations. It does mean, however, that that which has been tried throughout decades and found to be of great service in building a great and strong

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nation, should and must be entitled to a fair part in the economic life of Israel. Yes, let us have experimentation in Israel, but let it be limited to the degree of pilot plants searching for better ways. But until these are tried by time and experience, let us rely more upon fundamental and well-tested methods.

If we can gradually prepare the way in the realm of ideas, both in Israel and the United States, we should find cooperative efforts between the two much easier. On our part we have to understand that there are points of view in Israel; and they, in turn, must learn to respect our points of view.

**Get Results Rather Than Demonstrate Theories**

Aside from such semi-theoretical discussions, one may well ask what can be done in the practical sense—here and now. Just a few words in this respect. The American Jew must understand that there are economic assets and needs in Israel. He must realize that if Israel is to become a strong and self-supporting nation, it will require American capital, management and know-how. In Israel, he must meet counterparts who speak the same language. **To be specific, there should be more men in the Government of Israel who are determined to get results rather than to demonstrate theories.**

It seems incongruous for men who do not basically believe in the free enterprise system to be the ones who usually come to the American businessman asking for his investment, either in bonds or in industry. It would certainly be more heartening to him to be approached by those having a firm belief in our method of operation and production.

Removing as many controls as possible, in Israel, would also be a very favorable stimulant. It is readily understood that all this cannot be done at once. But there is much fear that many controls are there for controls' sake and that the last thing many Israelis want, is an entirely free economy comparable to the climate in which the American businessman is accustomed to operate.

Those of us who were at the assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Chicago, the early part of December, remember having heard a very interesting paper read by Mr. Harold Glasser. He pointed out that no matter how successful Welfare Fund drives were, and how much we raised for bond sales, Israel needed fundamentally, a productive economy which would supply most, if not all its needs, both in the industrial and agricultural fields. This is the end to which all effort, even that rooted in charity, must be directed. He maintained, as have others in times past, that the potentials are available.

Our major task, at the moment, is to secure a healthy economy in the new State. To accomplish this, the American businessman is in a singularly fortunate position. His emphasis has always been on results and not on theory; on performance and not on ideology. A large infusion of this attitude into the economic blood-stream of Israel would be helpful.

It is not going to be an easy assignment. But the challenge should arouse us, as Americans, first—to thinking and then to action—for the economic salvation of Israel may well depend thereon. We know now, through hard experience, that without a healthy economy, no nation can be sound!

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## Kinston, N. C.

The Purim festival was ushered in with services on Friday evening, March 7, conducted by Rabbi Tolochko, at Temple Israel. On the following Monday, which was Purim eve, a gala celebration was held for children and adults, at which time the reading of the Megillah was held. A social hour followed. Hostesses for the affair were Mesdames Benjamin Demain, Ben Foxman and Morris Foxman.

Rabbi Tolochko addressed the Woman's Club of Ayden on March 4. His subject was: "Psychosomatics and Peace of Mind."

Rabbi Tolochko will conduct a seder for the service men and their families, stationed at Cherry Point. Some of the civilian families also will attend.

The community is glad to hear that Rabbi Tolochko is improving after his recent illness and hospitalization.

Mrs. Sidney Schwartzbach and Mrs. M. Bressler and baby of Brooklyn were all guests of the Seymour and Benjamin Demain families of Ayden.

## LIBYA

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local authorities contend that it will take Libya eight to ten years to become economically and financially sound. The difficulties are easy to comprehend if we bear in mind that in 1938 Libya had imports valued at $46,500,000 compared with exports valued at $5,730,000, the deficit being made up by the Italian Government. Since 1943 the British, in administrating the largest part of Libya, have done the same thing to a lesser extent. At present Tripolitania imports more than twice as much as its exports (for instance, in 1949 exports amounted to 7,000 military liras and imports to 1,777 millions), its imports consisting mainly of food and consumer goods.

The proclamation of the independence of Libya marks the virtual end of an evolution which began with the conclusion of the last war: the gradual disappearance of an ancient Jewish community.

At present there are still about 5,000 to 6,000 Jews in Libya, most of them in the city of Tripoli. The emigration to Israel has been going on for many years and those who have registered for emigration are eager to get out before independence is proclaimed. Earlier it was reported that 4,000 Jews had decided to remain in the new Libyan State, but a part of them are also likely to leave soon and it is now estimated that only about 800 have decided to remain in Libya while 2,000 are old and infirm so that they cannot be moved at present.

Most Jews are apprehensive about the new regime, which will apparently be headed by Mahmoud Beh Muntassar, Prime Minister of the Provisional Libyan Government, who during the war was pro-German. He appealed recently to Jews to stay on, but it is feared that the pressure of the Arab League and simmering anti-Jewish feelings may lead to a revival of persecution the memory of which is still vivid in the minds of Libyan Jews. The National Congress Party seems to be hopeful that it will win the elections in Libya which are to take place next year. Mr. Saadawi's mouthpiece is complaining that activities of "Jewish agents" in Tripoli are having an adverse effect on the country's economy.

The final decision on how many will remain in Libya will depend on the guarantees of the rights of Jews included in the documents establishing the Libyan State. Two years ago, the interests of the Libyan Jewish Community were represented in the General Assembly by a spokesman of the World Jewish Congress, which is continuing its efforts to secure for the remaining Jews such rights as are required to maintain their traditional rights and to secure their right of emigration. The Constitution published recently contains no provisions safeguarding the interests of the Jewish Community and the right of Jews to free emigration with their assets. Similarly, the Constitution does not provide explicitly for the continuance of the Jewish Community autonomy in matters relating to marriage, divorce, and the like.

Under the Turkish rule, Jews of Tripolitania occupied very important positions in economic and financial life: imports and exports were in their hands; 90 per cent of the bank-

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*By* MIN KLEIN

Something new was added to the already full Council program—Mimi Sachs, as chairman of the Ship-A-Box committee did an outstanding job on a brand-new idea—a fashion show involving the littlest members of our community, starting with the age of those in Religious School and going on through the lovely, charming age of adolescence. Held at Temple Emanuel, the price of admission was an item to be used to pack into the boxes being shipped overseas . . . additional members on this hard working committee included Mesdames: Hurwitz, Hans Mayer, Labell, Scher, Wiley, Bill Miller, Camras, Fingerheit and LeBrun . . . An orchid also to Council for the fine job in helping the newly organized "Sixty Plus Club" in cooperation with the other Council of Social Agency groups. Kay Stern is chairman of this project . . . Civil Rights and items of pressing social legislation were discussed at the Legislative Committee Study Groups under Council's social legislation program, with Barbara Rothschild as leader . . . this was an enlargement of the report brought back by Rose Freedman from the Washington conference . . . Simultaneously, the Beth David and Temple Emanuel Sisterhoods held their annual Sabbath Services on March 7. Participating were Mesdames Maurice Weinstein, Leonard Katzin, Edward Feiner, Marlin Freedman, and Max Feiner, at Beth David, and Mesdames Irving Camras, Sol Weinstein, Lee Kay, Robert Clein, Harry Silvers, Arnold Marks, Arthur Bluethenthal, David Rotschild, and Nat Labell at Temple Emanuel. All the ladies did a fine job and both congregations were pleased . . . Purim was ushered into our entire community with gay festivity, Homantashen, and special celebrations for the children of the Religious Schools . . . Chosen King and Queen to reign over the Temple Emanuel children's Purim were Bobby Landsberger and Nancy Weinstein, who were elected from their own groups . . . Participating in the

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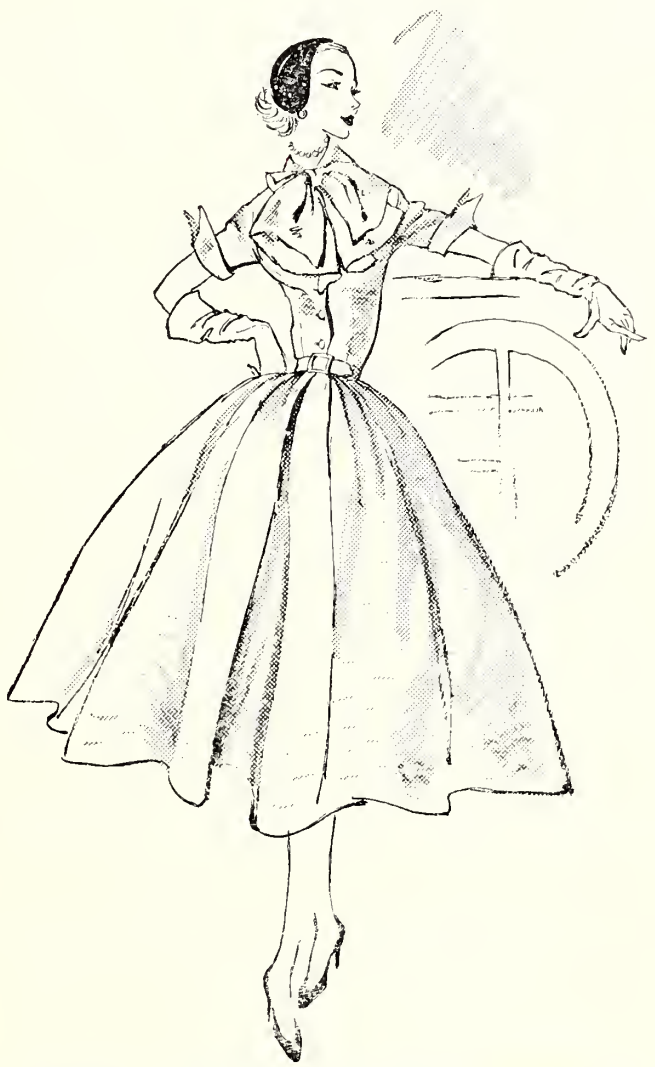

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pageant of the Beth David School were Susan Levine, Roberta Posner, Teddy LaPage, Barry LaPage, Steven Zager, Michael Ingber, David Gray, Lester Summerfield, Allen Weinberg, Gary Melnikov, Leonard Feiner, Eddie Feiner, Stanford Neerman, Samuel Neerman, Marsha Greenberg, Ellen Cohen, Rita Koppell, Hinda Bershstein, Michelle Gray, and Joan Leader.

The pageant, which was written by Mr. and Mrs. Z. Melnikov, and directed by Florence Jacobson and Marilyn Zager, was presented after the musicale which followed the Purim services on Monday night in the auditorium . . . Temple Emanuel Purim services on Monday night included the reading of the Megillah, led by Rabbi Rypins, and participated in by Marshall Solomon, William Miller, Ed Blankstein, Herman Temko, Sherold Klein, Al Klein, David Bernstein and Harry Skudin . . . A social hour, with Homantashen and all trimmings, concluded the evening, and group singing, led by Joanne Krieger, made the evening complete . . . Joanne, incidentally, was given a rating of excellent in the High School song contest held last month . . . In the interest of National Brotherhood Week, Rabbi Kling addressed a group in Reidsville at an Interfaith Meeting, Rabbi Rypins spoke before several groups in the city and made trips to Danville, Va. and Salisbury, N. C., to speak before the students; both participated in the devotional over station WBIG under the auspices of the Ministerial Association and Rabbi Kling led the discussion group for the Hillel girls at WC. Chester A. Brown addressed the South Greensboro Exchange Club . . . Rev. John Mott of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church discussed Protestant denominations before the Beth David Study group which meets weekly, and Rabbi Pincus Krauss of Durham was guest speaker at the Beth David PTA which held its monthly meeting on March 13.

. . . On the Mozel Tov list during the past few weeks are the parents of little new arrivals—the Bernholzs, the Herman Cones, Jr., the George Barths, and the Sid Sutkers, all of whose little sons arrived within a few days of each other . . . A bit later a son blessed the Al Rauch's . . . The Fred Rosenstocks claim the only feminine honor, with little Susan arriving just as we went to press . . . Special Mozel Tov to the Max Kleins who became grandparents for the first time when Judith Rose arrived at the Alvin Cranmans in Savannah—(that's daughter Marilyn's) and to the Reuben Pecks upon the engagement of their daughter Hilda, to Samuel Baum of NYC. Hilda is still in NYC but we hope she'll be coming down for a visit soon before the Big Event . . . Honors in the junior community were won by Joseph LeBauer, the Sidney LeBauer's younger son, who was inducted into the "Torchlight," honor society at Senior Hi; to the Kyle Harris' daughter, Ann, who was one of the 300 N. C. Junior high school students competing in the annual Eastern district solo ensemble contest in the group of instrumentalists; . . . Our compliments to our well known and very popular music teacher on the Greensboro Schools faculty, David Arner, on his outstanding job as associate editor on the newly created MUSIC EDUCATOR, official publication of the N. C. M. E. Ass'n . . .

Back from another of their delightful trips are the Phil Segals who spent several weeks around Rio and surrounding territory . . . the Sam Lyons vacationed in Florida for a few days and the Herman Davidsons are in the midst of their exciting journey which will have taken them to South Africa to attend the wedding of Herman's brother, to visit Edythe's grandfather in Israel, and then home via Europe . . . Also the Al Jacobsons vacationed in Florida . . . our community is on the move and now that Spring is in the air, we see more travel folders being scanned . . . We hope you listened to that stimulating and enjoyable program of Jewish music recently over one of our local stations, in observance of Jewish Music Month . . . it filled us with pride to hear that "across the nation" hook-up . . . We finshed reading Sholem Asch's MOSES just in time to tell you about it to be reminded again what a wonderful holiday is Passover—Happy Seder . . .

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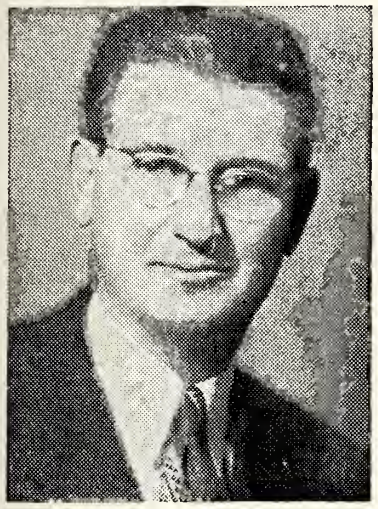

DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, was the principal speaker at the annual convention of the Mid-Atlantic Region, held at the O. Henry Hotel in Greensboro March 22, 23 and 24. The conference was held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the 8th District National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, at which the speakers were Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst, of Norfolk, president of the 8th District, and Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, a member of the National Executve Board. The more than 200 members and delegates also heard an address by William L. Bush, of Washington, D. C., a member of the Executive Committee of the U.A.H.C.

George Blankstein of Greensboro yesterday was named president for the ensuing year. New vice-presidents of the council are B. Lewis Posen of Baltimore, Harold Straus of Washington, and Emanuel Emroch of Richmond, Va.. David Mayer of Richmond was named secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. A. F. Klein heads the Sisterhood District.

## Hickory, N. C.

**Phil Datnoff, Reporter**

Congratulations to Jimmy Cohen on his recent marriage to Miss Ethel Paula Stern of New York Cty.

Mrs. L. E. Zerden and daughter Esther, have recently returned after vacationing at Miami Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Datnoff and son Glenn Morton recently visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Kramer of Whiteville, N. C.

Miss Sonya Witten spent a couple of weeks visiting with her sister, Mrs. Sid Mintz in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin S. Zerden and son Sol Glenn spent several days visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Solomon in Winston-Salem, N. C.

Mrs. Irving Roth spent several weeks visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Myerson in Washington, D. C.

A bingo party was held at the February meeting of the Glenn Zerden Lodge B'nai B'rith. Elections of officers for the ensuing year was held with Phil Datnoff being elected President, Jules Aronson of Statesvlle, was elected Vice-Pres., and Max Lerner of Taylorsville elected Secretary-Treasurer. Installations was held at the March meeting.

## Hendersonville, N. C.

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**MRS. ROSA COOLEY SUCCUMBS**

Mrs. Rosa Cooley, widow of Sam Cooley, passed away Feb. 29th in Charleston, S. C., while visiting her daughter, Mrs. Alex Epstein. An active worker in the Jewish Community, she was a member of the Jewish Ladies Auxiliary of Agudas Israel Synagogue and Hadassah.

Funeral services were conducted in Hendersonville by Rabbi Charles


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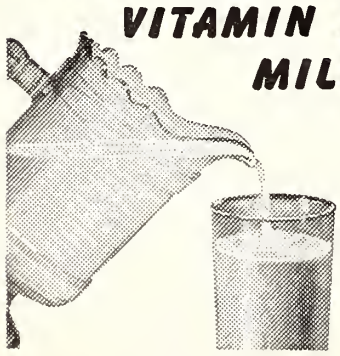

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Besides Mrs. Epstein, she is survived by another daughter, Mrs. Joseph Mann of Whiteville, and two sons, Mr. Harry Cooley of Asheville, and Mr. Alec Epstein of Baltimore and five grandchildren.

**B'NAI B'RITH ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR**

Kalman Sherman was elected president to succeed Sam Kalin at the monthly meeting of B'nai B'rith. Other officers elected were Ed Mottsman, 1st vice-pres.; Sam Williams, 2nd vice-pres.; Morris Kaplan, sec.; Morris Kalin, treasurer; and Sam Kalin, monitor.

Installation of the new officers was held on March 26 with Walter Caeser in charge of arrangements.

**ISRAELI BOND SHOW**

On Feb. 10th at the Community Center, Mr. Al Zeno, N.C.-Va. regional director of Israeli Bond Sales and his troup presented an evening of much enjoyed entertainment which initiated the Bond Drive in Hendersonville—Mr. Sam Kalin is chairman and Mr. Jerry Herman co-chairman.

## LIBYA

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ers, industrialists, professionals, artisans, retail and wholesale merchants were Jews, as was usual in many oriental countries where the Moslems looked upon such vocations with disdain. When Libya was occupied by the Italians, the Jews were at first treated well, mainly because of the opposition of the native population to Italian rule. When, however, the Italians began to court the favor of the Moslems, the situation changed considerably. The position of the Jews became tragic when Mussolini espoused the Nazi policies. In 1938, the Italian racial laws were introduced in Libya. Citizenship granted to foreign Jews after 1919 was revoked. The Jewish cultural organization in Tripoli was closed; Jews were not permitted to possess businesses in the European quarters of the principal cities. Thousands of young Jews were sent to forced labor—to build fortifications and defense posts on the borders of Egypt and Tunisia. In the winter of 1942-43 all Jewish men in Tripoli between 17 and 42 years of age were put into concentration camps in the desert; women and children were subjected to a special curfew. During the war the Jewish community of Benghazi suffered heavily from bombardment and the alternating occupation by the belligerents; the same fate befell the communities of Tobruk, Bardia, Derna, Barca, and some others. The Jewish quarter of Tripoli was heavily bombarded by the British. Losses in life and property through war action and persecution by the Germans were heavy.

In November, 1945, a large-scale pogrom occurred in Tripolitania under the British occupation. The result was 130 dead and about 190 wounded Jews; damage to property was estimated at £600 to £800 thousand. Babies were beaten to death; old men hacked to pieces; shops were pillaged and houses fired along with their inhabitants. The financial assistance given by the British administration consisted of food and clothing amounting to £18,750 and the promise of small loans totaling £11,500. However, the loans did not materialize because the required guarantees could not be supplied. No public inquiry was held into the causes of the riots, nor were the guilty adequately punished.

On June 12, 1948, an attack on the Jewish quarter in Tripoli took place. Tunisian Arab volunteers en route to the Palestine war front were mainly to blame for it. The Jews put up strong resistance: fourteen Jewish lives were lost as against over 30 Arab. Considerable damage was done to Jewish property, about 300 families were ruined economically, some synagogues were desecrated. Scattered violence was reported thereafter: in the summer of 1949 a bomb was thrown into the Jewish quarter of Zlitten, as a result of which two children were blinded.

This violence and insecurity led to an exodus from the interior of the country and smaller towns to the city of Tripoli, which became the refuge of thousands because adequate police protection could be found there. The extent of exodus from the interior may be gauged from a report that of the 6,000 Jews who lived in Tobruk, Benghazi and other parts of Cyrenai-

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Starmount Forest Country Club was the scene, on March 12th, of the third annual Donor Dinner of the Greensboro Chapter of Hadassah, and more than 150 men and women thrilled to hear the guest speaker, Dr. B. Frank Hall, tell them that it was through their efforts, and similar Hadassah groups throughout the country, that the State of Israel was shaping up to make an outstanding contribution to life in the Middle East and throughout the world.

Mrs. Harry A. Karesh, president of the chapter, presided most capably. Mrs. Julius Smith, first vice-president, was general chairman.

Dr. Hall, a Presbyterian minister, of Wilmington, N. C. told of his recent visit to Israel, and the many

**Evelyn Greenberg, president of the Etta Spier chapter, B'nai B'rith Girls is shown with Leonard Clein of Winston-Salem, at the Sweetheart dance given by the Girls' chapter in February. Leonard Clein was elected "Sweetheart" of the BBG chapter.**


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evidences he saw there of Hadassah assistance. His visit was made together with Dr. Karl Voss, as representatives of the American Christian Palestine Committee. The speaker said he was convinced that despite the severe handicaps the new State faced, it would not only survive, but become one of the outstanding nations of the world.

Guests at the speaker's table also included Dr. O. Herschel Folger, pastor of the Asheboro Street Friends Church; who introduced Dr. Hall, and Mrs. Folger; Rabbi Fred Rypins, who gave the invocation, and Mrs. Rypins; Rabbi Simcha Kling, who pronounced the benediction, and Mrs. Kling; Dr. W. C. Jackson, Dean Emeritus of Women's College; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Jeffress; B. L. Smith, Superintendent of Greensboro Schools, and Mrs. Smith; Boyd Morris, Mayor pro-tem of the city, who gave an official welcome; Mr. and Mrs. Karesh and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Smith.

Mrs. Sidney LeBauer and Mrs. Marshall Solomon rendered piano selections.

### SAVANNAH, GA.

The wedding of Miss Lee Movsovitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Movsovitz, to Ramon Rosenzweig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rosenweig, took place on March 2nd at B'nai B'rith Jacob Synagogue.

## The New JWB Haggadah

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the instance of King James of Britain was a more important literary event than the translation and editing of the new JWB Haggadah, but it could not have been half as exciting.

And I should like, at this juncture, to pay tribute to Dr. Pool, whose ready and gracious acceptance of the task of chairing the Haggadah subcommittee—and attention to every editorial detail—were faultless and memorable examples of religious dedication.

For weeks, we hammered out the questions of policy: theologic and linguistic. Should we use "caps" or "lower case" initial letters for such descriptive names for deity as ruler, king, creator, provider, sustainer? Should we correct the ungrammatical vocalization for the Hebrew text or let the familiar errors stand?

For public-relations reasons (we often have non-Jewish brass at military sedorim) should we tone down, expurgate, or explain such touchy items as the invocation of God's wrath upon the goyim? How much space should be devoted to preliminaries like preface and forward, to such trimmings as directions for setting the seder table and a glossary of such terms as "charoses" and "afikomen?"

Between tense hours over the conference table there were anxious days and restless nights spent deciding which of these combinations fitted the Four Sons most aptly: Wise, Wicked, Simple, and Ignorant; Intelligent, Ill-mannered, Indifferent, and Incompetent; Sensible, Surly, Shallow, and Stupid; Nice, Nasty, Neutral, and Naive; or any of a dozen other completely different sets and scores of permutated and alliterated

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variations. As the Haggadah went to the binder, none of the editors was completely happy about the final compromise. (Ed. note: the "final compromise" is: "Ignorant, Intelligent, Ill-Mannered, Indifferent.")

You wouldn't imagine that modern "disciples of the wise" could fray their nerves, as warmly-worded air-mail special - delivery and long - distance communication flew back and forth over the land on the momentous issue whether to transiterate the Hebrew vowel-sign "kaw-metz" as "aw" or "o." But that's what happened.

Nor would you think that S-E-X would rear its adorable head in so pure a work as this. But it did. After all, what would you do with this purple passage from the prophet Ezekiel: "thy breasts were fashioned and thy hair grown, yet thou wast naked and bare"? We did this to it: "You were fully grown and developed, but without covering or ornament." We substituted "staff" for "rod" in the sentence, "Moses took his rod in his hand and did wonders with it." We also used the clause "Blessed are you who are here . . ." rather than the usual "Blessed are you who come . . ." It is sometimes possible to anticipate and obviate unwarranted and unwholesome interpretations growing out of the language-usages of soldiers and sailors. Where this was possible, we did it. So would you if you had memories of the lewd tittering that sometimes occurred in the post chapel when some religious-illiterate read for the first time a passage like: "My horn hast thou exalted like that of the wild ox."

Again, knowing the language to which military personnel is accustomed we did not hesitate to use the more specific verb "accomplished" rather than the vague, colorless "do" or "make." Instead of "sanctified us by Thy commandments and commanded us, etc." we have the simpler and "more-GI"—"Blessed us with Thy commandments and directed us, etc." Every person in the armed forces soon learns, if he does not previously know, what it means to be "directed" to "accomplish."

In a number of places we performed some cute word tricks in the translation. We overcame the moral inanity of the statement, "I have been young and now I am old, yet never have I seen the righteous forsaken or his family begging bread," merely by substituting the literally more accurate word "saint" for "righteous." After all, who can be sure that he has ever seen a *saint*, at all. In the benediction for handwashing no one is quite sure of the meaning of the final

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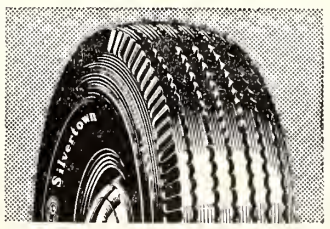


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## North Carolina Launches Bond Drive

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Golda Myerson has become one of Israel's most eloquent and forceful spokesmen, and inevitable symbol of Israel's moral stature in the international arena.

Her position in the Israel cabinet as Minister of Labor culminates a life-time of service to the Jewish people. Prior to her assumption of the cabinet position, Mrs. Myerson had served as Israel's first Ambassador to the Soviet Union. For thirty years, her name has been synonymous with Israel's growth and development.

The Raleigh Dinner Committee consisted of Sig Schaffer, Chairman; Ben Bosse, Sec'y.; William (Bob) Wollman, Co-Chairman; Sam Adler, Rabbi Harry Caplan, Rabbi Philip Freid, Louis Greenspon, W. A. Heilig, Albert Levine, Sam Ruby, Dan Satisky, Harry Shor, Sidney Wollman.

Asheville: Bernard Goldstein; Durham: E. J. Evans, Robert Lipton, Mrs. Irving Zelon; Charlotte: I. D. Blumenthal, Jake Pressman, Morris Speizman; Sol Levine; Greensboro: Dave Bernstein, Chester A. Brown, Mrs. Harry Karesh; Hendersonville: Sam Kallin, Morris Kaplan, and Dan Michaelove.

## Social Research For Jewish Survival

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work of CCI will attempt to help the community affirmatively answer the question which faces it: Will American Jewry revere its heritage and transmit it creatively and fruitfully to their children who are equipped to live wholesome lives as well integrated members of the Jewish and general community? What kind of community organization should be fostered to make it a truly democratic instrument for Jewish survival?

CCI's findings will supply to Jewish community councils, child and adult educational agencies, welfare funds and federations vital factual aid and sight in their central planning and organizational decisions and programs. By such activity it hopes to make a real contribution to the improved work of the American Jewish community's vast network of educational, religious, cultural and philanthropic institutions. In fulfilling this function of comprehensive, unparochial, objective, fact-finding, CCI hopes to furnish a freshness of approach and perspective that will enable American Jewry to set its sights upon new horizons and a worth-while future design for Jewish living in America. It will endeavor to accomplish that aim by the same quality of distinguished effort directly applied to matters of Jewish concern which won for it the American Psychological Association's award in 1949 for "the most significant reasearch of the year on the problems of improving intergroup relations."

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# LIBYA

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ca, only about 900 were there in the middle of 1950.

The economic position of the Libyan Jews at the beginning of the last war was rather bad: only about one-third of them had a more or less satisfactory income; the rest barely managed to make ends meet, and a considerable number lived on charity. By 1948 one-third of the Jewish population of Tripoli and five-eighths of that of the interior was receiving relief from the Jewish community and outside Jewish organizations. A considerable part of the Jewish population earned their meager livelihood by peddling, leaving their homes on Monday and coming back on Friday before sundown. But when the war in Israel began, some of them no longer came back: their bodies would be found somewhere in the desert. These incidents forced the majority to stay home and to starve.

The living conditions of most of the Jews were appalling. Many lived in underground caves or one-room shacks without windows, furniture, or furnishings. Trachoma and other diseases were widespread and a very large portion of the Jews in the provinces were sick and undernourished.

**Origins, Fluctuating Numbers and Cultural Status of Libyan Jewry**

Local traditions have it that the most ancient Jewish community in Tripolitania was established under the Fatimite dynasty of Egypt (909-1171 C.E.) by Jews from the oasis of Pessato; they are said to have numbered 800 souls. However, Jewish travellers of the 12th century C.E. did not mention this community; it had apparently disappeared in the meantime. In 1549 only a few Jews resided in the city of Tripoli. Since Tripolitania was at that time a part of Spain, the Jews exiled from that country in 1492 could not settle there until the territory passed into the possession of Turkey in 1551.

By 1850 the city of Tripoli already had about 1,000 Jewish families, eight synagogues, several yeshivas, and four rabbis. By 1910 the number of Jews had increased to 15,000. They possessed 18 synagogues, eleven yeshivas, a society for aid to the sick, and two schools maintained by the Alliance Israelite Universelle. (These schools were closed in 1911, but reopened after the end of the last war.)

Besides Tripoli, ancient Jewish communities existed in three other principal cities of Tripolitania: Sabratha, Oea, and Leptis Magna. The Jews came there at the time of the persecution of Antiochus Epiphanes (ca. 170 B.C.). Other Jewish communities were established by prisoners of war brought here by Titus.

The Jewish communities of Cyrenaica antedate the destruction of the First Temple (586 B.C.). In 320 B.C. Ptolemy I of Egypt established Jewish military outposts there. During

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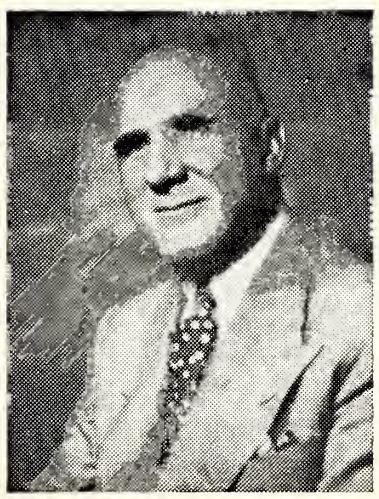

**Albert M. Kahn, of New York City, an outstanding leader in various industrial enterprises, was named this week as National Chairman of Trades and Industries in the nation-wide campaign for the State of Israel $500,000,000 Independence Bond Issue. In his new post Mr. Kahn is setting up a national organization of business leaders who will be responsible for the sale of $200,000,000 in Israel Bonds during 1952. American capital provided by the Bond Issue, of which more than $101,000,000 has already been subscribed, is now being used to construct factories, irrigate areas of land, and expand the nation's power plant.**

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# AH CHERCHONIA!

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Linya was not there when he arrived. She followed him by about ten minutes.

Poushkin escorted her majestically with a flowering smile. As he made her comfortable David felt a shaft of color shoot up his face. Underneath, an irresistable current played havoc with his emotions. And Poushkin, alert to his cue, dwindled into the kitchen.

They said, "Good evening," softly and exchanged smiles. She looked different tonight. Something about her made him notice how alive and fresh a rose could be in a nondescript setting.

As she studied the menu he inquired, "And how are you this evening?"

Apparently she didn't hear him for there was no answer.

Moshkin, Karmoff and Tretchka began painting pastels of favorite melodies. Then a bald head near the trio attempted to mar the scene with his basso voice. It was short-lived, however, for Poushkin blinked a signal and the players immediately put down their instruments.

The silence became annoying. David started talking about Poushky, his benevolence and stories he had dovetailed over the years. Linya laughed and David photographed her in his mind. Then she wafted secrecy aside, confessed she had heard all the yarns from Poushky's mill. She, too, had been a steady through the years, something he couldn't understand. Never once had he focused her and how she escaped his range he would never know.

"I'm sorry I missed you up to now," he blushed. "Maybe we can make time catch up with us?"

Linya didn't chide him. Instead she smiled and he knew words were cheap and tawdry by comparison.

And then, suddenly, like sun breaking through clouds, Cherchonia was upon them. Something inside him began ticking furously. Linya must have felt the same way, for undoubtedly they were part of the same cosmorama.

During the next few months they saw a great deal of each other. David got to know everything about her, told her all there was to know about himself, good and bad, so there would be no misunderstanding.

They spent many evenings at shows, just the two of them, seeing all the favorites and even some of the plays that cropped up like mushrooms in a lush field.

Before they knew it, it was time for vacations. David wanted to get away for a rest and suggested they go away together, to a place in the mountains where he'd been a regular visitor, where the owners knew him from knee pants. They were good friends; he wanted Linya to meet them as he would want her to meet others.

She didn't relish the idea, said it wasn't right or the proper thing to do. They hadn't been engaged, she said, but to David that was a mere formality, inconsequental. Jewelry or words could not truly express the heart. Not the way he saw it. Actions of individuals are the telling factor, he said.

Linya wasn't moved. She still felt he had no right to show her off to his friends, that she wasn't ornament to display for approval or rejection. She was well satisfied with his feelings alone. She was afraid of meeting peopie, flatly refused being made an exhibit.

He resented her attitude and told her so. She would not change her mind. There they were, two stubborn

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# LIBYA

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he persecution of Antiochus IV (2nd entury B.C.) many Pharisees settled n Cyranaica. By 74 B.C. the Jews of Cyrenaica already led an organized nd autonomous life and were strong enough to resist with military force he occupation of that territory by he Romans. After the destruction of Jewish independence in Palestine, Jonathan the Zealot was able to mobilize a force of 2,000 Jews in Cyrenaica o fight against the Romans. He vas captured and thousands of Jews were put to death. In 115 C.E. a new revolt broke out which lasted two years. When the revolt was put down, cruel reprisals followed, as a result of which almost the entire Jewish population of Cyrenaica perished. Only small groups remained in the nterior of the country. In the ensuing centuries a few thousand Jews drifted in from neighboring territories.

By 1910 there were about 1,200 to 2,000 Jews in Benghazi, about 1,000 n Amrum, some 150 in Derna, and 300 in Homs.

In 1931, 21,508 Jews were counted n Tripolitania and 3,595 in Cyrenaica. In 1937, the total number of Jews n Libya amounted to 29,166, of whom 74.2 per cent lived in the province of Tripoli, 12.2 per cent in the province of Benghazi, 10.9 per cent in the province of Misurati, and 2.7 per cent in the province of Derna.

Almost the entire Jewish population of Libya belong to the Sephardic group. The great majority speak Arabic, although they frequently use Hebrew characters in writing. Only a few speak Italian; some use Hebrew. The last group has sprung up since the end of the First World War when Hebrew schools were founded in Tripoli and the interior of Libya.

Outwardly, the Arabic-speaking Jews are, as a rule, scarcely distinguishable from the Arabs.

Culturally, too, they resemble the Arabs: they have borrowed a number of Arab customs and superstitions. Jewish women cover their faces with veils; girls marry at the age of 12-13 years. The Jews have also taken over from the Arabs the custom of leaving a tuft of hair on the head (the Arabs do it in order to enable the angel to carry them to heaven, the Jews call it a reminder of the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem); every Friday they visit the graves of their parents; they break an egg on the threshold of the house of newly-weds. There are other strange customs among the Libyan Jews, such, for instance, as putting a few broken coins into the grave of one's father—for the spirits; on Rosh Hashonah, sugar is thrown into the river and Arabic prayers are chanted.

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NEW YORK (WNS) A suggestion that the American people make a replica of the Statue of Liberty and present it as an expression of good will to the people of Israel is made in the current issue of the "East Side News," a local publication.

The publishers suggest that the statue be placed in the Haifa harbor as a symbol of eternal friendship between the peoples of both countries.

**Five-year-old Jewish newcomer Robert Lander is doing his part to help make it a warm reception upon his arrival here under the auspices of United Service for New Americans, major immigration and resettlement agency for Jewish survivors, U.S.N.A., which reports that 8,500 Jewish DPs and refugees will enter the country this year, receives funds from the United Jewish Appeal for its immigration, resettlement and rehabilitation program.**


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## The New JWB Haggadah

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Hebrew phrase *n'tilas yaw-da-yim*. We gave the blessing real moral significance by translating it thus: "Praised art Thou, etc., who has directed us to have clean hands." The allusion to "clean hands and a pure heart" is purely intentional. Again, in the paragraph about the "wicked" one of the four sons there is a Hebrew idiom that literally means "set his teeth on edge" and is often translated "retort" or "taunt him." We think we are both more literal and suggestive and do greater justice to the original with our "fling this (answer) in his teeth."

There was some objection to the reference to Palestine as a "broad" land. This we felt was a matter of relativity. To a Texan, No. To a citizen of Monaco, Yes. We left it broad. Elsewhere we did make changes. Instead of what the Hebrew really says: "This year we are here; next year may we be in the land of Israel. This year we are enslaved; next year may we be free," we have, "This year we are here; may next year find us celebrating the Passover in Israel. This year men are enslaved: may next year see them free." In Psalm 118 we have, "In distress I called upon the Lord; He answered me with divine generosity," instead of the archaic "Out of my straits I called upon the Lord; He answered me with great enlargement." In the same Psalm we changed "The Lord is for me, I will not fear! What can man do unto me?" because the answer to the last is, Plenty! So we have! "Truly, God is with me; I will not fear what man can do to me."

"May the All-merciful cause us to inherit the day that shall be altogether good" just pleads for revision. This is ours: "O God of mercy, grant us a day of perfect happiness." And we are a little proud of the transformation of "Thou didst thrust sore at me that I might fall" into "I was pushed around to get me down"—nothing could be more "army."

But we are far prouder of such passages as the following which space (and other considerations) preclude our comparing here with other translations:

"Lord God, the breath, of every living being shall bless Thy name.
The spirit of all flesh shall continually praise and glorify Thee, O our King
From the beginning to the end of time, Thou art God.
Yet, were our mouth full of song as the waters of the sea,
Our tongue with joyous sound as its roaring waves,
And our lips with praise as the wide skies,
Were our eyes shining as the sun or moon,
Our arms outstretched like the wings of soaring eagles,
And our feet as swift as deer in flight,
We would still be unable to thank Thee
Even for a thousandth part of the kindness
Thou hast shown us and our fathers."

A word in conclusion about the foreword. because most people, if they bother at all, usually read the foreword, because most people, if introduction reviews the influence upon American history of the Jewish ideal of freedom, which Judaism—and Pesach and the Haggadah—celebrate. Succinct reference is made to the struggles for emancipation from colonial days to the recent global wars. The point is stressed that all these efforts involved not merely ideals of Jewish origin. Participating in them were men and women of Jewish faith. It is for such as these, still actively engaged in the continuing struggle for liberty, that this American version of the ancient story of liberation was written, and to whom it is gratefully dedicated. This having been said, it was considered quite unnecessary to conclude this book with the Star Spangled Banner of America (or, for that matter with Hatikvah). If the message of the Haggadah is not proof enough of our passion for freedom, then the singing of national anthems will not help; it is a futile protesting-too-much.

Instead, our little volume ends with a small note on the Chad Gadyah, suggesting that the "kid" is Israel, whose fate in successive ages seemed to be at the mercy of Assyrian cat, Babylonian dog, Persian fire, Roman water, and Saracen ox.

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With spring in the air there is quite a bit of activity in the Twin City at this time. The community extends a Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Danny Weiss on the birth of their son, Howard Barry. Mrs. Weiss is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Hersh; also to Mr. and Mrs. Stan Tulman upon the birth of their daughter, Deborah Faye. Mrs. Tulman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Katzin of this city. A Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Sutker of Greensboro upon the birth of a son, Elliot Stephen. Mrs. Sutker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Teichman of this city.

There have been numerous simchas in this community and to all of them we wish heartiest congratulations and luck! To Miss Diane Harris upon the announcement of her engagement to Pfc. Lewis L. Rosinger, formerly of Ft. Bragg, N. C., now stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas. This wedding will take place in June. Diane is the daughter of Mrs. Nathan Harris of this city. Another June bride to be is Miriam Paris, daughter of Mr. I. Paris who will wed Owen Bressler of Atlanta, Georgia in Atlanta.

We would like to wish Larry Wainer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Wainer, lots of luck in his Army life. Larry is stationed at Camp Pickett, Virginia and is attached to the Medical Corps.

A Mazel Tov to Norris Horowitz upon his Bar Mitzvah and to his proud parents. Also Jacob Falbaum upon the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah. "Jake" is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Falbaum. Both of these boys were outstanding and a credit to the community.

The B'nai B'rith had the pleasure of hearing an address by Dr. Eugene Pfaff, Professor of History at WCUNC at their dinner meeting. The meeting was open to the public and was most stimulating. A delicious dinner was served by the ladies of the Sisterhood.

The Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel were guests at the Highland Presbyterian Church. A lovely meeting and social hour was held and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The Sisterhood has had several card parties and has served Sunday night suppers once a month. Recently a movie was held in the Temple followed by a picnic supper.

The Council of Jewish Women held their annual Bazaar at Temple Emanuel. The proceeds from this Bazaar went to Council's Overseas


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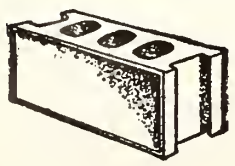

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Projects which include backing of the School of Education of Hebrew University, the only non-partisan school in Israel today. Many delicacies for which the members of the Council of Jewish Women are well-known were sold at gaily decorated booths that circled the social hall. There were cake booths, foods, aprons, grab bag, bingo, penny-pitch, darts and various assortments of everything. Square dancing was a high light. Chairman of this committee was Mrs. Joe Davis, ably assisted by: Mrs. Mac Wainer, Mrs. Monte Cohen, Mrs. Eddie Kurtz, Mrs. Joe Reznick, Mrs. Hannah Siff, Mrs. Don Mallins, Mrs. Milton Bergen, Mrs. Richard Backer, Mrs. Phil Robin, Mrs. Harris Clein, Mrs. Harold Simons, Mrs. Bruce Levin, and Mrs. A. E. Schwartz. Also, many thanks to all the men who pitched in and helped the ladies.

Hadassah's February meeting was especially interesting as it featured as part of the program, a technicolor sound movie filmed by Hadassah in Casablanca and Israel. An original poem was written by Mrs. Phil Kolodny and read by Mrs. Paul Lavietes and was in memoriam to Henrietta Szold. Mrs. Nat Silverman announced that Hadassah's campaign for funds was the annual Donor Dinner-Dance which was held on the Balinese Roof of Hotel Robert E. Lee. Mrs. Seymour Solomon was chairman.

Dr. Frank Hall, eminent Presbyterian minister who recently returned from Israel was guest speaker. Committee members for the Donor Dinner-Dance were Mrs. Abe Brenner, Mrs. Jenny Brenner, Mrs. Morris Brenner, Mrs. Fred Burk, Mrs. Ira Julian, Mrs. Milton Goldberg, Mrs. T. C. Kalet, Mrs. Ellis Katz, Mrs. Phillip Katzin, Mrs. Sam Katzin, Mrs. Paul Lavietes, Mrs. Harry Lund, Mrs. Ernest Leftkowitz, Mrs. Gerald Licker, Mrs. Phil Margolin, Mrs. Joe Reznick, Mrs. Louis Reznick, Mrs Sam Robin, Mrs. Robert Saks, Mrs Hannah Siff, Mrs. Sidney Simons Mrs. Walter Singer, Mrs. M. P Slovis, Mrs. Marvin Stein and Mrs Marvin Swartz.

Mrs. Paul Lavietes, Mrs. Nat Silverman and Mrs. Seymour Solomon made their debut in television when they presented the story of Hadassah during an interview on WFMY-TV Channel 2, on the program called "Carolina Calling."

The local Richard P. Katzin Chapter of AZA held an election of officers. Those elected are: Leonard Clein—reelected Aleph Godol; Bob Polan—Aleph S'gan; Arnold Kappiloff—Aleph Mazkir and Robert Simons—Aleph Gisbor. We wish these young men a lot of luck in their new offices. Leonard Clein President, announced that the N. C Association of Jewish Youth is planning a convention in Winston-Salem on May 25, 1952. The convention plans are under the direction of Chairman, Steve Robin.

The Sunday School celebrated Purim at a Sunday School assembly on Sunday, March 9th and then at a Purim Carnival on Monday, March 10th. The Ladies of the Sisterhood served as hostesses to the congregation following the Purim service and reading of the Megillah on Monday evening, March 10th.

A teen-age canteen has been started at the Temple Social Halls every Sunday afternoon between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock; dancing refreshments, ping-pong and other games are available. The Canteen is under the sponsorship of Mr Eugene Feldman, a member of the Sunday School Facility. Teen-agers from other communities are cordially invited.

Rabbi Herman has made numerous addresses recently, he spoke to the Assembly of the Student Body of Salem College, was dinner speaker

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at the N. C. Conference of Y-Teens, spoke to the local Optimist Club, spoke on Brotherhood Week over the local radio station, WSJS and spoke to the Professional Group of Kimberly Park School.

Mrs. Nathan N. Harris announces the engagement of her daughter, Diane Jean, to Private First Class Lewis L. Rosinger, formerly of Ft. Bragg, N. C., now stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas. The wedding will take place in June.

MISS DIANE HARRIS

Diane graduated from Reynolds High School in June 1947. Then she attended W. C. U. N. C. and Draughon's Business College. She is now employed as medical secretary to Dr. W. Dek. Wylie.

Pfc. Rosinger received part of his education in Budapest, Hungary, and continued it at the Berea Foundation Academy, Berea, Kentucky, and attended Berea College, a branch of the University of Kentucky.

### COUNCIL MEETING

The Winston-Salem Section of the Council of Jewish Women held their annual Bazaar at Temple Emanuel. Proceeds from this Bazaar go to Council's Overseas Projects which include backing of the School of Educaton of Hebrew University, the only non-partisan school in Israel today. They have also granted over seventy scholarships in American Universities to Jewish men and women in war-torn countries. The studies they undertake are of such a nature to enable them to better living conditions in their native countries. The local Section of the Council of Jewish Women also sends monthly packages of toys, clothing and basic foods to an orphanage in Israel.

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## Direct Israel-German Negotiations . . . Yes!

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tives have, of necessity, been dealing directly with German officials. It has succeeded in reclaiming, to date, property valued at millions of dollars. And it has done all of this without protest from anyone. On the contrary, its work has been supported wholeheartedly by some of the very people who are today vociferously opposing the only practical means open to us of reclaiming our own property in really significant amounts.

We come now to a new aspect of the problem of German material reparations. The JRSO and similar bodies have been dealing not with a national German Government, but with the individual governments of the German states, or **Laender.** Yet the great bulk of Jewish property was taken away not by individual Germans, or by individual German **Laender,** but by the German Reich or federal government. That which was taken by the Reich authorities cannot, naturally, be restored by the state authorities.

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policies similar to those which the Occupying Powers imposed upon the states within their respective zones. The first affirmative reaction was that of Chancellor Adenauer last September, when he announced—with the approval of the Bonn Parliment—his government's willingness to negotiate on the matter. It was a statement which should have been made years ago; but the fact that it came late does not deprive it of its great significance. In this statement the Bonn Government, which has declared itself the legal successor of the Nazi Reich, publicly announced the German people's moral responsibility for making material amends to the Jewish people.

Now, naturally, it would have been very simple and very pleasing if it were possible for us to deal with the Bonn Republic as the JRSO has been dealing with the German **Leander**, i. e., through the Occupying Powers.

On two occasions the Government of Israel requested Western support in obtaining reparations from the central German authorities. On both occasions the response of the Western Powers was positive with regard to the moral validity of the Jewish claim and completely negative with regard to their undertaking the role of collectors for Israel.

It is therefore abundantly clear that the only way we can press for return of the great bulk of the property which was stolen from Jewry is through our own efforts, i. e., through the readiness of the Government of Israel and of the Jewish groups of the Diaspora, organized in in the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, to negotiate with the Germans.

Indeed, direct negotiations would ultimately be inevitable even were the Western Powers ready to assume the role of "go-between." The fact that the U. S., France and Britain, each in its own zone, paved the way for the operations of JRSO, did not obviate the necessity of Jew talking to German. The restitution law imposed by the United States, for instance, did not eliminate the necessity for JRSO representatives to deal directly with German individuals, German courts and the German state officials.

No protest was ever entere against these negotiations and settle ments. On what ground, then, is i permissible to negotiate with th Finance Minister of Hessen, or c Bavaria, but not permissible to ne gotiate with the Chancellor of th Bonn Republic?

But let us assume, for the sak of argument, that it would be possi ble to persuade the Western Power to negotiate a settlement in behal of the Jews with the Bonn Republic Any such agreement would still hav to be implemented through direc contact between Israel and Germa authorities.

Payment will have to be mad primarily in goods. These goods wil have to be selected in negotiatio with German industry and govern ment officials. Individual prices mus be agreed upon; shipments must b arranged; all the endless details in volved in huge transfers of merchan dise over protracted periods of tim must be attended to. Does anyon expect that the U. S. or the Britis governments will be willing to se up the vast machinery necessary fo this operation? The idea is fantastic it is quixotic in the extreme.

Two years ago, in Israel, I de clared that in this business there will be no **Shabbes Goyim.** Eithe we will put the thing through our selves, or it won't be done. Put i another way: our choice is to ne gotiate with the Germans, or t leave the whole matter in Germa hands.

What moral principles dictate that the criminal shall be left i possession of his loot? How ar Jewish dignity and self-respect serve by depriving Israel, and Hitler' surviving Jewish victims, of what i rightfully theirs?

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*By* BERNARD POSTAL

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On this second Passover since the ighting began in Korea the homes f American Jews will have 150,000 mpty places at Seder tables—places ecently occupied by sons, brothers, athers and other kinsmen who are ow wearing Uncle Sam's uniform. or these 150,000 GIs, scattered round the world wherever there are merican military forces, Passover ight this year will really be *different* or they are away from home and oved ones, most of them for the first ime in their lives. For them the eder nights this year will be *differ-nt* in a very personal way for they ave left their normal way of life o engage in a struggle for freedom ike that recounted in the Passover pic. Far different, too, will be the urroundings amid which they will bserve the Passover, for almost all f them will be attending Seders in trange lands or distant communities. he only thing that will not be dif-erent is Operation Passover, the mall miracle that the National Jewish elfare Board has been working an-ually for 34 years on behalf of ewish servicemen and women and ospitalized veterans.

Those of you who have attended civilian community Seder in a ynagogue or a Jewish Community enter have marvelled at the organ-zing skill that provided seating, food, agadahs and all the other Passover ecessities for several hundred guests. ut did you ever think of what is en-ailed in planning hundreds of Seders or 150,000 GI guests spread over he globe?

Suppose you had to arrange si-ultaneously for Seders in Korea, ermany, Panama, Austria, the Phil-ipines, Alaska, Japan, the islands f the Pacific and the Caribbean and t hundreds of places in continental nited States! Imagine having to rovide matzoth by the plane-load, sacramental wine for more Jews than there are in Cleveland and Newark put together, Hagadahs and Passover greeting cards by the tens of thousands, and kosher meats, gefilte fish, the makings for matzoth ball soup and other food supplied by the ton! Have you any idea of the logistics involved in getting these Passover essentials in the proper amounts and in the proper time to every spot where Jews are serving with the American armed forces or recuperating from war inflicted wounds?

Consider the planning necessary to make sure that Jewish GIs and seamen aboard Army transports and warships on the high seas have the wherewithal for a Seder. Bear in mind the intricate transportation arrangements and the nationwide mobilization of Jewish community resources and manpower that go into making possible Seder home hospitality and on-post Seders. Give a thought to the devotion, effort and warm-hearted spirit of the thousands of JWB volunteers and the little band of armed services field workers who organize community Seders and bring Passover to the bedside of hospitalized veterans. And last, but far from least, think of the corps of self-less and consecrated Jewish chaplains at home and abroad who will travel thousands of miles by plane, ship, jeep or car—many of them moving over mountain roads, jungle trails, snow-covered Arctic passes and dangerous combat areas—to bring Passover to Jewish GIs wherever they may be.

More than three decades of know-how and experience went into JWB's 35th Operation Passover. The biggest and most widespread effort of its kind since World War II, this complex world-wide job of planning, organizing, purchasing, shipping and mobilization got under way last December.

Just before Hanukah, more than 50,000 pounds of Passover foods—matzoth, wine, gefilte fish, meats, chicken, matzoth ball soup, nuts, raisins and other trimmings—as well as thousands of Hagadahs and greeting cards were flown from JWB's West Coast depot to Korea, Japan and other Far East points. The Korean Air Command will deliver the supplies to all fronts. Similar shipments went from an East Coast depot to troops stationed in Europe, the Caribbean and the Arctic. Specially packed boxes, each containing Passover supplies for 20 men, were furnished by JWB to the Navy and the Military Sea Transportation Service to provide for men who will be on the high seas at Seder time. Thousands of individual Passover boxes were forwarded to Jewish men in isolated units who will be unable to attend Seders. Where necessary, arrangements have been made to drop such packages by helicopter. For mass Seders at large military installations in this country JWB made available several thousand frozen packaged seders, consisting of individual portions of fish, chicken, vegetables and desert, as well as plastic dishes and utensils. Passover recordings have been sent to VA hospitals where they will be heard over public address systems.

Ready for any contingency whereever Jewish men and women may be at Passover time, JWB has also provided supplies for unexpected GI Passover guests who may arrive at overseas points with replacement units just before Passover, as well as for Jewish men participating in maneuvers at various points in this country.

The Jewish chaplain is the key figure in Operation Passover. Long before the first Seder the Jewish chaplains overseas will have been busy at supply depots, arranging transportation and housing for their GI congregants, conferring with their non-Jewish colleagues in the chaplaincy and doing the hundreds of little jobs that will make the GI Seder a beautiful experience. Non-Jewish chaplains, briefed by their Jewish colleagues and well-stocked with JWB supplies, will pinch-hit where a Jewish chaplain is not available. In this country, full-time and part-time Jewish chaplains serving at more than 500 installations will conduct Seders in camps and nearby communities where 260 local JWB armed services committees and JWB field workers have been busy for weeks preparing community-wide Seders and home hospitality. Similar arrangements have been made by chaplains and JWB hospital committees in VA hospitals.

When the Jews of America sit down to the Seder table this year they can draw comfort from the knowledge that their loved ones in uniform or in VA hospitals will simultaneously be ushering in the Passover wherever they may be: in squad tents, makeshift chapels, mess halls, quonset huts, hotels, JWB servicemen's centers and USO clubs, aboard ships at sea, at embarkation and replacement depots. in synagogues and Jewish Community Centers, and in hospital wards.

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**Those of us who have dear ones in the armed services, whether on land, sea, or in the air, can get a considerable amount of comfort from the realization of the fact that the J. W. B. is taking great care of them. —THE EDITOR.**

**For single-handedly signing up 115 new members during B'nai B'rith's national membership campaign, Irving L. Pressman (right), of San Antonio, Tex., receives the Order's National Membership Award from President Frank Goldman. Mr. Pressman was guest of honor at a special luncheon during the recent annual meeting of B'nai B'rith's national executive committee.**

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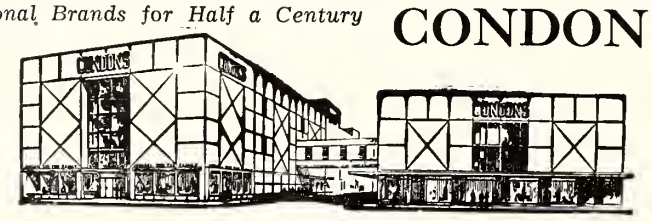

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At the monthly meeting of Dan Lodge No. 593 of B'nai B'rith the following slate of officers was presented by the nominating committee to serve for the coming year: Jack Brickman, president; Harold Baumrind, first vice-president; Max Kirshstein, second vice - president; Bernard Solomon, third vice-president; Jack Kurtz, secretary; Harold Priluker, treasurer; Dr. Leon Banov, Jr., Milton Banov, Edgar Hirschman, Samuel Jacobs, Arnold Prystowsky, Trustees, and I. H. Jacobson, Monitor. Arnold Ellison was chairman of the nominating committee.

Miss Freida Levine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Levine reigned as queen of the Washington's Birthday Ball sponsored by the Jewish War Veterans, Turtletaub Post, No. 237, Charleston. As Beauty Queen of 1951 of the Veterans' organization, Miss Levine crowned her successor. In conjunction with the beauty contest, a cocktail party and general entertainment were held.

The Women's Division of the 1951 drive of the Charleston Jewish Welfare Fund, held their initial meeting on February 21, at which time, Miss Jeanne Daman, Catholic heroine of World War II Belgina Underground, was guest speaker. Miss Daman spoke on her experiences and of her tour of Israel in 1950. The meeting was held at the Francis Marion Hotel, with a tea and reception following.

The following officers of Beth Israel congregation were formally installed at a meeting and reception held in February: Otto Z. Fox president; Henry Yashchik and George Cohen, vice presidents; A Bernard Solomon, recordng secretary; Ben L. Solomon, treasurer and Moses "Bubba" Zucker, financia secretary.

The officers and trustees were installed by Rabbi Louis M. Tuchman.

After the formal ceremonies, a reception was given by Mr. and Mrs Otto Z. Fox in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary.

Purim was celebrated with a banquet and entertainment sponsored by Brith Sholom and Beth Israel in the Beth Israel Social Hall on Purim night. Special features were the election of the Beauty Queen, contests, and games. On Sunday before Purim the Charleston Hebrew Institute held their Purim celebration at the Daughters of Israel Hall, and the reading of the Megillah was observed on Monday, March 10, Purim eve.

A joint meeting of the four Synagogue Brotherhoods was held on Tuesday, March 18 at the Beth Israel Social Hall.

## Spartanburg, S. C.

The Spartanburg chapter of Hadassah had a paid up membership tea during February followed by a social hour. Attending the southeastern regional convention held in Atlanta were Mrs. Jack Price, president, Mesdames Sylvan Cohen, Harry Smiley and Chas. Finke . . . Hadassah Sabbath was observed the Friday of the week of Purim at Temple B'nai Israel with members participating. A film entitled: "This is the Hour" was shown at the March meeting of Hadassah . . . The annual donor luncheon was held March 19 with Mrs. Bertha Ham-

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merman of New York as principal speaker . . .

Brotherhood Week was noted at Temple B'nai Israel with Prof. R. D. McGee of Wofford College as guest speaker using as his topic: "Brotherhood in Action." A letter was read from the Spartanburg chapter of Red Cross blood bank to note with action the 1952 theme of Brotherhood Week, "Blood for a Brother" . .

Rabbi Samuel Wrubel was guest speaker during February at the P. T. A. meeting of Jenkins Junior High School discussing the "spiritual development of the teen ager" . . .

A state executive meeting of South Carolina B'nai B'rith officers was held at a luncheon meeting at the Elk's Club with Lewis Katz, president of the Spartanburg lodge opening the meeting and greeting delegates from six neighboring cities. Dave Baker, state president of B'nai B'rith Lodges and prominent attorney of Columbia, S. C., presided over the business portion of the meeting where the state convention matters were discussed in anticipation of the April 5-6 convention. The district No. 5 convention at Baltimore May 24 was also discussed. A membership campaign and a Brandeis scholarship were on the agenda. The wives of the visiting delegates were entertained at the home of Mrs. Lewis Katz . . .

The B'nai Israel sisterhood held their annual Sabbath service Feb. 29, with Mrs. A. Simon conducting the Hebrew ritual and Mrs. H. Shapiro the English responses. Short talks dealing with sisterhood were

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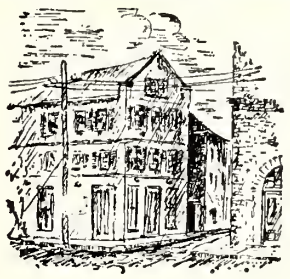

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made by: Mesdames B. Gelburd, H. Smiley, G. Jablon. Mrs. A. Smith, president of the sisterhood, introduced the speakers. Rabbi Samuel Wrubel offered the benediction. Refreshment were served in the vestry rooms of the Temple following the services. . .

A pre-Purim supper affair was held by B'nai Israel sisterhood March 9 with holiday delicacies featuring the meal. Movies and entertainment concluded the evening activities.

The Sunday School of Temple B'nai Israel held a Purim program Sunday morning March 9 under the direction of Rabbi Wrubel.

Purim night was observed at Temple B'nai Israel Monday evening, March 10 with the reading of the "Megillah" and all children in attendance were furnished "grogger" to drown out the infamous name of Haman . . . Following the services "Hamantaschen" and other refreshments were served. . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tanenbaum announce the birth of a son, Jack Barry Jan. 28 at the General Hospital. . .

## Columbia, S. C.
**Mrs. S. Shapiro, Reporter**

Mr. and Mrs. I. Gensberg Jr., had a lovely Bav Bitzvah for their son Steward, Saturday Feb. 17.

Sam Litman, chairman of Columbia Division of U. J. A. has announced the drive will start very soon for S. C.

**LATIN-AMERICAN COUNTRIES SEND EMBASSIES TO ISRAEL**

Buenos Aires—Brazil and Uruguay are two more Latin-American countries to establish legations in Israel, it was disclosed here.

Agreement on the exchange of envoys between the two countries and Israel were reached this month, according to Yaakov Tzur, Israel Minister to Argentina.

## Pipes for the Negev
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but is considered more or less in th Haifa area (twenty to thirty minute ride by car from Haifa's Town Hall) It is in the Zebulon Valley on th Haifa-Acre Bay, one of the most beau tiful bays in the world. The Middl East Tube Company now occupies par of the "Pittsburgh" area. Complet development of the industrial sit awaits the accelerated sale of Israe Bonds in America, which must pro vide the foundation for an independ ent economy in Israel.

The Company's resistance welde pipe plant factory is already workin two shifts, turning out 40,000 tons o pipe annually. I spent some time walk ing through it and spoke to some o the workers. One young chap wh spoke Russian better than Hebrew ha been in the country only a couple o years. He had come as a skilled me chanic, so found a job immediately

The structure is tall and well lighted Static objects are painted green, mov ing objects yellow, and electrically charged ones brown. On the wall i a large Hebrew inscription paraphras ing the Book of Psalms: "They tha water with joy shall reap with song." The workers appeared interested i their work and seemed to enjoy it Seventy men are employed there an 300 will be needed when the plant i ready for capacity production.

Outside the plant as I walked wit Mr. Lewin and the plant engineer— an interested Israeli who had his train ing in several European countries an spoke almost as good an English a Hebrew and Russian—I was shown th concrete skeleton of the Company' second building. It will be larger tha the one now in operation, and wil afford tangible evidence of the Bon Issue's impact on the industrializatio of Israel. It will be a seamless pip plant, capable of producting wate pipes, mechanized tubing and heav wall pipes. A third structure will hous a galvanizing plant, so that ultimatel every variety of pipe needed by Is rael can be manufactured here.

ROME (WNS) Peter Wolfish, note Israel pianist, has won the secon prize in an international music con test here.

Wolfiish won a prize of 100,00 Italian lires.

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# AH CHERCHONIA!

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rules. One had to give way and that was rather difficult as matters stood.

"If that's the way you feel about it, let's call the whole thing off!" David was talking, showing off or being just plain foolish. He didn't remember what Linya said, if she said anything at all, but he sulked off like a hurt child.

The two weeks intended as a vacation was anything but that for him. Varied thoughts persisted in cropping up, haunting him, but he was determined not to see her again.

Months followed, were just as disturbing. He wanted to get away from it all. Instead of visiting Poushkin's, he'd go to Chekhov's place. Chehkov was not solicitous of his welfare as Poushkin. He was not the type.

One night Martan the waiter sensed something wrong. "What's the matter with you, Mr. Goldschein?" he said. "You eat like a sick bird."

"No, Martan, everything's all right." But he couldn't fool the waiter who sauntered off shaking his head.

It was a week or so later, when David was buying a newspaper, that he heard a familiar voice. It came from behind and there was no doubt as to its owner.

"As I live and breathe," he acted surprised. "Where have you been? You haven't visited me in so many weeks, I just didn't know. Something happen to you?"

David was taken back at first, then assured his surprise visitor there was no reason for concern.

It was good to see Poushkin. They exchanged smiles.

"I'm happy to catch up with you," he said excitedly. "Frauka and Poushky, your old friends remember? We are giving a big celebration tomorrow night. Twenty-five years together and now we will make something out of it. Up to now it's been one thing or another, you know how it is!"

"Poushky, you old so-and-so!" David said, slapping him firmly on the back. "Congratulations and may all your thoughts be successful."

"You must come," he insisted. "I have counted on you and I would search and search until I found you, I told Frauka."

He was a beacon of joy. David didn't have the heart to refuse. His eyes questioned Poushkin; he knew what they were saying.

"Linya? She will not be there. She has a new job. I got it for her." David breathed easier.

"You will come? You promise?"

David nodded, hurried off into space.

That night he made certain his clothes would be just right for the occasion. Everything had to be just so.

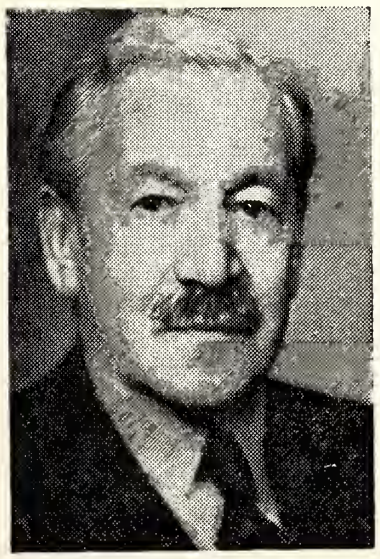
It was when Frauka greeted him, throwing her arms around him like a loving relative. He peeled off his coat and said, "Why aren't you in the kitchen?"

"Tonight the cooking is done by someone else, our assistant. Tonight I am a lady and Poushky is my gentleman," she glowed. Tears almost welled in his eyes. "Tonight we celebrate the silver in our wedding."

Streamers and lanterns dangled rakishly and cheerfully from above. Favors idled on the tables, waiting patiently to be used. Tapering silver candles cast halos upon the faces of assembled well-wishers. All was in readiness; all was in tune.

Poushky edged away from a wall table to welcome David back. "Your table is waiting," he said triumphantly. He commanded him to be seated, pushed the chair under him, then anchored himself in the one opposite. It felt good being with Poushkin again.

"Now we will have a good time, forget everything, make merry! Drink, laugh, eat Poushky's specialty. Ah! It is with wine sauce tonight and I guarantee you will go home a very happy man."



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Then it dawned on him that the place opposite him had a setting. Surely this was a mistake. He expected no one. Poushky knew that. Maybe he planned to double him up with another of his errant customers. That would be funny!

Moshkin, Karmoff and Tretchka sounded off with Two Violins. The harmony was a credit to Tretchka who had borrowed a violin to join with Karmoff while Moshkin complemented on the harpsichord.

The soup came the same way as the fruit cup. Mandlin floated on a steaming surface, noodles hugging the bottom of the plate.

The musicians finished Two Violins and after a short rest brought on Cherchonia. David stopped eating.

And then a familiar voice sounded, "Good evening."

He smiled, became confused. He could almost feel the blush on his face. He straightened up, hesitated, then mumbled, "Good evening."

So Poushky, good old Poushky, had lied! If only David could lay hands on him. He wasn't within eye. Most likely he was gloating from behind a hidden aperture.

"How do you like my cooking?" she asked, her smile flourishing.

David flustered, "Fine, fine!"

The temptress in the music corner continued unabated.

"So you're the cook tonight?"

"Yes," her eyes said. Then her lips revealed. "Tonight and for the past few weeks I've been helping Poushky and Frauka, sometimes in the kitchen, other times out here. Didn't Poushky tell you?"

"He did and he didn't." There was no use trying to explain what Poushky said.

"Tonight I've been inside because they wanted to do the honors themselves out here. They wanted to greet their friends personally and see that everything was just so."

"How do you like cooking for all these starving people?"

"I like it. It's very pleasant here and Frauky and Poushky have been like mother and father to me . . . and I've made so many friends . . ."

Well, this was a different Linya speaking. She had made friends, she wasn't afraid anymore. She was a new Linya, thanks to Frauka and Poushky. He could see it on her cheeks, alive with the flourish of life.

Applause greeted Moshkin, Karmoff and Tretchka and spirited them on to an encore. The music seemed to make Linya curious, to look for several answers that had kept her in suspense, in doubt these several months.

"And you, what have you been doing?"

"I've been working hard, saving. Some day soon, I hope to start a different kind of life."

Linya asked, "What do you mean, different life?"

He went on to tell her how he was going to buy a house in the country, maybe a small farm, with the money he'd saved. Then he wouldn't care what happened at the office or . . ."

She ate every word with relish and her eyes polished off that special shine before giving birth to a smile. There was something magnetic about her; She was not resisting the power that brought their minds onto the same track.

He was going to ask about tomorrow, but there was no need to now. Her voice halted a series of thoughts hurtling each other in his mind.

"How long do you think it will take to buy this house or farm?"

He began to figure and she cut him short.

"You know, with my savings thrown in you can cut the time in half." Her lips and eyes and chin expressed themselves beyond words. There was life in them, and he knew he must start figuring without interruption, with only one thought in mind.

"Ah, Cherchonia!" he sighed, counting and then dividing by two.

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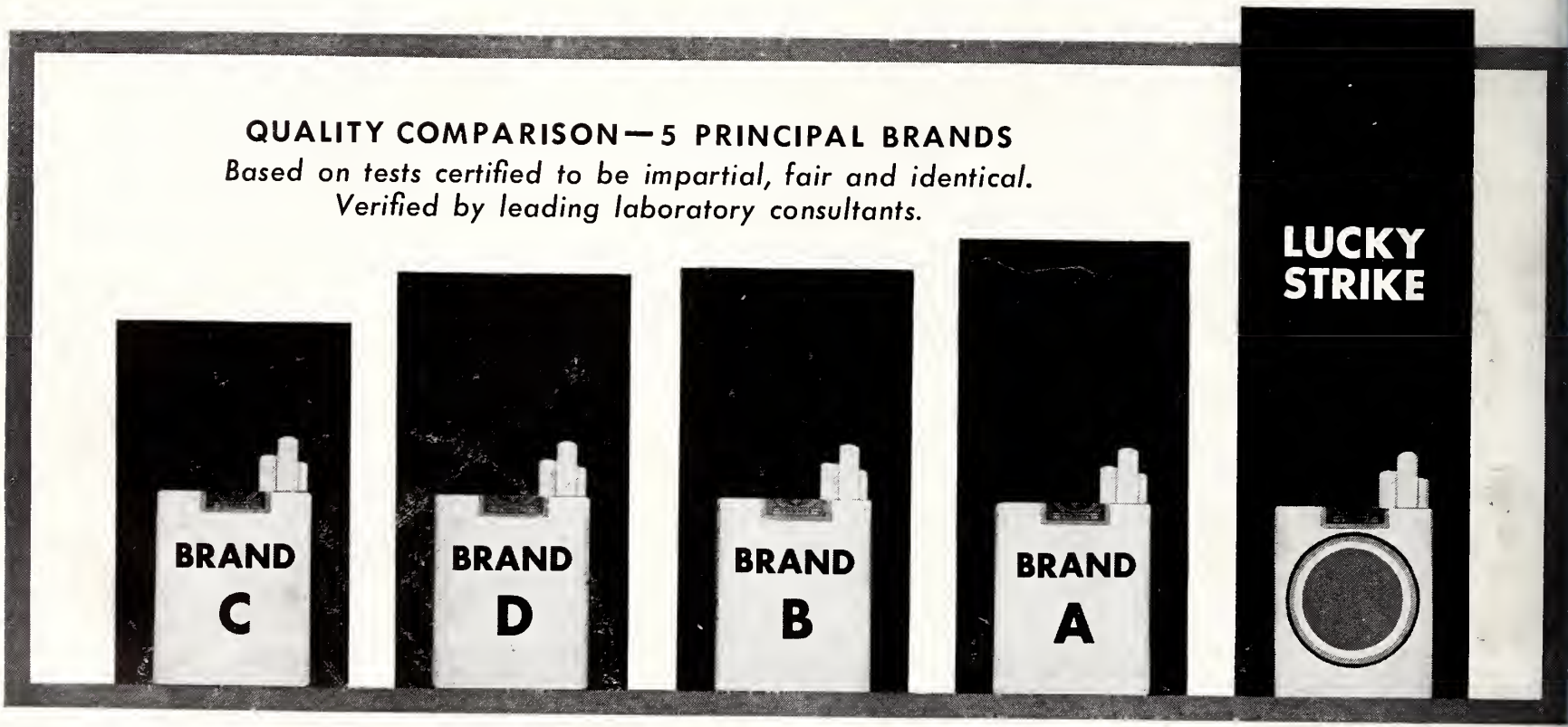


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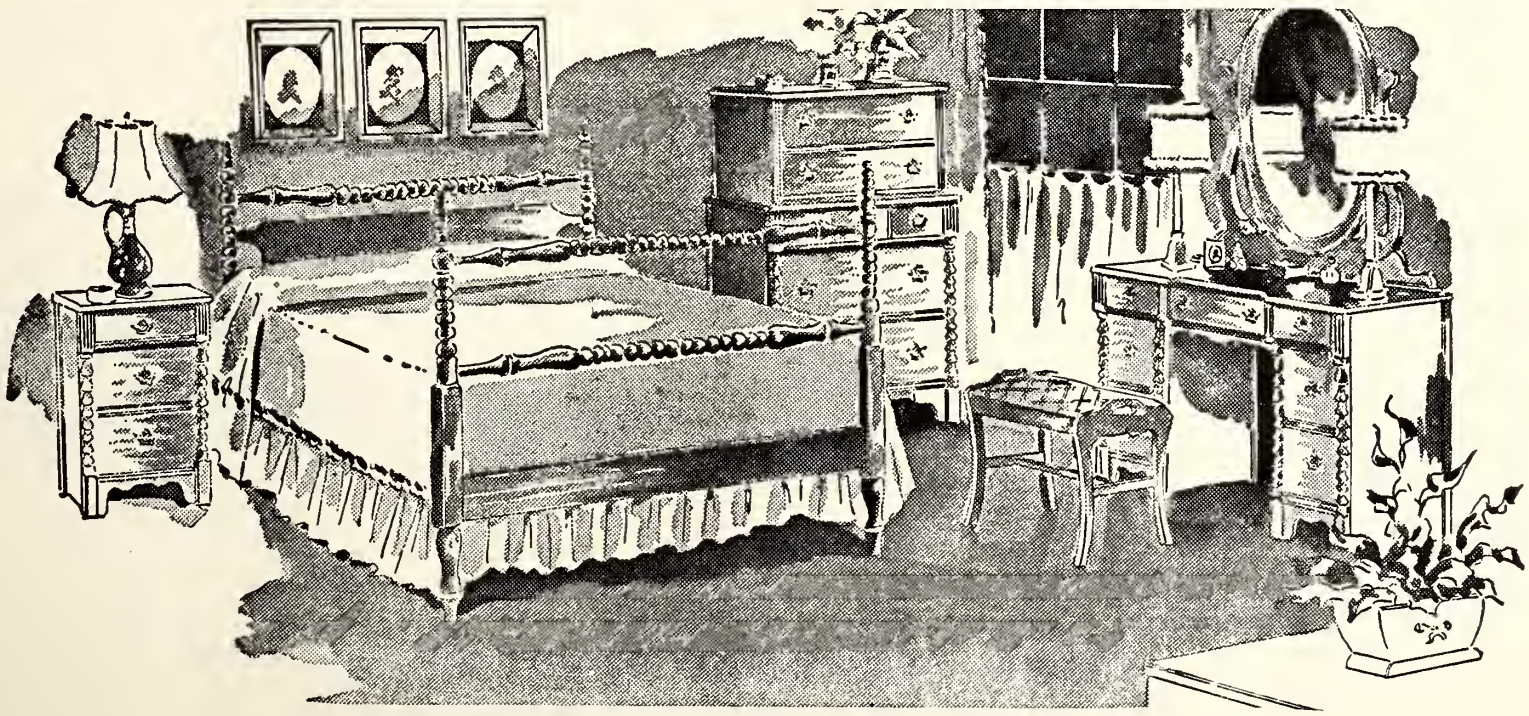

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## EDITORIALS

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### *The Hillel House at Chapel Hill*

A dream of many years was realized last month when the Hillel House on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill was dedicated. Some of those who began that dream have not lived to see its fulfillment. Among those is Sidney J. Stern, Sr., of Greensboro, who was the inspiring light of Hillel at Chapel Hill since it became a part of Jewish life at the University.

A perusal of the record of events leading to last month's dedication is most interesting and illuminating. It reads pretty much like a "Who's Who" of North Carolina Jewry, and the problems involved in the raising of what seemed in the early days, the gigantic sum of $4,000 were as acute as the latter-day attempts to secure pledges for many times that amount. However, all that is water over the dam and we now see the fruition of many years of heartbreak.

Hillel can be a tremendous factor in reclaiming Jewish youth for Judaism. Influencing as it does, the Jewish boy and girl in the formative period, the impressions of Jewish life gained at the college level are most important. You are no longer dealing with the callow youth, which accepts without argument. You have instead, a group that has learned to do its own thinking and hence requires more than glib phrases and candied promises for conviction. Hence, the work of Hillel is as important as any phase of Jewish work, holding out as it does, the promise of a fine return for the effort expended.

Hillel at Chapel Hill has struggled along valiantly with the poorest of facilities. The spirit of the group has been splendid, and now that all that has been remedied, we look for bigger things. The people of the State owe it to the students to use the new facilities as opportunities present themselves, for this is not just an edifice for the students of the Greater University, but for all North Carolina Jewry. Furthermore, the problems of financing of the venture are far from being solved, and it behooves everyone to do his utmost in this direction so that the financial phase of the operation does not interfere with the highest performance of the group. We know that all of us are besieged on all sides for "must" contributions, but we know of no other endeavor that holds out more return for the amount invested.

### *A Step in the Right Direction*

The Virginia State Senate, on February 29th last, adopted a resolution which, while it was far from ideal, at least placed the State on record in the matter of discriminatory advertising. The resolution imposed no penalities for violation of the sentiments adopted, and it may therefore be said to have little practical value. Nevertheless those who have been working diligently to get even this far are well satisfied with what they regard merely as a preliminary step—an entering wedge. The House of Delegates at this writing, had yet to act on the resolution.

The resolution says in part: "it is the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia that the publication, posting, broadcasting, circularizing, issuing, displaying, transmission or other dissemination or placing before the public of any commercial advertising to the effect that the patronage or custom of any person is, because of his religion, not welcome, or objectionable, or not solicited, is a reprehensible act which is calculated to foment discord and cause disunity in this time of grave peril to the State, and one which is strongly condemned by this body, which is dedicated to the preservation of all the liberties of the people of this Commonwealth against all enemies, foreign and domestic."

While, as has been previously said, there are no teeth in a resolution of this kind, it is somewhat of an achievement here in the South, even to get a State on record in such matters as this. We share with the proponents of the measure the hope that it is just a beginning of a campaign of education that may ultimately see more effective legislation. Meanwhile the State of Virginia has taken the lead in placing itself on record as to how it feels about discriminatory advertising.

### *Brith vs. Surgery*

The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America has recently issued a statement on the subject "Brith vs. Surgery" which has again raised an issue which has been present in most Jewish communities since time immemorial. It has to do with the question of whether circumcision is the province of the Mohel or the physician. There are portions of the statement which are open to question. For example, the point made that "a popular belief that a physician can perform a circumcision better than a Mohel has no basis in fact" is disputed by many physicians. The doctors argue that circumcision is definitely a surgical matter and consequently only those who have recognized ability to do surgery should be entrusted with the operation.

Here it is evident that there is a difference in thinking. According to the statement of the Union, "we Jews circumcise ourselves solely for religious reasons." Whether that concept would be acceptable to the average Jewish mother of a son, is questionable. She would possibly accept the premise, but would probably insist that, regardless, she would want the assurance that the operation be done with the maximum safeguards against injury to the child.

The problem has been handled in some communities by having the circumcision done by a Mohel, with a physician present. This is admittedly a cumbersome process. Charleston, South Carolina, took a different course, as was explained by Gilbert Klapperman, a rabbi of that city, in an interesting article that appeared in the March 1949 issue of this magazine. In it Rabbi Klapperman referred to an agreement that had been reached whereby the Jewish physicians of Charleston certified Mohels when an examination of their abilities and techniques gave assurance that it was safe for them to perform circumcisions.

There would seem to be two main points at issue. In all probability practice would be governed largely by the attitude

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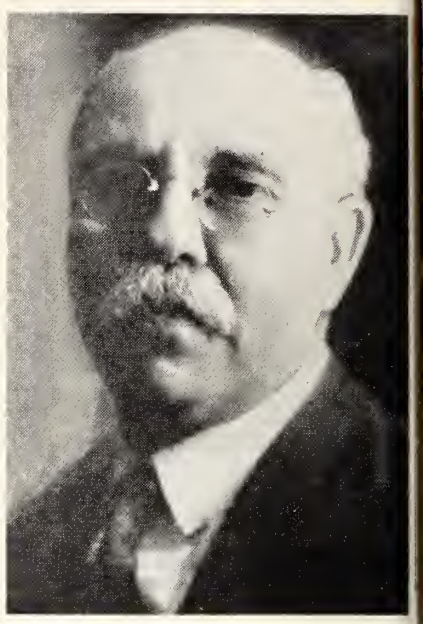

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The educational fund was set up by Sternberger's widow, Mrs. Bertha S. Sternberger in 1925, the year after his death.

In setting up the Emanuel Sternberger Educational Fund, Mrs. Sternberger believed that such a fund which would equip young men and women for useful service to their communities would be the best means of perpetuating her husband's memory. Her initial grant was $100,000 in United States bonds to the fund.

In establishing the fund, Mrs. Sternberger felt that it would provide young people with the educational advantages Sternberger treasured but didn't have the funds to pay for.

Sternberger came to America as a boy of 14, with a $100 stake provided him by his father, a school teacher in Germany. Through hard work, and with a brilliant flair for business, Sternberger built up the largest country store business in South Carolina.

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**With subsidies for educational purposes a topic of general interest today, this story of the Emanuel Sternberger Educational Fund is of interest. It tells a story of how members of a noted North Carolina family have enabled many men and women to secure higher learning, without which assistance the community might have been deprived of some of its most potent talent. —THE EDITOR.**

Later, at the turn of the century, he joined with the Cone family of Greensboro and set up Revolution Cotton Mills in Greensboro, today the world's largest cotton flannel plant.

At the time of his death, one newspaper editor wrote of his passing in these words: "E. Sternberger had the mind of a giant and the heart of a child."

His abilities and efforts were not only channeled into the business world. He was a warm, friendly, generous man, who was a liberal philanthropist to religious and charitable causes. He also found time to serve as governor of Rotary in North Carolina and first president of the Carolina Automobile Club.

Now his memory is being cherished by hundreds of North Carolinians who could not have finished their professional and vocational training without assistance from the Sternberger Fund.

Today, numbered among the fund's recipients are dozens of men and women who are occupying prominent places in their communities. One such person is Dean Rusk, former assistant secretary of state, and now president of the Rockefeller Foundation. Rusk was given a Sternberger Fund loan in the 1920's which enabled him to continue his education.

Other loan fund "alumni" include a West Point colonel; a syndicated newspaper columnist, an author, and more than 30 practicing physicians and dentists.

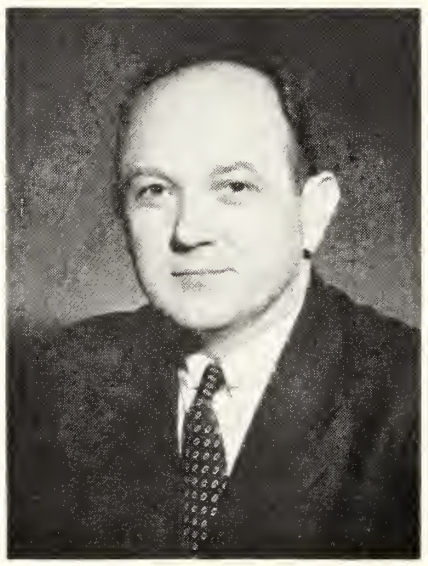
For the first 25 years, the fund made loans only to Guilford County residents. Now the fund's money can be loaned to any North Carolina resident.

One important regulation of the fund is that anyone may apply—there are no barriers of race, religion or creed.

Mrs. Sternberger in establishing the fund, definitely set down that the money should aid individuals, "of any age worthy of help without regard to their sex, race, creed, or religious beliefs," to obtain the advantages of higher education or training in professional lines for vocational purposes.

The fund is unique in that all loans are made without interest and carry no fixed time for repayment. They do not require any endorsements on the loan notes either.

What's more, loans are not made only to "A" students. For as Sidney A. Stern, Jr., secretary of the fund, explains: No premium is placed on scholarship. We are just as interested in sending someone to a watch-



DEAN RUSK

maker's school or business school as we are interested in sending them to professional schools. Our only emphasis is on the fact that the course they want to pursue should be vocational training."

In the professional fields, the loan fund has enabled hundreds of students to finish medical, dental, theological, military, engineering, teaching, nursing, and graduate schools.

In the nonprofessional fields, the educational fund has helped send young men and women through secretarial and business schools, beauty culture, watchmaking, poultry, and embalming schools.

Loan recipients have ranged in age from 18 to 56 and have studied at institutions scattered throughout North Carolina and the entire nation.

A partial list of schools attended by Sternberger alumni would include Wake Forest, Duke, Woman's College, Greensboro College, Harvard, the University of North Carolina, Yale, Columbia, Rochester, Clemson, A. and T. College, Bennett College, and Davidson, and Meharry.

In 1951, $9,895 was loaned to 28 applicants. This year, the same or an even larger amount is expected to be loaned.

The present trustees of the fund are C. M. Vanstory, president of the Security National Bank; D. E. Hudgins, chairman of the Greensboro school board; C. C. Fordham, Jr., president of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce; Robert H. Frazier, mayor of Greensboro; and George Blankstein, president of Temple Emmanuel in Greensboro.

The job of the trustees is a difficult one and they do their work without any sort of renumeration except for the satisfaction they get out of helping young people get an important start in life.

To date, 220 of the Sternberger loans have been paid back in full. Some alumni have indicated their gratitude for the help they received by voluntarily sending back additional funds to help swell the fund's total.

The sentiments of the Sternberger Fund recipients can best be summed up in the note Dean Risk sent to the trustees:

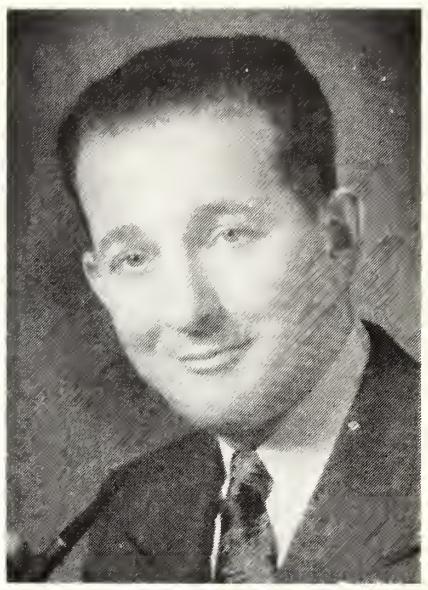
"I shall be eternally grateful to the Emanuel Sternberger Educational Fund for a student loan made at a time when the continuation of my educational studies was much in doubt," he wrote. "I know of no more constructive public service than such timely and encouraging assistance to young men who are struggling to equip themselves with the education they need to play a more useful role in our democratic society."

The generosity of the Sternberger family does not end with the educational fund. Today, Mrs. Edward Benjamin of New Orleans and Greensboro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Sternberger and her husband, Mr. Benjamin, are carrying on the generous philanthropies of her parents.

GORDON GRAY

# Hillel House Dedicated

## Cyril Jacobs Elected President of the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges at Annual Convention in Chapel Hill



CYRIL JACOBS

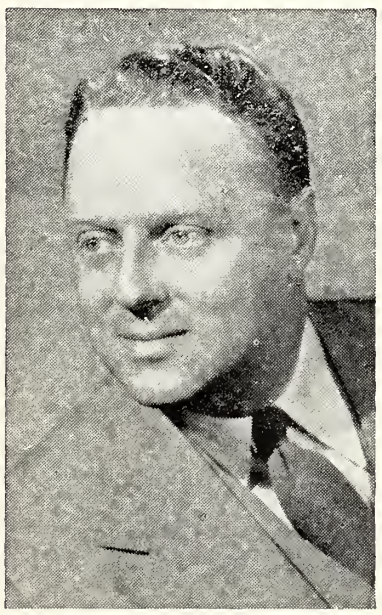
Cyril Jacobs, of Greensboro, was elected president of the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges at the annual convention held at Chapel Hill on April 19th and 20th. The meeting was held in conjunction with the dedication of the new Hillel House on the campus of the University of North Carolina, at which addresses were made by Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, National Hillel Director, Gordon Gray, president of the University, and Robert House, University Chancellor.

The convention of the N. C. Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges began Saturday night at the rooms of the Nathan Rosenstein Lodge in Durham. There was another business session at Hillel House, Chapel Hill on Sunday morning. Luncheon followed, at which the speakers were Melvin Harris and Julius Fisher, president and secretary respectively, of the Fifth District Grand Lodge, B'nai B'rith.

The banquet of the N. C. Association was held Sunday night at the Carolina Inn, and Rabbi Lelyveld again was the speaker. At the same time a banquet of the Hillel student group was held at the Hillel House, at which awards were made by Rabbis Lelyveld and Perlman. At the Association banquet Melvin Harris installed the newly elected officers, as well as Mrs. Maurice A. Weinstein, who is president of the newly formed, and first Woman's Chapter in the State, at Charlotte.

In addition to Mr. Jacobs, the following officers for the state association were elected: Dr. Philip Naumhoff, Charlotte, 1st vice-president; A. E. Schwartz, Winston-Salem, 2nd vice president; Leon Moel, Durham, 3rd vice-president; Samuel Hyman, High Point, secretary; Ellis Farber, Scottland Neck, treasurer.

The dedication program had Rabbi Jerome Mark, Gastonia, giving the invocation, Rabbi Pesacg Kraus, Durham, reading from the Scriptures, and Rabbi Fred I. Rypins, Greensboro, giving the benediction. Greetings were extended by Gordon Gray, president of the Greater Universities, Robert House, chancellor, George Blankstein, Melvin Harris, and Leon Moel. Keys to the new



RABBI ARTHUR J. LELYVELD

Hillel House were presented by Ben Krieger, the recipients being the heads of the four Hillel groups—Theodore Frankel, University of North Carolina, Miss Marilyn Tolochko, Women's College, Herbert Saywitz, State College, and Garry Goldstein, Duke University. Acceptance was by Mr. Frankel. A Dedication Prayer was offered by Rabbi Samuel Perlman, Hillel Director at Chapel Hill for the past four years. A musical selection was rendered by a quartette, under the leadership of William Whitesides. Joe Hanchrow, president of the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges, introduced the speaker, Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, New York, National Hillel Director. A reception followed, after which a Dedication Play, written by Albert R. Klein, was staged. The title of the play was "If Not Now," and it portrayed the history and scope of the Hillel movement.

The Hillel House was begun in September of last year and is on the site of a previous House, which was removed a couple of years ago. It is the culmination of many years of planning. Cy Girard, Gastonia, is chairman of the Fund Raising Committee.

Rabbi Lelyveld, at his Dedication address, said in part: "The building we are dedicating for the Jewish students at the University of North Carolina is not a barricade, shutting out the world. It is not a block-house for defense against hostility. Nor is it a refuge for the escapists and the weak. This building is a Hillel Foundation; at its best it will be a powerhouse of the Jewish spirit, generating Jewish knowledge and ideals, and radiating the distinctive contributions of the Jewish value heritage into a world that desperately needs new moral directions.

"In this Hillel building the Jewish young men and women of the University of North Carolina will come to understand these ideals and values which find emphasis and life in the 4,000 year heritage of Israel. Into it they will invite their friends and fellow students of all races and creeds to share their aspirations for mankind's future, to dream new dreams together and to work together for their realization. Out of it there will emerge self-respecting self-knowing young men and women, equipped as Jews to make positive contributions to the democratic society for which their generation constitutes the chief hope."

Rabbi Lelyveld of New York City, is well-known in Jewish communal and educational circles throughout the country.

ROBERT HOUSE

Formerly Rabbi of Temple Israel in Omaha, Nebraska, Rabbi Lelyveld was called to serve as Executive Director and National Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine of the Zionist Organization of America in 1944. In that post, he travelled to every State of the Union and directed a nationwide program of education and interpretation of the idea of a Jewish State. In Omaha, he headed the Industrial Relations Committee of the Omaha Urban League, was Chairman of the Omaha Fair Employment Practice Council and served as Public Panel Chairman for the War Labor Board. He is Chairman of the Committee on Rabbinical Recruitment of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

A member of the Executive Committee of the American Zionist Youth Commission and of the Board of Governors of the Brandeis Youth Foundation, he is also founder of the National Federation of Temple Youth and was at one time editor of **The Youth Leader,** published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

A native of New York City, Rabbi Lelyveld attended Columbia University where he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in 1933. Continuing his studies at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, he was ordained as Rabbi and received the degree of M. H. L. in 1939.

Rabbi Lelyveld came to Hillel as Associate National Director in 1946 and succeeded Dr. A. L. Sachar in the National Directorship on January 1, 1948. He is the autnor of several articles in the **Universal Jewish Encyclopedia;** and is a member of the Publications Committee of the Jewish Publications Society of America.

During the Fall of 1951, Rabbi Lelyveld travelled to Israel, the European Continent and Great Britain. While in Israel, he established the new Hillel Foundation at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and travelled through the new State from the northern Galil to the southern Negev.

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# Daniel Deronda

## *On the 75th Anniversary of Its Publication*

### *By* Dr. D. M. Gelber

**In the light of the amount of attention which the State of Israel is commanding, this article, much of which has to do with George Eliot's sympathetic espousal of a Jewish homeland, in her "Daniel Deronda," is of more than usual interest. It is reprinted from the December 1951 issue of "Zion," published by the World Zionist Organization in Jerusalem.—THE EDITOR**

### In Two Parts — Part One

The year 1829 saw a fundamental change in British political and other circles in regard to the Jewish question in relation to the problem of the Middle East.

The causes of this change must be sought in Great Britain's political interests in the Near East and the Puritan ideology, which was centered around the Bible and accompanied by a special spiritual approach by the British to the Jews. Since Puritanism was the centre of the spiritual forces which placed their stamp on the formation of modern England, it is not surprising that the reading of the holy scriptures of the Jewish people brought the British nearer to Judaism and strengthened their belief in the Prophetic assurances to the Jewish people of the return to its ancient homeland—Eretz Israel. This belief had also led to granting the Jews permission to return to England in the 17th century, which had to precede their return to Eretz Israel. In the political field this engendered the view that Britain had to assist the Jews to return to their country.

When therefore political conditions in the years 1838-1840, flowing from the wars of Mohammed Ali, made it necessary to deal with the Eastern question, a strong movement originated in England for the restoration of the Jews, in which well-known politicians played an important part and which found warm support among the British public. The general developments prevented the carrying out of these plans, but nevertheless the idea remained popular in those British quarters that believed in the Bible. They fervently hoped that when the occasion arose, Britain would really take the initiative for the return of the Jews to their homeland. And every time some opportunity recurred in British foreign policy the matter was discussed by the British public.

At the time of the Crimean war (1855) the British politicians and authors, Andrew Johnstone, George Gawler and Lord Shaftesbury advocated the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine; which they considered the only possibility of bringing a stable peace into the Levant. A Jewish administration in Palestine would, according to Gawler, also be advantageous to Britain's strategic interests as the Jews would never oppose them in the Levant.

The upheavals in the Middle East, the political repercussions of which

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WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

# Cups for Mrs. Dashkin

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

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Abe Dashkin was one of Willie Cohen's best friends, lived in the same tenement, played ball and other games on the same team and attended Mrs. Kelly's class at the neighborhood public school. So, when Abe told Willie he couldn't make the important punchball game we had scheduled after school, Willie's heart almost fell apart. "Why?" he asked.

He said his mother had been taken down with a bad cold and he'd have to be with her as much as possible.

"Isn't there anyone who can stay with her, an aunt or some other relative until we finish the game?" Willie asked selfishly, not realizing what he was asking at the time.

Abe shook his head, not saying a word. Mr. Dashkin had gone to business that morning after his wife almost pushed him out of the house. He knew she had a cold but she would have none of his tarrying around.

"Oh, it's only a small cold. I'll be all right and when you come home tonight, it'll be gone, as if nothing happened. Supper you'll have home and don't worry, there won't be any germs in it either." He got every assurance, walked off reluctantly, just like Abe when he left for school that morning.

But Abe was worried when he got home at noon. He could see his mother was worse, uneasy, worn. He wanted to stay home that afternoon but Mrs. Dashkin wouldn't have it, insisted on his perfect attendance record not being spoiled because of her, Hence, off he went, downhearted because he knew his mother was seriously ill and it was more than a slight cold.

He wasn't the smartest fella in his class. Neither was Willie, for that matter. So he kept his mouth shut, wondering and then forgetting. Until that afternoon when Abe sprang it on his friend just like that.

His mother's illness presented a bad situation for our team. Abe was what we called a socker, one who could bang a softball out yonder with his fists that even had Whitey Goldstein, our crack outfielder, sprinting a mile a minute at practice.

Willie said, "What are we going to do? We can't get a second baser or hitter as good as you the last minute. We were counting on you to help us beat the Whirlwinds and you know how important every man is against an ace team like that."

"Yeah, I know, but can I help it? You'd do the same if you were in my boots," he said. He was right. Abe and Willie were thicker than just mere friends. One would be in the other's house when the fellas weren't around to schmoos, chew the fat, or play a game. They'd manage to keep busy and Abe's mother got to treating Willie like a second son. His mother liked Abe as much, she used to say. "You can have anything and everything I give Willie. You're just like one of my own, Abe, so help yourself to whatever you want: a piece of bread, an apple, banana, milk, anything. Don't be bashful, like you wouldn't be in your own home, you know."

Abe wore glasses and was not a good looking fella. He was slightly taller than Willie with light hair and fair skin. Adolescent pimples dotted his face, the hair on his face was now growing below the ear. He could feel a light fuzz and knew it would not be long before he'd be scraping a sharp blade against his jaw. He had his mother's mouth and nose, but she had darker hair and was built heavier, all over.

Well, anyway, to get back to Abe telling Willie the bad news on the way home from school, Willie had a worried look on his face and said, "Gee, what are we going to do? That's what I'd like to know!"

There was no sign of a word from Abe's lips. Willie could see he had his mind upstairs, four flights up, where he lived and his mother was all alone waiting anxiously for him to step into the house.

Silence on Abe's part gave Willie time to think, and that's what he did for a block and a half, until they came to their stoop. They were inside the hall now and as they were about to start up the first flight of stairs Willie turned to Abe and said, "I'm going to tell Ma about your mother's cold, Abe. Be right up."

Mrs. Cohen was usually at the butcher's at this hour and that's where Willie knew he'd find her. He left Abe and ankled down the street to the store with the Kosher Bosher sign. There she was, as he expected, sitting on a bench against the wall conversing with several women from the neighborhood. It was idle chatter, gossip usually about this one's daughter or that one's son, or grandchildren.

Some of the women he knew. Not that it mattered, because Willie didn't lose any time telling his mother what was on his mind. "And she's real sick," he concluded.

"No!" they said in chorus, searching Willie's face, studying it to see if he were fooling, playing some kind of a joke.

The butcher, Mr. Schwartz, chimed in. "So that's why I haven't seen Mrs. Dashkin for the last two days. So that's it! Why doesn't somebody tell **me** these things?"

Thinking quickly, Mrs. Cohen suddenly became a beehive of activity. She said to Mr. Schwartz, "Send Mrs. Dashkin up a chicken like she usually orders and don't forget it should be clean like the top of your head. I'll be up there in five or ten minutes to make her some soup and see that she gets attention right away." None of the others seated around volunteered to do anything, which was all right with Mrs. Cohen. She would rather no one was in her way; she would not have a clear field to work in if one or two of the women decided to join and help out.

She rushed out of the store and said, "Come, Willie. I've got to go to the barber shop a minute."

"Barber shop?" he looked at her in stark amazement. What could she be wanting a hair-cutting shop, of all places? And now, of all times? he wondered.

"I'm going to see that she gets bancus," Mrs. Cohen said.

"Bancus? What's that?" Willie said. He wondered if he was hearing right. His mother tried to explain quickly as best she knew how.

"Bancus. Bancus. You'll see when we get there." Her mind was running ahead of her. Her feet were transporting her heavy body with precision. They cut time in half, rushing to the shop a block away on the avenue. There Willie, eager-beaver eyed, saw the sign in the window: "Expert Cupping." On a board in the window he saw two dozen glass cups lined up in columns. The only other signs visible were "Expert Barber, George Orkin, Prop."

The owner, who was busy clipping a child's hair on the first chair, didn't say much. "Take a seat until your next!" he commanded when they entered. Two other barbers were busy and three customers were waiting their turn in seats lined against the green wall.

"I can only stay a minute," Mrs. Cohen told the owner. "I've got to rush along because my friend is sick. I want you to come over soon as you can and give her bancus."

The owner stopped clipping the child's hair, turned to Mrs. Cohen and said, "Sorry, lady, I can't get away for hours, until maybe nine, ten o'clock tonight, if you want to wait till then."

"She can't wait," Mrs. Cohen insisted. "She'll have pneumonia by nine, ten o'clock. Then she'll have to go to the hospital and you know how they treat you in a hospital.

Mr. Orkin was very sympathetic but would not yield. "Sorry, lady, but I only do bancus when I have the time to get away. You see I can't leave now and the way it's been going today, I'll be lucky if I eat supper by ten, eleven o'clock."

Mrs. Cohen was puzzled, but her mind was not idle.

"Can I rent the cups?" she asked without hesitation.

"Sure! Why not? Save me a lot of trouble going to the house. When I'm not busy, lady, you know I don't mind. But today is one of my busy days and pneumonia or no penumonia, I haven't got time for bancus. Haircuts come first. Shaves, too. But bancus only when I got spare time."

"I'll do it myself then. Please tell me what I should do and I'll do it." This was her only alternative, brash as it might seem.

Mrs. Cohen's willingness impressed Mr. Orkin. He stopped working the scissors, directed Mrs. Cohen and her son to the back of the store, through the red portieres where he had his equipment.

He took three dozen glass cups off a shelf and put them in a large brown paper bag. "You'll have to leave me two dollars for deposit, and when you bring them back, I'll take off a quarter for the use of them. But you'll have to bring them back tomorrow. If not it'll cost you another quarter for each day. Is that all right?"

Mrs. Cohen said, "Sure, sure it's all right." This was no time for bargaining, which she would have done under other circumstances. "Now tell me what to do when I get home," she said.

"All this should take is five minutes, ten at most," Mr. Orkin

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said. "Now, when you get home," he began and Mrs. Cohen and her son moved up close to him so they wouldn't miss a word. "When you get home, the first thing you do is to get a tub of lukewarm water. Now see that it isn't too hot; just lukewarm, to take the chill out of the air in the cups.

"Take a cup of alcohol and light a candle and put them on a table near the patient. Then take a small, thin stick or a long nail and wrap some wadding cotton around the tip. Fasten this cotton tight with ordinary sewing cotton. Then dip the tip with the cotton on it into the alcohol and put it to the flame. Rub the lit cotton tip against the inside of the cup and this will remove the cold air and give suction. Then place the cup on the back or side of the body quickly. The cup will draw out the cold from the system through the skin and you've got enough cups for the back and chest, if you need to put them on the chest, and the sides, too."

'How long do you leave the cups on?"

'Ten minutes or so is enough. If you leave them on any longer the patient will get blisters and sores on the skin, and that's not good!"

"That's enough! I understand," Mrs. Cohen said, taking two dollars from her purse and handing it to Mr. Orkin. "Thanks and good luck," he said, returning to the child in the first chair.

Mrs. Cohen and her son smilingly walked out. They were on their way home. Willie could see his mother's lips moving, as if to repeat the instructions given her. She didn't want to miss a single step, for each move was important in achieving the final effect.

They didn't bother stopping on the third floor, where they lived. They just kept on climbing another flight with one objective in mind. Their entire systems were tuned for it and they were anxious to get started.

When they got to the Dashkin's flat, Abe was heating up a kettle of water for tea. He looked worried, pale and his pimples seemed to have suddenly grown in size.

"Water you're boiling? Good," Mrs. Cohen said, taking the kettle off the stove and pouring a cup of water out for her purpose. It was a large cup, just what she wanted.

"Did the chicken come yet?" she inquired. "It came a few minutes ago. I wondered who ordered it?" Abe said. "We didn't, but I should've known it was you."

Mrs. Cohen was all set for action. She turned to Abe and Willie and said, "Now you boys go downstairs, go to the library, play a game, do anything, maybe go for a walk, do anything, so long as you're not in the house."

They had had a date to play the Whirlwinds and now that everything was in hand, Mrs. Cohen's hands, that's exactly what they were prepared to do. The game was about to start when they hit street air again. Abe and Willie didn't lose any time getting to their positions. Between innings, when their side was up and Abe wasn't at bat or on base, he ran up to his flat to see how everything was going. He was up and down the four flights in less time than it takes to eat a charlotte ruse, and who didn't like charlotte ruses.

"Your mother said she couldn't let me in," Abe told Willie on his return. "She wants to wait at least a half an hour or more before open-


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ing the door. Said she didn't want any drafts to get in."

The game took more than an hour with Abe running upstairs every ten or fifteen minutes, whenever he knew he wouldn't be missed. Willie saw him leave and tried to find out what was new when he came down. Each time it was the same. "Your mother wouldn't let me in. Tells me to come back later. Doesn't want any drafts. They're dangerous she said and I gotta wait till later."

When they finally licked the Whirlwinds by a score of ten to two, Abe and Willie shot up the stairs two at a time, Willie right behind Abe like a shadow. Mrs. Cohen now let them in and there was Mrs. Dashkin sitting up in bed having hot chicken soup. Mrs. Cohen was preparing the cooked chicken with string beans on a special plate for her.

"How ya feeling, Ma?" Abe asked, trying not to show the persistent concern that had been his since Mrs. Cohen had assumed charge.

"How can you feel when you got a cold? Good it can't be!"

"Better not tell Papa anything," Mrs. Cohen said to Abe. "Just leave everything on the stove, and when he comes home you can give him supper and also take for yourself."

Abe said, "All right" willingly, and Mrs. Cohen assured him that tomorrow the sun would shine brighter. "Your mother will be much better in the morning but when Papa comes home tonight, tell him she's sleeping and shouldn't be bothered by anyone. He should sleep with you tonight and you should both give her a complete rest."

Mrs. Cohen's advice was heeded and the next morning, when Willie came up with her to see how everything was progressing, Abe was all dressed and ready for school. Mr. Dashkin had gone to business, as usual, happy his wife was feeling much better, taking everything in his stride. She wasn't entirely better, but she was well enough to get up and move around. She never liked being pinned down to one spot for any length of time; only near death warnings could do this to her.

"Willie," Mrs. Cohen said. "On your way to school bring back the cups to Mr. Orkin and get the change from the two dollars."

"Are you going to stay with Abe's mother this morning?"

"Yes. We'll talk and maybe make a glass of hot tea with lemon. We'll manage."

Before Willie left he heard his

**Dr. Jorge Garcia-Granados, often called the "father" of the historic United Nations Resolution of November, 1947 that paved the way for establishment of the State of Israel, has just arrived in this country from Jerusalem to participate in the United Jewish Appeal's nationwide campaign. Dr. Garcia-Granados, who visited the Jewish State as a guest of the Israel Government, will report to UJA campaign communities on Israel's needs.**

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mother ask Mrs. Dashkin about the supper. "How did your husband like the soup and chicken?"

"He said I'm a better cook when I'm sick and don't spend so much time at the butcher's arguing about the meat. See, he says, when you're sick he sends you up a chicken that's got a taste to it and not like an old cripple ready for the grave. Um! That's a butcher for you!"

Mrs. Cohen laughed and shook her head. "Noo, that's a man for you! What goes on in the kitchen is your business. The house also is your business, but the kitchen comes first. Everything else is your husband's business. Now, if you listen to me, keep your businesses separated and you'll both be very happy a hundred years from now."

"But I must tell him I didn't make the chicken."

"Look," Mrs. Cohen said. "What men don't know will fill a library. What women don't know will fill a book, but every day we're learning something new. Now who would think last week, this time, I would become a bancus handler?"

"Who would think it? Who should have it on his mind? The things that happen unexpectedly, I don't know. I just don't know."

As Abe and Willie started to leave, Mrs. Cohen said, slightly above a whisper, "Bancus, shmancus, as long as you feel better."

Mrs. Cohen made a close inspection of Mrs. Dashkin's back and chest. She came out of the bedroom satisfied there were no burns, picked up the bag with the cups, handed it to her son with a word for the barber.

"When you get the deposit money back, tell Mr. Orkin thanks, I hope we never have to use them again. But if we do, the next time he can trust me without making a deposit. The nerve of him! After all, so many people trust me, he could have done it even if he didn't know me. I should have given him our address and he could have seen for himself where we live. What a nice house and the kind of people in it. But it's all over now and like I said, I hope we never hear or see from bancus again!"

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The Jewish community of Gettingen, in the French zone, has taken legal action against the Mayor of the town of Imbshaussen, whom it accused of erecting a house with tombstones he looted from an adjacent Jewish cemetery under the Nazi regime.

In his reply, the Mayor stated that he had used only broken tombstones and that he did not realize that he had no right to use them. The court ordered the Mayor to demolish the building and restore the tombstones to the cemetery.

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# NEWS *of the* CAROLINAS

## GREENSBORO, N. C.

MRS. A. F. KLEIN

Mrs. A. F. Klein, for many years active in women's organizational work in the state of North Carolina, was signally honored when she was elected president of the 8th District, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, on March 23rd, climaxing the convention of that body, which was held in Greensboro, in conjunction with the Regional Conference of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Officers are:

President, Mrs. A. F. Klein, Greensboro, N. C.; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Ira Spear, Baltimore, Md.; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Julian Mayer, Roanoke, Va.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Max Miller, Greensboro; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Goodman, Washington, D. C.; Treasurer, Mrs. Leo Blumberg, Wilmington, Del.; Auditor, Mrs. Bernard Sachs.

## Necrology

### GEORGE EDWARDS

George Edwards, formerly of Greensboro, passed away in a hospital in Philadelphia on March 15 after an extended illness.

A resident of Greensboro for 30 years, Mr. Edwards had made his home in Darby, Pa. with a son, Albert Edwards, since 1949. In addition to the son in Darby, he is survived by two other sons, Joseph Edwards of Durham and Ralph Edwards of Fitzgerald, Ga., a daughter, Mrs. B. Bluhm of Latta, S. C., one sister, one brother, and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rabbi F. I. Rypins of Temple Emanuel, with burial in the Greensboro Hebrew Cemetery.

### RABBI LEO GEIGER

Many members of the Greensboro Jewish community were shocked to learn of the sudden death on April 12th, of Rabbi Leo Geiger. Rabbi Geiger endeared himself to the hearts of many during his chaplaincy at O. R. D. here in 1945. He has made his home in Albany, N. Y., where he has been serving as rabbi for the past two years. He is survived by his wife and three children.

### MRS. LOTTIE BAACH LINDAU

Mrs. Lottie Baach Lindau, 82, passed away on March 28, after an illness of several weeks.

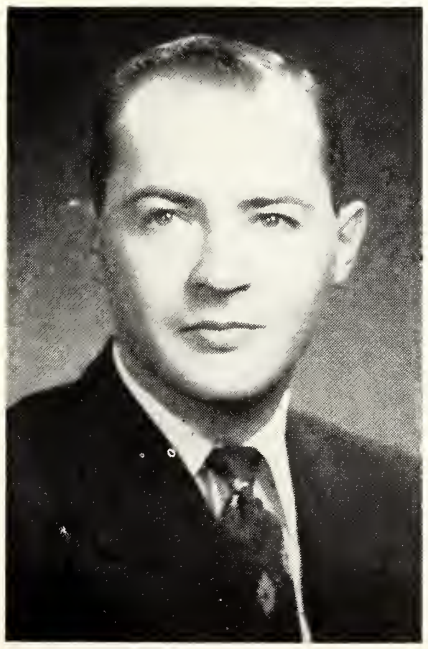
A resident of Greensboro for over 50 years, Mrs. Baach had been prominent in civic and religious affairs for many years. She is survived by three sons, two daughters, several sisters and brothers and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rabbi F. I. Rypins of Temple Emanuel, with services at the Greensboro Hebrew Cemetery.

## Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Mayer announce the engagement of their only daughter, Lora, and Irving Silver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Silver of High Point, N. C. The wedding will take place in June.

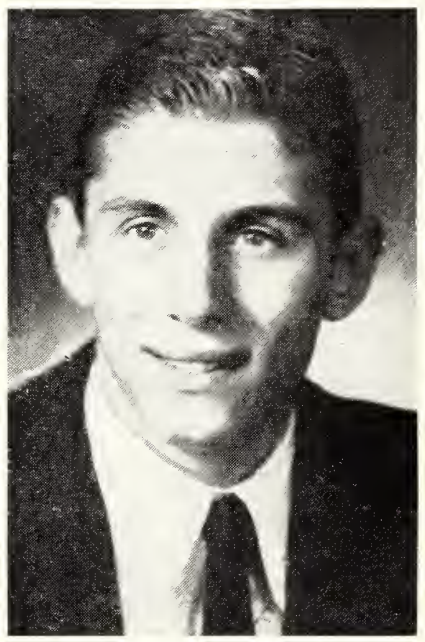
Miss Mayer, who came here from Wilmington, Delaware with her parents several months ago, is completing her freshman year at Woman's College, where she is studying voice. Pvt. Silver is stationed at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Miss. He has been in the service for the past year. He attended the University of N. C. at Chapel Hill and received his B. A. degree in music from New York University.



ALBERT ROSE

Albert Rose, well-known and well-liked resident of Greensboro was in the spot-light as Finance Chairman of the Greensboro Junior Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the Greater Greensboro Golf Tournament which was held at Starmount Forest Country Club last month.

It was Al's responsibility to see to it that his organization came out in the black when the tournament was over, and judging from the reports, he seems to have done a fine job.



BARRY FARBER

Barry Farber was elected editor of the Daily Tar Heel, University of North Carolina student newspaper, by a landslide vote.

Barry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Farber, polled 1,786 votes. His nearest rival was David Buckner, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Buckner of 303 West Greenway North, who received 504 votes. Beverly Baylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Baylor of 106 Elmwood Drive, was third with 343 votes.

Farber, a Senior, has spent all of his undergraduate years at the university. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a candidate for re-election as president of the Monogram Club, a letterman in varsity wrestling, charter member and vice-president of the Press Club and secretary of the Order of the Old Well.

## Sherold Klein Honored

Sherold Klein, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Klein, was presented with the Shield of David Award, the second A. Z. A. member in North Carolina to win this award. The presentation took place during the observance of BBYO Sabbath at Beth David Synagogue on Friday evening, April 18, in which members of the local Sigmund

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# VISITING *Around Greensboro*

*By* MIN KLEIN

Passover brought its visitors into our community—guests at the Herman Temkos were Ida's mother, two sisters and their families, and Mimi, who came from NYC where she's been happily employed for several months. Sally Isaacson, to whom the same applies, was home for the occasion; we also saw Mollye Peck and Elizabeth (Sternberger) Weinstein, and we're certain that many more families had visitors to help enjoy the matzo balls . . . Away on vacation were the Milton Weinsteins who were in Bermuda, together with the other two Weinstein brothers and their wives, the David Weinsteins from Bristol, and the Albert Weinsteins from Nashville . . .

A "welcome home again" to Larry Cohen who has come back to Our Town for residence, bringing his lovely Ellen with him to become a part of our busy community . . .

Farewells were said by many friends to the Al Jacobsons who will now reside in Norfolk while Al is once again serving Uncle Sam via the Navy . . . Serving in another way are two busy rabbis in the community—Rabbi Kling spoke in Durham recently before the Beth El Synagogue PTA, Rabbi Rypins addressed the Young People of the Evangelical and Reform Church, and to the Friends' Church . . . Both Rabbis are much in demand as speakers . . . We heard many satisfying comments on the Passover observances in our community and it was good to know of the number of our families who celebrated with their own Seder. Both Temple Emanuel and Beth David Sisterhoods did a swell job of preparing the Seders there . . .

Sisterhood at Temple Emanuel heard reports of the recently held convention and elected three new officers for the coming year, with Laura Weinstein as president, Margie Camras, vice-president, and Joan Steel corresponding secretary. The other officers were elected last year to serve through this year—Ellen Marks, recording secretary; Adele Rosenberg, treasurer, and Fannie Love, auditor . . .Beth David Sisterhood had two representatives at the conference in Richmond, Va. of the Seaboard Region of the National Women's League, United Synagogue. President Blanche Lyon was the delegate and Goldie Zager was alternate. Rabbi and Mrs. Kling also attended as well as some of the Religious School teachers—all reported it to be an inspiring and stimulating event . . . Beth David Men's Club conducted the Sabbath services on April 4 and had a fine turnout in attendance . . .

Temple Emanuel Brotherhood met for their monthly dinner and annual election report. Charles Roth is the president-elect, with David Rothschild as vice-president, Marshall Solomon, secretary and Arnold Marks, treasurer. Trustees are Bert Levy, Edgar Marks, and Nat Labell . . . B'nai B'rith also held its election meeting. Ben Krieger is president, Bob Berbert, vice-president, Ed Feiner, recording secretary, Al Mazo, corresponding secretary, George Breslau, treasurer, I. M. Karesh, retiring president, is chaplain; Isidor Goldman of Burlington, warden; Marshall Solomon, guardian, and Albert Rose, member of the Hillel board of North Carolina. San Prago installed the incoming officers.

Our community grows—another youth group has come into being and we wish them luck. The Young Judaeans have just been organized by Rabbi Kling, with Florence Jacobson as their leader. Susan Levine is the club's first president; Marsha Greenberg, vice-president; Joanne Bloom, recording secretary; Donna Hinchee, corresponding secretary; and Dee Dee Samet, treasurer. Melvin Kriegsman, publicity chairman, gives out the information that meetings will be held on the first and third Sundays of each month, and anyone wishing to have more information on this new group, is to contact the president, Susan Levine . . . Highlights of the month for the Council of Jewish Women in Our Town was the tea and children's fashion show held at Temple Eman-

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A scene from the tremendously successful B. B. G. Cabaret held at Temple Emanuel, Greensboro, April 5th. Left to right: Suzanne Dryzer, Anne Falk, and Bess Bach in "Poppa Come Home to Momma."


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# Annual Debutante Ball

## May 18th -:- Shrine Club -:- High Point

The High Point Section of the Council of Jewish Women will present its annual Debutante Ball Sunday night, May 18, at the High Point Shrine Club. The young ladies from various parts of North Carolina who are this year making their debuts are pictured herewith. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this impressive affair, which will begin at 9 p.m. Let's all put down this date on our list of important engagements.

Evelyn Greenberg of Greensboro
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Greenberg
escorted by Kenneth M. Myers
Miami, Florida

Margie Libby Goldman of Greensboro
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goldman
escorted by Joel Fleishman
Chapel Hill

Frances Ann Cohen of Winston Salem
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Izzy Cohen
escorted by Roger William Ackerman
Chapel Hill

Barbara Prago of Greensboro
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Prago
escorted by Cadet Joe Chase
Charleston, S. C.

Victoria Ann Wagger of High Point
daughter of Mrs. Israel David Wagger
escorted by Seymour Bane
Raleigh

Joan Lee Robin of Winston-Salem
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sam Robin
escorted by Bernard Don Herman
Winston-Salem

Peggy Ann Tobias of High Point
daughter of Mrs. Sam Tobias
escorted by Herbert Scheyer Wainer
Winston-Salem

Rochelle Katzin of Winston-Salem
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Katzin
escorted by Morton Ershler
High Point

Dorothy Coplon of New Bern
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Coplon
escorted by Arthur Kaufman
Durham

Hilda Agusta Goldiner of Cherryville
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Goldiner
escorted by Henry A. Lowet
Winston-Salem

Lenore Green of Raleigh
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isidore J. Green
escorted by Henry Harris Shavitz
High Point

Jean Kanter of Kinston (W. C.)
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kanter
escorted by Richard Harvey Swartzberg
High Point

Millicent Cooley of Asheville (W. C.)
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cooley
escorted by Earl Weiner
Shreveport, Louisiana

Arlene Isobel Levy of Winston-Salem
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nat H. Levy
of Washington, D. C.
escorted by Robert Goldberg
Greensboro

Rachel Mildred Katzin of Winston-Salem
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Leazer Katzin
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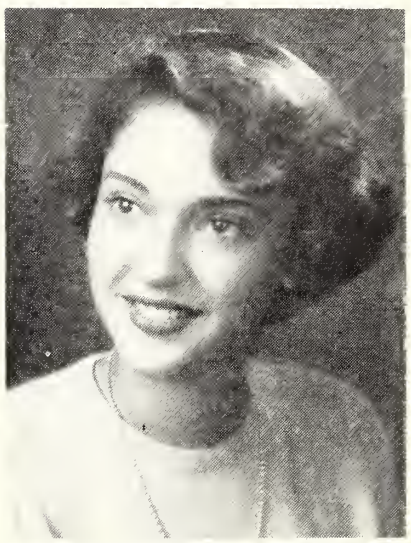

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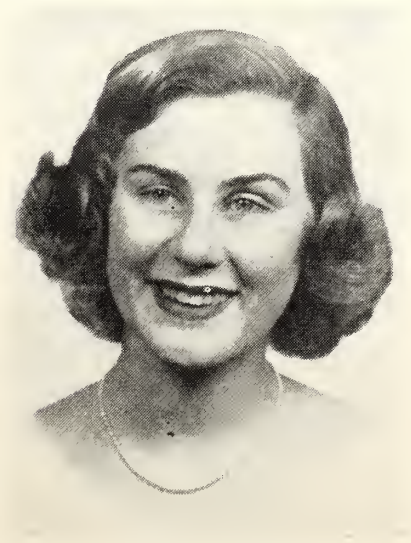

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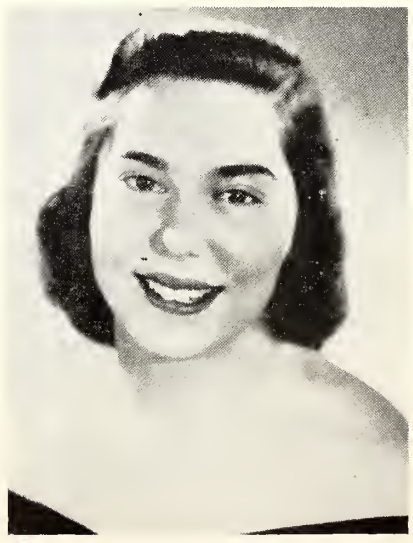

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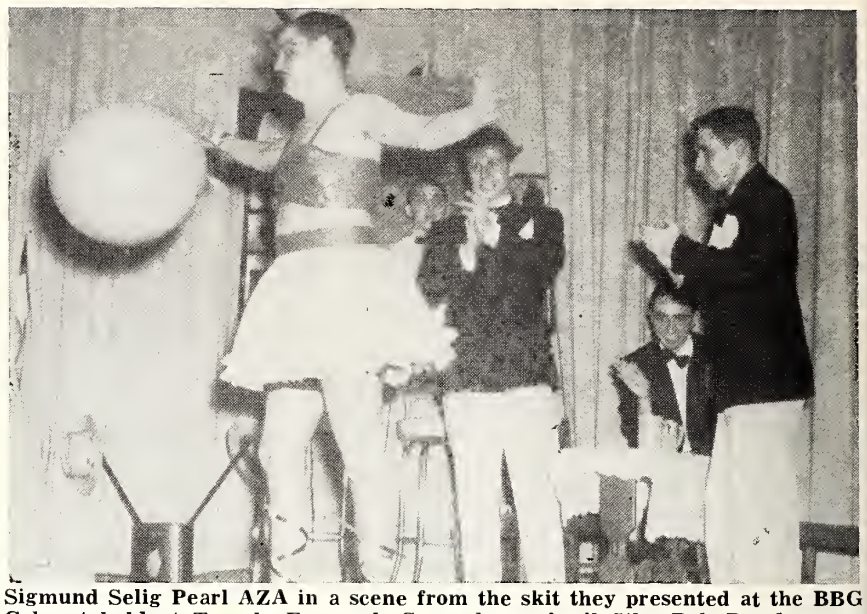

**Sigmund Selig Pearl AZA in a scene from the skit they presented at the BBG Cabaret held at Temple Emanuel, Greensboro, April 5th. Bob Pearlman as the bubble dancer; Sherold Klein as the bar tender; Ronnie Kriegsman and Bob Goldberg as the singers and Lutz Mayer as the violinist.**

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## Charlotte, N. C.

Charlotte Hadassah held its 13th Annual Donor, at a luncheon in the Temple Israel Assembly Hall. The program consisted of "A Calvacade of Hadassah" directed by Mrs. Leon Firestone and Mrs. Daniel Retchin, with Mrs. Joseph Greenspan at the piano. Campaign chairmen were Mesdames Paul Stewart and Maurice A. Weinstein; donor chairmen were Mesdames Philip Bernstein and Morris Speizman. Mrs. I. Ashendor is president.

Rev. Edward A. Cahill, of the Unitarian Church, was guest preacher at Temple Israel during the absence of Rabbi Tofield, on March 19. "Moral Fatigue" was the subject of his sermon.

Dr. George A. Douglas, Coordinator of the Charlotte Family Life Council, led the discussion at the March meeting of the United Synagogue Youth at Temple Israel. The group meets every other Sunday. Phyllis Ashendorf is president. Program chairman, Myrna Smith, presented a technicolor film at one of the meetings. Carol Lois Schaffer is secretary and publicity chairman and Oren Manning is treasurer.

The Temple Israel Men's Club had as their guest speaker at the March 26 meeting, Rabbi Nathan Hershfield of Temple Beth El. George Brownstein, program chairman, presented Rabbi Hershfield. Supper was arranged by Edward Hirsch. Manny Guller is president of the group.

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The Mr. and Mrs. Club of the Community Center of Beth El held their regular meeting at which time Rabbi Hershfield continued with his discussion based upon "The Making of a Modern Jew." A question and answer period followed the discussion.

The Beth El Sisterhood sponsored the Passover Seder held at the Amity Club on Wednesday, April 9. Rabbi Hershfield conducted the Seder services. Mrs. Daniel Green, president of the Sisterhood, was chairman.

On March 29 the Beth El Sisterhood sponsored a Saturday night dinner at the Temple. Members and friends enjoyed this successful affair.

The Young Adults Club of Temple Israel sponsored a dance at the Temple, on Saturday evening, April 5. The theme of the affair was "Fool's Paradise." Ziggy Hurwitz and his orchestra provided music.

Lois Raff was elected president of the Brownie Troop of Temple Israel, and Nonnie Kraft, secretary.

Walter J. Klein has been appointed to the Temple Beth El Board of Trustees, by the president, I. H. Madalia.

The Sisterhoods of Temple Beth El and Temple Israel met jointly for dessert luncheon on April 2 at Temple Israel. Out of town members of Sisterhood were present for this occasion.

A class in modern Hebrew for adults has been organized at Temple Beth El by Rabbi Hershfield. The classes will meet on Tuesday evening.

**Death:**

Condolences to the family of Samuel Resnick who passed away recently. Also to the families of Harry Felter and John P. Goodman.

**Congratulations to:**

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bayer on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Golds on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Levin of Mt. Gilead on the birth of a son. The baby is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Richter of Mt. Gilead.

**Brotherhood Elects Officers**

The following new officers were elected by the Brotherhood of Temple Beth El at a recently held meeting.

President, John Baron; Vice President, Eli Cohen; Treasurer, Howard Glazier; Secretary, Buster Hirsch.

The following were elected to the Board of the Brotherhood for the year 1952-53:

I. Ferster, P. Fligel, M. Lazarus, S. Liss.

## Asheville, N. C.

Senator Frank Parker one of the candidates for congress, was guest speaker at the Brotherhood meeting of Beth Ha Tephila on Tuesday evening, April 1.

On April 4 at the Oneg Shabbas following services at Beth Ha Tephila, Miss Henderson of the Family Life Council, spoke on "The Jewish Family Unit." On the following Friday evening, Mr. Spiegel of the Clinical Psychology department of Highland Hospital, spoke on "What Especial Problems Confront the Jewish Parent in the Education of the Child." Many interested members remained after the service to ask further questions.

Mr. Joseph Vanderward presented another program of music at Beth Ha Tephila on Sunday evening, April 6. These concerts are sponsored by the Temple.

The community Seder at Beth Ha Tephila was planned and prepared by the Sisterhood and conducted by Rabbi Unger.

The Mother-Daughter Service and luncheon was held on Saturday, April 5 at Beth Ha Tephila.


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**By Mrs. Justin Raphael**

**Azalea Festival**

Wilmington was never more beautiful than during the Fifth Annual Azalea Festival, March 27-30. Almost every home in the city boasted an azalea display. The gardens of Greenfield Lake, Orton Plantation, and Airlee Plantation thrilled thousands of visitors with their floral splendor. Queen of this year's festival was the very lovely Cathy Downs. The Big Parade was one of the highlights. Approximately 150,000 people lined the streets Saturday morning to see the hour long spectacle of marching bands, gaily-decorated floats, and famous personages. Buddy Neuwirth was a clown in the parade. In spirit Rita Lynn Simon galloped along beside her hero, Bobby Benson. Rita met the boy cowboy star at the airport when a photographer asked her to pose with him (above). The $10,000 Azalea Open Golf Tournament, an important feature of the festival, attracted such top golfers as Sammy Snead, Bobby Locke, and Lloyd Mamgrum. In the final round Sunday Jimmy Clark of Laguna Beach, California, won the tournament and his first big money in three years of professional golf. Jim Turnesa and George Fazio tied for second place; Jim Ferrier was fourth; Cary Middlecoff, fifth.

**Hadassah News**

John Powell would have had difficulty in finding four more graceful and attractive models than Norma Berman, Edith Lucas, Joan Warshauer, and Sadie Schwartz who modeled new spring creations in the Hadassah fashion show April 6th. Each model showed three outfits; one costume was more stunning than the next. Ruth Caplan was the narrator. To give an account of the mock wedding that followed and do it justice would be an impossibility. Imagine, if you can, Noah Plisco as a blushing bride, dressed in a wedding gown, veil and train; Ken Alpert as his very reluctant groom; Nathan Stein as a flower girl, daintily tripping down the aisle; Justin Raphael and, Buddy Neuwirth as the handsomely garbed mother of the bride and groom, respectively; Nathan Schwartz and Sam Berger as the father of this bride and groom; Moe Kotler as a Rabbi; Joe Simon as a page boy; and Bernard Warshauer as a French photographer. If you can just picture Noah Plisco as a bride then perhaps you will agree that there are no words to truly describe this farce. Sylvia Schwartz, Fanny Friedman, Ida Retchin, and Horty Alpert planned the affair.

**Around the Town**

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Abel on the birth of their grandchildren: Max Hirsch, born March 10 to Mr. and Mrs. Gustaz Highstein in Baltimore and Wendy April born on March 11, to Mr. and Mrs. George Cohen in Hampton, Va. . . . the miracle of life occurred again March 18 when Cheryl Marcia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Fleischman, made her world debut. Mrs. Fleischman is the former Lorraine D'Lugin . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz on the birth of their granddaughter, Rene Jeanne born April 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Schwartz of Georgetown. S. C. . . . Helen Roseman arrived home for a visit accompanied by her fiance, George Hahn . . . New Orleans bound were

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**Bobby Benson signs his autograph for Rita Lynn Simon.**

Mrs. Annie Abrams, Mrs. Clara Warshauer, Mrs. A. Libet of Lake City, S. C. and Mrs. D. Silverman of Kingstree, S. C. . . Work is proceeding rapidly on Louise and Nathan Schwartz's new home . . . Dr. Sam Warshauer has moved into his modern office across the street from the hospital . . . Home for a visit from the big city of Baltimore and looking very pretty is Joyce Checkner . . . Sybil Tanner's first year of teaching is almost over. Time certainly flies!

## HICKORY, N. C.

**Phil Datnoff, Reporter**

Mr. Phil Datnoff was elected President of the Glenn Zerden Lodge B'nai B'rith at their March meeting held at the Moose Lodge on Lake Hickory. Other officers elected were Jules Aronson, Vice-President; and Max Lerner, Sec-Treas. Past President Irving Roth was appointed as Warden. Attorney Dan Retchin, Past President of Charlotte Lodge B'nai B'rith acted as Installing Officer.

Get well wishes for Mrs. Sam Leibowitz of Morganton who was hospitalized at the Hickory Memorial Hospital following a car injury while returning from a trip to Charlotte.

Visiting at the home of Messrs. Sam and Louis Lavitt was their sister, Mrs. Joseph Nalanbogen of Paterson, N. J.

Mrs. Hersh Cohen visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Huffman in New York.

Mrs. Si Cohen of Morganton has returned home after vacationing a few weeks in Miami Beach.

Mrs. Herman Pody and two children of Wilmington, Del., spent

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several weeks in Hickory visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Eddelman.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Cheslock of Morganton spent some time in New York following a business trip to Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Julian Hershfeld and her two children of Valdese, vacationed several weeks in Jacksonville, Fla., where she visited her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. H. Wyman.

Mazeltov to the Katz's and Cheslock's of Morganton on the announcement of birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Katz of Philadelphia, Pa.

## Gastonia, N. C.

Hadassah Sisterhood celebrated the 40th anniversary of Hadassah with a program in charge of Mrs. J. Fox, narrator, and assisted by Mesdames: M. Berlin, H. Binder, Sidney Cohen, M. Levinson, J. Mark, Mike Planer, and Abe Slutsky.

At the Donor Dinner, held later in the month, Dr. Frank Hall was guest speaker. Donations were received for purchase of linen to be shipped to flood stricken areas in Israel.

Mrs. H. Binder was chairman of the Passover Seder held in the Temple vestry room on Wednesday evening, April 9. Mrs. M. Berlin was co-chairman.

Citizens of the Gastonia congregation who were signally honored recently include Robert Gurney who received a special plaque for his outstanding work in the sale of Israel Bonds. The presentation was made at the Bonds for Israel dinner in Raleigh at which time Golda Myerson, Israel's Minister of Labor, was guest speaker. This is the same type of plaque which has been presented to Eddie Cantor.

Also honored was Mrs. Maurice Honigman who was chosen Gastonia's "Woman of the Week." Mrs. Honigman is widely known for her civic activities and her interest and participation in the State Federation of Music Clubs.

Dr. Philip Naumoff of Charlotte was guest speaker at the B'nai B'rith meeting and installed the incoming officers. Saul Mandel was toastmaster and introduced Dr. Naumoff. A. E. Witten was elected president, succeeding Harry Binder.

Special Sabbath services at Temple Emanuel were dedicated to the Gastonia Girl Scouts. The welcoming address was given by Hortense Hahn. Hortense also gave a talk before the Gastonia Woman's Club on "Growing Up With Poetry."

## Goldsboro, N. C.

**Mrs. Seymour Brown, Reporter**

At its monthly meeting held April 7 in the new center, B'nai B'rith had new officers installed by J. B. Shrago.

President—I. Bernstein; 1st V. President—Max Fernbacher; 2nd V. President—Joe Edwards; Recording Secretary—Rabbi M. Herbst; Financial Secretary—Nathan Kadis; Treasurer—Mannah Shrago; Chaplain—Sidney Gordon; Warden—J. M. Liberman; Guardian—Herman Levin.

The trustees elected were: 1 year—J. H. Lesser; 2 years—J. P. Shrago; 3 years—J. M. Myers.

After the installation, a vote of thanks was given the capable Sidney Gordon, outgoing President, for his fine work during the year. Joe Hanschrow of Wilson, State President, gave an interesting talk.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Edwards announce the birth of another girl, Janet, in Wayne Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Edwards are the proud grandparents.

Hadassah meeting in the Center thrilled the members this month with a wonderful program, while Mrs. Morris Leder narrated, a member dressed in the uniform symbolizing her chairmanship lit a candle on the birthday cake celebrating our 40th anniversary. Mrs. Robert Baum was hostess, and Mrs. Ben Ellis, President, presided. The new slate of officers for the coming year is: Mrs. Morris Leder, President; Mrs. Nathan Kadis, V. Pres.; Mrs. Ernest Shirley, Secretary; Mrs. Seymour Brown, Treasurer.

An enjoyable evening was spent on Sunday evening, March 30, at a Sisterhood Spaghetti Supper, given at the Center. Articles for sale were donated by the women and bought by the people present. After dinner, everyone played Bingo. Mrs. Herman Levin, President, and Mrs. C. M. Avery were in charge of the affair.

A Model Seder was given for the Sunday School children on April 6 under the leadership of Mrs. Ben Ellis.


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## WILSON, N. C.

**Mrs. Herman Barker, Reporter**

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Gordon, Melvin and Kalman Gordon of Statesville, N. C., were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lester. Alfred Gordon has returned to his home in Statesville, N. C. after undergoing treatment at a local hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barshay had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Joe Katz and children of Augusta, Ga. Mrs. Katz is the former Miriam Stadiem of Kinston.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Dere and daughter Judy, and Arlene Shor of Richmond, spent several days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Shor.

Mr. Louis Arner has returned to her home in Newport News after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Brown.

Welcome home to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barker who spent the winter months in Florida.

Mrs. Sam Korman and daughter, Danna, of New York City, visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Kerstein and children of New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Julius Switzer entertained with a Canasta party for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Milton Silver of High Point. Mrs. Nathan Shor also entertained for Mrs. Silver. Mrs. Joseph Katz and Mrs. Milton Silver were guests of honor at a Canasta party given by Mrs. Meyer Brown, Mrs. Dave Lester and Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Chazon and son George, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Freedman of Farmville, vacationed at Miami Beach, Florida.

**Passover News**

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hanchrow and children, Linda and Jackie, spent Passover Holidays in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Brown and children, Richard and Arthur spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Evans and Mr. I. Evans, in Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lester motored to Tarboro for Passover.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Shor motored to Raleigh for Passover.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Baker spent the Passover holidays in Lakewood, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barshay spent the holidays in Kinston.

**Congratulations:**

To Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow on being elected President of Woodard School P. T. A.

To Mrs. Benjamin Margulis on being elected President of the Women's Music Club.

To Mr. John Hurwitz on being elected President of the Epstein-Rosenbloom B'nai B'rith Lodge.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker and daughters, Gloria, Lynne and Marcia on moving into their new home. We wish them health and happiness.

To Mr. and Mrs. Julius Switzer on their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

**HADASSAH**

A dutch supper for Hadassah was held at the home of Mrs. Meyer Brown with members of Hadassah preparing delicious food. The re-

**The Board of Directors of the Jewish National Fund at its annual meeting at the Biltmore Hotel, in New York City, elected Dr. Harris J. Levine president of the Jewish National Fund to his third one-year consecutive term. The election in which all Zionist groups in the United States participated, was unanimous.**


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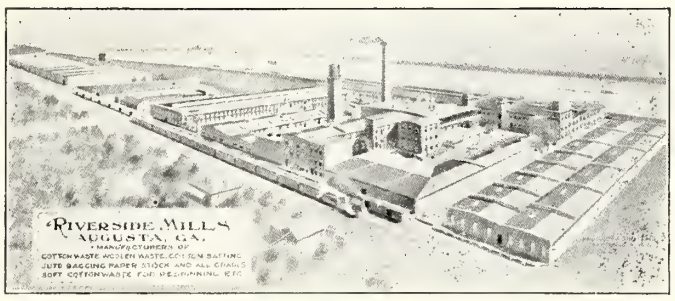


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mainder of the evening was spent playing cards. Everyone attending enjoyed this affair.

Hadassah held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Herman Barker. Mrs. Jos. Barshay reported 100 per cent Cooperation on the Linen Shower for Hadassah Supplies. Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow, President, announced that the quota for the year was fulfilled. The following slate of officers was elected for the 1952-53 season:

President, Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Herman Barker; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Dave Lester; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Barker; Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Shor.

## Fayetteville, N. C.

**Engagement:**

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Fleishman announce the engagement of their daughter, Mickey, and Leon Sugar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sugar of St. Paul. The wedding will take place in July.

## Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Lt. (j. g.) Murray I. Rothman reported at Camp LeJeune last month and has been assigned to the Division Chaplain's Office.

Before entering the service, Chaplain Rothman was rabbi at Rodef Shalom Temple in Pittsburg, Pa., at which time he also acted as chaplain to the Jewish students at the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Institute of Technology.

Chaplain Rothman was ordained at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. During his seminary days there he was director of the Hillel Foundation at Ohio State University and rabbi at Saginaw, Mich.

Chaplain and Mrs. Rothman are residing at Swansboro, N. C.

Passover for the service men was observed at Camp LeJeune, at Ft. Bragg, and at Cherry Point. A seder was conducted at each place, with Fayetteville playing host to all personnel who could be there.

**New Chaplain At Ft. Bragg**

Chaplain Morton Leifman arrived at Ft. Bragg to replace Chaplain Morris Margolis who served the base for a year. Chaplain Leifman is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and prior to coming to Ft. Bragg served in Miami, Fla.

## Spartanburg, S. C.

Rabbi Samuel Wrubel of Temple B'nai Israel is being presented by his congregation with a trip to Israel this summer in recognition of his ten years service to the community. Rabbi Wrubel will leave June 3 by El Al Airlines, returning in July. While in Israel Rabbi Wrubel will be a house guest of Dr. Walter Eytan, director general of the Foreign Ministry who is a close friend of Rabbi Wrubel . . .

The Spartanburg B'nai B'rith lodge has elected new officers for the next year. They are: Rober Gilpin, president; Jack Price, first vice-president; Isidor Goldblatt, second vice-president; Marvin Frank, treasurer; Alan Silverman corresponding secretary; Ralph Tanenbaum, recording secretary. Herbert Shapiro was designated as "B'nai B'rith Man of the Year" . . . Installation was held March 27 at the Elks Club with Melvin Harris, district 5 president, as the installing officer. Dancing followed the dinner affair . . .

B'nai Israel sisterhood held a successful rummage sale the first week of April, proceeds which went into the growing sinking fund . . .

During the month of April Rabbi Wrubel spoke at the Newberry Central Methodist Church, and the student body of the senior high school. On May 2 and 16 he will address the history classes of the Spartanburg Junior College on "Origins of Judaism and Ceremonials."

A new Zionist Chapter has been formed in Spartanburg with 25 members and Mayor Price has been designated as chairman . . .

Israel Independence Day will mark the opening gun of the 1952 U. J. A. campaign with a special program arranged. Isidore Goldblatt has been appointed as the campaign chairman with members of Hadassah to form a women's division.

**SERVICE AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS**

A total of 1,409 Red Cross Workers served 218,600 cases and requests a month at military installations during the last fiscal year, 55 percent more than a year ago. Of these workers, 1,030 were stationed in the United States and 370 were overseas.

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## Columbia, S. C.

HYMAN RUBIN

Hyman Rubin, popular leader of the local Jewish community, won the Democratic nomination for member of the city council, at the recent primary election. This is tantamount to election, and Hymie is receiving the congratulations of his many friends, who are confident that he will serve in his new capacity, as well and as faithfully as he has in the many communal and civic capacities that have marked his career for many years.

Mr. Rubin has had no previous political service. He was graduated from Columbia high school and the University of South Carolina. Afterwards he went into business with his late father and is now a partner in the firm of J. Rubin & Sons company.

He has served on the board of the Community Chest, Richland county chapter of Red Cross, Merchants Association, chamber of commerce, and Columbia Music Festival. He is presently a member of the board of the Civitan club, and is president of the Board of Travelers' Aid Society, secretary of city planning commission.

## Charleston, S. C.

**Births:**

Mr. and Mrs. D. Nosokoff announce the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Kirshstein have received news of the birth of their grandson in California. The mother is their daughter, Rosalee Garber.

**Bar Mitzvah:**

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Toporek are receiving congratulations on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Stanley Dennis.

**Betrothals:**

The engagement of Miss Cecile Cohen and Bernard Perman has been announced.

The engagement has also been announced of Miss Barbara Lerner and Robert Kleinkopf.

**Congratulations To:**

The Altman Brothers on the opening of their new furniture store.

Jack Brickman upon his election as president of the Dan Lodge, B'nai B'rith.

Louis Baker upon his election as president of the South Carolina Meat Packers' Association.

Oscar Sokol upon his re-election as president of the Kalushiner Society.

**Condolences To:**

The family of the late Sa. Bukatman. Also to the family of the late Mrs. Reuben Feldman. To Mrs. LeRoy Schraibman on the passing of her father in Savannah, and to Mrs. Alec Epstein on the death of her mother, Mrs. Rouse Coulee.

The 97th Installation and banquet of the B'rith Sholom congregation will take place on May 25, at 6:30 P.M. at the Beth Israel Social Hall. Featured guest of the evening will be Jon Silo, star of stage, radio, and television. Arnold Prystowsky is general chairman and Mrs. Mitchell Robinson is chairman of reservations.

Election of officers and reports of the past year were important items on the agenda of the annual congregational meeting of B'rith Sholom,

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The Junior Boosters and Centerettes presented a comedy, "The Divine Flora" at the Jewish Community Center. Proceeds went to the new center site fund. The Center Committee has already met with the architect, Lt. Comm. Abrams, to plan for expansion and beautification of the site. Several other functions are planned from which the proceeds will go for this project.

Mrs. Elizabeth Davis directed the "Divine Flora." The cast included: Hal, Harold Koslow; Winnie, Doris Goldberg; Boops, Nancy Sharnoff; Stu, Marvin Oberman; Kit, Linda Banov; Etta, Joyce Kline; Randy, Bernard Feinberg; Mr. Pryor, Samuel Goldberg; Mrs. Pryor, Rosalind Toporek; Buzz, Billy Endictor; Mr. Dean, Leonard Winter; Sharon, Betty Pressman; Bob, Marvin Wolper; Wayne, Arnold Schraibman; Tex, Jerry Sovelove; Polly, Toby Spar; Helena, Doris Goldberg; Marvella, Yetta Berkman; Daphne, Diane Feinberg; Mr. Dugan, Harold Koslow; Susie, Sheila Epstein; Bella, Toby Spar; Girls, Lynn Dumas, Sandra Cohen, Ruth Ann Kahn, Phyllis Rundbaken, Barbara Rundbaken, Dena Seigel. Stage Manager, Marvin Oberman; Assistant Stage Managers, Joe Mendelsohn, Barbara Rundbaken; House Manager, Harold Koslow.

The Charleston Hadassah held their annual donor dinner at the Francis Marion Hotel on Thursday evening, April 24. Mrs. Leo Applebaum was chairman of the planning committee which included Mrs. Kyle Robinson and Mrs. Rudolph Robinson, decorations; Mrs. Mannie Applebaum, telephone; Mrs. Isadore Altman and Mrs. Bernard Solomon, dinner; Mrs Moses Goldberg and Mrs. Joe Schwartz, program book; Mrs. Louis Toporek and Mrs. Sanford Olasov, program; and Mrs. Morris Rosen, publicity.

The Charleston section, Council of Jewish Women, met on April 7 at the Community Center. A round table discussion on the book by Ethel Alpanfels, "Sense and Non-Sense about Race." Mrs. Edwin Pearlstine was moderator. Mrs. Maier Triest and Miss Pauline Fatman, chairman and co-chairman of the Contemporary Jewish Affairs Committee were the discussants.

As a fund raising project during April, the Beth Israel Sisterhood sponsored sales of Pepsi-Cola and Coca-Cola which are Kosher for Passover. Baker's Kosher Market aided the ladies in this project.

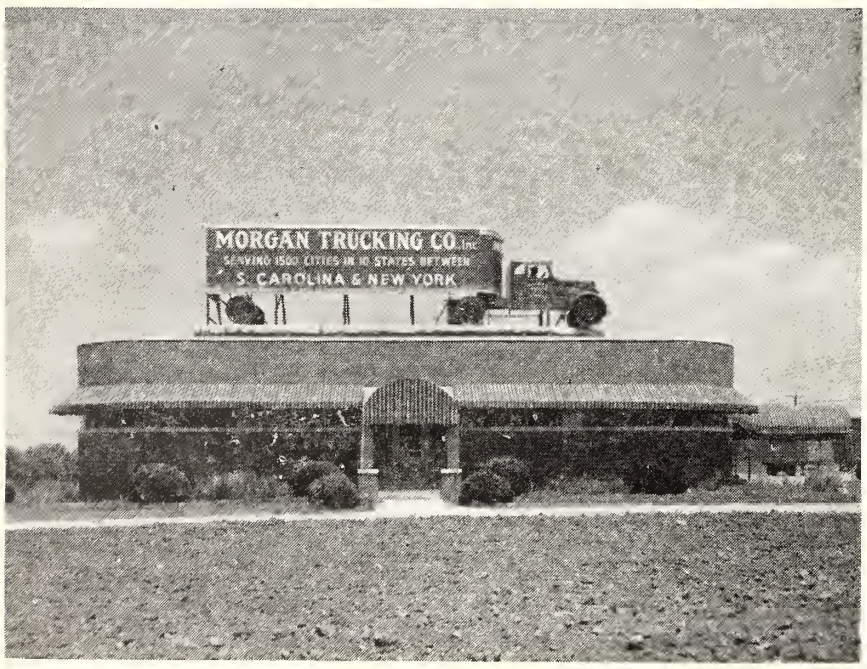
Miss Anne Thomas of Columbia, S. C., recently named "young woman of the year" by the Columbia Junior Chamber of Commerce, was guest speaker at the Charleston Chapter of Hadassah on April 8. Mrs. David S. Goldberg, president of the group, was in the chair for this regular meeting. Miss Thomas, a graduate of Columbia College, told the story of her recent trip to Israel.

The annual carnival of the Cecile Rubin Chapter, Junior Hadassah, was held on Sunday, March 30 at the Community Center. The theme of this year's carnival was "Fairy Tales" with each booth featuring a different story. Chairmen for the Carnival were Miss Joan Goldberg, general chairman; Miss Sonia Sokol, booths; and Miss Carol Wearb, tickets and publicity.

### HOLY SCROLL STOLEN FROM SYNAGOGUE

NEW YORK—(WNS)—Congregation Doliner Beth Midrash of Brooklyn reported to the police the disappearance of a Holy Scroll.

The Torah, valued at $500, was one of eight kept in the ark back of the altar. The theft was discovered by Rabbi Sucher Rubin during the Sabbath morning services.

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### COUSIN DEBRA

I have just been calling on a brand new relative of mine. Third, fourth or fifth cousin. Being not too good in arithmetic I haven't been able to figure out the exact genealogical difference between Debra and me. That's her name—Debra. At this writing she is about two months old.

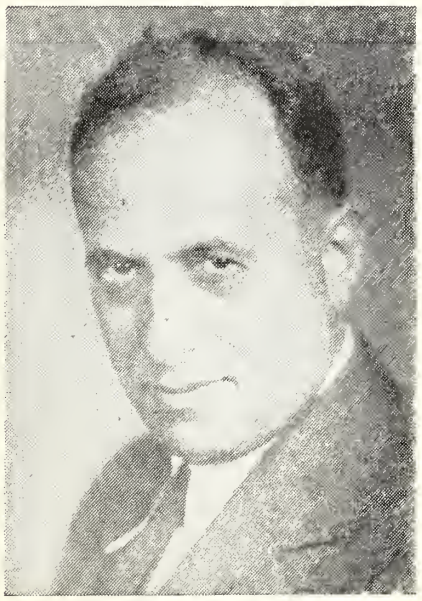
Debra came into the circle of our mishpocha unexpectedly, you might say. Generally when a new member is about to enter a family circle you know about it nine months in advance and all the relatives get set. They start figuring what to do for the approaching child to start it well on the way of life, what diapers to buy, what rattles, etc.

With Debra it was altogether different. All at once and entirely unannounced she burst into the family. One evening her grandma calls up and says, "Congratulate me, I am a grandma."

I say to her, "Quit your kidding, Sarah. How can you say you are a grandma when all these months we have heard nothing about it. Practically out of the air you become a grandmother. How come, Sarah?"

Grandma Sarah at once made it all clear . . . "There are a couple of ways of becoming a grandmother," she explained. "The other way is by adoption. That's how I have become a grandmother. And you should know that we have found Debra to be the best of all grandchildren. She was adopted practically the day she was born in a Cleveland hospital. Our doctor had arranged it in advance of Debra's birth. We brought her down here by auto."

Then I asked Sarah another question—a silly thing to have asked, as I look back at it. But when you are a columnist who writes for the Jewish press you get into the habit of looking Jewishly practically at all



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human affairs—even at a baby like Debra when she is slumbering in blessed innocence of all human problems.

Should it make any difference whether a baby was born Jewish, Catholic, Protestant, Mos'em or Buddhist, maybe. But, impelled by the columnar habit, I found myself asking: "Sarah, was Debra born Jewish?" (As if biologically there were any such identity as being born Jewish, or what have you.)


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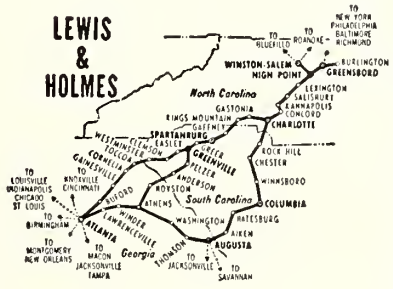


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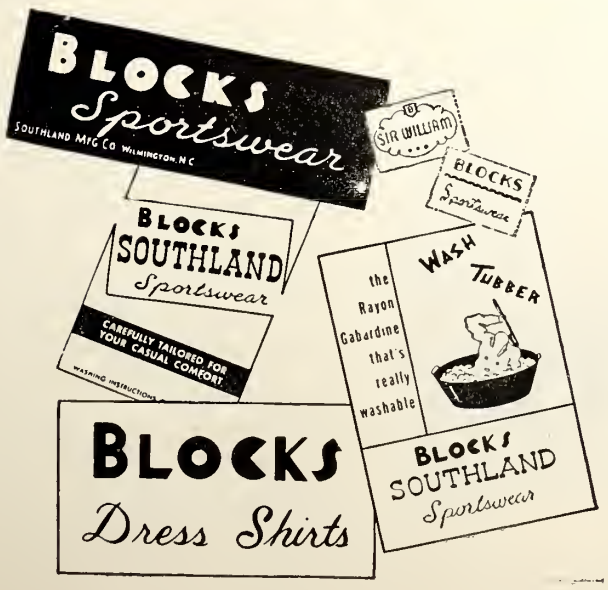


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Grandma Sarah answered: "Debra's natural parents aren't Jewish. We don't even know who they are, except that they aren't Jewish. Should that make a difference?"

"Not in the least, Sarah. I am really glad to welcome a new relative who, though not born Jewish, as they say, is going to have privilege of being brought up as a Jew. It's a decent way of being brought up. Mind you, I am not saying there aren't other good ways of being brought up—such as being a good Christian. But, anyway, it's nice to have Debra among us. I congratulate you and her."

Yet I have heard some of the Orthodox giving out with sorrowful clickings of their tongues and asking: Is it proper that Jewish family adopts a child that was born among the goyim? As if it were something biologically, spiritually and Torah-wise incongruous.

I have no rabbinical learning by which to argue this to the satisfaction of rabbis, except what I have read in the book of our prophet Malachi. He is the one who asked: "Have we not all one Father, hath not one God created us?" To my untutored mind that seems to cover Debra's case. It should cover with bright luminescence the hearts of all who would build exclusive ghettoes of self-righteousness around themselves.

Then there is the question of others who, concerned with Debra's long-range welfare, ask Will she really be better off as a Jewish girl than she would have been had her destiny permitted her to grow up as a Christian?

To be sure, materially Debra starts much better off than she would have been with the parents who didn't want her. Grandma Sarah's children have taken Debra into such a fullness of love as they would have given her had she been born of them. Grandma Sarah herself feels like a new woman on account of Debra.

But, that aside, people may ask: Wouldn't Debra have been a more privileged character as a Christian. They have in mind some disadvantages that may be in store for Debra because of her being Jewish. Debra's pretty ears being assailed by voices of anti-Semitism as soon as she is old enough to understand them Debra may be turned away from a job befitting her talents for no reason except that she is Jewish. Debra, on her honeymoon, maybe, not being able to get into the swellest hotel in Florida for the same reason. Debra being forever reminded, in such ways, that she is Jewish, as if she were somebody different from the generality of the human race.

Well I have the answers for Debra. It isn't that bad, Debra. You as a bright girl, will know that gutter-snipes of anti-Semitism aren't worth noticing. Who notices a rat except to despise it?

And don't worry about finding a job. If so, notice that, despite many discriminations, Jewish young people are doing well in business and the professions. Their self-respect doesn't let them believe that they are less than other kinds of people.

It may be true that on your honeymoon you may not be allowed to register at Hotel Shamdale-on-the-Bluff, but, goodness gracious, Debra, that's the least for a Jew to have to take. People who came all the way from Sinai can't let themselves be disturbed by a snobbish hotel clerk.

The main thing, Debra, is that, by adoption, you have come to the Torah and its teaching of righteous doing, the high dignity of walking humbly with God and being just and merciful, as the prophet said.

For what it may be worth, I give all this to you for a present to commemorate your birth, though I guess you'd rather have a rattle. I shall see to that.

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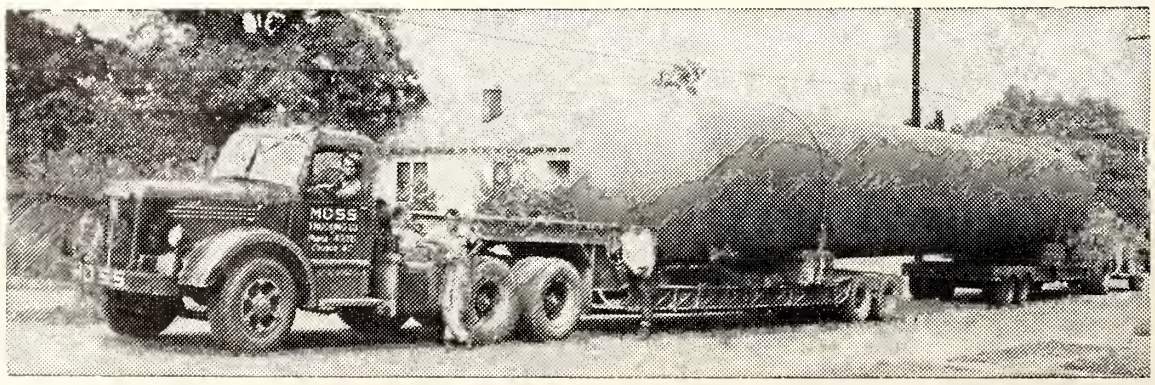

# North Carolina Women, Men, Youth and Rabbis to Convene

The North Carolina Associations of Women, Men, Youth, and Rabbis will hold their annual conventions at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem on Sunday, May 25th. The morning will be taken up with registration and business sessions, and luncheon will follow.

Following luncheon there will be a symposium on "Religious Education in the Jewish Communities of North Carolina," the participants being Rabbi Aaron Tofield, Charlotte, Rabbi Jerome G. Tolochko, Kinston, and Rabbi William Gold, High Point. The moderator will be Rabbi Abraham E. Milgram of New York City, who will be the guest speaker at the banquet to be held at 7 P. M. His subject will be "The Responsibility of the American Jew."

The Rabbi's group will hold discussions on "The History of Zionism," led by Rabbi Samuel Friedman of Wilmington, and "Religion in the Public Schools," led by Rabbi Erwin L. Herman, Winston-Salem.

Dr. Milgram is a graduate of the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, has an M. A. from Columbia University, and a Ph. D from Dropsie College. He served as Rabbi at Temple Beth Israel, Philadelphia and was director of the Hillel Foundation at the University of Minnesota from 1940 to 1945. He has been educational director of the United Synagogues of America since.

Officers of the organizations are: Dr. Nell Hirschberg of Raleigh, president of the N. C. Association of Jewish Women; Albert Levine of Raleigh, president of the N. C. Association of Jewish Men; Rabbi F. I. Rypins of Greensboro, president of the N. C. Association of Rabbis and Richard Bernstein, president of the N. C. Association of Jewish Youth.

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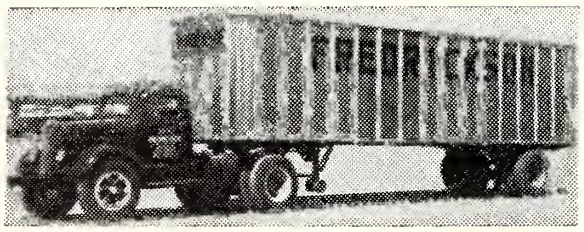

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# DANIEL DERONDA

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were felt in Europe between 1875 and 1877, led to the resumption of the discussion of the return of the Jews to Palestine. On the eve of the Russo-Turkish war, in 1877, a movement arose for the Jewish solution of the Palestine problem. The purchasing of the shares of the Egyptian Khedive in the Suez Canal Company by Disraeli, with the aid of Rothchild, and the political developments in Turkey were considered by those sympathizing with the idea of Israel's rebirth as a clear sign that the days of the Ottoman Empire were numbered.

In the press and political magazines it was clearly stated that in the case of Turkey's collapse Palestine had to be returned to the Jews. Some Englishmen even proposed to finance immediately Jewish colonization in Palestine by paying Turkey's imperial debts. At the initiative of Gawler, a society for colonisation in Syria and Palestine was founded in London, with the object to prepare in Palestine and the neighbouring countries the agricultural settlement mainly of Jews. Government circles too, motivated by the interests of the British Empire, showed interest in this idea.

It was against this background that in the year 1876 "Daniel Deronda" was published. The name of the author was given as George Eliot, a pseudonym for Mary Ann Cross, nee Evans. This novel, containing ideas of the revival of the Jewish people and its hope to re-establish independent statehood, made a deep impression on the British public, and contributed to furthering and strengthening the idea of a Jewish Palestine.

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Mary Ann Evans was born in Yorkshire on 2nd November 1819. Her father, Robert Evans, a farmer, had given her the education that was usual for girls in the England of those days, at a boarding school. From her early youth Mary Ann Evans was religiously inclined and felt drawn towards social work. After returning home from school she founded a club for collecting clothes for the poor. At home, she continued her studies, particularly of Italian, German, Latin and Greek. In 1840 she began writing poetry, publishing a religious poem entitled "Christian Observer." In that period she was still remote from sympathizing with the Jews. On the contrary, she opposed the views of Benjamin Disraeli on the distinctive qualities of the Jewish race. Though she loved the Hebrew language and literature, she was of the opinion that the Jewish religion was not original and that its ideas on a national godhead and monotheism were borrowed from Oriental tribes; whatever there was specifically Jewish, she thought, was of little value.

In the course of time, however, after moving with her father to Coventry where she was influenced by Charles Berry and his family, she changed her views and began to study philosophy. She also translated the "Politico-theological Treaties" of Baruch Spinoza.

After the death of her father in 1849 she began to contribute philosophical essays to the "Westminster Review." Here she came into contact with a circle of authors and philsophers, among whom John Stuart Mill, Herbert Spencer and John Henry Lewis. The latter had a profound influence on her and after divorcing his wife, they lived tobether until his death in 1878. This relationship alienated many of her former friends who considered her conduct immoral.

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Under the influence of Lewis, Mary Ann Evans freed herself from many prejudices which had remained in her from her Christian past, including her prejudices against the Jews. Lewis had a Jewish friend, by the name of Cohen, who was later her model for the character of Mordecai in "Daniel Deronda."

In the years 1857 George Eliot visited together with Lewis, Germany, Austria and Italy, where she became familiar with Jewish life and with the works of Jewish scholars, particularly Leopold Zunz. In Prague she was deeply impressed by the ancient Jewish cemetery and by the "Altneuschul" synagogue. The Jewish antiquities in Italy too made a profound impression on her. During these visits Mary Ann Evans became more closely connected with Jewish affairs and studied them. It was at that period that she started to write stories of a moral and philosophical character, under the pseudonym George Eliot.

In her stories Eliot realistically portrays her characters, every one of them having a particular tendency. During the years 1868-1871 she devoted herself to poetry and wrote a dramatic poem: "The Spanish Gypsy," against the background of Queen Isabella of Spain; in it the figure of the Jew Shlomo Efarda proudly tells the Spanish grande Don Silva Begaza that Israel is to the other nations what the heart is to the human body, and as a Jew he is prepared to sacrifice himself for Israel, if necessary. This poem clearly shows that Eliot had become closely interested in Judaism. Her second poem: "The Story of Yuval" is devoted to a Biblical theme, like the poem "Moses' death," in which she glorifies Moses and his deeds. She describes how the angels Gabriel and Michael are sent to him to receive his soul, but Moses sends them away and God himself is forced to inform him that the hour of his death has come. According to Eliot, Moses is not only a prophet of Israel, but a prophet belonging to the entire world.

After studying the sources of Judaism, George Eliot devoted herself to the Jewish question, endeavoring to define its character. She tried in her novel to bring out the historical position of world Jewry. Though Jews in Britain had full civil rights and were at liberty to practice their own religion and allowed to occupy any position in Government and in society, they nevertheless do not assimilate themselves; they remain Jews and continue to long for a return to their ancient homeland—Eretz Israel. Despite their loyalty to their country of residence, they preserve in their heart a yearning for their lost homeland, a yearning expressed in prayer and poetry, never in rebellion, but only in hopes. "Eretz Israel is to them more than a mere geographic idea." She reached the conclusion that assimilation was only a phrase, without any real content. This view was confirmed during her visits on the Continent, when she observed the phenomenon she characterized as "an organized memory of a national mission," and which is bound to lead to a movement for the resettlement of the ancient homeland and for the revival of the Jewish people as an independent nation. It was difficult to believe that the purpose of the Jewish history could be the complete absorption of the Jews among the other nations, after all the sufferings the Jews have endured. The Jews, in her opinion, are a nation entitled to live and have a political rebirth. Apparently she was influenced in these her views by the talks with her husband's friend, Cohen.

**(To be concluded in our June Issue)**

## *Returns to Israel Following Visit Here*

**Mina Rogozik, delegate to Pioneer Women from the sister organization in Israel, Council of Working Women (Moetzet Hapoalot) who has been in this country for the past five months on a cross-country speaking tour, returns to Israel next month where she will resume her duties as head of the Immigration Absorption Department in northern Israel.**

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## Visiting Around Greensboro

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uel to which the admission fee was a gift for the orphanage in Hungary. 35 "junior" models made a beautiful showing of clothes for children, so that children in other countries may have more of the necessities of life. The fashions were by Sosnik-Thalheimer, of Winston-Salem . . .

April 19-20 saw a general B'nai B'rith exodus to Chapel Hill for the annual state meeting which was combined with the long awaited and much planned dedication of the newly constructed Hillel House . . . It was an event to remember, especially when an address by National Hillel Director, Dr. Lelyveld highlighted the closing banquet . . . WC girls were also well represented and took advantage of this occasion to hold their annual Arts Forum there . . . Here's wishing success to the newest of the community's educational ventures, the "Kindergarten of Fine Arts," with Fran Kay and Helen Levin as the founders, teachers, and directors . . . Off to Cleveland, as a delegate from the N. C. League of Women Voters, was Irene Miller, perennial authority on legislation, whose latest honor was heaped on her by Mayor Frazier, with an appointment to the Citizens' Committee of the Greensboro City Council, who will study our city's government.

Regretfully we extend condolences to many of our families who have recently suffered bereavements—to Mrs. Fannie Yoffe on the passing of her brother in New York; to Harry Ganderson on the passing of his mother in Richmond; to the families of Mrs. Lottie B. Lindau and George V. Edwards, who passed away within a few days of each other.

Once again, a HUGE bouquet to the Etta Spier B'nai B'rith Girls for putting over another successful cabaret and dance . . . their floor show was original, entertaining and sparkling with local talent . . . Jean Prago was the helpful accompanist on the piano and assisted with the program planning; Marilyn Zager, a past president and also a pianist, furnished more of the music; and Irving Fuerstenberg added his masterful piano playing . . . the girls themselves planned the entire program, made the menus, served as waitresses, shoppers, and all the other things needed . . . Rose Susman, the untiring adviser, donned a real cook's cap and fried hamburgers . . . the rest of us who are advisors, helped wherever we could to give this fine group a hand . . . The Sigmund S. Pearl AZA contributed to this affair in the form of a skit, planned and executed by Ronnie Kriegsman, Bob Goldberg, Lutz Mayer, Bob Pearlman (whom you should have seen as a cute little Bubble Dancer) and Sherold Klein, who also designed the scenery . . . While on the subject of our Youth, we were proud of them when we watched them at their annual BBYO Sabbath service, put on at Beth David this year. Participating were BBG members Evelyn Greenberg, Barbara Prago, Carole Greenberg, Peggy Tobias, and Rochelle Katzin . . . AZA members participating were Lou Mayer, Sherold Klein, Ronnie Kriegsman and Bob Goldberg . . . Honoring the birthdays of Barbara and Don, the Sam Pragos were hosts at the Oneg Shabbat following the services . . . The Hans Mayer's reception honoring Lora's engagement to Irv Silver was a warm, friendly affair in the Temple Emanuel social hall . . . Many good friends came to wish the couple happiness . . . Congratulations to the Bert Levy's upon the birth of a daughter.

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## EDITORIALS

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of the parents—how important to them was the religious phase of the circumcision. The second factor would be the availability of a Mohel competent to perform the operation with complete safety to the child. The statement of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations takes this into account when it says "A Mohel must of course, be capable of performing the surgery involved according to the finest asceptic and surgical techniques known to medical science."

We confess that we do not know if there are any organized standards which Mohels must meet to enable them to practice. If not, it would seem advisable to set up such a system. This we believe, would go a long way toward straightening out the problem.

It is our thinking however, that the real determining factor will be the importance which the parents involved will attach to the religious significance of circumcision. So that, in the final analysis, it will be a problem that will revert back to the individual, and hence, as is the case in so many other matters that enter into our Jewish life, there can be no sound generalization.

## Greensboro, N. C.

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S. Pearl AZA and Etta Spier B. B. G. participated. The presentation was made by William R. S. Simon,

SHEROLD KLEIN

B. B. Y. O. chairman for the Sidney J. Stern Lodge, B'nai B'rith,

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## High Point, N. C.

The Installation banquet of B'nai B'rith was held March 18 at the Rainbow Supper Club, with Joseph Hanchrow, President of North Carolina State Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges as guest speaker. Officers for the 1952-1953 term are as follows:

President Ben Swartzberg; 1st Vice-President, Jake Samet; 2nd Vice President, Irving Tilles; Secretary, Julian Josephson; Treasurer, Arthur Cassell; Financial Secretary, Robert Sirrull; Chaplain, Irving Silverstein.

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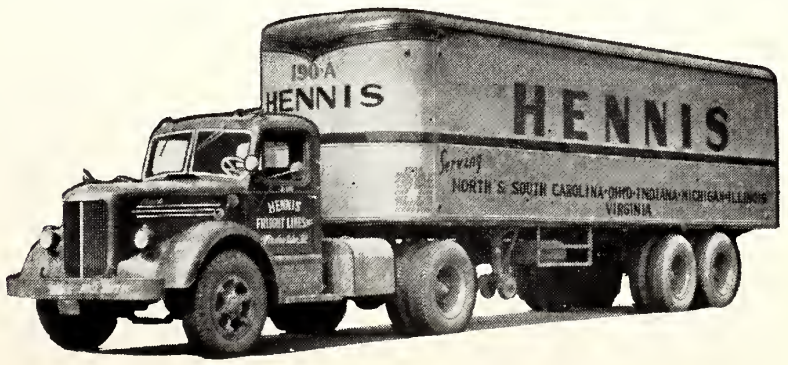


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# My Visit to Israel

*By* HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR.

Here in America, we labor under the impression that Israel is concerned only with two things—politics and austerity. But Mrs. Morgenthau and I returned recently from a visit to Israel where we found that the main interests of the people were not austerity and not politics, but production and building. We felt all around us a tremendous spirit of achievement, a thrilling, electric spirit of progress.

I went to Israel to find the answers to questions that are basic in America's $500,000,000 Israel Bond drive. What is the present economic situation in Israel? What are Israel Bonds doing? How are the resources of the country going to be exploited to repay the money invested in the Bonds?

The answers began to take shape in Haifa—the center of the greatest industrial expansion in Israel. Haifa is a combination of Pittsburgh and San Francisco—it is Israel's gateway to world trade. The port of Haifa is so busy that ships have to wait their turn to unload or pick up cargo. The country is growing so fast that the harbor is already too small for its needs.

The Bond dollars which we are investing now are being used to widen the Kishon River and expand the port of Haifa. The big harbor development program will increase the capacity of the port from 1,300,000 tons to 4,000,000 tons a year. The new breakwater which is being built into the Mediterranean will mean more trips—and more ships to carry the products of Israel to the markets of the world.

In Haifa, you will find the country's heaviest industries and biggest plants. The manufacture of cement is a basic industry. There too are the textile factories representing the most highly developed of all Israel's industries. The textile machinery and equipment compare favorably with the finest in the world and its products are of a high quality.

I was delighted to see that Israel's new immigrants are quick to learn new skills. This was very strongly impressed on me at the Kaiser-Frazer plant. The workers on the assembly line hail from twenty different countries, but they work together with great efficiency, and the cars that come off the assembly line stand comparison with those produced at Willow Run. Here is a new and booming export for Israel.

Everywhere I saw evidence of tremendous development. New towns and villages are arising all the time, and the job of building is being accomplished with the most scientific methods and the finest engineering techniques: I was fascinated by the Tournalayer machine. It lays houses the way a chicken lays eggs.

The most exciting experience of our trip was a visit to the chemical and fertilizer plant. This plant is being expanded on such a huge scale that it will soon be the largest single industry in all Israel. A substantial part of the Israel Bond money is already invested in this new industry and more Bond dollars will go into building new units. Within a very short time, Israel will have one of the largest fertilizer and chemical plants in the entire world. This plant alone, during the next few months, will be able to produce all of the

**A reinforced concrete base is laid in the Kishon River dam, part of the program to expand the overcrowded harbor facilities at Haifa. Begun with part of the proceeds from the more than $101,000,000 in Israel Bonds subscribed in eight months in 1951, the Kishon River development, which is expected to be ready to receive freighters in 18 months, represents one phase of the widespread industrial and agricultural expansion to be financed by the $500,000,000 Israel Bond Issue. The capacity of the Haifa port will be increased from 1,300,000 tons to 4,000,000 tons a year as a result of this harbor expansion project.**

chemical fertilizers required by Israel's agriculture. This great new industry will save and earn almost a million dollars in foreign currency every year.

Who could have prophesied a few years ago that the Negev desert would yield up almost unlimited deposits of phosphates to make all this possible. It is a glamorous achievement. As I went through the Negev, I realized how wrong it is to think that Israel is poor in natural resources. I visited the mining region and held in my hands some of the kaolin and glass sand. I felt I was holding not merely sand but the seeds of future history. Part of that future is already in fact being made in Beersheba, where Israel Bonds are building a big ceramic factory using these products.

Yes, the desert is being pushed back. How short a time it has been since Beersheba was classed in that category. We knew it as a desert outpost and sometimes as a Biblical phrase. Once Abraham dwelt there, but in recent centuries it had fallen into decay. Only three years ago, it was a town of mud huts with a population of 600 Arabs. Today it counts a population of 19,000 Jews. Its new residential district is as modern as any American town. But most surprising of all is its new industrial center. American supplies have played a large part in the job of transforming a forgotten town into an unforgettable city.

It is the essence of democracy in Israel that every citizen, Jew and Arab alike, has the opportunity to work and live in freedom. The Arab fishermen I saw in Acre are more prosperous than they ever were before. We passed through Acre on our way to Lake Huleh and the Jordan River. Here the Jews are performing a gigantic operation. They are draining the Huleh swamp and lake to make 25,000 additional acres available for cultivation.

There is a great drama in this drainage program on the boundary of Syria. Across the river on the Syrian side are the Arab pillboxes and guns. On the Israeli side are the unarmed Jewish workers. In Israel, the steam shovel and the bulldozers are the weapons to build economic independence.

To grow more food means more irrigation and that means more pipes. The new pipe factories are a vital element in the country's development program. The great concrete pipes that will bring water to the dry parts of the country represent pipelines of growth and prosperity for the people of Israel.

As the climax of our trip, Mrs. Morgenthau and I went to Tal Schachar. And we were both deeply touched by the welcome we received there. The settlers at Tal Schachar are a cross section of the settlers of the entire country—immigrants from different parts of the world, planning and working together to build a new future. It made us happy to watch these people work on the land—planting trees, plowing their own land. We were delighted to see how much had been accomplished at Tal Schachar in the three short years of its existence.

Before leaving Israel, we met with Prime Minister and Mrs. Ben-Gurion. Again and again he emphasized that the Israel Bond Issue is the greatest hope for the country's future. I told him that I would bring this message back to America. The people of Israel have the will to work, they have the know how. They, are a good investment.

A glorious beginning has been made through the Israel Bond drive. But a great deal more must be done to give them the dollars to achieve their own economic independence.

**Imports are unloaded at Haifa, chief seaport of Israel on the Mediterranean. Imports of raw materials and machinery, financed by proceeds from the $500,000,000 Israel Bond Issue are making possible large scale production in many parts of the new nation. Aimed at enabling Israel to achieve economic self-sufficiency, the Israel Bond Issue, with its 1952 goal of $200,000,000 in Bond sales, will make available to the world's fastest growing democracy the tools, machinery and raw materials for the construction of new industrial plants, the installation of irrigation systems, the development of mineral deposits, and the expansion of trade through improved transport and communications.**

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# The Cooking Page

The Passover season extends beyond the holiday itself, particularly in the kitchen and dining-room. We submit herewith some Passover season recipes, which have been provided by the B. Manishewitz Co., well-known producers of fine traditional, Kosher foods.

### MANISCHEWITZ BEEF PIE

**Crust:**

1 cup Manischewitz Cake Meal
4 tablespoons Manifat
2-3 tablespoons cold water
2 eggs
1 teaspoon salt

**Filling:**

1 fifteen ounce can Manischewitz canned beef in gravy
2 tablespoons Manischewitz Matzo Meal
1 egg

**Crust:**

Mix salt into cake meal. Cut in shortening with blender or two forks. Sprinkle water over this mixture and blend well. Mix in eggs. Pat or roll out on board, making 2 pie crusts.

**Filling:**

Drain gravy from beef and use half of gravy. Grind beef and mix well with gravy, egg and matzo meal.

Line an 8 inch pie plate with pastry dough fill with meat mixture and cover with second crust. Bake in moderate oven (325°F.) for about 30 minutes or until light golden brown. Serve piping hot! Serves 6.

### FILLED MACAROON SPONGE SQUARES

4 eggs, separated
¾ cup sugar
½ lemon, juice and grated rind
½ orange, juice and grated rind
Pinch of salt
2 tablespoons Manischewitz potato Starch
6 tablespoons Manischewitz Cake Meal
8 Manischewitz Coconut Macaroons, crumbled fine
1 12 oz. glass Manischewitz Peach Preserves.

Beat egg whites until stiff, gradually adding sugar and salt. Fold in fruit juices and rinds. Add well-beated egg yolks. Sift potato starch and cake meal together three times and fold into egg mixture. Lastly, fold in crumbled macaroons.

Grease and line bottom of an oblong cake pan (12" x 8" x 2") or two 6 inch square pans, pour in batter, ½ full. Bake in a moderate oven (325°F.) for about 40-50 minutes, or until light gold. Invert on cake rack to cool.

When cool, split in half and spread with peach preserves. Place together again and cut into 2 inch squares. Yields 15 squares.

### BAKED CHICKENBURGERS

1 three lb. can Manischewitz canned whole chicken
2 eggs
Pinch of pepper
½ teaspoon salt
1 medium onion, grated
¼ cup Manischewitz matzo meal
2 tablespoons Manifat
1 cup Manischewitz tomato juice

Drain, bone and grind chicken. Mix with eggs, seasonings, onion and matzo meal. Melt shortening in baking pan. Wet hands and form chickenburghers (about 2½ inches in diameter). Place them in baking pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F) about ½ hour (turn them once while baking). Heat tomato juice and pour over baked burgers. Serve immediately. Yields 8 chickenburgers.

### BEEF-SQUASH CASSEROLE

1 fifteen ounce can Manischewitz Beef in Natural Juices
¼ cup juice from can
¼ cup Manischewitz Matzo Meal
1 egg
2½ lbs. long yellow or green squash cut into ½ inch rings (scoop out centers)
2 slices lemon
2 cups Manischewitz tomato juice

Drain and grind beef. Mix with juice, matzo meal and egg. Fill centers of squash rings with meat mixture. Pour 1 cup of the tomato juice in a long baking pan. Arrange squash rings and lemon slices in pan. Bake in a moderate oven (325°F.) about 40 minutes or until squash is tender When half done, pour remaining cup of tomato juice on squash and continue baking. Serve hot. Serves 6.


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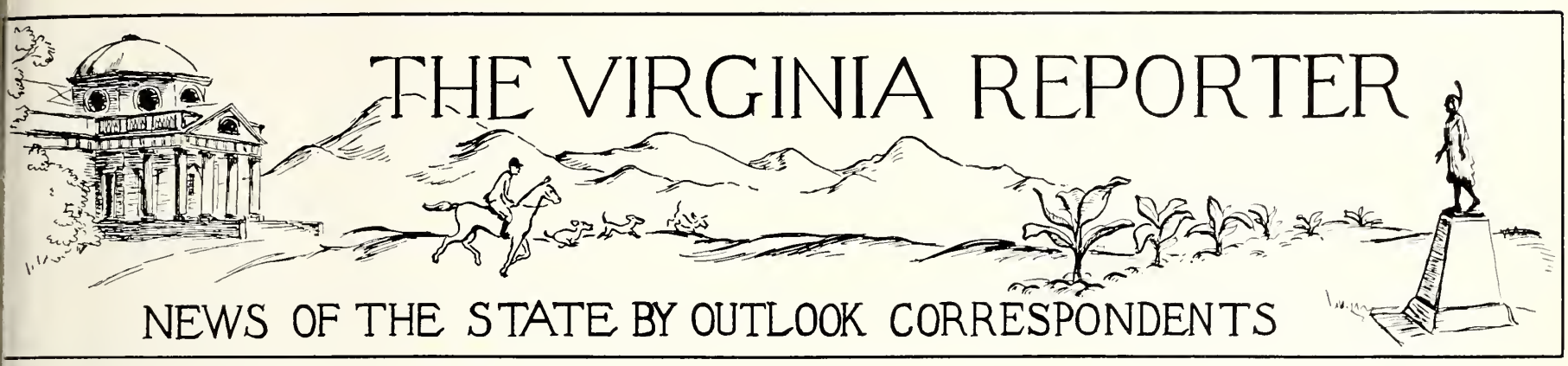


## RICHMOND, VA.

**Officers and members of the Business and Professional Group of Richmond Hadassah who helped make the Tasting Supper on April 2nd, the huge success it was.**

### Business and Professional Women's Hadassah

**By Mrs. Morris Lewis**

It is always a pleasure to be able to convey good news! In this issue, we have plenty of it. We know our friends in Virginia will be happy with us, for we had a most interesting and eventful month of April.

The Tasting Supper that we told you about was held on April 2nd at the Jewish Community Center. The evening is gone, but the memory lingers on. Yes, it will long be remembered as a most delightful evening. Wonderful food and—plenty of it, prepared as only members of the B. & P. can do. It was a night of Food—Fun—Frolic—and Friendship. The cooperation of all the membership to make this affair the success it was is the talk of Richmond.

The officers and the committee take this opportunity to extend their thanks to the following members who contributed to this night of nights: Sadie Bernstein, Ruby Braver, Edith Cohen, Juliet Dere, Lily Frankel, Sadie Friedenberg, Lena Galumbeck, Silvia Gordon, Inga Hurowitz, Tosia Joel, Eleanor Kavit, Fanny Kessler, Selma Leber, Bertha Laster, Lily Laster, Charlotte Reitzes, Esther Silver, Helen Snuckles, Sarah Steiner, and Mrs. Jake Tabakin.

Mrs. Grace Lewis, chairman of the Tasting Supper wishes to extend her personal thanks to the above mentioned members for their wonderful cooperation. Also to all the members who attended the supper and helped join in the spirit of the occasion.

It was a beautiful way to observe World Jewish Child's Day. Extemporaneously presented skits by the members and the dancing of the Hora, led by Mrs. Jacob Milgrom and Mrs. Harold Hurowitz, added to the gaiety, and it helped to make this an event never to be forgotten. It is living proof that cooperation, such as this, means a healthy, growing and prosperous organization.

A slate of candidates has been selected by the nominating committee. Election of officers will be held at the end of May. We know that the Officers-elect will continue the grand activities of the B. and P.

Our president, Mrs. Bertha Laster is proud to announce that more than 50 percent of the membership volunteered for the U. J. A. Drive.

Miss Charlotte Imburg, fund raising coordinator, met with her committee. They made plans for the final affair for the year. It is their aim to meet the financial quota for the year.

At the board meeting held at the home of Mrs. Frank Freidenberg, these plans were discussed. They will be presented to the membership at its next regular meeting. Although we cannot divulge the plans at this time, we advise the people of Richmond to watch for the details in the newspapers. It is another B. and P. treat. Look for it and arrange to be there.

At the next board meeting to be held on May 28th, plans will be made for the installation of officers, also the program for the activities of the coming year.

So, you see, our little group is busy planning, working, and carrying out the good work we have undertaken. No wonder that wherever you go, you hear women say—"Come with me—to the B. & P."

### National Council of Jewish Women

**By Mrs. Leonard D. Policoff**

Special tribute was paid at a buffet luncheon to the Community Welfare workers, all volunteers, at the April meeting of the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women. At this time these volunteers, all of whom had put in a minimum of twenty hours work, received a certificate of recognition from Mr. Morris Appelman, Executive Director of the Richmond Jewish Community Council, acting on behalf of the Council of Jewish Women.

Persons receiving awards for volunteer work for the Grand Group were: Mrs. Morris Appelman, Mrs. Jack Marash, Mrs. Irwin Shapiro, Mrs. Robert Wallerstein, Mrs. Sam Troy, and Miss Maxine Rudman, Student Assistant from RPI.

Awards given to women aiding the Sick Room Loan Chest were: Mrs. Stanton Glaser, Mrs. Theodore Kohn, Mrs. Joe Frank, Mrs. Philip Klaus, Mrs. Maurice Strause, Jr., Miss Libby Straus, Mrs. Myer Greentree II, Mrs. Abraham Homer, Mrs. Joseph Rubens, Jr., and Mrs. S. Herman Stern.

An award given for volunteer work to the Rheumatic Fever children went to Mrs. Anne Gross. Miss Hattie Brent received an award for her work with the Blind. Volunteers receiving awards for work with the Cancer Foundation were: Miss Frances Calisch, Miss Nettie Brent, Mrs. Charles Kahn, Mrs. Pauline Ruben, and Mrs. Sadie Gutman.

For volunteer work to Service to Foreign Born: Mrs. Simon Russi, Mrs. Jerome Meyer, and Miss Ada Ball, Teacher, received awards. For McGuire Birthday celebrations. Volunteers who received awards were: Mrs. Bert Brent, Mrs. John Ellman, Mrs. Anne Gross, Miss Rosalie Schwarzchild, Mrs. David Mayer, and Mrs. Gus Ezekiel.

In addition to these volunteer workers, Mrs. Sam Bowman, president of the Grand Group, received an award for members of the Grand Group for their excellent work throughout the year.

Mr. Balmer Kelly from the Union Theological Seminary was the guest speaker and chose as his topic "Roots of Democracy in the Old Testament."

Mr. Ward B. Stalmaker, New Executive Secretary of the Richmond Area Community Council, was guest at this Council meeting.

### Congregation Beth Ahabah

**Josephine S. Friedman, Reporter**

May marks the closing of the Religious School and Confirmation. Even before the present term has ended, plans are afoot for next year. But maybe it would be better to bring this year to its final conclusion before we discuss plans for the future. A picnic, sponsored by the Brotherhood, will be held May 25th. This promises to be a fitting climax for a successful year. There will be an assembly under the trees and group singing. Awards and certificates will be presented and games indulged in. The Confirmands will give reports on their studies of the social agencies and their functions in the community. After hearing these reports the children of the Religious School will vote to which agencies, and in what amounts, they wish the money to be given. This money was contributed by the children of the Religious School during the year to be used for charitable purposes. The following is a list of Confirmands: Ann Binswanger, Elise Bloom, Blanche Bowman, Louis Bowman, Jr., Harley Ellman, Anthony J. Frank, Reisa Gale Frank, Linda Alice Goldburg, and Adrienne Gould.

To participate in Community activity next year, the children in the upper grades will spend one afternoon a week doing Volunteer Work in some of the Jewish agencies.

However, April had its highlights, too. The Seder Supper, given by the New Americans Club, to which service men were welcome, was an inspiration to all who attended. It was handled with the usual efficiency and charm of this group who wholeheartedly enter into anything they undertake.

April 13th was set aside as Council Sabbath by the Council of Jewish Women. This year the service was held at Beth Ahabah and Dr. Goldburg chose as the title of his sermon for this occasion, "Out of Bondage."

Dr. Abraham J. Feldman, Hartford, Conn., occupied the pulpit on Sunday, March 20th and the following day spoke at an Institute on Judaism at a luncheon meeting at Beth Ahabah Social Center. The Ministers of the Ministerial Union of Richmond were guests at this affair which is held annually by Beth Ahabah. Dr. Feldman will also conduct the first in a series of seminars in a course for training teachers and prospective teachers for the Religious School.

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Dr. Mordecai Soloff, Baltimore, Md., will come at a later date to conduct another phase of the training course.

Dr. Ariel L. Goldburg attended the University of Virginia April 29th-May 2nd to participate in Religious Emphasis Week. This was just one of the many speaking engagements that demand his time between his regular scheduled duties as spiritual leader at Beth Ahabah.

June is the month of vacations and already everyone is planning and looking forward to the days and weeks allotted them. So, happy vacation to all!

## Sisterhood

**By Mrs. Friedman**

Mrs. Lewis C. Markel, President, and Mrs. Herbert Friedman, Delegate, attended the annual board meeting of District No. 8, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held in Greensboro, North Carolina, on March 22, 23 and 24. The meeting was held in conjunction with that of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

A poster display, made by Mrs. Walter Fisher, was exhibited at the Greensboro meeting, and was on display for the local memberships at the April meeting.

Sisterhood conducted a Model Passover Seder for the students of the Religious School on Sunday, April 6, under the direction of Mrs. Joseph Portnoy and Mrs. Leroy B. Stern, Jr,. Religious School chairman.

On Tuesday, April 7, from 9:30 to 11:30 A.M., the Social Center became a workshop in which decorative Passover plates were made. No painting talent or experience was necessary. Those attending the workshop in the two-hour session, decorated their own plates to take home for the Passover services.

Sisterhood will sponsor a Girl Scout Brownie Troop to be formed in the fall. Girls between the ages of seven and ten are eligible.

The troop will be headed by Mrs. Leroy B. Goldberg, assisted by Mrs. Herman Gross and Mrs. Alan Fleischer. Parents interested in enrolling their daughters in the Brownie Troop may contact any of the above.

## Hadassah

**By Mrs. E. J. Lipson**

The Richmond Chapter Senior Hadassah devotes each meeting to a different project, each project chairman turns her meeting into an "affair." Hence, the March meeting featured Israel Supplies with Mrs. Irwin Forman as chairman. In place of the usual supplies shower, we had a brunch that was furnished free to the members. All the food was donated through the untiring efforts of Mrs. Nathan Kessler, so that the entire admission charge could be devoted to the purchase of sheets pillow cases and other badly needed supplies for the hospitals in Israel. Mrs. Anne Hesselson, Mrs. Stanley Wasserman, headed a large committee of "Cooks and Waitresses." This being Hadassah's 40th Birthday, there was a beautiful birthday cake and a candle lighting ceremony. The speaker for the afternoon was Rabbi Jules Lipshutz of Temple Beth Israel. From his excellent background, he was able to give us a most interesting talk that consisted of Jewish humor and Hebrew wisdom.

The April meeting was devoted to Jewish National Fund. The chairman of this project was Mrs. Earl Peck. A gala fashion show was held on April 21st at the Beth El Social Hall. Greentree's sponsored the newest styles in summer cottons and the models were from our own Hadassah membership: Mesdames Herman November, Morton Goldman, Irving Forman, Ben Perlin, Yale Jurine, Eleanor Kalman, Norman Myer, Mrs. Kurt Marcus. Music was furnished by Mrs. Ben Cohen. The entire program was under the direction of Mrs. Murray A. Kolinsky.

## Beth Sholom Home

**By Mrs. F. Lowenthal**

We want to thank everybody in our community who gave Purim donations to the Home. Our residents were very busy with arranging their own Purim party. Mrs. I. Sutton helped prepare the Creplachs. Mrs. H. Rosenberg baked with the assistance of Mrs. J. Jacobson, very delicious cakes. The donated fruit and candy were appreciated by everybody. Mr. and Mrs. F. Lowenthal, Superintendent and Matron, wants to take the opportunity to thank the residents of Beth Sholom Home for their thoughtfulness in presenting them with a certificate of 10 trees which were planted in their names in Palestine. This wonderful gesture is a great inspiration to us. It gives us more strength to carry out a very responsible job.

During the Red Cross Drive, our residents who realized the wonderful job the Red Cross is doing, were very anxious to contribute their small share. We collected $25.50 which was gratefully accepted by the Red Cross.

Our residents also contributed to the U. J. A. It is very obvious how much our old people are still interested in world activities.

At this time we are able to name our newly appointed Board members


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On April 20th, 1952, the Beth Sholom Home had its state-wide Board meeting in the Home. All of us wish all of you had a Happy and Healthy Pesach.

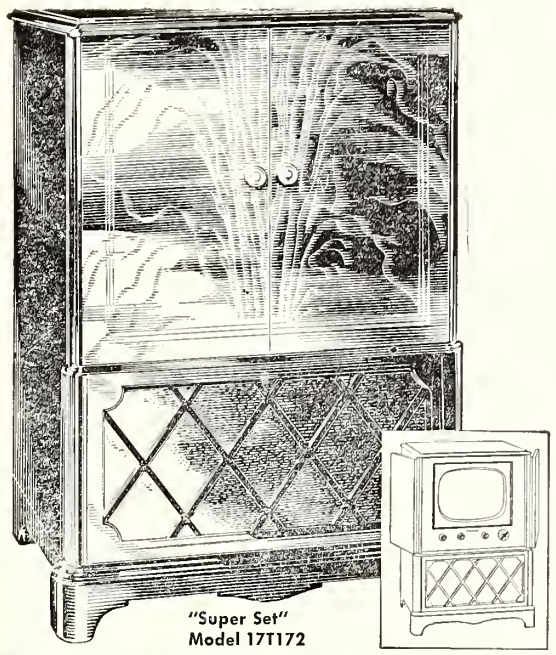
# Temple Beth Israel Richmond

by

MRS. MANUEL LIPSITZ

The events that have ticked into Infinity cannot be altered by merely turning back the hands of time . . . so far no man has found a way of returning yesterday's episodes. Fortunately there is a substitute called "Memory," in which we can summon in thought at least, past actions and review their influence on events yet to be marked by the unstopping flow of Time.

So let us recall for you a most joyous event, the installation and dinner of the newly elected spiritual leader of Temple Beth Israel. The installation of Rabbi Jules Lipshutz took place on Sunday, March 23 in the main Temple. Distinguished guest from all over the United States were present and the congregations of all local Temples were invited to attend. Rabbi Morris Finer the Director of Placement and Community Relations of the Yeshiva University gave the main address of the evening. Invocation greetings from Temple Beth El were given by Rabbi Jacob Milgram, Rabbi Ariel Goldberg extended good wishes from his congregation of Temple Beth Ahabah. Cantor Oscar Berry and the Beth Israel Choir added much to the beauty and symbolism of this impressive ceremony. Mr. Louis Steinberg gave an address and Mr. Abe Dere, president of the Congregation of Temple Beth Israel welcomed the guests. Also acting on the city welcoming committee with Mr. Abe Dere was Mr. A. Finley Binder and Mr. Emil Dere. The Benediction and acceptance speech was made by Rabbi Jules Lipshutz.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Following the formal ceremony, a cocktail hour was held in the Temple Social center. Cocktails and delicious specially prepared delicasies were served while a dance orchestra played. The tables and room were breathtakingly beautiful and truly rivaled a Waldorf-Astoria banquet scene. An impressive catered dinner prepared by the Sisterhood was served which was followed by special greetings from representatives of each organization of the Jewish Community and the various Temple groups. Among the wires were congratulations from the Rabbinical Council of America and the Rabbinical Alumni of the Yeshiva University. Special guests included Rabbi Raab of Petersburg, Cantor Okim of Beth El, and Cantor Portnoy of Beth Ahabah. And so as the hours melted away, another important and significant event of the present passed into memory, having great influence over the Future.

There is interesting news from the Women's Club this month too. The May meeting will be important because of the elections of officers for the new year. Be sure to attend the meeting May 22 and keep watching the Women's Club for advance work for Community and Congregation.

A new Women's Club feature is visits on Tuesday to the hospital at Camp Pickett Virginia. Each week a Jewish organization is invited to visit the Camp and help serve in whatever capacity they can at the hospital. Our women have responded to the call and if you would like to go out with some of the women one Tuesday call Mrs. Sam Hausman at 4-0534 and she will arrange transportation.

Special bulletin too about the Social Center. Due to the efforts of Mrs. Ben Cohen the Temple now has an exquisite baby grand piano. Our thanks to the sincere and unselfish accomplishment of Bess Cohen. As I said Time waits for no one and so I too am guided by my ration of the precious "stuff." Time to close and say bye for now till we meet in the very near FUTURE.

MRS. MURRAY HARRELL LOWENSTEIN

The Temple Beth El in Richmond was the setting on April 6th for the wedding of Miss Jacqueline Gerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gerson, of Richmond, to Pfc. Murray Harell Lowenstein, son of Mrs. Henry Lowenstein, of Danville, and the late Mr. Lowenstein.

Rabbi Jacob Milgrom and Cantor Morris Okun officiated, using the double ring ceremony, beneath a scalloped canopy of white carnations and smilax.

Prior to the ceremony, a program of wedding music was presented by the church organist. Several vocal selections were also rendered.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a dress of ivory duchess satin fashioned with a sheer yoke outlined in Venice lace, which extended to the hemline. The bouffant skirt ended in a wide circular train. Her full-length veil of imported illusion fell from a matching lace cap. The bride carried a white

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Mrs. Marvin Heckel of Richmond and Mrs. Jerold Lowenstein of New York were honor attendants. Miss Trudy Weisler and Mrs. Bernard Weber were bridesmaids, and Miss Anne Finkelman of New York and Miss Randi Lea Passamaneck were junior bridesmaids.

All attendants were similarly gowned in champagne net and lace ankle length gowns, with velvet sashes and headpieces in green and rust. They all carried spring baskets of gerberias.

Ralph L. Lowenstein was his brother's best man, and the ushers were Jerold Lowenstein of New York City, Barry Berkson of Haggerstown, Md., Martin N. Gerson and Melvin Kobre, of Richmond.

The bride is a graduate of Westhampton College, Richmond, and the groom is a graduate of George Washington High School and the University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

After a reception in the social hall of the Temple, the couple left for a wedding trip. They will make their home in Manhatten, Kansas.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding included: Wilmington, N. C.: Mr. David Lowenstein, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Golstein, Miss Eleanor Goldstein; University of NC: Ralph Goldstein; Durham, N. C.: Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Colvin and daughter, Beth Lynn; Charlotte, N. C.: Mrs. Paul Fligel and son, Stuart Allen; Roanoke, Virginia: Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lowenstein Joe, Alice and Eddie Lowenstein; Petersburg, Va.: Mr. and Mrs. Chas Petuske, Mr. Morton Pierce; Montgomery, Ala.: Mr. Soll Monsky; Baltimore, Md.: Mr. and Mrs. Marty Weiss, Mr. Frank Schuster, Miss Frieda Kahn, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollins; Hagerstown, Md.: Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Berkson, Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Macht; University of Md.: Mr. Barry Berkson; Newport, R. I.: Lt. Jacob B. Berkson; Winston-Salem, N. C.: Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Goldberg; New York City: Mr. Sid Dembner; Norfolk, Va.: Mr. and Mrs. Archie J. Harris, Miss Hazel Roman; Hampton, Va.: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Goldstein, Mrs. I. Klaff; Hyattsville, Md.: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stuart Rubin; Danville, Va.: Mrs. Henry Lowenstein, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lowenstein, Mrs. Esther Fishman, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Berman, Misses Joyce and Ellen Sue Berman, Ronnie and Jay Berman, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Berman, Mr. Nathan Newman, Dr. and Mrs. David Stoner, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blank, Mrs. Samuel R. Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Mose Harris, Mrs. Ida Kobre, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Kingoff.

From Brooklyn, N. L.: Mrs. Louis J. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Finkelman and daughter Anne, Miss Johanna Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Raabin, Mr. and Mrs. Constantino Fernandez; from Forest Hills, N. Y.: Mr. and Mrs. Lou Lewis; Havana and New York: Mrs. Adela Delfin; Orlando, Fla.: Mrs. Solon Klepper; Washington, D. C.: Miss Helen Gerson, Mr. Tobias Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Shapiro, Mrs. Jennie Cooper, Mrs. Stanley Korman, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Weiner, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Kluft, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Wolpe, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Wolpe.

MRS. I. RICHARD LEVET

Mrs. I. Richard Levet, recently installed for a second year, as president of Seaboard Branch of National Women's League, of United Synagogue of America, is a past president of the Sisterhood of Beth El Temple, Richmond, Virginia. A native of Richmond, Mrs. Levet is the former Celia Sidenberg whose family was long active in the Synagogue and Jewish Life of the Community. Mr. Levet formerly of Baltimore, Maryland, is also a past president of Temple Beth El, and was one of the

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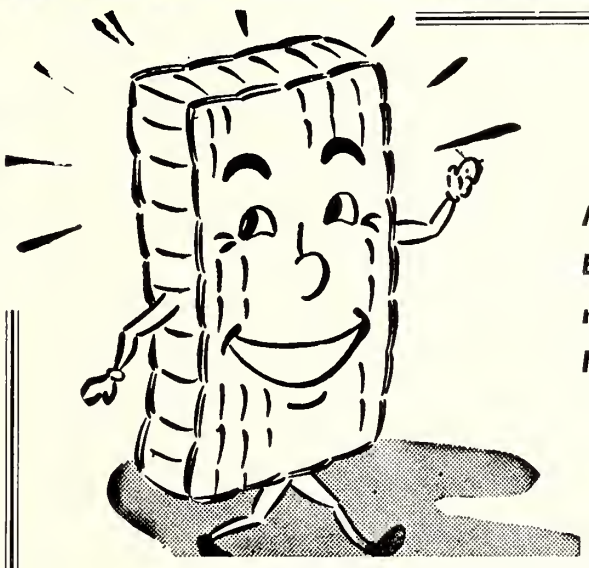

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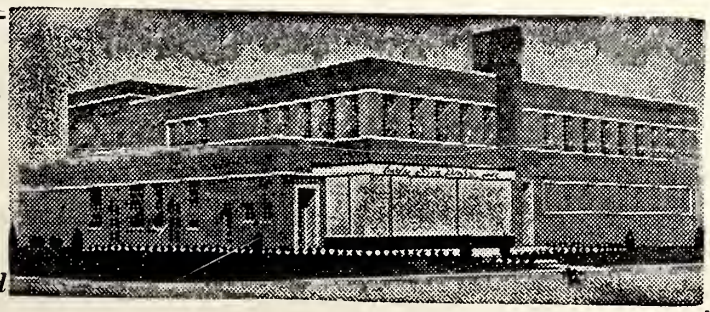

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# NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

**Mrs. Irving Berlin, Reporter**

Newport News Section, National Council of Jewish Women, held their annual fashion show at the Jewish Community Center on Wednesday, March 12th. Following the showing, a champagne cocktail party was held, and hors d'oerves served. It was a truly beautiful affair, and the turn out was very encouraging.

On March 31 Sisterhood of Rodef Sholem Temple had their Social Action Committee present its yearly program. "Five Vital Questions" were discussed—being vital questions, all controversial of the day, and there were four panalists and a narrator. It was very well received, and the interesting part of the program was the polling of votes by the committee of members of the audience. The discussion which followed proved that Jewish women are thinking women.

At Hadassah's paid-up membership dinner, the program afterward introduced a new group to the community—The Katherine Wood Opera Workshop who performed in public for the first time at this affair. Scenes from four operas were presented by young amateurs.

Young marrieds are making up their Hadassah Medical Organization and Youth Aliyah pledges by baking for private functions for those members of Hadassah who are entertaining. Many of them after a few months have made their quotas. Other chapters take notice!

The Art Appreciation course offered at the Jewish Community Center by Dr. Leo Katz of Hampton Institute has proved so successful that it was extended for another five sessions.

The Center plus the Men's Club of Adath Jeshurun Synagogue were hosts to Katya Delacova and Fred Berk on March 26th. This modern dance team has toured this country, Europe and the Far East, and presented a varied dance program to commemorate Jewish Music Month.

The Jewish Community's Center's Foreign Film Series has proved so successful, that an increased number of films is planned on the series for the 1952-1953 season. The encouraging part of the whole program is the fact that the whole community has responded, which proves the need for something of this sort even in a small community.

The Legislative Study Group, National Council of Jewish Women, and Hadassah, will be hostesses to the State Legislative Group at the Hotel Chamberlain on April 29th. At that time plans will be mapped out for the program for the next season, and each chapter will receive a bill that became a law in the past State Legislative Session, and follow its development until it became same.

The Men's Club Forum Series had as its guest speaker on April 1st, Rabbi Samuel Rosenblatt, Rabbi of the Beth Tfilah congregation in Baltimore who spoke on "Intermarriage—Is it worth the price?" A question and answer period followed.

The Sunday Schools of both the Rodef Sholem Temple, and Adath Jeshurun Shule had Model Seders, which enabled the children to get an idea of what a table should look like.

The Second Annual Kiddie Shows, sponsored by the Men's Club of the Schule was a grand success—so much so that the troup has performed twice since at the Ft. Monroe and Ft. Eustis Base Hospitals.

Mrs. J. J. Finkle has concluded her "Judaism in the Home" Institute on Purim and Passover. One more session is planned on Shevous in the middle of May.

# Lag Ba'Omer In Israel

**By Rabbi Julius Lipschutz**
**RICHMOND, VA.**

In Israel, Lag Ba'Omer is commemorated as the anniversary of the the death of one of the greatest sages, Rabbi Simeon ben Yochai. This prominent teacher was one of the five pupils whom Rabbi Akibah ordained before he was put to death by the Romans for violating their edict against studying the Torah. Rabbi Simeon was not only a great scholar in the Torah, but tradition has also assigned him the authorship of the ZOHAR, the Bible of Jewish mysticism. Once Rabbi Simeon made a great remark that was derogatory to the Romans; when the Romans heard it, he was compelled to flee for his life and remained in a cave for thirteen years. Later he settled in Tiberias. When he passed away he was buried in Meron, a settlement situated in northern Galilee, near Safed. On Lag Ba'Omer, the anniversary of his death, pilgrims from all over Israel assemble at the tomb of Rabbi Simeon ben Yochai to pray, dance, and sing songs of a deeply religious nature. This commemoration forms an inspiring reminder that Bar Yochai's devotion to the cause of Torah, its mystic profundities, as well as to that of Israel as a whole, will ever be alive in our hearts and souls.

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ounders of this conservative congregation. Mr. and Mrs. Levet are he proud parents of two fine sons: Stuart Allan, age 15, and Malcolm Robert, age 18.

## Beth El Temple Sisterhood

The Seaboard Branch of the National Women's League of the United Synagogue of America held their seventh annual conference in Richmond, Virginia: with two day sessions being held at the Hotel John Marshall. The second day of the conference was highlighted with a luncheon held in Virginia Room of Hotel at which time Mrs. Henry Richner, immediate past president of the Seaboard Branch, and a vice president of the National Womens League installed the following officers of the Seaboard Branch:

Mrs. I. Richard Levet, president, Richmond, Virginia; Mrs. Joseph Kolodny, first vice president, Baltimore, Maryland; Mrs. Meyer Goldberg, second vice president, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Ellis Kassow, third vice president, Baltimore, Maryland; Mrs. Myer Herzberg, treasurer, Norfolk, Virginia; Mrs. J. B. Freedland, recording secretary, Charlotte, North Carolina; Mrs. Reuben Goldman, corresponding secretary, Richmond, Virginia; Mrs. Sidney Keller, financial secretary, Portsmouth Virginia.

Mrs. Henry Fine, Richmond Virginia, was chairman of the nominating committee. Following this installation program, Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, Richmond, Virginia, addressed the delegation.

A beautiful "Cantata" was presented, by Mrs. Morris Okin, entitled "What Is National Women's League," with members of Beth El Temple Sisterhood participating. Theme for this conference was "With Our Old, and With Our Young We Shall Go Forward."

On April 22, Beth El Sisterhood held their regular meeting in Temple Social Hall. This meeting was followed by a program in observance of Israel Independence: A musical presentation with dramatic reading was featured, describing the contemporary return of the children of Israel to Zion. Title of this program was "Homeward Bound."

Mrs. Abe Grandis, program chairman, was assisted by Mrs. Norman Meyer, and Mrs. Max Schwartz: Narrators, and soloist and choral group including Mrs. Jack Fine, Mrs. Albert Evans, Mrs. Willie Sheer, Mrs. Morris Okun. Piano accompanist, Mrs. Jacob Milgrom.

During the business session of this meeting, the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers for the coming year:

President, Mrs. Abe Grandis; vice president, Mrs. Ben Perlin; vice president, Mrs. Jacob Fratkin; vice president, Mrs. Moe Backer; vice president, Mrs. Dave Pollock; recording secretary, Mrs. Allan Unger; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Albert Furman; assistant corresponding secretary, Mrs. Sam Kayne; Financial secretary, Mrs. Nathan Zell; assistant financial secretary, Mrs. Irvin Cantor: treasurer, Mrs. Marvin Heckel; Assistant treasurer, Mrs. Norman Meyer; Historian, Mrs. Meyer Harris; advisor, Mrs. Louis Perlin.

The installation of above officers will take place at the May meeting of Sisterhood: Mrs. Jacob Milgrom is in charge of this installation program.

On May 8th, the annual Mother-Daughter supper will be held in Temple Social Hall, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Getty Schwartz. This is an annual event, enjoyed by mothers and daughters of Beth El Families.

It is with great pride that we announce the establishment of an annual Camp Ramah Scholarship by the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.

This scholarship will annually be awarded to the highest ranking Hebrew school student, and will provide the complete tuition for a summer at Camp Ramah.

This year's recipient, by the unanimous recommendation of the Religious school is Kenneth Passamaneck, son of Mrs. Yale Passamaneck, and of the late Dr. Yale Passamaneck. Kenneth is a member of the Mechinah Class, and is active in the leadership of the Junior Congregation.


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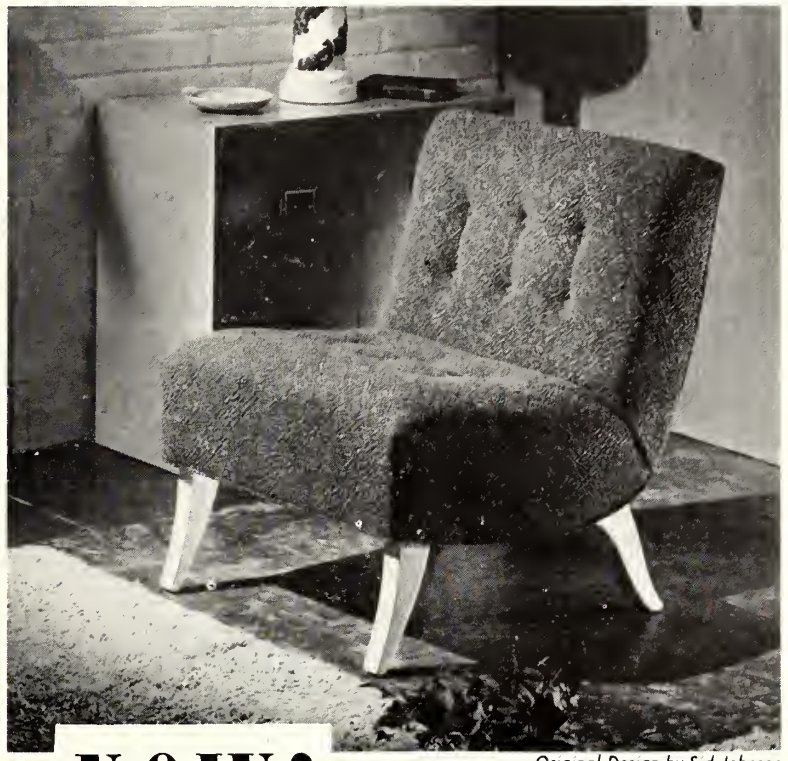

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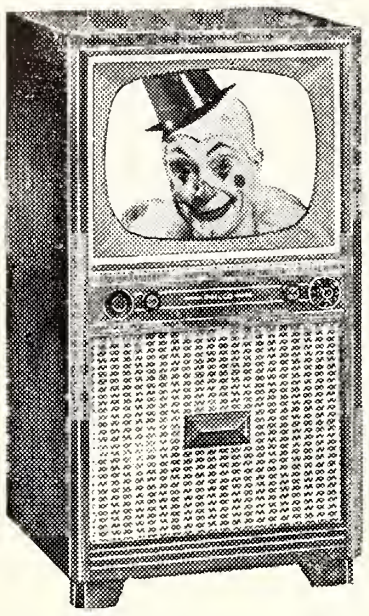

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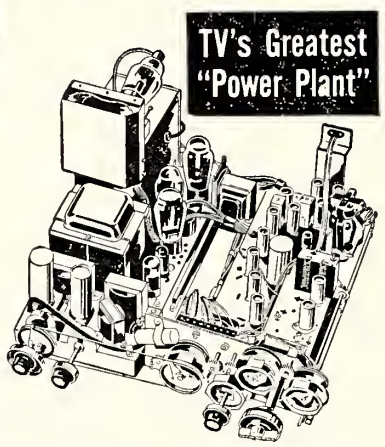

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**By Irma Koff, Reporter**

Dear Lonzmen;

This was a job trying to get news for the Outlook this month. It seems that everyone I called was either busy preparing for Passover or waiting on customers, who were bent on last minute Easter shopping.

The time has come once again for the local campaign for the United Jewish Appeal. Due to the mass immigration, which is still taking place in Israel, combined with undue hardships caused by the floods this year the need for funds is still urgent. It's up to each of you to open your heart and pocketbook to hear the pleas of your brethern in other lands.

The Women's Division will open their drive with a luncheon at the Suburban Country Club on May 7 at 1 p.m. Chairmen are Mrs. Sydney Pilzer and Mrs. Elias Friedman. Mrs. S. A. Levin is honorary chairman with Mrs. Belle B. Goodman as honorary vice chairman. Mrs. Ruth Silverman is executive secretary.

The Men's Division campaign will be handled by Tonny Goodman with Sol Fass as honorary chairman and Harry Goldman and Julius Peck as co-chairmen. Mrs. Silverman is also executive secretary of the Men's Division. Charles D. Kantor is financial secretary and Leonard Karp, president of the Jewish Community Council.

The men will start their drive on May 14, 8 p.m. at the Suburban Country Club.

On the lighter side of the news, wedding bells will ring June 8 for Mindy Chovitz and Ralph Richards, of Norfolk. They will be married at the Hotel Portsmouth.

Congratulations are also in order for Esther and Irving Duffin, who had a son and for Zelma and Bernard Rivin, who had a daughter. And double congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sol Katz, who had one of each.

The community was saddened in April by the deaths of Jack Suffrin and Abraham Shustin. Our sincere sympathies to both families.

Installation of officers will be held during the May meeting of Hadassah while ZOA will hold elections that month, with their installation ceremonies set for the fall. And talking about ZOA, didn't you enjoy their program during April, which featured Miss Bobbie Miller, of Newport News who sang liturgical music and Hebrew folk songs, accompanied by Cantor Samuel Seidelman? It was a treat for all who heard them and even those who couldn't understand the language, (like me) had a good time.

The Jewish War vets are planning a charity affair and an extra amount of hospital work for May.

One of the big events of the year in the community is also coming up in May. Nine girls and seven boys will be confirmed at the Synagogue on May 18.

Through the efforts of Sisterhood, children of the Religious School attended Passover seders on April 6.

Sisterhood's installation will be held May 6.

The community was proud of Nathan Safian, Bobby Floun, and Ellen Rae Frank, all of whom brought honor to Wilson High School when they won first places in district high school contests.

B'nai B'rith men and women will attend the district convention, May 24 to 27 in Baltimore.

B'nai B'rith Women will make their annual Woman of the Year presentation in May. Mrs. Moe H. Glazer is chairman, with Mrs. Lou Sher as co-chairman. The May meeting will be devoted to the winning essays on the "I Am An American" contest held throughout the Portsmouth schools yearly.

Junior Hadassah had a most successful donor luncheon on April 6 at the Suburban Country Club. Mitchell Gold was guest speaker.

I started this column with a plea for UJA and want to end it with a reminder that Bonds for Israel are still on sale. Many people have pledged for them but still haven't paid for them. Bond money, which represents an investment in democracy, is also needed now. Call Ruth Silverman at 71754 and she'll be glad to take your money from you. Bob Epstein is chairman.

That's 30 for now.

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**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Correspondent**

On March 10, our Sisterhood sponsored a Purim Masquerade party. Prizes were given for the funniest, prettiest and most original costumes. Everyone danced to famous orchestras (via victrola, of course). During the evening all helped themselves to refreshments, namely Homantashen.

On March 19, a Congregation dinner meeting was held in our Social Hall. Our president, Mayor Laurence Loewner was presented with a beautiful set of luggage for his ten years of devoted service. Mrs. Loewner and Mrs. Julius Wise, president of our Sisterhood, were presented with orchids.

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The Hadassah Chapter held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Israel Smith. Following the business meeting, refreshments were served.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simon who became the parents of an eight pound baby girl. Congratulations too, Dr. and Mrs. Leon Margolin who also became parents of a baby girl.

We are very happy to say that Rabbi Israel L. Kaplan has accepted our pulpit. Rabbi Kaplan served as Rabbi of the Temple in Jacksonville, Florida for thirty years at which time he was made Rabbi Emeritus. Since that time served other congregations filling in as their Rabbi until the return of the Rabbis who were chaplains in the armed service. During his ministry Rabbi Kaplan was very active in community and State affairs. We feel it is a privilege to have Rabbi and Mrs. Kaplan serving us.

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## Staunton - Waynesboro, Virginia

**By Estelle Kauffman**

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sragovitz, of Staunton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty June, to Mr. Solomon Alcano Goldenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Goldenberg, of Washington, D. C. Miss Sragovitz was graduated from Dunsmore Business College and holds a government position in Washington. Mr. Goldenberg graduated from George Washington University. The wedding will take place in June.

The Seder Supper was held in the reception room of the Temple, Student Rabbi Joseph Herzog conducting. The Sisterhood was in charge of arrangements. Cadets from the local academies, as well as the congregation attended.

Mrs. Milton Kinkel was in Miami Beach Fla., and New York City.

Miss Cecille Kauffman, of Baltimore, spent Passover with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kauffman.

The unveiling of the stone for the late David S. Gelberg was held recently in the Jewish Cemetery.

**Celebrating the tenth anniversary of Dr. Abraham A. Newman's Presidency of Dropsie College, Honorary Degrees were conferred on four distinguished scholars and statesmen at a special academic convocation, which was followed by a dinner in honor of Dr. Newman at which the Board of Governors of Dropsie College announced the publication of a Newman Decennial Volume "Selected Historical Essays," a collection of Dr. Newman's writings. (Above, l. to r.) Dr. Harry A. Wolfson, Harvard University professor; Bernard G. Segal, Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar and Treasurer of The Dropsie College; Viscount Samuel, Liberal Party leader of the British House of Lords; Benjamin V. Cohen, U. S. Ambassador to the U. N. disarmament commission; Dr. Neuman; Dr. John W. Nason, president of Swarthmore College; and Dr. Solomon Zeitlin, Dropsie College professor.**


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**Overseas officials address annual meeting of B'nai B'rith National Executive Committee, in Washington. Frank Goldman (center), President of B'nai B'rith, greets Prof. A. H. Fraenkel of Hebrew University, who is president of the Order's District Grand Lodge in Israel. At left is Jack Morrison, of London, England president of B'nai B'rith's British District Grand Lodge.**

## LYNCHBURG, VA.

**By Gishy Aronson**

Tete-a-tete—It is at this season that I realize my admiration for all Mothers and especially for my own, who has given me a great deal for which to be grateful. It would have done any mother's heart good to see the would-be thespians of the kindergarten group of Sunday School, acting out in pantomine the Story of Esther, written and directed by yours truly. Rabbi Tennenbaum, who supervised the colorful Purim carnival had booths set up and amusements of the festive sort to entertain the children and grown-ups. The sampling of Hamantashen, delicacy of the day and a refreshing drink climaxed an afternoon of good fun.

I enjoyed the eats and the guest's spring fashions at the Hadassah luncheon given at the home of Mrs. Abe Adler on Hilltop Drive . . . Noticed Helen Alper and Marian Somers looking chic in their "conceal" chapmans . . . Selma Navis, Dot Samuels and Ray Schewel sporting hand-made fashions handsomely worked by their own lily white hands . . . Just back from Florida with a healthy tan is Shirley Levin and her family . . . Bernice Somers and Henrietta Cooper hob-nobbing with cosmopolitan Washington Society while enjoying a few days at the Mayflower in the nation's capital . . . Amy Beth is the name of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schewel's new baby daughter . . . Don't you adore Eddie Goldstein's brand new store? . . . Ben Schewel appreciates a good Mexican Hat Dance since his visit South of the border! . . . Mrs. Allan Scheckwitz and her sister, Mrs. J. Dean Buchanan gave a gay luncheon in honor of Phyllis Feinman, who was engaged to Alan Oster, but whom are Mr. and Mrs. by now . . . Mrs. Kenneth Cooper, who is doing a bang up job on the Bulletin publication was named new president of the Sisterhood at a recent meeting . . . Outgoing president, Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein conducting the session, reported on the district meeting of Temple Sisterhoods and Brotherhoods held in Greensboro in March. Other officers elected were: Mrs. Elliot Schewel, first vice-president;

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rs. S. Siegel, second vice-president; rs. Meyer Grosman, treasurer; and rs. I. Schewel, corresponding sec- tary . . . Junius Abramson was ected president of Lynchburg odge 1211, B'nai B'rith. Other offi- rs are: Meyer Cohen, vice-presi- nt; Robert Leeds, secretary; Fred otz, financial secretary; Charles avis, warden, and Moss Fineman, easurer . . . Allen Cohen was re- ntly promoted at Lynchburg State olony from Assistant to Associate sychologist . . . They're glad to e Sadye Silverman out again after er illness. The Silvermans have ken up a new residence on Gates treet . . . I'm happy to announce at one of my favorite doctors has on the $500.00 first prize in a Na- onal essay contest conducted by the merican Urological Association. If ou haven't already guessed, it is r. Milton Rosenberg, whose wife the former Martha Davis of ynchburg. Dr. Rosenberg will be onor guest at the organization's Na- onal convention in Atlantic City, une 23rd. He was in the army edical corps as a captain for two ears after graduation from the niversity of Virginia and is now rst assistant resident at Stanford niversity Hospital in California. A econd son, Stuart Mark, was born o the lucky couple recently and I ish to express my heartiest con- ratulations to the Rosenbergs out here in California . . . While I'm till feeling proud of our accomplish- d sons and daughters, I want to tell ou about Ruth Sanders of Spring alley, New York. Ruthie, you know, s related to Mike Grosman and ome more of us here in Lynchburg nd is a brilliant student at Sweet riar College. She is one of two ophomores who have been chosen or the privilege of spending their unior year at the University of St. ndrew, Scotland. I hear Phil Gold- tein was excellent in the Elk's Mins- rels at the Academy Theatre, and Marian Bletz enhanced the produc- ion by her lively dancing . . . Dick Samuels made a very able teacher at Sunday School while his mother-in-law was in Florida. Something to which you good readers can look forward to every Sunday now is the radio program entitled "The Voice of the Temple." It has already been inagurated and resumed by Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum . . . One of the five fund campaigns approved by the review board of the Lynchburg Association on Public solicitation includes Hadassah fund drive for a $3,000.00 goal . . . Speaking of Hadassah, all those who attended the Wild West Shindig boasted of an evening of fun and frolic. The affair was put on by Gertrude Aronson, chairman of the dance. An imitation chuck wagon was built with wagon wheels and a stuffed cowboy stood watch close by. Straw was hung from the ceiling and the whole ball-room took on a semblance of a western gambling and dance hall of Gold Rush Days. Allan Schekwitz thrilled the guests with his professional fire-eating act. Campfire singing and square dancing were added features of the evening. Doughnuts and coffee was the free grub dished up for the hungry revellers . . . Tickets were handled by Harriet Kaye . . . I wish to express my appreciation to the following hostesses: Henrietta Cooper, Bernice Somers, Yetta Davis, Natalie Cooper, Fannie Adler, Deborah Feinman, Ester Bank and Mary Berman, Thank you ladies . . .

In the spotlight of honor we have Mr. Abe Cohen, who was one of three candidates nominated to seats on City Council in the Democratic primary election held in Lynchburg recently. Owner of the Lynchburg Iron and Metal Company, Mr. Cohen is also a limited partner in the H. E. DeWitt Lumber Co. and is president of the Automatic Draft and Stove Co. and the Lynchburg Planters Manufacturing Co. Cohen has been interested in civic affairs as well as business activities. As a result of his war service in World War I, he has been interested in the American Legion and served four years as commander of local Post 16.

He has been prominently associated with Lynchburg Elks Lodge and is a Mason, Shriner and a member of the Moose. Last month he was elected to the board of trustees of Marshall Lodge Memorial Hospital.

Founder and past president of the Lynchburg Traffic Bureau and a former board member of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Cohen is a devoted family man, living with his two daughters and wife at 1919 Rivermont Avenue . . . Congratulations, Abe, we are proud of you!

Next month I will tell you all about the Seder news of Agudath Sholom. The community affair committees were headed by Mrs. Mike Grossman, Mrs. Ben Schewel, Mrs. Dick Samuels and Mrs. Elliott Schewel.

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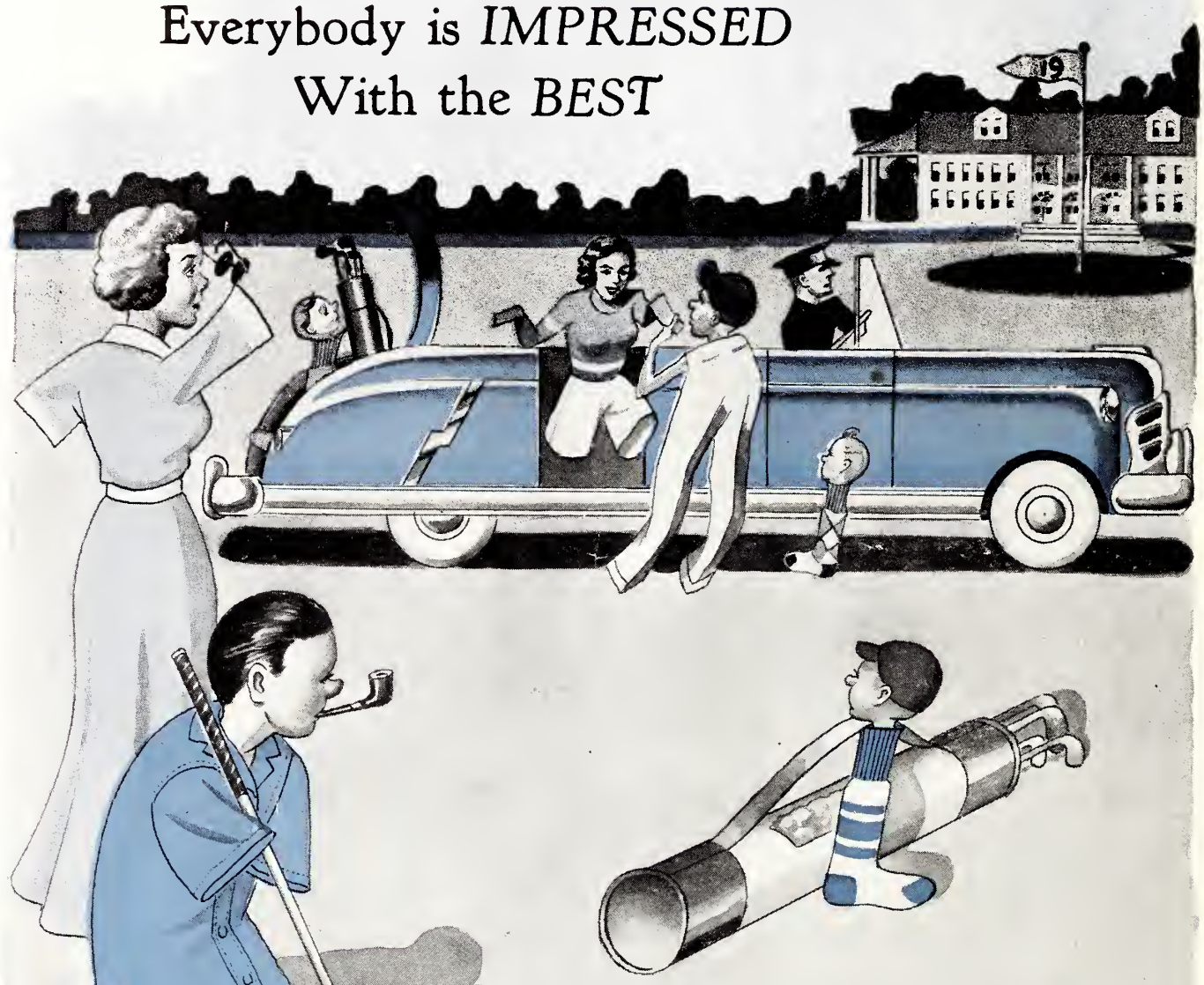

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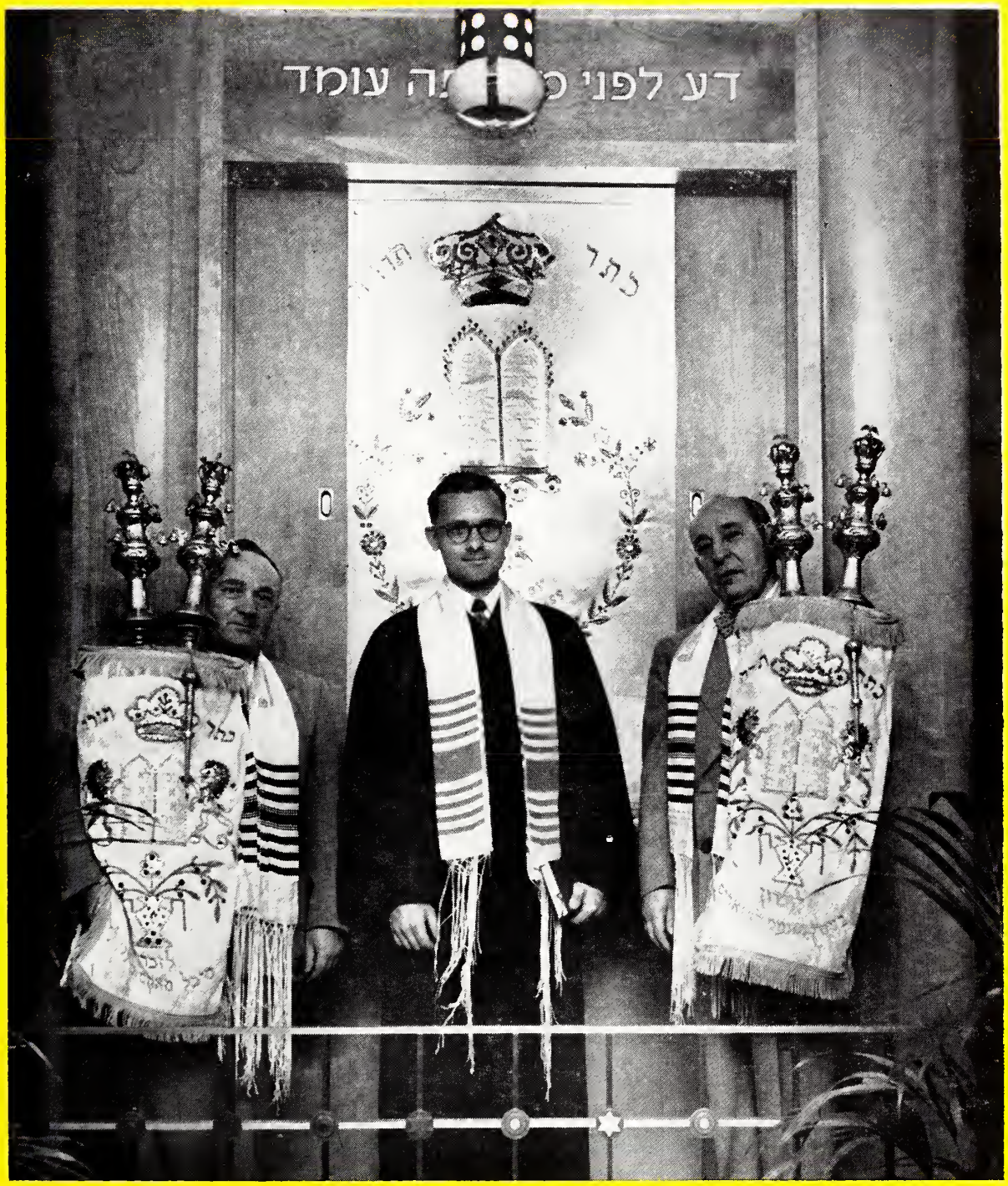


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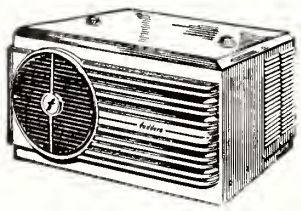

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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *A Notable Fifth Anniversary*

When Maurice A. Weinstein, young Charlotte, N. C., attorney, conceived the idea for the B'nai B'rith Institute of Judaism, and sat down early in 1948, with a small group of associates to plan the first of these Institutes, little did they imagine the impact on Jewish life that their new and revolutionary idea would have.

Beginning July 13th, through the 17th, the North Carolina Association of B'nai B'rith Lodges will stage its Fifth Anniversary Institute of Judaism at Wildacres, the charming estate of I. D. Blumenthal, of Charlotte, N. C., at Little Switzerland, in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. It seems fitting at this time to evaluate the movement and its effects on the Jews of the United States and the world, for, from its humble beginnings here in North Carolina, the plan has spread, until it is a part of the thinking of all sections of this country and of many countries on the other side of the globe.

We have referred to these Institutes as being revolutionary. We justify this designation because, while there are many movements which have as their aim the projection of ideals and ideas for Jewish living, they have for the most part been slanted to the youth in the Jewish community. The attitude for the most part seemed to be that the present adult generation was a lost generation as far as changing their thinking is concerned, and the up-and-coming groups of younger Jews seemed to be a much more fertile field. The thought that any substantial numbers of adult men and women would take time out from their normal, busy lives, to devote four or five days to intellectual pursuits, seemed remote. The very first Institute disproved that.

In addition to the Wildacres Institute of the North Carolina B'nai B'rith, there will be a second Institute at Wildacres August 6th to the 10th under the auspices of the Fifth District Grand Lodge. There will be similar Institutes, some for the second year, in Wisconsin, Texas, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Nebraska. The idea is being seriously considered in California, as well as England, Canada, Switzerland, and in Israel. Whether Institutes will be held in any of these places this year is uncertain at this writing, but it is known that one is planned for the new Henry Monsky Camp in Pennsylvania, in 1953.

The theme of the North Carolina Institute this year is "The Thought and Religion of the Jews." It will be expounded by Rabbi Leo Jung, eminent religionist and scholar, and past president of the Rabbinical Council of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations in America, Barnett R. Brickner, rabbi of the Reform Euclid Avenue Temple of Cleveland, Ohio, and Rabbi Morris Adler, Conservative, who is a contributing editor to "The Reconstructionist." Former faculties read like a "Who's Who in American Jewish Culture and Education." They include: Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, Dr. Robert Gordis, Dr. Ira Eisenstein, Judith Eisenstein, Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, Rabbi Jacob S. Marcus, Dr. Solomon Grayzel, Dr. Sholom Spiegel, Dr. Oscar Z. Fasman, Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, Dr. Solomon Freehoff, Richard Gutstadt, Dr. Leo Srole, Lionel Bernstein, Dr. Marvin Lowenthal, Edward Grusd, Katya Delakova, and Fred Berk, interpretive dancers, and others.

Subjects covered at the various Institutes include: Bible, Talmud, Reform Judaism, Conservative Judaism, Orthodox Judaism, Reconstructionism, Prophets, Jewish Music, Jewish Dance, Current Jewish Problems, Sociology of the Jews, History of the Jews, American Jewry and Israel, the Role of B'nai B'rith, the Hillel program, the work of the ADL, and B'nai B'rith on the international scene.

The remarkable success which has been achieved by the B'nai B'rith Institutes of Judaism is attributable in large part, to the excellence of the programs, the unusually high caliber of the faculties, and the enthusiastic efforts of those having the responsibility for plans and execution. The idea was given official recognition when, in March 1950, the Supreme Grand Lodge of B'nai B'rith set up a permanent committee, headed by one of its vice-presidents, I. W. Garek, of Columbus, Ohio, to spread the technique through all of the B'nai B'rith districts.

In evaluating the Institutes it might be well to quote some of the leaders in American Jewry who are perhaps, in a better position to render judgment than are we laymen. We include here excerpts from some of these opinions:

Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan: "I consider that this week was one of the most fruitful of my life and I am deeply grateful to all those who made my participation possible. I believe it proved that adult education cannot only be valuable but can be made delightful and entertaining."

Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, "I am of the conviction that if we can have ten such Wildacres Institutes throughout the United States every year and if we can graduate classes of men and women every year we shall, in the course of fifteen or twenty years create a revolution in American Jewish life."

Richard Gutstadt, whose name is a byword in B'nai B'rith annals, and who was a member of the faculty at the Institute held by Grand Lodge, District No. 5 at Wildacres in 1950, says: "I feel that Institutes like this and organizations like B'nai B'rith can play a tremendous role. I think this B'nai B'rith Institute is the most stimulating and encouraging innovation in Jewish life, at least under the aegis of B'nai B'rith, in my time."

Rabbi Oscar Z. Fasman, president, Hebrew Theological College: "The Wildacres Institute, sponsored by B'nai B'rith, is unquestionably one of the most constructive ideas in Jewish education produced by American Jewry in the past three decades."

Dr. Solomon Grayzel: "The place, the occasion, the people, all combined to convince me more than ever that our future as Jews depends upon just such gatherings of intelligent adults."

Dr. Robert Gordis: "The plan is taking root all over the country. Education, especially adult education, is the single, most difficult, and single, most important project of Jewish life today."

Dr. Abram L. Sachar: "I have watched with increasing gratification the development of the Jewish Institute at Wild-

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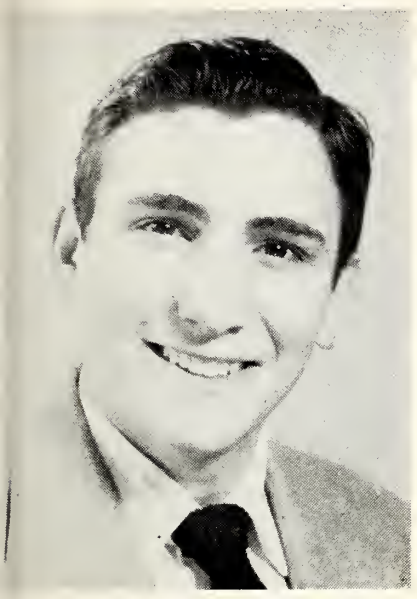

RICHARD BERNSTEIN

# We Escaped to Reality

*By* JERRY JACOBS *and* MORTY ERSHLER

**The Annual Youth Conference, at Wildacres, sponsored by the North Carolina Association of Jewish Youth, will be staged this year from August 11th to the 17th. Here are impressions of previous conferences. —THE EDITOR.**

JERRY JACOBS

When the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Association of Jewish Youth was in session some two years ago at their annual convention in Greensboro, a plan was brought forward that was to become the most talked of experiment in that young Association's history. When a handful of inexperienced young people (none of them over 18 at the time) decided to hold a week-long Jewish Youth Conference for 50 kids in the "wilderness" of mountainous Western North Carolina, in the heart of the Blue Ridge chain, and make this Conference a real Jewish Youth Community for a week, our elders were aghast.

Our plan, they said, was foolhardy, romantic, foredoomed by hazards physical and spiritual. We would become victims of loneliness and confusion; of withdrawal from the world of reality. If escapism didn't injure us, acute appendicitis might. And finally, from the isolation of fifty teenage temperaments at the I. D. Blumenthal "Wild Acres" estate for a solid week, boredom would result, then irritation and the ultimate wreck of our Conference and our Youth Association as well.

These warnings, we knew, were well founded. Yet they challenged us. We matched the bright desire of our dream against them. A dream of fifty young Jewish boys and girls living, working, playing, learning, thinking and praying together in a community all their own for one week. The dream won.

1950 Jewish Youth Conference at Wildacres

Our first conference was held August 6-12, 1950 under the adult directorship of Mr. Judah Katz, Field Secretary of the Jewish Welfare Board. Our Youth Directorship was divided up between Joel Fleishman, Fayetteville; Max Crohn, Asheville; Morty Ershler, High Point; Teasa Bloom, High Point; Betzi Morris, High Point; Norman Sternberger, Statesville; and Henry Shavitz, High Point. The Director of the Asheville Community Center, Mr. Saul Feldman, came up to aid us in our discussions, as did Mr. Jack Chilnick and Mr. Sam Rosenberg of the Jewish Educational Alliance in Atlanta, Georgia.

The second Conference was held August 7-13, 1951 under the adult directorship of Rabbi Erwin Herman of Winston-Salem Temple Emanuel. Our Youth Directorship was divided up again, this time between Joel Fleishman, Fayetteville; Morty Ershler, High Point; Henry Shavitz, High Point; and Norman Steinberger, Statesville, all of whom directed the first Conference, and Lenore Green, Raleigh; Rochelle Katzin, Winston-Salem; and Jerry Jacobs, High Point, who were newcomers to the Program Director's Committee.

Plans are now being made for the third Jewish Youth Conference which will be held August 11-17 at the same very beautiful I. D. Blumenthal Estate. At present, Directorship is under the auspices of Dick Bernstein, Charlotte; Jerry Jacobs, High Point; Morty Ershler, High Point; and Joel Fleishman, Fayetteville.

As I pointed out before, our Conferences are held in the Blue Ridge region of Western North Carolina. During the past few years, we have re-lived every minute of every day that was spent at Wildacres. Every minute that we could beg from the obligations of society on the outside has been spent re-living incomparable minutes, hours, days, and weeks. So strong has been the impact of this dream come true upon us.

Behind the clearing which houses the Lodge at Wildacres rise the long, broken ridges—the forest as trackless as distance. Mt. Mitchell can be seen with a crashed airplane's tail shining in the sun. Across the nearby ridges, the mountains by nightfall are as thoughtful as solitude itself.

We think of our Conference—with its beautiful setting of broken ridges, trackless forests and winding streams—as a lasting enterprise in wilderness living. We have found there the spirit of adventure and the substance of beauty.

What is so supremely good about living on top of a mountain wilderness 20 miles from the nearest telephone and 70 miles from the nearest large town? For one thing, we are convinced that instead of escaping from reality, we have **found** it. Nothing is more real than giant trees swinging back and forth in the cool night air. Nothing is more real than the impressive structures of the mountains themselves, or the cold water of a flowing mountain stream. The quotient of reality in a lecture or a discussion group conducted in this setting is also high, and the warmth and feeling that comes out of these discussion groups the kids themselves have created, is a transcending warmth. It is with a wonderful feeling and a splendid attitude that these young people return to their homes.

Through this new and intriguing technique of holding a week-long Jewish Youth Conference in this particular setting, we are convinced that the ideals and principles of Judaism can be better understood

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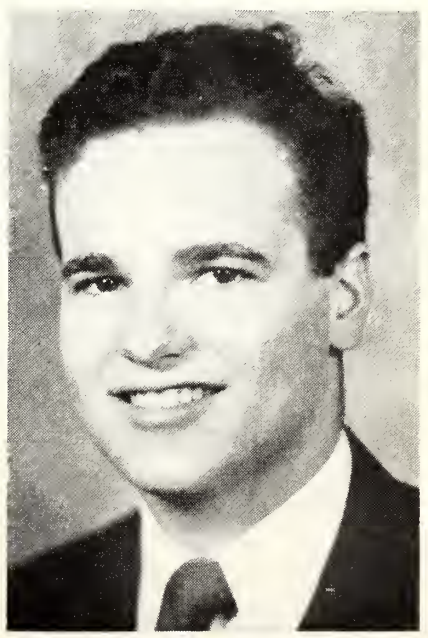
MORTY ERSHLER



JOEL FLEISCHMAN

# Democracy In Bereavement

RABBI JULES LIPSCHUTZ

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It is my intention to glorify the concepts of traditional Judaism and actually portray its humane sense of compassion, understanding and reverence for both the deceased and the living in one's bereavement. Isaiah the immortal prophet said, "He, the Lord will swallow up death forever, and the Lord God, will wipe away tears from off all faces." In one's trials and tribulations, especially after a beloved one has passed away, we hear comments of rebellion against the Almighty God, with continued waves of protests as to injustice of God against one we loved so much! We ask repeatedly, "Why did it have to be our own!" Such an attitude is undeniably unJewish, unsound and most unreasonable. The potter does not test the cracked vessel, it is useless to tap them on account of the breakage, but the potter **will test the good** vessel as it has much durability. The Almighty does not test the wicked, but the sincerely pious of society. The flax merchant who knows that his flax is good, will pound it, the more pounding the better the flax will become as it will glisten, and if the flax is poor in quality, the more pounding will split it.

A dear friend said to one in deep sorrow, "I did not come to comfort you, as the Almighty can do that best; I did come to say how tenderly I feel for you in your affliction." We should do our best to accept the evil with the good, the unhappy moment in life with the happy one, as we must be the recipients of a sound and healthy morality in the same spirit, as our Torah concepts are the depositories of decency. God has a sufficient amount of spiritual light, but it lights the world only, when it passes through the human lamp of actual living, of aches and pains, as well as the series of happy moments in our daily cycle of time. **We** do not need skull-busting theological complexities in theology; **we believe** in the ways of the Almighty, not through reason or logic but through faith.

It is related that while Rabbi Meir was enjoying Torah **study** on a Sabbath day in the Yeshivah, his two sons passed away. Thereupon their mother took them and placed them upon the bed and spread sheets over them. At the conclusion of the Sabbath, Rabbi Meir returned from the Yeshivah and said to his dear wife, Beruriah, "Where are my two sons?" "I looked for them and I could not find them." Beruriah, the mother of Israel became the immortal heroine in bereavement. When the Rabbi had concluded the final benediction of the Havdolah, he again inquired of his sons. The noble woman said, "Some time ago some precious gems were entrusted to my safekeeping. Now the owner has come to claim them again. Must I give them back to him?" "Can my wife ask such a question?" remarked Rabbi Meir gravely. "Can there be a question about returning to any one what is his own?"

"Oh, no," she answered. "But I did not care to allow them to go out of my keeping without your knowledge." Thereupon she led him tenderly to the upper room where their children lay expired. "My sons," cried the father in anguish. "My sons!" The good Beruriah stifled her own grief to comfort the heartbroken sage. "The Lord gave," she reverently uttered, "and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." "Blessed be the name of the Lord," the father was able to repeat with her.

It was the late Rabbi J. H. Hertz who said so soothingly that in meeting adversity, "we cannot lay down terms to life. Life must be accepted on its own terms. But hard as life's terms are, life never dictates unrighteousness, unholiness and dishonor." As we shall have occasion to recite the traditional Yizkor prayers, during the Passover and Shevuoth seasons this year, let us appreciate our Torah's concepts relative to "democracy in bereavement." The sorrows of the universe and the agony of Israel; the suffering of the individual, formed the inspiration and acid test of belief and faith in God.

The traditional laws of mourning permeated with its customs throughout the centuries signifies meaningful significance within the scope of 'democracy in bereavement.' Orthodox Judaism has repeatedly been unjustifiably attacked as obsolete and least soothing and compassionate for those in affliction, who have occasion to observe the rites of mourning. Let it be mutually understood that the deepest and most soothing balm in one's bereavement is the way of the Torah concept, as actually lived in accordance with traditions of orthodoxy. Every city and town is doubly enriched with the presence of the Chevrah Kadishah, known as the 'Burial Fraternity.' It is related in the Talmud of Moed Katon . . . 27-b . . . Rabbi Judah said . . . At one's death in a town, all the townspeople are forbidden to do work. Rabbi Hamnunah once came to **Daramatha** and heard the sound of a funeral procession, and seeing some people carrying on their work, he said . . . "Why, is there not a deceased in town? Why is the business establishment open? He was assured that there was an official Burial fraternity in the town, whose duty it was always to care and bury the deceased with tender devotion. If so, he said, then work and business duties are permitted."

Throughout the centuries, the Torah concept of Judaism has been most democratic in the laws of mourning. The dignity of one's individuality was to be kept sacred even after death as during life, regarding the laws and customs of mourning.

Our Rabbis taught . . . "Formerly, they were wont to convey foods for condolence to the bereaved families, the rich in silver and gold baskets, and the poor in osier baskets of peeled willow twigs, and the poor felt shamed . . . they therefore . . . instituted . . . that ALL should convey foods in osier baskets of peeled willow twigs out of deference to the poor. This is an **example** of democracy in bereavement. Our Rabbis taught . . . formerly, they were wont to serve drinks in a house of mourning, the rich in white glasses and the poor in colored glasses, and the poor felt ashamed. They therefore instituted, that ALL should serve drinks in colored glass out of respect to the poor. Formerly, they were wont to UNCOVER the face of the rich and cover the face of the poor, because their faces turned livid, in years of draught, and the poor felt shamed, they therefore instituted, **that everybody's face should be covered out of deference to the poor.**

It also states in the Talmud of Moed Katon . . . 27b . . . that formerly, the expenses fell upon the next of kin than his death, so that the next of kin abandoned him and fled, until Rabbi Gamlilel came forward and disregarding his own dignity came out to burial in flaxen vestments, and thereby all followed his example to burial in flaxen vestments. Said Rabbi Papah . . . "and now . . . days . . . all the world follow the practice of coming out even in a plain simple casket. These laws portray the deep respect for a human being in bereavement, inculcating the fact that every human being even after death is not a chattel, nor a piece of furniture that can be abused, mutilated through embalmings or autopsies, but rather to be given the essential rights of burial within the realm of tradition.

If an occasion arises whereby embalming or an autopsy would have to be made, the recognized orthodox Rabbinate should be consulted **before** any such measures would be undertaken accordingly.

I have been requested to lecture upon the Jewisn laws of mourning with its corresponding customs. Hospitals have invited me to conduct a series of lectures and symposiums upon such topics as these, so that the students within the respective School of Nursing would be acquainted with the Orthodox traditional manner of burial. In the event that a Rabbi could not be secured or the Burial Fraternity would not be available, the Nurse would be taught how to cooperate and respect the Jewish rites of mourning while the patient was still at the hospital. Lectures were similarly conducted for other faiths, in order to know their ways of mourning. Obviously, such a gesture of good-will and good faith is heartwarming in the interests of daily living, stimulating a healthy democracy and freedom of worship. Let us never rebel against the Almighty in our distress and trials

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WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

# In the Good Old Charleston Days

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

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Y'know all this to-do about the Charleston, how it's gonna come back strong after many years on the retirement side? Well, I've got to tell you how it affected me and my love life. Y'know what I mean, when you're at the age when you belong to a club, a social and athletic club in the neighborhood, and in order to raise money for uniforms the members decide they're going to hold a dance with a basketball game thrown in for good measure.

Well, now, in order to tell you about this Charleston business I don't want to get ahead of myself, because I've first got to inform you of Becky, the girl who lived in the railroad flat above us in Harlem.

She was the bookish, studious type, as far as I could make her out, and not too friendly. Without fail she'd be sitting by the window reading, sweeping her eyes from the pages every once in a while to watch us playing ball in the street. She wore glasses, probably needed them because she did so much book learning, and I wouldn't exactly call her pretty. She'd do in an emergency, I'd say, never figuring that sooner or later, I'd be in a predicament where I'd have to call on her to come to my aid.

Like I as saying, our club, the Red Wings Social and Athletic Club, decided to hold this dance and game to raise funds. So, in order to be sure expenses would be covered, each member was taxed with five tickets at a dollar each. He was told, too, that he had to bring a girl. Otherwise the event would turn out to be a stag, which was to be avoided by all means possible. Those who failed to bring a dancing partner would be fined five dollars, it was ruled by the majority of the membership.

The affair had to be made interesting for most of our friends to pay a dollar. Hence, it was decided to stage a Charleston contest with the winning couple to be awarded a silver loving cup, and runners up prizes of lesser value. I didn't pay too much attention to the Charleston contest because I figured I could waltz and fox trot fairly well and at least give a good account of myself on the floor.

Actually, all I had to sell was three tickets, if you'd eliminate my admission fee and one for my dancing partner. After all, just because I was a member didn't mean they'd admit me free. Every dollar counted toward the fund and when you needed twelve uniforms the fund amounted to a lot of money. Selling the three tickets wasn't easy, but I managed to dispose of them to classmates, none of whom was too happy about shelling out ten dimes or the equivalent thereof in nickles. But they knew they could call on me in return, if their club ever held a similar function, so they forked over with a warning to expect a like tap on my financial structure in the near future.

Now that the disposal of my quota of tickets was behind me the big problem was getting a girl. There was only one I could think of and that was Becky. I never had much to do with her, never really got into a conversation that ever amounted to much. How could I ask her to be my guest at the club affair? It was quite a situation, believe you me. I was deep in a kettle of fish, as they used to say.

Well, there weren't many times I had to call on Mom for help, but this was one of them. I said, "Mom, can you do me a big favor?"

"Just how big is a big favor?" she wanted to know.

I told her about the club dance and how important it was for me and my cash balance to bring a dancing partner. Becky, for instance. "Can you ask her if she'll go with me?" I said, feeling a little hot under the collar that I had to go to such lengths.

"Listen," she said. "You're not a baby any more. I used to bring food to your mouth when you were an infant and now you ask I should bring a girl to your door. The next thing you know you'll be asking I should deliver a bride on a silver platter. No, for getting a girl to go to a dance with you. You're grown up now and on your own."

She was madder than a wet rooster. There was nothing left for me to do but tear down the wall of fear and ask Becky myself. I waited until she was coming home from high school. She was carrying about six layers of books in her arms which were joined over her stomach in support of the literary shelf. She swaggered up to the stoop, as high school kids will do, in her flat-heeled shoes. I stopped her and she didn't seem to mind. It was more the wonder than anything else, I suppose.

"Becky," I said, standing in front of her. "Becky . . . ."

Her face pinked. She was suddenly ripping mad. "Stop calling me Becky. My name's Rebecca, if you're going to address me," she reared up.

**JEWISH GROUP HONORS CRUSADER AGAINST RELIGIOUS AND RACIAL BIGOTRY**

**DR. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES (center), veteran fighter for civil liberties and militant crusader against religious and racial bigotry, is shown receiving from RABBI ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN (left) the sixth annual Brotherhood Award of the Men's Club of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, famous 126-year-old New York synagogue, at a Brotherhood Week observance. At the right is RUDOLPH HALLEY, recently elected president of the New York City Council, who paid homage to Dr. Holmes' consistent leadership in behalf of honest government. Dr. Holmes, minister emeritus of The Community Church of New York, was for many years associated with the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise in the effort to eliminate graft and corruption from New York politics.**

I remember Mom never called her anything but Becky, so why should she get mad at me?

"Okay, Rebecca," I said, and she pronounced, "That's better."

"It's only because I heard Mom use your short name so often that I forgot myself," I explained. She stared at me. "I hate being called Becky, so please don't ever do it again."

I stood there feeling a sheepish strain running amok inside me. Finally I got up enough courage to say what was on my mind.

"Would you like to come to a basketball game and dance Saturday night? It's my club affair and we're holding it at the Union Settlement."

She knew where the Settlement house was but didn't give me her answer right off. She thought awhile.

"What kind of a dance is it?"

"It's going to be a regular dance, y'know, with a Charleston contest thrown in for good measure."

"Oh!" she said flickering a smile. "A Charleston contest too!"

She fumbled with her books for a minute or so and then, without too more enthusiasm, said, "It should be interesting. Thanks for inviting me."

"That's swell, Bec . . . I mean Rebecca. It starts at eight thirty. Suppose I call for you at eight?"

"All right. Come up at eight."

Time usually drags when you're expecting something exciting to come off in a few days, but with me the time until the dance passed as if it were one short day. That's because I'd been busy playing handball and such. Once I'd sold my three tickets and arranged for a partner there was nothing to worry about until eight o'clock Saturday night.

Now it was time to call for Becky, better known as Rebecca Rosenzweig. I knocked at her door and her mother invited me in. "Becky will be out in a minute," her mother said. "She's putting on the finishing touches." Mrs. Rosenzweig asked, "How are you Davey?" while I waited. I said, "Fine." Mrs. Rosenzweig approved, "That's good," smiled and left me to myself while she attended to a household chore.

When Becky came out of her room she wore a special kind of dress. I think they call it tafetta, and she stood there like an angel, her dark hair done up in the style of the day and cutting a sharp outline for her features. She looked beautiful and I couldn't take my eyes from her. I stood there transfixed. I could sense my lips quivering as anxious eyes below my brow studied her.

I wore my dark brown suit with tie to match; it was the suit reserved for special occasions, and this was one of them. We saw the first half of the basketball game, which was unexciting. Our team was playing the Cardinals and the score was in favor of the Red Wings when the referee blew his whistle three times for intermission. Then came the music for dancing.

No one paid much attention to us as we waltzed and one-stepped to the tunes of the day. I liked the Merry Widow waltz and Three O'clock in the Morning, and Becky said she liked them too, but wished Lou Lane and His Harmony Band would play something like the Charleston, Charleston.

I wasn't too anxious for the band to get started on the number because I wasn't good at swinging that looping step in the right tempo. As a matter of fact I was afraid of it, and rather than embarrass Becky I asked if she'd like to sit this one out and rest awhile. She said, "All right, let's." We sat down on the long benches by the wall, watching the dancers, as was the custom. Some of us were envious, others berated the couples on the floor.

Lou Lane and His Harmony Band played on. Suddenly the musicians pepped up like an ignited firecracker and I couldn't help but hear Beck humming. Her feet just couldn't stay still. Her body was in rhythm with the music, and all she needed was Joe Pasternak to come over and invite her to dance.

"This is a warm-up, Beck, do you mind?" he said. She seemed to like the idea that Joe called her Beck. Why hadn't I thought of it? If I had I would have saved myself a lot of unnecessary grief. Poor me! All he did was drop the Y and her name had an entirely different sound.

Becky turned to me. "Do you mind?" I said, "Of course not. Go right ahead." What else could I do or say under the circumstances?

Now I forgot to tell you Joe Pasternak was among my best friends. I knew he was a darned good Charleston dancer, but never figured he'd come over and ask Becky, of all people, to dance while we were sitting this one out. I said I never figured he'd do it, but I should add I never figured Jo out right in a lot of things.

After they left I mumbled, "This is a warm-up, Beck, do you mind? Why should I mind? I only brought her when no one else thought of inviting her. And here I was calling her Rebecca after she resented my shortening it to Becky, but when Joe comes along and calls her Beck, everything's perfectly all right. Just call me Beck and everything will be all right. Beck, Beck. Haw, haw! the laugh's on me!"

She came back after a long warm-up. Joe escorted her over and said, "Thanks, Beck. See you later."

I thought he was just saying that without meaning it, but I was wrong; it was nothing of the kind. The second half of the game was played off. Our team won by a wide margin and the band was starting up again.

There was a slow waltz and I said, "Wanna dance?" Becky said, "All right" casual-like and I tried to pass it off without showing it. I mean without showing it on my face. But my feet, God, they just stumbled over her, which proved my mind was floating somewhere else. I apologized every time I stepped on her. Oh, if I only had Joe in the gym now; I'd make a punching bag out of him, I was so mad.

Following the custom, there was a short wait between numbers and the couples usually remained in clusters on the floor until they got the "Let's dance" intro or "That's all!" signal. We were now dancing a fox-trot and I was getting back into form, not stumbling too much. I had cooled off some, but any minute it wouldn't surprise me to see Joe dashing up and asking if I wouldn't mind giving up my partner. Oddly enough, it didn't happen while we were dancing.

The evening was getting late. Suddenly, as we sat on the sidelines resting, a spotlight from the balcony threw a cone of light which funneled into a pale white circle round Lou Lane. He called for order. The milling couples quieted down, gave him their attention. Then he announced the start of the Charleston contest and the names of the judges and the rules to be followed.

I was hoping I could get a chance to show I could at least do a little of the Charleston, but no; no sooner had Lou Lane given his men the downbeat than I saw Joe make a beeline across the floor. I know I had no chance and I might as well give in graciously. After all, it wasn't his fault that I didn't know how to hop and swing that right leg forward with the gusto of a farmer at a chug-chug.

But it was to be my fate, sad as it was, and I said weakly, "Good luck," as they ankled onto the floor. The judges sat up near the band and they got up after five minutes or so, began tapping a couple, sometimes only the man, on the shoulder. This meant the couple was to walk off the floor, that they were out of the running from this point on. About twenty or twenty-five couples started and a half hour later the final contestants simmered down to Joe and Becky and Jack Harrison and his girl Wendy.

It was quite a last ditch stand and the judges couldn't come to a decision for at least ten minutes, while each couple displayed the best in them. Just how Joe managed to cue Becky on those fancy steps they exhibited to win the coveted cup I'll never know, but he was a mighty proud guy when it was announced he and Becky had won top honors. He was so happy he gave Becky a nice big hug right before my eyes. He told her she could keep the cup. It was something every couple in the place would have been proud to own, but what made me blush was not so much that as the fact he took her in his arms and gave her that nice big satisfying squeeze. Becky seemed to like it. She didn't complain, so what else would you think!

"Boy, Beck here is the best Charleston dancer I ever lamped eyes on," Joe said. "Boy, oh boy, can she dance like nobody's business!"

I didn't say anything but secretly I wished I were the one who had helped her win the prize. The more I thought of it, the more I became annoyed at Joe. The more I was annoyed, it made me realize I was jealous of him. Why did he have to go pick on Becky to help him win the cup? I said over and over to myself: couldn't he pick on Marty Moskowitz's girl, or Sam Kestenbaum's female friend?

"Oh, well; no harm done," I concluded. But that was putting it mildly. Joe wouldn't leave us alone, after he brought Becky back to show me the cup. Pretty soon I found three was a crowd, and I was the third and unwanted person.

"Mind if I take Beck home?" he said.

I was so furious at all the thoughts molesting my better sense of judgment, I don't know what I said. All I know is that they walked off proud as peacocks, on the receiving end of many complimentary remarks and pats on the shoulder, leaving me behind to sulk or do whatever else I wanted to by myself.

Looking back at the incident I don't know why I should have been so annoyed. Becky wasn't my girl. She had helped me out of a tough spot and in doing so managed to walk off with a silver loving cup, thanks to Joe Pasternak.

I don't know what happened to Becky and Joe after that. I know they went to quite a few dances together. They were seen around, I was told. And when I moved away to the Bronx, leaving all my Harlem friends behind, that's the way it was.

Some time later, when I met Lillian, I remembered one thing, not to call her Lilly. I called her Lil and we got along fine, hit it off right then and for months without end.

But come to think of it, Joe Pasternak was quite a guy at that. Wonder what ever became of him and Becky and that silver loving cup?

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LONDON—(WNS)—Reports of the desecration of a large number of Jewish cemeteries in Hungary and Czechoslovakia have reached this city from authoritative sources in Eastern Europe.

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**Paul H. Sampliner of New York, JDA Executive Committee chairman, told Jewish leaders from communities in 25 states that American Jewry today is facing a year "requiring particularly high alertness and preparedness," at the recent Executive Committee meeting in New York City.**

# The Real Winner

## *A Modern Freedom Story*

*By* IRVING WHITE

His name was Moshe, he had a thick crop of blond hair, and he couldn't have been more than twelve years old when he came to Kibbutz Hai. When the settlers would dance around the fire at night and sing "El Yivneh Hagalil"—God will build the Galilee—They were singing about their own kibbutz. But Moshe didn't believe in that kind of faith when he came to the settlement—he had seen too much in his young life to believe in anything more than the survival of the fittest.

When Moshe first arrived, it was early in the morning, and everyone was still asleep when the bus grumbled in four hours late from the port of Haifa. Moshe descended from the bus and proceeded to shout at the top of his lungs.

"Hello there, you farmers! Where are you?"

A girl dressed in white hurried out of the small administration building at the end of the road.

"Shalom, bachur. What do you mean by shouting so loudly at 4:00 in the morning? What is your name?"

"My name is Moshe, and I shall make the new law around here." Moshe pushed out his tired face in defiance at the girl, at the kibbutz, and at the whole universe.

"So you are Moshe Grossman. We have been awaiting your arrival—the others came last night," said the girl putting a protective arm around his shoulders. Moshe shrugged off the gesture, and startled the girl with the remark: "Well, what are you waiting for, take me to my place, farmer." The girl had looked into the deep, hurt face of the boy and said;

"So you—like Moses—are going to bring the new Law to Kibbutz Hai."

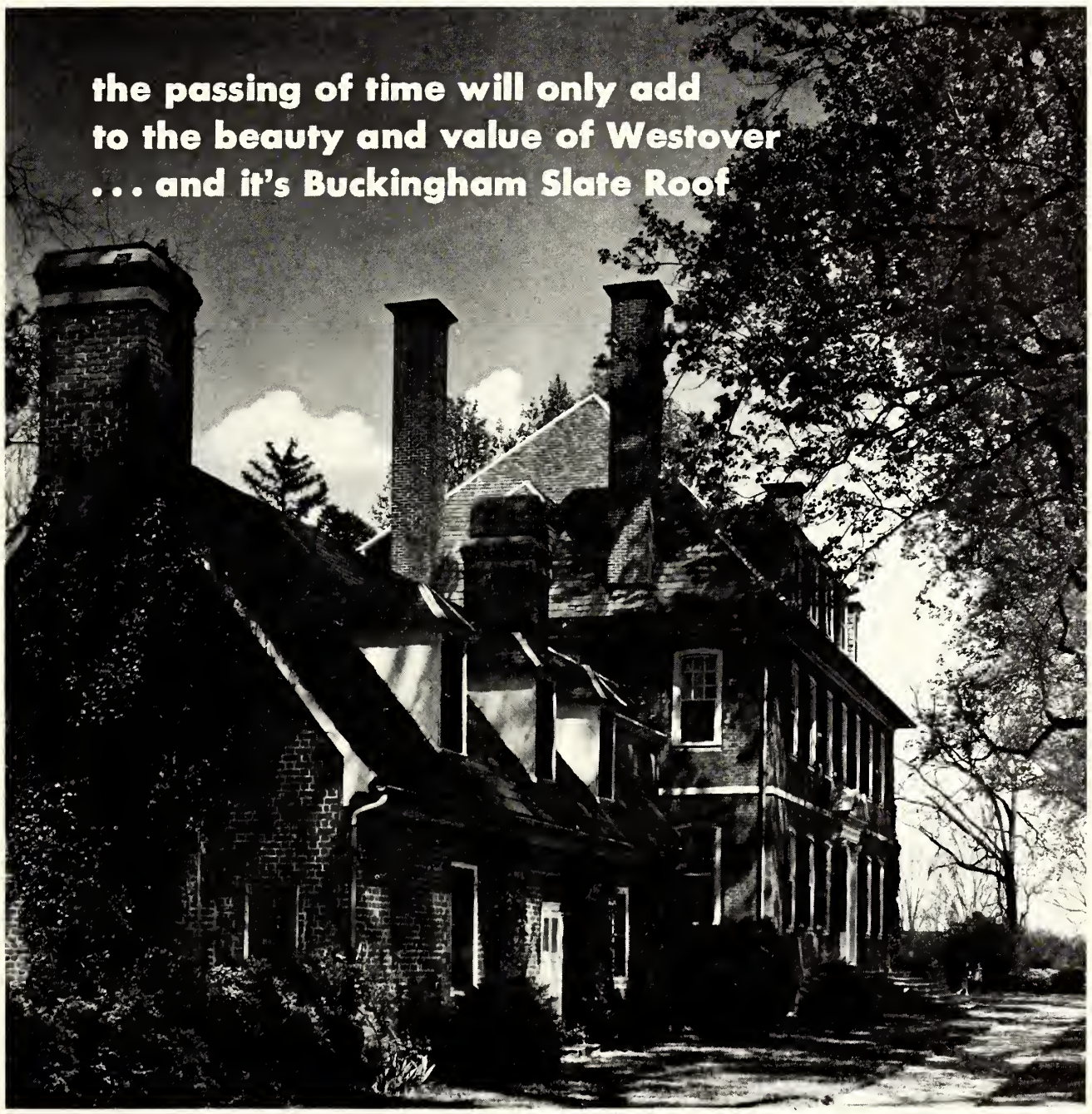
The answer had been fitting for this first introduction of the Kibbutz to Moshe Grossman. But several years have passed since then and even the most calloused must soften and grow. Growth was a strange process to Moshe, but it meant Liberation to him, liberation from his own tormented mind, and . . . But the story of learning cannot be so simple. Yet it must be related.

. . . He was difficult to work with from the beginning. In the settlement school, he had refused to cooperate with his class. If he could display any individual brilliance, he always would. In oral examinations, or spelling contests, he felt the challenge, and he wanted to be better than everyone else, so he always made an excellent showing. But in the important work, such as the class projects, or the presentations, or decorating the dining-hall for the night of the Pesach seder, he was dead wood.

At first, the spirit of acceptance dominated the boys and girls of Kibbutz Hai in their attitude toward Moshe. Then as his hostility was made known, the spirit became one of tolerance, and soon the children lost their patience. In working on the dining-hall project with the kibbutz teacher one day, the children decided to tell Reuven, the camp manager about their problem. Chaim, a Sabra, was the first to talk:

"After all the work we are doing for the Seder night, we don't think it is fair to allow Moshe to enjoy it." After Chaim's remark, the children began to complain in loud voices to the camp manager. Reuven had vowed to do something to help Moshe adjust to a new life.

As faith would have it, a week after the incident in Reuven's office, a scraggly newcomer, about Moshe's age, was brought into the kibbutz. It soon became evident that in Zvi Gold, the new boy, lay all the bitterness that Moshe also felt. There arose a standing joke around the settlement that every person who complained often or refused to do a chore was "gut vie Gold." Both Moshe and Zvi disliked working together with the others, that anyone else should share in the fruits of their own labor, or that groups should be happy when only individuals had a right to fight for happiness. Both Moshe and Zvi had the idea that the individual should be the sole tiller and the sole reaper of his efforts. But one day, about

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two weeks before Pesach, Reuven took the two boys out to the gan and showed them two garden patches.

"Bachurim, we are about to begin a contest in Kibbutz Hai, and everyone of us will be waiting patiently for the result."

Zvi Gold's lips began to turn up in a cynical smile. "What kind of a contest can you run around here?" he asked arrogently.

"Oh, you will be surprised, Zvi, you will be surprised. You see, only two persons will participate in this contest." Reuven had a twinkle of wisdom in his eye. By this time, Moshe's interest was unduly aroused.

"Who will the two be, Reuven?" Moshe asked.

"Why, you and Zvi, of course."

"But what are we supposed to do," Zvi eagerly joined in. Reuven's laughing look suddenly became serious as he explained the contest. Each of the boys was to be given a garden plot to cultivate during class project hours. The rest of the class was to work on another project, while Moshe and Zvi grew onions and tomatoes. At the end of the two-week period, all of Kibbutz Hai was to gather in the gan to judge which is the better of the gardens. The winner, as member of the youngest group was to be given the honor of asking Four Questions at the Seder celebration.

Moshe sensed some secret motive in Reuven's contest. As yet, he didn't know what it was, but he didn't ask any questions, and he seized the opportunity of proving to Kibbutz Hai just who Moshe Grossman really was. And Zvi also seemed to attack the garden as with a vengeance against the world.

The first week they worked relentlessly. Moshe always had the fear that Zvi was surpassing him, and this fear drove him on. He pulled weeds, watered the earth, sowed—as only one could who had a bitter craving to prove himself better than the next fellow. At times, he would even talk to Zvi to discourage him.

"Ha, Zvi, I see that you are still working on the weeds. It's a shame. I've begun planting already," Moshe would say. And Zvi would answer, understanding and wise for his years, "Moshe, you are funny. You would say anything to discourage me from winning." There was silence for a few seconds, and Moshe to his own surprise said, "You know, Zvi, I have never seen you work so hard since I came here." When Zvi answered, "Nor have I seen you work so hard," both laughed together, out loud, for the first time in many, many months.

By the second week, Moshe felt something strange happening inside of him. He began to forget about Zvi in the next garden—and even stranger, he forgot about himself. It was as if he were merging with his garden. The soil, the plants, and his own toil became as one unit. It was a new feeling for Moshe to desire to produce for its own sake, to lose that pushing desire of wanting to win the contest. Both Zvi and Moshe grew silent as they continued their work. Yes, Zvi had undergone the same changes.

It was toward the end of the second week that Moshe looked up and began to notice Zvi beside him once more. But this time, he saw a tired competitor and a tired garden. It no longer seemed better than his. In fact, he saw dry, parched spots, and places where the crows had destroyed the seedlings. He began to feel sorry for Zvi. He imagined how Zvi would feel on the day of the decision, and Moshe, who had never felt sorry for anyone but himself, suddenly wanted to help him. He decided to do it secretly, that night. He would sneak into Zvi's garden, he would fertilize and irrigate the earth, and replant the spoiled seeds. Zvi would never notice the difference.

That night, Moshe silently approached the garden with bucket and bag in his hands and began to work feverishly in Zvi's garden. Suddenly, he was startled by a noise from his own garden.

"Who is that?"

No answer.

"Who's in my garden?" Moshe demanded. "If you don't come out, I'll call Reuven."

A timid voice startled Moshe, because he immediately recognized the owner.

"It is only I, Zvi."

"What are you doing in my garden?" Moshe demanded. Zvi, however, noticing the bucket and bag in Moshe's hands, began to assert himself.

"What are you doing in my garden?"

"Well, I, uh, that is . . ." He had been caught in the first cooperative act he ever had done. Slowly the two began to understand what each had been doing. They began to laugh slowly and then energetically and happily.

Growth can be as simple as all that, and yet no one will ever understand it. Yes, they had grown in those two short weeks. That very night they awakened Reuven in his tracks and told him that they were going to combine their gardens into one plot and that they were dropping out of the "contest." When Reuven began to smile understandingly, they then knew that it had been planned that way.

"So you see," he told us, "Kibbutz Hai is the real winner of this contest!"

Several days later, at the Seder table, both Moshe and Zvi recited the Four Questions before the Kibbutz . . . "Why is this night different than all other nights? . . ." they began.

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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

**FORGOTTEN MAN**

My good friend Morris called on me in a mood, as it seemed to me, somewhat apologetic . . . "Now, mind you," he was saying, "I mean no offense." Morris is the most lovable of meek men.

"Oh," I replied, "speak right up, Morris."

"It's about the Jewish press," he began. "I thought you mightn't like what I have to say about that." He meant that some of the Jewish press are customers of mine; that is to say, they buy this column to print every week.

I told Morris that publishers are thankful to any one who brings a fault to them; a critic may help to improve the content of the paper . . . "So go ahead, Morris."

Morris said that he has had opportunity lately to examine a lot of the Jewish newspapers from all around the country . . . "My complaint is that they seem to think of themselves as organs for Israel, as if the main news and the mainstream of Jewish life were in Israel; as if we Jews all around the world cared more about what's happening in and to Israel than we do about our own Jewish lives in the U. S."

Morris had brought along a sample of what he meant . . . "Here is an American Jewish newspaper whose whole first page is all about the affairs of Israel. Not a line about us here."

He explained, though Morris whom I have known many years, didn't have to tell me that he is a devoted friend of Israel, never an anti-Zionist. His wife always has a tree planted for him in Israel on his birthdays.

"Yes," he went on, "this emphasis on Israel is not alone in the Jewish press; the Jewish press but reflects the single-minded devotion to Israel that is in most of the activities of most Jewish agencies in the U. S."

So Morris was asking: "Where does that leave me, an American Jew who believes in the importance of Jewish life wherever it is lived, wherever it needs to be lived better than it is. My Jewish life is going to be lived here a long time, I hope, and here will be the Jewish life of my children and grandchildren through the years to come.

"When, as an American Jew, I find our Jewish newspapers overflowing with the news of Israel and our American Jewish agencies applying themselves almost wholly to the well-being of Israel, I feel slighted. As if I were only a step-child in Jewry and the only one's worthy of attention are the children who live in Israel. Mind you, I am not begrudging the Israeli Jews a thing; I am only saying it's time to look at Jewish life here and what's to be done about it."

Morris meant to say that he, a Jew in the U.S.A. is a Jewish problem as vital and as urgent as some other Morris who resides in Israel . . . "Jewish life here has been getting rather lean and languid, outside the feverish activities on account of Israel. Jewish life here needs saving, too."

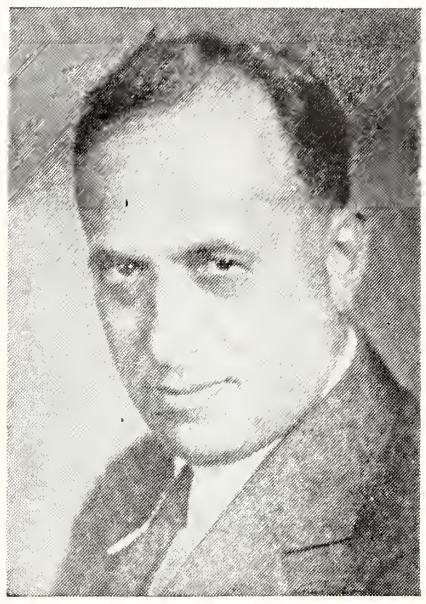
It wasn't as of old when practically every Jew was a spiritual fountain of refreshment for Judaism. There's Morris' own father who is 90 years old and used to be a peddler long ago. He was one of the early ones who came over here in the early 1880's and without the aid of agencies, such as rabbinical or synagogual associations, established the Torah here.

He helped to found a synagogue and a Hebrew school, in addition to founding a very decent Jewish family . . . "My father, at his immense age, can't remember what I said to him a moment before, but he hasn't forgotten even one word of the Hebrew prayers he started to learn by heart at the age of 5. Each morning he recites the timeless ritural without ever missing one word. To be Jewish is part of his being."

But, Morris said, the old men to whom Judaism in all their days was like the breath of life, are dying off. In the new times Judaism doesn't automatically renew itself as in the former generation . . . "I wish," Morris added, "we would get as active for the survival of Jewish life in the U. S. as we are for Jewish life in Israel. It's about time we were considering our own fate, too; to make Jewish life here as solid and fruitful as we hope to make Israel solid and fruitful."

Morris had in hand a printed excerpt of something. Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion, lately had said about American Jewish life:

"We have desperate need of devoted men and women blessed with



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a creative faith," Dr. Glueck said, "a faith that American Judaism shall continue to grow as an integral part of the American scene in sturdy and creative self-reliance, a faith that American Jewry and Judaism must and shall become as spiritually strong and spiritually self-sustaining and religiously creative as Jewry and Judaism were in Babylon in days long gone by, as they have been in other countries and climes since then."

"That's what I mean," Morris said.

He had a concrete idea: "May I suggest that we organize a United Appeal to Improve Jewish Life in the United States, to run concurrently with a United Palestine Appeal. Both appeals would have to do with making Jewish life good."

In the meantime, Morris was hoping I would bring his thesis to the attention of the Jewish press and all Jewish agencies, religious and philanthropic. I promised I would . . . "Oh, one thing more!" Morris exclaimed as he was leaving. "When we start the campaign of the United Appeal to Improve Jewish Life in the U. S. maybe we can get some Israeli missionaries to come over to help us save the Jewish inheritance for American Jews just as we Americans helped to restore the Jewish estate in Palestine."

# Daniel Deronda

## *On the 75th Anniversary of Its Publication*

### *By* Dr. D. M. Gelber

**In the light of the amount of attention which the State of Israel is commanding, this article, much of which has to do with George Eliot's sympathetic espousal of a Jewish homeland, in her "Daniel Deronda," is of more than usual interest. It is reprinted from the December 1951 issue of "Zion," published by the World Zionist Organization in Jerusalem.—THE EDITOR**

**(Second and Concluding Installment)**

It may be assumed that Eliot was acquainted with the movement for the revival of Israel which existed in Britain from 1840 onwards. All this led her to penetrate into the Jewish problem and to give it expression in her novel, in which she also stressed the historic need to grant the Jewish people the right to consider Eretz Israel their national centre; a right which every other national group possesses. The Jews, in her opinion, are a nation and therefore they must have the possibility of statehood in their own country.

Realizing that relations between non-Jews and Jews were not always as they should be, George Eliot emphasized her sympathy for the Jews, sometimes even in an exaggerated form, in her novel, the central theme of which is Israel's yearning for national independence.

After the publication of "Daniel Deronda," George Eliot wrote her last work: "Impressions of Theophratus Patz," a collection of essays, one of which, entitled "The Modern Hepp Hepp," is a striking defense of the Jews. In considering the various anti-Semitic phenomena, Eliot reached the conclusion that three possibilities regarding the future of the Jews must be examined: assimilation among the people in whose midst they live, an isolated existence, as the organized historical memory of their national consciousness, or the restoration of a Jewish State in Eretz Israel as a national centre and the source for the renewal of their nationalism. Her own convinced view was that the Jews must take courage and remain Jews, not abandoning their individualism, and work for the revival of their people.

On 22nd March 1880 George Eliot married the banker Cross; she died nine months afterwards on 2nd December.

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"Daniel Deronda" has in fact two subjects: the novel actually consists of two separate plots that are not entirely inter-related, and the construction suffers from lack of inner coherence. One story, that of Gwendolin Harlett, describes the Christian world, and the second, that of Daniel Deronda, the Jewish world. Daniel, it is true, appears also in the first part, but his role there is unimportant. To us, the second part containing the Zionist message with Daniel Deronda as the hero, is of supreme interest. Eliot contrasts the tragic but serious and individualistic way of life of the Jews with that of the non-Jewish nobility, gay and lighthearted, egoistic, empty and without any high ideal. The novelist apparently thought it necessary to present most of the Christian characters—except Sir Hugo Malinger who is a sensitive and accomplished personality—in an unsympathetic or even repulsive light; they are mostly roulette players and adventurers fond of an easy life.

In contrast with them, the Jews presented in the second novel are almost saintly figures, possessing all the virtues somewhat exaggerated, so as to draw the attention of the Christian world to the fine spirit of the Jewish people. All these virtues are concentrated in the hero of the novel, Daniel Deronda, who even physically is a symbol of beauty. Daniel is an orphan who has never known his parents and was brought up in the home of the English nobleman Sir Hugo Malinger upon whom he looked as his uncle, without knowing the exact nature of their

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# Material Jewish Claims Against Germany

*By* NEHEMIAH ROBINSON

THE Adenauer declaration of September 27, in which he—with the approval of the Bonn Parliament—stated the obligation of the German people to make moral and material amends, both as regards the individual damage that Jews have suffered and as regards Jewish property for which there are no longer individual claimants, focused again the attention of the world on the problem of compensation for the material losses which the Jews all over Europe sustained at the hands of Nazi Germany. The major Jewish organizations, the State of Israel, and the Jewish victims have been preoccupied with this problem for years. Nonetheless there still seems to be much confusion concerning the issues involved, and especially the remedies so far provided or sought.

Until the Government of Israel submitted its note to the occupying powers asking for 1500 million dollars "reparations" from Germany, the most current word in connection with compensating Jewish losses was "restitution," to which was somewhat later added the "General Claims Laws." Thus we have three technical terms which are current in public discussions but whose nature and import remain vague. Even less obvious is the relationship between these three *termini technici* and the role which the Israel "reclamations" claim is destined to play in the whole complex of Jewish claims against Germany.

To understand the scope and nature of the Jewish claims and the remedies sought we have to go back to the year 1933. There was a Jewish community in Germany which—although it had passed its peak in numbers—was well integrated into the economic, social and cultural life of the country. Jews were prominent in government, the professions (especially law and medicine), in commerce and banking and, to a lesser degree, in industry and handicraft. As soon as the Nazis came to power they initiated action calculated to drive out the Jews from their economic positions. Boycotts, legislation against officials and professionals, threats, cutting off credits and similar measures deprived very soon a substantial part of the Jewish population of their livelihood and forced them to emigrate, liquidating their assets and transferring their businesses and property to "Aryans." When these measures did not prove sufficient, the Nazis resorted to direct exclusion of Jews from many vocations, to forced registration and, later, liquidation of Jewish enterprises, forced delivery of valuables and outright confiscation of property, pogroms and large-scale deportations to concentration camps, special levies on the total of Jewish wealth (in Germany and Austria alone the tax, the s.c. *Judenabgabe*, according to Germany official figures, amounted to over 1.1 billion marks) and similar actions. As a result, by 1939 one-half of the Jewish population had left the country, but every emigrant was forced to pay the emigration tax (known as the Reichsfluchtsteuer; over 941 million marks were paid in the years 1933-1944). The emigrants could convert their holdings into foreign currency only at a great loss, so that most of them left the country penniless. These measures were at once and in an even more brutal and accelerated manner introduced in every region which came under German domination or which lost its special status: Austria, the Sudetenland, the Saar, Upper Silesia, Memel. With the

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occupation of what remained of Czechoslovakia—the Protectorate—the Jews were subjected to the same treatment. The "experience" gained in Germany and the annexed territories was applied to all occupied territories, such as Poland, France, Belgium, Holland, Yugoslavia and Greece; the satellites, including Italy, were soon following the German example. The Jews, target number one of spoliation, then became target number one of annihilation; this provided the Germans with new opportunities to get hold of Jewish wealth: if a living Jew may be deprived of most of his fortune, a dead one needs nothing. Trainloads of Jewish goods and movables, gold, valuables, furniture, and clothing—everything which was worth shipping to Germany or distributing among German collaborators on the spot.

Jewish wealth was used not only to bolster and pay for German rearmament, but, especially during the war, to increase German purchases abroad and foreign holdings. Gold, securities, valuables and paintings looted from Jews were shipped abroad to be sold for ready cash. Jews were employed in the East and in Germany as forced laborers to produce goods and equipment for the German army, until they either died of exhaustion or were killed in the death camps.

When hostilities ended in one spot, which had previously fallen under German control or influence, there might be some Jews alive, but practically everyone of them was economically a total zero: as a rule he had no vocation, no employment, no business, and no property—everything had either been transferred or confiscated or sold to pay the taxes or simply looted. Those Jews who had succeeded in emigrating or escaping, had lost their holdings either before they left or by special measures (for instance, the ill-famed XI Ordinance to the German Citizenship Law under which all property of emigrant Jews was forfeited to the Reich). At once there arose the problem of remedying the wrong done. Two measures were generally initiated: restoration of former professions and employment, and return of still existing property, businesses and enterprises ("restitution"). However, restitution was not made simple. Except in some countries and when the property was outrightly confiscated, procedures requiring long litigation were established providing in detail when transferred or alienated property could be reclaimed, the conditions of restitution, the mutual responsibility of the former owner and the acquirer, and so on. All this related to property which could be found and identified by the owner (an individual, an organization or a community). All other property was simply lost to the Jews. In rare instances and in small amounts the special levies were repaid, but no State undertook to restore the surviving Jews fully to the position they had before spoliation began, to compensate them for deprivation of liberty, loss of health, vocation, or employment. The fortunes which belonged to Jews, annihilated together with their relatives and heirs, were only in some instances and to a small extent made available for purposes of Jewish rehabilitation or resettlement.

In Western European countries (France, Belgium, Holland, Norway) Jews have been indemnified in part for their losses on the basis of war damage compensation. In the East this measure is not applied at all and, therefore, no benefits can accrue to Jews. In Western Germany, a measure of compensation is provided for losses in life and health, for deprivation of liberty (also for the benefit of certain groups of Jewish DPs), for loss of vocation or non-restitutable property, for payment of anti-Jewish taxes and the Reichsfluchtsteuer. This is done on the basis of what are called General Claims Laws (in the US Zone, the French Zone, and West Berlin) or special laws for some of the damage (in the British Zone).

Upon the conclusion of the war the Allies began to implement the program of reparations from Germany, as agreed previously. Within the framework of reparations an amount of $25 million dollars from German assets in neutral countries (Switzerland, Sweden, Portugal) was earmarked for non-repatriable victims of German action, the overwhelming majority of them Jews. Of this sum only about $17 million dollars have so far been paid by the neutrals. Similarly, gold not used for monetary purposes and some non-identifiable valuables recovered by the Allies were assigned for the same purpose. However, the total is so pitifully small, in comparison with the losses—as shown below—as not to count as a measure of Jewish "reparations." Some Jewish property from occupied countries (diamonds, paintings, etc.) found in Germany were restored to their owners but by far the largest portion of the loot was not recovered. Parts of this loot are undoubtedly in the homes and vaults of Germans or hidden away in saltmines, and parts were carried off by fleeing Nazi big shots and are being used to pay for anti-Semitic and Nazi propaganda the world over.

To give a picturue of what was evolved in Jewish speculation, we may mention that the Germans them

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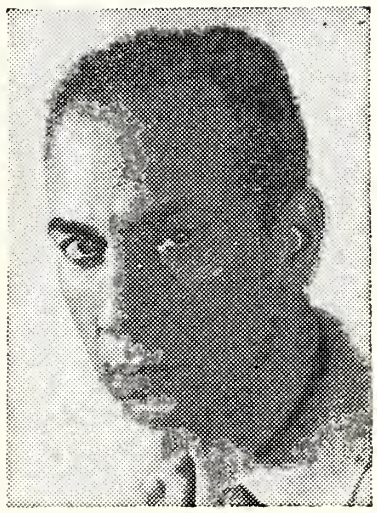
Recently there have appeared a number of articles in the American Jewish press commenting on the lack of interest on the part of American Jewry in books on various phases of Jewish life in America and elsewhere in the world.

Unfortunately these comments are true and reflect on the sad state of Jewish cultural attainment which exist among the masses of Jews in America today. However, more important than this problem is the need for analysis as to why this condition exists and what can and should be done to rectify the condition now and for the future.

If I can judge from my own limited experience I would say that primarily the problem exists because of a lack of a properly guided and properly phased cultural program in early school years. The bulk of public school education certainly does not emphasize the Jewish aspects of one's background and the Talmud Torah likewise concentrates on giving the youngster a Hebrew education, albeit usually on an inadequate scale. Where may I ask does the guided program exist which should encompass the world of Jewish culture published in English?

Many years ago I remember reading a book by Christopher Morley entitled "Parnassus on Wheels." If my memory serves me this book tells the story of how an individual brought books and culture to the outlying country folk in the form of a library on wheels.



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Perhaps, in a slightly different form, this approach is needed in the field of Jewish books and culture. Have you had occasion to visit your Public Library recently? How many books on Jewish subjects are on the shelves? In my town of approximately 50,000 people the Public Library has exactly six books on Jewish subjects and these are of doubtful value in establishing a basis of Jewish culture in the minds and hearts of the Jewish adults in town much less the Jewish children. I hear someone ask, "How about the Synagogue or Temple library?" Suffice it to say that close examination of such a library, if it exists at all, will reveal a sad state of neglect and certainly a lack of coordination which bodes no good for the basic Jewish culture which should be our goal and the goal of our Jewish children.

What then is the solution? First, I believe we should appraise the whole field of Jewish books written in English and we should list or attempt to acquire either for the Public Library, the Synagogue Library or our own personal library those volumes which are basis to an understanding of our Jewish heritage and culture.

Such a list exists in the form of a little manual written by Dr. Solomon Grayzel titled, "Jewish Books for Your Home" and published by the Jewish Book Council and sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board. This group also publishes "In Jewish Bookland" which is published as part of the monthly JWB "Circle" and can be obtained for the asking.

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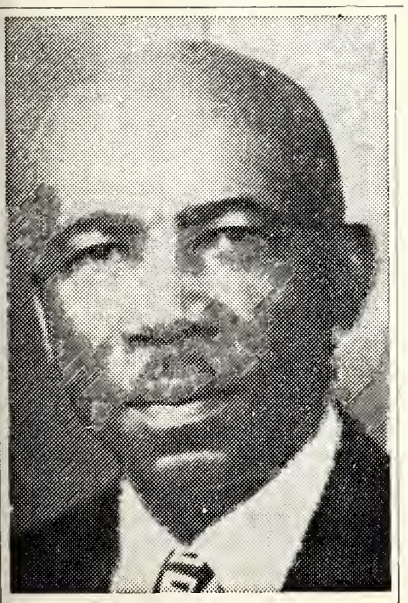

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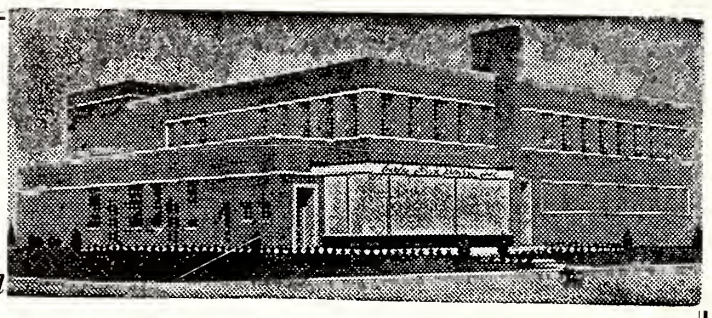

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and societies which publish some of the really worthwhile literature written on Jewish subjects. I am thinking primarily of the publications put out by the Jewish Publications Society of America, and the Jewish Book Guild of America as well as the other commercial companies which publish such volumes.

Aside from a reexamination and reappraisal of the Jewish classics there are the most recently published books which are essential reading for any and all literate Jews in America. Just to list briefly a few of these "modern classics"; have you read, Dagobert Runes' "The Hebrew Impact on Western Civilization?" You are missing a great deal if you haven't read James MacDonald's "My Mission in Israel." For a really thought provoking session try Eli Ginzberg's "Agenda for American Jews." These are just a few of the many worthwhile books being written today which deserve the attention of every American Jew.

Let each of us try in our small way to support the publication of these and other worthwhile books so that we can start to rebuild the Parnassus of American Jewish life and culture in our homes, in our schools, in our synagogue so that the future of our Jewish children will be safeguarded in the heritage of classic Jewish literature.

## Material Claims Against Germany

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selves estimated the Jewish property in Germany at 3.8 billion dollars, and in Austria at one billion dollars. Conservative estimates of the total Jewish wealth at the start of persecution, in the part of Europe where spoliation took place, put it at 10 to 11 billion dollars. On the other hand, it can be assumed that no more than about 25 per cent of that amount was or could ever have been restored by way of restitution or compensation, even if restitution had actually taken place everywhere and restituted property had not been subsequently nationalized or lost through emigration. This meager result is due to dissipation of movable property during persecution, consumption of a large portion thereof, the sale at incredibly low prices at the time of emigration, escape, or going into hiding, loopholes in the legislation, lack of records or other evidence to prove ownership, inflation, war damage, and similar occurrences. The result was a loss of about eight billion dollars to the Jewish population of Europe in actual wealth alone. Losses of income from vocations and professions, from employment and business, and damage suffered in life and health, in economic advancement (by young people), in deprivation of liberty, forced labor, etc., amounts to approximately the same figure as that of loss in wealth. We arrive at a staggering figure or total losses for which the Germans in most instances are directly, and in comparatively fewer cases indirectly, responsible.

Israel bases its claim of "reparations" on two postulates: the liability of the Germans for the damage caused to the Jews, and the circumstance that Israel (including the Jewish community of Palestine before the establishment of the State of Israel) had to absorb the greatest part of the Jewish survivors and to defray the costs of their settlement and rehabilitation. The Government of Israel assumes that the number of Nazi victims who came or had to be taken to Israel (including Palestine) is 500,000 and that the cost of resettlement and rehabilitation amounted to $3,000 per person. On the basis of these two postulates Israel arrived at a figure of 1.5 billion dollars. However, it was not only Israel that cared for the uprooted Jews. The Jews of the United States, Latin America, Canada, South Africa, and in many other places have been contributing hundreds of millions of dollars to sustain, resettle and rehabilitate the survivors. They have borne the largest part of the expense for which, under every rule of law and justice, the Germans ought to be liable.

What, in substance, are the Jewish claims against Germany? They can be divided into two groups. First. the claim of the Jewish people or "collectivity" for compensation of that portion of material damage inflicted upon the Jews of Europe which—as we have seen—was not and will not be indemnified by restitution or other means of compensation. It exceeds by far the actual or future expenses incurred for the benefit of the remnants of European Jewry because the greatest part of the Jewish population was murdered and is therefore beyond redemption. Repayment of these amounts would thus represent only a fraction of the damage suffered and would, in all probability, not even reach the sum of benefits which Nazi Germany derived directly from their "war" against the Jews, benefits which in various forms (highways, lessened debits in the budget or foreign holdings) still persist.

Dr. Adenauer has had to admit that in regard to material amends only the first steps have been taken but that much remains to be done. The restitution laws promulgated by the Allies in Germany are fair but their implementation by the German authorities is lagging. Considerable num-

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## DANIEL DERONDA

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elationship. Throughout his childıood Daniel was intrigued to know vho his parents were, and this quesion continues to occupy him at the Jniversity. There he becomes a friend of Hans Mirick, a poor orphan, and eriously tries to understand one oming from less wealthy surroundngs. He makes the acquaintance of Mira Lapidoth under unusual cirumstances when she tries to commit uicide and he rescues her. She tells im that she is Jewish, and arouses n him an interest in Jews. As a esult, he visits Jewish quarters to ind the mother and brother of Mira, vho had fled from her father's home n Prague to London in search of hem.

Daniel feels drawn towards Jews, nd is deeply impressed by his visits o synagogues. During his searches or Mira's mother and brother he neets Mordecai, who from the very irst believes that Daniel is a Jew. t transpires in the course of time hat Mordecai's real name is Ezra 'ohen and that he is Mira's brother; nd when Deronda's mother, the 'rincess Helm-Eberstein, confesses hat she and her husband are Jews, )aniel feels that his place is among is people, and he joins Mordecai, vho had deeply influenced him. Mordecai is delighted that Deronda vishes to marry his sister Mira; Mordecai who feels death approachng, sees in Deronda the enthusiast apable of arousing the Jews to egin to realize the national vision. Deronda decides to leave for the evant in order to see the Jewish ife there, and to establish a national novement for the foundation of a ewish national centre, as the Engsh have. He goes with his wife to alestine to acquaint himself with ne country, the restoration of which as become the aim of his life.

In "Daniel Deronda" Eliot desribes various types of Jews: Mira's other, a card player and cynic, the usurer Cohen, a superficial person to whom Judaism means nothing but the keeping of certain traditions and Gideon, a rationalist, prepared to abandon his Judaism without many scruples. But above them all rises Mordecai, the inspired idealist, who represents the beauty of the Jewish soul. Mordecai is inspired by the Messianic ideal that the Jewish mission in history has not yet ended but that, on the contrary, Eretz Israel must be rebuilt and the Jews given possibilities to fulfill new historic tasks. To him Eretz Israel is more than a geographical term or a subject for Messianic longings. All his aspirations were to create real values in Palestine which will stir the hearts of the Jews to rebuild it for its own sake and for the sake of all mankind.

George Eliot, who abhorred assimilationism among Jews as something unnatural, in complete contradiction to the Jewish historical process, expresses in the novel through Mordecai, her own views on the Jewish people and its destination as an independent nation in Eretz Israel. The Jews feel in their whole being the historical connection with their past and their historic homeland. From this history we learn that no other people has, like the Jews, preserved its cultural treasures even in times of persecution and wanderings. For its entire purpose is to transmit to the next generation these cultural values, which they regarded as the basis of the Jewish existence. Thanks to this preservation, the spirit of Judaism has remained alive. The time has now come in which this Jewish unity must assume concrete form, by their return to statehood in their own country. The Jewish race must once more become a people with a mission. The Jews are wealthy enough to redeem Palestine from the Turks, and talented enough to establish a re-

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The other nations should be interested in the restoration of the Jewish State. A Jewish Republic would hold the balance between East and West. If this is still only a Messianic vision, it must be remembered that the Messianic era is that in which Israel will want to raise its banner. The vision exists and will be fulfilled and realized.

In the words of Mordecai George Eliot, who expressed her own views on the future of the Jewish people, which is a national entity, and she is convinced that the day will surely come when the hope will be fulfilled in its entirety, because the restoration of the Jewish State is a historic necessity. As for the Jews who will remain in the countries of the diaspora, the novelist thought, that they would regard Eretz Israel as the country of their origin, and therefore be able to guarantee a secure future for their religion and for their national character. The Jewish State must be a republic, based on the laws of the Torah, in which every one must be equal before the law, and tolerant towards others. Despite the fact that Eliot belonged to a century in which the principles of humanitarianism were recognized, she considered the national revival of the Jewish people as a historic priority and prophesied the realization of the vision which had been alive among the Jews for 2,000 years. As long as a spark of national consciousness remained in the heart of the Jews there is every likelihood that the historical memories will be stirred leading to energetic action for the restoration of the Jewish State.

The critics received the novel with approval, and serious thinkers in England saw in the establishment of a Jewish Palestine the only solution of the Jewish problem. Daniel Deronda had its influence not only on public opinion in Britain, but also in France. The French monthly "Revue politique et literaire," very influential in those days, wrote that the novel had stated the need for the establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine as a neutral republic. Yet it is difficult to say, the writer observed, whether this is more than the fruit of the imagination and dreams of an individual, or is a real echo of expectations which have been living secretly in an inspired part of Jewry.

The novel was also welcomed with great enthusiasm by Professor David Kaufmann, one of the greatest of Jewish historians of the time. In his essay "George Eliot and Judaism," in the "Monastschrifte fuer Geschichte und Wissenschaft des Judentumss" (of which Prof. Dr. Heinrich Graetz was editor), 1877, 1888, (214-231, pp. 255-270), he approved George Eliot's views regarding the revival of the Jewish people and the restoration of the Jewish State in Palestine. He reprinted whole pages from "Daniel Deronda," dealing with Jewish nationalism, and copied in its entirety Mordecai's address on the vision of Israel, stressing specifically the sentence: "The Messianic era is the period in which Israel will express its desire to raise its national banner." He compared Eliot's presentation of the Jewish characters with that of the German author Gustav Freytag, who thought it necessary to speak of the Jews only with derision. Kaufmann gave particular emphasis to Eliot's view that the Jews are a nation, not only a religious community, and that they have a right to re-establish their state in Eretz Israel. In his opinion the novel is not a Jewish book in the sense that its subject is Jewish, but a novel which must evoke among the Jews understanding for the Jewish problem in the national sense.

In a world in which hatred towards the Jew found expression in enlightened form or otherwise, George Eliot dared to represent the Jew as one demanding the right for his people to be an independent nation with equal rights among the family of nations. In doing so she has won herself the lasting recognition of Jewry and Judaism.

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# The Great Wedding Bard

*By* F. NIBUR

The two most popular composers of Jewish folk music who ever lived, flourished in Eastern Europe and America during the last half of the nineteenth and the early years of the twentieth century. One of them, Abraham Goldfaden, who was born in southern Russia in 1840 and died in New York in 1908, was the father of the Yiddish theatre and the Yiddish operetta. At least one of his songs, the lullaby "Raisins and Almonds" ("Rozinkes mit Mandlen") which is included in his biblical opera "Shulamith," became one of the best-known Jewish folk songs of all time, a song to which millions of Jewish mothers both in Europe and America would rock their children to sleep.

The other was only a badchan, a singer and master of ceremonies at Jewish weddings in Russia at the latter half of the nineteenth century. Yet he achieved a popularity, a fame, among millions of Jews in and out of Russia matched by only a handful of other Jews during that long period and afterwards. Scores of his lieder, for which he wrote both the words and the music, became the vehicle of expression, the outpouring in song, for three generations of East European Jewish men and women, for your bobo and zaide, if not for your mame and tate. Through him, your forbears and mine voiced their sorrows and hopes, their longings and aspirations, and their humble self-criticism as well.

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**Noted Jewish Chaplains leaf through new Haggadah, expressly designed by JWB for current Jewish GI. At left, Dr. Sidney B. Hoenig, staff member of National Jewish Welfare Board's Division of Religious Activities, who, with Rabbi Albert S. Goldstein (not shown) of Tremont Temple, Bronx, prepared English text of Haggadah under supervision of DRA publications subcommittee headed by Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman, far right, of Hartford, Conn. Receiving new JWB Haggadahs are Chaplain (Capt.) Joshua L. Goldberg (2nd from left), District Chaplain of Third Naval District, and Chaplain (Capt.) Oscar M. Lifshutz, decorated Korean veteran, now on faculty of Army and Air Force Chaplains School at Fort Slocum, N. Y.**


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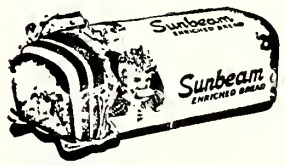


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## Business and Professional Women's Hadassah

By Ester Silver

The Business and Professional Group of Hadassah held its cultural meeting on May 7, 1952, at the home of Mrs. Joseph Rudlin, 351 Lexington Road, with 25 members present. It was most educational and inspiring and completed the series of Jewish Women in Israel. The speakers of the evening were, Mrs. Murray Levy and Miss Charlotte Imburg. Mrs. Levy discussed the origin of the Kvutza, meaning community living in Israel. She stated there are five types of women in Israel today: (1) Oriental or Sephardic Jewesses; (2) Colonists wives; (3) Middle class immigrants; (4) Chalutzot or pioneers; (5) Women of the underground movement during World War II. In her report Mrs. Levy mentioned the part that the Chalutzot played in establishing and defending the Kvutza, as well as the new experiment of living together called "The Moshva" where individual families live and develop a farming area, work on their farms, but the farm products are sold collectively, the families buy expensive agricultural tools and equipment through Cooperatives, and all monies are pooled for the welfare and advancement of "The Moshva." In the Kvutza everybody lives as one big family. The men and women work in the fields, all eat together in a large dining room; there is one common laundry, and the children live separately in children's homes, visiting their parents after supper. It is compulsory for the children to go to school; infants and youngsters are cared for by excellently trained Israeli personnel in bright, clean, cheerful nurseries. "Degania" was the first successful Kvutza. Very recently, however, in some of the Kvutza, after supper the children live with their parents.

Miss Imburg gave us some revealing biographical sketches of the lives of: Hannah Senesh of Hungary during World War II, who went to Israeli at the age of 18, and at 23 became an Israeli Paratrooper and worked in the underground movement in Hungary. A young polish girl Ziva Lubetkin, called "The little mother"—she became a symbol of resistance in the Warsaw Ghetto, inspiring grown-ups and children to resist, and to hope for and look toward a better life in Israel. And, the very wonderful and outstanding personality, Mrs. Golda Meyerson, who left the United States many years ago and since then has lived in Israel. Mrs. Meyerson has held many important political posts in the new State of Israel, including that of Minister to Russia. She came to the United States a few years ago and was successful in securing a million dollar loan for economical aid for Israel from the U. S. Government. At present, Mrs. Myerson is Minister of Labor of Israel, and one of the top figures in the Israeli Government.

After the meeting a social hour ensued and delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Sidney Silverman, co-hostess with Mrs. Rudlin.

Our last regular meeting of the season was held on Wednesday, May 14th, 8:00 P.M., at the Jewish Center, 2100 Grove Avenue. The slate of officers for the coming term 1952-53 presented by Mrs. Frank Friedenberg, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at our regular April meeting was voted upon. Rabbi Jules Lipschutz of Temple Beth Israel, was our guest speaker. Mrs. Saul Steiner, Jewish National Fund Chairman, requests all members to bring in their Blue Boxes, and there was a drawing of prizes to the members whose Blue Box contained a minimum of $1.50. Hadassah projects in Israel, such as the new Medical Center, are built on JNF land. There was also a skit by some of the B & P members.

On May 18-20th the Seaboard Region Hadassah held its Conference in Baltimore, Md. Our President, Mrs. Max Lester, and Miss Helen Snukals, President of the Seaboard Region B & P Groups, also a member of the Richmond B&P group, attended, along with several members of the Richmond Senior Hadassah Chapter.

On Sunday, May 25, 1952, from 2:00 to 6:00 P.M., Richmond B & P Group of Hadassah had a Family Picnic at Forest Hill Park. Games and prizes, drinks, hot dogs, goodies, pony rides, were enjoyed and lots of fun for the children. Miss Charlotte Imburg, Fund-Raising Chairman, was in charge.

Tuesday, May 27, 1952, was Hadassah Bonds for Israel Day. Mrs. Alexander (Julia) Dushkin, who is head of the Hadassah unit in Israel, was guest speaker to members of both the Senior Chapter and B&P Group of Hadassah.

On Wednesday, May 28th, at 8:00 P.M., there was an Open Board Meeting at the home of Mrs. Max Laster, 4201 Kensington Avenue. This was the last board meeting of the season.

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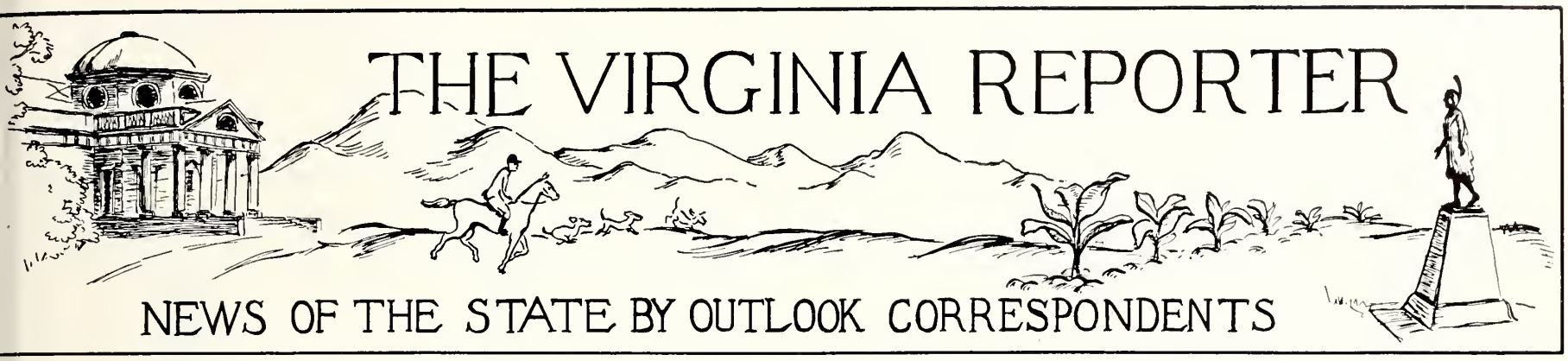


## RICHMOND, VA.

### *Beth Sholom Home For The Aged*

**Erev Passover Service at Beth Sholom Home**

On April 20, 1952 the Beth Sholom Home held its state-wide board meeting at the home, at which time Mr. Harry Schneider was elected as chairman of the board for 1952. The entire board of directors want to thank the out-going chairman, Mr. Dave Arenstein, for a job well done. Mr. S. I. Seldes also thanked Mrs. L. Goodstein, editor, and Mrs. E. Bernstein, co-editor of the "Beth Sholom Home News" for their untiring efforts to make our resident newspaper a success. Mr. H. Benson also accepted the chairmanship of the admission committee.

Again the president, management but most of all our residents want to thank everybody in the community, too numerous to mention, for all donations given for Pesach. Our ladies and gentlemen enjoyed the services which were conducted in a very dignified manner by Mr. M. Smeyne, Mr. S. Shapiro and our own Mr. L. Kimmel alternately. Mr. Kimmel also conducted both Seders which brought back memories to everyone of us.

On May 6th, 1952, the Sisterhood of B.S.H. had a membership meeting and election of officers. The newly elected officers are as follows:

Honorary president, Mrs. I. Carton; President, Mrs. Ellis Bernstein; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Max Laster; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Morris Smeyne; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. J. L. Fatt; Treasurer, Mrs. S. I. Seldes; Financial Secretary, Mrs. George Grandis; Assistant Finance Sec., Mrs. Max Shapiro; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. Rosen; Correspondent, Mrs. Ben Garfield; Historian, Mrs. Louis Goodstein.

We all enjoyed a nice Mother's Day celebration. The Sisterhood honored our mothers by giving them a party and gifts. Our own Mrs. Helen Rosenberg assisted by Mrs. Jenny Jacobson and Mrs. I. Sutton baked the cakes.

The Beth Sholom Home for the Aged celebrated its 6th birthday in May, 1952. Congratulations to Mr. S. I. Seldes, who has been president of the home since its birth. May God give you, your members, members of the board and everybody who is interested in our home strength to make our home grow.

## Temple Beth El

**Mrs. Allan G. Minko, Reporter**

The Closing Exercises of the Adult Institute of Jewish Studies of Temple Beth-El for the academic year 1951-52 took place at Friday evening services, May 2, at 8 P.M. at Temple Beth-El, Grove Avenue and Roseneath Road.

One hundred and seven students who completed their courses to the satisfaction of the Institute faculty received certificates of credit issued by the National Academy For Adult Jewish Studies.

The students were presented to Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, the Institute Director, by Mrs. Henry J. Schrieberg, Chairman of the Adult Education Commission of Temple Beth-El under whose auspices the Institution was established.

Mrs. Robert Friedman, honor student, with five credits (equivalent to fifty semester hours) received the certificates on behalf of the student body.

The initial year of the Institute featured courses on Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings, running from October through April. The outstanding achievement of this initial year, according to the Institute Director, Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, rests in the fact that 75 per cent of the large number of registrants completed their courses.

The students honored with their certificates of credit are:

**5 Credits**

Mrs. Robert Friedman.

**4 Credits**

Mesdames Joseph Goodman, Nathan Horwitz, Manuel King; Misses Sadie Gary, Sylvia Gordon, Charlotte Imburg; Messrs. Milton Adams, Albert Furman.

**3 Credits**

Mesdames Hyman Avera, Moe I. Backer, Abbott M. Banks, Louis Buffenstein, Alex Cohen, Myer J. Harris, Meyer Kalman, Jacob M. Kaufman, Morris Koslow, Max O. Laster, Stanley M. Levenson, Irving Meyers, Ben Perlin, Louis Perlin, Barney Raskin, Irving Salken, Martin Stahl, Samuel Swatt, Irving Yoffy; Messrs. Meyer Kalman, Irving Salken, Manuel Shocket, Walter Siegel, Samuel Weiman, and Mrs. Jerome Michelson.

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Mesdames Joseph A. Binder, David H. Feldman, Anna N. Hesselson, Gilbert Freedlander, Abe Kahan, Stanley Linas, Carl Padow, Henrietta Rothenberg, Josephine Silverman, Bert Simons, Simon Sperberg, Eldridge Waranch, Stanley Wasserman, Samuel Weiman, Nathan Zell, Philip Kittenplan, Archie Straus; Misses Reba Abrams, Wilma Abrams, Ruth Cohen, Fage Siegel, Fannie Passamaneck; Messrs. Eli Feldman, Irving Meyers, Rudy Stahl.

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**Above Kenneth Passamaneck: Recently awarded the Camp Ramah Scholarship awarded him by Beth El Sisterhood. This scholarship provides for the complete tuition for this summer at Camp Ramah: Good luck and best wishes.**

Kessler, Nathan Krumbein, Louis Linas, Harry Lowenstein, Sam Perel, Nathan Petersiel, Irwin Schapiro, Eldridge Waranch, Irving Yoffy.

One hundred and fifty delegates from the Conservative Synagogues in North Carolina, Virginia, Washington, and Maryland attended a conference on Jewish Education sponsored by the Seaboard Region of the United Synagogue of America on Sunday, April 27 at Temple Beth-El in Richmond, Virginia, it was announced by Mr. Reuben Goldman of Richmond, Virginia, Regional President.

The Conference featured Seminars on the theme, "The Ladder of Jewish Education," ranging from the nursery school age to education for adults.

Among the principal speakers who addressed the Conference were Dr. Louis L. Kaplan, Executive Director of the Board of Jewish Education in Baltimore, Maryland, who delivered the keynote address on "Conservative Judaism Looks To The Future"; Dr. Abraham E. Millgram, Educa-

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# The Cooking Page

Here is a miscellaneous group of receipes that will serve various meal purposes.

**CREAM OF ASPARAGUS SOUP**

Proceed as with cream of celery soup, substituting one-half bundle of fresh asparagus or an equal amount of canned for the stalk of celery. Or, the tips of a bundle of asparagus may be cut off for table use and the remainder used for soup. In either case the asparagus will be better if mashed through a colander, thus removing the woody portions.

**CREAM OF CAULIFLOWER SOUP**

Take a solid head of cauliflower, scald it to take away the strong taste; separate the flowers and proceed as with cream of celery soup.

**BROILED SPRING CHICKEN**

Take young spring chickens of one to one and one-half pounds in weight, and split down the back, break the joints and remove the breats bone. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and rub well with chicken-fat. Place in broiler and broil twenty minutes over a clear fire, or under the flame in broiling oven of gas stove, being careful to turn broiler that all parts may be equally browned. The flesh side must be exposed to the fire the greater part of the time, as the skin side will brown quickly. Remove to hot platter.

Or chicken may be placed in dripping-pan, skin side down, seasoned with salt and pepper and spread with chicken-fat, and bake fifteen minutes in a hot oven and then broiled to finish.

Serve with giblet sauce.

**STUFFED EGGS**

Hard boil eggs, drop into cold water, remove shells, cut each in half lengthwise. Turn out yolks into a bowl. Carefully place whites together in pairs, mash yolks with back of a spoon. For every six yolks put into bowl one tablespoon melted butter, one-half teaspoon mustard (the kind prepared for table), one teaspoon salt, dash of cayenne pepper. Rub these together thoroughly with yolks. Make little balls of this paste the size of the yolks; fit one ball into each pair of whites.

**LIMA BEAN BAKE**

Combine Soup and sour cream. Turn into a greased 1-quart casserole. Stir NYAFAT into bread crumbs. Top soup mixture with crumbs. Bake in a moderate oven (350F) 25 minutes or until crumbs are a golden brown. Serves 4.

**Vegetable Sauce:** Put 1 can undiluted LIMA BEAN SOUP, through a sieve, pureeing all vegetables. Combine in a saucepan with ¼ cup thick sour cream. Bring to a simmer, stirring constantly. Serve hot over vegetables such as cauliflower, string beans, broiled tomatoes, etc. Makes about 1 cup sauce.

- 2 cans Rokeach Lima Bean Soup undiluted.
- ½ cup thick sour cream
- 2 tablespoons melted Rokeach Nyafat
- ¼ cup dry bread crumbs

**MANDLEN**

Mix and sift flour and salt. Combine Nyafat and boiling water in saucepan; keep over low heat until Nyafat is melted. Add flour all at one time and stir vigorously over low heat until all flour is moistened, and mixture forms a ball and leaves the sides of the pan. Remove from heat. Add the unbeaten egg. Beat thoroughly until a thick dough is formed. Drop from the tip of a teaspoon onto a greased baking sheet, about ½-inch apart. Bake in a hot oven (425F) 20 to 30 minutes or until Mandlen are golden brown. Makes about 150 crispy Mandlen.

- ¼ cup sifted, enriched flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon Rokeach Nyafat
- ¼ cup boiling water
- 1 egg

**CHOPPED HERRING**

Soak herring a few hours, when washed and cleaned, bone and chop. To one herring take one onion, one sour apple, a slice of white bread which has been soaked in vinegar, chop all these; add one teaspoon oil, a little cinnamon and pepper. Put on platter in shape of herring with head at top and tail at bottom of dish, and sprinkle the chopped white of hard-boiled egg over fish and then the chopped yolk.


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# NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

**Mrs. David Zwerdling, Reporter**

One of the outstanding events in the History of the Jewish Community of Newport News was held Tuesday evening, May 13, 6:30 P.M., when Newport News Jewry was present to pay tribute to Theodore Beskin, President of the Jewish Community Council, in honor of his fiftieth birthday and for his outstanding contributions to the Jewish and general community throughout the years. The testimonal was held in the form of a dinner.

**THEODORE BESKIN**

Arrangements was made by the campaign cabinet of the Allied Jewish Appeal for 1952 to bring to our people for the first time Max Lerner, crusading journalist, editor, educator and author who has recently returned from a several months survey tour in Europe and Israel. In charge of the testimonal arrangements were Louis Morewitz and Louis Drucker. For outstanding services rendered a portrait of Mr. Beskin will be presented to the Jewish Community Center by Irving Goldstein, local artist. The portrait will remain at the Center. As an added tribute to Mr. Beskin's leadership, the Jewish War Veterans will present to him the annual Americanization award in the form of an engraved gold medal. The award was made by Jesse J. Finkle, National Deputy Chaplain of the Jewish War Veterans.

Besides being president of the Jewish Community Council, Mr. Beskin is a member of the Board of Rodef Sholom Temple and is superintendent of its Sunday School. He is chairman of the Newport News Draft Board and serves on the Boards of the Community Chest Boys' Club, Salvation Army, and Weaver Home. He is also on the National Executive Committee of the Armed Services Division of the J. W. B. and has been State Chairman of this Committee for the past three years. Mr. Beskin is a member of the National Committee of the United Service for New Americans and has been recently elected Vice-President of the Beth Sholom Home for the Aged.

Mrs. E. E. Falk was in charge of the dinner arrangements.

The leadership of the A. J. A. this year was determined to reach its goal of $155,000. Campaign co-chairman are Leonard Gordon and Allan Unger, co-chairmen of Initial Gifts are Albert T. Brout and Alfred Werblow and Yale Erlach is chairman of General Solicitations. Mrs. E. E. Falk and Mrs. Harry Oser are co-chairmen of the Women's Division, with Mrs. Louis Drucker and Mrs. Sol Levinson, co-chairmen of Initial Gifts of Women's Division and the following are Vice-Chairmen: Mesdames H. J. Aaron, E. J. Graff, Ben Schwartz, Charles Binder, Percy Smith and Ben Soltz. The leadership of the Young People's Division are Larry Robinowitz, Chairman and Marcia Block and David Falk, co-chairmen.

## Richmond, Va.

**J. W. A. INSTALLATION**

Joint ceremonies for the installation of new officers of Richmond Post 155 and Ladies Auxiliary, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. were held on April 6 in the Virginia Room of the Hotel John Marshall, Richmond, Virginia.

Post officers installed were: Commander, Sidney Spirn; Senior Vice Commander, Arthur Sesholtz; Junior Vice Commander, Mark Schneider; Adjutant, Irvin Russ; Quartermaster, William A. London.

Auxilliary officers are: President, Mrs. Sylvia Davis; Senior Vice President, Mrs. Deborah Sterling; Junior Vice-President, Mrs. Rosylin Goldin; Treasurer, Mrs. Mollie Spahn; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Roslyn Goldin; and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Cecilia Schneider.

**HAIFA TO HAVE SUBWAY: SWISS MAKE BID TO BUILD IT**

HAIFA—(WNS)—The Municipal Council this week approved a plan for the construction of a subway at an estimated cost of $2,500,000.

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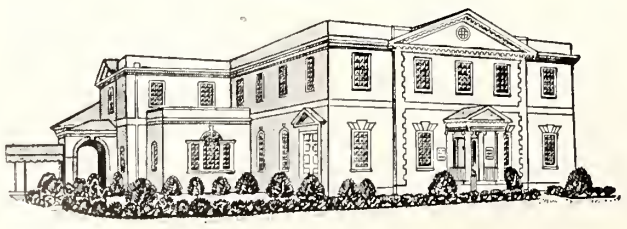

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## PORTSMOUTH, VA.

**Irma Koff, Reporter**

Dear Lonzmen,

What a hub-bub of activity there was in Portsmouth during March, April, and May with all of the organizations having installation affairs.

I know you might not like to read list after list of names, but because you're undoubtedly interested in who's going to lead the various organizations, there's only one way to satisfy your curiosity and that's by telling you the new roster of officers. Cheer up, the column won't be all names, however as there's other news from Portsmouth this month.

The delegates from Gomley Chesed Sisterhood came back to Portsmouth from the regional conference all tired out but all enthused. Mrs. Sidney Keller was elected financial secretary of the region and Mrs. Irvin Mervis was named chairman of the region's Leadership Training Course. Congratulations to you both.

Those who attended the conference were Mesdames Milton Snyder, Charles Weinberg, Elias Friedman, S. A. Levin, Maurice Schwartz, Ben Goldblatt, Sidney Keller, and Irvin Mervis.

New officers for Sisterhood were installed on May 13 and are: president, Mrs. Milton Snyder; first vice president, Mrs. Moe H. Glazer; second vice-president, Mrs. Elias Friedman; third vice president, Mrs. Melvin Blachman; financial secretary, Mrs. Fred Dratler; recording secretary, Mrs. Herman Ruben; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Walter Floum; and treasurer, Mrs. Irvin Mervis.

Sisterhood officers and members were also busy during May getting ready for those beautiful and awe-inspiring confirmation exercises at the Synagogue on Sunday night, May 18. Confirmands were Michael Alembik, Edith Aaron, Bobby Caplan, Fred Berman, Arthur and Martin Farfel, Carolyn Goldman, Fred Glazer, Eva Friedman, Carolyn Jacobson, Anita Kroskin, Barbara Mestetsky, Jay Lipman, Phyllis Raskind, Barbara Schwetz, and Barbara Weise.

New officers for Hadassah were installed at the May meeting at which time a skit, "Screen Test for Officers" was presented.

Officers are: president, Mrs. Joseph Reshegsky; first vice presient, Mrs. Philip Goldberg; second vice president, Mrs. Hy Kates; third vice president, Mrs. Sol Zucker; recording secretary, Mrs. Harry Goodman; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Irving Duffen; financial secretary, Mrs. David Levin; and treasurer, Mrs. Julian Jacobs.

Remember that lovely looking Hadassah doll? Well donations for the doll will be taken all summer and some lucky person will win "her" at the paid-up membership tea in October.

Let's break this up a little bit, shall we?

Mindy Chovitz and Ralph Richards will be married on June 8 and in April, Louis and Isabelle Brenner had a new daughter, Claire Louise.

This is good news for the kids. Sunday School closed on June 1.

This year's local United Jewish Appeal drive got off to a successful start in May with terrific speeches by Mrs. Jacob Kesselman (at the Woman's Division luncheon) and Senator Blair Moody, of Michigan (at the Men's Division banquet.)

Just don't forget now that free meals and inspiring speeches are fine but it's the money pledged and given that counts. So how about paying up those pledges as soon as possible? And for you people who still haven't paid pledges from other years, remember that your brethern in Israel need the cold hard cash and not promises.

New officers for Ladies' Aid, who were installed May 27 are: president, Mrs. Israel Casper, first vice president, Mrs. Lillian Davis; second vice president, Mrs. Ben Goldblatt; third vice president, Mrs. Morton P. Levy; secretary, Mrs. Paul Grob; financial secretary, Mrs. Murray Friedman; treasurer, Mrs. Isaac Blumberg; and corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. J. Gordon.

Officers for the Jewish War Vets and the Ladies' Auxiliary were installed the end of April. Installation was preceded by a banquet and followed by a dance.

Alfred Greenhood is new commander, with Curtis Coan, senior vice commander; Richard Berson and Melvin Ornoff, junior vice commanders; Stanley Jacobs, adjutant; and Jerome Weiss, quartermaster.

Taking over for the ladies this year are: Mrs. Melvin Ornoff, president; Mrs. Joseph Goda, first vice president; Mrs. Ben Levine, second vice president; Mrs. Bernard H. Levin, treasurer; Mrs. Carl Hurwitz, secretary; Mrs. Yale Dolsey, conductress; and Mrs. Norman Landau, chaplain.

ZOA officers are: president, Bernard Levin; first vice president, Rabbi Maurice Schwartz; second vice president, Henry Brady; financial


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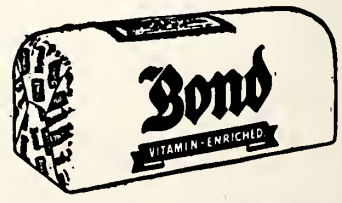


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treasurer, Bernard Rivin; secretary, Joel Schneider; and treasurer, Miss Sara Kramer. (We've got to hand it to Sara, she's the only gal in town who's lucky enough to be an officer in a men's organization. How about a tip on how to do it, Sara?)

I know a lot of the teen-agers in town have been going to Washington and Richmond for conferences, but, so sorry please, I can't keep up with them, and I guess it's even difficult for their parents to do so. How about it kids, and let me know what's going on. Don't you want to see your names in this magazine too? After all, some

New officers for B'nai B'rith Women are: president, Mrs. Arthur Siegel; first vice president, Mrs. Carl Marc; second vice president, Mrs. Morris Kopelove; third vice president, Mrs. Louis Scher, co-chairman on both projects.

B'nai B'rith Women did two grand public relations jobs in Portsmouth during May with their annual Woman of the Year award and the essay contest in Portsmouth, Norfolk County, and parochial schools. Mrs. Moe H. Glazer is chairman and Mrs.

day, when your mammas and pappas retire, you're going to be even more active in community affairs.

dent, Mrs. Irvin Mervis; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Melvin Foreman; recording secretary, Mrs. Art Bloom; financial secretaries, Mrs. Ben Goldblatt and Mrs. Jake Jacobson; and treasurer, Mrs. William Peck.

Dr. Arthur Siegel is president of B'nai B'rith Men. (Can you imagine what the Seigel household must be like with both of them presidents of the B'nai B'rith chapters at the same time?)

Assisting Dr. Seigel will be Jack Laskin, first vice president; Curtis Coan, second vice president; Morton P. Levy, financial and corresponding secretary; Sol Brewer, recording secretary; Charles D. Kantor, treasurer; Jake Jacobson, warden; Ted Steiner, guardian; Sid Keller, monitor; Rabbi Maurice Schwartz; trustees, Abe Levitin, George Goldberg, and L. T. Caplan.

As we said, this has been a busy month and I know everybody is worn out running to meetings, if nothing else. Congratulations to all the new officers. We know you'll do a good job!

That's 30 for now.

Your friend,
Irma

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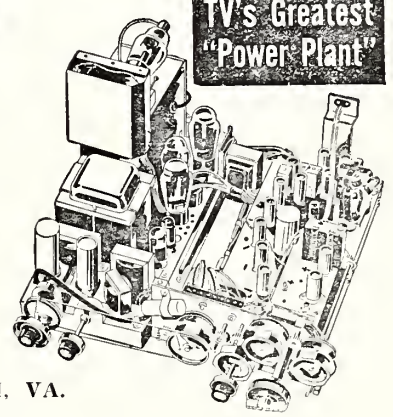

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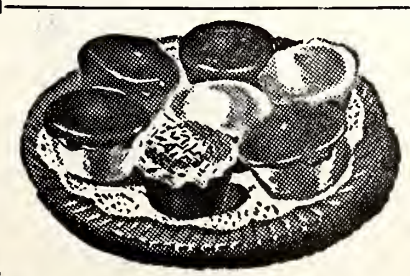

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tion Director of the United Synagogue of America; Mrs. Anna Bear Brevis, Educational Consultant for the Judaism in the Home Project; Dr. Hymen Saye, Principal, Congregational Schools, Chizuk Amuno Congregation, Baltimore, Maryland; Dr. William B. Furie, Educational Director, Beth-El Congregation, Baltimore, Maryland; Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, Temple Beth-El, Richmond, Virginia; Dr. Israel M. Goldman, Chizuk Amuno Congregation, Baltimore, Maryland.

Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum, Chairman of the National Field Activities Committee of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America presented a program for the Region and Mr. Reuben Levenson spoke on the subject of "Conservative Judaism As A Force In The American Jewish Community."

Mr. Goldman presided at the opening session on Sunday morning, Mr. William Greenfeld of Baltimore Maryland, Chairman of the Conference, presided at the luncheon.

The Conference Committee included Rabbi Israel M. Goldman, Baltimore, Maryland; Mr. Reuben Goldman, Richmond, Virginia; Mr. Julius Harris, Roanoke, Virginia; Mr. Reuben H. Levenson, Baltimore, Maryland; Mr. Israel J. Mendelson, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Abraham R. Millgram, New York, New York; Mr. Louis B. Mirmelstein, Newport News, Virginia and Mr. Morris Speizman, Charlotte, North Carolina.

### SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A special Congregational meeting was held on Thursday, May 22, at 8 P.M. in the Temple Social Hall.

Election of officers and members of the Board of Governors for the year 1952-53 took place.

In addition to the reports from the standing committees of the Congregation, Rabbi Jacob Milgrom presented his annual report, reviewing the year's activities and presenting recommendations for the future.

Because of the importance of the Constitutional amendments, the Committee reports, and the Rabbi's message, this special Congregational meeting will leave its mark on the future history of Beth-El.

### ORGAN DEDICATION

At Friday evening Services on May 23rd, Temple Beth-El dedicated the Paul and Libby Peck Memorial organ. Through the generosity of the Peck and Miller families, not only has a Wurlitzer organ been purchased for permanent installation and use in the Synagogue, but the services of Mrs. Mary Ann Mathewson Gray, one of Richmond's outstanding organists, was procured for the Dedication Services.

For the first time in the history of our Congregation, a complete musical service comprised of Cantor, Choir, and Organ was presented.

### SCHOOL NEWS

Final examinations for the Sunday School were held on Sunday, May 18. Closing exercises were held on Sunday morning, May 25.

Closing exercises for the Hebrew School will be held on Sunday morning, June 8. A special program is being prepared by our Hebrew School faculty—Miss Bella Gorenstein and Cantor Morris I. Okun.

### BETH EL TEMPLE SISTERHOOD

On May 21, in Temple Social Hall, Sisterhood held their annual paid up membership social and installation of officers and board of governors. Mrs. Jacob Milgrom installed the officers in a most interesting manner, one which included the out-going as well as the in-coming Sisterhood officers. Mrs. Nathan Zell, Financial Secretary and chairman of this affair, has announced an interesting program entitled "Wedding Then and Now," which was presented with a large and notable cast of Sisterhood members participating. Husbands of Sisterhood members were guest of the evening.

The National Women's League of United Synagogue of America will hold their convention in Philadelphia, Pa., on November 9, through 13, 1952. With the inspiration and knowledge afforded all members who attended the Seaboard Branch Conference held on April 28 and 29, here in Richmond, it is sincerely hoped many members will begin now to make plans to attend this national convention: so our Beth El Temple Sisterhood will have a large delegation in attendance.

## B&P Hadassah

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On Sunday afternoon, June 1st, installation of the new officers to take place at the Round House in Byrd Park. The "Story of Leena" will also be presented, children of the various B&P members participating therein.

It was decided that the cultural meetings would continue during the summer months, and tentative arrangements have been made for Wednesday, June 11th, at 8:00 P.M., at the home of Miss Esther Silver, 4220 Kingcrest Parkway, at which time there will be a book review.

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## HARRISONBURG, VA.

**Mrs. Michael Mintzer, Reporter**

A reception was held welcoming Rabbi and Mrs. Kaplan, following his first pulpit service in Harrisonburg. It is indeed an honor to have Rabbi Kaplan as Rabbi to our Jewish community. In the short time Rabbi Kaplan has been here, he has made several public addresses. The Rabbi delivered the invocation at the Dedication of the new Library and has spoken to the various groups at Madison College.

Everyone enjoyed our Congregational Seder so much that they didn't even mind the interim between the service and the dinner. Our thanks go to those women who helped in the preparation of the delicious matzoh balls.

Thanks to our Men's Club in obtaining those nice new tables for our Social Hall which were so badly needed. The Men's Club greatly supported our Sisterhood fund and we now have a brand new stove.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Nemoytin on becoming parents of a second son, Roger Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simon are making preparations to leave our fair city. Mr. Simon works for Merck and Co., and has been transferred to the Rahway plant. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Freed are also preparing to leave for Richmond, as their son, Dr. Ivan Freed, has opened an office, specializing in Pediatrics. We have learned to love these folks and we hate to see them go.

A rummage sale is now in progress. I'm sure it will be a financial success as it is always.

A food sale is being sponsored for the end of the month by our Sisterhood. Mrs. Harry Clayman is chairman.

The Hadassah chapter of Harrisonburg held a regular meeting on April 28. Following the business meeting, the membership chairman, Mrs. Dave Miller, pledged in the new members to Hadassah in a candlelight service. Refreshments were then served.

On May 4, the Hadassah Chapter of Harrisonburg held its Donor Luncheon at the Gables Hotel in Elkton. Rabbi Kaplan gave the invocation. Mrs. Joseph Mintzer, president of Hadassah, made a brief address and welcomed all guests. Mrs. Kaplan who has been affiliated with Hadassah in other communities but who is a new member here, also spoke. Mrs. Hillary January of Suffolk, who is President of the Seaboard Region of Hadassah, was guest speaker. Miss Susanna Roberts rendered two vocal selections. She was accompanied by Miss Dolly Rutherford, also of Madison College.

## Richmond, Va.

**AMITY CLUB**

**MARVIN JANUS**
**President, Amity Club, Richmond, Va.**

At an Election held May 6, 1952, the following officers were elected to office by the membership of the Amity Club: President, Marvin Janus; Vice Pres., Harry Perlstein; Secty., Joseph Brown; Treas., Meyer Levin; Sgt. at Arms, Stanley Plotkin. Board of Directors: Leon Grossman, Harold Ronick, Sidney Newman, Sam Brown, Jacob Fratkin, Nathan Brown and Jack Brown.

The above Officers and Board were duly installed at a very elaborate Banquet and dance held May 26th in the Roof Garden of the John Marshall Hotel. The Hon. J. Vaughn Gary was guest speaker.

Marvin Janus, incoming president, succeeds Howard Brown and in an interview outlined his program for 1952 as focusing around the newer members and renovation of the Club quarters at Boulevard and Park Ave.

**PRESIDENT WEIZMANN RECEIVES PREMIER**

TEL AVIV (WNS) President Chaim Weizmann has received Premier David Ben Gurion and his wife at his study at Rehovoth, it was reported here this week.

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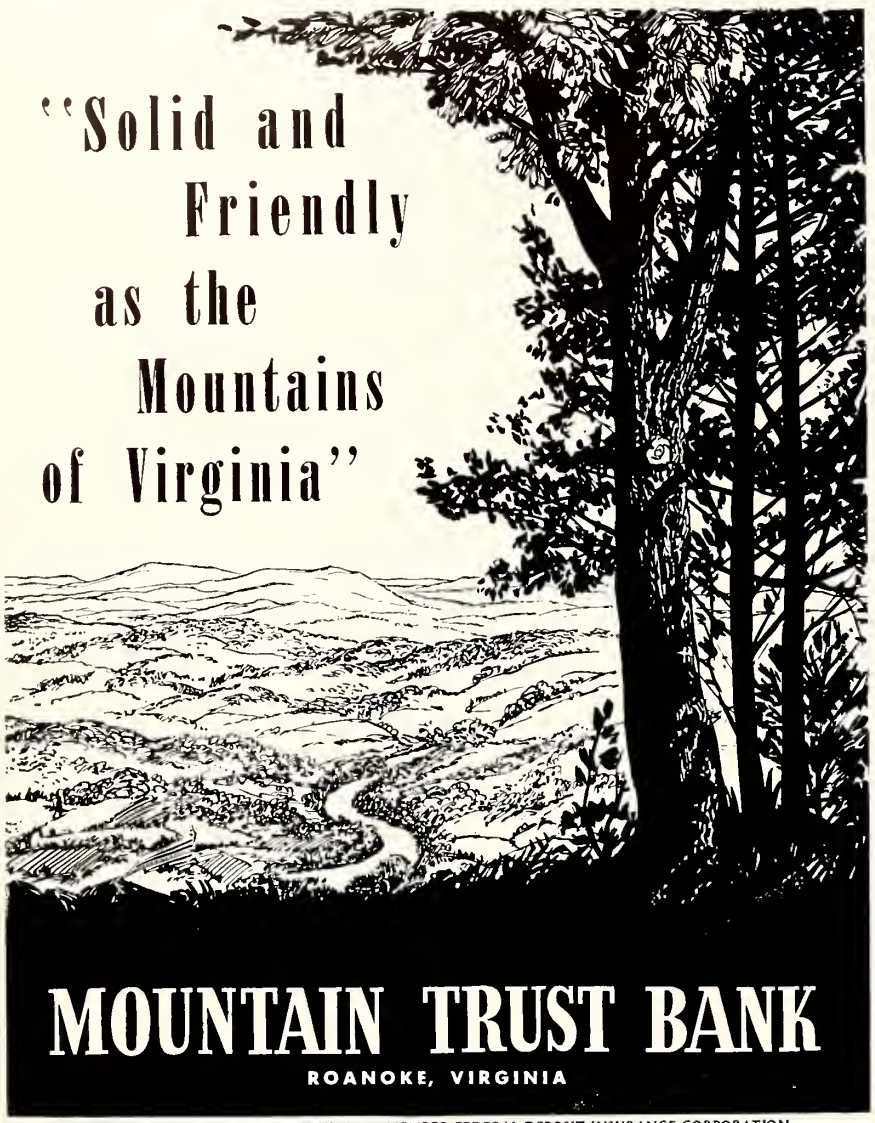


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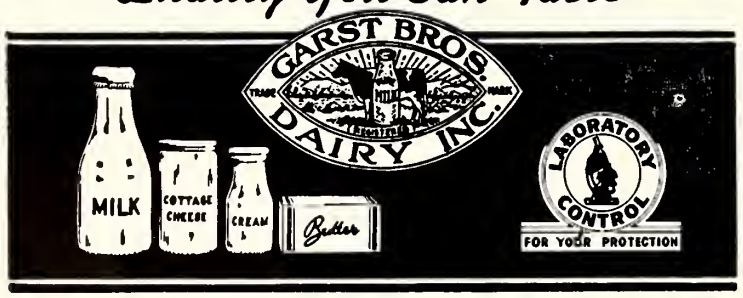


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Tete-a-tete—

Like the heroine in George Kelly's comedy, The Fatal Weakness, I can not resist the aura of a wedding march. So it is with great relish that I report on the latest of Spring nuptials. Our heartiest congratulations of the months are exended to Phyllis Feinman and Alan Oster who were recestly married at a memorable ceremony in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harold Grott, 3402 Clarks Lane, Baltimore, with Rabbi Israel M. Goldman officiating. A dinner at the Woodholm Inn Manor and a home reception for the bridal party, family and guests followed.

Phyllis looked lovely, saying her "I do's" in an ankle length frock of mauve silk organza featuring a shirred bodice and a pleated yoke on the skirt which fell to a circular hemline. Her hat of mauve lilacs worn with a shoulder veil further enhanced her dark good looks. Escorted by her Uncle, Joseph N. Feinman of Lynchburg, the bride carried a bouquet of white orchids and white lilacs.

Mrs. Harold Alan Grott in the role of matron of honor was the bride's only attendant. Gerald Arthur Oster of Pawtaucket, R. I., served as best man for his brother. Mrs. Feinman, mother of the bride. was handsomely attired in a burgundy antique taffeta and Mrs. Oster chose a charming navy blue taffeta frock.

Lynchburg was represested by the attendance of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Feinman, Miss Julia Feinman and Mrs. Abraham Feinman.

The bride attended the Richmond Professional Institute and Lynchburg College. The bridegroom was graduated from Rhode Island University and took graduate work at Boston University. Mr. Oster who is popular in social circles and town activities is an ardent Little Theatre actor.

The newlyweds who have been honeymooning in Florida are now "at home," to their friends on 2141 Carrington Road. The best of good luck and happiness to you both, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Oster.

Other middle aisle news concerns newcomers Eli Horwitz and his bride Doris, who were recently wed and are now residing at 2 Fredonia Ave. Like a pagan feast out of the pages of Quo Vadis food, drink and merriment was the order of the day when Mr. and Mrs. Dave Levin gave a dinner party honoring the newly married couple. The quaint charm of Virginia and Bell's Spaghetti House with its checked tablecloths and candlelight lent a folksy air to the festive occasion . . . . Host Dave Levin and father-in-law tending to the liquid refreshment while hostess Shirley was seen greeting the newly arrived Dan Coopers . . . On hand were Elliot Schewel and Henry Ross as bachelors for the evening Dot Samuels all smiles in a charming costume . . . Jule Demsky devouring a piece of chicken cacciatori . . . The Sam Rosens as well as the Stanley Friedmans having a gay time. Marian and Nate Somers at a table with Mike and Viv Grosman . . . The newlyeds beaming happily in the center of attraction . . . Everyone agreed it was a memorable evening.

The B'nai B'rith's card party was a successful event and a forerunner of several activities now in the planning stages.

Just a gleam in the eye a few years ago, the dream of building a new Temple and community center in Lynchburg came a step closer to realization when the Sisterhood appropriated $500 to the project. A Project initiated by Mrs. Sylvan Lichtenstein, outgoing president and her officers to introduce the start of a building fund. At the Sisterhood meeting Mrs. Lichtenstein declared that the present building was inadequate for Sunday school enrollment and activities and with our "bumper crop" of babies in the future years, she asserted that the situation would become more acute. Contributions are now being accepted to further this wonderful idea of a new building for the future.

Mrs. David deSol Pool, four times National president of Hadassah, was guest speaker at the annual meeting and silver tea, sponsored by Lynchburg's chapter of Hadassah. The Tea was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Somers, 1728 Spottswood Place. Mrs. Pool spoke of the great needs of Israel for medical supplies and other items necessary for use by the suffering people. Besides her work in Hadassah, Mrs. Pool is associated in many philanthropic and minority groups in the United States. Her husband, Dr. Pool, is minister of the oldest Jewish congregation in the United States, the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue of New York City.

Hostesses for the successful affair were Mr. Lel Somers, Mrs. B. Marks. Mr. Jeanette Rosen, Mrs. Pearl Feinman and Marie Goldstein.

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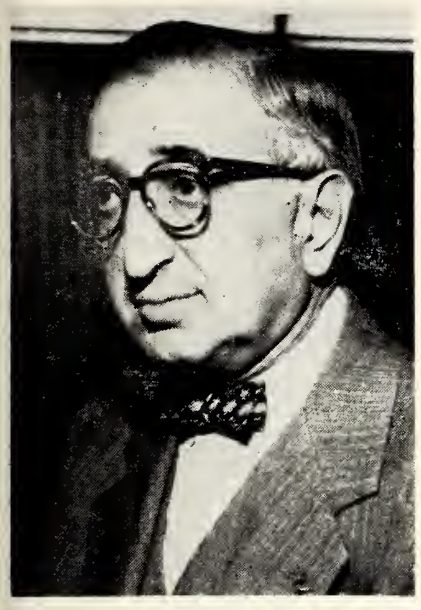

**ABE COHEN**
**Newly Elected**
**Lynchburg City Councilman**

Florida this season seems to have lured more Lynchburgers to its beaches than any other spot I know. Faye and Abe Adler in the company of Harriet n' Jerry Faye have had one heavenly vacation at the Promenade Hotel. At the same time Mr. and Mrs. Gus Berman were down there getting away from it all. Mr. and Mrs. Sol Kulman with their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ben Kulman, are also in Florida.

It was one gala affair when the Horwitz family had their annual reunion with a dinner and dance held at the Belmont Plaza Hotel in New York City. On hand for the fete were Shirley, Dave and Jill Levin. Accompanying them on the gay occassion were Mr. and Mrs. Max Horwitz and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Horwitz of Lynchburg.

In town recently was Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum's mother on a visit.

Now that the advent of summer is here, Lynchburger's will be looking for places to go on their vacation. I would like to head up to Maine for a good shore dinner or follow the sun motoring all the way to the far West. But it won't be wishful thinking when I report to you on all the coming and goings shortly. So be on hand.

Did you know that . . . Elliot Schewel, blood program chairman of the Lynchburg Chapter ARC made it known that two innovations, baby sitting and transportation, were available for blood donors during the visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile at Lynchburg College . . . That Cy Eichelbaum's home at New London, set amid the groves of English tree boxwood for which the estate is known, was cited as one of Lynchburg's beautiful homesteads during Garden Week in Virginia? . . . That Judy Kasler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kasler of Monroe is one of 32 E. E. Glass High School Seniors to have received the school's highest tribute to its pupils, membership in National Honor Society? . . . That Dr. and Mrs. Macey Rosenthal and family have purchased a home on Spottswood Place and that Macey will practice Urology with his dad? . . . That art critics, among them, Emily Genauer of The Herald Tribune have looked with favor on the present exhibition of paintings done by David Segel, nephew of Barney Segel of Blue Ridge Manor on Boonsboro Road. The show was held in the Van Diemen-Lillienfeld Galleries in New York . . . That Rabbi Harold Gelfman of Temple Abavath Sholom, Bluefield, W. Va., represented the Jewish Chautauqua Society as lecturer at Lynchburg College. The National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods sponsors the Jewish Chautauqua Society which sends rabbis to college campuses as part of an educational program to disseminate authentic information concerning Judaism.

The Hyman Alpers are receiving "Mazel tovs" on the latest addition to their family, in the person of a bouncing baby boy . . . Good luck and a very speedy recovery to Joan Demsky who has been convalescing at the Virginia Baptist Hospital . . . Spotted Maxine Feinman who was in town on a visit walking down main street . . . I want you to know that the Dick Samuels' little daughter, Lynn, did herself proud carrying the Queen's train during Randolph Macon's May Day . . . Selma Navis is back home after a ten days whirl in New York . . . Barbara Lee Buchanan and her little girl are on a visit to Oklahoma . . . Mary Cohen plans to attend a Bar-mitzvah in Roanoke, Va.

To all the sweet little kiddies who have had the mean old measles I say I'm sorry and hope you are all well now . . . Until next month, happy days to you.

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**Geraldine Brumberg, Correspondent**

**B'NAI B'RITH:**

Dr. Eli J. Brewer and Mrs. Michael Cohen were installed presidents of B'nai B'rith Men and Women Wednesday evening April 30th, at the Appalachian Auditorium.

The women's installation service was conducted by Mrs. Elias Friedman of Portsmouth, president of the Virginia State Association of B'nai B'rith Women. The men were installed by Abe Schewel of Lynchburg, past president of the First District.

Other Officers installed were: Men —Harry Goldstein and Albert Trompeter, first and second vice presidents; William Singlust, secretary; Morton C. Rosenberg, treasurer; Stuart Felton, chaplain; William Sager, warden; Cecil Blum, guardian; and Julius Harris, Morton Harris and Leo Peyser, trustees.

Women—Mrs. Jack Shapiro and Mrs. Sadie Golden, first and second vice-presidents; Mrs. Milton Blank, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Sidney Katz, recording secretary and Miss Zelda Halpern, treasurer.

The out-going president of the Women, Mrs. Julius, was presented a past-president's pin by Mrs. Friedman, and a buffet supper was served after the installation program.

**BETH ISRAEL:**

The Ladies Auxiliary Meeting on Monday Night enjoyed an attendance of over sixty and featured a lovely series of Tableaux entitled "Marriage Through the Ages." Thanks to the Program chairladies, Mrs. M. Berman and Mrs. M. Kaplan, for a nicely executed program, to all the cast and the advisor, Mrs. T. Rothenberg.

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Lake Rosenberg on the engagement of their son, Malcolm, to Miss Ruth Shelia Falk, of Miami Beach. Mazel Tov to the entire Rosenberg family.

**TEMPLE EMANUEL:**

The second Annual Music Festival of Temple Emanuel was held at the Temple on Friday evening, May 9th. Many members and friends were present, and particulary enjoyed the unusual musical treat. Arrangements for this outstanding concert were made by our Music Committee under the chairmanship of Rabbi Morris Graff. The services started at 7:30 P.M. so that the congregation could be able to join the festivities at Beth Israel Synagogue on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of Sara Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fisher.

**Sisterhood:** The Sisterhood year drew to a close with its annual Spring luncheon held at the Temple on Tuesday May 13th. New officers elected in April and installed at this meeting, were: President, Mrs. J. Meyer; Vice President, Mrs. S. Falkenstein; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. Singlust; Corr. Sec., Mrs. M. Glassner; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Shapiro; Auditor, Mrs. A. Shapiro; Cong. Bd. Member, Mrs. H. Rosenbaum.

We congratulate these ladies and wish them all a very successful term of office.

In celebration of Mother's Day, a special service with the children of the Religious School was held at the Temple on Sunday morning, May 11th. Parents and friends attended. Those taking part were Mr. Sidney Falkenstein, Mr. Sidney Shaftman, and Rabbi Wallach.

Confirmation services this year were held on Sunday afternoon, June 1st. A class of three boys and one girl were confirmed in the tenets of Judaism and received as adult members of the congregation; they were: Ann Marcus, Bobby Nolan, Curtis Rosenbaum and Arnold Schlossberg, Jr.

Congratulations: To Mr. Fred Bulbin on his election as Vice-President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Sigmund Davidson to the Board of Directors.

On April 19th there was a "dance contest" at the Green Hill Country Club. A large crowd attended and Loving Cups were awarded the following:

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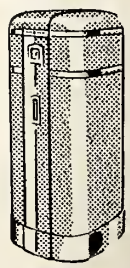

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have left on a two months trip to Israel and Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen and little Terry, have been here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Josef Cohn. Mr. Cohn was attending the Lawyer's Convention at Hotel Roanoke.

Mazeltov to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Glassner on moving into their new home.

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Kaminester have just returned from a short visit to Gatlingburg, Tenn., in the Smoky Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Katz are vacationing in Miami Beach, Florida.

## Staunton-Waynesboro Virginia

**Miss Estelle Kauffman, Reporter**

Student Rabbi Joseph Herzog's parents were visitors in Staunton over Pesach. They left their fair city of Philadelphia to spend some time with their son—however, a few of us decided to travel up to the Herzogs' hometown. So the day after the Seder Supper, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kreitzer and Larry, Mary Ellen Finkel and Phillippa Levy, and yours truly made our separate ways northward! Upon our return, we compared notes and discovered that a delightful time was had by all.

**Visiting our town:**

Miss Peggy Klotz of NYC at her parents' home; Mrs. Irving Donenfield and daughters of New York as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Finkel; Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. Louis Finkle's guests were Cmdr. Finkle's mother and brothers of Newark, N. J.

Mrs. Oscar Samuels underwent an operation in New Rochelle, N. Y., and at last report, is getting along nicely. Her sister, Mrs. Maurice Cohen, went up to be with her and tells us she was quite ill, but is improving, and incidentally, is a model patient. Hurry up and get well! Those poker games are mighty empty without you.

Mrs. Greenstone had a very serious operation, but she is home now and recuperating. Get well soon!

Harold Greenstone, not to be outdone by his grandmother, decided to have his appendix out. He was up before long, though, and to see him playing around at picnics, you'd never know he'd been sick.

The weekend of May 23 was the last Rabbi Joseph Herzog spent in Staunton as our Student Rabbi from Hebrew Union College this year. Our very best wishes for a successful future.

## Richmond, Va.

**COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN**

**Mrs. Elmer Bear, Correspondent**

Officers for the 1952-53 season of the Richmond Section, National Council of Jewish Women were elected at the monthly luncheon meeting at the Beth Ahabah Social Center, May 7. Mrs. Hank Wolfe was re-elected President. Other officers elected were: Mrs. Jack Gold, First Vice-President; Mrs. Ben Wallerstein, Second Vice-President; Mrs. H. L. Friedenberg, Third Vice - President; Mrs. William Rothenberg, Fourth Vice-President; Mrs. Harry Lee Cohn, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Bernard Magel, Assistant Recording Secretary; Mrs. Julian Jacobs, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Sidney Mittelman, Assistant Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Albert Pincus, Treasurer; Mrs. Stanley Levick, Assistant Treasurer; Mrs. Sol Axel, Financial Secretary; Directors: Miss Amelia Ullman, Mrs. Sydney Lewis, Mrs. Emanuel Emroch, Mrs. Theodore Kohn. Mrs. Malcolm Stern of Norfolk, the guest speaker, discussed Maxwell Anderson's powerful new drama about Socrates, "Barefoot in Athens."

Grand Group members held an all-day family picnic at the Jewish Community Center's Camp Hilbert last month. It was a gala occasion celebrating the Group's Fifth Anniversary. The members brought their own sandwiches, and drinks, ice cream and a cake, complete with candles, were served them. The entertainment included songs and games.

An all-day Council Board workshop was held for new Board members on May 26. The meeting was conducted by a National Board member.

Mrs. Hank Wolfe attended a National Evaluation Committee meeting in New York May 22-23.

**Milton Ellerin, attorney and former agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has been appointed director of fact-finding for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, it was announced by Benjamin R. Epstein, the League's national director.**


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**Mrs. Ralph Hollander, Reporter**

**HADASSAH**

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The Angel of Mercy advertisement was a tremendous success. The entire quota for Martinsville was raised with this advertisement.

**OHEV ZION SISTERHOOD**

The Sisterhood will hold its installation of officers at a luncheon on June 4th. The new officers are: Mrs. Leon Globman, president; Mrs. Harry Levy, vice-president; Mrs. Ralph Hollander, secretary; Mrs. Joseph Schreibfeder, treasurer.

The Sisterhood has recently held several very successful rummage sales.

**HEINER-FUSFELD LODGE NO. 1295**

Leon Globman, Wm. Altschull and Ralph Hollander were appointed delegates to the Fifth District convention which was held in Baltimore on May 25th. Their wives accompanied them to the convention.

**A. TO Z. BOOK STORE**

The Book Club continues with its work at the local hospital. Twice each week books and magazines are distributed to the patients.

# Suffolk, Va.

**By Mrs. M. R. Goldberg**

May is the month that marks closing down activities of all organizations. There is a definite feel of summer in the air and everyone's thoughts are on vacation plans. When the call of the beach is heard, everything else recedes in importance.

The Games Party held by Sisterhood proved very successful, and everyone enjoyed a grand evening of fun. At the closing meeting of the season, the president, Mrs. M. R. Goldberg, thanked her chairmen and all the members for a wonderful year. Among things accomplished this year she listed a complete overhaul of the piano in the Vestry room, purchasing of films for the Sunday School and other kitchenware for the Center kitchen. New officers will be elected for the Sisterhood at the first Fall meeting.

B'nai B'rith Men's and Women's chapters met on May 6th in the Vestry room of the synagogue. The Highlight of the evening was the initiation of new members by the men's team, led by the president, William Fieger. This most impressive ceremony was witnessed by a large group of members, both men and women. New men welcomed into B'nai B'rith were Gerald Jaffe and Dr. Martin Goldner. This meeting ended B'nai B'rith activity until the Fall.

On May 13th Hadassah held its final meeting of the season, bringing to a close one of Hadassah's most industrious and successful years. Mrs. Hanks Bernstein reviewed the year's accomplishments and thanked all of her members for their untiring cooperation. She announced that the local Hadassah Supplies Chairmen, Mrs. Sam Levy and Mrs. William Fieger, had collected and sent off to Israel approximately $1500 worth of clothing. They also announced that that the next shipment of clothing will go to Korea to clothe the needy refugees of war.

Friday night, May 9th, was observed as Mother's Day with a special service dedicated to the mothers of the community. Children of the Hebrew School participated and gave roses to all mothers present. Following services an "Oneg Shabat" was held in the vestry room with ladies of the Sisterhood serving as hostesses.

Congratulations this month to the following couples: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Levy on the birth of their third grand-daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kerpel on their twenty-fourth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Sheffer on their ninth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Jules Kurtwile on their twentieth wedding anniversary.

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**By Mrs. Manuel Lipsitz**

They say that things like automobiles, houses and trees have no ability to "feel" but as I sit here at my typewriter, the one that has pounded out so many bits of news and happiness I've had the pleasure to report, I am sure it feels the same reluctance as I do as we together write the last column of the Club Season at Temple Beth Israel, and sign off as your faithful reporter . . . and in fairness to this "friend" of mine, as your faithful "assistant" to the above I must say adios for "him" too.

We, (my trusty friend and I), would like to throw a bouquet of orchids first to the folks at the Richmond Staff office of the **Outlook** who have been so cooperative and kind and without whose courtesy this reporter could not have reported the news to you. But nuf sed, about time to go and without getting too dewy-eyed suppose "we" report the latest info to you without a moments delay.

Some of the members of **Troop 137**—Richmond, Va.

Primarily this month I'd like to tell you about the terrific accomplishments of Mrs. J. Russinsky as troop leader of Troop 137 from Temple Beth Israel, assisted by Mrs. B. Peters and Mrs. D. Burstein. These women have truly done a magnificient job in helping to guide our young girls in becoming refined young ladies. The projects the Scouts of Troop 137 have accomplished consisted of filling boxes for distribution to the Child Welfare Clinic, taking fruit baskets for the Home for the Aged during the Purim holiday. During Christmas they dressed dolls for unfortunate children, who without their efforts would have not known the pleasure and joy of receiving some toy on their holiday. At present they are filling bags of clothing for the Goodwill Industries and taking cooking lessons from the City Gas Department and to complement this course they have made their own aprons. The girls who are in Troop 137, Judy Aaron, Sandra Cohen, Judy Cantor, Harriet Aaron, Frances Burstein, Edith Russinsky, Leona Katz, Glenda Soble and Beverly Beloff. Unfortunately not all the members were able to attend when the photograph was taken. Another orchid to these women and the splendid work they have done.

Not to be overlooked are the "elfin" little Brownie Troop under the leadership of Mrs. Paul Cohen and ably co-sponsored by Mrs. H. Flax. These youngsters are planning their final project of the season with an outdoor picnic at Byrd Park . . . complete with hot dogs and hamburgers, "cooked" by themselves. Among their accomplishments for the year they have carried gifts to the Home for the Aged during the holidays, they have learned to crochet and are working on a rug for the Home for the Aged and have kept their young hands and minds busy with interesting and helpful objectives. Activities of both organizations find its members waiting eagerly to begin at every gathering. If you have a young girl and would like her to take part in all this wholesome enjoyable activities, please be sure to

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Miss Belle Herr, Correspondent

**BETH SHOLOM TEMPLE**

The congregation was fortunate in having guest speakers for two Friday evening services during the past month; Rabbi Marshall Hurwitz of New York who chose as his topic "Spring," and Rabbi Hugh Schiff of Washington who brought a most interesting message on "Confusion or Confession."

Following each of these services, a fellowship hour took place in the social room of the Temple under the direction of the hostess committee of the sisterhood.

**BETH SHOLOM SISTERHOOD**

The following officers were elected to serve Beth Sholom Sisterhood for the coming year and will be installed in June: President, Mrs. Julius Margolis; Vice President, Mrs. Jerry Miller; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Louis Hirsch; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Clayton Blum; Treasurer, Mrs. Harold Morganstern; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Abe Suskins.

**B'NAI B'RITH**

The annual "Good Citizenship Award" dinner was held at the Princess Anne Hotel under the sponsorship of the local B'nai B'rith with some fifty odd members and guests present. Senator Benjamin T. Pitts was recipient of the award.

Out of town guests at this affair were Judge Marshall King of Richmond who made the presentation to Mr. Pitts; Mr. and Mrs. Max Levine, Orange, Virginia; Mr. Phillip Shapiro, President of the Alexandria Lodge; Mr. Jack Jenkins, State B'nai B'rith Deputy, and Mrs. Jenkins, from Washington, D. C.

**PERSONALS**

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Steinberg, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Ulman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchtmann, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Garmel . . . all celebrating their wedding anniversaries: and to Mrs. N. Wolff, Mr. Joseph M. Goldsmith and Mr. Louis Hirsch for birthday happiness.

Among Fredericksburg folks on business or pleasure trips to New York . . . Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hirsch, Mr. Jerry Miller, Mrs. Clayton Blum and children, Miss Belle Herr, Mrs. David Yanow, Mrs. Ann Herr.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney spent a few days in Baltimore, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morganstern and Donna returned from two weeks in Miami Beach. Mrs. Addie Miller enjoyed a delightful month's vacation at Daytona Beach.

Mrs. Ceile Heilbron of Baltimore spent some time as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Ulman, and the Julian Levy's had as their guest Mr. Levy's mother, Mrs. Perelman, of Charleston, S. C.

## RICHMOND, VA.

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On May 28 the Sisterhood sponsored a very successful Mother-Daughter dinner. The evening was a very happy one and a capacity audience enjoyed delicious food and companionship. Cantor Berry favored the crowd with two selections and a skit which drew audience participation, with yours truly and Mrs. Ben Rojas in the cast, made up the evenings entertainment. Our congratulations to the Sisterhood for sponsoring such an enjoyable and always anxiously looked-forward to affair.

The Women's Club of Temple Beth Israel installed its slate of new officers, which will be announced in the Fall issue of the Outlook. A delicious desert supper followed the installation. Mrs. Jules Lipshutz was installing officer and following the installation and refreshments a delightful musical comedy was presented by Mrs. Paul Cohen and Mrs. Ben Cohen. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the event and with the melody of "Hatikva" the Women's Club calendar of the year 1951-52 was tied in its lovely ribbon and closed. During the summer months while the club itself is in adjournment the Board will be formulating plans for the new Club Calendar. An orchid to those women who have worked so unselfishly for the organization. Through their efforts the Women's Club has grown to magnificent heights.

And so now it is time for farewells. An orchid to you too dear reader for having made this column not a stiff, formal one, but rather a sort of corner where we have had the chance to chat and visit in sociable informality. From me a "bye now" and from my little friend all "he" can say is—

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# Newspapers In Israel

*By* DANIEL SPICEHANDLER

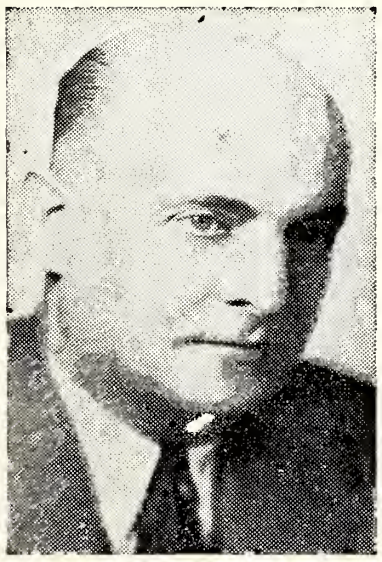
The citizens of Israel are voracious readers and of course they read their many daily newspapers closely and carefully. In the little state there are twelve Hebrew and ten daily foreign language papers. From the extreme rightist *Herut* to the extreme leftist *Kol Haam*, the piles of newspapers are stacked in front of the kiosk stalls or bookstores. Those who wish to save the twenty eight prutot (about six cents) can sit leisurely and read a paper in any cafe. But many Israelis buy a paper from the ever-trotting and yelling newsboys who, to the amazement of every newcomer, seem to have a knack of pulling out your paper from a mixed stack under his arm. "*Haaretz-Davar-Haboker?*" Out it comes and with it the nervous hand waiting to be paid.

Ever since 1863 when the *Halevanon*, a religious monthly published in Jerusalem, appeared, the newspaper business in Palestine began to flourish. The Hebrew press alone has more than 200,000 readers. In the past few years, the foreign language press also has grown. This big boom, of course, is due to the great influx of immigrants, who read anything and everything, from Hungarian to Arabic.

The press in Israel, like its counterpart in Europe, is a political press. Each major party owns a newspaper. Even the few so-called independent papers are of one political leaning or another. Mapai, the largest party in Israel, has been publishing *Hador*, a daily afternoon paper, for about three years. *Davar* is published under the aegis of the Histadrut, and is supposedly the voice of labor in Israel. Of course, there is no doubt that this is a Mapai organ. Mapam continually complains against this favoritism, which is denied by the editors of *Davar*. It is for this reason that Mapam now publishes its own daily, *Al Habishmar*.

The largest morning paper is *Haaretz*. Its circulation is a little over 30,000. Politically it is independent, with a strong leaning to the Progressive party and is by far the most objective newspaper in Israel. *Haaretz* doesn't seem to have a political axe to grind, though sometimes it is unduly harsh in its attacks on the Government. *Haboker* is the *World-Telegram and Sun* of Israel—a conservative, businessmen's paper. *Hatzofeh* is similar to *Haboker* except that it is the organ of the religious bloc. *Herut* is the organ of the former terrorist Irgun Tzvai Leumi.

The average daily runs from two to four pages. On Fridays and holidays the newspaper is made up of six to eight pages. The Friday paper is called the "Shabbat Issue" and is equivalent to our Sunday edition. The weight of our Sunday papers never ceases to astonish Israelis residing in America. "*Davar* could run for a year on the paper of one Sunday *Times*," remarked one Israeli to me. For in



**Rabbi James G. Heller, one of the country's best known religious and communal leaders and for more than 30 years the spiritual head of Cincinnati's Isaac M. Wise Temple, has accepted the Chairmanship of the United Jewish Appeal's newly formed National Labor Division. The new division comprises both organized and labor Zionist groups throughout the United States and will seek to mobilize trade union support for the UJA's current $151,500,000 nationwide campaign. Rabbi Heller is a former National Chairman both of the United Jewish Appeal and the United Israel Appeal. UJA makes possible the programs of the UJA, the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Service for New Americans, U.J.A. constituent agencies.**

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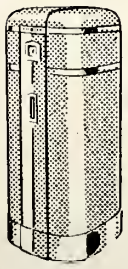

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Israel today, paper is rationed and each newspaper receives a paper quota based on its certified circulation. Israel imports all its paper and pays for it in dollars. Owing to the present economic crisis, the Government has tried to curtail the press, hoping to save hard currency. This policy was met with sharp rebuke by both reader and publisher. The problem is a serious one and no solution seems to be near. The larger dailies are now running without any paper reserve, and any day now they may find themselves paperless.

Among the foreign language press, the paper best known to Americans is the *Jerusalem Post*, formerly the *Palestine Post*. It is the only English daily in Israel and the first to be published in the entire Near East. Though its publishers claim political independence, it is definitely a pro-Government organ. It is to be commended for its courage during the trying days of the Jerusalem seige when it was the only available newspaper in Jerusalem.

This brings up the problem of the centralization of Israel's press. Unlike America, there is no such thing as the small-town newspaper in Israel. As a matter of fact, until recently there were no newspapers printed outside of Tel Aviv, with the exception of the *Jerusalem Post*. All newspapers were published and distributed from Tel Aviv. They are sent out by train, bus and truck to all parts of the country. It is not a rare sight to see the news truck arriving at an outlying settlement and dumping the morning paper in the late afternoon. It is hard to believe, for example, that a city the size of Haifa, with a population of over 100,000, should have no paper of its own. Jerusalem has finally produced two new papers in Hebrew. Traditionally, Tel Aviv was the center of the country and under the British Mandate, because of censorship and other restrictions, this all-Jewish city was more congenial for the daily Hebrew press.

The general layout of the daily paper is not much different from that of an American one. The front page runs headlines as our newspapers do, though in much smaller type-faces. It features international news stories running down one-half the page and national news running down the other half. What strikes the American are the large ads—ads on page one—that are interspersed with the news items. Some papers, like *Davar*, carry their main editorial on the front page. Others, like *Al Hamishmar*, have two first pages, the front page carrying local news and the back page carrying foreign news. Both pages are titled and carry large headlines. Turning to the second page, the reader meets with a nine-column page of cramped print, full of features, editorials, columns, feuilletons, the residue of the daily news and an occasional cartoon or a column for women.

Page three and four for the most part are filled with advertisements and want ads. Usually a column of economic news is found on the third page. Most papers run a single-page supplement on Wednesdays, devoted to financial and business news, which may be compared to our Sunday business and financial section. On these pages also are found short news items from all over the country. Buried on the last page one finds the sports results. Only the true fans have the patience to seek these out.

On Fridays the editors happily expand their papers with a few extra sheets. This results in the exact replica of the daily paper, only more of it. The outstanding difference is the literary and art page, which can be described as a condensed form of our Sunday book review and drama sections combined. It is one of the most enjoyable pages in the Hebrew daily.

Israel's newspapers rarely have pictures. When they do appear, they are uninviting and often blurred. There is no such thing as a sports section in the Friday issue. To appease the fans, the publishers sometime run a short sports story. The more ardent fans console themselves by reading a sports weekly. Needless to say, there is no such thing as a comic page for the children. They reluctantly read the special children's issues. Lately the American comic book has come into its own among

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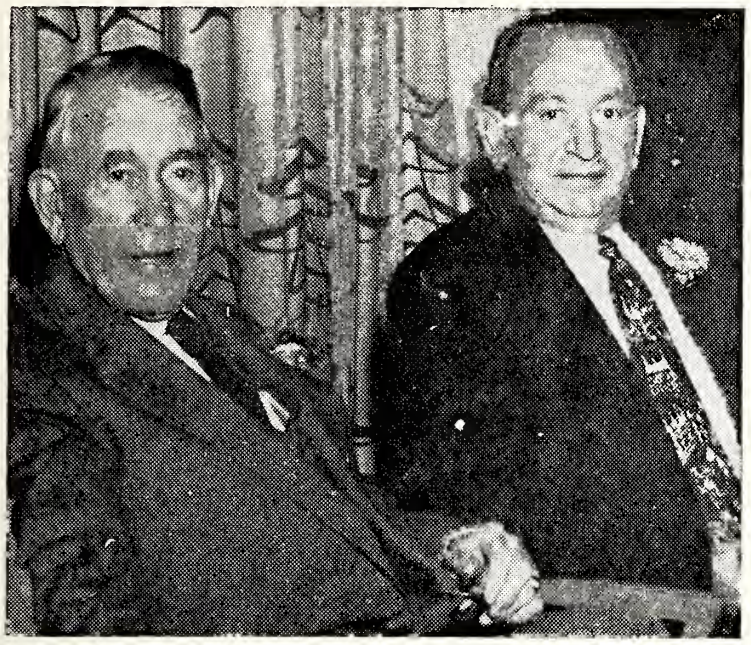

**Vice-President Alben W. Barkley (left) addressed the National Planning Conference for Israel, which voted to adopt a goal of $200,000,000 for Israel Bond sales for 1952. The 590 delegates at the Conference, which was held in Miami Beach, Florida, paid tribute to Joseph Cherner (right), distinguished Jewish communal leader, who announced Israel Bond purchases totaling $750,000, thus becoming the largest single holder of these securities in the United States.**

younger Israeli readers, and it will be interesting to note this new influence on the sedate and respectable Israeli press.

The chief weakness of the Israeli newspaper is its underplaying of world news. When the war against the Arabs was being fought, this was justifiable, but today this policy continues and the meagerness of world news coverage is strongly felt. The average, intelligent Israeli must read *Time* or *Newsweek*, both of which have become very popular in Israel, in order to get a broader picture of the world scene.

Of the evening papers, only two are popular: *Maariv* and *Yediot Achronot*. These are primarily headline newspapers. Here the influence of *The New York Enquirer* is felt. The reader is often tricked by a headline such as: "ISRAEL INVADES JERUSALEM," and after reading the finer print he discovers that the news item is concerned only with the transfer of the Government to the new city of Jerusalem. In these papers, a comparatively liberal use of photographs enlivens the sheets and gives them larger circulation. *Maariv* claims a circulation of 70,000 which makes it the largest paper in Israel. These newspapers play up crime stories, and feature—daily—a serialized story. Both *Maariv* and *Yediot* refuse to fall into the static pattern of the other dailies. They even talk of running a comic page.

The Israel reader reads at least two papers daily, a Hebrew and a foreign one. He is a reader of many interests and one should not be surprised to hear that the American Embassy reading room in Tel Aviv is always jampacked with Israelis. Here they have access to every American publication. Most popular are the European editions of the New York *Times* and *Herald Tribune*. It is with envy in his eye that the Israel reader glances through the lively, diverse and thick American newspaper.

## Southern Zionists

Zionist youth leaders from the South gathered in Savannah on May 18 for the annual spring session of the Southern Zionist Youth Commission, joint educational youth agency of Southeastern, Southern and Florida Hadassah Regions and the Southeastern Region of the Zionist Organization of America.

The all-day meeting took place at the Hotel Savannah. Jack Becker of Jacksonville and Mrs. Ben Alpert of Savannah, are co-chairmen of the Commission.

Attending for the Commission's meeting were the presidents of the sponsoring organizations, youth group representatives, and the two directors of the eight-state region, Herman Popkin of Atlanta and Seymour Friedman of Miami.

Problems confronting Young Judaea, Jr. Hadassah, Young Judaea Leaders, and the Inter-collegiate Zionist Federation of America (IZFA) in the South were taken up by the youth leaders and directors.

Another feature of the meeting was the awarding of scholarships to the Zionist youth camps sponsored by the American Zionist Youth Commission. Several scholarships were awarded the National Young Judaea Camp, Tel Yehudah, being held this summer at the Southern Brandeis Camp Institute in Hendersonville, N. C. The 10-day and six-week IZFA camp and leaders' Institute was also discussed.

The summer-in-Israel tour as well as a year-long Fellowship to Israel were included on the agenda as one of the many projects sponsored by the American Zionists. The five recent pre-senior Judaean conclaves for boys and girls from 8 to 13 were also evaluated.

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## The Great Wedding Bard

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Zumer mit dem Vinter and Die Shtok Spiel. If she had enough time on her hands, my mother, like many another mother in Yiddish-speaking Israel, might regale herself—and her children—with that lengthy ballad of the Haskalah period, of the birth of the Russian-Jewish enlightenment and its disappointing aftermath of persecution and pogroms, Der Neinzehnter Yahrhundert—to my mind musically one of the finest Jewish songs ever written.

Zunser was so intensely Zionist because he was so intensely Jewish, and he was so intensely Jewish because he was so intensely human—let us not forget that. That is why the Jewish masses, the ordinary folk, loved his songs so much. Reared in such poverty as is to us today almost inconceivable, with an education only slightly more than that of the average Jew of his place and age, he was one with the common folks, he shared their problems, gave expression to what was in their minds and hearts.

Zunser, who was born in 1836 in Vilna and died in New York in 1913, a year before the outbreak of the first World War, spent the last twenty-odd years of his life here in the United States. To us as American Jews it should be a source of pride that this man with kind little eyes, gray beard, and spare, short figure, who toward the end ran a little printing shop on the East Side, was among us so many years, shared the bitter struggles of the immigrant to gain an economic foothold in the New World and created here some of his finest songs.

In the last verse of Shivath Zion, the song written in 1884 in honor of the Biluim, the Jewish students who were the first pioneers in Palestine, the song which became so potent a factor in spreading the Zionist ideal during an entire generation, Zunser expressed the belief that the names of these students "will endure like Ezra's unto the last days." If so, his name, too, should endure.

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## Material Claims Against Germany

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bers of properties have been restituted but most of them were in private hands so that no payments by the Government were involved. Bulk settlements for heirless assets are made with the Lander, but for the small amounts they pay the latter receive properties worth much more. Much of the Jewish assets were confiscated by the Reich and, whenever the property is not available, the Reich, under existing legislation should compensate the loss. However, Bonn has not yet assumed the liability for these losses although the highest restitution court has clearly stated the responsibility of the Reich for the loss. The General Claims Laws have been working slowly and as of today very meager benefits have accrued to Jews, especially those living abroad. The responsibility for implementing the laws and providing the funds rests now with the Lander, but they are unwilling and, to a certain extent at least, unable to raise the amounts required. Unless the Federal Government steps in, the laws may become just one more travesty of justice. The laws are restricted in their application in various ways: low ceilings are put on the amount of compensation to be paid; through the introduction of arbitrary date-lines many persecutees, otherwise eligible, were eliminated; there are different categories of priority which do not necessarily accord with the needs of the would-be beneficiaries. As laws enacted and implemented by the Lander they do not extend beyond the geographical limits of the Land in regard to the place of damage or the residence of the damagee. Consequently, large segments of despoiled and maltreated Jews are totally excluded from any kind of indemnification. Take, for example, the Jews in and from Austria. After Austria was annexed by Hitler, the Jews were persecuted and looted in the same, possibly even more brutal, way as the German Jews. Austria contends that it cannot be made responsible for acts of the "occupant"; therefore it does not repay the Judenabgabe or the Reichsfluchtsteuer, it does not compensate for non-restitutable property or for deprivation of liberty, for loss of income, etc. The Allies, in the draft treaty with Austria agreed with this view, so that the Jews in and from Austria are deprived of compensation on purely formal grounds. The same is true of Jews from other regions which were incorporated into Germany. Jews of the occupied countries, especially of the East, were despoiled and maltreated by the Germans, but there exists no law and no other method by which at least those outside their former homeland could obtain compensation of their losses. The emigrants from Eastern Germany are even in a worse position because not even restitution is granted to them.

It is obvious that these and other demands may be satisfied by Western Germany if it takes seriously the obligation to remedy, even in part, the consequences of the "immeasurable suffering that was brought to bear upon the Jews in Germany and in the occupied territories during the period of National Socialism" as acknowledged by Adenauer and the West German Parliament. True, West Germany comprises only a part of the German population which was responsible for the damage. It cannot therefore be expected to assume the full measure of responsibility. But even a partial measure, commensurate with the ratio of its population and wealth to the whole, would require it to contribute considerably towards alleviating the consequences of the "unspeakable crimes" which were committed against the Jews.

West German economy is booming, exports are soaring, and the balance of payment is becoming more and more favorable. An industrial nation of 48 million persons can, under any circumstances, provide sufficient funds —out of their production and not yet utilized capacity in men and equipment—to pay for the losses they inflicted upon the Jews. All that is required is good will and determination to do now what should have been done years ago.

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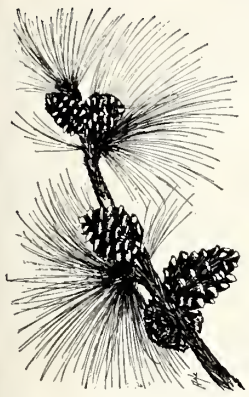

# NEWS *of the* CAROLINAS

## WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.

**Temple Emanuel, Winston-Salem, N. C.**

### Winston-Salem Dedicates New Temple

Congregation Emanuel, Winston-Salem, N. C., dedicated its beatiful new Temple in simple, yet impressive ceremonies held on the night of May 9th. The Dedication Address was delivered by Rabbi Jay H. Kaufman, administrative assistant to the president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Greetings in behalf of the city of Winston-Salem were extended by Mayor Marshall C. Kurfees, and other speakers included Eliz Katzin, president of the congregation, A. E. Schwartz, Dedication Committee, Rabbi Erwin Herman, M. A. Wainer, immediate past president, Abe Shapiro and Jack Schiller, chairman of the Temple Construction Committee. A tribute to the last named was presented, in the form of a scroll, in appreciation of his untiring efforts in bringing the work on the new edifice to a successful conclusion.

Greetings were read by Monte Cohen and expressions of congratulations were given by the following:

Martha Waldman, President, Temple Sisterhood; Therese Schwartz, President, National Council of Jewish Women; Lawrence W. Levy, President, B'nai B'rith; Truda Lutz, President, Hadassah; Leonard Clein, President, AZA; Sara Horwitz, President, Ladies Aid, Beth Jacob Synagogue.

In his speech of acceptance of the keys to the new Temple, Mr. Katzin reviewed the history of the congregation since its organization about twenty years ago. He paid tribute to the Winston-Salem chapter of the Council of Jewish Women for their loyal support. It was this group that presented to the congregation its first building site. The present site, however, was not selected until 1949. When building was first contemplated, Mr. Katzin said, a fund of $40,000 was projected. The present edifice, including furnishings, cost $150,000. Ground was broken in August and the Temple was open for its first services in September 1951.

Following is the organizational structure of Congregation Emanuel:

Rabbi, Erwin L. Herman; Eli Katzin, President; A. E. Schwartz, 1st Vice-President; Norman Waldman, 2nd Vice-President; Jack Schiller, 3rd Vice-President; Bruce Levin, Secretary; Lawrence W. Levy, Treasurer. Board of Directors: Richard Backer, Abe Brenner, Ben B. Clein, Monte Cohen, Lou Cooper, Harry Coplon, Hattie Eisenberg, Jack Manton, Phil Michalove, Dora Shevick, Robert Sosnik, Morris Sosnik. Trustees: Morris Brenner, Harry Coplon, M. A. Wainer. Dedication Committee: A. E. Schwartz, Chairman; Monte Cohen, Lou Feingold, Rabbi Herman, Eli Katzin. Temple Construction Committee: Jack Schiller, Chairman, Morris Brenner, Morris Sosnik, Norman Waldman.

Temple Fund-Raising Committee: Morris Sosnik, Chairman; Harry Coplan, Co-Chairman; Evelyn Sosnik, Secretary; Mabel Backer, Morris Brenner, Ben B. Clein, I. I. Cohen, Mollie Eisenberg, Abe Shapiro, Jack Schiller. Temple Organist and Choir Director: Virginia Lowrance. Choir: Jeanne Cohen, Mollie Eisenberg, Josephine Fisher, Gertrude Caplan, Hermie Gumpert, Lil Herman, Tess Katzin, Ronald Milroy, Harold Simons, Elaine Simons, Allen Stanley, Bess Wainer, Sally Waldman. Ushers for Dedication: Jack Waldman, Chairman, Richard Backer, Robert Sosnik, Lou Cooper, Jack Tennenbaum. Architects: Braverman & Halperin, Cleveland, Ohio.

## Wilmington, N. C.

**By Mrs. Justin Raphael**

**New Officers**

It is Election Time U.S.A. . . . and Wilmington is attuned to the times. The members of the B'nai Israel Synagogue have elected Sam Berger, president; Ben Kingoff, vice president; Arnold Neuwirth, secretary; Nathan Stein, treasurer; and Ben May, Nathan Schwartz, Ken Alpert, and Joe Mann to serve on the Board. Mrs. B. Schwartz is the new president of the Hadassah; Mrs. J. Levine, vice president; Mrs. H. Bluethenthal, Sr. Second vice president; Mrs. S. Berger, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. Raphael, recording secretary; and Mrs. H. Forrester, treasurer. Piloting the helm for the Sisterhood next year will be Mrs. M. Fleishman; Mrs. L. Plisco is the new vice president; Mrs. N. Stein, Second vice president; Mrs. M. Freedland, secretary; and Mrs. S. Berger, treasurer. Next year's officers for the Concordia are Mrs. A. Solomon, president; Mrs. R. Lucas, vice president; Mrs. H. Moore, secretary; and Mrs. L. Stern, treasurer.

**Condolences**

We extend our heart-felt condolences to Mrs. Helen Schwartz, who has very recently moved to our city, on the great loss of her husband, Sidney. Our deep sympathy is also offered to Mr. and Mrs. L. Schwartz in their time of double tragedy from the loss of their nephew, Leon Rosen-

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# Around the Town

By Geri LeBrun

Hello everyone. I am your new reporter for Greensboro, so if you have any items—hot, cold or even luke warm, please 'phone them in to me at 4-7912. Here's hoping I do as fine a job as Min Klein, who has brought you the news of the Gate City's active citizens for so many years. All of us are proud of Min's election to the presidency of District 8, NFTS, and wish her every success in the performance of her new duties.

**COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN**

The new officers for 1952-53 were installed at the final Council meeting on May 5. They are as follows:

President, Mrs. George Blankstein; 1st Vice-Presient, Mrs. Lewis Rosenberg; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Arthur Friedman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. David Rothschild; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Arnold Marks; Treasurer, Mrs. Henry J. Lavietes; Auditor, Mrs. Charles Roth; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Hattie Weinberg.

Following the installation of officers, a lively skit entitled "Council on Trial" was presented, in which the various committees testified as to their activities of the past year. Mrs. Bert Bloch was the author of the skit, and everyone agreed that it was a painless way to hear committee reports.

**HADASSAH**

Greensboro Hadassah's newly elected officers for the coming year are as follows:

President, Mrs. Julius Smith; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Harris Startz; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. William Miller; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Marshall Solomon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jack Salz; Treasurer, Mrs. Alvin Hamburger; Auditor, Mrs. Joseph Robinson.

**BETH DAVID SISTERHOOD**

Sisterhood has a new group of officers to guide them for the coming year. Installed and raring to go for the '52-'53 social season are the following officeholders: President, Mrs. Harry Karesh; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Jack Pearlman; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Louis Myers; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Archie Kottler; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Al Herman; Treasurer, Mrs. Mack Feiner; Auditor, Mrs. Bernard Robinson.

**TEMPLE EMANUEL SISTERHOOD**

The final Sisterhood meeting was held on Monday, May 12th. Installed at that meeting were Sisterhood's new governing body, three new officers for the coming year, with Laura Weinstein as president, Margie Camras, vice-president, and Joan Steel, corresponding secretary. The other officers were elected last year to serve through this year—Ellen Marks, recording secretary; Adele Rosenberg, treasurer; and Fannie Love, auditor.

**IT HAPPENED IN MAY**

The Men's Club of Beth David held a "Gay Nineties" dance Saturday evening, May 24th, in the Lounge. A lively evening of entertainment, and dancing to the swish of swaying bustles, made it a fine occasion for all.

The annual convention of the North Carolina Association of Jewish Women, Youth and Men was held on Sunday, May 25th, in Winston-Salem. Greensboro was well represented for this occasion. Our deadline prevented us from going into detail concerning the convention so we will give it complete coverage in our next issue.

Greensburgers drove over to High Point the evening of May 16th to make merry at the High Point Section of the Council of Jewish Women's Annual Debutante Ball. So many lovely young debs made us all wish we could lose a few years and shed a few pounds. Evelyn Greenberg, Margie Libby Goldman. and Barbara Prago were Greensboro cuties among those who caused all hearts to beat a little faster.

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On April 22, Miss Florence Helene Jacobson became the bride of Cpl. Ernest Sylvan Rosenberg. The ceremony took place in the library of the Beth David Synagogue, with Rabbi Simcha Kling officiating.

The bride was educated at Asheville Biltmore College, and Woman's College, and was President of the Inter-College Zionist Organization as well as Vice President of Hillel.

The groom is a graduate of University of North Carolina

The couple will reside near Camp Roberts, California where Cpl. Rosenberg is stationed.

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Floorwalkers with the birth of Lawrence on April 26th.

I know there is a bumper crop coming up, but how these girls keep their secrets!

**ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES**

The Herman Davidsons have so much to tell, having just returned from an honest-to-goodness Safari in South Africa and a stay in Israel.

Julie Epstein and little Mike visited in Atlanta with Julie's parents.

Among the visiting Mamas this month were Mimi Lerner's mother, Mrs. Rotman and Ellen Cohen's mother, Mrs. Bernstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stadiem are planning a trip to Europe this summer. Bon Voyage and a most enjoyable trip.


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Mrs. Gus Pearlman, Bobby and brother David, age five months, visited Grandpa and Grandma A. N. Bernstein of Burlington. Gus commuted from Charleston, S. C. to bring them to Burlington and then to drag them back.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester A. Brown have just returned from a trip to Chicago and a visit with their son, Chester Jr., his wife, Rusty, and their two little girls, Bonnie Joan and Barbara Marilyn.

At the Annual Election Dinner Meeting of the Temple Brotherhood on March 31, the following Officers were elected:

President, Charles Roth; Vice-President, David Rothschild, II; Secretary, Marshall Solomon; Treasurer, Arnold Marks. Trustees elected to the Brotherhood Board are: Edgar Marks, Nat Labell, and Bertram Levy.

The Sidney J. Stern Lodge's last night meeting of the season took the form of a lawn supper at the home of President Ben Krieger. More than 100 members and guests enjoyed the hot dogs and roast beef sandwiches, not to mention the beverages, pickles, slaw and strudel. David Helberg, chairman of the Program Committee, introduced Bob Scott of the Greensboro Patriots, Bob Jamison, Senior High coach, Julian Smith, baseball coach at Senior High, and J. Stanley Johnson, of the school's athletic department. Arthur Schwartz told of the club golf tournament, held at Starmount on May 25th, and Chester A. Brown spoke of the 5th annual Wildacres Institute to be held July 13th-17th. A good time was had by all.

The annual Mother-Daughter banquet of the Etta Spier Chapter of B.B.G. was held at Bliss' Restaurant on May 14th. The program was as follows:

"America" ..... Audience
Invocation ..... Barbara Herman

**DINNER**

Welcome ..... Evelyn Greenberg
"To Our Mothers" .. Marsha Krieger
Response ..... Mrs. Klaff
Presentations: .... Margie Goldman
Marlyn Zager
Introduction of Speaker ... Ann Falk
Address ..... Rabbi S. Kling
Installation of officers Rabbi S. Kling
Benediction ..... Beverly Bloom
"Side by Side" ..... Members

New officers of the Chapter are:

President, Jane Zager; Vice-Pres., Bess Bach; Corresponding Sec., Barbara Herman; Recording Sec., Carol Greenberg; Historian, Hannah Barr; Reporter, Sue Dryzer; Treasurer, Marsha Krieger.

Advisers: Mrs. Macey Susman, Mrs. Sam Prago, Mrs. Ben Krieger, Mrs. H. Dryzer, Mrs. Klaff, Danville, Va.; Mrs. Herman, Winston-Salem; Mrs. B. Herman, High Point. Mrs. A. F. Klein, Honorary Adviser. Mrs. Macey Susman, Head Adviser.

Retiring officers:

President, Evelyn Greenberg; Vice-Pres., Barbara Prago; Cor. Sec., Peggy Tobias; Rec. Sec., Rachelle Katzin; Treasurer, Jane Zager, Historian, Rachel Katzin; Reporter, Joan Greenberg.

Mrs. Ted R. Myers was elected president of the O. Henry Chapter of the National Secretaries Association at a dinner held at the S&W Cafeteria.

New officers of the Hillel Foundation at Woman's College are: President, Joan Rosen; Vice Pres., Anne Barrow; Secretary, Joan Bierman; Treasurer, Diane Berg; Interfaith Representatives, Millicent Cooley (1 year), Zora Daniel (2 years).

Mr. N. Kagan has been appointed representative for the Greensboro area of the Overseas Distributor Exchange of 120 Liberty St., New York city. This organization handles transactions between the people of this country and the State of Israel. He will turn over any proceeds to local Jewish organizations. He may be reached at the Hotel Greenwich, telephone 3-5974.

# HIGH POINT, N. C.

MISS JANET Z. LEFKOWITZ

Mrs. Anna Lefkowitz announces the engagement of her daughter, Janet Zelba, to George Breslow, of Greensboro, N. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Breslow, of Tom's River, N. J. The wedding is scheduled to take place at the Synagogue here on August 31.

Miss Lefkowitz is a graduate of High Point High School. Mr. Breslow is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, where he was a member of Tau Epsilon Pi Fraternity. He is associated with the firm of Albert Rose, Certified Public Accountant, in Greensboro.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

At the last meeting of the High Point Section, Council of Jewish Women, it was announced that Council is sponsoring an essay contest on "The Meaning of Academic Freedom," for college seniors throughout the United States. Substantial cash awards will be given to the winners.

The Community Service Chairman reported that a number of pairs of shoes had been bought for underprivileged school children and that two needy boys and girls had been completely outfitted. A child had been taken to the Winston hospital for a necessary operation by the Health Department Aides. Two more wheel chairs are being purchased for use of the sick, it was announced by the chairman of the Medical Supply Committee.

On May 16 and 17 Roy Bernard "Sonny" Goodman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Goodman of Salisbury conducted his Bar Mitzvah services at B'nai Israel Synagogue. In honor of "Sonny," Mr. and Mrs. Goodman held open house at their home in Salisbury on Sunday, May 25.

Congratulations to Seymour Shecter on his graduation from the University of Alabama, and to Dianne Wagger on her election to the presidency of Hillel at the University of Alabama. To Harold and Bootsie Gutterman on the birth of their new daughter.

**Debutante Ball a Huge Success**

The Annual Debutante Ball, held on May 18th at the Shrine Club on High Point Road, was a brilliant success, with sixteen girls from North Carolina making their debut. The girls, with their escorts, staged a Grand March which elicited much appreciative applause from the many relatives and friends attending.

Congratulations were bestowed on the following, who were the motivating figures of the affair: Mrs. Samuel Hyman, President, High Point Council of Jewish Women; Mrs. Arthur Cassell, Ways and Means Chairman, and Mrs. Fred L. Swartzberg and Mrs. Daniel Ballow, Debutante Ball Co-Chairmen.

# Kinston, N. C.

The re-elected officers of B'nai B'rith were installed: Murray Glanstein, president; Dave Bronstein, secretary; Morris Heilig, treasurer. Rabbi Samuel Pearlman, Hillel Director at Chapel Hill was the principal speaker.

Visiting here . . . Mr. Sam Fuchs . . . Mrs. H. Feldman of Lynn, Mass., mother of Mrs. Sam Fuchs . . Mrs. B. Bernstein of New York City, mother of Sara Jane Fuchs. Leaving for Allentown, Pa., to attend a Bar Mitzvah were Mr. and Mrs. Sol Shechter, Mr. and Mrs. Max Chused and Mr. and Mrs. David Fuchs.

Confirmation Services were held June 1 at the Temple.

A gala Cabaret Night was held May 12, at the New Bern Golf and Country Club. Sponsored by the Joe Orringer Lodge, B'nai B'rith, the purpose was to raise funds for the Hillel House at Chapel Hill.

The newly-elected officers of the Sisterhood-Hadassah for the ensuing year are: Mrs. Sol Schechter, President; Mrs. Herbert Pearson, Vice President; Mrs. Leo Brody, Secretary; Mrs. Morris Heilig, Treasurer; and Mrs. J. G. Tolochko, Member of the Board.

A daughter, Jan, was born to Shirley and Ed Shuffman, on May 1.


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## CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Charlotte Federation of Jewish Charities held its Annual Dinner on May 11th, at the Amity Club. The guest speaker was Mr. Spencer D. Irwin of Cleveland, Ohio; a very distinguished editor. President of the Federation is Mr. Harry L. Schwartz. Mr. Fred Stern, is Chairman of the 1952 Campaign.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kaufman of Far Rockaway, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Florence, to Ben Jaffa, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jaffa.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brownstein celebrated the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Judith, on Friday and Saturday, May 9th and 10th, reception and luncheon followed the Services.

On Wednesday, May 7th, the Mothers were the special guests of the Daily Kindergarten children, who were in charge of entertainment and refreshments, in a special celebration in honor of Mothers' Day. Kindergarten Director, Mrs. John Fitzpatrick reported that the children recently planted a garden with a variety of seeds purchased during a trip to a grocery store. The children are watching daily for the first green sprouts.

On the occasion of the Annual Membership Dinner of the Young Couples Club, celebrating the Fourth Anniversary of the New State of Israel, president Sol Levine and his officers were congratulated on the fine fellowship, and interest in Temple affairs expressed by the Club. Mrs. Sam Wallace, in charge of the Show, wishes to thank the following. The Cast: Mrs. Jerome Joffe, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Farber, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Levin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Segal, Mr. Joe Fogelson, Mr. Arthur Goodman, Jr., Mr. Sol Levine, Mr. Sam Wallace, Mr. Mickey Bayer, Mr. Ed Drucker, Mrs. Wm. Mayer, Mrs. Charles Trum; Mr. Irving Pastor in charge of lighting; Mr. Leon Greenberg, Stage Manager; Mrs. Robert Hankoff, Make-up; and Music by Mrs. Robert Greenspan. Mrs. Walter Shapiro and Mrs. Arthur Goodman, Jr., in charge of Dinner arrangements thank Mr. and Mrs. L. Levy, Mrs. Jerome Levin, Mrs. Ed Drucker, Mrs. H. Levine, and Mrs. Nat Roberts for their help with the tables. Mrs. Al Rousso was in charge of reservations. Temple President, Dr. Philip Naumoff extended greetings, and the Rabbi gave the Invocation and led in Grace. After Meals, and the Cantor led in the singing of Hatikvah.

**Charlotte Notes:** Mazol Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Philip Naumoff on moving into their new home at 2320 Crodon Road . . . and to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Weisman who moved into their new home at 1604 Sterling Road . . . Mr. Sam Citron played the Viola in the Mint Ensemble that performed Ernest Bloch's first string quartet, written in 1918. Ernest Bloch is considered by many to be the greatest living Jewish composer . . . Mr. Lambert Schwartz, a member of the Board of Directors of our Temple, was installed as the newly elected President of the Charlotte Junior Chamber of Commerce . . . Miss Arlene Baumrind appeared in the Charlotte Observer in a picture taken at a luncheon meeting of the Peace College Alumnae, of which she is secretary . . . Judy Brownstein's picture appeared in the Charlotte Observer on being elected vice-president of her grade at Alexander Graham Junior High . . . Sol and Janet Jaffa visited in Charlotte.

The Cantors Assembly and the Department of Music of the United Synagogue held the Fifth Annual Convention at Kiamesha Lake, N. Y. May 4th to 7th . . . The Joint Convention of the United Synagogue and the National Federation of Men's Clubs was held in Boston, May 14th to 18th . . . Mr. Maurice A. Weinstein was the main speaker at the Dedication Banquet of the new Synagogue at Oak Ridge, Tenn., the government atomic energy project.

Friday, May 2, Mr. Arthur Goodman spoke at Temple Beth El on the theme: "Four Years of Israel."

Mr. Arthur Goodman recently returned from an extensive visit to the State of Israel. In commemoration of the fourth birthday of that State, 5 Iyar, 5708, Mr. Goodman will occupy the pulpit and give us a first hand report of present day conditions. Following the service, Mr. Goodman will exhibit some recent films of Israel in the vestry room.


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The Annual Congregational Meeting of Temple Beth El took place on April 30. The Congregation unanimously elected the following officers and trustees for the ensuing year:

President, Herman Blumenthal; 1st Vice President, Bert Raff, 2nd Vice President, A. L. Melasky; Secretary, Walter J. Klein; Treasurer, Paul Stewart.

Trustees—Joe Cohen, Paul Fligel, Howard Glazier, Sidney Kosch, Wilson Lewith, Sam Liss, Jerry Lowen, I. H. Madalia, Mrs. I. H. Madalia, David Nabow, Maurice Neiman, E. E. Packard, Jay Schrader, Clarence Sigal and Harry Sobell.

The Editor of the Charlotte News, Mr. C. A. "Pete" McKnight, who returned recently from a trip to Israel, Jordan and Egypt, sponsored by the Christian Palestine Committee, addressed a joint meeting of the Hadassah and Zionist District in the Social Hall, of Temple Israel, May 15th. Co-Chairmen of the event were Presidents, Mrs. I. Ashendorf and Mr. J. L. Pressman. Dr. J. B. Freedland introduced Mr. McKnight, and refreshments were served.

## ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.

**Mrs. Erle C. Kellert, Reporter**

The May meeting of the Beth-el Sisterhood was held at the Temple House—Mrs. Otto and Mrs. Edward Myer hostesses. Plans were discussed for the luncheon which will terminate the meetings for the year.

A community Seder was held at the Beth-el Temple House—Rabbi M. Hannock conducted the Seder services.

Mrs. M. Stecker and Miss Gladys Epstein of Brooklyn, N. Y. were house guests of Mrs. Frances Gold at their home on Daughtry St.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosenbloom have recently returned from a trip to Miami, Florida.

Mrs. Oscar Levy has returned from Washington, D. C. where she spent two weeks.

**Births:**

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Beck wish to announce the birth of a daughter, Bonnie Sue, March 17. Mr. and Mrs. Beck are the parents of another little daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frances Gold wish to announce the birth of a daughter, "Bonnie Raye," March 1. Mr. and Mrs. Gold are the parents of four other children.

The community extends condolances to Mrs. Frances Gold whose sister, Mrs. A. Epstein of Brooklyn, N. Y., recently passed away.

Mrs. Saul Gold is confined to the Rocky Mt. Sanitorium where she is recuperating from a bad fall.

We are glad to hear that Mr. S. A. Temko has fully recovered after a major operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Gold entertained at a reception in the recreation room of the Temple Beth-El on May 9th immediately after the confirmation of their son, Joseph Irwin, 13. Receiving with Mrs. Gold was her son, Mrs. Gold wore a navy and beige ensemble accented with an orchid corsage.

The lovely table held as its centerpiece, a beautifully decorated cake in the shape of a Bible, and guests were served mints, fancy cakes, and nuts. Mesdames J. A. Rosenbloom and Count Gold assisted in serving while Mrs. Norman Gold presided at the punch bowl.

At another table laid with an imported cut work cloth and centering an exquisite arrangement of red roses flanked by white tapers burning in silver candelabra, guests were served a varied assortment of hors d'oeuvres. Assisting in serving were: Mesdames Sidney Merritt and Sigmund Sultan.

Goodbyes were said by Mr. and Mrs. Saul Gold to the approximately 140 guests attending the enjoyable affair. Out of town guests were from New York City, Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia, Fayetteville, Williamson, Enfield, Windsor, and Lumberton, North Carolina.

**Contents of the Passover food packages sent to Jewish soldiers in Korea by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations are examined by Abraham H. Eisenman, Director of the Union's Armed Forces Division and Mrs. Hilda Langfan Executive Secretary of UOJC's Woman's Branch. Nearly 2,000 observant Jewish servicemen, stationed in continental United States and overseas installations received kosher food, literature, religious supplies and personal assistance from UOJC.**

## Camp Lejeune, N. C.

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We wish to extend a word of welcome to Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Hall of Wilmington's Pearsall Memorial Church. We consider it a genuine privilege to have them in our midst. We hope they will find it possible to return soon and often.

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**CAPT. AND MRS. COHEN**

We wish you well in your travels on behalf of our nation's welfare. Thanks for your inestimable contribution to the Jewish community at Camp Lejeune. May God be with you and your family always.

**A FOND FAREWELL**

To Joe Saleeby, our musical director of many a month. In addition to his "official duties" at the Jewish Chapel Service, Joe has become a real friend and a pillar of our community. Our blessings will accompany him through life.

**JEWISH SERVICEMEN'S CLUB**

The J. S. C. sponsored a "Game Night" on May 13th in the Jewish Chapel. On Tuesday, May 20th the J. S. C. held its Special Planning Meeting for Summer Activities.

## Raleigh, N. C.

**Noland Rogers Honored**

Noland Rogers, member of Tau Epsilon Pi has just been elected president of the student body of Duke University. Congratulations to Noland on this great honor.

## Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Pollock announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ronald Lynn, on the third of May, Ahavath Achim Synagogue, Atlanta, Georgia.


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**Hadassah:** The 16th annual Donor Dinner and Dance was held at the Battery Park Hotel with Mrs. S. P. Horowitz as General Chairman. Her committee consisted of Mrs. M. Bard, Mrs. B. Gordon, Mrs. D. Pearlman, Mrs. D. Lowenberg, Mrs. H. Silver and Mrs. D. Marder. A humorous musical Cavalcade entitled "Life With Hadassah" was the program for the evening.

The regular April meeting featured the Linen Shower with Mrs. Harry Bershaw as chairman and the program was a Bathing Beauty Fashion Show of the early 1900's. Election of officers was held:

President, Mrs. Rudolf Gumpert; 1st. Vice Pres., Mrs. S. P. Horowitz; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. Otto Feistmann; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Winner; Recording Secy., Mrs. Fred Pearlman; Financial Secy., Mrs. Hyman Dave; Corresponding Secy., Mrs. Earl Schrier.

**Council of Jewish Women:** Regular April meeting highlight was a symposium on Council's Overseas Program given by Mrs. S. P. Horowitz and Mrs. David Marder. Election of officers: President, Mrs. Bernard Goldstein; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. Harry I. Bershaw; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. M. R. Burka; 3rd Vice Pres., Mrs. Charles Grand; Treasurer, Mrs. Milton Kirschner; Recording Secy., Mrs. Lou Kell; Financial Secy., Mrs. Ben Klein; Corresponding Secy., Mrs. Bernhard Gordon.

The Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Temple Brotherhood was held in the Temple Assembly Hall on May 6th. The Sisterhood had charge of the dinner. The program featured the Ensemble from the Stephens Lee High School.

The following are the Officers installed for the coming year: President, David Lowenberg; 1st V. P., Martin Gross; 2nd V. P., Bernard Gordon; Secretary, S. M. Patton and Treasurer, Wm. Rocamora.

The regular monthly meeting of the Sisterhood was held on Monday, April 28th, in the Temple Assembly Hall. A specially prepared skit based on the experiences of the Rabbi's wife was presented. Mrs. Unger took the part assigned.

On Sunday May 4th Dr. Unger participated in the wedding ceremony of Miss Marian Birlant of Charleston, S. C. and on June 8th he will assist in the marriage of Mr. B. Dave in Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Unger will also attend the Ordination ceremony of Michael Robinson, at the Hebrew Union College.

Rabbi Unger and Congregation extend a hearty welcome to our new members, Mrs. J. F. Sachs and Miss Rita Zarich, both of Edgelawn Road. We know they will add much to the dignity of Beth Ha Tephila.

## Hendersonville, N. C.

**Mrs. Kalman Sherman, Reporter**

**Hadassah Sponsors Cafeteria-Supper**

Highlighting Hadassah's activities for April was the cafeteria supper held at the Community Center, on April 23rd. Mrs. Charlie Rosenfield and Mrs. A. I. Gold were co-chairman.

On April 24 and 26 the group held a very successful rummage sale—Mrs. Morris Kalin was chairman.

**Hadassah Elects Officers for Coming Year**

Mrs. Sam Kalin was re-elected president for the coming year by members of the H'ville chapter of Hadassah. Mrs. Charlie Rosenfield and Mrs. Sam Williams were elected vice-president and secretary respectively. Mrs. Jack Schulman was re-elected treasurer.

**Eddie Mottsman Heads V.F.W. Post**

Mr. Eddie Mottsman, son of Mrs. Harry Mottsman, was recently installed as commander of the Hedrick-Rhodes Post 5206, V.F.W., of Hendersonville which is the largest post in N. C. and third in the nation having over 1400 members. Eddie is also active in Jewish Community affairs having served as chairman of a large number of social affairs at the Community Center. At present he is senior vice-president of the local chapter of B'nai B'rith.

**Engagement Announced:**

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weisberg announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Shirley, to Mr. Gilbert Charles Zabrek, son of Mr. and

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**MISS SHIRLEY WEISBERG**
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Mrs. Louis Zabrek of Washington, D. C.

Miss Weisberg attended Syracuse and George Washington University and will graduate this June from Washington School for Secretaries.

Mr. Zabrek attended Benjamin Franklin and American Universities.

The wedding will be held in the late summer.

Mrs. Kalin and Mrs. Rosenfield attended the Seaboard Regional Convention in Baltimore the latter part of May.

May 14th the members celebrated the 4th birthday of the State of Israel with a dessert bridge at the home of Mrs. Kalin.

Get well wishes to Mrs. Morris Kaplan.

Mr. Bill Cohen is visiting his wife and family in Hendersonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sherman have returned after attending the Bar Mitzvah of their nephew, Joe Gold in Rocky Mount.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weisberg spent the past weekend in Washington, D. C., visiting their daughter. They were joined there by their son Herman, on 3-day leave from Brooklyn Naval Yard.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Horowitz have returned from Florida.

## Fayetteville, N. C.

Hadassah and Sisterhood elected the officers for the coming year at their April meetings. For Hadassah, Mrs. Irving Fleishman, president, Mrs. Joseph Mendeloff, vice-president, Mrs. H. M. Rulnick, secretary, and Mrs. Bernard Rose, treasurer. For Sisterhood, Mrs. Aaron Satisky. president, Mrs. Bernard Fleishman, vice-president, Mrs. Reginal Goldsmith, secretary, Mrs. Bernard Rose, treasurer.

The annual Donor Luncheon was held in the "Camellia Room" at the Prince Charles Hotel. Mrs. Harry Satisky and Mrs. W. Ed Fleishman were co-chairman. Rabbi Murray Alstet of the Beth Israel Congregation, introduced Dr. Hall, who presented his 92nd talk on Israel since his return last spring, having served as a delegate of the American Christian Palestine Committee. Dr. Hall presented his views on "Why Christian Americans are interested in Israel." and fortified his beliefs with actual scenes he had encountered while visiting there. He praised Hadassah for the medical, educational and political help and the work in rehabilitation, which "has enabled Israel to become the bastion of the Middle East in democracy."

The Chapter had 100 percent reenrollment plus several new members this year.

The Fayetteville women have been very active in their social work at the Veterans Hospital.

A beautiful Spring dance, with a Hawaiian motif, was given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Bernard Stein, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stein, Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Elfmon and Mr. and Mrs. Louis.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Sugar of Lumberton, on the coming "Bar Mitvah" of their son, Alan. Invitations have been sent to family and friends for a gala dinner dance in his honor.

"Mazeltov" to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Fleishman and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sugar of St. Paul, on the betrothal of their children, Micky and Leon.

Home hospitality was extended by the Fayetteville Community to the Soldiers of Fort Bragg during the Passover Holiday.

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# WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

**Mrs. Irving M. Margolis, Reporter**

**Benamin Goldstein**

Benjamin Goldstein, one of Bertie County's best known merchants, died suddenly at his home in Windsor on Sunday, April 13. He was 80 years old. Mr. Goldstein, a native of Russia, came to Bertie 60 years ago.

Mr. Goldstein was always active in civic and charitable affairs in the county, and was known for his friendly interest in everyone, both young and old.

A beautiful tribute to Mr. Goldstein was conceived by local friends, the formation of the B. Goldstein Memorial Youth Fund, which they felt would serve a double purpose—that of honoring Mr. Goldstein, and of aiding a worthy cause in which he had expressed a deep interest. The money thus raised will be turned over to the Windsor Woman's Club for use in contracting their proposed Community House. Part of the money will be used to purchase an appropriate plaque, honoring Mr. Goldstein, which will be placed in the building when completed.

Mr. Goldstein is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bessie Long Goldstein, two sons, Meyer and Jack, both of Windsor; and two daughters, Mrs. Murray Gorvine of Beverly, Mass., and Miss Dovic Goldstein, of Boston, Mass.

**AUXILIARY MEETINGS**

The regular monthly meetings of the Jewish Woman's Auxiliary have been somewhat off schedule. So many members have been out of town. Mrs. Irving Margolis had a late March meeting. She entertained the members at a luncheon in her new home. Present also were five guests: Mrs. Levy and Mrs. Louis Novey of Tarboro; Mrs. T. O. Levy of Rocky Mount; Mrs. M. M. Levin of Williamston; and Mrs. Joe Shugar of Plymouth.

Officers for the coming year were elected: Mrs. Ben Ganderson, Plymouth, president; Mrs. Irving Margolis, Williamston, secretary; and Mrs. C. D. Pittman, Williamston, treasurer.

A combined April-May meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Margolis on Tuesday, April 29. The group was to have met with Mrs. B. Goldstein in April, but the meeting was postponed because of Mr. Goldstein's sudden death.

Mrs. Samuel Zemon, out-going president, presided, and turned the meeting over to the new officers.

Mrs. Frank Margolis, out-going secretary, read a yearly report of the groups activities. Each member had fulfilled her U. J. A. pledge. A gift of glasses was given to Temple Beth El in Rocky Mount for the new kitchen. Contributions were sent to the N. C. Association of Jewish Women, and to the Jewish Childrens Service in Atlanta. Two "Care" packages were sent to Israel, and an additional donation was made to the U. J. A.

Mrs. Margolis also presented the program, giving an interesting review of an article in a recent issue of the National Jewish Monthly, entitled "100,000,000 Bibles" and told of the achievements of the World Book Co. and its president.

Mrs. Ben Ganderson, incoming president, reminded the group that April was the fourth anniversary of the State of Israel, and also the fourth anniversary of our group. Motivated by a desire to help the U.J.A. even in a small way resulted in the organization of this group four years ago.

The group was happy to have Miss Doris Goldstein of Boston, Mass., as its guest.

The group wishes to express its condolences to Ben Ganderson and Mrs. Joe Shugar on the passing of their mother, Mrs. Ellia Ganderson in Richmond. Also, the group wishes to extend condolences to the family of Benjamin Goldstein, on his sudden recent passing.

**PERSONALS**

Mrs. C. D. Pittman and son James, visited relatives in Anderson, S. C. during the Passover Holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Robin and children, Stephen, Gail, and Merel, of Winston-Salem, were the guests of the Irving Margolises over the Easter week-end.

Miss Doris Goldstein of Boston, Mass., spent several weeks with her mother, Mrs. B. Goldstein, in Windsor. Mrs. Goldstein returned to Boston with her daughter for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Arenwald of New York City, enroute from Hollywood Beach, Fla., to N. Y. I., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Margolis.

Mrs. Samuel Zemon has returned from a visit with relatives in Staunton, Va.

Miss Barbara Margolis has returned from a visit with relatives in Staunton, Va.

Miss Barbara Margolis has returned from a visit to New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Levin attended the dedication of the new Hillel House in Chapel Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Margolis, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Margolis and daughters, Sandra and Gail, attended the Bar Mitzvah of Joe Gold at Temple Beth El in Rocky Mount.

Mrs. C. D. Pittman, Mrs. B. Goldstein, Mrs. Frank Margolis, Mrs. Irving Margolis, Mrs. M. M. Levin and Mrs. Ben Ganderson attended the luncheon and final meeting of the Beth El Sisterhood in Rocky Mount on May 14.

**RED CROSS CERTIFICATES FOR FIRST AID**

A total of 1,093,069 Red Cross first aid certificates were issued during the last fiscal year—the largest number since the early days of World War II. In June alone, 461,497 were issued —more than the total for the entire previous year.

# CHARLESTON, S. C.

Kadal Kodosh Beth Elohim Temple was the setting for the marriage of Miss Marian Ruth Birlant and Mr. Philip Harris Slotin last Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rabbi Allan Tarshish and Dr. Sidney E. Unger, former rabbi of Beth Elohim, now rabbi of Beth Ha-Tephila Temple of Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. Morris Janko of Atlanta, Ga., sister of the bridegroom, was the only attendant.

The bridegroom's father was best man. Ushers included Messrs. Maurice B. Nussbaum, Peter A. Ziman, Seymour Barkowitz, Alvin Slotin of Glenville, Ga., and Rupert Hiller of Savannah, who is a former college roommate of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Slotin was graduated from Ashley Hall and attended the University of Georgia. Mr. Slotin attended Emory University in Georgia, served two years in the Navy and was graduated from the University of Georgia, majoring in commercial advertising art.

Congregation Beth Sholom held its installation banquet, commemorating its 97th anniversary, on May 25th, at the Beth Israel Social Hall. The program included the invocation by Rabbi Joseph Rothstein; greetings

**In an inspiring expression of friendship for the people of Israel, Bernard J. Sheil (right), Senior Auxiliary Bishop of the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago, bought a State of Israel Bond on National BIG Day from Morris Alexander, Chairman of the Greater Chicago Committee for Israel Bonds. Bishop Sheil's purchase, made in behalf of the Catholic Youth Organization, was an impressive indication of the widespread support which the $500,000,000 Israel Bond Issue is receiving from Americans of all faiths in all parts of the country.**


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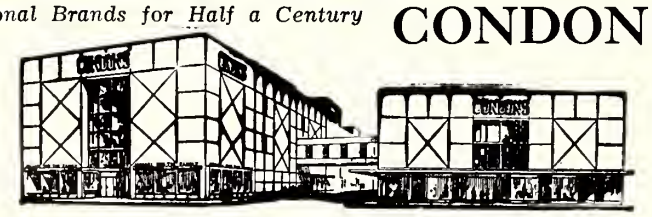

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Following are the officers installed: Melvin Jacobs, President; Dr. Irwin Karesh, Vice President; Arnold Ellison, Recording Secretary; Aaron Solomon, Chairman Board of Trustees; Arnold Prystowsky, Financial Secretary; and Leroy Silverstein, Treasurer.

Officers of the Sisterhood are: Mrs. Joseph Firetag, president; Mrs. I. H. Jacobson, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Louis Schwartz, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Melvin Solomon, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Herman Kurtz, financial secretary; Mrs. A. Melvin Solomon, recording secretary; and Mrs. Sam Prystowsky, treasurer.

Abe Dumas was elected president of the Jewish Community Center at the organization's seventh annual meeting. He succeeds David Goldberg.

Other new officers are: first vice president, Irving Levkoff, succeeding Mr. Dumas; second vice president, Klyde Robinson succeeding Milton Kronsberg; financial secretary, Louis Draisin succeeding Max Pressman; treasurer, Sanford Olasov succeeding Karl Karesh, and secretary, Miss Rachel Goldberg, succeeding Mrs. Edwin Pearlstine.

Also chosen were the following board members from the membership at large: William Ackerman, Edwin Pearlstine, Edward Kronsberg, Herman Rephan and Mrs. Leo H. Livingstain.

Keynotes of the discussion was the possibility of early action toward building a new center on property purchased at the end of Bennett Street extension. Nat Schulman, executive director, expressed hope work could be started on an adequate facility within a year or so.

The annual meeting of the Charlestin Section of the National Council of Jewish Women was held at the Country Club when Mrs. Leo H. Livingstain, president, gave her annual report of the activities of the organization. She spoke of the work being done at the diabetic clinic of Roper Hospital which is sponsored by Council. She also told of the scholarship program, where more than 100 students are brought over from Europe for graduate work in our universities and return to their respective countries to help in the rehabilitation of their own people. The local section helps to support this scholarship work. In her report, she spoke of the ship-a-box project, the chairman having sent over 50 boxes of clothing and play material to the needy families in Morocco and the State of Israel. In civic work, besides the diabetic clinic, the group participates in the Red Cross program, work with the patients at Pinehaven, and work on the drives for cancer, radium and the March of Dimes. It sponsors one group of Brownies and one intermediate troop of the Girl Scouts, giving a campership to Camp Forest.

Mrs. Leon Banov Jr. installed the following officers for the coming year:

President, Mrs. Irwin Karesh; first vice president, Mrs. Sidney Raskind; second vice president, Mrs. Gus Simon; third vice president, Mrs. Matthew Steinberg; recording secretary, Mrs. A. Melvin Solomon; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Louis Baker; treasurer, Mrs. J. Irvin Wallace; financial secretary, Mrs. Moe J. Rubin; auditor, Mrs. Lionel Hirschmann; directors, Mrs. Allan Tarshish, Mrs. Harry Rosenberg and Mrs. Edwin Pearlstine.

A play, depicting the fashions and work of Council from 1906 up to the present time, was presented. The Footlight Players furnished the costumes.

A stole, made by Mrs. Alex Goldberg, chairman of overseas, was won by Mrs. Mark B. Peeples. The money raised on this project is to be used for ship-a-box work. It was requested by Mrs. Goldberg of 931 Ashley Ave., that members who have wearing apparel in good condition bring it to her home for shipment to Morocco.

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Jewish Community Center Day Camp Committee, has announced that the sixth Day Camp season will begin on Monday, June 23rd and continue for a period of six weeks, ending August 1st.

At a recent meeting of the Committee, several new policies were adopted which will increase the effectiveness of the camp, and make the program one of the finest yet sponsored by the Center.

The Committee is composed of the following ladies: Mesdames Ernest Bukatman, Burton Kaplan, Morris Feinberg, Louis Baker, Louis Draisin, Abe Rundbaken, and Nathan Rosen.

Due to increased costs of operation, rates for the camp have been slightly raised. Members of the Center will be charged the fee of $12.00 per week. Non-Center members will have a slightly higher rate of $15.00 per week.

This will include transportation, one hot meal each day (dairy), an afternoon snack at 4 P.M., consisting of milk and cookies, expert leadership in programming such as Gene Massin, painting; Willard Hirsch, sculpturing; and Mrs. Betty Rife will again work with the children with basket weaving.

The children will be taught to swim at the Municipal Pool under the guidance of Red Cross life-guards.

This year, Nat Shulman, Director of the Center, will personally guide the camp and its program. Counselors will be put through a rigid program so that the best leadership possible will be on hand to assist with the program.

Once again, Mrs. Mollie Goldberg will cook the meals for the children.

**Mrs. Ruth Dayan, wife of General Moshe Dayan, famed defender of Jerusalem during Israel's War of Independence, recently arrived in the United States to take part in the 1952 nationwide campaign of the United Jewish Appeal commemorating the new State's fourth anniversary.**

### Morris Needle

A tragic automobile accident took the life of Morris Needle, Charleston resident, on May 7th, when his car went out of order, plunging into the Edisto River. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mollie Needle, Joseph, Mitchell, and Herman Needle, brothers, and nieces and nephews.


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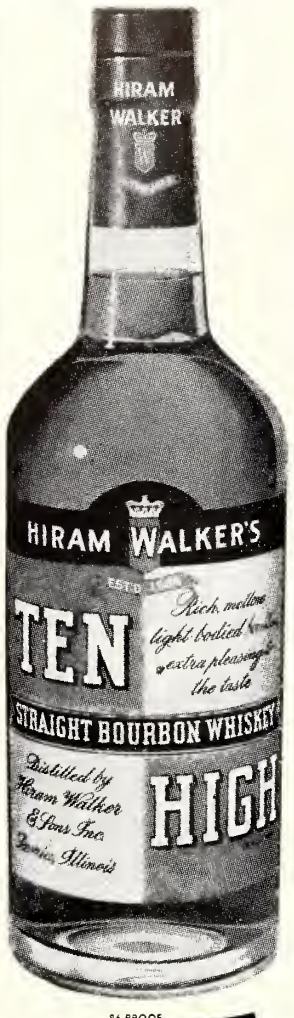


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## COLUMBIA, S. C.

SAMUEL BERNARD FREED

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Freed are receiving congratulations on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Samuel Bernard. About 300 guests attended the services at the House of Peace Synagogue Saturday, April 26th.

A beautiful reception followed. Out of town guests were: Dr. and Mrs. Morris Erbesfield and son, Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Paul Fligel and son, Charlotte, N. C.

Rabbi and Mrs. David Karesh were honored on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary with a special program and elaborate reception at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 20, given by the congregation of the House of Peace Synagogue, which they have served for 44 years.

The program, held in the synagogue, was opened with a welcome speech by Rabbi Morton L. Gordon, who acted as master of ceremonies. This was followed by the impressive golden wedding ceremony with Rabbi Gordon officiating. Brief talks were given by M. B. Kahn, president of the synagogue; Max Citron; Coleman Karesh and Joseph Karesh, two sons of the honor guests, and Rabbi Joseph Rothstein of the B'rith Sholom congregation, Charleston. Presentations were made by Isadore Gergel, trustee, House of Peace Synagogue; Mrs. Hyman Rubin, president Daughters of Israel; Herbert Young, president Akiba club, and Claire Gottlieb, president B'nai B'rith Girls. Rabbi Karesh graciously responded, after which the benediction was given by Rabbi David Gruber of the Tree of Life Synagogue.

The Hadassah Luncheon was held at House of Peace Center May 14th, Mrs. George Golson had charge of the Lunchon. The installation of the following new officers 1952-53 was held. Mrs. Abe Zalin, Pres.; Mrs. Wm. Welburg, Vice Pres.; Mrs. T. Solomon, 2nd Vice Pres.; Mrs. S. Gordon, Recording Secretary; Mrs. A. Gould, Treasurer.

The Daughters of Israel held a paid up membership desert luncheon at House of Peace Social Hall Wednesday, May 21st. Mrs. Meyer Katz as hostess chairman. The installation of new officers was held. President, Mrs. Berdie Zahler; Vice-President, Mrs. Sara Stern; Treasurer, Mrs. Judy Litman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Sara Kline and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Toby Lourie.

The Daughters of Israel held their annual luncheon Sunday, May 25th for the children at the Carolina Orphan Home. The luncheon was held in House of Peace Social Hall. Mrs. Bessie Zaglin had charge of the luncheon.

Confirmation at the House of Peace Sunday School will be held Sunday June 6th.

The Congregation of House of Peace will have their annual picnic the 1st week in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smolowsky are receiving congratulations on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Aaron Roy, Saturday, May 3rd, 1952.

The Tree of Life Sisterhood was hostess at the dedication of the New Tree of Life Temple, 2701 Heyward Street at a housewarming and reception May 21st. Guest speaker was Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, president of the National Federation Temple Sisterhoods.

### NEW YORK TO NAME STREET AFTER J. L. PERETZ

NEW YORK—(WNS)—The City Council is expected to approve a bill this week naming one of New York's streets after J. L. Peretz, the classicist of Yiddish literature whose centenial is being celebrated this year throughout the Jewish communities of the world.


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# DURHAM, N. C.

**Mrs. Sam Freedman, Reporter**

It has been said that Durham has more Jewish organizations than any other city in the state. However, I feel that Durham is not "telling it to the State"—all her organization activities, and social doings, are not publicized. I have, therefore, taken it upon myself to serve as Durham's publicity agent for the Times-Outlook.

Hadassah's Annual Affair was presented at the Washington Duke Hotel. The year's event marked the final fund-raising and educational efforts which the chapter had carried out during the year.

A beautiful extravaganza on the Jewish Home Beautiful throughout the ages, depicting the traditional holidays and their effect on the Jewish home was presented. The beauty of program, the tables, narration, the fine arrangements and the reception which followed, will be remembered for many, many months.

The following officers were elected at the last Hadassah meeting. Pres., Mrs. Melvin Gladstein; First Vice-President, Mrs. Max Swartz; Second Vice-President, Mrs. L. Cohen; Third Vice-President, Mrs. H. Rosenthal; Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. Lipton; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. Wishnov; Treasurer, Mrs. Joe Rose; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Sig. Meyer.

Mrs. Sam Freedman and Mrs. Melvin Gladstein attended the Regional Conference in Baltimore, Md., May 18th. Mrs. Freedman will report on the "Education Day" which she had presented in the fall.

A very inspiring seder, which the Sisterhood helped sponsor, was held at the Beth El Synagogue. Thirty-five Duke Hillel students ran their own seder with responsive readings, explanations and discussions. The seder service was organized and led by the students, Rabbi P. Krauss served as advisor to the group.

The delicious Yom Tov meal was prepared by Mrs. P. Krauss, Mrs. Mitchell Bergman, Mrs. Joe Rose, Mrs. I. Ornoff and Mrs. Harold Ornoff.

The children of the Beth El Religious School, seventy-one of them, held a pre-seder celebration. A large number of parents came and joined in with their children. The program consisted of a shortened Hagadah, parts were read and sung by the children; a film strip was shown on the Passover holiday. Matzos, grape juice, eggs and salt water was the repast. The Sisterhood supplied the food and served as hostess.

A new and inspiring event has been introduced into the religious school activities. Once a month, every Rosh Chodesh (new moon) the Saturday morning Junior Congregation has held a Rosh Chodesh luncheon immediately following services. Such delectables as gefilte fish, chopped liver, chicken soup, and meat and soda have been served—a Shabbosdick meal.

It is a most inspiring and thrilling sight to see the children seated in family groupings around the tables. The tables are covered with beautiful white tableclothes, two challas are on each table, covered by challah covers. At each table the kiddush and motzi over the bread is recited; the meal is served and completed with the Hebrew grace after the meal. Rabbi Pesach Krauss leads the singing and tells appropriate stories.

These lovely affairs are sponsored by the Sisterhood, Mrs. Mitchell Bergman being chairman.

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The Durham Community desires to elevate the standards of its religious school and accordingly has organized a Ramah scholarship fund for outstanding students in its Religious School. The children who excell in Hebrew studies will be sent to Ramah Hebrew speaking summer camp, sponsored by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Rabbi Pesach Krauss has spoken extensively to many non-Jewish groups, explaining Judaism to them. He has spoken to the Nurses classes at Duke, Watts and Lincoln Hospital on the care of the Jewish patient. He has also spoken to Methodist College Youth Groups, Unitarian, Y.W.C.A. and Duke Divinity School Class.

A very lovely Passover tea was held at the home of Mrs. Philip Tager. An interesting program was presented by Rabbi P. Krauss.

A special exhibit of objects used in Jewish homes in the observance of the Sabbath was placed on display at the Durham Public Library. The display was arranged by Mrs. Pesach Krauss and Mrs. Sam Freedman. The library had just been redecorated and the Jewish ceremonial objects on display proved of great interest to the general public when the library held their reopening.

The annual installation banquet of the B'nai B'rith which was held in the club rooms proved to be a huge success. From the moment the Star Spangled Banner was sung until the Benediction, which was given by Rabbi Pesach Krauss, the audience enoyed themselves immensely. The well prepared food, decorations and speakers all lent themselves to the enjoyment of the unprecedented gathering.

Mr. Alex Miller, SE regional director of ADL was the guest speaker. Mr. J. H. Hanchrow installed the new officers. The following officers were installed:

President, Jacob Zuckerman; First Vice-Pres., Sigmund Meyer; Second Vice-Pres., N. Lieberman; Treasurer, I. Golden; Rec. Sec., Ezra Eisenberg; Recording Sec., Abe Greenberg; Monitor and Hillel representative, Leon Moel; Sergeant-at-Arms, H. Fruchtman.

Every Thursday, the Club sponsors a luncheon, which is prepared by the women in the community. Every Tuesday night is Bingo night.

Durham was host to the 16th Annual Convention of the North Carolina Association of the B'nai B'rith lodges at the Nathan Rosenstein Lodge in Durham. The opening session of the three-day convention included officers' reports, reports of lodge presidents and a memorial service. A cocktail party and social followed the meeting.

The following day, Sunday, the meetings were moved to Chapel Hill. Following a business session in the morning, a luncheon was held, at which time President Melvin Harris of Columbia, S. C. was the guest speaker.

The main feature of the convention was the dedication of the new $125,000 Hillel Foundation building in Chapel Hill. Hundreds of people from the entire state of North Carolina attended the dedication, at which time Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, National Hillel director, was the principal speaker. Rabbi Lelyveld also spoke at the installation banquet at the Carolina Inn in the evening. Annette Liberman, Estelle Rose, Mrs. I. Zelon and Mrs. Sam Freedman were in charge of registration at the Carolina Inn. Natalie Moel, Lubah Freedman, Carol Bloomfield were in charge of registration at the Hillel House.

The Woman's Mizrachi Organization held a very successful Business Man's Luncheon in the vestry room of the synagogue. The women are now busy making plans for their annual weiner supper.

At the last Mizrachi meeting the following officers were elected: Pres., Mrs. Joe Robbins; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Sam Daniels; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Leon Dworsky; Corr. Sec., Mrs. J. Zuckerman; Treasurer, Mrs. Nathan Lieberman.

A garden of trees was planted in memory of Mr. Sol Zuckerman, this was sponsored by the Mizrachi women.

A state BBYO Convention was held in Durham, April 25-27th. Barry

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Fogel was in charge of arrangements. About 50 boys and girls attended. Don Stein, Raleigh, is president of the local chapter.

Mazel tovs are extended to: Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lieberman who announce the engagement of their daughter Annette, to Mr. Hal Weiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weiser, Savannah, Ga. Many social affairs are being planned for Annette, who recently graduated from the University of Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Uretsky of New York City announce the engagement of their daughter, Roberta Lee, to Mr. Gerald Marvin Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Daniel, Durham. Roberta is attending Duke University and Gerry is a graduate of the U.N.C. and is now in the Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Nurkin on their marriage. Also, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keyser on their marriage.

The engagement of Miss Peggy Rosenbacher of Winston-Salem to Mr. Henry Clay Tager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Tager is also announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rose are receiving congratulations upon the marriage of their neice, Mary Balsom, formerly of Durham and Greensboro.

Our entire community was saddened by the recent death of Mr. Solomon Zuckerman. Mr. Zuckerman was greatly beloved by the entire community.

Condolences are also extended to the Eckstein family on the passing of Mr. M. Eckstein in New York City. Also to Mrs. I. Rancer upon the loss of her mother in New York City; Mrs. Edith Newman upon the loss of her brother.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Wilson upon the birth of their second son. Also to Mr. and Mrs. M. Margolis on their second son's arrival.

Mrs. J. Jacobs of Asbury Park, N. J. is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. Abelcop.

Lubah Freedman and Carol Bloomfield were among the students who went with the school's civic class to Washington.

Mrs. M. Gottlieb of Norfolk, Va. visited her sister, Mrs. Max Swartz. Many social courtesies were extended to Mrs. Gottlieb.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Leon Moel upon being elected a vice-president of the state B'nai B'rith.

Many Durhamites went over to Chapel Hill to hear Israel's minister to the United States, David Goiteins. The minister spoke in the absence of Ambassador Eban, who was detained in Washington on account of illness.

The Young Judeans played a very active part in helping to celebrate Israel's fourth anniversary of independence. Joining with the entire community, they helped with the singing in the choir and then presented Israeli dances. Sonny Evans is president of the Senior Judeans with Mr. Leon Dworsky the advisor; Neilda Freedman is president of the Hannah Senesh Club with Mrs. Pesach Krauss as advisor.

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**Mordecai Namir, secretary-general of the Histadrut, Israel's labor federation, who flew to the United States to address the 20th annual Histadrut Third Seder, in New York City.**


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## Statesville, N. C.

**Mrs. Milton Steinberger, Reporter**

In memory of Mrs. Charlotte Gordon, a handsome marker was unveiled Sunday afternoon in Oakwood Cemetery in Statesville. An impressive service of memorial was held.

The wife of Louis Gordon, Mrs. Charlotte Gordon died on April 8, 1951. The service Sunday afternoon, held at the Gordon family plot in Oakwood, paid testimony to her faithful life as wife and mother and to the esteem and love in which she was held by family and friends.

Rabbi William Gold of High Point conducted the formal services and was assisted by Rabbi E. W. Ershler of High Point, of the B'nai Israel Syngogue. Each of the deceased's five sons took part in the unveiling and dedication of their beloved mother. Among those present for the services were a large delegation from High Point, Charlotte, Salisbury, Carthage.

Following the services, many called at the Gordon residence to pay further respects.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leyton, and Sam Schechter of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. Henry Faust of Beverly Hills, Calif., have returned home after spending several days as the guests of Louis Gordon and family. Mr. Schechter is a brother, and Mrs. Leyton and Mrs. Faust are sisters of the late Mrs. Charlotte Gordon for whom memorial service and monument unveiling were held.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rochlin on the birth of a daughter, Tamara Gaille Rochlin.

Mrs. Mathews Silverstein of Miami, Florida was the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs Larry Rochlin. She came purposely to see her new grand-daughter.

Honoring her son Arthur on his birthday, Mrs. Bernard Katz entertained his friends and her friends with a lovely afternoon party. A lovely time was had by the little ones and their mothers.

Mr. Sidney Steinberger, of New York City, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Steinberger and family. Sidney is a brother of Milton and the two brothers drove to Atlanta to visit their mother, Mrs. H. Steinberger and family.

Norman Steinberger, who has the lead in the Senior High School play, "A Guest In The House," entertained the players, stage managers and ushers, at a beautiful buffet dinner for approximately sixty-five at his home in Oakland Heights. Special guests were Mrs. Earl White, director of the play, Mrs. Margaret Muse, director of Music and Mr. Watts Deal principal of Senior High School, with Mrs. Deal.

Mrs. Dave Lester of Wilson, N. C. is visiting her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Sol Gordon.

## Gastonia, N. C.

Following are the newly elected officers of The Sisterhood Hadassah Mesdames: Herbert Girard, President; Marshal A. Rauch, Vice-President; Mike Planer, Rec. Secretary Saul Mandel, Cor. Secretary; Harry Binder, Treasurer.

Mrs. Ben Lieber will be chairman of our annual Donor Luncheon to be held June 2. A luncheon for men and women will be held at the Temple.

Welcome to the Jack Witten' visitor, Mrs. Meyer Cline of Columbia, S. C. Meryl Witten's parents, Dr and Mrs. Benjamin Saphre, were recent visitors. Speaking of Meryl, she gave an enjoyable Chinese-Yiddish party in honor of her mother, at the Temple. Everyone agreed that with all its improvements, the Temple is the ideal place for parties.

The Cy Girards and Rauchs were on the march to the Gotham city Mina Lieber just returned from N Y. Latest report from Gaston Memorial Hospital: Ben Lieber is improving rapidly. Milton and Tiny Tage had us all frightened with their serious automobile accident. It i

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atifying to report that Tiny is her rmer happy self again, while her usband is fully on the mend and ill be up and "kicking" very soon. The Morris Levinsons had a gay eunion with their children in N. Y. honor of their 25th Anniversary. incere congratulations.

## We Escaped to Reality

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nd followed by our Young People. Ve are convinced that our Conference playing a leading roll in the solu- on of Jewish problems in the State f North Carolina. We are hitting ne problem in a manner that we eel is the proper place to begin. We re educating the Youth of our state o that they may solve the many omplex situations that they find nemselves in every day, the situa- ons that they are faced with today s young people and the situations nat they will face in the future as dults.

Among the subjects we have dis- ussed at Wildacres were: Creative ewish living in America; America nd Israel, two centers of Jewish fe; Symbols of Judaism; What the ews Believe; Youth's responsibility o the Synagogue and Community enter, and the Synagogue's respon- ibility to Jewish Youth. Seminars nd work shops have been held on ewish Music, Jewish Dance, Dra- natics, the role of organizational fe for the Jew, etc.

The Conference Planning Com- nittee has proceeded cautiously and lowly with the purpose in mind of olding Conferences only of the ighest calibre and in keeping with ne standards and traditions of the ewish People. The interest shown by nose that have been fortunate enough o attend the first two conferences, nd their participation in the plan- ing of the third Conference, indi- ates not only the success of the revious Conferences, but assures the ultimate success of the Third Annual Jewish Youth Conference.

The North Carolina Association of Jewish Youth realizes the tremendous need in North Carolina and in the American Jewish Community as well for the development of an enlightened knowledge of the past present, and future of Judaism in order to counteract the lethargic attitude, the confusion, the apathy that exist in Jewish life today. It is through the Jewish Youth Conference that we strive to counteract this condition.

The facilities at Wildacres are limited to accommodate sixty people. There will be a registration fee of $16 plus a charge of $4 toward the Association's Wildacres fund, making a total cost per person of $20. This is a little more than $3 per day and includes three meals a day, sleeping quarters, athletics, seminars, socials and other activities. Your request for reservation must be accompanied by a check, cash, or money order for $20. Reservations with accompanying money must be made at once to Jerry Jacobs, 642 Colonial Drive, High Point, N. C.

It is suggested that you bring sports and lounging clothes, having in mind that the evenings are sometimes cool. Linens will be provided for you at Wildacres.

**Dynamic Shelley Winters, one of Hollywood's finest young stars whose stirring portrayals in recent smash movie hits have won wide acclaim from critics both here and abroad, has just completed a special film dramatizing the needs behind this year's $151,500,000 nationwide campaign of the United Jewish Appeal. The film, entitled "Doing The Impossible," was written by Miss Winters herself and is based on her own recent visit to Israel. Many of the scenes were especially photographed in Israel itself to illustrate her story, which tells how "the impossible" was made possible in the new State through American Jewry's support of the UJA. The film will shortly be available for showing in campaign communities throughout the country.**


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## Wilmington, N. C.

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feld of Fayetteville and their nephew Sidney Schwartz.

Milton, Lorraine and Cheryl Fleishman have moved into their beautiful new home on Windsor Drive . . . Congratulations to Alan Sugar, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Sugar of Lumberton on his Bar Mitzvah . . . We regret that Eddie and Bess Neuwirth have moved from our city . . . Congratulations to Billy Kingoff and Ralph Goldstein on their graduation from the University of N. C.; and to Maxine Schwartz and Zalma Brower on their graduation from New Hanover High School . . . Buddy Neuwirth, Harry Solomon, and Aaron Goldburg were participants in the Kiwanis Minstrel . . . Fanny and Martin Friedman visited their son Bobby at the Pi Lam House at the U. N. C. on Mother's Day and had a wonderful time . . . Ann and Aaron Harris and Norma and Bob Berman attended the convention of the North Carolina and Virginia Jewelers Association at Winston-Salem. Bob was elected third vice president of the organization . . . Lynn and Nat Alpern traveled to Florida for the News Dealers Convention . . . Ida Lieberman is visiting her family in Canada . . . Tina Forrester is an integral part of the Speech Class even though her name was omitted in last month's listings . . . The members of the Concordia enjoyed a box lunch picnic at Mrs. S. Goodman's home on-the-sound.

## Democracy in Bereavement

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of life. Let us never say . . . "Why did God do this to me?" "Father was so good, so pious, why was he taken from us now?" This is a question which only the Almighty can answer, an open rebellion against the Divine will is incompatable with the concept of Torah-true Judaism. Let us recall the words of Ecc: 7:2 . . . "It is better to go to a house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting, for that is the end of all men, and the living will set it to heart . . ." It as the philosophy of a wise one who said, the mystery of pain is an old problem. The Rabbis were deeply impressed with its gravity and complexity. The sorrows of the universe and the agony of Israel; the suffering of the nation and the pain of the individual, formed the inspiration of some of their noblest thoughts. They fully realized that suffering can chasten and heal and purify, even as salt cleanses meat. Such a principle is democracy in bereavement, and to all in mourning . . . may it be said . . . "May God comfort you with all mourners of Zion and Jerusalem."

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acres. Its sponsors have developed a most effective techniqu for the stimulation of an interest in Jewish values."

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld: "The experience at Wildacres i something I shall not soon forget. I earnestly hope that wha the North Carolina State Association has done, will, as fa as possible, become a pattern for all of B'nai B'rith."

Maurice Samuel: "North Carolina B'nai B'rith has launche an enterprise which may well start off a valuable movement i Jewish adult education in America. The idea is novel, practica and above all, extremely attractive."

Marvin Lowenthal: "B'nai B'rith of North Carolina ca congratulate itself on the obvious success of the Institute—al of those who put so much work and foresight into it. I believ that it can be made into a valuable precedent for the whol country."

The Late Rabbi Milton Steinberg: "The North Carolin B'nai B'rith Institute is appealing in form, substance, and fo the fascinating new departure which it inaugurates and whic should prove of immense utility as a precedent to all America Jewry."

Here you have the opinions of some of America's outstand ing Jewish Leaders. With the plans in prospect there is n doubt that the Institutes will go on to even bigger and bette things, and continue to play a most important part in Jewis life. Our salute to all of those who have played a part in makin these Institutes possible, on the occasion of the fifth anniversary

## Wilson, N. C.

**Mrs. Herman Barbee, Reporter**

On May 14th the Wilson, N. C. Chapter of Hadassah held a luncheon meeting at the home of Mrs. Jack Freedman in Farmville. Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow, President, appointed the following committee chairmen:

Mrs. Julius Switzer, American Affairs; Mrs. Morris Freedman, H.M.O.; Mrs. Philip Adler, Medical Center Bldg. Fund; Mrs. Leon Leder, Medical School; Mrs. Jack Freedman, Youth Aliyah; Mrs. Nathan Shor, Youth Services; Mrs. Dave Lester, J. N. F.; Mrs. Joseph Barshay, Hadassah Supplies; Mrs. Nathan Shor, Youth Activities; Mrs. Julius Switzer; Israel Bond Drive; Mrs. Louis Summerfield, Membership; Mrs. Herman Barker, Education; Mrs. Meyer Brown, Program; Mrs. Nathan Shor, Publicity.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow attended the N. C. 5th District Convention of B'nai B'rith in Baltimore.

Congratulations to Linda Hanchrow and Hyman Barshay on their graduation from Woodard Elementary School.

Mrs. Dave Lester visited her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Gordon of Statesville, N. C.

Mrs. Louise Summerfield spent several weeks visiting in Baltimore, Washington and New York.

Congratulations to Carol Lou Summerfield on being presented with a gold cup in recognition of her achievement during her two years at the American University in Washington, D. C. Carol Lou is majoring in Television, Writing and Production.

Mrs. Ethel Marcus visited her son, Donald, and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker.

## Hickory, N. C.

**Phil Datnoff, Reporter**

Ted Kramer, an outstanding mer ber of his Senior Class has bee chosen as one of the two selecte students to represent his Seni Class as Commencement speaker Graduation exercises at Hickory Hig School. A picture of his sister, Mi Suzanne Kramer, accompanies story on Bryn Mawr college Pennsylvania in the current issu (May) of Holiday magazine. Th photograph, in color, depicts the e clusive girl school's College Theat producing "Othello." Miss Kram was president of the College Theat at that time, for at present she employed in New York City. Bo are children of Mr. and Mrs. Te R. Kramer of Hickory.

Welcome to the Hickory co munity—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Win of Miami Beach, Fla. Wil is co nected with the Aetna Loan a Finance Co., as Ass't. Manager.

Lots of nachus to the Sam Lieb vitzes of Morganton on their movi into their new home.

A. L. Harrison spent a few da in Miami Beach where he visite his mother and sister who are vac tioning there.

### ITALIAN JEWS HONOR ISRAEL FOREIGN MINISTER

ROME—(WNS)—A reception, a tended by representatives of a Italian Jewish communities, was te dered here to Israel Foreign Minist Moshe Sharett on his official visit t this country as guest of the Italia Government.

The guest of honor was greeted b Carlo Viterbo, president of th Italian Zionist Federation, and Ren Bonfiglioli, president of the Union Italian Jewish communities.

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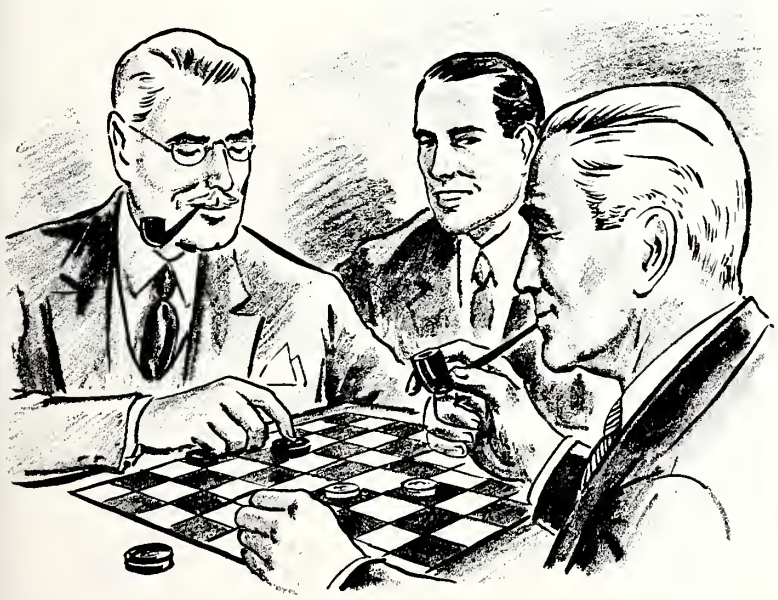

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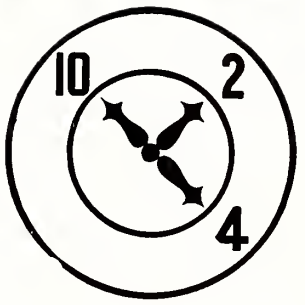


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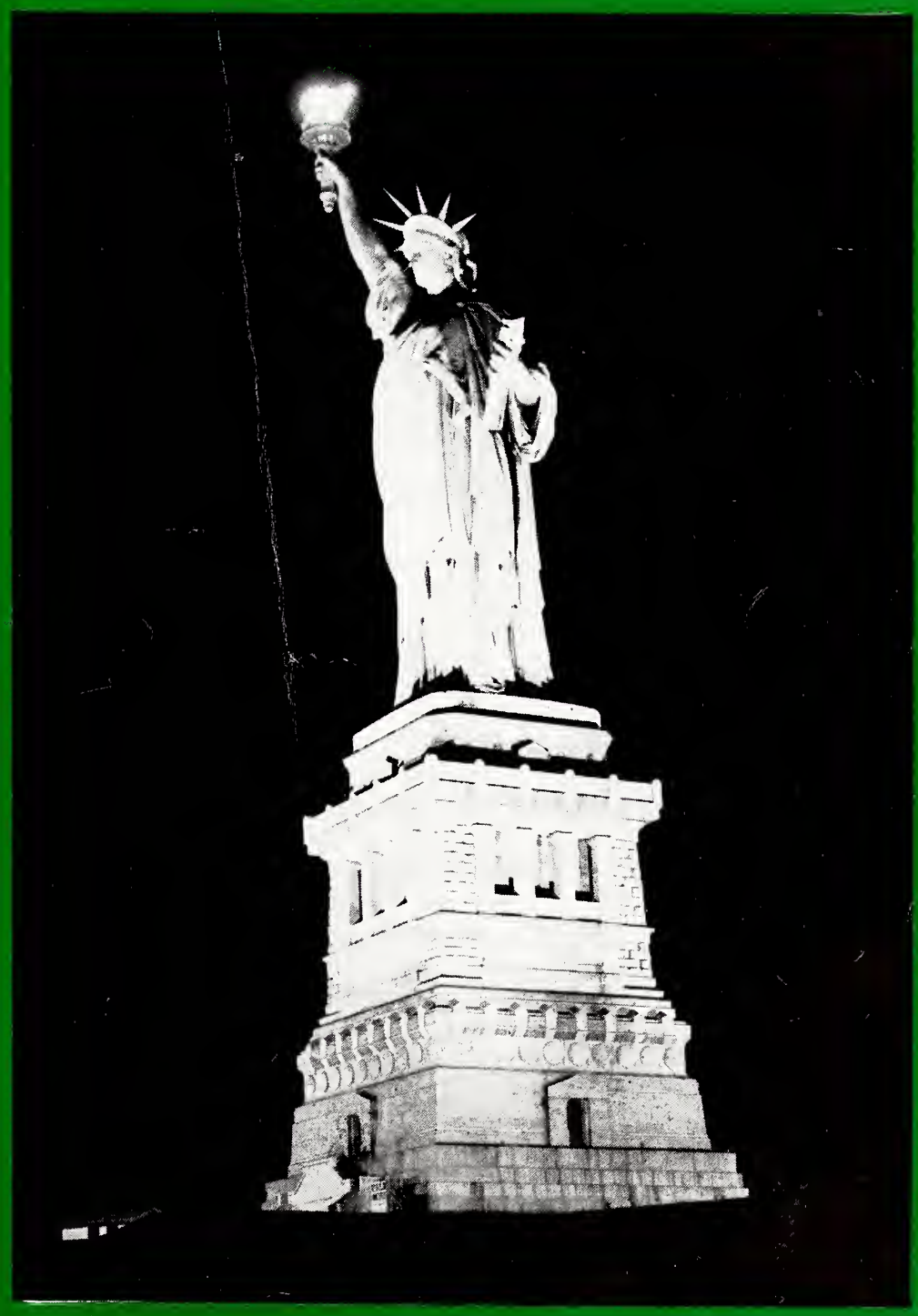

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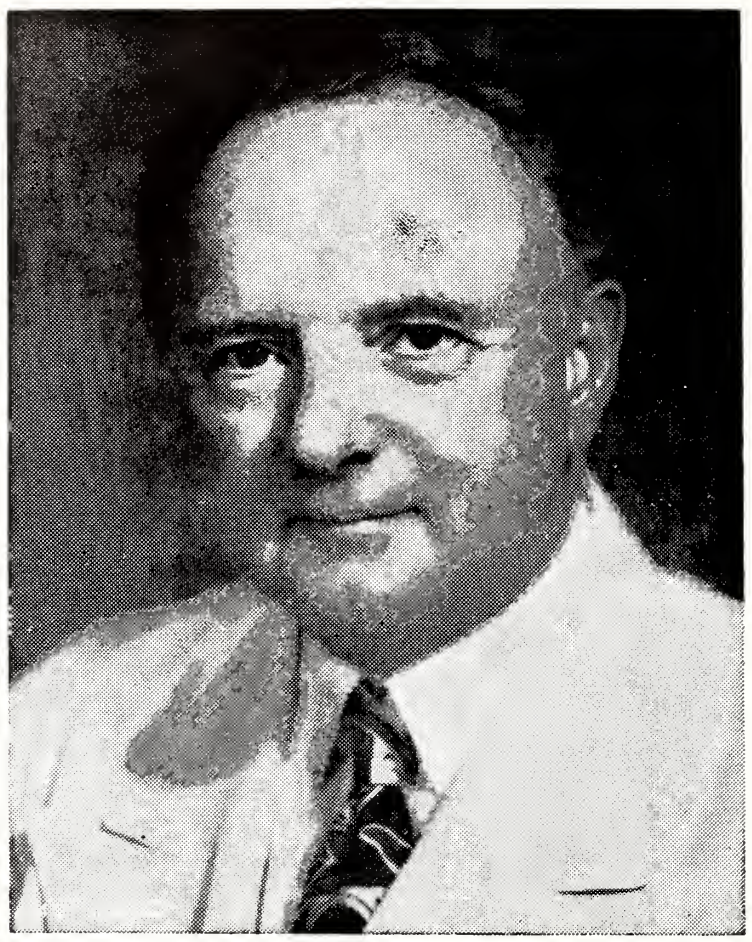

# Introduction of Senator Byrd By Honorable Bernard Baruch

This is a very pleasant duty, for the guest speaker represents the finest type of public servant and the finest flowering of Virginia which has given so many of her best sons to the service of our country.

He acknowledges but one master—his conscience.

Here we have a man not only of great intelligence but of highest integrity who scorns the popular because it is popular.

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I present with pleasure a man I am proud to call my friend, the Senior Senator from Virginia, Harry Flood Byrd.

## Re-Elect Harry F. Byrd United States Senator July 15, 1952

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## EDITORIALS

**Chester A. Brown, *Editor***

### *A Logical Request*

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, eminent Zionist leader in this country, in an address at the National Conference of the Israeli General Zionist Party at Ramat Gan on April 2nd, made a plea which is identical in many respects with the questions we have from time to time asked in these columns, regarding the relationship of the State of Israel to the Jews in the Diaspora. Dr. Neumann said in part: "Speaking here for myself alone and not on behalf of the Jewish Agency Executive, I would address myself to Prime Minister Ben Gurion and his colleagues, whose appreciation of the historic role of the Zionist Movement is certainly no less than my own, with a plea: Tell us openly and clearly what is in your mind; Has Diaspora Zionism fallen so far short of its expected performance that it is in your eyes 'more of a hindrance than a help'? If in your view the Zionist Organization should be replaced by something new, stronger and better than the old, then I beg of you to lay your proposals on the table and let us examine them all together, in a friendly and constructive spirit. But if you feel that the Movement must continue as your ally and the bearer of the Zionist idea throughout the Jewish world, place behind it the full backing and moral authority of the State it has helped bring into being."

We assume that Dr. Neumann, when he mentioned "the Prime Minister and his colleagues," expects that before answering this sincere and entirely proper interrogation, Mr. Ben Gurion will canvass the situation in Israel, and by consultation with his government associates, answer in terms that will reflect a majority view-point; because, in our opinion, the points at issue are too important to be resolved by any one individual opinion.

Dr. Neumann, in his April 2nd address, also made a suggestion that "a world conference of Zionist thinkers be held in the late summer of this year to be devoted exclusively to a further clarification of our ideological problems." We are in accord with this suggestion provided there is an answer to Dr. Neumann's plea. Without such answer we feel that a further conference would be as unproductive of a solution to the problems involved as was the Jerusalem convention of last summer.

### *"Bagels and Yox"*

Our esteemed contemporary, the *Ohio Jewish Chronicle,* in a recent issue, published a letter from A. W. Robins, presumably one of its readers, in which the writer chastises the Columbus, Ohio, B'nai B'rith Lodge for having been a party to the showing, in that city, of "Bagels and Yox," a revue which had a long run in New York City, and which, as its name might indicate, is based on the whims and foibles of Jews. Mr. Robins says, among other things:

"What baffles the intellect is why an organization like B'nai B'rith, which seeks in every nook and cranny defamers of Jewish character and action, should import our own defamers to ridicule and bespit our name and traditions as if they were the most obnoxious among the nations."

Mr. Robins goes on to point out how touchy we are when a film, such as "Oliver Twist" is made, and attributes the sponsorship of the question revue to the lodge's need for funds. We believe that basically, Mr. Robins is right. Nevertheless it recalls to our mind an experience we had in our own locality not too long ago.

It may be recalled that in 1949, and again in 1950, there were a series of cultural programs sponsored by the Jewish communities of Winston-Salem, High Point, and Greensboro. There were several splendid programs of Jewish content presented, which included singers, actors and humorists of recognized ability. It was observed by most of those who attended, that the programs which seemed to be most appreciated were those that were a bit on the "salty" side, and which did not always portray the Jew at his best. It would appear as if Jewish audiences are not adverse to seeing and hearing their kin-folk lampooned, even though the scenes at times bordered the degrading.

We are not, in citing this experience, attempting to justify the Columbus B'nai B'rith, nor do we want to draw any moral from it. We mention it merely to explain the popularity of extravaganzas such as "Bagels and Yox," rather than entertainment of a higher class. The times may have something to do with it. Most of us find so much seriousness and drama in our daily lives, that we look upon such entertainment as escape. We repeat, we are not trying to justify the situation, but are merely recording it.

### *Is Jewry Ready for Another Over-All Organization?*

Once again the call is heard for the formation of a group that would unite world Jewry. We have heard this call periodically, ever since the demise of the American Jewish Conference. Nothing has happened following these outbursts, and the probabilities are that nothing will happen either as a result of this latest suggestion.

Dr. Mordecai Kaplan, Professor of Philosophies at the Jewish Theological Seminary, on the occasion of a meeting held in New York under the auspices of the Zionist Organization of America on "Creative Jewish Living," called for the convening of a "Jewish world council" to formulate a new covenant on international Jewish unity. This is a most interesting proposal, coming as it does from a man closely identified with the Reconstructionist movement, which has as one of its more important tenets the supremacy of the local community. What Dr. Kaplan is apparently searching for is, undoubtedly, unity in action on the world scene rather than just in this country. There is therefore, no inconsistency, particularly as Dr. Kaplan includes the recommendation that all activities of American Jewish organizations and institutions be carried on as functions of the entire local community.

Incidentally, there is need for immediate action of this sort in an effort to solve the conflict now evident between the

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# Reb Chaim Stands Watch

*By* DAVID J. EBIN

The old man refused to join them at the Seder table. Reb Chaim sat in his wheelchair, alone in the small room. Through the open window, Israel's spring night crept in, wrapping Reb Chaim, his books and iron bedstead in darkness.

Before the open window he sat. The striped shawl about his shoulders, he clutched tightly to his chest in one hand, while the other rested on the book in his lap. Outside, the vineyard-covered hills rolled before his eyes and from one of the few pine trees in the garden below he could hear the stilling notes of the larks. As he looked at the trees now pointing their black spears into the blue sky, the old man painfully straightened his back. With an effort he drew his shoulders back against the wheelchair and in the covering silence, whispered, "Tonight, I too stand watch."

Across the hall he knew his family would be seated at the Seder table, leaning against the soft cushions. He could picture their old lined faces, the holiday clothes against their bent figures. For all of them here at Pardes Hanna, between the great cities of Tel Aviv and Haifa, were heavy with years and weariness. Here in the white building, he and all the others were come to rest, their last days made peaceful with small cares and the warm sun. And tonight, he new somehow the faces of the women would be younger, the men's eyes would sparkle. For, tonight on Pesach, were they not all Lords and Ladies? Tonight they would leave slavery and even old age behind? But as for Reb Chaim . . .

Through the open door he could hear the sounds of chairs brought closer to the table, voices warm with each other's company. And on the table cloth what special guests—wine filled glasses, like red jewels against the matzohs, cups of clear salt water, and the greens, the Charoses—the magic plate filled with remembrance. How many years was it since he had last sat at such a table?

Even now, the lonely decision made, the night fast about him, he sat and wondered to himself. Was it possible that he, Reb Chaim, only four short months in Eretz Yisrael refused to observe the Seder? After the painful journey from Rumania, the years of delay, waiting and hoping, how was it possible? Somebody would think that never once in the last years, had his voice broken, when on this very same night he closed the Hagaddah and said, "Le shannah ha-baw be-Yirushalayim — New year in Jerusalem." It wasn't a dream any longer. He was here at last. And yet . . .

How could he tell them, his newly made friends and the gentle young Dr. Ariel and especially Aviva, his nurse, who never spoke to him but her young smile warmed his face? No, he was feeling fine, the injection which he had received earlier in the day had not made him weak. As he thought of their pleadings to make him join the rest and their disappointment, his knotted, arthritic hands clutched the smooth wheels of his chair, slowly opening, closing. How could he tell them, especially these two sabras, young people in a new land, that Reb Chaim also had important work to do this night? They would laugh at an old man standing watch and he hardly able to move.

"Ha Lachma Anya . . ." The Seder had already started, the old voices rising in the ancient chant. "Behold, this is the bread of affliction which our fathers ate in the land of Egypt." Reb Chaim thought of the Passover nights, years ago in his small town of Jassy. Then he too, surrounded by his wife and three boys in the dining room behind the linen shop, would raise the plate of matzohs and say the same words. And during the days of war, how many were the times hiding in some cellar or in a field beside some foreign road, had he raised his hand to begin the Seder, without a plate, without matzohs.

Reb Chaim sat there and listened to the chanting. Only it seemed to him more like some sweet chorus in the memory of his heart. But all the while, in his watch before the window, his lips moved, following the reading of the Hagaddah.

"Avadim hayim le-Pharoh . . . We were slaves unto Pharoah in Egypt. And the Lord, our God, took us out from there with a strong hand and an outstretched arm." It was all true and in the darkness he nodded his head. For many years of pain—and it was not to be admitted, there were times when he had wished for death—he too had been in slavery.

There was that black day in the Egypt of Rumania, in 1945, when for the first time he saw his family again. But of his family there was only Bela. Bela, the youngest, the

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# Hassidism---

## Upper Manhattan's Legendary Newcomer

*By* CHARLES RADDOCK

**CHARLES RADDOCK, New York author and newspaperman, is managing editor of the leading anti-Communist labor newspaper in the country and an officer of World Wide Press Syndicate. He has contributed to the foremost secular and Anglo-Jewish publications in the world on Jewish life and lore, etc. He is now at work on a new history to be published in the spring.—THE EDITOR.**

IT may come as a surprise to many New Yorkers, but the upper West Side, long a fashionable middle-class stronghold, has been slowly but steadily becoming a buzzing center of Jewish activity. The area bounded on the east by Central Park, on the west by Riverside Drive and on the north by Columbia University, is changing its national face and character. What has been a community of Irish, German, Scandinavian and Spanish Americans with all the accoutrements such as Christian churches, Chinese restaurants, hofbraus, bar-rooms and bowling alleys now is becoming a "little Jerusalem." Improvised loft synagogues are mushrooming next to dance studios and Talmud Torahs nestle in remodeled Victorian brownstones unknown to the casual passerby.

What has also been to a marked degree a rallying point both residentially and religiously for a number of years for Reform and Conservative Jewry has become the newest home of Orthodox Judaism.

But who would have thought a few short years ago that this semi-fashionable Manhattan area would soon also become a refuge for Hassidism, a haven for the followers of the illustrious Besht and a setting for pious Jews attired in black satin caftans, low-crowned wide-brimmed velour hats, untrimmed beards, side-curls and white stockings.

The exotic East-European Hassidic settlers are now an integral part of the so-called "Jewish Mile"—which is actually two miles, from 72nd Street northward. This strip plays host to no less than a dozen Hassidic synagogues, their respective rabbis and congregants—the "Mellietzer," the "Ridnicker," the "Sassover," the "Tartikover," etc.—and their "glatt" kosher butcher shops and restaurants and Sabbath-shut food markets. If one knows where to look he can even find "mikvas" dug out in sub-cellars and piously brimming over on "Erev Shabbath." It is not unusual to see longcaftaned Hassids, their ear-locks aflutter in the Hudson River breeze and their bathing kits bulging with a Sabbath change of linen, walking hurriedly through the neighborhood streets in preparatory sanctification for the Holy Sabbath—their destination the ritualaria, of course. They have bravely brought their old Hassidic customs along from Galicia, Poland and Hungary. On Sabbath afternoons, as in the now defunct world from which they tragically fled, one may find these Hassids, after a traditional gastronomic "schollent," strolling leisurely in tiny clusters in Central Park, or on the Drive, debating the mystical nuances of the Bobover Rabbi's sermon preached at his community "tisch" the preceding night. These uncompromising adherents of the Besht appear to be utterly oblivious of an American environment outside their little self-made world, and feel quite at home on that narrow stretch between the Drive and the Park.

How did they get here in the first place?

When the legendary Bobover Rabbi, Solomon Halberstam, first contemplated the area in 1946, countrymen who had preceded him here tried to dissuade him from establishing "B'nei Zion" in the eighties. The upper West Side, they argued, was not "m'sugal"—suitable—for Hassidism, especially for a Hassidic yeshivah. The gentile neighbors, they insisted, would resent such an intrusion. And the Jewish residents, accustomed as they were to American brands of Judaism, would surely frown upon any communal "ghetto-ization" with which they might be unflatteringly identified by gentile neighbors. At any rate, such an undertaking was risky.

The Bobover was not convinced. He had grappled with gentiles before—in Poland, Galicia and Czchoslovakia. His famous father, the original "Bobover" was murdered by the Nazis and he himself had helped Jews escape across Polish borders to a then free Czechoslovakia under the very eyes of a vigilant Gestapo. Rabbi Halberstam had even scaled a peak 15,000 fect high in '43 and lived in fox-holes and wild forests when he himself had to flee from Nazi overrun Galicia. Why, then, would American democratic neighbors be less hospitable on the West Side than other New Yorkers had been in other sections of a city celebrated the world over as the greatest Jewish community in America? This, after all, was the city where the majority of the Jewish people live—more Jews here than in the State of Israel.

As things turned out, the gentiles were friendlier to the young disciples of the Bobover and to his elderly Hassidic followers—than their Jewish neighbors. It was a Jewish neighbor, not a gentile, one Passover night, who frantically summoned the police because these Hassids were "disturbing the peace" when they let go in complete abandon to Hassidic song and dance commemorating the miraculous liberation of their ancient ancestors from Egyptian bondage. When the policeman came upon the scene—a Catholic, as it turned out—he squelched the Jewish informer with the curt comment, "I like Jews like that—they're the only genuine Jewish anti-Reds I met up with." That Jewish informer has not been heard from since.

The several hundred pupils of B'nei Zion and its branches are passionate enemies of Communism and Communists. The Rabbi of Bobov himself was a friend of the late Jan Masaryk, son of the architect of the republic of Czechoslovakia, now in the Russian orbit. With the help of both Masaryks, fils et pere, Rabbi Halberstam managed to rescue hundreds of Jewish refugees and help them get to Czechoslovakian territory. At one time, the Rabbi dressed as a Pole and, speaking Polish, Hungarian and Czech like a native, succeeded in transporting a goodly number of homeless Jewish families to the little Slovak bordertown of Presov, where friendly natives sheltered the potential gas-chamber victims for months on end. In memory of that event, five years ago, the Rabbi asked Jan Masaryk to transmit a Holy Scroll to the impoverished Jewish community which survived in Presov. The late Foreign Minister graciously accepted the sacred mission with the remark, "We have a duty to fulfil toward the Jews who survived the ghettos, and whoever tries to shirk that duty has no right to call himself a civilized human being . . ."

The ingenuity and dynamic drive which the Bobover then displayed in his phenomenal rescue work characterizes the educational and particularly the rehabilitative activity now represented by his Hassidic center on the upper West Side of Manhattan. As you know, most Hassidic rabbis function primarily as divines (by ancestral transmission and ordination, as it were.) They do not generally engage in educational activity, as I once pointed out to my readers. The venerable Rabbi of Sattmur, the progressive and erudite Lubavitcher Rabbi and the saintly and brilliant Rabbi of Klausenberg are exceptions. But the Rabbi of Bobov, who has courageously joined this distinguished Hassidic triumvirate in educational missionary work, has gone even a step further. For his Yeshivah "B'nei Zion" is in

RABBI SOLOMON HALBERSTAM

fact the only institution of its kind in this country—a vocational school!

Whereas the great Talmudical academies of Lubavitch, Klausenberg and Sattmur are solely devoted to the study of sacred lore, B'nei Zion, together with Talmudics and Rabbinics, includes a trade school curriculum which comprises such "unrabbinical" subject matter as watch-repairing, fur-work, automobile mechanics, baking, etc. Amusing as it may sound on the surface—Babylonian Talmud and Baking, these unfortunate Hassidic Torah students are being trained for downright manual labor. Notwithstanding their profound theological studies which consume much time and youthful energy, Bobover pupils are groomed for such normal jobs and industrial chores as will enable them eventually to earn a living without compromising Hassidic ideals. Rabbi Halberstam is, indeed, a farsighted realist and practical educator.

Bobover schools clearly do not place their curricular emphasis upon preparing students for the Rabbinate or any other allied pseudo-clerical

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# Eye-Witness Account of Anti-Semitism In the Soviet Union

IN the face of increasing persecution, Jews in the Soviet Union are practicing Judaism underground, it is revealed in an eye-witness account of Jewish life there in the September issue of the National Jewish Monthly, published by B'nai B'rith.

Among the revelations made in the article are the following:

There is "scientific" anti-Semitism in Russia, just as there was in Nazi Germany, in addition to the "conventional" kind.

Jews bury their dead, when possible, with Jewish religious services, and attend regular Friday evening Sabbath services and celebrate Jewish holidays, but all these activities must be done secretly.

Whole Jewish communities have been decimated by deportation to Siberia and other parts of Asia.

Not only old people, but even Jewish youngsters, in a "search for truth," are turning away from "the official ideals of the State" and seeking survival through Judaism.

Russian Communists do not consider Jews to be proletarians, "and therefore dangerous to the whole social structure of the State."

Jewish college students in Russia suffer from discrimination.

In 1941, after the Nazis invaded Russia, the Soviets arrested countless Jews and placed them in prisons and concentration camps until they were ready to use them as forced laborers.

Far from becoming assimilated 30 years after the Revolution, many Soviet Jews remain unassimilated, economically and religiously.

Underground Jewish life is being carried on even in Soviet concentration camps, and Soviet Jews, who are completely isolated from world Jewry, "wish that the Jewish world abroad could know something about it."

The author, who writes under the pen-name of Paul Andich to protect his relatives who still live in Russia, is now an American citizen and a member of B'nai B'rith. He was born in Czechoslovakia, and in 1939 was in Poland, where he was trapped, along with hundreds of thousands of other Jews, by the invading Red Army. Shipped to Russia, he was a forced laborer in several Soviet factories and mines, and spent time in a Soviet concentration camp. He was freed in 1942, when he agreed to join a Czech army organized by Russia, and after the war he fled to western Europe and thence to the United States.

According to Mr. Andich's article, not only the older generation, which still remembers Judaism, has turned back toward religion, but even young people, who have grown up under Soviet conditions, are doing so. He quotes a native-born Soviet Jew with whom he attended a secret Friday night religious service:

"As persecution intensified against us, we intensified our religous activity as our only means of surviving complete destruction. It is interesting that in spite of the enormous pressure against us from the schools and the whole political system, even our Jewish youth became increasingly attracted by our religion, which seems to be an answer to their search for truth, which they cannot find in the official ideals of the State. Having hoped for years that the Revolution would bring us freedom from fear and an end to anti-Semitism, we turned back to Judaism when we saw all our hopes frustrated."

The reasons given by his informant for Soviet anti-Semitism were both economic and religious:

"The Soviets were never friendly to us Jews, not only because of the religious factor, but also because they did not consider us to be proletarians. As a matter of fact, under the Czar, most Russian Jews were small but independent artisans; shoemakers, tailors, etc. Although there is nothing left of such independent economic activity, we still have not become economically assimilated. The Soviet Jew usually wants to work as a member of an artel, a kind of small cooperative; he avoids the big factories, and almost never works as an agricultural laborer.

"The Communists consider us to be elements standing between the classes of the proletariat and the peasantry, and therefore dangerous to the whole social structure of the State. Our fidelity to the faith of our fathers makes us even more suspect. The few Jews who did become important in the Soviet adminstration were completely liquidated after the big purges of 1937 and 1938, and after 1939 some units of the Communist Party and its affiliated youth organizations did not admit Jewish candidates, although this discrimination was unofficial."

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# DR. IRVING MILLER HEADS Z.O.A.

Dr. Irving Miller, of Woodmere, Long Island, was elected to the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America during the closing sessions of the body held in New York City on June 15th. His opponent was Abraham A. Redelheim. Voting was by closed ballot and Dr. Miller received 654 votes against 371 for Mr. Redelheim.

Born in Lithuania in 1903, Rabbi Irving Miller came to this country in 1912 and received his early American schooling in the public schools of Massachusetts. In 1918 he entered Yeshiva College of New York City, from which he was ordained as a Rabbi in 1925. While attending Yeshiva College he pursued his academic studies at City College and Columbia University, from which latter institution he received his academic degree. He has held Rabbinic posts in Youngstown, Ohio, Chelsea, Massachusetts and at Congregation Shaaray Tefila of Far-Rockaway, New York, where he served for seventeen years prior to accepting his present post at Congregation Sons of Israel of Woodmere, Long Island.

As Rabbi, his principal interest has been Jewish education and, upon coming to Far Rockaway in 1929, he organized the Jewish Center School, a day-school providing its pupils with both secular and Hebrew education. This school, now known as the Brandeis School, having received permission from the Brandeis family to use the name of the late Justice, and chartered by the University of the State of New York, has won wide acclaim in all educational circles as a model pioneering school in this field.

Plunging into active Jewish affairs immediately upon graduation from the Yeshiva College, Rabbi Miller has given his services unstintingly to the Zionist Movement and the American and World Jewish Congress. He played a leading role in the creation of Zionist regions in Ohio, New England and Long Island. Since 1936 he has served on the National Executive of the Zionist Organization of America and in 1946 was elected Chairman of its National Administrative Council. He is now a National Vice-President of the Z.O.A. In 1937, Rabbi Miller attended the World Zionist Congress at Zurich as a Delegate from the Z.O.A. and has attended every Zionist Congress since. He was elected in 1939 to the Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization and in that capacity has attended and taken an active part in all meetings of the Zionist Actions Committee.

Zionist Funds have also been the beneficiaries of his activities. He is

DR. IRVING MILLER

today Vice-Chairman of the Keren-Hayesod, a member of the National Executive of the United Israel Appeal, Vice-President of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York and Associate-Chairman of the Greater New York Campaign.

Rabbi Miller's extensive activities within the Congress Movement were climaxed with his election to the Presidency of the American Jewish Congress in November 1949, following the passing of Dr. Stephen Wise. Prior to the assumption of the Presidency, Rabbi Miller had been Chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Congress since 1943. He is also a Member of the World Jewish Congress Actions Committee, having been a Delegate to its founding session in Geneva in 1936 and having served as its Secretary-General during the war years. In that capacity he was sent by the World Jewish Congress to England in 1943 to discuss Jewish postwar problems with representatives of the Governments-in-Exile, discussions which became the basis for the post-war Jewish demands of the American-Jewish Conference of which Commission, Rabbi Miller was the head throughcut its existence. In 1946 Rabbi Miller represented the World Jewish Congress at the Paris Peace Conference.

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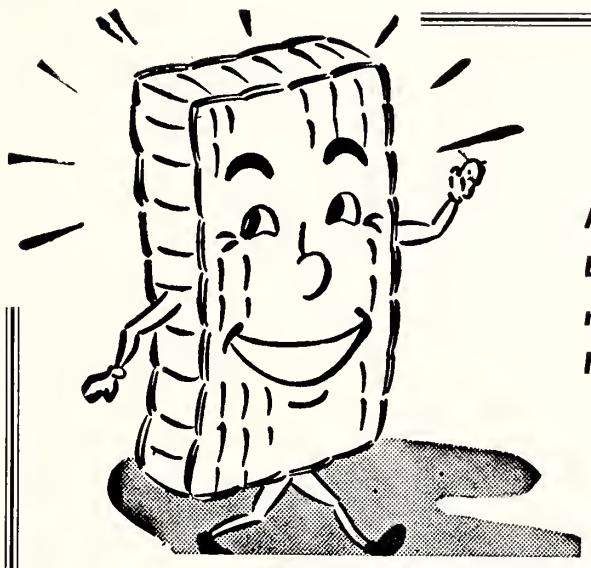

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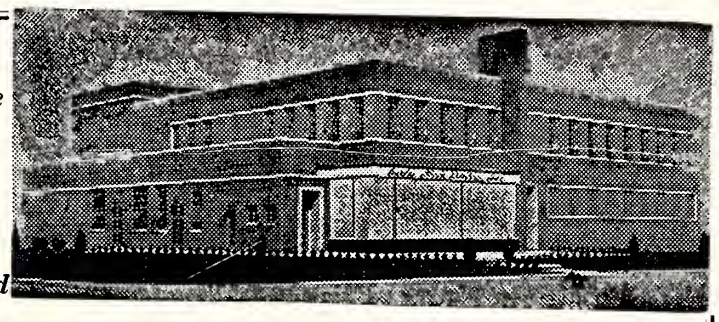

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**TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM NEWS**

Officers elected for the year 1952-1953 are as follows: Mr. Louis Hirsch, President, Mr. Morris Steinberg, Vice-President, Mr. Max Mandle, Secretary and Mr. Simon Hirsh, Treasurer. Elected to the board, were the preceding officers, and Mr. Jerry Miller, Mr. David Yanow, Mr. Julius Margolis, Mr. Harold Morganstern, Mrs. Julius Margolis and Mrs. Frank Stevens.

**BETH SHOLOM SISTERHOOD**

Tuesday evening, May 27th, was a memorable one for members of Beth Sholom Sisterhood, and Temple Beth Sholom. A Holy Torah, which was secured by the Sisterhood in Memory of our late Rabbi Leon S. Elsberg, was dedicated in a simple but impressive ceremony, with Rabbi Isadore Breslau of Washington, D. C. officiating. The Torah was presented on behalf of the Sisterhood by the President, Mrs. Julius Margolis and accepted on behalf of the Congregation, by the Vice-President, Mr. Jerry Miller. Members of the Board of the Temple participated in the service.

A lovely fellowship hour followed with members of the Sisterhood acting as hostesses. This affair was well attended by Christian neighbors, as well as by the Jewish population.

Attending the dedication were the late Rabbi's family, Mrs. Ida Elsberg, of Arlington, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Milton Elsberg, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Elsberg of Falls Church, Va. Also Mr. Phillip Shapiro, of Alexandria, Va.

The Sisterhood held its installation of officers with a dinner preceding it, at the Stratford Hotel, on June 3, and a group of thirty women were on hand to see the following officers installed. President, Mrs. Julius Margolis, Vice-President, Mrs. Jerry Miller, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Louis Hirsch, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Clayton Blum, Treasurer, Mrs. Harold Morganstern, Financial Secretary, Mrs. Abe Suskin. Guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. Mervin Cooper of Norfolk, Va., who delivered a most inspiring message. Interesting reports were given showing a wonderful progress during the past year.

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS**

On June 1st, the Beth Sholom Religious School had promotion plus Shuvoth exercises. Mr. Louis Hirsch, who graciously consented to continue the Sunday School after the death of the Rabbi, officiated. He presented the children with promotion certificates and the child who attended most regularly, was presented with two silver dollars. He, in turn, presented Mr. Hirsch with a Kiddush Cup from the Religious School which was inscribed "Thank you, Uncle Louis, Beth Sholom Religious School, June 1952." After services, the children received packages of candy, and the Sunday School disbanded for the summer on a very happy note.

**PERSONALS**

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Yanow, upon the graduation from James Monroe High School, of their daughter Ruth.

Visiting the Louis Hirsches, were Mr. and Mrs. N. Libby of Philadelphia, Pa.

Visiting the Arthur Lands, were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Barber of Staunton, Va.

Visiting the Melvin Weinmans of Baltimore, were Mr. and Mrs. Julius Margolis and daughter, Diane, attending a wedding in Baltimore were the Louis Hirsches, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Steinberg and daughter Carol, are summering at Fairview Beach, and Elaine Hirsch is vacationing at Westmoreland Beach.

Happy Summer holiday to you all, see you in the Fall.

# Martinsville, Va.

**Mrs. Ralph Hollander, Correspondent**

On Friday evening, May 30th, the children of the Hebrew School participated in the beautiful Shevuot services. And on Sunday afternoon, June 1st, a Sunday School demonstration was held. The parents were proud and children were happy as they demonstrated what they had learned in Sunday School and Hebrew School this year. Each child was presented a small gift. Our thanks to the Sunday School teachers for their untiring efforts with our offsprings. And our special thanks to Rabbi Goodkowitz for a wonderful job.

Mrs. Edward Altschull, president of the Martinsville Business and Professional Women's Club, attended the international convention of the Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs held in Boston in June.

At this time we are very proud to write that Leon Globman is presient of the Retail Merchants' Association; Sam Goller is president of the Lion's Club; Joseph Schreibfeder is president of the Rotary Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Rudman have as their guest, Mrs. Rudman's mother, Mrs. Moses of Baltimore.

Mrs. Herbert Kaplan and her daughters Estelle and Carol are

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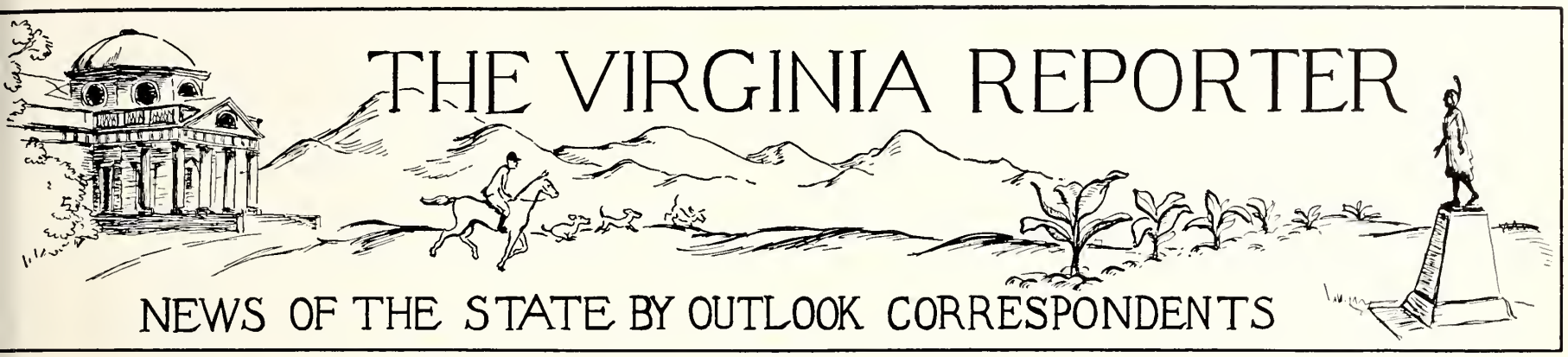


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**Newly elected officers of Richmond Hadassah: Mrs. Louis Steinberg, Mrs. Louis Perlstein, Mrs. Sam Penn, Mrs. David Grandis.**

### Richmond Hadassah

**Mrs. Sam Kayne, Correspondent**

Richmond Chapter Senior Hadassah held its installation of Officers and Board May 15 with a luncheon at the Jewish Center.

Mrs. Hyman Osmalov, the out-going President, was honored with a Golden Book Certificate in recognition of her services for the past two years.

Mrs. Jerome Meyer, a past president, installed the following officers who will serve for the year 1952-53:

Mrs. Sam Penn, President; Mrs. M. David Grandis, Vice-President; Mrs. Louis Perlstein, Vice-President; Mrs. Louis Steinberg, Vice-President; Mrs. Ben Garfield, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Morris Rosen, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Louis Buffenstein, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. Max Becker, Financial Secretary; Mrs. Ben Bernstein, Assistant Financial Secretary, and Mrs. Charles Salken, Treasurer.

A musical program followed. Mrs. Jack Fine was soloist. She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Stanley Kaiser.

### Congregation Beth Ahabah

**Mrs. Josephine S. Friedman**

The Confirmation service officially closed the Religious School activities for the summer. This was a beautiful affair and unusual as among the Confirmands were twins and also the daughter of the rabbi.

On Sunday, May 25th, closing exercises for the Religious School were held. At this time the following awards were made: Franzblau Plaque for best attendance in the kindergarten—Janet Lee Glaser; Hiker's Cup for general scholastic excellence —Carol Lavenstein and Blanche Bowman; Raymond I. Straus, Jr., Plaque (Confirmation award) for boys—Harley Ellman; James M. Klaus Plaque (Confirmation award) for girls —Linda Goldburg. And so the year ended, as far as classes are concerned, but planning for the coming year is a "must" for the summer months.

Mr. Portnoy, our Religious School Director, and his family spent the month of June on a farm in New York State. On his return to Richmond he will occupy the pulpit at Beth Ahabah during the months of July and August while Dr. Goldburg, his wife and daughters enjoy a trip abroad. The office force will be intact endeavoring to keep the wheels turning for information and emergencies, as well as closing records and setting up new ones for the coming fiscal year.

With summer Bible Schools in session in most of the churches in Richmond, Beth Ahabah is much in demand for "Temple Tours" to acquaint the different groups with the symbols and services of the Synagogue. These are scheduled throughout the summer months and average at least two a week.

Before leaving on a well earned vacation, Dr. Goldburg attended the meeting of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Buffalo, N. Y. —June, being the month of brides, in true tradition the calendar was filled to overflowing with dates of weddings. With so many just beginning a state of "Wedded bliss," Dr. and Mrs. Goldburg had enjoyed twenty-five years of it on June 14th. The Congregation wishes for them many more years of continued health and happiness, surrounded by all those dear to them.

Bon Voyage to the Goldburgs and a happy vacation to all!

### Beth Sholom Home

**Mrs. Fritz Lowenthal, Correspondent**

Again a month has gone by and I'm very glad to report that the past month has been a very happy one. I don't want to repeat myself but our Mother's Day party was so beautiful that it deserves being mentioned again. Our residents asked me to thank the Sisterhood, especially Mrs. I. Carton and Mrs. S. I. Seldes for their tremendous efforts to make them happy. Not only the gifts and the delicious cakes, which were baked by our own Mrs. Helen Rosenberg and Mrs. Jennie Jacobson, but also the musical entertainment by Mr. Sam Babin was greatly appreciated.

Another big event took place in the month of May. The B.S.H. celebrated its 6th birthday. Responsible for its great success were Mesdames Ellis Bernstein, Louis Goodstein, Arthur Goldman and Morris Rosen. About 400 people joined in the birthday celebration. Thanks to Mrs. Arthur Goldman the tables were beautifully decorated. Sandwiches, cakes, cookies and drinks were delicious.

**Beth Sholom's 6th Birthday Party: Mrs. A. Goldman, Mrs. Risen, Mrs. I. Carton, Mr. S. I. Seldes, Mrs. Ellis Bernstein, Mrs. Louis Goodstein.**

Our heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Ellis Bernstein, who succeeded Mrs. I. Carton as president of the Sisterhood of the Beth Sholom Home. Mrs. Bernstein and the new officers, whose names were mentioned in an earlier issue of this magazine, were installed by Mr. Dave Arenstein on Tuesday, June 3rd, 1952 when the Sisterhood held their paid up membership tea. Mrs. Jack Bernstein who was the chairlady of this affair deserves much credit for a job well done. Our residents who follow all the events with great interest join us in wishing Mrs. Ellis Bernstein and the new officers lots of success.

Good luck also to Mrs. I. Carton who became honorary president.

Do you see now why the month of May made our residents so happy? Not the parties alone but the people who come visiting us to such occassions are the real reason for their happiness. At this time I want to remind everybody in our community who is interested in the happiness of our aged, please, come and visit us. Don't wait for an invitation to our parties, just come and spend some time with us. Give our aged a new outlook on life and believe me, you too will take a wonderful feeling of satisfaction home with you.

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# The Cooking Page

**GRAPEFRUIT COCKTAIL**

Cut the grapefruit into halves, crosswise, and scoop out the pulp, rejecting the white inner skin as well as the seeds. Clean the shells; cut the edges with a sharp knife into scallops and throw them into cold water. Set the pulp on ice. At serving time put a teaspoon of cracked ice in the bottom of each shell; fill with the pulp, mixed thoroughly with powdered sugar and a little sherry, if desired; and place a maraschino cherry or bit of bright-colored jelly in the center of each. Lay on paper doiles or surround with bits of asparagus fern.

**MANISCHEWITZ FRUIT FLUDEN**

1 cup Manischewitz sweet red wine
10 Manischewitz Matzes
3 eggs, separated
¼ cup sugar
¼ cup Manischewitz Matzo Meal
3 tablespoons Manifat
3 tablespoons Manischewitz Honey
1 teaspoon salt
Cinnamon
12 ounce glass Manischewitz Strawberry Preserves

Soak whole matzos in wine for 15-20 minutes. Beat egg whites with salt. Fold in sugar, egg yolks and matzo meal. Heat honey in an oblong baking pan (12" x 18" x 2").

Spread egg mixture on 6 matzoes. Place first layer (2 matzos, side by side) with batter down, into hot honey. Place next layer on top, with batter side up. Sprinkle lightly with some cinnamon. Cover with a plain layer of matzos, spreading that with half the strawberry preserves. Cover this with another plain layer, spreading remainder of preserves over this. Cover with the final layer of matzos, which have been spread with batter. Bake in moderate oven (325°F.) about 30 minutes. While still warm, cut into squares. Serve cold. Yields 15 squares. (Delicious ending to a meat meal)

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**Filling:**

1 cup Manischewitz canned applesauce
1 package raspberry or cherry flavored kosher gelatin

**Meringue:**

2 egg whites
2 tablespoons sugar
beat until stiff

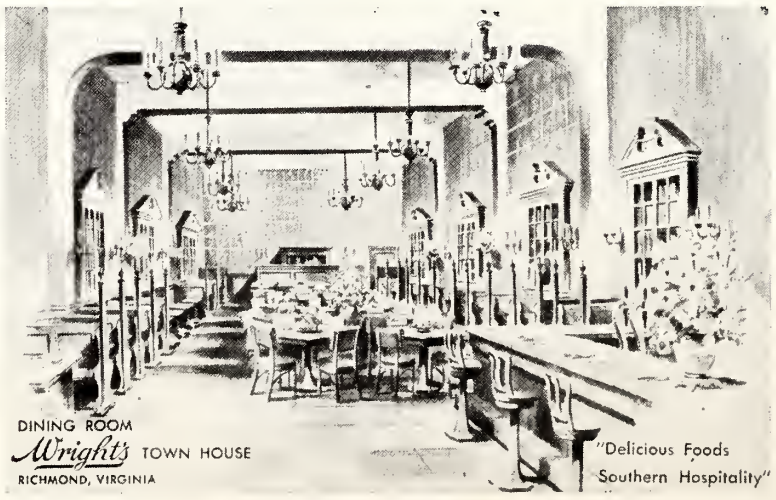
**Pie Shell:**

Beat egg whites until stiff, gradually adding sugar and salt. Fold in lemon juice and rind. Add well-beaten egg yolks. Sift potato starch and cake meal together, fold into egg mixture. Grease the bottom of 10" pie pan and fill 1-3 full with batter. Bake in moderate oven (325°F.) for 30 min, or until light gold in color. Cool.

**Filling:**

Heat applesauce in saucepan. Mix in the package of gelatin, stirring constantly until dissolved. Pour into a 10" pie pan (fill pan 2-3 full) just like one used for pie shell. Chill in refrigerator 2½ hrs. or until firmly set. Unmold from pie pan and place on top of sponge cake pie shell. Pile meringue on top. Bake in a hot oven (425°F.) for 2 to 3 minutes or just until meringue turns a delicate gold. Serves 8.

(Pretty enough to serve as dessert at the Seder or at afternoon tea.)

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## VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

Temple Emanuel at Virginia Beach began holding services daily the last week of June. The Temple is located at 25th & Baltic Avenue, Virginia Beach, Va., for information they can call Virginia Beach 802J.

The first birthday dance will be held Sunday night, July 13th at the Cavalier Beach Club, open to the public. The dance is being dedicated in honor of its founder, Nathan Polis, and the proceeds will go to pay off the mortgage of $7500.00.

The Beth Sholom Home for the Aged will hold its next board meeting at our Temple on July 13th.

## Staunton-Waynesboro Virginia

**Estelle Kauffman, Correspondent**

With summer well under way, folks are making plans to do some traveling (wish you'd let **me** know about it!) or just plain relaxing. There's the usual basking (or burning) in the sun—have you ever seen a prettier tan than Ruth Fingle's?—and swimming and golf-playing for the real energetic.

I'm finding it a bit difficult to keep up with all the traveling Mrs. Dora Klotz is doing. When she isn't in Lynchburg, she's in New York, or, well, as I said, it's hard to keep up! Her daughter, Peggy, was down to Duke for a class reunion and enjoyed it immensely.

Well, Mrs. Alma Samuels was recovering nicely from her operation and then proceeded to hurt her foot. But she is home now and getting along just fine.

Nancy Cohen has completed her work for her Master's degree in psychology at the University of North Carolina. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Katz of N. Y. C. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Finkel.

A miscellaneous shower was held for Miss Betty June Sragovitz at the home of Mrs. Al Snyder. The bride-to-be received some very lovely gifts.

## Norfolk, Va.

**Jeanne Levinson, Correspondent**

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bernard Bernstein announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rose Sari Bernstein, to William Edwin Goldsmith, son of Mrs. Philys Goldsmith, and the late Mr. Goldsmith.

Miss Bernstein attended the Richmond Professional Institute of the College of William and Mary, where

MISS ROSE SARI BERNSTEIN

she was a member of the Cotillion Club, and corresponding secretary of the Hillel Organization.

Mr. Goldsmith is a graduate of the Richmond Professional Institute of the College of William and Mary, where he was a member of the German Club and the Sociology Club. He is now attending the Richmond School of Social Work, where he is working for a Master's Degree. Mr. Goldsmith is a Veteran of World War II. No date has been set for the wedding.

July is the time when organizations disband for the summer and people's thoughts turn to relaxation and pleasure.

However, a number of events are being planned in spite of competition with Virginia Beach.

On June 23rd the Jewish Community Day Camps began for 200 children from 5 to 13 years of age. Leo Okin, executive director of the Center, served as camp director for both operations. Jeanne Levinson and Richard Goldstein will be assistant camp directors. Thirty-six counselors will serve with them.

"Ye old swimming hole," the College of William and Mary pool, was the headquarters for 50 teen-agers every Thursday night, under the supervision of the Jewish Center. Thirty-seven teen-agers went to Kitty Hawk, N. C. on Sunday, June 29th to visit the Wright Bros. Memorial and to see the LOST COLONY in Manteo, N. C.

July 13th is the date set aside by the Young Adult Club of the Center for a picnic at Seashore State Park. The "spark plugs" behind the formation of this new club and planners for the event are: Lenny Laibstain, Stanley Ragone, Miriam Noto-


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koff, Elsie Martin, Bernice Dubinsky, Sally Comess, Adolph Banks, Esther Lesser, Donald Harris, Marvin Goldstein and Danny Felixson.

Servicemen's activities are going full blast over the summer. The Jewish War Veterans Auxiliary held its annual outdoor carnival at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital for Tuesday, June 24th. Mrs. William Schwartz, new president of the auxiliary, and junior hostesses did a swell job for this worthwhile event.

The Norfolk Jewish community is proud of its boys in the armed forces. They are: Ivan Kirsch, Dr. Mervin Clark, Marvin Nathan, Philip Belkov, David Turock, Leon Cooper, Allan Fernheimer, Sam Forman, Dr. Asher Friedman, Harold L. Friedman, Hillard Friedman, Morton Glasser, Morton J. Hecht, Dr. Herbert Hoffer, Ronald Hyman, Alan Lasky, Joel Leitman, Charles G. Nusbaum, Franklin Rosenfeld, Edward Simon, Berry Yavner, Martin Warshaw and Sam Werth.

Confirmations and Bas Mitzvahs—On Sunday, June 1st, seventeen confirmands entered Jewish womanhood at the Beth El Temple. They were: Bernice Abecasis, Harriet Amdursky, Shirley Berger, Judith Berlin, Gloria Caplan, Loretta Comess, Sonya Greenblatt, Loretta Josephson, Barbara Koonan, Ethel Raye Nesson, Arlene Novak, Elise Pekarsky, Ada Rubin, Marsha Saunders, Cynthia Slavink, Ina Spilka and Rivelle Swartz.

On Sunday, June 8th Ohef Sholom Temple was the scene of the confirmation of Jane Berlin, Joyce Bloom, Tamara Cooper, Andrew Fine, Robert Herman, Erica Reisner, Ronald Rosenthal, Gail Rubin, Lona Sherrick, Elisa Snyder, Barbara Tuckman and Allan Zeno.

Congratulations to—Rabbi and Mrs. Paul Reich on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Shulamith, and to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weiss, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Hurwitz and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Teck on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughters Mina, Terrill and Myrna at the United Orthodox Synagogue.

June graduates of Maury and Granby High School will soon enter college or the business world. Congratulations are in order for Howard Kesser, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Kesser, who was first honor graduate of Maury High School.

Best wishes to Fred Wasserman, Kenneth Barger, Stanley Gross and Herbert Ruben, who graduated from medical schools this month.

Personals—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frieden are the proud parents of a little girl, Nancy Heller Frieden and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schlitz welcomed David Mitchell Schlitz into the family fold on May 23rd.

Congratulations to Libby Legum on her engagement to Sidney Fox, to Paul Tavss on his recent engagement, and to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Schneider on the engagement of their daughter, Irma Jean, to Howard Popkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Popkin.

On June 8th Arlene Shay of Miami Beach, Florida, became Mrs. Jerry Stein and Cilda Klaff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Klaff became Mrs. Harvey Meltzer.

The Honorable Oscar L. Chapman, Secretary of the Interior, was guest speaker at the Bonds for Israel affair on Tuesday, June 24th at the Hague Club. Norfolk was proud to have such a distinguished person as its guest.

The United Jewish Fund campaign, under the direction of Morton J. Gaba, executive director of the Jewish Community Council, is surging ahead of the 1951 campaign through the efforts of Dave Krug and Arthur Cooper, Co-Chairmen—Men's Division, and Mrs. Saul Salzberg and Mrs. Mervin Cooper—Co-Chairmen, Women's Division.

WELCOME TO—Jay Stewart, consulting psychologist at the Little Creek Retraining Command, who has joined the staff of the Jewish Center as Armed Services Worker.

—Betty and Henry Zetlin and daughter, Barbara, on their return to Norfolk. Henry completed his tour of duty in Germany recently.

Charles L. Kaufman, lawyer and chairman of Norfolk's Redevelopment and Housing Authority, was guest speaker at the Sixth Annual luncheon meeting of the Jewish Family Service on Thursday, June 12th at the Hague Club. Louis B. Fine, local attorney, and president of the organization and Mrs. Susan Kramer, executive director reported on the year's activities.

I hope everyone has enjoyed this account of local activities of interest. See you again in the August issue.

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TEL AVIV—(WNS)—The Jewish Agency will repatriate twelve Hindu Jews who have been on hunger strike to force their return to India.

Previously the Agency decided not to return any immigrants, but it made an exception in this case in view of the serious condition of the hunger strikers, who are now in an immigration camp pending transfer to India.

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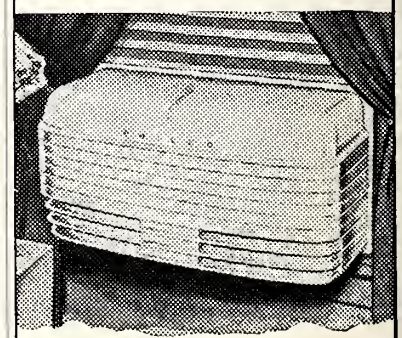
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# PORTSMOUTH, VA.

**By Irma Koff, Reporter**

Dear Lonzmen,

The weekend of May 24 will go down in the annals of Portsmouth's Jewish community as a truly "lost weekend." For it was on that Saturday that not only the Jewish community but the entire City of Portsmouth as well lost a beloved woman and generous soul in the untimely and tragic death of Julia Peck. Seriously injured in the head-on automobile accident were Julia's husband, William Peck, and her sister-in-law, Zelda Myer.

It is not the business of this correspondent to eulogize any member of the community because during the past year there have been many loved members of the community who have found eternal peace. However, Julia Peck needs no eulogy as her kind heart and good deeds spoke for her when she was here and will prove an inspiration to all now that she has gone.

To the entire Peck family, the most heartfelt and sincere sympathy of all is extended. We all fervently pray that Willie and Zelda will soon be well and that the family, all of whom have given the best that is in them to Portsmouth, will receive only the good fortune and happiness that they have so generously given to others.

Following the death of Mrs. Peck, all of the Jewish events scheduled before the summer vacation set in, were cancelled. These included annual G-Day for the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal; the installation of officers for the Portsmouth Chapter of Hadassah; and the awarding of prizes to the winners in the I Am An American Day contest, sponsored by B'nai B'rith Women of Portsmouth.

Now, turning to the lighter side of the news, our Mazel Tov's to Paul Bloom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bloom, and to Morris Blachman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Blachman, on their Bar Mitzvahs. Also congratulations to Mindy Chovitz and Ralph Richardson, who were married on June 8.

The United Jewish Appeal drive is still in progress and although a great deal of money was raised at the Women's Division luncheon and the Men's Division banquet, the quota is far from being filled. Remember that as a free people in a free country, it is your privilege to keep democracy alive in Israel. This can only be accomplished by your generous support of the UJA.

The Women's Division of the UJA heard an inspired talk by Mrs. Jacob Kesselman of New Jersey. She is by far one of the finest speakers we have ever heard.

Senator Blair Moody of Michigan addressed the Men's Division.

One of the biggest thrills for the community was the selection of Mrs. S. A. Levin as Woman of the Year for 1951. Mrs. Levin was accorded this honor by all of the leading women's organizations in Portsmouth. The annual award is sponsored by B'nai B'rith Women of Portsmouth.

Mrs. Levin was honored at an impressive affair at the Suburban Country Club when a large cross-section of Portsmouth's population turned out.

The principal speaker of the evening was Rabbi Maurice Schwartz of Gomley Chesed Synagogue. Also appearing on the program was Mrs. Moe H. Glazer, chairman of the project; Mrs. Louis Sher, co-chairman, Mrs. Arthur Siegel, president; Mrs. Charles F. Weinberg; Mrs. Roderick Triplett, winner for 1949; Mrs. William B. Spong, Sr., winner for 1950; Miss Audrey Le Doler, Mrs. J. D. Sellers, and Rev. L. Joseph Baran, of St. Paul's Catholic Church.

The American-Christian Palestine Committee has selected Mrs. William B. Spong, Sr., outstanding Portsmouth Christian woman, as their Portsmouth representative on a tour of Israel, Egypt, and Jordan this June. The committee could not have made a finer choice.

Also going to Israel this summer is Mrs. Belle B. Goodman and her three daughters, Zelma Rivin, Helen Hurst, and Elsie Levitan. Bon voyage!

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**Ben Touster, of New York City, a leader in philanthropic and communal activities, has been elected to succeed Samuel A. Telsey as National President of HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society.**


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# NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

**Mrs. David Zwerdling, Correspondent**

**A portrait of Theodore Beskin, president of the Newport News, Va., Jewish Community Council, which was painted by Irving Goldstein and presented to Mr. Beskin on the occasion of his fiftieth birthday.**

Six weeks of fun and frolic is in store for the youngsters of the Newport News Jewish Community Center at Camp Kadima Day Camp. All boys and girls from 5-14 years of age are eligible for camp. A full rounded program is planned under the able leadership of the counselors and directors of the camp. The counselors are carefully chosen for their experience, character and ability to work and play with young people. A counselor training institute course is given to all counselors before camp starts.

Some of the activities at camp are: swimming, swimming instruction, art and crafts, photography, boating, movies, music, stamp collecting, dramatics, hiking, songfests, baseball and athletic games, trips to farms and sites of interest.

Weekly religious services are conducted by the children.

A transportation system whereby buses will take campers directly to camp at 9 o'clock each morning and return at 5 in the afternoon.

Mrs. Julius Weinstein, will serve as chairman of the 1952 Day Camp Committee. She has been very active with young people during the past few years and has established an outstanding record for herself in youth work.

The camp season started June 16 and ends July 25.

Arrangements are now being made by the Jewish Community Center for a meeting of all presidents and program chairmen of the Jewish organizations to meet July 17. These groups will decide upon a community calendar for 1952-53. It was announced that the Grand Club, Golden Acres of the Jewish Community Center will sponsor a series of four Yiddish films which will include:

October 23, 1952, The Dybbuk; November 25, 1952, A People Eternal; December 17, 1952, God, Man and Devil; January 26, 1953, Birele Efros.

# Richmond, Va.

## B & P HADASSAH

**By Miss Esther Silver**

At the open board meeting of the Richmond Business and Professional Group of Hadassah held at the home of the President, Mrs. Max Laster, there were 30 members present. All Chairmen gave their written reports for the 1951-52 year. Mrs. Max Laster, Miss Helen Snukals, who is President of the Seaboard Regional B&P Groups as well as a member of the Richmond B&P Group, and Mrs. Hyman Osmalov of Richmond Senior Chapter, attended the Seaboard Regional Hadassah Conference in Baltimore on May 18-20th; they gave a brief but most interesting report on the many workshops, etc.

The installation ceremony was held on Sunday, June 1st, 3:00 P.M., at the Byrd Park Round House. Mrs. Ben Kafka, the new Senior Hadassah representative to B&P installed the following officers for the term 1952-53: President, Mrs. Max Laster; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Arthur Kavit; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Milton Rubin; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Sey-


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nour Mandlawitz; Recording Secre- ary, Miss Lily Laster; Treasurer, Miss Jane Glick; Financial Secretary, Miss Edith Cohen; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Sylvia Gordon; Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Miss Sadye Gary, and Historian, Miss Esther Silver.

A skit entitled "Shalom, Deena" was participated in by the following children: Caroline Friedenberg, Eva Goldstein, Leonard and Myra Greenspoon, Dick, Sissy and Paul Laster, Bobbie Shapiro, Carol and Leona Silver. Miss Fannie Passamaneck was the pianist, and the play was under the direction of Mrs. Al Greenspoon. There was also a musical interlule by Mrs. Frank Friedenberg.

A cultural meeting held on Wednesday, June 11th, at 8:00 P.M., in the garden of Miss Esther Silver's home, 4220 Kingcrest Parkway; B&P members and their friends attended. Mr. Theodore Freeman of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League was the speaker.

The cultural meetings are to continue during the summer months and anyone wishing to attend may contact Mrs. Milton Rubin, Educational Chairman, 88-1693, as to time, place and subject; also, watch for announcements in the local newspaper.

## National Jewish Welfare Board

**By Mrs. G. F. Ezekiel**

Seven Jewish women's organizations of this city received citations from the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board in honor of the Division's tenth anniversary of service to the armed forces and hospitalized veterans. Mrs. Gustavus F. Ezekiel, chairman of the Richmond VAVS Committee, awarded the representatives of local organizations the citations at a presentation meeting held at the Jewish Center on Tuesday, June 3rd at 7:30 P.M. 25 women who participated in the hospital and camp service program received individual citations at the time. Through their volunteer activities, recreational and morale-building service have been rendered to the Veteran's Administration hospital here and shipments have also been sent to places abroad which the local committees have adopted.

Those receiving citations were representatives of the Richmond Section of the Council of Jewish Women, The Sisterhoods of Temple Beth El, Temple Beth Israel, Temple Beth Ahabah, Temple Beth Sholom, Israel Hadassah, and the Center's Youth Groups.

Mrs. Ezekiel thanked the women who served so whole-heartedly, and gave so freely and willingly of their time and energy, and emphasized the value and deep significance of the awards.

### LIBERAL GERMAN STUDENTS COMBAT ANTI-SEMITISM

HEIDELBERG—(WNS)—A resolution denouncing the propagation of anti-Semitism by neo-Nazi student bodies in German Universities was adopted here at a conference of the Liberal Students Union.


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**By Geraldine K. Brumberg**

**TEMPLE EMANUEL**

At the annual congregational meeting, held at the Temple on May 22nd, the following were elected as congregational officers: Dr. Leo Platt, President; H. D. Weinstein, Vice-President; Dr. Julien Meyer, Secretary; G. J. Walpert, Treasurer; Rabbi Morris W. Graff, Music; Calvin Bachrach, Cemetery; Nat Fink, Usher; Walter Loebl, Membership; H. Dan Moss, House; Abe Weiner, Sunday School; Jake Weinstein, Finance.

Nat Spigel, our past president, will serve on the Board in an advisory capacity.

The following were elected as the new officers of our Brotherhood at the last meeting: Fred Bulbin, President; Robert Loebl, Vice-Presient, William Singlust, Secretary-Treasurer.

Our heartiest congratulations to these gentlemen. May the Brotherhood enjoy a successful year under their guidance.

A speedy recovery to Mr. Lake Rosenberg, confined at the Memorial and Crippled Children's Hospital.

Mazel Tov to: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur (Caryl) Solomon, proud parents of Peggy Ann, born June 1st.

Mrs. Harry Schwartz of Chicago, spent two weeks visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Gloria Schwartz.

**BETH ISRAEL**

Mazel Tov to Mrs. Rose Honeyman on the birth of a grandson recently. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Honeyman of Philadelphia, Pa. are the parents. Mazel Tov to Morton, the Uncle!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marcus whose daughter, Ann, was confirmed recently at the Emanuel Congregation

**Congratulations to:**

Mr. Morton Bachrach, who graduated from Law School in Washington, D. C.

Miss Nancy Fink and Miss Lois Abram, high school graduates.

Mr. Benno Forman, who graduated from Washington and Lee University.

Miss Anne Marcus, Mr. Robert Nolon, Mr. Curtis Rosembaum, and Mr. Arnold Schlossberg, Jr., confirmands.

Gordon Shapiro, for his perfect attendance record in Sunday School this year.

Betty Joan Falkenstein, recipient of the B'nai B'rith award for diligence in Sunday School Work.

Under the auspices of the National Jewish Chautauqua Society, Rabbi Wallach recently addressed the student bodies at Averett College, Danville, Va., and Sullins College, Bristol, Virginia.

## Lynchburg, Va.

**Gishy Aronson, Correspondent**

Now that summer is here we move out of doors along with open air concerts and straw-hat theatricals, which reminds me to tell you that Lynchburg's own Berle Weinstein is spending the season lending his artistic talents to scene painting with a Northern Stock Company . . . This past month's calendar was dotted with organization activities and graduation exercises. From the graduating class of E. C. Glass High School emerged Marian Bletz and Judith Kasler. Donald Bletz after graduating from the Medical College of Virginia in Pharmacy will be associated with his dad in business . . . Attended the closing of Religious School at the synagogue and listened closely to a talk by Rabbi Tennenbaum . . . Greatly appreciated my check for teaching Sunday School but missed the beaming faces of my cute class . . . Glad to hear that Marian Somers got her heart's desire in the arrival of a baby girl to dress all ruffle and frilly . . . Spoke to Faye Adler, who recently returned from her sister, Lillian's wedding—there was a romance to talk about! Really danced myself silly at the B'nai B'rith Installation of Officers Dance and Dinner. After doing the Charleston and the Mexican Hat Dance, the only thing missing was a good Yiddish Kosotsky. The luxurious buffet dinner was delicious . . . Met Bert Scheel walking on Main Street and listened to his new comic philosophy of taking it easy. Bert and Zelda Ross were awarded a couple of champagne bottles as a prize for their witticisms in a game played during the Advertising Clubs Dance at the Boonsboro Country Club . . . I enjoyed the warm response received at the Junior Woman's Club as I presented a program of reading for their final meeting of the season. Among the group of proud new members I spotted Rosel Schewel clad in a sailor beret . . . Hoping that all the unfortunate people who were ill are now recovered—Mrs. M. Cooper Selma Navis, Joan Demsky and Hyman Alper . . .

Finding it too warm to write much more, I'll wait and gather up some choice bits of news for you next time when I can sip on a glass of iced tea and concentrate on you.

## Portsmouth, Va.

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At Hadassah's Seaboard Regional conference, Mrs. Sydney J. Pilzer was again elected a member of the executive board and Mrs. Hilary January of Suffolk, was re-elected for her third term. Congratulations to you both.

As we go to press, summer is officially here. The pool at the Suburban Country Club is now open.

Although activities in the organizations will be curtailed for the summer, we will bring you the news during that time.

That's 30 for now.

Your friend,
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# N. C. Jewish Organizations Hold Annual Convention

## Rabbi Abraham E. Milgram Addresses Winston-Salem Meeting--Groups Elect Officers

HARRY GANDERSON

The Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem, was the scene of the annual convention of the North Carolina Association of Jewish Women, Men, Rabbis and Youth on May 25th, and at the conclusion the delegates from throughout the state agreed that it was a most interesting and successful event. Dr. Abraham E. Milgram, of New York City, educational director of the United Synagogues of America, led a panel discussion on "Jewish Religious Education in North Carolina."

Dr. Nell Hirchberg of Raleigh was re-elected president of the North

RABBI ABRAHAM E. MILGRAM

Carolina Association of Jewish Women. Harry Ganderson of Greensboro was elected president of the North Carolina Association of Jewish Men. Rabbi Aaron Tofield of Charlotte was named president of the North Carolina Association of Rabbis and Jerry Jacobs of High Point was elected president of the North Carolina Association of Jewish Youth.

Other officers named were:

Jewish Women—Mrs. Irving Margolis of Williamston, first vice-president; Mrs. E. A. Schwartz of Winston-Salem, second vice-president; Mrs. Ira Julian of Winston-Salem, recording secretary; Miss Corrine Rosenthal of Raleigh, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Harry Ganderson of Greensboro, treasurer; Mrs. Simcha Kling of Greensboro, auditor.

Jewish Men—E. R. Ackerman of Wallace, Eastern vice-president; I. D. Blumenthal of Charlotte, Western vice-president; A. F. Klein of Greensboro, secretary-treasurer; Jack Salz and Charles Pearl of Greensboro, Eli Katzin and Ira Julian of Winston-Salem and Ernest Neiman of Raleigh, advisory board.

Rabbis—Rabbi William Gold of High Point, vice-president; Rabbi Simcha Kling of Greensboro, secretary-treasurer.

Jewish Youth — Bob Gold of Greensboro, vice-president; Gerald Waitman of Fayetteville, secretary; Paul Fine of High Point, treasurer; Freddie Katzin of Winston-Salem, sergeant-at-arms; Barbara Herman of Winston-Salem, assistant sergeant-at-arms; Connie Bernstein of Charlotte, parliamentarian.

Speaking at the joint banquet Dr. Milgram declared that a firm Jewish education provides one with a philosophy of being a Jew.

I'm a salesman for Jewish education," the educational director of the United Synagogue of America said. "I believe that it is important for the emotional health of your child to have an intensive Jewish education. It develops in the child a sense of belonging to a group, the Jewish group."

The neurotic Jew fighting anti-semitism all his life, the speaker continued, never feels fully at home in America.

"He is the kind that calls others Ghetto Jews," Dr. Milgram said. "He is never accepted fully by Gentiles or by Jews and because of that he never is able to mingle happily with both groups."

Dr. Milgram quoted several prominent psychologists as saying that the most important thing Jewish parents can do for the happiness of their children is to give them full Jewish education.

"It is not enough," he said, "to see to it that our children grow up healthy in mind and body. We must see to it that they grow up emotionally healthy."

Jewish education for youths falls into three areas, he said.

1. The pre-school period, in which the young child is provided with happy associations with Jewish living in the home and kindergarten.

2. Early school age, in which the child should attend Jewish school for at least six hours a week and participate in Jewish camping.

3. Early adolescent years, in which the youths should be tied actively into the Jewish community.

Miss Gertrude Weil of Goldsboro, retiring vice-president of the woman's group, presided at the banquet.

JERRY JACOBS

Rabbi Erwin Herman of Winston-Salem offered greetings.

Special music was provided by the choir of Temple Emanuel, with Mrs. Jo Fisher and Allen Stanley as guest soloists. Miss Virginia Lowrence was accompanist.

The panel discussion on the question of providing solid Jewish education for Jewish youth was held during a joint luncheon.

During the discussion, led by Dr. Milgram, several rabbis stressed the importance of giving Jewish children a chance to decide for themselves. They should be trained in Judaism, the rabbis said, and later could set aside that training if they so wished.

Jewish education for youth is also needed to reach parents who have lost sight of the values of true Judaism, several rabbis said.

Taking part in the discussion were Rabbi Tofield, Rabbi Fred I. Rypins of Greensboro, Rabbi Kling and Rabbi William Gold of High Point.

Dr. Milgram, author of two Jewish historical works, "An Anthology of Medieval Hebrew Literature," and "Sabbath—The Day of Delight," is a widely knon Jewish leader. He was rabbi at Temple Beth Israel, Philadelphia, from 1930 to 1940, and director of the Hillel Foundation at the University of Minnesota from 1940 to 1945.

He receive his Ph.D at Philadelphia's Dropsie College.

### TWO GREENSBORO GIRLS NAMED OFFICERS OF B.B.G.

Miss Margie Goldman of Greensboro was elected president and Miss Bess Bach of Greensboro was elected secretary of B'nai B'rith Girls of District 5 at a joint B'nai B'rith youth organization convention in Hendersonville on June 20th. Over 200 young people participated in the convention. District 5 includes Maryland, the District of Columbia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Florida.

## Brandeis University Has First Commencement

Brandeis University graduated its first class on June 16th, bestowing degrees on 101 young men and women who started with the institution four years ago.

Dr. Abraham L. Sachar, president of the university, announced it would inaugurate a program of graduate studies in 1953.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, a Brandeis trustee, delivered the commencement address.

Gov. Paul A. Dever of Massachusetts, another commencement speaker, hailed the university for its accomplishments and for perpetuating the name of "one of our state's most illustrious sons"—the late Justice Louis D. Brandeis.

# NEWS *of the* CAROLINAS

## Around Greensboro

**By Geri LeBrun**

Miss Lora Mayer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Mayer, was married on June 8th to Pfc. Irving Samuel Silver, Air Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip A. Silver of High Point. Rabbi Fred I. Rypins of Temple Emanuel officiated at Starmount Forest Country Club, assisted by Rabbi William Gold of High Point.

The Mayers, who moved here about a year ago from Wilmington, Del., entertained at cocktails and dinner at the club afterward.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and had the bridegroom's sister-in-law, Mrs. Norman H. Silver of High Point, for only attendant. The bridegroom had his brother for best man. Lutz Mayer, the bride's brother, ushered with Norman Schwartz, and the bridegroom's cousins, Edward and Donald Silver all of High Point.

After a wedding trip through the Southeastern states the couple will live at Route 2, Biloxi, Miss., near where the bridegroom is stationed at Keesler Air Force Base.

Mrs. Silver was graduated from Goldey Business College in Wilmington, Del., and this past year was a Freshman at Woman's College. A mezzo-soprano, she has done work also in the field of music. Private Silver attended the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he became a member of Tau Epsilon Phi honorary music fraternity, and was president of the glee clubs. He received a bachelor of arts degree in voice from New York University, where he was a member of the collegiate chorale.

The new officers of the Hillel Foundation at Woman's College are: President, Joan Rosen; Vice President, Anne Borrow; Secretary, Joan Bierman; Treasurer, Dianne Berg; Interfaith Representatives, Millicent Cooley (elected for one year) and Zora Daniel (elected for two years).

MRS. IRVING SILVER

New officers of the Religious School (Temple Emanuel) Students' Council are as follows: President, Jerry Farber; Vice President, Karl Rosenberg; Treasurer, Jane Markowitz; and Secretary, Dianne Schwartz.

**Stork Reports**

Welcome and best of luck to these new little Greensburgers: **Howard Jacob Stang**, born June 1st to the David Stangs. **Steven Paul Goldfarb**, born May 15th to the Leo Goldfarbs. **Barbara Elaine Freiberg**, born May 12th to the Curt Freibergs. **Freddy Howard Robinson**, born June 12th, to the Bernard Robinsons.

**Arrivals and Departures**

Faye Silver has returned home for the summer from the University of Miami. Back again in the fall to start her senior year.

The Charles Pearls journeyed to Miami to see daughter Betty graduate from the University of Miami.

The Alan Kahns of Philadelphia, son-in-law and daughter of the Walter J. Bernsteins, left daughter Emily in the capable hands of the Bernsteins and took off by plane June 11th for a wonderful two weeks in San Francisco and the West Coast.

Mrs. Brooks, Dot Solomon's mom from Warsaw, N. C., gave little Paula her all for a week or so the early part of June.

Irv and Margie Camras entertained Irv's mother from New York. We'll bet the Camras kids had plenty of attention from Mrs. Levy during her stay. Nothing like a Grandma, is there?

Shirley Bernstein and Paulie Scher had as a visitor their sister from Wilmington, Horty (Mrs. Ken Alpert).

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## GASTONIA, N. C.

Newly elected officers of Emanuel Congregation are: President, Leon Schneider; Vice President, Herbert Girard; Treasurer, Sidney Cohen; Secretary, Harry Binder.

Additional Board Members: Mike Berlin, Max Planer, Mike Planer, M. A. Rauch, Jack Witten.

Board of Trustees: Jules Witten, Chairman; the Officers: Robert Gurney and Abe Slutsky.

Representing Jewish Welfare Federation: Alvin Witten and Mrs. Herbert Girard.

Sisterhood-Hadassah Officers are: President, Mrs. Herbert Girard; Vice President, Mrs. Marshall Rauch; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mike Planer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Saul Mandel; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Binder.

The Donor Luncheon was held June 2, at the Amity Club, Charlotte.

A motion was passed that persons or organizations using the Temple Vestry for functions shall reimburse the House Chairman to defray cleaning expenses.

It was also voted that dishes are not to be removed from the Temple. Motion was passed that all purchases for kitchen are to be made through the House Chairman.

President Rose Cohen reported that telegrams were sent to our Representative in Congress and to Senator Hoey urging them to vote for authorization of the amount originally allocated in the President's proposed budget for the Near East Point Four Program; any cuts in the appropriation would seriously affect the future of the State of Israel.

Motion was passed to pay the sum of $200 to the Temple.

Mrs. Maurice Honigman was the speaker at the Georgia Federation of Music Clubs, Convention held in Athens, Ga.

## Greensboro, N. C.

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Horty and Shirley look so much alike it's positively amazing. She brought the kids along, and I'll bet things were pretty lively over there on Ingleside Drive with Shirley's three, Paulie's three and the little duo from Wilmington.

The Lee Kays and adorable Ellen spent ten days in New York and Pennsylvania visiting assorted relatives and taking a well-earned respite from socks and students. Incidentally, Fran and Helen Levin are making a whopping success of their Fine Arts kindergarten. Reports are that shy kids are becoming aggressive, and aggressive kids are becoming civilized under the expert guidance of the two teachers.

Barbara and Harvey Colchamiro had the pleasure of a visit from Barbara's mother, Mrs. M. Paley, who visited for about two weeks. Also visiting at the same time was Harvey's mother, Mrs. Fanny Colchamiro. It's fun to have company, but don't we hate to have them leave?

Speaking of leaving, I am about to pay my mama a visit in New York for two weeks. If anything important happens while I'm away—save it. I'll be needing it for next month's column!

### JAMES G. McDONALD ADDRESSES TRI-CITY BOND MEETING

Over 200 persons attended the kick-off dinner of the 1952 Bond of Israel campaign in the Greensboro, High Point and Winston-Salem area, and heard James G. McDonald, the United States' first ambassador to Israel, outline what the bond money is being used for in the still infant nation.

A total of $101,500 worth of bond were sold at the dinner.

McDonald, principal speaker for the dinner told the audience that his last mission to Israel was "to see what had been happening to the bond dollars."

He spoke of the industries in the different parts of the country and of the country's agriculture, and praised the progress that had been made with the results of the bond drive.

McDonald was introduced by Herbert Falk of Greensboro, who, speaking from the floor, turned the tables and said, "I do not think it necessary to introduce the speaker to the audience, but rather to introduce the audience to the speaker." When he arose, McDonald received a standing ovation from the audience.

Robert J. Gurney, Gastonia industrialist and state chairman of the State of Israel Bond drive, spoke before McDonald. He spoke of a visit he made to Israel two years ago,


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called the spirit of the people, and the courage with which they faced their problems "amazing."

Mr. Gurney, who was introduced by Rabbi William Gold of High Point, said the present bond drive developed because although the "United Jewish Appeal played a great part in Israels growth, and the aid of the American people played a great part," they were "not enough."

Boyd Morris, mayor pro tem, read a statement welcoming McDonald to Greensboro and lauding Israel for its growth since it has been a nation. He was introduced by Charles Pearl, chairman of the special sales committee. A reception to Mr. McDonald was held at Mr. Pearl's residence in the afternoon.

On the rostrum with Mr. McDonald were: Rabbi Simcha Kling of Temple Beth David, Rabbi Gold, Everett Goldstein of Chicago, Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl, Mr. and Mrs. Gurney, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shavitz, chairman of the High Point committee, Miss Gertrude Weil of Goldsboro, Robert Wolman, Raleigh chairman, Rabbi and Mrs. Fred Rypins of Temple Emanuel, and Dr. and Mrs. Franklin H. McNutt.

Beth David Synagogue Rabbi Simcha Kling attended the 52nd annual convention of The Rabbinical Assembly of America, held at the Park Synagogue, Cleveland, Ohio, from June 23-26th. He was an active participant in the four-day proceedings which were devoted in large part to a consideration of the general theme, "The Unity of the Jewish People." Members attending heard reports on the work of the Rabbinical Assembly during the past year in such areas as providing chaplains for the U. S. Armed Forces, the placement of rabbis, social actions, and Israel and Zionism.

Mrs. Marie Sabel was a recent visitor to Greensboro, staying with her sister, Mrs. David Bernstein, and renewing contacts with her many friends here. Following several weeks in New York, Mrs. Sabel will spend the remainder of the summer with another sister, Mrs. Joe Kahn, of Conway, S. C. at her cottage in Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Max Klein and his associates at Klimate-Pruf Paint Co. were hosts to customers and friends at the formal opening of their new plant on the afternoon of June 21. Those of us who remember the humble beginnings of this enterprise marvelled at the fine, new structure at Sycamore and Clinton Streets, and the congratulations that poured in from all sides were indeed well merited.

Barry Farber of Greensboro and Erwin Goldman of Burlington started out on June 20th on a trip that will take them to various European places and they will wind up in Helsinki, where Barry will report the Olympic games for the Greensboro News-Record.

## Charlotte, N. C.

The Annual meeting of Temple Israel elected Mr. Morris Speizman, President, and the following other officers: Dr. Albert A. Kossove, 1st Vice-Pres.; Dr. J. B. Freedland, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Mr. Jerome Joffe, Secretary; Mr. Sol S. Fligel, Treasurer.

Elected to the Board for three year terms are: Mr. H. L. Schwartz, Mr. Ben Jaffa, Mr. Hyman Polk, Mr. Fred Stern and Mr. Edward Greene. Other members of the Board, serving unexpired terms are: Messrs. I. Ashendorf, Ellis Berlin, I. C. Kurtz, Sol Levine, Aaron Orenstein, Herman Rosenstein, Walter Shapiro, M. J. Siegal, Alfred E. Smith, Theodore Valenstein. Dr. Philip Naumoff, outgoing President, is an ex-officio member.

Dr. Philip Naumoff was chosen to head the Charlotte Friends of the Seminary at a meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Speizman. Mr. Spiezman will head the State effort on behalf of the Seminary. Dr. Max Routtenberg, Executive Vice-President of the Seminary, addressed the group, and he and Mr. Speizman visited neighboring communities.

Arthur Goodman, one of the past presidents of Temple Israel, won the Democratic Nomination for the office of Member of the State House of Representatives.

The following were confirmed at the Shervith Services held at Temple Israel: Ann Sandra Goodman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Goodman; Oren Reid Manning, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Manning; Elliott Murnick Schwartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Schwartz; Morris Benjamin Sinkoe, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Sinkoe; Myrna Beverly Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Smith.

Rabbi Hershfield installed the following new officers of Temple Beth El: President, Herman Blumenthal; 1st Vice President, Bert Raff; 2nd Vice President, A. I. Melasky; Secretary, Walter J. Klein; Treasurer, Paul Stewart.

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## HICKORY, N. C.

**Phil Datnoff, Reporter**

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Eddelman recently celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary with a dinner party at the local Moose Lodge. Mazeltov and may you celebrate many more.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Katz have returned to their home in Morganton after having spent the winter months in Miami Beach.

Congratulations to the following on their recent graduation from high school and college:

To Barbara Carolyn Cheslock upon graduation from Morganton High School. Barbara was co-salutatorian at class day exercises.

To Manuel Cohen and Teddy Kramer on their graduation from Hickory High School. Teddy was one of the student commencement speakers who gave a talk on "What Should I Do Now?"

To Harry Lerner and Irving Cohen of Lincolnton on their graduation from University of North Carolina.

Howard Zerden and Julius Cohen have returned home from their respective colleges to spend the summer. Howard will attend Lenoir Rhyne College during their summer semesters.

Mrs. Max Lerner and son Jack Ivan of Taylorsville are spending a few weeks in New York visiting her mother, Mrs. B. Marcus and family.

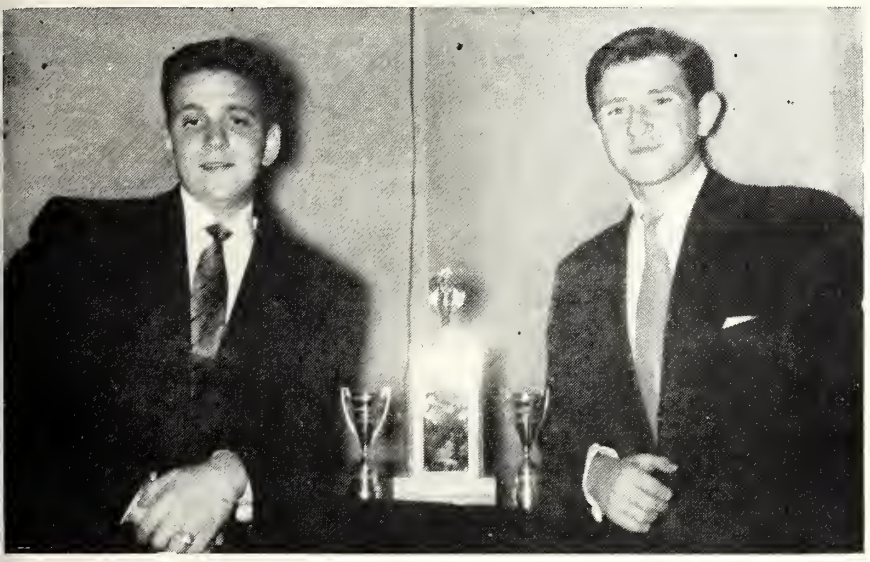
Mr. Fred Stern of Charlotte was the guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Glenn Zerden B'nai B'rith Lodge. A delightful travellogue on his trip to Israel of last summer was given. A report on the highlights of the District Convention held at Baltimore was given by Phil Datnoff, one of the delegates of the convention.

Mrs. Lillian Danis and daughter, Adrienne Jay of Baltimore, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Cheslock, visited in Morganton where they attended the graduation exercises of their niece and granddaughter, Barbara Cheslock.

Best wishes to the Hershfelds who are moving to Danville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ullman of New York City visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Kramer and family recently.

## CHAPEL HILL, N. C.



**William Zuckerman and Al Levine with their trophies**

Awards were presented at the Debate Council's annual banquet at the Carolina Inn.

Dr. Norman W. Mattis, council adviser, gave awards to Tau Epsilon Fraternity as the best team in the recent Intramural Debate Tournament; William Zuckerman and Al Levine received trophies for members of the best team.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MRS. HAROLD WEISER

Miss Annette Leberman of Durham, and Ensign Harold Weiser of Savannah, Ga., were united in marriage in an impressive ceremony at Beth-El Synagogue on June 15th. Officiating were Rabbis Ch. Williamowsky, Pesach Krauss and Eliezer Rabinowitz.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lieberman of this city. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Weiser, of Savannah, Ga. He is stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and had Miss Estelle Rose as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were: Mrs. Robert Gorden, Savannah, Ga., Mrs. Leon Smithberg, Savannah, Ga., Miss Marcia Aarons, Hazelhurst, Ga., Miss Joan Ruden, Atlanta, Ga., Miss Jane Glick, Richmond, Va., and Miss Dorothy Browdy, Richmond, Va.

The groom had his father as his best man and his groomsmen were: Messrs Robert Gorden, Leon Smithberg, Alvin Cranman, Gerald Pollock, Rupert Heller, Bernie Lennox, all of Savannah.

Ushers were: Messrs Marshall Platt, Elliot Rose, Roger Meddin, Erwin Coyner, David Lieberman.

A reception and dinner were given by the parents of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of Durham

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David Fuchs is now a member of the "let me tell you about my operation" club. It all happened when, the doctor said: "diagnosis, appendectomy." . . . The Sidney Kanters attended the debutant ball in Greensboro where their daughter Jean made her debut . . . Mrs. Morris Heilig is with her mother in Baltimore where she was called by her mother's illness . . . Visiting the David Fuchs', Mrs. B. Bernstein . . . members of the Confirmation choir are: Mrs. A. L. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fleisher, Mrs. David Freedman, Mrs. Max Chused, Mr. Murray Glanstein and Mr. Emanuel Traub. Mr. Fleisher is also organist.

## Durham, N. C.

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High School and holds a BBA Degree from the University of Georgia. The groom is a graduate of Benedictine Military School and has a BBA Degree from the University of Georgia.

At Hadassah's last Board meeting of the year, at which old and new board members were present, Mrs. Max Swartz, chairman of the Medical Center, reported that elaborate plans are in the making for the Medical Center Buffet Supper which will be held this month.

Every member or guest who purchases a gift certificate of the building fund for the new Hadassah University Medical Center in Jerusalem will be eligible to attend the swimming party and buffet supper which will be held at the home of Mayor and Mrs. E. J. Evans. Mrs. Evans has promised to "import some special delicacies" for this occasion.

Mrs. Melvin Gladstein, president, and Mrs. Sam Freedman gave a report of the Seaboard Convention that they had attended in Baltimore.

A special highlight of the Board Meeting was the presentation of the first gift certificate for the Medical Center to Mrs. B. Grodsky, retiring president. Mrs. E. J. Evans, honorary presient of our local chapter made the presentation.

A series of membership teas are being planned by Hadassah during the summer months for the orientation of new members. A fashion show of old bathing suits and a swimming party is on the agenda. Mrs. Joe Hockfield and Mrs. I. Zelon are membership chairmen.

The Mizrachi Women held their last meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Joe Robbins. Plans were made for the annual weiner roast which was held Wednesday evening, June 18th, at the home of Mrs. S. H. Dworsky.

Mrs. Robbins, the president, gave her annual report and stated that the year's activities have been unusually successful. Among the affairs given throughout the year were: Business Mens' luncheons; a linen shower; Mo's Chitim and Youth Aliyah fund raising.

At the annual Sisterhood May Revelation Luncheon six members were bid good-bye. They were: Mrs. P. Krauss, Mrs. B. Kaminetzsky, Mrs. L. Herman, Mrs. L. Rosenbloom, Mrs. Sam Margolis and Mrs. Mose Fogel.

Also, at that time, the members voted for the woman of the year, the result of this voting will be announced at the Congregation Installation Banquet in the Fall.

An excellent Education Report of the Hebrew Religious School was given by Mrs. Mitchell Bergman. Education Co-chairman; final reports were also given by various committee members.

Each member then revealed her Sisterhood Sister and received a new one for the coming year.

Sisterhood is planning a community card party during the summer.

The Nathan Rosenstein B'nai B'rith Lodge had quite a delegation at the Baltimore Convention. The following members attended: Mr. Leon Moel. Mr. Abe Greenberg, Mr. Chas. Wilson, Mr. Ezra Eisenberg and Mr. J. Zuckerman, president of the lodge.

Mr. Moel served as Chairman of the N. C. Delegation and also on the credentials committee, as well as on the A. D. L. Committee. Leon is the son-in-law of the late Nathan Rosenstein, for whom the Lodge is named. He did an excellent job as House Chairman of the Hillel House and is now busy furnishing it.

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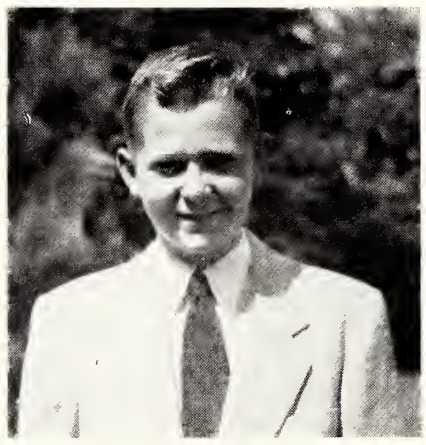
Every Tuesay night is Bingo Night —the Lodge is open every night and everyone is welcome to play, watch television and meet his friends.

Plans are in the making for a large Monte Carlo to be given by the B'nai B'rith shortly.

For the summer months, cultural programs are being planned, also Jewish movies and lectures.



HARVEY PECK

Harvey Peck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Peck, was the recipient of the following awards:

Highest scholarship of graduating class from Junior High School—9th grade. Was valedictorian of his class.

Medal for outstanding work in Latin.

Medal for outstanding work in the high school band. He also received a band letter for two years work done in the High School Band.

Harvey received recommendation for a three year scholarship to the Hill School in Pottstown, Pa.

Last year Harvey served as president of the Beth-El Junior Congregation and has received awards for outstanding work in the religious school.

The closing exercises of the Beth-El Synagogue Religious School were held May 25th. Rabbi Pesach Krauss is principal of the Beth-El Religious School. The opening prayer was given by Harvey Peck, President Jr. Congregation. Greetings were given by the following: Mayor E. J. Evans, Pres. Synagogue; Mrs. Mitchell Bergman, vice-chairman of Education; Mrs. A. Greenberg, Pres. Sisterhood and Mr. H. R. Bergman, co-chairman for the coming year. "Hevenu Shalom Aleichem" was beautifully sung by the children of the Religious School, which was followed by the Keren Ami Presentation.

Betsey Meyer, Sonny Evans and Jean Rancer then sang: "Ma L'cha Hayam" and "L'cha Ezbach."

A gift was then presented to Mr. Sam Margolis, superintendent of the Religious School, who is moving to Wilmington. Sam had served faithfully in various capacities in the Religious School and he will be greatly missed by the community.

Gifts and prizes were then awarded to many children in the various classes. The teachers, as well as Rabbi Krauss, were presented gifts by the Sisterhood. Rabbi Krauss was also

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presented a gift from the congregation. The Nachamson Cup was awarded to Betsey Meyers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Meyers. This cup is given annually by Mrs. E. J. Evans, to the child in the Religious school for scholarship, initiative and service to the Jewish community.

The benediction was then given by Marcia Zeimer and the exercises were closed with the singing of Hatikva.

June 1st was the BIG DAY for the religious school children. They met at the synagogue and from there left for Pullen Park in Raleigh for a picnic. The children had such fun riding in the truck! Games, hobby horse rides, swimming, ice cream and candy were given to the children—all free. A good time was had by all.

Peter Grodsky, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Grodsky, was awarded the Camp Ramah Scholarship. This award was given to Peter for his efforts on behalf of Hebrew.

The Senior Young Judaen Club held their last meeting in the form of a swimming party and box supper at the home of Sonny Evans.

The Hannah Senesh Young Judaen Club held their last meeting at the home of Fabianne Wolfe. Two members, Ava Herman and Joan Rosenbloom were presented with gifts by the members. Ava and Joan are leaving town. Mrs. P. Krauss, the leader of the club was presented with a Palestinian plate by the members. Mrs. Krauss organized the club and has been a great inspiration to the girls.

Among those who attended the Rosenbacher-Tager wedding in Winston-Salem were: Mr. and Mrs. P. Tager, Mrs. M. Levy, Miss Sally Levy, Mr. and Mrs. I. Ornoff, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goldberg, Mrs. Lena Katz, Mrs. A. Rosenberg, Mrs. Edith Abelcop, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Margolis, Rabbi and Mrs. Pesach Krauss.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Levin, Cincinnati, Ohio, were guests in the city. Mr. Levin served as best man for his nephew, Mr. Henry C. Tager.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Moel and daughter, Natalie, attended the wedding of Bernard Dave, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dave, Cincinnati, Ohio, to Miss Roselyn Grand. The wedding and reception was held at the Elms Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lewins flew to Cincinnati to attend the Grand-Dave wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moel and son, Huntington, W. Va., are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Moel.

Lubah Freedman and Carol Bloomfield are leaving this month for Camp Tel Yehudah, Hendersonville, N. C.

Durham is proud of its youth! Bobby Evans, son of Mayor and Mrs. E. J. Evans, graduated from the University of N. C. and was the recipient of the Order of the Grail. Bob is now commissioned in the U. S. Navy.

Barry Fogel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mose Fogel, and Richard Rosenthal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rosenthal, graduated from Durham High School.

Beatrice Kaminetzky, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. B. Kaminetzky, received her B. A. in Pharmacy from

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the University of N. C. Bea will be married this month to Mr. S. Sussman, N. Y.

Annette Lieberman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lieberman, graduated from the University of Georgia with a BBA degree. Annette majored in insurance and real estate. She will be married this month to Mr. Hal Weiser.

Mrs. Ben Rose spent a few days with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Al Rose in Greensboro.

At the Regional Hadassah Convention, Baltimore, Mrs. Sam Freedman was elected a vice-president. Mrs. Freedman was also elected vice-president of the Parent-Teachers Association City Council.

Miss Marice Katz spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Lena Katz.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bloomfield attended a Bar Mitzvah in New Jersey.

Sonia and Zora Daniel and Melvin Gordon will attend Camp Blue Star in Hendersonville, N. C. Sonia and Zora will serve as councellors.

Mrs. B. Shapiro, Patterson, N. J., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rose.

## Spartanburg, S. C.

Hadassah elected the following officers to serve for the coming year: President, Mrs. William Price; Mrs. Abe Simon, 1st vice-president; Mrs. S. Wrubel, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Alan Silverman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Chas. Finke, Recording secretary; Mrs. S. Shapiro, treasurer. It was reported that Hadassah had spent $1200 on its activities during the past year.

Sisterhood B'nai Israel elected new officers to serve the next season: President, Mrs. Harry Smiley; Mrs. Jack Price, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Earl Yoffee, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. B. Gelburd, recording secretary; Mrs. Julian Spigel, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ben Abelkop, treasurer. The officers were installed by Rabbi Samuel Wrubel in a special ceremony during a luncheon meeting on May 14. The outgoing President, Mrs. Abe Smith, was presented with a silver tray in appreciation of her past services.

B'nai B'rith at their last meeting presented Rabbi Wrubel with a 21 jewel watch as going away gift to the rabbi who leaves in June for a month's visit to Israel . . . It was decided to abandon business meetings during the summer, but planned a family picnic at Paris Mt. State Park in Greenville.

Rabbi Samuel Wrubel addressed the Bethel Methodist Church during May on the theme of "Better Understanding." On May 22 he addressed the father and son banquet of the High School Key Club, and witnessed the installation of his son Israel, as president of the Key Club for the ensuing year. The Bar Mitzvah of Martin Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Price took place during the Shevouth holiday. Young Price conducted Friday evening services with a sermonette, and read the Haftorah on Saturday morning. A kiddush reception was held after the services Friday night and Saturday morning.

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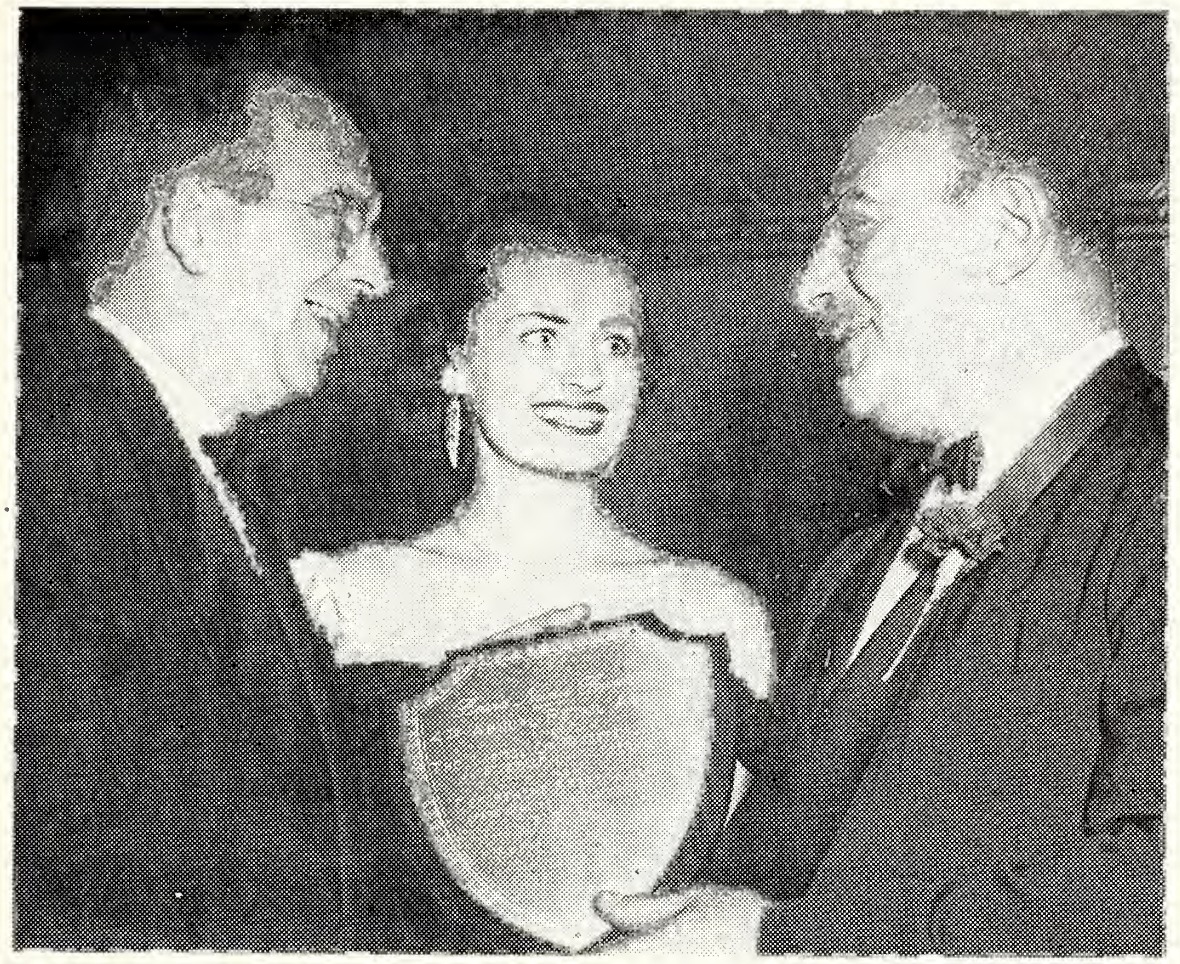
J. Bernard Stein, president of the Capitol Department Store, was named "Brand Retailer of the Year" and presented with a plaque commemorating the occasion, at ceremonies that took place at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York city on April 16th. The honor is a fine tribute to a successful merchant, and Mr. Stein has been the recipient of much congratulation on his achievement.

As an undergraduate at the University of North Carolina, Mr. Stein studied law as well as liberal arts, but spent his summers in mercantile training. When he left the campus in 1930, he took an orientation course in retail selling in Charlotte, N. C., then returned home for on-the-job training in his father's store—on the sales floor, in the credit office, and as a buyer. In 1936 he was admitted to a junior partnership and when his father retired from the active leadership of the store four years later, young Stein assumed its complete management.

With a progressive policy, he has directed expansion of the store—to 43,000 square feet and $2,000,000 annual volume last year.



**J. Bernard Stein receiving award as "Brand Names Retailer" from Henry Apt, president of the Brand Names Foundation.**

## Wilmington, N. C.

**Mrs. Justin Raphael, Reporter**

**Wedding**

Dressed in a beautiful imported Swiss organdy wedding gown, Miss Helen Rosenmann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Rosenmann, was married to George Hahn, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hahn, June 1st at the Hotel Delmonico in New York City. The bride's sister, Mrs. H. Englander of Cleveland, Ohio, was her only attendant. Dr. L. Schwartz of White Plains officiated.

Following the ensuing reception in the Colonnade Suite of the Hotel Delmonico, the happy couple left for a honeymoon in Bermuda. On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Hahn will reside at 545 West End Avenue, New York City.

**Personalities in the News**

Tuesday night, May 27, belonged to Maxine Schwartz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Schwartz. It was the night that Maxine, a three year student, graduated from New Hanover High School. It was the night that she recited her own composition, "Search for Truth" on her commencement program. But over and above these honors, it was the night that she won the Amy Bradley Medal for outstanding scholarship. Outstanding is a good word to describe Maxine's scholastic record of all A's and A-Pluses; but brilliant would be a better one.

Besides the Amy Bradley Medal, Maxine won the Lua Broyles, Le Grand Trophy for the highest average in Government and the Reader's Digest Award. Next year Maxine plans to continue her studies at Bryn Mawr.

Maxine, our pride in you is overwhelming!

"Life Around Wilmington," a weekly publication, chose Norma Berman for its cover girl for the May 15 issue. Norma is actively engaged in cub scout work, and she was named Den Mother of the Week by the magazine. She is the Den Mother of Den 9, Pack 33. Besides her scout work, Norma was president of the Sisterhood and recording secretary of the Haassah this year.

**The Thoughtful Gesture**

In the busy lives that most of us lead, it is often difficult to take time out for a thoughtful gesture. When someone does take the time, it certainly should be noted. That is why I am thanking Herbert Shain, formerly of Wilmington, now of Abbeville S. C., in this column instead of in a personal note for the wonderful letter that he sent me. Herbert wrote that he got a big kick out of reading about his former hometowners in my column. His letter was a synonym for the thoughtful gesture, and I greatly appreciated it!

**Around The Town**

Mrs. C. Finklestein planned a delightful Spring Luncheon for the Hadassah. She and her committee, Mrs. J. D'Lugin, Mrs. M. Miller, Mrs. I. Levine, and Mrs. I. Schwartz whipped up a culinary treat for the affair . . . The Blausteins and the Forresters were in charge of the coffee-

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cake dance at the Covenant Club in May . . . Congratulations to Aaron Friedman as the lone graduate of the B'nai Israel Sunday School this year. Top honors in Hebrew School were awarded to Aaron Friedman and Eugenia Goodman . . . Dr. Karl Rosenthal reviewed A STUDY OF HISTORY by Arnold Toynbee for The Book Reviewers . . . Two more graduates are Edwin Shain of Duke and Martin Rabunsky of Eastern Teachers College . . . Noah and Ann Plisco are planning a lovely summer at Wrightsville Beach in their new cottage . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. Segarman of Whiteville, N. C. on the birth of their son, Stuart Charles.

## Williamston, N. C.

**Mrs. Irving M. Margolis, Reporter**

Mrs. B. Goldstein was hostess to the Jewish Woman's Auxiliary of Williamston, Windsor, and Plymouth at the June meeting. Mrs. Ben Henderson of Plymouth, president, read an interesting newspaper account of a Rabbi uncle, chief rabbi of three Yeshivas in Europe, who is currently touring this country. Mrs. Frank Margolis gave a review of an article appearing in a recent issue of "Look," What Is A Jew? written by Rabbi Morris N. Kertzner, president of the Jewish Chaplain's Association of The Armed Forces. Mrs. Irving Margolis told of the origin and customs of the Shavuot Festival

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Bloom, Miss Phyllis Bloom, Mr. Norman Meyers, and Mrs. Ralph Meyers of New York were recent guests of the Frank Margolises.

Young Barry Levin of Mt. Gilead is spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Levin.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Margolis and daughter, Miss Barbara Margolis, Mr. and Mrs. Irving M. Margolis, and daughters, Sandra and Gail, attended the Raskin-Moser wedding in Durham on June 1.

## Wilson, N. C.

**Mrs. Herman Barker, Reporter**

Mr. Charles Barker and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow attended the B'nai B'rith 5th District Convention in Baltimore.

A very delightful Dutch supper and card party was held for Hadassah at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Brown.

Sidney Switzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Switzer has just returned from Korea and is home on a months leave. We're delighted to have you back home with us.

After spending a few weeks vacation up North, Donald Marcus has returned to Wilson to complete his last year at Atlantic Christian College. We're happy to have you with us Don.

Mrs. Jennie Sylvester spent a week in Richmond visiting her children and also attended the confirmation of her granddaughter, Marion Freedman.

Marvin Marcus of New York City is visiting his Aunt and Uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barshay, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Shor and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Switzer returned from a visit to New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hanchrow of New Rochelle, N. Y., visited their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow.

Best wishes to Mr. Bill Golden on the re-opening of The Plaza Restaurant.

## Burlington, N. C.

On June 11th a daughter, Marilyn Joan, arrived to bless the home of Elihu and Margie Bernstein, of Tampa, Fla.

Elihu is formerly of Burlington, N. C. the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bernstein and Margie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Segall of Tampa, Fla.

**The Mizrachi Women's Organization of America undertook a month-long drive nationally during June in an effort to sell $1,000,000 worth of State of Israel Bonds. Mrs. Maurice Plesser of Brooklyn, N. Y., national bond chairman for Mizrachi Women, headed the effort, which saw 50,000 members of the organization holding rallies, meetings and other events in major communities throughout the country.**

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# PLAIN TALK

*By* AL SEGAL

**AH, THOSE WOMEN!**

In our town rages a controversy over women and their place. Should women be segregated, in accordance with tradition, or allowed to sit among the men in the synagogue; to sit among men and maybe tempt their eyes away from contemplation of the holy things.

That pretty neck with its adorable ringlets upon which even most pious man could feel it a privilege to hang himself and die happy! Or that beautiful raven head that stands so proudly on her shoulders! Such lovely things may seduce a man's eyes even in a synagogue.

I myself know how that is from experience in the unsegregated Reform temple which I attend. Not that I ever permit my eyes to be bewitched by female charms amid the sacred auspices of the temple. No! Nothing like that. Yet my errant mind may run away with surely philosophical meditations as I sit there directly behind Mrs. Zilch.

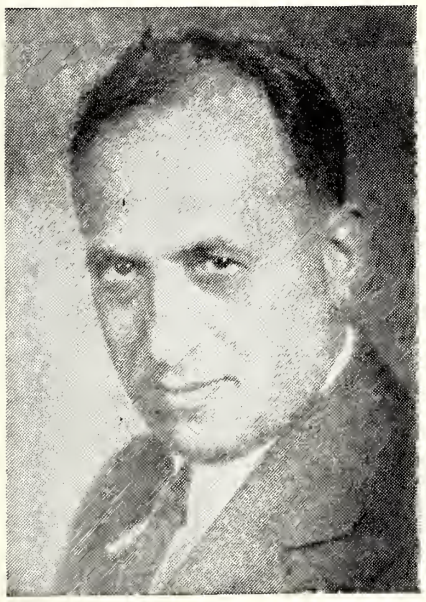
Oh, I muse, what time can do to a woman! The way it has done to Mrs. Zilch! I used to worship her when she and I were only 18. Her every footstep made holy ground for me. Her hair looked as if spun from moonlight. Her face was the essence of all the beauty I could imagine. Her figure . . . and now look at her!

My compassionate heart lets itself wander away from the ritual in sorrow for Mrs. Zilch and her lost youth. God forgive me for this impiety on account of my compassion, anyway.

Sure enough, thats what may happen even to a devout soul when women are thrown helter-skelter among men in the synagogue and that, I gather, is what bothers the minority of the older folks of the Louis Feinberg Synagogue of our town. The younger ones who are said to be in the majority have proposed that the women be released altogether from segregation and allowed to sit with the men.

None of that, the elders protest. They go back to the very Orthodox beginnings of their schul when the women were hidden behind a curtain in the synagogue. The curtain was high enough to keep out any wandering eye of man.

When, some years ago, the new $750,000 synagogue was built the elders felt obliged to make concessions to the younger ones who from the pristine Orthodoxy were turning toward Conservatism. The curtained area of segregation was abolished; the women were allowed to sit in plain sight of the men, only the center aisle separating the sexes.



ALFRED SEGAL

Now the matter of women has come to a sharp crisis in the synagogue. The younger ones say, in effect: "It's about time to let women sit among us by way of a proper expression of family life within the synagogues. Why should our wives be segregated from us? Modern man no longer is afraid of women. He even lets them vote. He lets them give speeches in public places. And they're a big help in this synagogue. Why shouldn't

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# Hassidism--Upper Manhattan's Legendary Newcomer

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professions. The Rabbinate and its affiliated professions are fraught with compromise, the school's executive director Rabbi Aaron Teitelbaum explained. In the long run and while these sacred professions ostensibly guarantee a life and career dedicated to Judaism, American synagogue functionaries are frequently compelled to make adjustments which Hassidism could never sanction. "The Bobover Rabbi prefers," declared Rabbi Teitelbaum, "that our pupils be equipped to take on normal jobs rather than exploit the rabbinical knowledge they acquired at the Yeshivah. We must help them to be masters of their Hassidic fate in an unHassidic country . . ."

Learning fortified by labor is an old Bobover tradition. Rabbi Halberstam's sainted father, the renowned founder of the original Yeshivah of Bobov, at one time numbered as many as 2,500 pupils in the various Bobover institutions in Galicia, before World War I. And when his indefatigable and dynamic son, the present Bobover, announced his plans for launching a yeshivah in the upper West Side of Manhattan, with possible branches elsewhere in the city, Hassidic alumni of Bobov, Galicia rallied to the cause. They helped the enterprising son of their sainted teacher raise the necessary funds for the purchase of the several adjoining brownstones in the Eighties. Despite shortages and priorities which prevailed in the construction industries, these brownstones were soon converted to seminary, synagogue, dormitory, mess-hall and trade school for the homeless orphans brought here by Rabbi Halberstam.

The task was no easy one, to be sure. While American Jews—far removed from the spirit of Bobov and its fabulous Hassidic tradition—came to his aid, the Rabbi soon discovered that it takes more than nominal budget committees to keep his several institutions going. To feed, clothe and shelter these orphans—many of whom have no relatives here or elsewhere, having lost parents, sisters, brothers in Hitler's crematoria—is the daily problem confronting the prematurely graying Bobover. How he accomplishes this, after a decade of inhuman misery and personal tragedy, is a source of ceaseless wonder to friends and, particularly, to veteran professionals in the institutional fund-raising "business."

Upper Manhattan's West Side may seem to be more affluent than the poor sections of Brooklyn where the above-mentioned Sattmurer, Lubavitcher and Klausenberger institutions flourish, but the Bobover's task, geographically speaking, is somehow more difficult. Frankly, I too marvel at how he does it—and I have seen all of them in action. One can only exclaim with the Biblical Proverbialist, "There be three things which cause me to wonder, yea, four which I know not: the way of an eagle in the air, of a ship in the midst of the sea . . ." The Bobover Yeshivah, despite its courageous pilot, is a little ship in the midst of an indifferent and unpredictable Manhattan sea.

But you would never suspect it if you came in of a Sabbath Eve, as I did on several occasions. The Joy of the Holy Day and thrill of the Torah were boldly emblazoned on the noble, long-suffering countenance of the Rabbi and upon the little motherless faces of his reverential disciples. This is the "fashionable" upper West Side I thought, a Hassidic island in an ocean of Godlessness. And around the corner, on Broadway, and on Central Park West, there were other Jews who, wholly indifferent to the needy sanctuary in their midst and to the Sabbath itself—were going about their business as usual . . .

## DESTINATION OF ANTI-SEMITIC CAMPAIGN LITERATURE UNDER INVESTIGATION

BOSTON — (WNS) — The U. S. Senate Committee on Elections has sent a special investigator here to uncover the source of a barrage of anti-Semitic campaign literature which has entered this state in recent weeks.

According to the Jewish Community Council and the Anti-Defamation League, the recognizable sources of the anti-Semitic material include such as Robert H. Williams, Gerald L. K. Smith, Gerald Winrod and Joseph Kamp. A similar investigation is being conducted in New Hampshire.

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And so, when we hear of her most recent honor, it is really an achievement to be able to record it. We refer, of course, to the bestowing upon her of an honorary degree in Humane Letters by Women's College of the University of North Carolina, with which institution the Weil name has been long associated with honor. The citation, incidentally, made special mention of Miss Gertrude's identification with Jewish affairs.

We know of no honor that is more deserved, and join with her countless friends throughout the State in offering felicitations and congratulations.

## Anti-Semitism In the Soviet Union

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The Soviet Jew told Mr. Andich that Jewish community life in Russia was being carried on underground even in the concentration camps and deportation areas.

"Of course," he said, "the most important task is to help each other; in this way we try to escape the hardships imposed upon us. We try to maintain contact with Jews who have already been deported or imprisoned, to trace their residences in order to relay news to their relatives. It is a great effort in which we are united, and we wish that the Jewish world abroad could know something about it."

Another Soviet Jew, a former college student at Leningrad, who shared a barrack with Mr. Andich in the tobacco plant where they worked, told him:

"Nobody will ever know how many of us disappeared, never to return. What we want is to be left alone, that's all; because we have seen that there cannot be any assimilation, even if we speak Russian and never leave the country. I don't mind working here as a laborer. You can hardly imagine what I suffered at college. There I met with systematic, so-called scientific discrimination. I was barred from all social life, nobody tried to be friendly with me, and I could not participate in any extra-curricular activity. Here they call me 'the Jew' and hate me, but at least their anti-Semitism isn't hidden under a pseudo-scientific socialistic cloak."

In his article, Mr. Andich reveals that when the German armies invaded Russia, in June, 1941, the Soviet secret police launched a manhunt for Jews. "Many of the foreign-born Jews spoke Yiddish," he writes, "and the Russians may have assumed it was a German dialect and that those who spoke it menaced Russian security."

He declares that the Russians later claimed they had arrested Jews "to protect them from the Germans," but that "this explanation is false. In the first and most dangerous weeks and months of the German invasion, the Jews remained in prison even in highly exposed places like Charkov.


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## PLAIN TALK

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they be our equal here? In some respects they are our betters."

The oldsters have no argument against the merits of the female sex. Every Sabbath eve, in their own houses, they read appreciatively in tribute to their wives, about that model woman, called "the woman of valor," concerning whom the Book of Proverbs has a whole chapter.

But, they argue, there are the old Jewish laws on women, as set down in the Schulchan Aruch, that ancient code of Jewish law, where it says plainly in these very words: "A man should ever avoid women. He should not make gestures either with hands or feet, nor wink to them, nor jest with them, nor act with levity in their presence, or gaze at their beauty. It is forbidden to scent the perfume especially designed for women, especially so when she holds it in her hand or when it hangs on her.

"It is forbidden to gaze at the colored clothes of a woman with whom he is acquainted . . . If he encounters a woman on the street, he should not walk behind her, but he should run so that she be left either alongside of him or behind him.

"One who gazes even at the small finger of a woman . . . is guilty of serious crime; and it is forbidden to hear the voice of a woman singer or to gaze at a woman's hair."

That's how much afraid the ancient Jewish lawmakers were of the wiles of woman-kind; wise men they were and the elders of Louis Feinberg Synagogue could not be so impertinent as to permit themselves to depart from their wisdom.

Yes, it is plain that even a woman's little finger must not be noticed by a pious man, and Schulchan Aruch goes farther: "One should not greet a woman under any circumstances and it is even forbidden to send her regards through her husband . . . He who embraces or kisses one of his female relatives, even though he derives no pleasure therefrom, is violating a prohibition, with the exception of a father and a daughter, also a mother and a son unto whom embracing and kissing are permissible."

But, according to Schulchan Aruch, there is one offense involving women that is abominable beyond all the others. It says: "The contemptible custom prevailing in some places where the learned in the Torah and the God-fearing are not found, that the people approach the groom and the bride with embraces and kisses and boys and girls dance together . . . Surely, he who is able to prevent this should make every endeavor to prevent it. It is the duty of every man who is God-fearing to have control over his household and take care that they should not do this extremely abominable thing."

The day I noticed Mrs. Zilch in the temple I also became aware of the fragrance on her. Oh, I thought how much more thrilling was the pure, sweet, natural fragrance of her young girlhood! And with that my mind drifted even farther away from the holy auspices. All on account of a woman!

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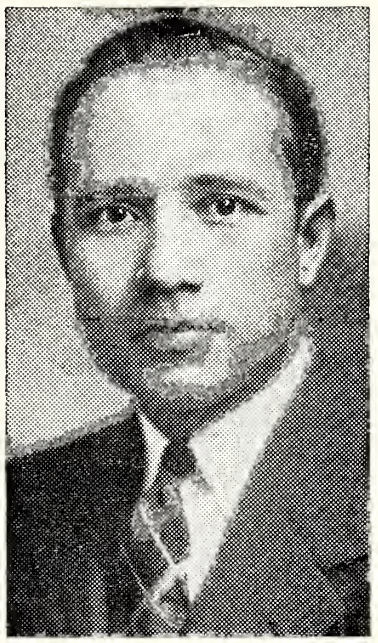
# Fifth District B'nai B'rith Elects Trager

In a convention that will go down Fifth District B'nai B'rith history one of the most successful, delegates elected Dr. Jesse Trager of altimore president of the Grand odge for the ensuing year. The sessons, which were staged at the Lord altimore Hotel, in Baltimore, May 4th through the 28th, heard an inspiring address by Philip D. Klutzick, a member of the Supreme rand Lodge Executive Committee, nd a man, incidentally, who is being ominently mentioned as the next ational president.

Other officers elected were: Maurice A. Weinstein, Charlotte, N. C., irst Vice-President; Louis Ossinsky, ., Daytona Beach, Fla. Second Vice-resident; Harry Wender, Washingon, D. C., Third Vice-President; orrice S. Uman, Tampa, Fla., Treasrer; Julius Fisher, Roanoke, Va., ecretary.

Panel discussions were held by the nti-Defamation League, Dr. Maurice . Goldberg, Commissioner; Vocaonal Service, Albert I. Goldberg, ommissioner; Hillel, Harold Turk, Commissioner; Membership, Dr. William A. Wexler, Commissioner; B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, Milton A. Friedman, Commissioner; Americanism and Civic Affairs, Leon H. Felman, M. D., Commissioner. Joseph Hanchrow of Wilson, immediate past president of the North Carolina B'nai B'rith Association, was elected Commissioner for Americanization and Civic Affairs.



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**Brief Biography of Dr. Jesse Trager**

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The 37th B'nai B'rith Women's Chapter in the Fifth District was officially recognized at the recent convention of the Fifth District Grand Lodge in Baltimore. It is the Charlotte Chapter, which becomes the first Women's Chapter in North Carolina. It follows by a few months, the second South Carolina Chapter, which was organized in Columbia, S. C. in May of 1951. There has been a chapter in Charleston, S. C. since 1942.

The Charlotte Chapter, which starts out with 31 members, holds monthly meetings and has adopted as its early projects acting as advisory counsellors to the youth and A.D.L. groups. It also works in co-operation with the men's lodge. One of its members, Mrs. Nathan Sutker, is the first woman to serve on the North Carolina State Hillel Commission.

Officers of the Charlotte Chapter are: Mesdames Maurice A. Weinstein, president; Leonard Schlessinger, vice-president; William Mayer, recording secretary; Daniel Retchin, corresponding secretary; Sam Schreiber, treasurer.

Officers of the Columbia, S. C. Chapter, which has 72 members, are: Mesdames Maynard Neider, president; Leon Bluestein, 1st vice-president; Frank Harris, 2nd vice-president; Dan Daniels, recording secretary; Morris Gray, corresponding secretary; Lila Russ, treasurer.

**Newly elected officers of the B'nai B'rith Womens' Chapter of Columbia, S. C.: Seated, left to right, Mrs. Leon Bluestein, 1st vice-president, Mrs. Morris Gray, corresponding secretary; standing, left to right, Mrs. Maynard Neider, president, Mrs. Dan Daniels, recording secretary, Miss Lila Russ, treasurer, Mrs. Frank Harris, 2nd vice-president.**

The Columbia Women's Chapter holds meetings monthly, and much of its activity centers around entertaining at Fort Jackson Veterans' hospital. The chapter recently received a certificate from the United Jewish Appeal for its Veterans' aid and armed services programs.

Other members of the board are: A. D. L., Mrs. Max Dickman; Membership, Mrs. David Baker, Publicity, Mrs. Mose Lafkowitz; B.B.G. Advisor, Mrs. William Walberg; Historian, Mrs. Benedict Lewenthal; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Melvin Harris; Armed services affairs, Mrs. Aaron Berry; Hostess and "Forget-Me-Not" Chairman, Mrs. Charles Miller; Telephone Chairman, Mrs. Leonard Balser; and elected trustees, Mrs. Sam Wittenberg, Mrs. Sidney Shapiro. Aid to Israel, Mrs. J. Moe Baker.

### 73-YEAR-OLD WOMAN GETS FIRST 1952 SOVIET EXIT VISA TO ISRAEL

TEL AVIV—(WNS)—A persistent effort by two Israelis to have their aged mother brought over to Israel from Soviet Russia was rewarded when the old woman, 73-year-old Sarah Hecht, arrived here from Soviet Russia in an Israeli plane.

Mrs. Hecht's passport showed that her exit visa was No. 1 for 1952. She applied for an exit visa over two years ago. Her sons, members of a collective settlement here who had not seen their mother for thirty-two years, simultaneously appealed to the Soviet legation here to intervene in Moscow on behalf of their mother. It is understood the aged woman received special permission from Joseph Stalin to leave Russia.

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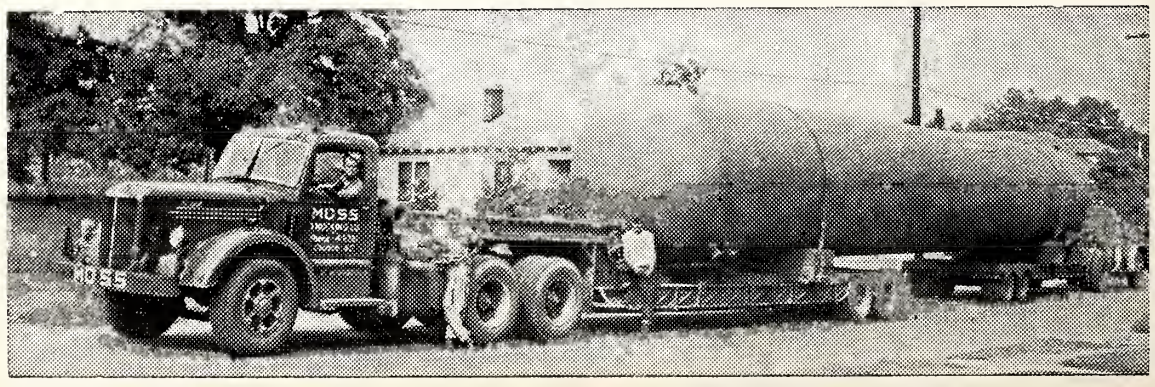

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**MRS. HENRY CLAY TAGER**

Miss Peggy Rosenbacher, daughter of Mrs. Claire Rosenbacher and Sandel Rosenbacher of this city, became the bride of Henry Clay Tager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Tager of Durham, at Temple Emanuel on Sunday, June 1st.

Rabbi Erwin W. Herman performed the ceremony, Miss Virginia Lowrance, organist, and Miss Ann Evans, soloist, presented wedding music.

The brides father gave her in marriage. Mrs. Gerald E. Bloom of Canton, Ohio, was matron of honor, and Miss Jane Cahn of Baltimore, Md., was maid of honor. Miss Patricia Ann Weil of Raleigh, was junior bridesmaid.

A. L. Levin of Cincinnati was his nephew's best man. Ushers were Robert S. Rosenbacher, brother of the bride, of this city; Robert B. Sosnik of this city; Gerald E. Bloom of Can-


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ton; and Herbert P. Kaplan of Durham.

Following the ceremony a reception was held. Later the couple left for a wedding trip to the mountains of Western North Carolina.

The bride is a graduate of Reynolds High School and attended Linden Hall in Lititz, Pa., where she studied dramatics. Mr. Tager served two years in the United States Army in World War 11 and was graduated from Duke University. He is now in business in Durham.

Morris Brenner was installed as new chairman of the Small Business and Industry Division of the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce at an annual dinner meeting June 2.

Mr. Brenner is president and treasurer of the Brenner Iron and Metal Company, president and treasurer of the Bimco Company, and vice-president of the Amarr Company.

The program for the meeting featured the Moravian Ministers' Quartette.

The Small Business and Industry Division is composed of 226 members who are owners, managers or other executives of small businesses having less than 200 employees.

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NEW YORK — (WNS) — The 1952 Gold Medal of Merit of the Jewish War Veterans of America has been awarded to Senator Herbert H. Lehman, it was announced here by Paul Ginsberg of Atlanta, Georgia, national commander of the organization.

The Senator will be cited for his "distinguished service to the nation, to Jewry and to his fellow veterans."

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## Martinsville, Va.

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spending some time in Washington visiting Mrs. Kaplan's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollander and their sons, David and Bobby have returned from a vacation in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Rudman entertained about 100 guests at their home on Mulberry Road on June 11th in honor of the graduation of their daughters, Betty and Patricia. Miss Betty Rudman graduated from the Richmond Professional Institute on June 9th. She has been employed as a personnel assistant by the Hecht Company of Washington, D. C. and will start in her new position in July.

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# EDITORIAL

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United Jewish Appeal and the Israel Bond campaign. We note that the Zionist Action Committee in Jerusalem recently approved the formation in the United States, of a higher committee to coordinate the U.J.A. and Israel Bond campaigns. When one stops to a realization of the different concepts of the two, it is somewhat surprising that conflict should exist, but that it does is no secret. We first realized it when we attended the meetings in connection with Mrs. Golda Myerson's appearance in Washington on March 1 and 2. Mrs. Myerson at that time appeared as a representative of Prime Minister of the State of Israel, David Ben Gurion, in whose cabinet she holds the post of Secretary for Labor, and urged a speed-up in the $500,000,000 Bond campaign. Many of the delegates present pointed out that they had, in their various communities, assured the U.J.A. committees that they would hold off their bond-selling efforts during the U.J.A. solicitation periods. It is now further apparent that this situation is not confined to this country alone, but is the occasion for difficulty in Israel as well. The peculiar part of the situation is that Israel is of course a partial beneficiary of U.J.A. funds, and the matter becomes even more confused by the fact that, particularly in the smaller communities, many of the same people are actively interested in both endeavors.

On the general question of another try at an over-all Jewish organization, the important point as we see it, is whether the Jewish people are ready for it. The American Jewish Conference did not fail for lack of need. It was because the various member organizations were unable to resolve their differences in view-point. Whether sufficient time has elapsed since the Conference dissolved, to make any important change in this is the question. Our own humble opinion is that the situation has not changed sufficiently in this respect to insure success to any new over-all organization. But we could be wrong—which explains the title of this editorial.

## Reb Chaim Stands Watch

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child he used to call Baruch. The others were no more. And yet certainly it was the long, outstretched arm of the Holy One Blessed Be He, that one day set him on the boat in Constanza for the voyage to Haifa? Had he not said the same thing to Bela? And he smiled when he thought of his son's patient silence.

As if he, Reb Chaim, didn't know that across the waters in America, friends and brothers gave their love and money to a great organization called the United Jewish Appeal, so that he might make his way to freedom. Was he not now living in Pardes Hanna, with medicine for his twisted limbs and food for his tired


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body, because they did not forget even the old? Foolish Bela, to think that all this help was not Ha-Kadosh Baruch-hu's mighty arm.

Foolish, dear Bela . . . "Bechol der ve-dor . . . In every generation one ought to regard himself as if he had personally come out of Egypt. As it is said: "And thou shalt tell thy son on that day, saying: This is on account of what he did for me when I went forth from Egypt!" If he could only tell Bela tonight. If Bela were only here with him now. Then they both might sit at the Seder Table and he would not have to stand watch, saying these words to the lonely night.

But Bela he knew was in Rumania, working and salving under the new taskmasters, the new Pharoahs. Even as they said goodbye at the docks, before he boarded the boat—would he ever forget its name, S. S. Transylvania—he pleaded with Baruch to take his place.

If only he were here now, he would hear the name of his childhood, Baruch, "blessed" once again and for all time. But Bela would not take his place on the boat. It really started when the quota for those to be taken from Rumania, was made known. There was only room for one of them. All the arguments and finally the tears were of no use.

But by rights Bela should be in Zion now. For Reb Chaim it seemed as if there weren't enough time, enough room, enough money, always some terrible choice to be made. Bela belonged here. Here he could make a new home. Perhaps, who knows, these same friends in America who had helped him, would not forget that Bela was still in slavery. Perhaps, who knows, he would meet Aviva, his nurse, so filled with life and they would one day marry. Perhaps . . .

Reb Chaim sat there, and though his thoughts tried to fix themselves like a magnet on his absent son, his tired body relaxed till his eyes closed in sleep. In the room there was only the sound of the distant Seder.

Behind his wheelchair, a girl in white starched uniform tip-toed into the room. She listened to his even breath and then quietly walking to the open window closed it. In the beam of her flashlight she saw the book on his lap. As she started to lift the book, her eyes in the wavering light caught the open page. And there from the Bible on Reb Chaim's lap she read, "Lel Chimurim . . . It was a night of watching unto the Lord for bringing them out of the land of Egypt; this same night is a night of watching unto the Lord for all the children throughout the generations."

She left the book with Reb Chaim and as quietly as she came, she left.

And there in Pardes Hanna, Reb Chaim sat and watched and waited. And he dreamed that soon in the blessed springtime, Baruch and Aviva would be together in Israel. He dreamed of a strong hand and an outstretched arm.

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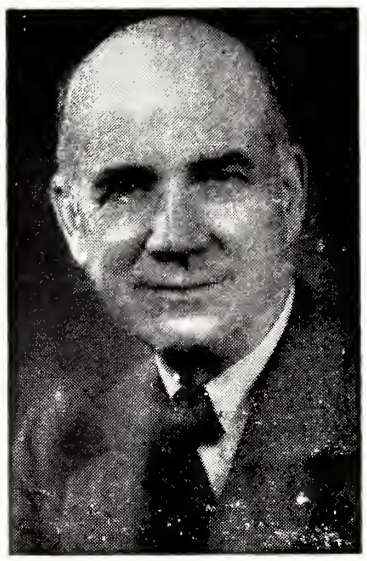

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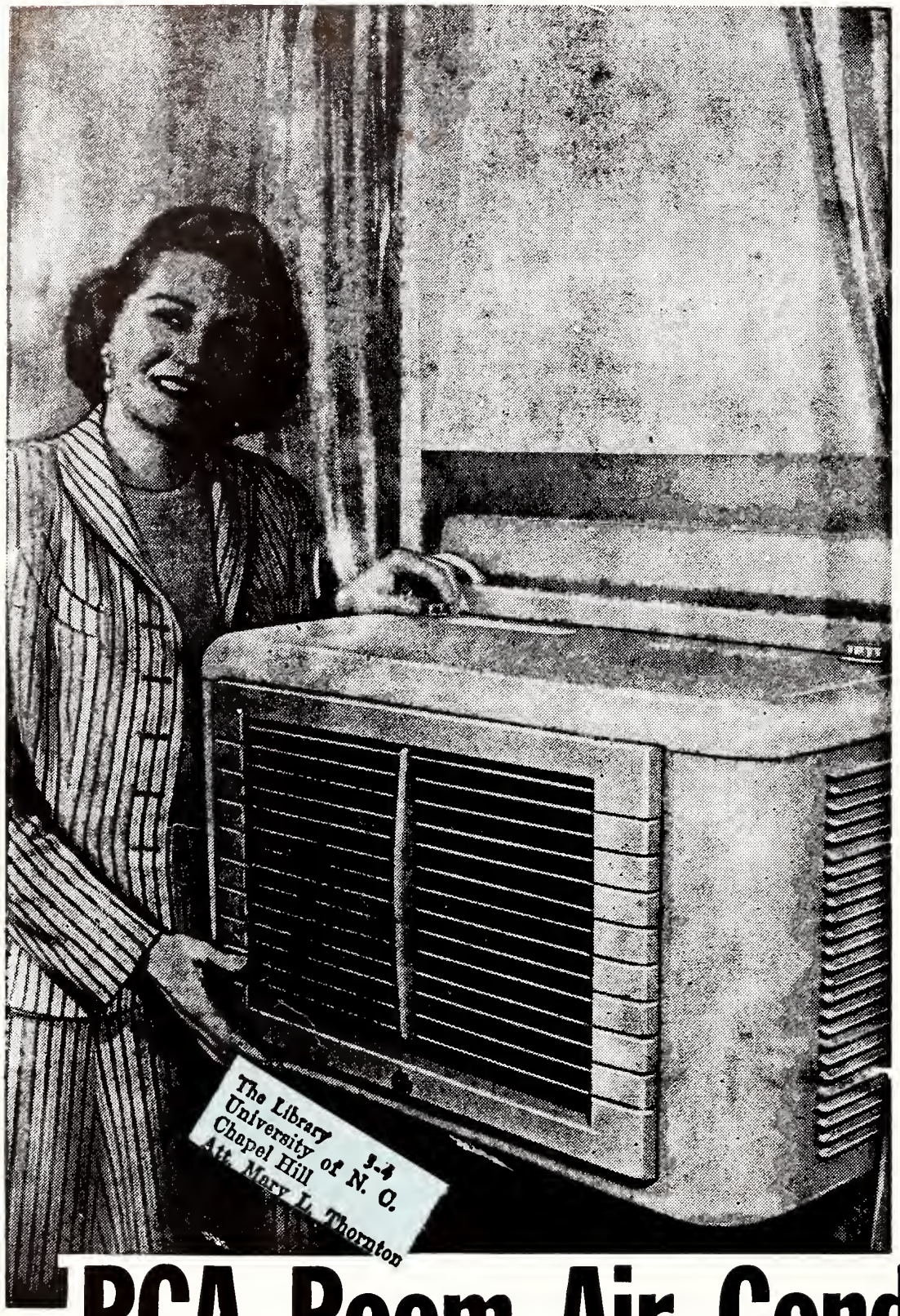
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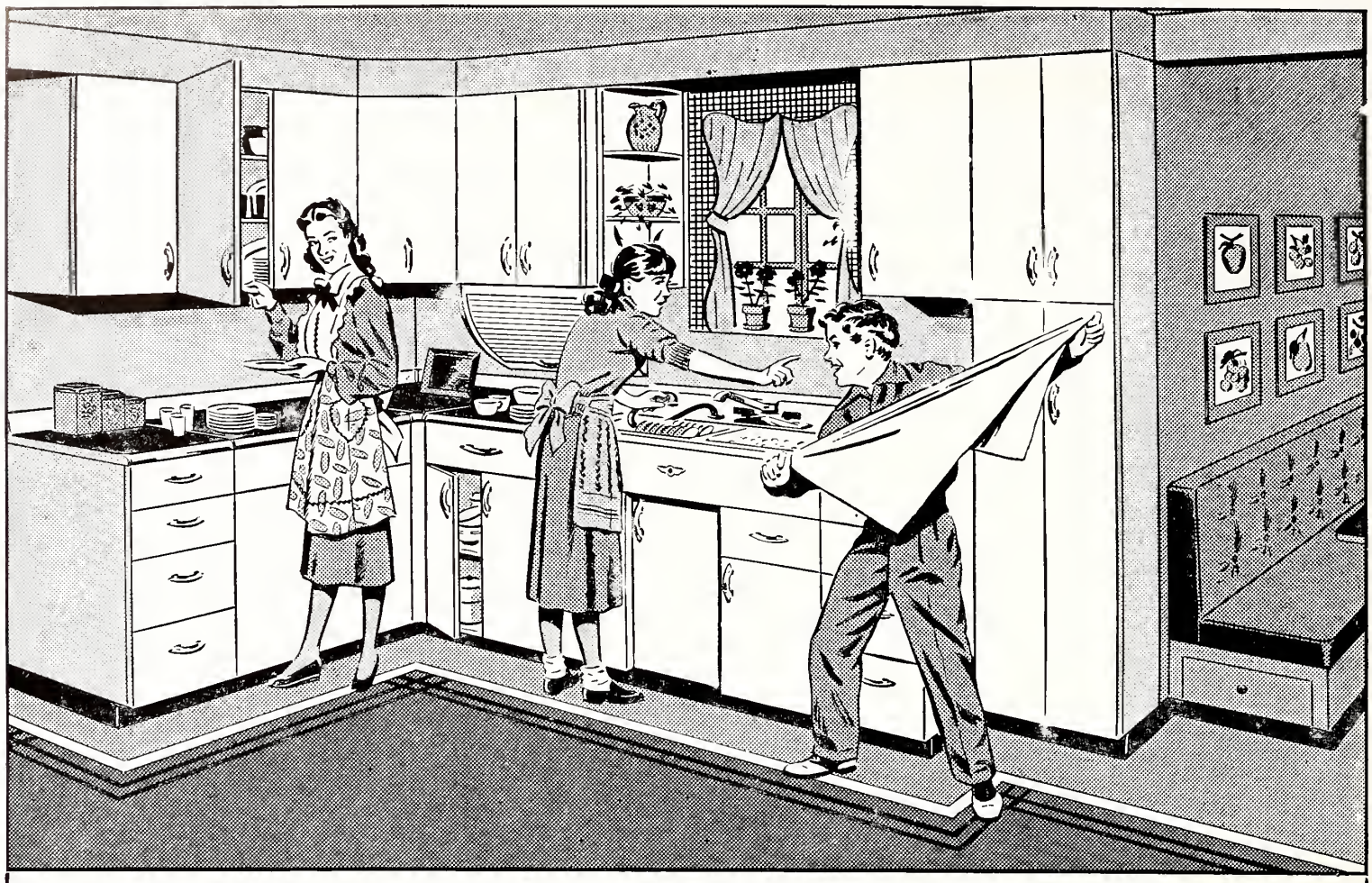

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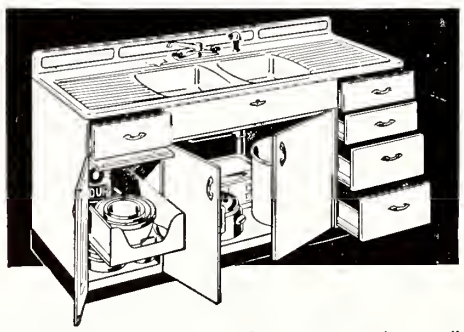

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### *"The Trouble-Makers"*

Among the non-fiction best sellers of the year, "The Trouble-Makers," a joint literary labor of Arnold Forster and Benjamin Epstein, published under the aegis of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, is a splendid contribution to the field of defense literature. Mr. Forster, general counsel to the League, and director of its Civil Rights Division, and Mr. Epstein, national director of the League, have fashioned a work that can be an important influence in acquainting Americans with what is, and has been going on, in the effort to create division among us, based on bigotry and hate-mongering.

For those of us who have been close to the American Jewish scene, much in the book is not new, particularly that portion which deals with anti-Semitism. This magazine carried a story on the Delray Beach incident, as well as the Miami violence, and other anti-Semitic outbreaks. However, the reference to anti-Catholic and and anti-Negro activities will be news to most of us. While those of us, particularly here in the South, knew in a general way that there was evidence of antipathy to these two groups, we did not know specific instances, such as are brought out in this book. Then too, the details of the extent to which Arab propaganda is prevalent in this country will come as a surprise to many. There are enough references to all types of racial and religious prejudices to make it interesting reading for everyone.

In view of the fact that this book will in all probability be read by more non-Jews than any similar documented report, it might have been better if the authors had elected to begin the compilation with some incident other than the Anna M. Rosenberg case. Of course, from the Jewish standpoint, this story rated top priority, not only because of its flagrant example of how bigotry almost robbed this country of an able top-ranking executive, but also by reason of its being recent. Nevertheless, a non-Jew, having to read through more than thirty pages of an entirely anti-Semitic story, might get the impression that the entire work concerns itself with evidences of anti-Semitism, which it is not, and be discouraged to read further. This is not a criticism, and we merely mention it as a personal observation.

Here is a book that should be made available to as wide a reading public in the nation, as is possible. Jewish organizations, seeking projects, should buy copies and present them to libraries. The Sidney J. Stern Lodge, Greensboro's B'nai B'rith organization, has given copies to the Greensboro Public Library, to the library of the Senior High School, and to the several college libraries in the city. By making the book more readily available to more readers, the important message that it contains has that much better chance of being made to register with the greatest number.

The authors have done a fine job of dramatizing what might well otherwise be a rather drab recital. The literary style is creditable and the frequent annotations add much to the reader's understanding. All in all, Messrs. Forster and Epstein, and the A.D.L. rate a salute for a worth-while accomplishment.

### *A Model Convention*

The convention of the Fifth District B'nai B'rith Grand Lodge, held in Baltimore May 24th through the 28th, was in our opinion, a model after which all similar conventions could well be patterned. The program covered the ground without any long, tiresome speeches which usually characterize such sessions. The panels on A.D.L., Youth, Hillel, Americanization, Membership, and Vocational Service were all compact, dramatic presentations. The luncheon meetings, for the most part, were kept moving at a fair pace. The recreational side was ample and furnished a fine relief from the seriousness of the business sessions. The Baltimore committee certainly rates a salute.

A special word of commendation is due to the Lord Baltimore Hotel for its most efficient handling of the affair. Their representatives bent backward in an effort to be helpful. Wherever a microphone was needed, there one was. Meeting room space was always available. Service at meals was good. In no phase of convention-handling were they found wanting.

There were only two respects in which the convention could have been improved, as we see it. We refer first to the main program, the banquet, which closed the event. With a speaker as important as Philip D. Klutznick to address the dinner, decks should have been cleared to allow him to dominate the occasion. There was far too much gift-presenting; honeyed tributes were repeated so often as to become almost nauseating, and other trivia consumed time and should have been taken care of in business sessions. By the time Mr. Klutznick was free to speak, many of us were already exhausted.

The other weakness centered around the elections in the men's group. It would seem that some far less cumbersome method of handling run-offs could be devised without deviating from the democratic processes. As it was, we were all worn out at the conclusion, and the session so crowded the banquet-time as to leave no opportunity for relaxing in between.

But, aside from that, the 1952 convention of B'nai B'rith's Fifth District Grand Lodge should go down into the records as one of the finest in the 76 years of its existence.

### *HAWTWYWH*

No, this is not code; nor is it the name of a new Notre Dame football star, nor yet a new settlement in the State of Israel.

It was inspired by our recent sojourn to Wildacres. Despite the many visits we have made to Dick and Madeline Blumenthal's beauteous estate, near Little Switzerland, N. C.—this is our fifth visit—we never fail to be awe-inspired anew by the sheer beauty and peacefulness of this charming spot. Here we lose for a few heavenly days, all contact with the troubled world, and for us there is no "police action" in Korea—no political conventions—no deadlines to make. Of course, there must be a fly in every ointment, and we frequently have to go to bed at night without knowing how our Yankees made out in the day's game.

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WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

# The Three Mosquitoes

*By* WILLIAM ORNSTEIN

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Ah, for those days of Ma's story telling, when I was difficult and had to be given into before following an order like going to bed on time so that I could get up bright and early the next day for school. I had to be rested, fresh and strong like the morning sun, Ma would say. However, the heat and stifling humidity, the closeness of our small apartment in the thick of Harlem unfortunately conspired to make sleeping anything but a pleasure.

So Ma would say, "All right, I'll tell you a story," hoping that in quick time her words would lull me to sleep.

"All right," she decided this particular night, when I was a little more stubborn than usual about caressing a pillow. "I'll tell you the story of Shmulka Cohen and The Three Mosquitoes."

"Good," I said, or at least I think I did, still in the mood for anything but sleep.

And thus Ma began:

Once, there were three mosquitoes, said Shmulka Cohen. As a rule, the little mosquitoes are pesty things. And big mosquitoes are twice as annoying. But Mommola, Poppola and Yussela Mosquito were the friendly kind of insects. They never bothered a human being unless they had to do so. They could make it pretty miserable for someone if they wanted to.

So, as it happened, this Mommola, Poppola and Yussela Mosquito lived in the same neighborhood as the Pigeon family. It also happened that in the Pigeon family there was a Mommola, Poppola and Yussela, and because of this they were very, very friendly with the Mosquitoes.

Why shouldn't they be? The Mosquitoes minded their own business, never annoyed the Pigeons and never tried to steal their food. What the Mosquitoes ate you could put in a wink, but eat they had to in order to live. They liked some of the food the Pigeons ate, but they hated corn. They liked bread crumbs and a lot of food stuff you throw out.

Now the two families lived very happily on the east side. No one bothered the other and so the Pigeons grew fat and the Mosquitoes enjoyed living like millionaires on Park Ave. and Riverside Drive and wherever millionaires have a place to lay their heads.

Not only didn't they bother each other but when the Pigeons went to a party, they were so friendly with the Mosquitoes they invited them along.

The Mosquitoes were big but they couldn't fly as fast as the Pigeons. So the Pigeons invited them to go pickaback and travel along with them. When they got to the party, the other pigeons at first were afraid of the Mosquitoes, but when Mommola, Poppola and Yussela assured them the guests would bring no harm, they all partook heartily of the food, danced and sang as only birds know how. The Mosquitoes joined in, but they got tired quickly and had to spend the rest of the evening watching, their pinpoint eyes lighting up like tiny sparks from baby fire-flies. It was really wonderful to watch the Pigeons eating, drinking, dancing and singing.

We shall be friends with the Mosquito family as long as we live, said Mommola and Poppola Pigeon. Remember that! they said to Yussela.

I will, chirped Yussela.

The party ended several hours later and the Mosquito family again went pickaback home with the Pigeons.

Ma was getting tired yet she knew this was not the time to end her story. I was not as restless as before. I was getting interested in the story and wanted to hear more.

Oh, yes, I forgot to tell you, David, that the trip home always seems longer, and at the party it was decided to hold affairs like this at least once a month. Each bird was required to bring certain provisions for the table. After all, you can hold a party once for everybody at your expense, but to do it every month is too much. So the best way was to make sure everyone would bring something and no one would leave hungry.

Everything went along swell until, oh, let's say it was a few months later, the Pigeons struck up a friendship with the Greybird family at one of the parties. The family lived on Park Ave., right off Grand Central Terminal with its high arcade and roost for all kinds of birds. It was a beautiful location, one of the best in town maybe except for City Hall and Bronx Park. But the Greybirds said, Who wants to live way down by the mayor's office or with all those foreign animals in the zoo? We're happy where we are, an ideal location, and you should move up from the east side. We'd like you for neighbors.

The Pigeons, Mommola and Poppola, said, "We're happy where we are, so why should we move?

We're in the heart of everything, the Greybirds countered. Why just consider the people you meet. They give us the choicest foods. Most delicious of everything. Just out of this world. Yeep! Now listen, Mommola Pigeon, take my advice and move uptown. It will do your stomach good. Yeep!

There was more coaxing by Mrs. Greybird until after fifteen minutes or so, Mr. and Mrs. Pigeon said, All right. We'll move to Grand Central Terminal as your neighbors.

When will that be?

Soon.

By soon you mean tomorrow, I hope.

If that's the way you want it, so it shall be.

And so, on the following morning after a good night's sleep the three Pigeons came flapping their wings all the way from downtown to the real swanky part of lower Manhattan. With them, of course, came the three Mosquitoes.

You understand, David, that very few people or birds could see the insects because they managed to keep hidden, out of the way. They were given to understand by the Pigeons that they would eat very well from now on. And so the Pigeon family, accompanied by the Mosquitoes, moved uptown to their new home.

Ma didn't have much longer to go and she knew I'd be in another world by the time she said The End. She continued on with her story, weaving the best she knew how under the stifling heat; I was stubborn to the bitter end.

For the first time or so the Pigeon family and the three Mosquitoes enjoyed their new surroundings. The new types of food they ate came from the best homes. This was really living, they agreed. This is wonderful, they said. Yeep!

Time went quickly and it wasn't long after that something happened to the Pigeon family to make them change their minds about the new surroundings. Mommola, Poppola and Yussela were busy eating late one afternoon when all of a sudden a well-dressed boy from the neighborhood started chasing them. He must have been about five or six years old and he began kicking and wouldn't let them eat. He almost hurt Poppola Pigeon, but Poppola was too fast for the boy. Mommola was off on the side lines and watched eagerly. Then the child rushed after Yussela.

The bad boy ran and kicked and this time he managed to land his shoe on Yussela"s innocent thin leg. He kept chasing Yussela Pigeon while Poppola and Mommola stood by furious and unable to come to his aid. So what happened. The three Mosquitoes saw this and without losing another second they began to attack the child with their long spears. They had been watching on the sidelines and as long as the boy didn't hurt anybody, they figured they'd let him play and enjoy himself. But when they saw him hurt baby Pigeon and that Mommola and Poppola couldn't do anything about it, it was high time for them to come to the rescue, show their appreciation for all the Pigeon family had done for them and also, of course, show their hidden power.

Zoom, Zoom they went. Zoom, Zoom, shooting their arrows from all sides. The boy was stung again and again and before you could count to ten he was running home, rubbing his skin, trying to get rid of the little white sting-balls all over his face and arms.

He was a mess of bites and it taught him a lesson: to leave birds alone if they don't bother you!

Of course, this also taught the Pigeon family a lesson.

We're moving back to where we came from, they told the Greybirds. There we have peace and quiet and nobody bothers us.

And you know something, Mommola Pigeon said for the benefit of all the Greybirds. On Fridays we really get a meal, the likes of which you never tasted in all your life, thanks to Mrs. Horowitz.

Why, listen: every Friday about four-five o'clock, right after she finishes cooking, Mrs. Horowitz brings us some of her tasty gasha knishes and a nice-sized portion of gefilte fish.

Delicious? Yeep! Yeep! said Mommola Pigeon.

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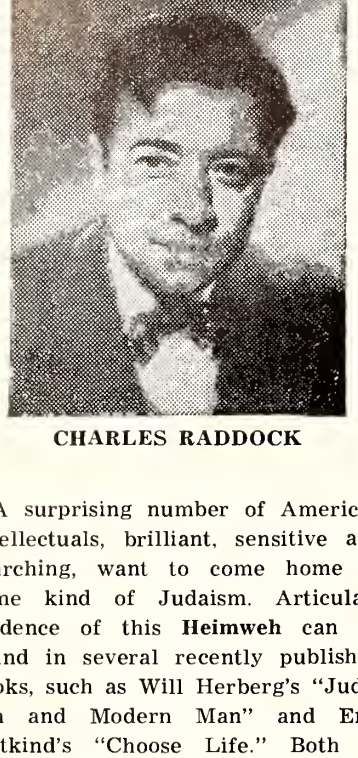

CHARLES RADDOCK

# Judaism and the 'Lost' Intellectuals

*By* CHARLES RADDOCK

**Charles Raddock, New York author and newspaperman, is managing editor of the leading anti-Communist labor newspapers in the United States and Vice President of the World Wide Press Syndicate. He has contributed original features on Jewish life and lore to the foremost secular and Jewish publications in the English-speaking world. He is now at work on a new history, to be published on his return from Europe in September.—THE EDITOR**

A surprising number of American intellectuals, brilliant, sensitive and searching, want to come home to some kind of Judaism. Articulate evidence of this **Heimweh** can be found in several recently published books, such as Will Herberg's "Judaism and Modern Man" and Eric Gutkind's "Choose Life." Both of these passionate books were written by authors never before committed, it seems, to Judaism. And a number of articles equally emotional have appeared in important magazines of Jewish interest, written by other authors heretofore alien to Jewish life and cult. Whether we can help them or not, their nostalgia poses a problem for us. We, who never strayed—despite normal excursions into the "western world"—must try to show these prodigals the way to go home.

It is all part of the strange literary trend of our times—the mass return of intellectuals to religion. The late G. K. Chesterton, Giovanni Papini, Sigrid Undset, Francois Mauriao, Sean O'Faolain, George Bernanos, Paul Claudel, T. S. Eliot, Graham Greene, Evelyn Waugh and Thomas Merton are some of the outstanding examples. Poets, playwrights and novelists of Catholic ancestry in France and Italy, of Anglican origin in Britain, and of Baptist nativity in our own country, have been loudly and unanimously proclaiming their personal disillusionment with the so-called "age of science." They deplore its spiritual aimlessness which has been hanging like a pall over western culture, since Darwin and Huxley. And all these writers, apparently, sought and found ideological comfort and philosophical repose in the arms of their ancestral faiths. In fact, so strong has this trend become in the past decade that many of these intellectuals, born and raised in some of the milder Protestant persuasions, have gone so far as to embrace a more stringent and exacting Catholicism.

Jewish writers have been no exception to this universal intellectual exodus from 20th-Century "rationalism," though their return has received less public reclaim than that of their Christian confreres. In Jewish circles it all began abroad, with Hermann Cohen, German-Jewish interpreter of Kant at the University of Marburg, at the beginning of the century. Somewhat later it received further impetus from another German-Jewish philosopher, Franz Rosenzweig who, like Cohen, discovered in Judaism a rationale for our brief sojourn on earth. Their followers were poetess Else Lasker-Schuler, novelist and journalist Max Brod, even allegorist Franz Kafka, and a host of lesser literary figures, like Karl Wolfskehl, in Germany, Austria, France and Italy. All of them, after encouraging beginnings of original creative dedication to the national cultures of their respective countries, finally came home to Judaism, and stayed. The only flagrant instances of Jewish genius gone astray during that period were those of Sholem Asch, Franz Werfel and, later on, after Hitler, of Simone Weil. The latter, as we know from her popular "Attente de Dieu," found her neurotic kind of serenity in Christianity, though she never quite joined the Church. Asch, as we know from his Christological trilogy, emerged a tragically confused easy-chair theologian arguing for an impossible mishmash of Judaism-and-Christianity. And Franz Werfel told me that a "profound religious experience" had completely transformed him in the now famous Our Lady of Lourdes grotto, and impelled him to write his very Catholic bestseller, "The Song of Bernadette." I do not know khether Werfel actually died a Catholic, or whether Sholem Asch will finally take the "Viaticum"—but, at any rate, these pro-Christian avowals on the part of Jewish literati are certainly symptomatic, even if perversely, of the general pro-religious trend of the age in which we now live.

However, it seems that things are different with American Jewish intellectuals. While they do not go so far as Asch, Werfel and Weil, neither do they seem going in the direction of Judaism. Despite their confessed nostalgia for some spiritual and cultural alliance, they do not seem to be able to find their way home. They keep groping in the dark—f r a n k l y and unabashedly, neither knowing where home lies nor which path leads to the front yard. But one American Jewish intellectual never seemed to lose his way—novelist and critic Ludwig Lewisohn, truly one of the great men of Jewry today.

Long before the present religious trend, Lewisohn, recoiling from anti-semitic experiences during a brief and early midwestern tenure as a young college teacher, published the first part of his stirring autobiography, "Upstream," in which he openly and unequivocally allied himself with our people, our God and our Torah. Then an avant-garde intellectual himself, member of a radical and iconoclastic circle which ultimately made American literary history—e.g., Sinclair Lewis, Theodore Dreiser, Sherwood Anderson, William Ellery Leonard, H. L. Mencken, Carl Van Doren, Joseph Wood Krutch—the then youthful Lewisohn staged a "comeback" which has since enriched authentic Judaica. Now the most eloquent Jewish author in the English-speaking world, master of a brilliant, musical and electric prose style, he has turned out since 1922, the year of his "return," more than a dozen books of fiction and nonfiction, which can certainly be placed beside the best of our secular literature since the beginning of the "Enlightenment."

He, then, of all Jewish diagnosticians, ought to be able to understand what "ails" our Leslie Fieldlers, Irving Howes, Philip Rahvs, Alfred Kazins and Clement Greenbergs and, because of his insight, to guide those nostalgic but reluctant intellectuals in this present hour of cultural homecoming. To suggest, therefore, as he did in a Jewish monthly the other day, that these brilliant writers study the growing literature now available in English, and to cite as he did, Martin Buber, L. I. Newman, Hayim Greenberg, Maurice Samuel and Will Herberg as adequate guides was, it seems to me, an under-appraisal of Judaism as well as of the intelligence of the "ailing" intellectuals. Lewisohn, who himself has been pursuing the study of Judaism's classics in the original Hebrew and Aramaic for thirty years now, can surely see how the "Jewishness" of Hayim Greenberg and the "Gottheit" of Martin Buber could hardly convince these groping but shrewd writers—of Judaism's basic philosophy and Weltanschauung.

Particularly meaningless for these sensitive Jewish intellectuals and devotees of the American scene are the ambiguous "God books" which Buber and his lesser disciples have been potboiling for us lately. Space does not allow me to take them up in detail—nor do I care to make any more "enemies" than I already have—but suffice it to say that the swarm of attractively printed "Judaism" books which have been coming off the presses this past year are all topsyturvy and wrong from beginning to end.It is precisely the Martin Bubers and Hayim Greenbergs who engender further confusion among the intellectuals who sincerely want to know what Judaism is all about. Through these authors the uninformed American Jewish intellectual starts out with a false perspective of "Jewish culture," for Greenberg comes up with a sentimental "Jewishness" and Buber urges a vacuous, inconsequential and unpragmatic "Godliness," or pseudo-Christian, Zendavestic religiosity upon the reader. These obtrude, at best, lesser things upon his vision, until what is important—Jewish form and expression—are seen through Buber in distorted glimpses, if not entirely obstructed from view.

Say what one will, there is no Judaism other than Toraic Judaism, and no "Jewishness" for us Jews except the one which is succinctly and fundamentally expressed in the thirteen cardinals of our faith as formulated (for our daily recital) by Maimonedes. And Maimonedes, who was certainly as rational a mind as Buber and surely as religious a temperament, put it thus, a **priori: "If we do not believe that this Torah, all of it, was revealed to Moses at Sinai, and that it will never be changed and that no other Torah will be forthcoming from the Creator, yithbarach Sh'mo, we are not believing Jews."** Maimonedes, of course, implies the **Talmud**—the Talmud as edited and closed by Rav Ashi at Sura and finally by his successors, Rabhina and Rav Jose in the fifth century of the Common Era.

It is not going to the root of the matter, nor is it fundamental Jewish thinking, when these latter-day authors of the fashionable "God books" conclude that "history" made Judaism what it is; or that Judaism is "fluid" and constantly evolving and

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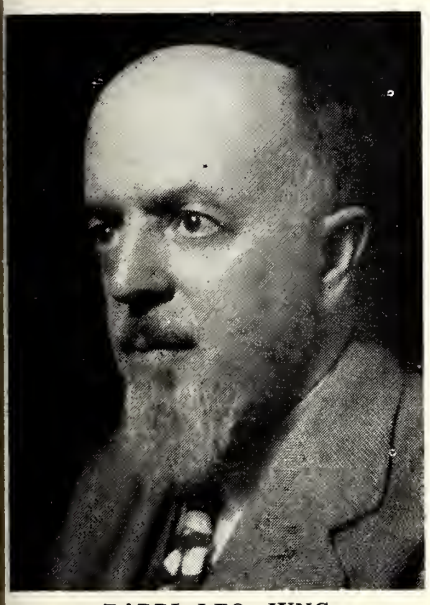
# N. C. B'nai B'rith Institute Holds 5th Annual Institute of Judaism

On July 13th to 17th the North Carolina B'nai B'rith Association held its 5th Annual Institute of Judaism at Wildacres, the estate of I. D. Blumenthal, of Charlotte, N. C., near Little Switzerland, N. C.

As a result of the discussions that followed the presentations of the faculty members, there was a complete agreement that steps looking to closer working together of the three "wings" of Judaism—Reform, Conservative and Orthodox would be taken, both on the local level and in the broader area. While all three



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of the principal speakers made it clear that they were speaking for themselves as individuals, and were in no way committing their organizations, it was clear that the effort would be made to waive ideological differences in the interest of united action on the many problems which exist in American Judaism.

Three outstanding leaders in Jewish religion and education constituted the faculty, which concerned itself with the theme, "The Thought and Religion of the Jews." They were Rabbi Leo Jung, Rabbi Barnett Brickner and Rabbi Morris Adler. An enthusiastic group of Jewish men and women from throughout the State enjoyed the lectures and other phases of the program. Certificates were presented and special honors went to those who had attended all five of the Institutes.

RABBI MORRIS ADLER

Born in Moravia, Rabbi Jung studied at the Yeshivoth of Hungary, and at the Hildesheimer Rabbinical Seminary at Berlin, where he obtained Semikhah from the hand of the Gaon David Hoffman. His universities include Vienna, Berlin, Giessen, Marburg, London and Cambridge. He holds the degrees of Hon. B. A. of London and Cambridge, Ph.D of London University, and D. D. (Yeshivah University).

He has been President of the Rabbinical Council of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America 1928-1934; a trustee of the Jewish Welfare Board since 1928; a trustee of the Jewish Social Service Association 1926-1933; a trustee of the Fellowship of Reconciliation since 1940; vice-chairman of the New York Family Institute 1928-1940.

Barnett R. Brickner, Rabbi, Euclid Avenue Temple, 8206 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, during war years was administrative chairman, Committee on Army-Navy Religious Activities, National Jewish Welfare Board. In 1944 at request of late President Roosevelt he made world-wide tour of war theatres on religious missions to chaplains and troops of U. S. Army and Navy; in July 1947 he was awarded the Medal for Merit by President Harry S. Truman and former Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson in recognition of outstanding service to the war effort; January-March 1947 at request of UJA Rabbi

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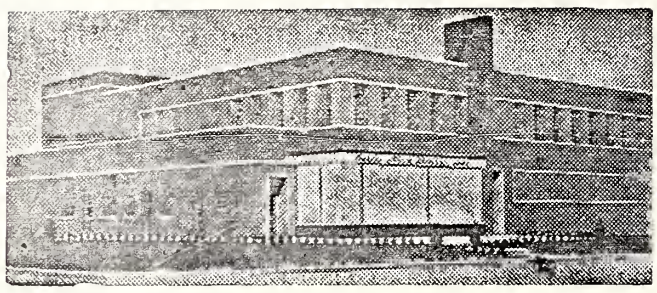

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## Dean of Jewish Composers

*By* SUSIE MICHAEL FRIEDMAN

In the world of Jewish music in America in which my baritone-husband and I have lived professionally for thirteen years, we have learned to know many composers of our immortal Jewish music.

In all humility we honor their artistic gifts but we also acknowledge their very human peculiarities.

My first pen-portrait is considered the dean of all Jewish composers, Leo Low. His zest for living, his rich, delightful sense of humor, his warm, colorful personality all belie his seventy four years. Physically he is the most handsome, for his fine, regular features, keen blue eyes, large Beethovenesque head crowned by a shock of white curly hair, all set him apart in any crowd. Surprising as this sounds, it is nevertheless true that within the life span of Leo Low has come the birth, the adolescence and ripe maturity of Jewish secular music.

For those of us who labor under the misapprehension that Jewish music is many thousands of years old, the foregoing will appear as a mis-statement. If by Jewish music is meant the "trop" or Biblical cantillations, then yes—our music is very ancient, for its roots are buried deep in the time-hallowed pages of our "tfilles" or prayers. But Jewish **secular** music is something else—and Leo Low was the first to take our music out of the synagogue fifty years ago (he was then music director of a Vilna synagogue) and present it on the concert stage before a mixed audience. For this deed of daring he was threatened with the loss of his position as well as a barrage of over-ripe fruit! "Jewish music belongs only in the synagogue for no non-Jewish ear shall profane our music by listening to it!" shouted young Low's angry superiors. "And who wants to listen to our 'bobba liedlach' anyway?" they jeered at him. But young as he was, Low had the courage to defy his synagogue board and securing a public hall, he presented an evening of folk songs. Chassidic "niggunim" and other soul-stirring melodies which today are considered regular concert fare throughout the civilized world.

That evening in Vilna made such a favorable impression on the very mixed audience with enthusiastic acclaim by the local press that within the matter of days young Low's board of directors called on him and issued a new directive—that he give another evening of Jewish music but this time in a much **larger** auditorium!

Today in 1952 when we attend Jewish concerts in New York's swanky Town Hall and its bloated counterpart, Carnegie Hall, and in other cities across the nation, let us recall the courage of a young Jewish musician who dared to defy the restrictive conventions of a half century ago.

As a final step in the emancipation of Jewish music, I am reminded that in 1950 my husband and I were invited to perform our "Cavalcade of Jewish Music" in—of all places—a Catholic university, the University of Portland, Oregon! Thus does Time march on!

It is difficult in evaluating the talents of Leo Low, whether to place him first as a composer or a conductor, for these two gifts have been practically co-existent. Who has not heard the two great Chassidic improvisations of Reb. Leivi Yitzchok—"A Din-toire mit Gott" and "A Dudele" so magnificently arranged by Low; or his clever setting of the ever popular "A Chazend'l oi'l' Shabbes" which find a place on every Jewish program? His original work, the cantata called "The New Years of the Trees" utilizes the maariv leit-motiv of the Rosh Hashona service with such masterly craftsmanship that even after numerous hearings it still has the power to excite and delight the listener.

Since Leo Low has been associated with synagogal work from the time he was a boy cantor at thirteen, his compositions for the liturgy which include Friday and Sabbath morning, High Holy Days and Festival services all bespeak a kinship with Jewish traditional worship at its finest.

And when old-timers reminisce about the great cantors of yesteryear, Cantors Sirota, Hershman, Kwartin and others we must thank Leo Low for bringing these men to this country for in each case he was their music director, both in Europe and America.

In 1921 Low became director of the National Jewish Worker's Alliance Chorus in New York and except for five years in Palestine from

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1930 to 1935, he has been their permanent conductor. This huge chorus is made up of working people, housewives and untutored amateurs who are unable to read a single note of music! When we hear this chorus perform difficult, complicated numbers so beautifully, the only explanation possible is that they must have a conductor who hypnotizes them!

How I wish I could take all my readers to dinner at the Lows in their cozy West End Avenue apartment where they would be regaled by the sparkling wit of Leo Low and the delicious, mouth-watering cooking of Mrs. Low. Here one hears enough witty stories and anecdotes to fill several volumes of Jewish humor, told with pungency and brevity.

I recall our host's story about a certain cantor whose house had caught fire and who was running hither and yon distractedly until his wife screamed, "Moishe, what are you doing? The house is burning down and you are running around like a headless chicken." To which the cantor replied: "I'm looking for my pitch pipe so that when I scream for help I shall be on key!" This is an approximation of the tale which was told in Yiddish and it is practically impossible to retain its original flavor. Which also reminds me that if one hopes to remain a part of the conversation at the Lows one must have the ability to make quick shifts from Yiddish to Hebrew to Russian to English.

Since this year is the 100th anniversary of the birth of I. L. Peretz, the "Father of Yiddish Literature," here is an unpublished anecdote concerning Peretz as told by Low who was intimately associated with Peretz in Warsaw where they did much work together for the refugee children of World War I.

Peretz was an early riser and requested Low to meet him at 7 A. M. in a public park to discuss a new children's poem which he wished set to music. To Low's utter astonishment he saw Peretz rushing toward him from the opposite end of the park attired in an old-fashioned opera cloak with a **woman's** much befeathered hat bobing up and down on his head! Before Low could comment on this strange attire, Peretz launched into the description of his poem which concerned a rooster and a hen. With complete self-unconsciousness Peretz started to recite the poem with appropriate gestures, saying "Here is the rooster who says 'kuruk, kuruk, kuroo'" accompanying the words with much flouncing back and forth of his wide-spread cloak with the lady's hat jogging up and down on his large, impressive head. In less time than it takes to relate this episode, Low says that dozens of people who were taking their morning constitutionals, stopped to gaze open-mouthed at this remarkable sight!

In 1930 the Lows moved to Israel where they lived for five years, returning only because Mrs. Low's health became impaired due to the climate. For Israel these were five productive years because Leo Low stimulated the field of choral development to a degree hitherto unknown.

Leo Low's help-mate, Bertha Low, deserves special mention for she has dedicated her entire life to the happiness and success of her husband. Married fifty-two years, she has made a charming home for him wherever they have lived, be it in Vilna, Warsaw, Bucharest, Vienna, Berlin, Tel Aviv or New York. We who know him well agree that Leo Low's robust health and youthful zest for living are the results of the loving care lavished on him by his devoted wife and companion. And for this the Jewish art world will be everlastingly indebted to Bertha Low.

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**TAR HEEL APPOINTMENTS**

Dr. Jesse Trager, president of B'nai B'rith's Fifth District Grand Lodge has named the following North Carolinian's to various District Committees: Dr. Leon H. Feldman, Asheville, Chairman, Americanism and Civic Affairs; Alfred Smith, Charlotte, A.D.L. Robert J. Sweney, Gastonia, Aid to Israel; Chester A. Brown, Greensboro, Public Relations; Albert Rose, Greensboro, B.B.Y.O.; Saul Levin, Charlotte, Constitution and By-Laws; Ben Krieger, Greensboro, Hillel; Rabbi Simcha Kling, Greensboro, Jewish Education; Joseph H. Hanchrow, Wilson, N. C., Finance; Dr. Philip Naumoff, Charlotte, Membership; Harry Shor, Raleigh, Membership Retention; Sigmund Meyer, Durham, Program; Cyril Jacobs, Greensboro, Seminars; Rabbi Karl Rosenthal, Wilmington, Social Service; Cyril Jacobs, Greensboro, State Associations; A. M. Fleischman, Fayetteville, Armed Forces and Veterans; and Edward Goldsmith, Asheville, Vocational Service.

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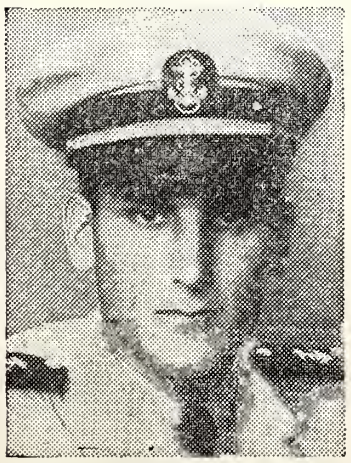

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# The Part-Time Jewish Chaplain

*By* RABBI LEON S. LANG
Congregation Beth El, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Rabbi Lang, chairman of the Chaplaincy Availability Board of the Rabbinical Assembly of America and a member of the JWB's Division of Religious Activities, recently completed a ten-day tour of 14 military installations and four VA hospitals in southeastern United States. Profoundly impressed by the calibre of service performed by part-time Jewish chaplains—who now number more than two hundred—Rabbi Lang felt impelled to set down this warm appreciation of their worth. We present Rabbi Lang's article in the belief that it contributes to an understanding of a phase of Jewish life that might otherwise remain obscure and unintelligible.—THE EDITOR.**

THE Jewish Military Chaplain, wearing the uniform of a commissioned officer in one of the branches of the U. S. Armed Forces, has become a welcome and familiar figure in camps, hospitals, and overseas installations. Much less, however, is known of the part-time Jewish chaplains and the indispensable role they play in that vital area called morale. These part-time Jewish chaplains—more than 200 of them—are civilian rabbis occupying pulpits in every section of the country. Month after month, faithfully and effectively, they serve as part-time chaplains in scores of military and VA hospitals as well as in some of the military camps. There is neither glamour nor remuneration to speak of in the civilian chaplaincy. It is, on the contrary, a service that exacts considerable time and effort; moreover, it is an effort largely unaccompanied by the favorable public attention that frequently (and deservedly) marks the activity of the commissioned chaplain. The civilian, part-time chaplain is, however, no less deserving of our notice and grateful recognition for a vital job well done.

In the Armed Forces today, there are fewer than 100 commissioned Jewish chaplains. Procurement plans call for a roster of nearly 150 by the end of 1952. Barring a national emergency because of an extended war, there are valid reasons why this number may not be increased substantially. However, the need of spiritual aid and counsel to Jewish men and women in the armed forces, the VA and U. S. Public Health Hospitals requires the services of at least three times this number of rabbis, in part-time service if not as fully commissioned chaplains. The reason is a simple one. The largest number of these camps and hospitals have a small number of Jews. Understandably, the commissioned full-time chaplain is appointed, to a large degree, on the basis of defined regulations as to numbers of Jews in a particular camp, military unit, or hospital installation. Although these regulations have been most favorably interpreted by the Defense Department office of the Chiefs of Chaplains, the fact remains that if there are only a few Jewish patients at a hospital or just fifty or a hundred Jews in a camp or air force base, these Jews still require and have a right to receive the service of a Jewish chaplain. Where spiritual comfort and counsel can be of help to even a single Jew, a rabbi must be made available to render this service. It is the National Jewish Welfare Board, through its Division of Religious Activities, (composed of Orthodox, Reform and Conservative rabbis), which sees that this augmented civilian Jewish chaplaincy is made available, wherever and whenever needed, regardless of the number involved or the remoteness of an installation from neighboring Jewish communities. Without the devotion and voluntary interest of hundreds of civilian rabbis, this extensive undertaking could never be accomplished.

Let us illustrate by citing several situations faced in meeting this need. Near Detroit there is one U. S. Public Health Hospital, some twenty miles from the city, with but one or two Jewish patients there ordinarily. In another direction there is an air force base, some thirty miles out, with perhaps twenty or thirty Jews scattered in various units on the base. In still another air force base, nearly fifty miles from the city, there is an even smaller number of Jews, but their distance intensifies their need for regular contact with Jewish spiritual guidance. The numbers and variance

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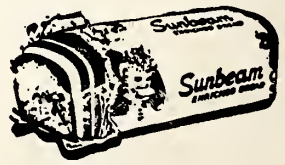

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of services would not warrant nor make possible the use of a commissioned military chaplain to serve this need. A civilian rabbi in Detroit, who is willing and ready to give a number of days a month, and many hours of tedious car riding and conscientious service—however few to be served—can alone meet this need. The numbers to be served may be somewhat more or less, but similar situations repeat themselves in every region of the country. More than 400 such installations and hospitals are now covered by civilian rabbis in this part-time chaplaincy service under the direct supervision of the National Jewish Welfare Board. In addition, the JWB provides them with religious supplies and covers the most of transportation and other necessary expenditures.

What it means to a Jewish patient to have a Jewish chaplain's visit in a military or VA hospital, especially if he has few or no other brethren of our faith nearby, can hardly be appreciated by those of us with Jewish families and friends all around us. Take the VA hospital in Michigan, where there is but one Jewish patient who has been under government hospitalization for some ten years. Members of his own family rarely contact him. The civilian Jewish chaplain is his friend and confidante, with whom he shares his hopes and fears on the progress of his possible recovery or improvement. He seeks his advice on personal matters. On days when depression of spirit falls heavy, he gets a word of comfort to cheer him and restore his faith. Non-Jewish chaplains are, of course, on the regular staff of the hospital and are ever ready to meet his need. They have done much for Jews in every installation. But this Jewish patient, especially because of his isolation, feels, quite naturally, more at home with his own rabbi, a chaplain of his own faith.

In the U. S. Public Health Hospital at Carville, La., there is an extraordinary Jewish personality, a man by the name of Stanley Stein. Afflicted with Hansen's Disease (leprosy), Stein has been a patient there for more than twenty years. A civilian Jewish chaplain drives out to see him once or twice a month (it is a twenty-mile drive one way). The patient's remarkable courage and his intelligent attitude toward his ailment have won for him nothing short of national recognition; he has become the editor of a national magazine, **The Star,** dedicated to public interest in the problems of Hansen's Disease, its cure, and shaping a constructive public attitude toward it.

Stein seeks Jewish companionship and counsel. He told this writer, who visited the Carville institution, of his deep indebtedness to the neighboring rabbi for his friendship and frequent visits.

Regrettable as it is, the world situation demands that our government maintain an Armed Forces establishment numbering millions of men. According to the best available government information, our Armed Forces will remain at the peak figure of three million for the next few years. A due proportion of those in uniform will continue to be Jews—and they must be provided with Jewish chaplaincy service. Even if the Defense Department were ready to commission the number of Jewish chaplains required for full coverage, the Jewish community has far too few rabbis to permit, in peace time, the removal of three or four hundred rabbis without severe dislocation of the normal civilian religious leadership needs in American Jewry. A large proportion of the chaplaincy service must consequently be covered by part-time civilian rabbis. Government appropriations to meet this need are extremely limited and inadequate. Supplementary funds supplied by the National Jewish Welfare Board are not sufficient to provide for fair remuneration over and above expenses for such chaplaincy service. They provide, as indicated, primarily for religious supplies, transportation and supervision. It is plain, therefore, that without the generous and virtually unremunerated service of these hundreds of civilian rabbis doing this vitally important job of Jewish chaplaincy, it could never be covered. Let us keep in mind, with deserving appreciation, that these civilian rabbis also serve, as do their colleagues in uniform, a most important role in the chaplaincy in behalf of our fellow Jews in government service.

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CINCINNATI—(WNS)—A plea that an appreciable number of young rabbis go to Israel for the purpose of organizing there reform organizations was made here by Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner.

Addressing founder's day exercises at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institution of Religion, in memory of Rabbi Isaac M. Wise, Dr. Brickner suggested a round-table conference of Jewish religious and cultural leaders in America in an effort to establish a Jewish religious organization for the purpose of achieving "unity but not uniformity."

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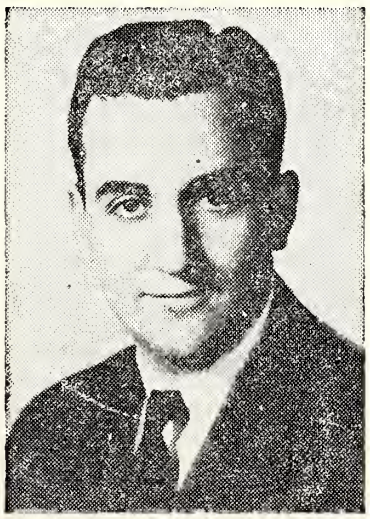

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# The Cooking Page

Salads are a way out of the hot kitchen these humid summer days. Most of these can be made in the comparatively cool pantry.

### MARSHMALLOW SALAD

Cut up one-quarter pound of marshmallows into small squares, also contents of one-half can of pineapple. Let the marshmallows be mixed with the pineapples quite a while before salad is put together; add to this one-quarter pound of shelled pecans. Make a drip mayonnaise of one yolk of egg into which one-half cup of oil is stirred drop by drop; cut this with lemon juice, but do not use any sugar; to two tablespoons of mayonnaise, add four tablespoons of whipped cream. Serve on fresh, green lettuce leaves.

### COTTAGE CHEESE SALAD

Mix thoroughly one pound of cheese, one and one-half tablespoons of cream, one tablespoon of chopped parsley and salt to taste. First fill a rectangular tin mold with cold water to chill and wet the surface; line the bottom with waxed paper, then pack in three layers, putting two or three parallel strips of pimiento between layers. Cover with waxed paper and set in a cool place until ready to serve; then run a knife around the sides and invert the mold. Cut in slices and serve on lettuce leaves with French dressing and wafers. Minced olives may be used instead of the parsley, and chopped nuts also may be added.

### CREAM CHEESE SALAD WITH PINEAPPLES

Serve one slice of Hawaiian pineapple on lettuce leaves. On the pineapple slice place a spoon of cream cheese and some chopped walnuts and top off with a dash of mayonnaise dressing.

### CREAM CHEESE SALAD

Moisten a cream cheese with cream and beat to a froth. Arrange in a mound shape on a dish and turn preserved gooseberries over it. Serve with biscuits.

### GRAPEFRUIT SALAD

Cut the grapefruit in halves and remove the pulp, being careful to get none of the tough white skin. Mix with bananas and organges and stir in white mayonnaise dressing. Remove all skin from the inside of the grapefruit and fill with the mixture, heaping it high and ornamenting with maraschino cherries. Lay each half in a bed of lettuce leaves and serve.

### FRUIT AND NUT SALAD

Slice two bananas, two oranges and mix them with one-half cup of English walnuts and the juice of one-half lemon with French dressing. Serve on lettuce leaves.

### BANANA DAINTY

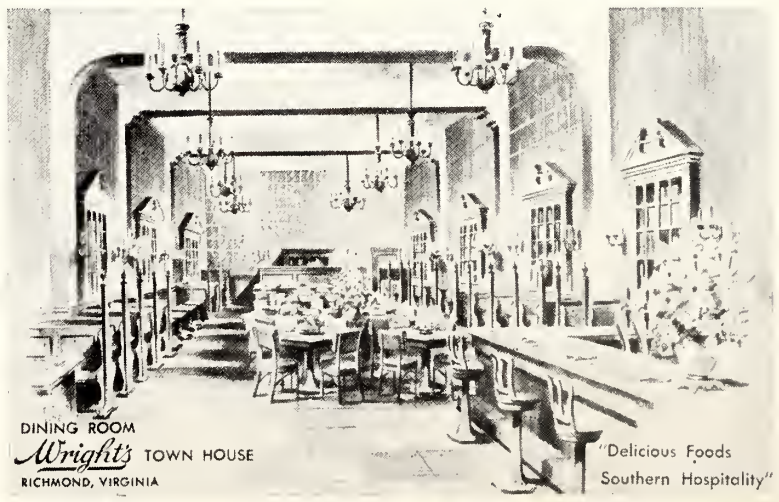
Cut the bananas in half crosswise and arrange them on a plate, radiating from the center. Sprinkle with grated nuts or nutmeg and heap white mayonnaise in the center. Garnish with maraschino cherries.

### HUNGARIAN FRUIT SALAD

Mix together equal parts of banana, orange, pineapple, grapefruit and one-half cup of chopped nuts. Marinate with French dressing. Fill apple or orange skins with mixture. Arrange on a bed of watercress or lettuce leaves. Sprinkle with paprika.

### NUT SALAD

Make a plain grapefruit salad. When you have it ready to serve, cover the top thickly with finely chopped almonds or pecans mixed. Pour over French dressing.

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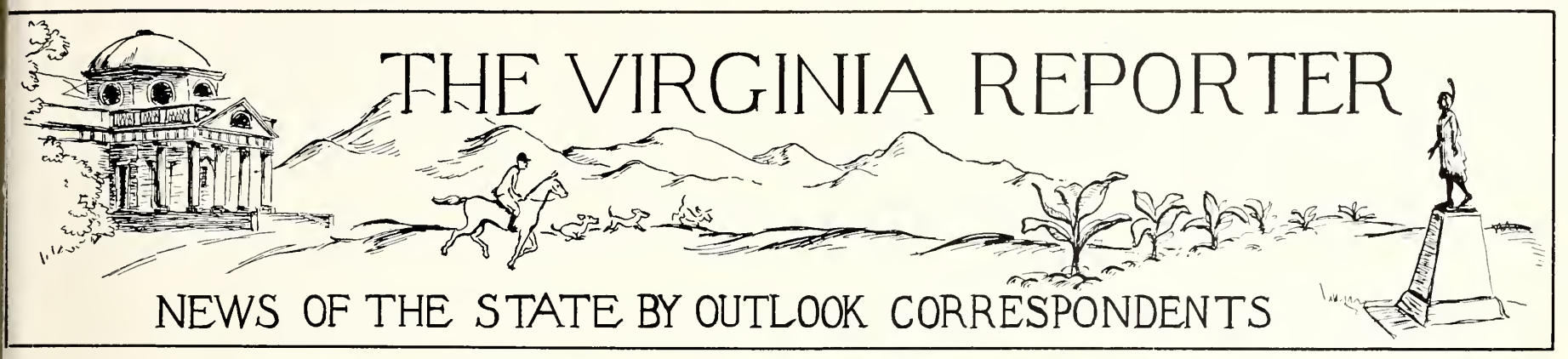


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## Beth El

**Mrs. Allan G. Minko, Reporter**

Mrs. A. W. Grandis, newly installed President of Sisterhood of Temple Beth El entertained the Executive Officers and Board of Governors for the coming year at a Lawn Party on the occasion of the first board meeting held for the year 1952-1953. This meeting took place at the home of Mrs. Grandis, 336 Albemarle Avenue.

New officers include: Honorary President, Mrs. H. Lebarwitch; President, Mrs. Abe W. Grandis; Vice Presidents, Mrs. Ben Perlin, Mrs. Moe Backer, Mrs. Jacob Fratkin, Mrs. Dave Pollack; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Louis Buffenstein; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Al Furman; Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sam Kayne; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Zell; Assistant Financial Secretary; Mrs. Irvin Cantor; Treasurer, Mrs. Marvin Heckel; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Norman Meyer; Historian, Mrs. Meyer Harris; Advisor, Mrs. Louis Perlin.

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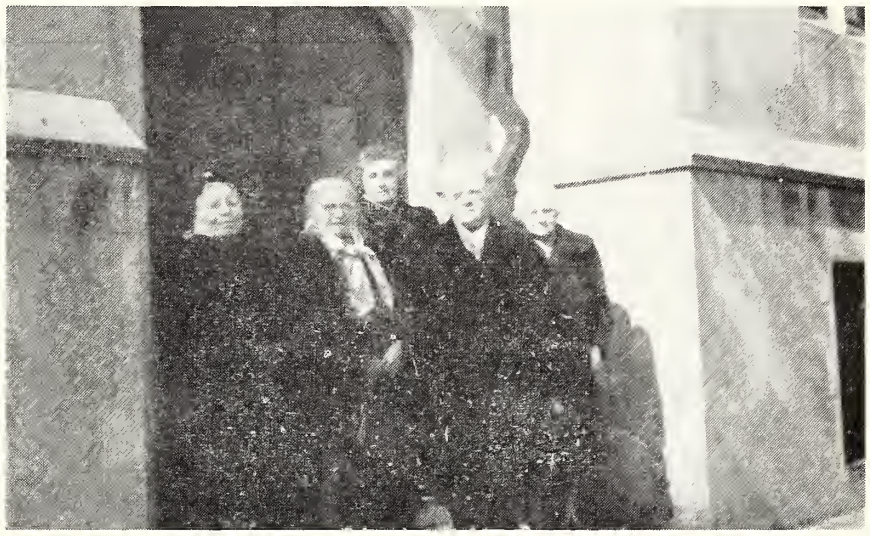
Budget planning, events, and fund raising projects will be planned at this board meeting, by Executives and Board of Beth El Sisterhood. The first regular meeting will take place on September 17, 1952.

## Beth Sholom Home

**Mrs. Fritz Lowenthal, Reporter**

Looking back is what old people like to do. They'll never forget their past no matter whether there are good or bad things to remember. Our job is to give them a new outlook on life, make them as comfortable as possible but most of all keep their minds occupied. More and more we should take avdantage of the progressive time we live in. More and more we should look around for possibilities to make life worth living for our aged. Looking back and comparing the condition in the Beth Sholom Home since its creation in 1946 and now in 1952, one has to admit that great progress has been made. Parties were planned and given by our residents. A group of our lady-residents attended a sewing circle of the Grand Group in the Jewish Center, where beautiful clothes and toys were made for the children in Israel. Last but not least the "Beth Sholom Home News" was created under the very able supervision of the editors, Mrs. L. Goodstein and Mrs. E. Bernstein.



Sewing group in front of Jewish Center. **Left to right: Mrs. S. King, Mrs. S. Cohen, Mrs. I. Sutton, Mrs. H. Rosenberg, Mrs. R. Levin, of Beth Solom Home.**

All of this is only the beginning. We are looking forward to many more activities. Until we succeed in having a complete leisure time program for our residents, you and I will have to help out. Come and visit us. Tell our aged what is going on in daily life, tell them a few of your problems and listen to some of their own. Make them feel wanted. Bring new hope into our "little family" of which some members are not able to go out anymore.

Join our president of Beth Sholom Home, Mr. S. I. Seldes, in his untiring efforts to bring more comfort and happiness to our residents. Give him full support in making his dream of a new and more spacious addition to our old building come true.

## Beth Sholom Sisterhood

**Mrs. Sam Batt, Reporter**

An executive board meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Ellis Bernstein, President of the Beth Sholom Home Sisterhood, on June 24th, 1952.

Officers of the Sisterhood are: Mrs. E. Bernstein, President; Mrs. I. Carton, Honorary President; Mrs. Max Laster, First Vice President; Mrs. Morris Smeyne, 2nd Vice President; Mrs. J. L. Watts, 3rd Vice President; Mrs. I. Seldes, Treasurer; Mrs. G. Grandis, Financial Secretary; Mrs. M. Shapiro, Assistant Financial Secretary; Mrs. M. Rosen, Recording Secretary; Mrs. B. Garfield, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. L. Goodstein, Historian.

Mrs. Bernstein appointed her chairladies and committees:

Mrs. A. Meyers, Telephone; Mrs. J. Shapiro, Motor Corp.; Mrs. L. Spector, Hostess; Mrs. T. J. Fratkin, Book of Life; Mrs. I. Fratkin, Welfare; Mrs. M. Shapiro, Medical; Mrs. S. Batt, Publicity; Mrs. I. Caton, House Committee; Mrs. A. Glick, Sick Committee; Mrs. H. J. Bernstein, Recreational, and Mrs. H. Schneider, Outside Activities.

Committee Members: Mrs. N. Barer, Mrs. D. Brawer, Mrs. M. Brown, Mrs. M. Brodsky, Mrs. S. Evans, Mrs. D. Friedman, Mrs. D. Friedlander, Mrs. L. Fine, Mrs. L. Groh, Mrs. S. Kessler, Mrs. W. Maser, Mrs. G. Meyer, Mrs. B. Osias, Mrs. J. Steinberg, Mrs. O. Wolfsahl and Mrs. B. Romm.

The Agenda for the coming season, was fully discussed and the committees were given their various assignments.

The first meeting of the new season, is to be held at the Jewish Center, Monday September 8th, 1952, at 1 P.M.

All members are urged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned and a dessert luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Ellis Bernstein and her committee.

## B'nai B'rith Women

**Mrs. Sidney J. Lenett, Reporter**

The Julius Fisher Lodge of Southwest Virginia is composed of members from six small communities in Virginia and one community in Mt. Airy, North Carolina. Our meetings

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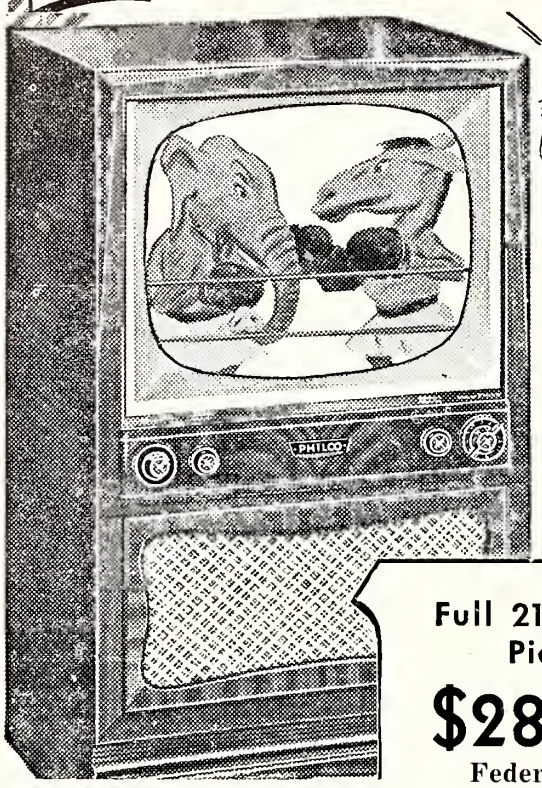

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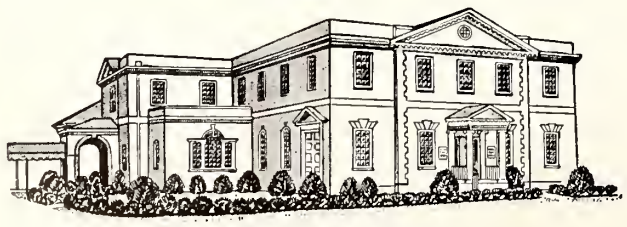

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**Joanne Levinson, Reporter**

Half of the summer is over and everyone is trying to cultivate enough sun tan to carry him over into the Fall.

Saw Regina Bartley the other day and she took me through her charming art studio at Virginia Beach. It's a small thatched house covered with ivy and looks like something you read of in books. The interior is white with a number of chairs, tables and easels in it. She boasts of two classes—one for children and one for adults. If you spend any time at the beach, I'm sure she'd be pleased to have you visit her. Regina attended the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, is a graduate of the Uuniversity of Pennsylvania and received her Master's Degree in Art Education at Columbia University. She spent a year abroad dividing her time among France, Italy, Spain, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Switzerland. The last lap of her journey was in Israel where she spent six months. She just completed a year of study at Columbia University on a Virginia Museum of Arts scholarship. Good luck to you, Regina, in your stimulus tc art education. May you have many pupils.

The Phi Alpha convention held at the Chamberlain Hotel, Old Point Comfort, June 28, 29 and 30 was an affair which won't soon be forgotten. Close to 75 couples enjoyed the Southern hospitality of this delightful hotel. Among those who attended from Norfolk were: Mr. and Mrs. Norris Halpern, Julius Miller, Sandra Greenberg, Retha Mirman, Elayne Herzberg, Sylvia Peltz, Barbara Mervis and Jeanne Levinson. Doris Cramer, Jeanne Mussman, Myra Lipman, Iris Friedman and Sandra Inson from Portsmouth were also present. Fraternity members came all the way from Pittsburgh, Pa., Boston, Mass., New York City and Baltimore, Md. The swimming pool was the center of activity during the day and the dance hall at night.

Red Behrman, new president of Alpha Zeta Omega, pharmaceutical fraternity, D. B. Schwetz, Paul Caplan, Paul Mazel and Oscar Brown are still talking about the wonderful time they had at the Waldorf Astoria during the annual convention of AZO. The Norfolk chapter, which is one and one-half years old, took second place in the directorum cup race, competing with 28 chapters all over the country. And while I'm on the subject of pharmacy, I want to congratulate the Tidewater Retail Drug Assn. for their inauguration of "Know Your Pharmacist Better Week" and Doris Kantor for drawing up the pamphlet publicizing this unique idea which brought Norfolk nation-wide publicity. The eyes of America are upon you, Norfolk!!!

Members of Temple Emanu-El, Virginia Beach, can be proud of the wonderful affair they had at the Cavalier Beach Club in honor of Nathan Polis, the Temple's founder, on Sunday, July 13th. Under the stars, overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, the huge crowd danced to the music of Russ Morgan.

Hadassah's luncheon at the Surf Club on July 22nd was a success, thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Bernard Samuels, general chairman. Everyone had a good time observing the old-fashioned bathing suits modeled by new fashioned gals—"I'll be down to get you in a taxi, honey . . ."

This month B'nai B'rith Women, headed by Mrs. Albert Lewis, are planning a gala aquacade at the Surf Club, Virginia Beach. Dinner and dancing are part of the evening's program. General chairmen of this affair are: Mrs. Morton Gaba and Mrs. Alfred Kruger. Mrs. Jack Mosel is in charge of the acquacade. Come on down and pick Miss Sweetheart of 1952, Mrs. Cheesecake and Mrs. Glamour. It's for a worthy cause so jot down the date and time—Tuesday, August 12th at 7:30 P.M.

Our best wishes to Howard Popkin who has journeyed out to California to take six weeks of naval reserve training and to Charlie Silverman who is on his way to Fort Knox, Kentucky.

The community was saddened by the loss of Mr. Dave Saks. Our sincere sympathy to his family.

So until next month, I remain
Your Norfolk corresondent,
Jeanne Levinson

# Portsmouth, Va.

Dear Lonzmen,

News from Portsmouth during July has been scarcer than hen's teeth.

In the first place, all of the organizations have disbanded activities for the summer although a couple of them, including Hadassah and B'nai B'rith Women have held special summer board meetings.

In the second place, it's been too hot for anyone to bother getting news. Everyone has been worrying about keeping cool and crowds have been gathering daily at the Suburban Country Club pool.

Our congratulations to Stanley Fass, who graduated from the University of Virginia and to the following graduates of Woodrow Wilson

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# PLAIN TALK

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**ABOUT SOME HEARTACHES**

My friend, Mr. Joe Friedlander, came to me with an ache in his heart that I at once recognized as nostalgia for Orthodoxy. It occurs frequently in citizens who were born in Orthodoxy, were brought up in it and in later years joined a Reform temple.

Mr. Friedlander was telling me: "Strange thing! I belong to one of the Reform temples, attend its services but when it comes to saying kaddish for my parents, that's something else again. Then I go back to the Orthodox synagogue. I can't bring myself to reverence their memory in the Reform temple."

Mr. Friedlander's parents were strictly Orthodox. In the Orthodox schul on jahrzeit Mr. Friedlander feels back at home with them; this is the spiritual home of his inheritance. There he feels comfortable not only for his parents' sake but also on account of his own peace of mind. He is back at the Jewish gemuetlichkeit of his youth.

"Why," Mr. Friedlander asked, "should it make any difference whether I honor my parents in the temple or in the schul? But that's the way it is."

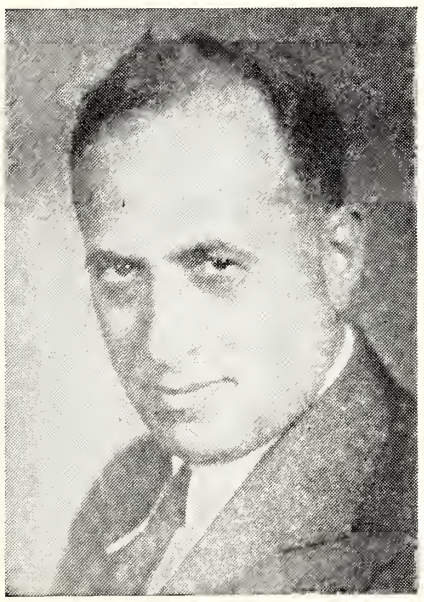
I told Mr. Friedlander I had come upon the same symptoms of heartache in others who had joined the Reform persuasion from out of Orthodoxy. I know, for example, the excellent Mr. I. I call him Mr. I, because he is tall and thin like an I. This is Mr. I's story, practically in his own words:

"Every once in a while I get a feeling to go back to Orthodoxy, at least for an hour or so, or maybe for an afternoon.

"You know me! How I was brought up in strict Orthodoxy, I know all the prayers of the Orthodox ritual by heart. I can lead the congregation in prayer. Mind you, I don't practice Orthodoxy; long ago I put away the t'fillim, and we don't have kosher in our house.

"I was married in Orthodoxy, under a chupa, and when our first child was around 6 and ready for Jewish education, my wife and I got into a huddle. The question was in what Jewish persuasion to bring up our children: In Orthodoxy or Reform.

"My wife argued that Reform was the Judaism of the future and that's where our children belonged . . . 'It's for the sake of the children,' she said, and when the wife insists on something, what do you do? You



ALFRED SEGAL

compromise. I said, all right, from here on we'll be Reform Jews.

"So we became Reform Jews. Believe me, to me it was like moving from a big house into a small apartment. Between you and me, I haven't felt religiously comfortable ever since. The new apartment has all the modern conveniences, including a slot in the medicine cabinet in which to dispose of used razor blades, but it isn't like the old home.

"On the high holidays I go with my wife to the Reform temple but I don't feel exactly warm there, like my heart used to feel in the old schul. Maybe there's too much decorum in the temple, so much formality.

"In the old schul it was friendly, not all cut and dried, you might say. I could relax and have a few words with my friend Morris or maybe Jake. The chazan singing to God practically broke my heart; it was a pleasure. His familiar melodies brought me back to many a happy Sabbath of my youth.

"It wasn't that way in the temple. There I sat stiffly in the pews, like a man trying to make a show of the very best manners. The chazan wasn't there. The singers, the most of them not Jewish, didn't sing to break my heart, like the chazan in the schul. I was like somebody in a theater.

"Well, comes Yom Kippur when a man has all day to be religious in and to sample different kinds of Judaism. So what do I do on Yom Kippur? In the morning I go duti-

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fully to temple with my wife. Then toward noon my heart begins to ache for the old ways of Yom Kippur, the old songs, the old comradeship in the schul. I excuse myself to my wife and hurry over to the old schul. Ah, there I am at home again, in a ritual as familiar as old nursery rhymes. I am comfortable at last and remain there through the rest of the day.

"My wife whom I left in the temple feels like a deserted woman and in the evening when we meet at home again I hear from her plenty. I just don't answer her because I know very well you can never win an argument with a woman and, anyway, I had a swell time in the old schul."

Thus speaks Mr. I and his spiritual experience is the same as of others who have gone out of Orthodoxy into Reform. Maybe Reform, though it's about 100 years old, has as yet not managed to plant its roots deep in the hearts of Jews.

It seems that belonging to a Reform temple is not yet the sweet obligation of the soul that membership in a schul involves. It is something a Reform member can take or leave alone, just like taking or leaving alone an evening at the country club.

I write this with no hostility to Reform; I have been a member of a Reform temple some 30 years, but I must confess: Like my friend Friedlander I go for kaddish service to the Orthodox synagogue here, I feel, the memory of my mother is more at home.

Reform has been taking in more and more members who lately have come out of Orthodoxy and who, like Mr. Friedlander, feel sentimental for the old times when a synagogue's foundations were not merely planted in the earth but were even more deep in the consciousness of the congregation.

Mr. Friedlander was thinking that this was a matter to call to the attention of Reform leaders, for them to look into.

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High School—Sandra Inson, Ellen Ray Frank, Larry Goldman, Bobby Floum, Nathan Safrian, Herbert Jacobson, Sylvia Fivel, Barbara Friedman, Myra Marcus, Doris Reshefsky, Minnie Roberts, Sheila Sackstein.

Most of the recent graduates are getting ready by now to enter college this fall.

A group of AZA boys and B'nai B'rith girls, including John Gordon, Martin and Arthur Farfel, Fred Berman, Phyllis Blachman, and Anita Kroskin, attended the AZA and BBG convention in June.

Ellen Ray Frank had a wonderful time at Camp Tel Yehuda.

Double congratulations are due Dr. and Mrs. Milton Goldin on the birth of their twin sons.

B'nai B'rith members held an outing at the Country Club late in June and the kiddies from the Sunday School also enjoyed a day out there.

Mazel Tovs to the three August Bar Mitzvah boys, Bernard Schwartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schwartz; Marshall Berman, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Berman; and Dean Casper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Casper.

Our sincere sympathies to the families of Benjamin Brewer and Mrs. Mary Weiss, two more beloved members of our community who died recently.

Short and to the point, yes? Well, we promise more news for the September issue. By then everyone will be busy getting ready for Fall activities.

That's 30 for now.

## B'nai B'rith Women

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are held on the first Sunday of each month, usually in Wytheville, Virginia, which is centrally located and easily accessible to all the communities served by this Lodge.

Our June meeting was held in Wytheville on June 1, with our President, Mrs. Sam Baer of Mt. Airy, N. C., presiding.

We were honored to have as our guest speaker, Mr. Ted Freedman, of the Anti-Defamation League office of Richmond, Virginia. He gave us a splendid talk on social discrimination, and the work the A.D.L. is doing. A questions and answers period followed Mr. Freedman's talk.

Mrs. Joe Goldstein of Galax, Virginia, and her son, Bernard, attended the A.Z.A., B.B.G., District No. 5 convention on June 15, at Camp Blue Star, Hendersonville, North Carolina. Mrs. Goldstein is a life time honorary president of A.Z.A. and B.B.G.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Baer of Mt. Airy, North Carolina, and Mrs. Joe Goldstein of Galax, Virginia, visited New York City during the week of June 9th.

Miss Vivian Elaine Levine of Saltville, Virginia, graduated from the University of Georgia at Athens, Ga., receiving the Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics. In the Fall, she is going to start her year's internship at Brooklyn Hospital, in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Barrett of Wytheville, Virginia, have as their guest the week of June 21st, Mrs. Flo Fogel of East Orange, New Jersey.

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**Left to right, seated: Alan Bookman, William Unger, Sandra Kline, Jerry Manewitz, Charles Braslow, Sandra Cohen, Elinor Goldberg, Debra Fink. Standing, left to right: Mavis Slavin, Norman Olshansky, Jack Met, Karen Wilks, Mary Ann Roth, Michael Hirshman, Rona Soyetta, Davi Goodman, Sherman Schwartzberg, Joel Shapiro, Judy Kolatch, Joel Lewis, Enid Bass, Carl Markowitz, Pamela Forman, Stephen Klein, Barbara Halfin, Susan Sands, Ellen Frank, David Workman.**

Kadima means forward—and as each season of Kadima Day camp begins the children of the Newport News Jewish Community go forward on a six-week venture of learning, playing, frolicking and singing.

Functioning solely for the benefit of the children it serves, Kadima Day Camp is expertly directed by Ben Edelman and Charles Olshansky, executive director of the Jewish Community Center.

As each new day of camp begins, the attendance steadily increases with an average of 60 campers daily. These are divided into six age groups each directed by a senior counselor and assisted by a junior counselor and Counselor in Training (C. I. T.). Naming their own groups and choosing from Hebrew, biblical and famous characters or things. The groups this year are: Queen Esther, Samuel, Mt. Sinai, Israel, Hadassah and Haganah. A typical day at Kadima offers a variety of activities for every camper, beginning with the opening prayer and concluding with farewells at the end of each day.

Each year the camp decides upon a project which is constructed entirely by the campers. This year the camp is planning to build a model of the Haifa seaport with ships docking. Highlighting the activities at Kadima is the daily afternoon trip to a nearby resort, farm or park. These afternoon trips may be for swimming or horseback riding.

The camp is staffed by well trained counselors. The activities at camp include: softball, kickball, tumbling, dancing, ping pong, swimming, organized group games, etc. Swimming instructions given at the Newport News Recreational Pool. A ballet group was organized which gives the campers an opportunity to express themselves in the form of a dance. The day camp is under the direct supervision of the day camp committee whose chairman is Mrs. Vivian Weinstein and Dr. Monte Binder is program chairman.

**Rabbi Max Vorspan of Pasadena, California, has been named Associate Director of the Brandeis Youth Foundation, whose program is to help prepare youth for leadership in the American-Jewish community, Louis Levine has announced. Dr. Shlomo Bardin is the Director.**


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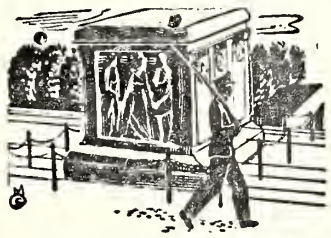
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**Mrs. Geraldine Brumberg, Reporter**

Dr. Leo Platt has been elected the new president of Temple Emanuel by the congregation. Other officers: Vice-President, H. D. Weinstein; Secretary, Dr. Julien H. Meyer; Treasurer, G. J. Walpert.. Heading committees: Morris Graff, Music; Calvin Bachrach, Cemetery; J. H. Weinstein, Finance; Abe Weiner, Sunday School; Nat Fink, Attendance; Walter Loebl, Membership; Dan Moss, House Chairman. Board of Directors: Mrs. Julien Meyer, Mrs. Joe Foman, Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum.

The wedding of Miss Ruth Sheila Falk, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jack Falk of Miami Beach, Fla., and Mr. Malcolm Maurice Rosenberg, took place July 5th at 8:00 in the Hotel Roanoke Ballroom.

Before the wedding there was a family dinner, and following the ceremony a large reception and dance. Many out of town guests attended.

Mrs. Bernard Schwartz and little daughters, Sarah Anne and Debby, are spending the month in Virginia Beach.

Mrs. Julien Meyer has returned from Baltimore where she has attended the wedding of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Strasburger.

New officers elected for Hadassah: Mrs. Jack Berman, President; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Stuart Felton; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Milton Blank; Treasurer, Mrs. Benjamin Schaefer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Robert Loebl; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Bernard Katz; Financial Secretary, Miss Yetta Gerskov.

Best get well wishes to Mrs. Sam Krisch, Mr. Lake Rosenberg, Dr. Albert Schnurman.

Miss Lois Silverstein, of Milburn, N. J. is visiting her cousin, Miss Judy Leeds and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davidson.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Platt and Dr. and Mrs. Leo Platt have returne from a vacation at the Ambassador Hotel in Atlantic City.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Stein, who are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Miss France Kohen, who has been working in New York is spending the summer with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Josef Cohn.

Mrs. Jerome Barr had a week-end visitor, her brother, Mr. Sam Pillar of Paterson, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brumberg have their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sidney Brumberg of Fayetteville, N. C. and children, Gayle and Chippy as visitors for several weeks.

Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. Bernard G. Platt have moved to San Francisco with son, Stewart David, and daughter, Shelley Ann.

Condolences to Mr. Max Caplan on the death of his wife, Mrs. Etta Caplan, who has been ill for several years. Also to their children, Betty Lee, Sherry and Buddy.

## Lynchburg, Va.

**Gishy Aronson, Reporter**

Women of Lynchburg interested in Hadassah were well represented at the final meeting and installation tea held at the home of Mrs. Jack Bletz, outgoing president. Winding up their activities for the current year, the members made their annual report on funds raised during the past season and elected new officers for the next term. The membership of Hadassah is looking forward to a successful administration under the leadership of its new president, Mrs. Lewis Somers. Other officers elected to the board are the following: Mrs. Daniel Cooper, vice-president; Mrs. I. Adler, second vice-president; Mrs. Bertram Schewel, Secretary and Mrs. Charles Navis, treasurer.

Mrs. Jack Bletz, an alert and persevering woman with a long record of effective leadership in the organization, was commended for her diligent service in an address of praise conferred upon her by Mrs. Ben Schewel. It was largely through the efforts of Mrs. Bletz that permission was granted from the Lynchburg Association of Public Solicitation for the insertion of the "Angel of Mercy" ad in the local newspapers. As a postscript I wish to bestow a personal accolade upon the past president for her patience, lack of interference and kind understanding in inspiring me in the capacity of chairman of the dance to do my utmost in executing the entertainment for the benefit of Hadassah.

The music of wedding bells is not far off for Lois Lichtenstein, whose engagement to Cobert Hankin of Washington, D. C. was recently announced. Lois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan N. Lichtenstein received her education in Lynchburg schools and at present is living in Baltimore. Her fiance, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Hankin of Washington, D. C. was prepared in Washington schools and attended Benjamin Franklin University of Washington. At this time Mr. Hankins is with the Department of the Interior, Washington. A Fall wedding is planned.

Another engagement announced was that of Mrs. Virginia Beatty to Gilbert Feinman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Feinman. Mrs. Beatty shared honors with Mrs. George Abrash of Paterson, N. J. and Mrs. Arvol Salzberg of Richmond, at a luncheon given at the Boonsboro Country Club with Mrs. Macy Rosen-


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**Eddie Cantor, whose sixtieth birthday was celebrated by 1,700 leaders from all parts of the country at an Israel Bond dinner in New York, is shown receiving a citation from Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri for "his unflagging support of humanitarian causes."**

thal in the role of hostess. Mrs. Abrash and Mrs. Salzberg are members of the family and guests at the Rosenthal home.

Attractive flowers formed the centerpiece on the luncheon table and each guest of honor was presented with a corsage. The guest list included the following: Mrs. Rosenthal, Mrs. Abrash, Mrs. Salzberg, Mrs. Beatty, Mesdames, William Alster, H. V. Traywick, Isadore Oppleman, Joseph Feinman, William McBratney, Jr., Richard Moncure, John Simpson and William Roberts, Jr.

Visitors to Lynchburg this summer include Dr. and Mrs. Leon J. Marks and son, Robert of Hatboro, Penn., who were visiting Dr. Mark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Marks of Washington Street.

Mrs. Irving Salsbury (nee Ada Schewel) and her daughter, Elaine, and son, David, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Schewel on Rivermont Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Adler on Hilltop Drive had Mrs. Adler's newly-married sister and brother-in-law for guests.

Dr. and Mrs. Milton Rosenberg and sons have arrived here to be with Mrs. Rosenberg's family.

Mr. Mike Grossman and sons are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Siegal in Johnstown, Penn.

Mrs. Bertram Schewel and sons are guests of Mrs. Schewel's parents in Pennsylvania.

Did you know that—Marian Bletz was among those chosen by Floyd Ward to appear in the exquisite corps de ballet for the Shubert Festival at Charlottesville? I understand that Marian has enrolled at my old Alma Mater, the Marjorie Webster Schools in Washington, D. C. and the School of Ballet in the same city—Norman Cohen, son fo Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Cohen was a member of the graduating class of E. C. Glass?—the latest addition to Lynchburg's young set are Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Greif—the Al Scheckwitz's have a brand new baby daughter—We will miss Mr. and Mrs. Alan Oster and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Arnold who have moved to another city . . . The Los Angeles Times had this to say—quote—"Dr. Milton L. Rosenberg and Dr. Gregory A. Dahlen, both of Statford, University Medical School, were awarded the $200.00 Joseph J. McCarthy award for the best paper on urology. Dr. Rosenberg, 28 year old research genius, also has just won the $500.00 prize of the American Urological Association."

### DEMAND EXPLANATION FOR PRESENCE IN U. S. OF NAZI GENERAL

WASHINGTON—(WNS)—An explanation for the continued presence in the United States of Dr. Walter P. Schreiber, a Nazi general who was accused of complicity in Nazi medical crimes, was demanded this week from the Secretary of Defense Robert A. Lovett by Congressman Jacob K. Javits of New York.

In a letter to the Defense Secretary, Congressman Javits pointed out that it was essential that an authoritative statement be issued to explain why the general was permitted to remain in the United States in view of an assurance in March of this year by Brig. General Robert E. L. Eaton that Schreiber would leave the country "in a few weeks." Schreiber was recently reported to be seeking employment in American medical institutions.


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# Judaism and The "Lost" Intellectuals

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that, hence, we must stand by until a new, 20th-Century "Sanhedrin" will re-define it for us before we can commit ourselves to it any further. Revelation occurred by one Act of God, **k'vayachol,** both the written and oral Torah—and anyone who really does not accept this as a working basis for belief has no right to compose a book on Judaism in the name of a God by Whom he came circuitously and through the frailty of his own mentality. Unless, of course, he says so outright—preliminarily! Such an author, it appears to me, is a philosophical **poseur** and theological imposter. And if we Jews conducted an **Index Librorum Prohibitorum**, as the Catholics do, Martin Buber would be first on the list, alongside Sholem Asch. I am not referring to Buber the powerful **raconteur** of Hassidic folklore, of course —for as a Hassidic parabolist he has almost touched the glowing lyricism of Peretz. But Peretz did not pretend to be a philosopher; he simply wanted to remain a teller of stories, an honorable pursuit in itself. Rather am I referring to the Buber of those interminable "God books,' the tale-teller who refused to confine himself to story telling . . . (Why is Buber popular among Orthodox Jews as a "God thinker?" A measure of his popularity may be acribed to the "Ost-Juden" who, immigrating after World War I from Hassidic Polish and Galician settlements to Germany, were proud to show their "enlightened" German friends that the **milieu** of their origin was not drab but that, on the contrary, it was interesting, indeed as Buber depicted the holy Hassidic men of Medzhibuzh, Mezritch, Saddigeur, and Lizhensk.)

Be it as it may, Torah, as defined by **Talmud Babhli** and **Jerushalmi,** was precisely the postulate laid down by our genuine Jewish philosophers —Saadya Gaon, Jehudah Halevi, Maimonedes, Samson Raphael Hirsch, Nathan Birnbaum, Hasdai Crescas the Gaon of Wilna and Israel Baal Shem. All these Jewish thinkers had this in common—they accepted the Torah whole, and lived as they taught. Even Ibn Gabirol, a devout synogagal poet accepted by Sephardic and Ashkenazic communities, became suspect when his **magnum opus,** "Mekor Chayim" nowhere seemed related to Bible and Talmud, but seemed rather to have been written as though man could arrive at Truth by mere idle deistical speculation, speculation **unfortified by Torah.**

Only a handful has remained of the so-called Samaritans who rejected two-thirds of Scripture and all of the teaching of the Rabbis. And we know what universal tragedy befell the Jews when the Pharisees were challenged by the Sadducees and when, later, the Rabbis were defied by the "minim." The Karaites, who also overthrew Talmudic authority, fared no better than the Samaritans. And in our own day, the so-called "Reform" Jews, despite their many congregations in North America, have been going the way of total assimilation; it is common knowledge that third-generation Reform Jews no longer identify themselves with their synagogues, but wind up in the Church—if they are socially acceptable to their Episcopalian friends.

Not unlike the "Reformists," then Buber and his followers keep on talking "Gottheit" and stressing the "contemplative life," but their "neo-Hassidic" piety remains a static thing, adding up to a hollow "universalism" the corollary of which remains, at best, a non-functional Judaism, a spirit without a body, as it were—a corpse in reverse. As for the above-mentioned Hayim Greenberg, who seems to believe that Judaism is a sort of cultural cumulus of history's intellectual sediment left by Peretz, Sholom Aleichem and secular Zionism, his "philosophy" is equally non-functional. For, obviously, he is working out for himself and kindred secularists a Jewish jingoism minus Torah, minus **Mitz'voth Maasiyoth—** but plus the "color and aroma of Sabbaths and holidays," as he put it recently. That is, Sabbath without the sanctity of the Sabbath—but containing, I suppose, that piece de resistance of the Sabbath-table, "tschollent." (Where else could he get that aroma? I had occasion to observe Greenberg's fellow-travelers in Tel Aviv last summer, at the **Cafe Kassith**, where the "aroma" issued forth from their Sabbath cigars . . .)

Lest I seem carping, permit me to call attention to the flagrant display of bad taste and apple-polishing of which the "God book" authors and "Hudaism" literati are guilty— namely, their calling in a majority of Christian theologians to "endorse" their works for the jacket-blurbs. I have the jacket of one such "Judaism" book before me; it contains no

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# NEWS of the CAROLINAS

## High Point, N. C.

Miss Helen Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jacobs, became the bride of Allan Trockman of Evansville, Ind., on June 30th, at B'nai Israel Synagogue with Rabbi William Gold officiating, assisted by Rev. E. B. Ershler. William Collins, soloist, and Mrs. Ernestine Strickland, organist, rendered music.

Attending the bride were Mrs. Marvin Sablosky, matron of honor; Misses Diane Wagger, maid of honor; Frankie Herman and Rachel Karp, bridesmaids, and Betty and Bunny Jacobs, junior bridesmaids. Marcia Sablosky was flower girl.

Marvin Shablosky was best man and ushers were Harold Rabhan, Jerry Jacobs, Harold Trockman, Milton Siegal, Ivan Chalfie, Leonard Guyes, Jerry Guineck, Robert Barrar and Ivan Steinberg.

Harry Jacobs gave his daughter in marriage and for her wedding the bride wore a formal gown featuring white mousseline de soie over blush satin, with lace applique outlined in sequins and pearls. Satin folds formed a sweetheart neckline attached to a yoke of nylon illusion. she carried a bouquet of pale pink baby orchids centered with a white orchid and showered with stephanotis. Her only ornament was pearl earrings, the gift of the bridegroom.

MRS. ALLAN TROCKMAN

The bride attended Stephens College and the University of Indiana, and the briegroom graduated from the University of Indiana with a B. S. in marketing. There he was a member of the Sigma Alpha Mu social fraternity, and was elected to represent it in the Sphinx Club, the highest honorary club on Bloomington campus.

For their wedding trip the couple left for Miami, Fla., following dinner and dancing at the Plantation Supper Club. For travel the bride changed to a suit of pink linen, trimmed in white organza with matching accessories and the white orchid from her bouquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jacobs entertained with a dinner and dancing at the Plantation Supper Club immediately following the wedding ceremony. In the receiving line were the bridal party, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trockman, parents of the groom. The bride's table was covered with nylon net over pink satin, caught up with pink satin bows at each end, to carry out the color motif of the wedding. A lavishly decorated wedding cake in pale pink, topped with a replica of the bride's bouquet, centered the table. Tall, silver candelabra holding pink tapers decorated with pink carnations, baby's breath and tulle were on either side, with silver bowls filled with pink roses at each end. The bridal party was seated at a long table covered with cutwork cloths with large centerpiece of pink flowers, and silver candelabra holding pink tapers. Place cards were photographs of the bride and groom sketched in wedding attire. Pink tapers, with carnations, baby's breath and tulle were used to decorate all the tables, at which covers were laid for eight at each table. The same decorative motif was carried out on the tables from which hor d'ouvres were served prior to the dinner. Approximately 250 guests were present.

## Durham, N. C.

**Mrs. Sam Freedman, Reporter**

Last month we Durhamites, were all "talking about the wedding"—the wedding of Annette (Chanala to us) Lieberman to Hal Weiser of Savannah, Ga. Now that the newlyweds have returned from their honeymoon, it seems that the Lieberman family is still celebrating with open house and guests. But, that's the way the Durhamites celebrate a "simacha." There just seems to be no end to the goodies that Eva has stored in her freezer—kishka cookies and cakes of all sorts.

Before Annette and Hal left for Norfolk, where Hal will be stationed for a few months, they made a hurried trip home to attend the social event of the month in Durham—a Silver Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rose celebrated their Silver Anniversary on July 6, with a dinner-dance at the B'nai B'rith Clubrooms. About 200 guests joined Dotty and Joe to celebrate this joyous occasion.

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The Clubrooms, air-conditioned, were beautifully decorated with large silver bells. Each table was centered with a tapered white candle, silver leaves, and a silver "25." On the head table was a centerpiece of white gladiolas and baby's breath in large silver bell containers, with silver candle-sticks on each side.

After all the guests were seated, the immediate family and celebrants entered in the following order: Estelle and Elliott Rose, daughter and son; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Jacobs, mother and father; and the "bride and groom," Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rose.

Mr. Elliott Rose opened the beautiful ceremony with a prayer. Following this there was a re-affirmation of the marriage vows by Mayor E. J. Evans.

The brocha over the wine was chanted by Mr. Sam Daniel and the motzi by Mr. Nathan Lieberman.

Mrs. Abe Wilson, Durham's Patrice Munsel, sang four appropriate songs which helped us get right into the wedding spirit: "Abe Gezund," "Kiss Me Again," "The Anniversary Song," and "Always."

Miss Estelle Rose sang an original song set to the tune of an old Jewish melody. The three verses described the days of courtship and married life of her parents.

Mr. Jacob Zuckerman was M.C. for the evening and kept the guests entertained in his own inimitable way.

After the meal was served, a sweet table and bar were set up. Guests were invited to dance to the music of Russ Olson and his orchestra.

To commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rose, the friends of the couple presented them with a silver tea service at the party.

Out-of-town relatives here for the happy celebration were: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Jacobs, Miami, Fla., parents; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tanis, aunt and uncle; Mrs. Harold Dinzes, and Master Martin Scott Dinzes, all of Paterson, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Al Rose, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Moss, Raleigh.

Out-of-town friends present were: Mr. and Mrs. Sol Levine, Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Namis, Lynchburg, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schwartz, Akron, Ohio; Major and Mrs. Robert Goldsmith, Fort Bragg; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Silver, Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. S. Bergman, Chapel Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schwartz, Miami, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. I. Messinger, Charlotte; Ensign and Mrs. Hal Weiser, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Bernard Nyveen, Quebec, Canada; Mrs. Bea Tiomkin, New York.

Over 200 guests attended the open house affair that Mr. and Mrs. H. Uretsky gave in New York City in honor of their daughter Roberta Lee's engagement to Gerald Marvin Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Daniel of Durham.

The following day, in the presence of the immediate family, Rabbi Israel Goldstein officiated at Roberta and Gerald's wedding, after which the parents of the bride entertained the guests with a supper.

Guests from Durham who attended the engagement party in New York were: Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lieberman; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rose; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eckstein; Mrs. Phil Greenberg; Mrs. Joe Rose and Mrs. Lena Katz; and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Daniel.

The bride attended Duke University; the groom is a graduate of U.N.C. with a BA in Business Administration and is now serving in the Air Force and will be stationed at Limestone, Maine.

Our community is looking forward to the arrival of Reverend A. Miller, formally of Charleston, S. C. and his bride. Reverend Miller has been elected to serve as cantor, teacher, schohet and moel.

Last month I told you of the elaborate plans that Hadassah had for the Medical Center Dinner and Swimming Party. What a lovely affair it turned out to be and what a financial success! Even the weatherman proved of great help—it was so hot that everyone had only one idea —drive out to the Mayor's home, purchase a gift certificate for $10, which would enable each couple to partake of the delicious fried chicken and other delicacies that the "First Lady of Durham," Sara Evans, served; then promenade in your new bathing suit, and spend a perfect evening, sipping lemonade? and listening to exactly where your $10 will go and how much good it will do.

To Mrs. Max Swartz, Medical Center Chairman, goes a big hand for a job well done.

It seems that Hadassah Women's work is never done. Although our fiscal year ended in June, we are still busy—this time getting started with our annual year book, the money derived from this year book is applied to our H.M.O.

The H.M.O. Drive started off last week with a "kick-off breakfast" which most ot the solicitors attended. Mrs. Harry Rosenthal and Mrs. Max Swartz are chairmen of this drive.

Between bites of bagel, lox and coffee, the solicitors were given pep talks by the chairmen and Mrs. E. J. Evans.


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The member who brings in the most ads will be The "Mrs. H" for the day. She will be extended all sorts of courtesies for the day. Although the women are working very diligently, they have very stiff competition—the men are also busy getting ads and—may the best one win.

Really don't know whether it's the hot weather or the cool, air-conditioned B'nai B'rith rooms that makes our men so energetic. We're proud of Sigmund Meyer and Leon Moel! Sigmund is State Americanism and Civic Affiair Chairman and Leon is Regional Chairman for eight state lodges of the Eastern Region, also, chairman of organization of women chapters for North Carolina. Since this means traveling for Leon, I know that his charming wife, Florence, will get to renew many of her North Carolina acquaintances—perhaps also an opportunity to present the latest edition, daughter Susan.

Because of the air-conditioned club rooms, the B'nai B'rith has continued to conduct meetings through the summer. Everyone in the community is enoying the rooms—meetings and all social events are being held there.

This month the drive for the Durham Federation of Jewish Charities is being conducted. Mr. Robert Lipton and Mr. Irving Zelon are chairmen. In order to make this drive a suge success, these men have postponed their vacations until the fall. Good luck to you.

Durham will greatly miss Mose and Beck Fogel, who will soon leave for Augusta, Ga. Beck (Fern) Fogel will be greatly missed whenever plans will be made for the decorations for any affair. The ferns will never look the same, Beck, without you to give them the finishing touch.

Many lovely affairs have been given for Mose and Beck and we wish

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## Charlotte, N. C.

**SCHNIERO-KARESH**

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Schniero of Chicago, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Maxine Schniero, to Robert Loeb Karesh of Chicago, formerly of Charlotte and Gastonia, son of Mrs. J. H. Goldstein of Orlando, Fla., and the late A. S. Karesh. Mrs. Goldstein lived in Charlotte, N. C. before moving to Orlando.

**Reading left to right: Dr. Louis Finkelstein, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, His Excellency Abba Eban, Israel Ambassador to the United States and Dr. Hayim Greenberg head of the Department for Culture and Education of the Jewish Agency in New York. The occasion is the inauguration of the Seminary-Israel Institute, sponsored by the Seminary and the Jewish Agency. The Institute is one of the several current educational and cultural projects involving the Agency's Department for Culture and Education. Other projects include the Center of Israeli Studies at Columbia University and the travelling exhibition of Hebrew books published by Mosad Bialik in Jerusalem.**

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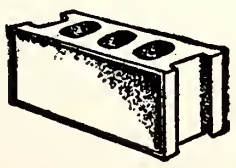
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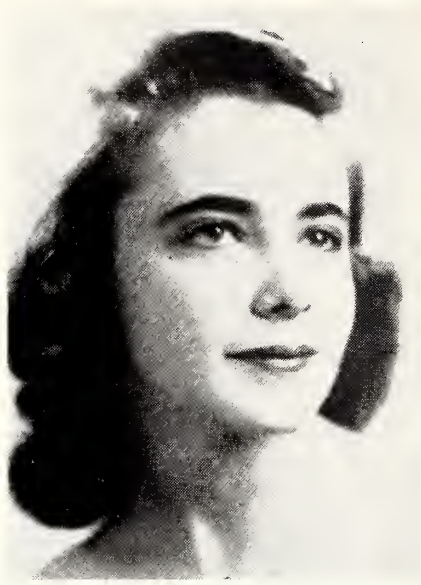

BETTY MARIE SCHIFFMAN

The big news this past month (besides the Republican and Democratic Conventions, that is) was the lovely luncheon given at Mrs. Hedgepeth's in honor of Bettie Marie Schiffman, fiancee of Buddy Chandgie; and also in honor of Bernice Stadiem, who is now happily roaming Europe hand-in-hand with husband, Ernest. The luncheon was simply beautiful, and there was so much chatter; the 100-plus degree heat was hardly noticed. Bettie Marie and Bernice had the prettiest corsages, and Bernice had many guests (mostly me) puzzled as to how she held her flowers onto her bare shoulder. I found out, though. The clever girl used Scotch tape!

Betty Marie will be married to Robert Stanford Chandgie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Charles Chandgie on August 17th.

Bettie Marie returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wise Schiffman, on June 1st from New York, where she had been doing a very worthwhile and wonderful job for the Community Chest. She was educated at Mrs. Fred I. Rypin's private school, and then on to the Salem Academy in Winston-Salem. Upon graduation, she attended the Mt. Vernon Junior College in Washington.

Robert (Buddy) Chandgie attended Mrs. Rypin's classes, too, and from there went to the Phillips Andover Academy in Massachussetts. He is now attending Yale University, and will be a senior this Fall. The couple will reside in New Haven until Buddy is graduated from the University.

**PERSONALS**

Bob and Selma Clein had the pleasure of a visit from Bob's kid sister, Gerry, from New York. It was really nice for all of us to meet another member of the Clein Clan, and particularly such a sweet one!

So many people have been running back and forth to the mountains, the beach, etc., it is impossible for me to keep track. However, to all of you I say, "I hope you had a lovely time!."

Rabbi and Mrs. Fred Rypins are enjoying a trip to the west coast which will include many of the "sights" with which this part of the country is studded. We trust that the rest and relaxation they will experience will prepare them for their multitude of duties on their return.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stadiem are viewing the many interesting spots in Europe in a two months trip on which they embarked in early July. They were the recipients of many courtesies by their multitude of friends in Greensboro prior to their sailing.

David Helberg is on his annual visit to his family in Chicago, forgetting for a while his many responsibilities as principal of the Sternberger School here.

If you didn't get splashed you were one of the few lucky ones who enjoyed the evening of fun given by Don Hirsch and Gene Saltz as a return courtesy to their many friends who had paid them courtesies. The evening was spent on the estate of Paul and Mona Bines, where the swimming pool eventually found most everyone enjoying its cool

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Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rochlin had as their guest, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Deutsch, of Miami, Florida. Mrs. Deutsch is a sister to Mrs. Rochlin. Mr. and Mrs. Deutsch, were married June 15th in Miami, and were on their wedding trip.

Dr. Wallace Hoffman, osteopath, attended a convention of Virginia Osteopathic Society of Williamsburg, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Freid and Mrs. Allan Lurie of Boston, Mass., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gordon. Mr. and Mrs. Freid are parents of Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. Lurie is her sister.

Honoring Mrs. Sam Freid and Mrs. Allan Lurie of Boston, Mass., Mrs Saul Gordon entertained at a beautiful afternoon party at her home in Oakland Heights. The attractive home was thrown en suite and decorated with beautiful arrangements of summer flowers, and the lovely refreshment was a picture in itself.

The members of the National Council of Jewish Women of Salisbury and Statesville, held their annual closing meeting with a banquet and dance, at the Yadkin Hotel in Salisbury. A lovely dinner was served to the members, their husbands, and guests. Special appreciation was given to the out-going president. Mrs. Harry Feit, for her great efforts and outstanding work during the past year. She was presented a gift by the members.

## Durham, N. C.

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to extend to them our very best wishes upon their daughter's engagement.

Before leaving, Beck and Mose announced the engagement of their daughter, Elinor, to Lt. Ronald Sobel, Chicago, Ill. Elinor attended the Durham city schools and is a graduate of U.N.C.

We were pleasantly surprized, while looking at Sammy Kaye's show to see Harvey Peck. It seems as though Harvey, having taken all honors in high school, decided to try for bigger stakes than mere medals. Harvey took a trip to New York.

Harvey made a big hit on the show. He impressed the audience with his detailed description of the Chesterfield factory and Duke University. He won a television set, $100 in cash, and other prizes incidental to the contest, which consisted of directing Sammy Kaye's band. Harvey is still in New York appearing on other shows.

We're glad to see Carolyn Fink well again.

Mrs. Mitchell Bergman is visiting her brothers in Roanoke, Va.

Mrs. George Lewin and family are spending the month of July at Carolina Beach.

Mrs. A. Golub and son and Mrs. M. Hirshfield of Chicago, Ill., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Daniel.

Mayor and Mrs. E. J. Evans had as their guests over the fourth of July week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frankel, Huntington, W. Va., and Mr. and Mrs. L. Madalia, Norma and Jimmy Madalia of Charlotte, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Freedman and daughters, Lubah, Neilda and Ceevah attended a Bar Mitzvah in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Milton Abelcop and son are spending the summer with Mrs. Abelcop's parents in Asbury Park, N. J.

We were all happy to see Selma and Charlie Navis from Lynchburg, Va. Come more often to see us.

Ensign Robert Evans, son of Mayor and Mrs. E. J. Evans, has left for Oakland, California, where he will attend the naval supply school.

Mrs. Jake Nurkin, who was recently married, was the honored guest at a lovely luncheon given at Cameron Village, Raleigh.

Fabianne Wolff, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Wolff, recently participated in an interesting radio program. As a member of the local vacation library club, she was chosen from 600 members to tell about their program over WDNC. The interesting work of this group was discussed by Fabianne.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Elwood Wishnov and daughter Barbara, are spending their vacation visiting in Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

Doris Freedman of Washington, D. C. was a recent guest in the city. Doris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Freedman.


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# HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.

**Mrs. Kalman Sherman, Reporter**

Mr. David M. Blumberg, immediate past president of District 7, and former national vice-commander of the Jewish War Veterans addressed the Hendersonville chapter of B'nai B'rith at a "Ladies Nite meeting" on June 25th. Presient Kalman Sherman presided.

Hendersonville Jewish Ladies Auxiliary entertained a group of 18 parents from Swannanoa Veterans Hospital at a picnic at Camp Blue Star. Fried chicken and all the trimmings were served—Hiking, fishing, and games completed the enjoyable afternoon.

The following Sunday the Auxiliary sponsored a community picnic at Blue Star. Box lunches and swimming highlighted the affair.

Plans are now being made for a busy summer schedule of activities for raising funds for Hadassah. Mrs. Sam Kalin, president, announced the local chapter was on the Seaboard Region Honor Roll for fund raising and membership. Members are continuing their good work.

**PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Sherman announce the birth of a daughter, Barbara Gail, on May 30th.

Mrs. Jake Oliver of Salt Lake City is visiting the Shermans.

Mrs. Dan Michalove and son, Don, are vacationing in Chicago.

Guests of the Sam Williamses include Mr. and Mrs. Al Shane and two daughters of Washington, D. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williamofsky and children also of Washington.

Mrs. Morris Weisberg has returned after attending the graduation of her daughter, Ruthie, from college in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kalin of Sarasota, Florida, are spending the month with his parents.

Mrs. Alpern has arrived for her summer stay with her daughter, Mrs. Morris Kalin.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Seigel and daughters of New York are guests of the Mac Provdas.

Herman Weisburg is having an exciting time touring Scotland.

Mr. and Mrs. Marty Beckerman and son, Mickey, are visiting in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mann have arrived to spend the summer.

# Wilson, N. C.

**Mrs. Herman Barker, Reporter**

Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow spent a few days in Greensboro attending the P.T.A. Institute held at Woman's College.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barshay and children, Hyman and Barbara, recently returned from a vacation at Wrightsville Beach, N. C.

Mr. George and Irving Chazen of Brooklyn, N. Y. are visiting their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barker.

Mrs. Nathan Sher and children, Arlene of Richmond, Va. and Ronnie returned from a vacation at Wrightsville Beach, N. C.

Linda Hanchrow is attending Girls Scout Camp Lapihie at Crab Tree Creek Park in Cary, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lester are vacationing at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Freedman of Trenton, New Jersey, visited their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Freedman of Farmville and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Freedman.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barker left for Miami, Florida, to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Katzin.

Ronnie Trachtenberg of Jacksonville, N. C. visited Gloria and Lynne Barker.

Mrs. Dave Lester entertained with a Canasta Party honoring her daughter, Gene, who was visiting from Statesville, N. C. An enjoyable time was had by all.

Mr. Julian Barker, a student at the University of Leiden, recently returned from Holland and is spending the summer months in Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanchrow attended the Institute at Wildacres.

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MRS. NORMAN MEYERS

On June 22, in the Chantaclear Room of the Sherry-Netherland Hotel in New York City, Miss Barbara Margolis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Margolis of Williamston, North Carolina, was united in marriage to Mr. Norman Meyers, son of Mrs. Irving Meyers and the late Mr. Meyers of Huntington, Long Island.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rabbi Morris Kertzer, feature writer of New York City.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, Mr. Frank J. Margolis

Miss Joyce Bloom of Norfolk, Virginia, cousin of the bride, was Maid of Honor and the bride's only attendant.

Ralph Meyers of Huntington, Long Island, attended his brother as best man and ushers were Dr. Richard Margolis, brother of the bride, Norton L. Bloom, cousin of the bride, George Meyers, brother of the Groom, and Dr. Herbert Schwartz.

Mrs. Meyers is a graduate of Salem Academy in Winston-Salem and attended Duke University, in Durham, North Carolina.

Mr. Meyers is a graduate of New York University and Drexel Institute of Technology.

Mrs. C. D. Pittman and son, James, are visiting relatives in South Carolina.

Bob Levin of Mt. Gilead, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Levin of Raleigh, were recent guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Levin. Ronald Levin is also at home from the University of North Carolina for the summer.

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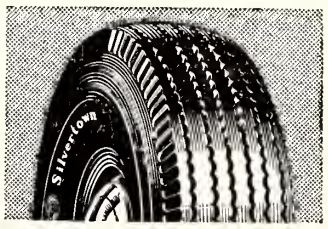


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## Judaism and The "Lost" Intellectuals

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less than seven blurbs from Christain scholars, (out of a total of eleven.) I have searched in vain for similar servility among Protestant or Catholic authors. In fact, Catholic authors never release books without a "Nihil obstat" from the bishop's censor or without the bishop's **Imprimatur**, and would surely never seek a rabbinical bouquet. Time was when Jewish authors trundled their manuscripts about, from one hamlet to another, begging for the local rabbi's economium, or simple approval, and only received it after thorough investigation of the author's integrity—to ascertain whether the author did not misrepresent Torah in his work, and, if not, whether his private life measured up to his lofty literary utterances. Even so saintly a teacher as the "Chafetz Chayim" went through such an ordeal, and we may be reasonably sure that, much as he admired Aristotle, it would never have occurred to Maimonedes to seek editorial approval for his "Moreh Nabhochim" from the bishops he must have known socially and with whom he must surely have been on polite intellectual terms. But our present-day "God book" philosophers seek Christian endorsement because the kind of "Jewish philosophy" they purport to define by their books is, in the final analysis, more Christian than Jewish. Often, to placate the non-Jewish reader, they write about "God" as though He were their exclusive discovery waiting to be formally introduce to the reader by the author...

Small wonder, then, that so discerning an American Jewish intellectual as Alfred Kazim, whom Lewisohn unfairly takes to task, is moved to exclaim: **"Unfortunately, as the tissue-thin and merely ethical faith of so many liberal Jews shows, pluralism can be an excuse and synonym for no faith at all."**

Thus it does not seem to me that the writers Lewisohn recommends to our "lost" intellectuals can do the trick. Despite the unquestionable sincerity of Buber, of Hayim Greenberg and of Will Herberg, and notwithstanding all the good intentions of these literary gentlemen, it will take more than their feeble and equivocal efforts to convince the Howes, Fiedlers, Kazins and their ilk that theirs is the home where classical Judaism abides. The "lost" souls will find their answer ultimately—when an authentic Jewish milieu evolves and its pivotal point will be the synagogue, not the community center; the **Torah**, not the "God books"; the **Sabbath**, not the Zionist caucus on Friday Eve. It has happened before, and it must happen again: it is a Jewish sociological inevitability. This is the dynamic potency of Torah—that no matter how it is compromised, its healing power resuscitates; it can only reach Jews through the channel of Jewish

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# ASHEVILLE N. C.

**Mrs. Samuel Robinson, Reporter**

**RABBI MICHAEL A. ROBINSON**

Michael Aaron Robinson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Robinson of Asheville, North Carolina, was ordained as rabbi by the Hebrew Union College on June 7 at the historic Isaac M. Wise Temple in Cincinnati. Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Richard Backer of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Elliott Serotta of Augusta, Ga., sisters of Rabbi Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Unger and Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Lichtenfels of Asheville.

Rabbi Robinson received his early religious training in the religious school of Temple Beth Ha Tephila in Asheville. He attended Asheville public schools and Asheville Biltmore College, and was a member of the Beaux Arts Society at NC State College which he attended before enlisting in the Navy. He served nearly four years in the Navy, and saw action in the south west Pacific with the amphibious forces. Rabbi Robinson has his B.A. degree from the University of Cincinnati.

While a student at the Hebrew Union College, Rabbi Robinson served congregations in Ligonier, Indiana, Huntsville, Alabama, Staunton, Virginia, and Ashland, Kentucky. He has just been elected assistant rabbi of Temple De Hirsch, Seattle, Washington, and will take up his duties there on July 15.

Newly elected officers of Beth Ha Tephila are: President, Harry Blomberg; 1st Vice President, H. Dave; 2nd Vice President, Ed Goldsmith; Treasurer, Martin Gross; Assistant Treasurer, Earl Schreier; Secretary, Miss I. Palais.

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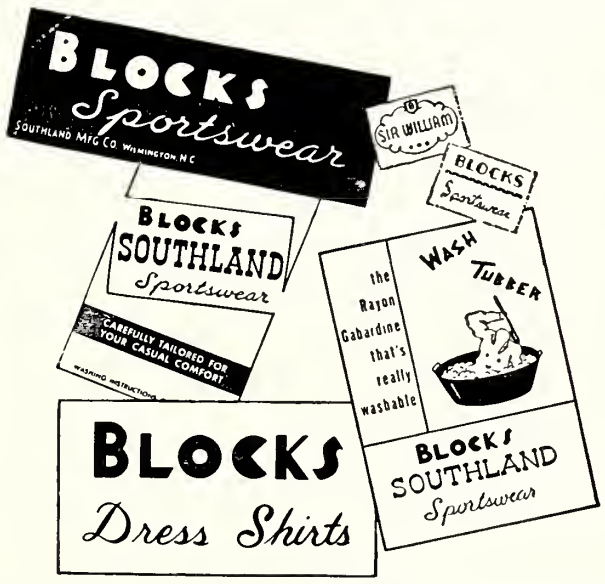


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## Judaism and The Lost Intellectuals

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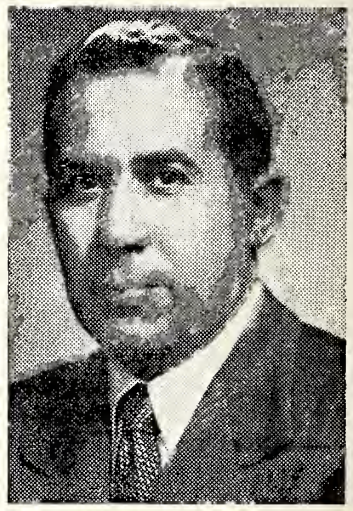
life. This will take time, to be sure, but signs of the inevitable revival are all around us already They are to be found among the people—people who never heard of Martin Buber and the others. These people are first- and second-generation American Jews who have voluntarily taken to the elementary study of **"Chumush and Rashi,"** and some even to a **"daf yomi,"** depending of course on their early Hebrew training. All of this is happening while the "God book" writers keep talking to each other—**and writing for each other**—as the people go on **doing, living** their simple Judism, unaided by the self-appointed intellectual leaders of this troubled hour.

One need not question the sincerity of the discussed American Jewish intellectuals, for their nostalgia is undoubtedly the real thing. They have found, have they not?, that no matter how brilliant their books are in their chosen fields of American culture, they remain suspiciously unacceptable to the Gentiles and, in the end, they must mingle chiefly with their own kind—i.e., with other American intellectuals of Jewish birth who, like themselves, could not quite "make the grade." They have found, too, that the "Marxian revolution," as symbolized by the Soviet Union, has not opened any "Western" doors to them, and that they are again what they always were. They are social butterflies, with literary claims, residing in Jewish New York, from which they send out their brain-bled books to an indifferent Midwestern, Southern Anglo-Saxon intelligentzia which never overlooks the "racial strain" of "those clever Jewish writers in New York." In short, the prodigals will have to come home sooner or later, but it is not the Martin Bubers who will open the door for them.

Instead, the doorman will be their plain, everyday, unintellectual and inarticulate Jewish neighbor . . . As the Talmud puts it and Rashi paraphrases it, **"Puk, chazi, mai amma dabber"**—"go out and see what's doing with the people." Proof of this truism, which intellectuals tend to forget, may be found in the fact that Buber and the others have been writing for years, but the Fiedlers, Howes and Kazins, for all their knowledge of foreign literature, never seemed to take note—until recently, when the **people** began to stir . . .



**The appointment of Herman L. Weisman, prominent New York attorney and communal leader, as chairman of the American Jewish Congress' Commission on Law and Social Action, has been announced by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president. Mr. Weisman succeeds Shad Polier who was recently elected chairman of the organization's national Executive Committee.**

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# Our Steps Will Be Like Drums

*By* ALFRED WERNER

". . . This was victory. From my heart as a Jew I write now: this was the greatest thing that has happened yet in this war. For us, it seems to surpass Stalingrad . . . and perhaps it does; here, at last, man has shown that he holds within himself the capacity to withstand anything."

These words, in which the fictitious Noach Levinson of Hersey's great novel, THE WALL, sums up the significance of the Warsaw Ghetto battle, could have been used by Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum as a motto for his latest volume, UNDERGROUND: THE STORY OF A PEOPLE (Philosophical Library, 532 pp., $4.50). In this reviewer's opinion, the significance of this monumental work lies in its being a painstakingly accurate account of Polish Jewry's resistance to the Nazis. There would have been little sense in recalling, once again, the unsurpassable sadism of the Hitlerites, a phenomenon known even to those who are now clamoring for the Bonn Republic as a full-fledged partner in the Western defense system. Much has been written on the atrocities committed by German invaders, but the story of Jewish armed resistance had still to be told, particularly since THE WALL is, after all, a novel, and deals only with the events in Warsaw.

Actually, there were scores of Warsaws scattered all over the Nazi occupied Polish republic; revolts broke out, not only in such large cities as Bialystok, Czechostova and Vilna, but in smaller places like Nieswicz, Kleck, Novogrodek, and others as well. In some cities, such as Lodz and Lublin, thorough preparations for an armed insurrection were made, but killed in the bud by the Gestapo which often kept informers and spies in the ghettoes.

To Dr. Tenenbaum, Polish-born physician and civic leader, we owe the earliest report in English on the ghetto-fighters in Poland. In 1944, while the war was still on, he had written about their unheralded heroism on the basis of whatever stories could be smuggled out of the country: "No trumpets blare and no flags wave. Men dare and die as simply, as inexorably as they have lived. imbued with a spirit that defies glory itself." Today, eight years later, we have all the details, and Dr. Tenenbaum has skillfully pieced them together to give us an unforgettable panorama of proud defiance of death.

He partially reprinted the minutes of a secret meeting of Defenders,

**Rabbi Israel Gerstein of Passaic, N. J., headed the general Convention Committee for the 16th Annual Convocation of the Rabbinical Council of America in Pittsburgh, Pa., June 30th, July 1st and 2nd. More than 450 modern Orthodox Rabbis from the United States and Canada participated in the sessions.**


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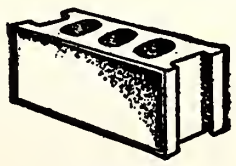
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held at Bialystok in February 1943. The council agreed to fight to the finish should the Germans make an attempt to wipe out the ghetto, and the meeting ended on a noble note: "The most important thing is to preserve to the last the dignity of the members of our movement." Unfortunately, Bialystok Jewry was caught unaware, for the Germans struck while the ghetto was still asleep. Hastily, the Defenders set up resistance centers, and though they possessed only one hundred and thirty weapons, including one machine gun, it took the Germans a whole month to wipe out all resistance.

Whereas in most cities the Christian population, save for a few sympathetic workers, did nothing to aid the Jews in their fight against the common enemy, the situation was different in Vilna. There a gallant non-Jew, Julian Jankauskas, secured the first machine gun for the ghetto, while the Mother Superior of the Benedictine cloister smuggled in the first four hand grenades. The local Bishop admonished his flock to aid their Jewish fellow-townsmen to the best of their ability. Incidently, it was at Vilna that the most famous partisans' song was written by a certain Hirsh Glik, to the melody of an old Cossack cavalry song. Rendered into English, the first stanza reads:

You must not let yourself consider
this the end,
When skies of lead above you
threateningly bend,
The longed-for day will come at last,
we have no fear,
Our steps will be like drums proclaiming WE ARE HERE!

The day did come—but not for young Hirsh Glik who perished with his fellow-partisans in a forest. Nor did it come for "Wanda," a sixteen-year-old blue-eyed girl whom nobody would have suspected of being a courier of secret papers, a smuggler of weapons, and arms instructor to new recruits; she was also the leader of a band of desperadoes that held up a state bank, dynamited a German meeting place, and killed many Gestapo agents. Eventually trapped by the Gestapo in her apartment, the girl was tortured to death by the enemy; posthumously, she received the highest Polish decoration.

Dr. Tenenbaum visited Poland after the war, and reported on this visit in a previous book, IN SEARCH OF A LOST PEOPLE. In the present volume, he confines himself to brief descriptions of what he saw while visiting the remnants of Polish Jewry in Warshaw, in his native city of Lvov, and other places, including the farms and factories recently established in Silesia. Unfortunately, he sums up, Poland, where the seed of anti-Semitism had flourished long before the arrival of the Hitlerites, is even now no secure haven for the Jewish people. After the horrible Kielce pogram of 1946, many of the survivors of Hitler's death camps felt that it was wise to emigrate.

UNDERGROUND is an important contribution to our knowledge of the lives and deaths of three and a half million individuals, "a people that lived by the book and died by the sword." Although it tells of a tragedy beyond parallel in modern history, it does not leave the reader in a state of paralyzed despair. For it makes him participate, as it were, as a fighter for human dignity and democratic liberty, in a struggle from which the defeated ones arose as victors, in a battle of free men versus robots for the ideals of a better world.

## B'nai B'rith Institute

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Brickner traveled through Europe and Palestine.

Rabbi Adler is a graduate of the College of the City of New York. He was ordained, Jewish Theological Seminary of America 1935; graduated with highest honors. He was formerly Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, Buffalo, and of Congregation Shaarey Zedek, Detroit. He served as Chaplain in the Southwest Pacific. Rabbi Adler is the author of "Selected Passages From The Torah," contributing editor of "The Reconstructionist." A former President, Detroit Zionist Organization, he is a member of Board of Governors, The National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies; Boards of Jewish Welfare Federation, Detroit Round Table of Christians and Jews, and many other religious and civic bodies. He is also a member, Governor's Commission to Study Problems of the Aged.

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The Institute of Judaism at Wildacres will take place from August 6th to 10th, having as its theme, "A Modern Guide to the Perplexed." The faculty will consist of Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, Rabbi Ben Bokser and Benjamin R. Epstein.

Dr. Lewisohn is Professor of Comparative Literature at Brandeis University. He is the author of more than 32 books, among them being, "The Island Within," "Trumpet of Jubilee," "The Last Days of Shylock," and "The American Jew." Dr. Lewisohn lectured at the first Institute held at Wildacres in 1948, and has lectured at Institutes held in Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, and Mississippi. He is one of the most outstanding writers and lecturers of our day.

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Rabbi Bokser is Rabbi of the Forest Hills Jewish Center, N. Y. He is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and received his Doctorate in Philosophy from Columbia University. In 1949, he headed a mission to Israel to study religious conditions. At present he is visiting Professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Among other works, he is author of "Reason and Revelation," "The Legacy of Maimonides," and "The Wisdom of The Talmud."

Mr. Epstein is National Director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. He is a graduate of Dickinson College, with his Masters Degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He is co-author of a recent book, "The Troublemakers."

## The Three Mosquitoes

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And please, make it Friday late in the afternoon, if you don't mind. There's a chance we may even have dessert.

That's all I remember; there wasn't any more.

## Williamston, N. C.

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Among those who attended the Meyers-Margolis wedding in New York City were Mrs. B. Goldstein and son, Jack Goldstein of Windsor, who were joined by Miss Doris Goldstein of Boston. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Irving M. Margolis and daughters, Sandra and Gail. Sandra and Gail remained for a short visit with relatives.

Dr. Richard Margolis stopped over enroute to Wilmington where he will be associated with the James Walker Memorial Hospital. For the past year Dr. Margolis has been interning at the Baltimore City Hospital in Baltimore.

Mrs. Samuel Zemon left for a short visit with her mother in Staunton, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Margolis have returned from New York City after a stay of several weeks.

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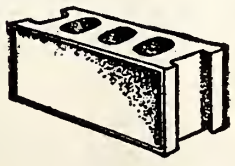
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# Joseph Leytes

*By* GRACE JAN WALDMAN

A strange anomaly in the movie world is Josef Leytes, who is everything the stereotyped producer is **not.** Tall, auger-eyed, and sensitive, he produced and directed "Faithful City," the new film about Israel which opened at New York's Park Avenue Theatre, in April. When I spoke to Mr. Leytes at the RKO Studios, where the film is soon to be distributed, I felt the frank dignity of an Israeli reaching out to me from a businesslike grey flannel suit.

Mr. Leytes has always been concerned with the problems of children not children, as we normally think of them—but bitter little creatures with blue numbers on their bare arms, scars in their hearts, and fear in their eyes. Mr. Leytes expresses through his film that love and understanding—not discipline—can cure these children, since these are not ordinary cases of maladjustment, but children grown up to the sound of killing as if it were a savage lullaby.

While searching throughout Israel for a cast, he encountered many such children. They needed no professional experience, and once on the set, it was not difficult to explain their parts to them. They had been rehearsing all of their lives.

One night he arrived at a kibbutz, and asked to see the children. He entered the room where they were supposed to be asleep, and found that the beds were empty. Then he heard snoring in a corner of the room, investigated, and found the children asleep under their beds. Some had never slept on beds before, and were afraid that they might fall to the floor. Others feared an air raid during the night.

During the filming, Mr. Leytes met with an interesting problem. He had to shout directions in a different language at the drop of a cue, for the set resembled a U. N. conference. A variety of Germans, Russians, Frenchmen, and the more exotic Morroccans, Indians, Chinese, and one Phillippino were his young performers. But Josef Leytes was able to cope with the babel of tongues. Born in Poland, he had fought, become wounded, and escaped imprisonment in various corners of the world. He somehow found the time to produce some twenty or thirty films. One of these, "The Day of Big Adventure," also dealt with children, and won a prize at the Venice Film Festival in 1937. Another was "The Great Promise," a semi-documentary film.

"Faithful City" was produced under primitive conditions and bad facilities. The entire film was shot from a distance of no more than a hundred feet. It was impossible for Mr. Leytes to see the rushes, and to retake some scenes if necessary, since he had neither studio nor laboratory to work with. The picture was rushed to England to be developed, and when Mr. Leytes saw the finished work, it was too late to make corrections. "I wanted to burn it," he sighed.

"Faithful City" has been successful in its appeal because of its universal interest. It is not a propaganda film, but one that seeks to entertain. It struck an enthusiastic note in the minds of critics, who praised it for its broad international scope, its mature, seasoned observation, and its objectivity. Love and understanding—the tonic which he prescribes for an anemic world—has made Josef Leytes an unusual producer, indeed.

**Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has been elected the executive head of that organization for life, it has been announced by Dr. Samuel S. Hollender of Chicago, Chairman of the Union's Executive Board.**

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*By* MARTIN SILVER

IN the three years since the rebirth of Israel, a war was won, he basic structure of the State estabished and more than 600,000 immigrants were brought to its shores and bsorbed. Even without the first two achievements, the third alone would ave been sufficient to stagger the magination and discourage those haping the destiny of any other naion confined to an area of comparable roportion.

The Israeli character, however, is n unique one; its indomitable spirit as been moulded by centuries of ispersion and suffering. This unoubtedly accounts for the fact that lans for the imminent future envisage ot only the foundation of a thrivng democratic structure, but the setlement of as many Jews as the land an hold within the shortest possible eriod of time.

Unlimited sacrifices and back-breakng effort will continue to be a patern for Israeli living, but this alone ill not point the way to victory. A aramount objective is the welding toether of this heterogeneous populaion, stemming from more than 60 ations, into a workable team of mutual direction and understanding. A ew language must be conquered and vastly unskilled, unlearned citizenry aught the "know-how" of translating ision and enthusiasm into action and ccomplishment.

Seeking the shortest possible route o this goal, the State has found eduation to be the key. As Israel's only chool of advanced learning, a gigantic task has been placed on the doorstep of the Hebrew University of erusalem which inaugurated its 27th ear with the new fall term on November 14. In the short span of a uarter of a century, world-recognized nstitutes of Jewish, oriental and genral humanistic studies have been eveloped; momentous archaeological iscoveries have been made; applied cience has turned a country without atural resources into a flowering wilderness, and an army of trained personnel was ready for the State at its hour of need on May 15, 1948.

Today's visitor to the University is probably impressed by one fact above all else—that this institution, one of the principal generators of power for a young and struggling nation, has been exiled from its campus since 1948. With registration at the greatest peak in its history, the laboratories, libraries and classrooms of the domed University buildings which lie in Arab-held territory atop Mt. Scopus are deserted save for an occasional patrol of guards.

Improvised quarters have been established in some two dozen buildings scattered inconveniently throughout the crowded city of Jerusalem. These house a student body of more than 2,000 men and women, about half the number required for a country of

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**The appointment of Isaac Toubin as associate executive director of the American Jewish Congress has been announced by Dr. Israel Goldstein, national president of the organization. Mr. Toubin, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been assistant director of the American Jewish Congress since 1946.**


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# EDITORIALS

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Of course, for the wealthy, vacation is not a matter of any particular season. With the winter spent in Florida, the spring in Europe, the summer in the mountains and the autumn in California, the entire year is an endless vacation. But for us poor people, we always think of the summer as the time to enjoy our two weeks respite from the toil and troubles of every-day life. And so, we bundle ourselves up and hie to the seashore or the mountains, or perhaps, a long delayed visit with Tanta Bluma. Of course, the trouble with the last named is that Tanta Bluma has to make us a return visit.

No one at home really expects us to write letters during vacation time. But woe be it if they fail to receive at least a post-card. There was a time when this could be a plain card showing the water-falls near our summer stopping place, or a picture of the village library. But no more. With the craze for modern photography, it is mandatory that that card be a color reproduction of us catching the biggest fish yet to be seen, or the kiddies tumbling about on the beach.

However, regardless of the scene depicted on the card, it MUST bear the legend, "Having Wonderful Time, Wish You Were Here." Without that, the post-card would be a fraud—and without that we wouldn't have a title for this editorial.

And so, a happy vacation to you. Don't forget that upon your return, you will have fifty more weeks of the daily chore. And don't forget also, that it will not be too many weeks until Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur will be upon us. So, get your fill of God's blessed sunshine and good air. Dream your dreams under a star-studded and moon-lit sky. And come back refreshed, once again ready for the daily task.

HAVE a Wonderful Time!

# A BASTION OF LEARNING

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Israel's population and potential growth. Between them these hard-working youngsters represent some 44 countries. A rugged group, accustomed by now to hardship and adversity, they have been called the poorest lot of students in the world. Many hold down arduous jobs after school to help cover living expenses, a difficult task in a country harrassed by excessive living costs. Most of the time expenses are met through "GI" grants the government extends to those whose education was interrupted by the war, or through scholarships provided by groups of Friends of the University in other lands.

The American Friends of the Hebrew University, its official representative in the United States, is currently embarking upon an intensive campaign to enlarge its membership and bring the University story to a wider cross-section of the American public

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Through its chapters and professional groups, of which there are 30 in various parts of the United States, American aid is being enlisted to secure urgently needed medical and dental equipment, books and general teaching aids.

Despite the terrific handicap and many setbacks which have marked the past four years off campus, officials of the University, equalling in spirit the enormity of the tasks confronting them, are determined to keep abreast of the needs of the nation. Courses of study have been expanded, a Law Faculty was created to provide the future generations of jurists and government workers, and the development of the Medical Faculty and School of Agriculture accelerated. At the request of the government, countless projects in education and in scientific research have been initiated to help meet the unusual circumstances created by the recent unprecedented mass immigration.

With an eye to the future and the eventual fulfillment of Israel's golden promise, the Hebrew University is today working unceasingly to solve its expansion problems. This accomplished, it is hoped that all qualified students applying for entrance may soon be accepted in courses of their own choice to be ultimately absorbed by the State according to its diverse needs. Only then will come to University leaders the satisfaction of knowing they are fully discharging their primary task—that of creating the facilities necessary to train skills and creative powers for the hastening of Israeli development and human progress.

## CHARLESTON, S. C.

**Mrs. Leon Barbanel, Reporter**

The fifth annual birthday party of Synagogue Emanu-El, under the auspices of the Sisterhood and Men's Club, was held July 30th at the pavilion, Isle of Palms.

Committee chairmen who served with Mr. Murray Marlowe, general chairman, are Mrs. Saul Krawcheck, Mrs. Morris Rosen, Mr. S. Toporek, Mrs. Melvin Bluestein, Mrs. Louis Toporek, Mrs. Irving Steinberg, Mrs. Sidney Addlestone, and Mr. Joe Dumas.

The annual meeting of the Sisterhood of Synagogue Emanu-El was held Tuesday, May 30, at a luncheon at the Fort Sumter Hotel, Charleston, S. C.

Newly-elected officers were installed by Rabbi Lewis A. Weintraub. They include Mrs. Irving Solomon, president; Mr. Milton Kronsberg, first vice-president; Mrs. Joe Dumas, second vice-president; Mrs. Matthew Steinberg, third vice-president; Mrs. Saul Krawcheck, recording secretary; Mrs. Gus Simon, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Nat Segall, financial secretary; Mrs. Sidney Addlestone, treasurer; Mrs. Jack Rephan, auditor; and Mrs. Milton Banov and Mrs. Sidney Rittenberg, directors.

Mrs. Irving Steinberg, outgoing president, was presented with a Past President's pin by Mrs. Leon Steinberg, after making her report for the year.

An inspiring talk was given by Mrs. Irving Solomon, in which she


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asked the cooperation of all her committees and the Sisterhood to make this coming year a banner year for the Sisterhood.

The luncheon ended with a Pot Pourri Quiz with a panel of experts and audience participating.

The annual meeting of the Beth Israel Sisterhood was held in the Social Hall of the Synagogue.

Rabbi Louis Tuchman, spiritual leader of the Congregation, installed the following officers for the coming year:

President, Mrs. Henry Yaschik; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Louis Doobrow; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Abe Rundbaken; Recording Secretary, Mrs. William Somerstein; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. George Cohen; Treasurer, Mrs. Irving Doobrow; Financial Secretary, Mrs. George Breibart; Auditor, Mrs. Abe Schwartz; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Louis Tuchman.

The members voted that $500 be given to the Congregation toward payment of the Synagogue's mortgage.

A supper, prepared by Mrs. Oscar Sokol, Mrs. Annie Barkowitz and their committee, was served prior to the meeting.

For the affair, Mrs. Bessie Engel had as her guest, Mrs. Berman of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Wilshan of New York was the guest of Mrs. Max Garfinkel.

The fourth annual presentation of B'nai B'rith awards was made at the Jewish Community Center. The principal speaker of the evening was Coach John McMillan, of The Citadel. Coach McMillan was introduced by Mr. Frank McNeil, secretary of the Citadel Brigadier Club. Sports broadcaster Bill Ward, of Radio Station WUSN acted as master of ceremonies.

## Hickory, N. C.

**Phil Datnoff, Reporter**

Congratulations to the Harry Cohens of Hickory on the announcement of a birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. David Jacobs of Dayton, Ohio. Mrs. Jacobs is the former Miss Lena Cohen of Hickory.

Marvin and Sybil Cohen, younger children of Mr. and Mrs. Hersh Cohen are spending the summer months at Camp Watitoh near Lee, Massachussetts.


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Mr. and Mrs. R. Lipchinsky and so Larry of Miami, Florida, were recen visitors at the home of their daughte and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. A Winer.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin S. Zerden va cationed in New York City and Ba timore. While in New York they at tended the wedding of Mrs. Zerden' cousin. Mrs. L. E. Zerden accompan ied them to Baltimore where sh visited for a short while.

Mr. Harry Zerden of Baltimor visited his sisters, Mrs. Sam Katz an Mrs Max Goldiner and also visite at the home of Mrs. L. E. Zerden.

The community was saddened t learn of the passing of Mrs. Josep Erbesfield of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Erbes field formerly lived in Newton an moved to Atlanta in 1947.

Mrs. K. H. Berndt and childre visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S Loeb in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Mintz and daugh ter of Washington, D. C. visited a the home of her father, Mr. D. Witten.

## Greensboro, N. C.

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waters, some hardly properly garbe for the occasion. Particularly palat able food and drink helped to mak the occasion a huge success.

Donnie Prago is spending the sum mer on the west coast, making Lo Angeles his headquarters. Whethe he will include Hollywood in hi itinerary was undecided when h started out, but we wouldn't be to surprised if he came back with a fa contract with one of Hollywood' studios.

We regret that through error, th arrival of Baby Barbara Elaine Frei berg was ascribed to the Curt Frei bergs in our July issue. The prou parents are the Alfred Freibergs. Ou apologies.


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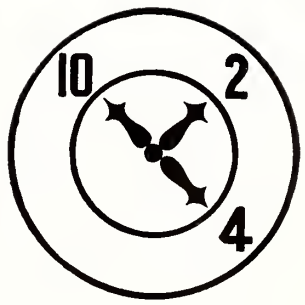


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