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From The New Life in Old Judea

By OSCAR LEONARD



The other day I had the pleasure of taking lunch with one of our ardent Zionist comrades. His face glowed with enthusiasm as he related some incidents of life in Eretz Israel as he saw them while there. He is now in this country working again for the regeneration of our people and the restoration of Palestine to them. Here are four incidents as he told me in his picturesque Yiddish, rich in Hebrew quotations:

THE "GHER."

I had been in Tel Aviev a short time. You have heard of the beautiful Jewish city, built by our pioneers and populated by modern sons of Israel. Some say that Tel Aviev is to Palestine what Paris is to Europe. It is a city where the liberal and radical Jew feels quite comfortable. The "intelligenza" is much in evidence and many ancient Jewish observances are rather conspicuous in their non-observance.

In this modern city in our ancient home, I was attracted to what appeared to me a rather picturesque sight. On a sprinkling wagon I saw a giant at his work. He drove the horses, urging them on in a mixture of Hebrew and Russian. But that was not the only thing which attracted my attention to him. He was wearing, rather conspicuously, an "arbo kanfes," the "tzitzes" of which were hanging loosely and prominently, in full view. He was a giant. The "arbo kanfes" befitted a giant. It was extraordinarily large. The "tzitzes," too, were big and generous in proportions.

Nor was this all that attracted my attention. The man himself interested me. His stature was that of a typical Russian peasant. His features were typically Slav. There was the usual prominent nose which seemed accidentally thrown on to the face. The hair, too, as it hung out of his head covering, was that of the Slav. The uncommon sight challenged my attention. Here was the face and stature of the typical "progromchik" working on a sprin-

klung wagon in the land of Israel and wearing an "arbo kanfes." I must know the man.

I made inquiries and found that

and their land that he insisted on being allowed to become a Jew. There are many like him in Eretz Israel. There Israel is not a slave

usual man. He invited me to his home. I was impressed with the Jewishness of his home. The atmosphere was beautiful. I met his

delicate features of the Jewish woman, particularly of those reared in Eretz Israel. The children had the characteristics of both parents. They had inherited their father's strength and stature and their mother's delicate features and refinement.

I used to call quite often at this peculiar Jewish home. When I became more intimate with the "Gher" I asked him why he displayed his "tzitzes" since we Jews did not seem to wear such things in the modern city of Tel Aviev. In his mixture of Russian and Hebrew he said:

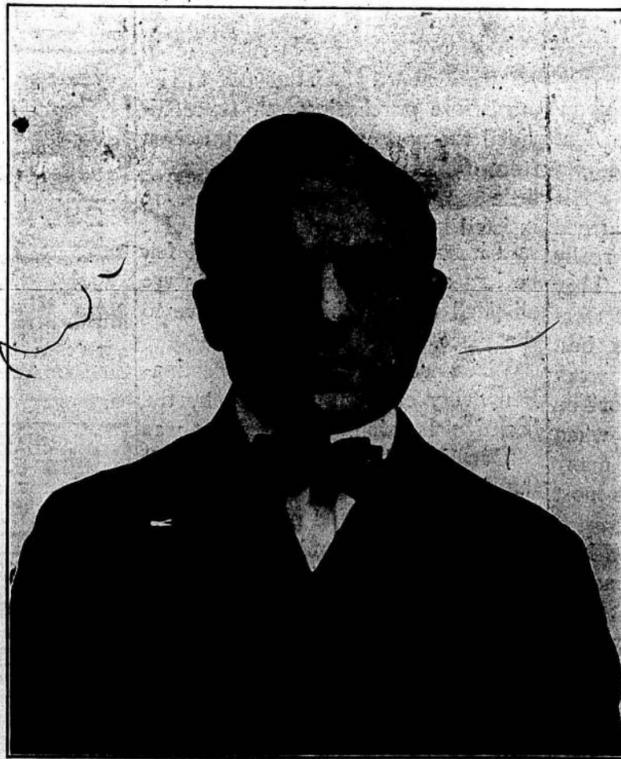
"You are a learned man. I am, therefore, surprised that you should ask such a question. You see, you are children of God. He has ordained you all to wear 'tzitzes.' If some of you don't do it, it is bad. But you see, after all, you are His children. You know children and a father can easily make up. But I and the others who are like me are only step-children. We have to be very careful in obeying our adopted 'Father.'"

THE "BALLAGOLE."

I had to travel to a certain point to meet a committee of the Ica. It was an important appointment. I had to get there at noon on a Friday. There being no railway to that point I had to hire a conveyance. I found a "ballagole" who promised to get me to my appointment on time. He was a picture of a man. His chest was expansive. His hair was jet black. His ink-black beard was long and silky. He was tall and robust. In a word, he inspired confidence.

I sat with him as he drove. He conversed in Hebrew all the time. He divided his conversation between me and his horses. You see, even horses understand our ancient tongue in Eretz Israel, and in America it is difficult to make college men understand it. The "ballagole" boasted all along the way of his ancient and honorable profession. He said he was a "baalagole ben baalagole" and then some, to the third generation.

At nightfall we stopped for the night. I figured out that we were half way. I had misgivings that



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he was a "Gher," a convert to Judaism. He had come from Russia to worship at the tomb of Christ. He became so impressed with the Jews

taking on the color of the environment. In our own land we are the people after whom the rest model.

I became acquainted with this un-

wife. She was in all things his opposite. He was a giant, she petite. He had the usual unattractive features of the Slav, she had the

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we would not reach our destination by noon the following day. I did not want to miss an important appointment, for a great deal depended upon it for our cause. I communicated my doubts to my "baalagole." Suddenly he turned all colors. Had I insulted him in the worst possible manner he could not have been affected more by my words. Throwing out his chest, and with fire in his eyes, he yelled at me:

"If I say I will get you there on time, I will do it. Do you think you are dealing with a 'golus baalagole'?"

MEDALS.
 I was sitting in the reading room in one of the Jewish colonies in Eretz Israel and reading. My coat had opened and a gold medal, given me by an American Zionist group for services rendered, became visible. I paid no attention to it. Suddenly I felt a pair of eyes upon me. I looked up and noticed one of the pioneers.

He was a picturesque figure. He has gone to his rest but recently. He had come in the early days. He brought with him, in addition to intelligence, education and ideals, a substantial fortune. He was a man of advanced thought. Not only a lover of his people, but also a lover of the masses of humanity. His love for his own people expressed itself in his work in Eretz Israel. His love for humanity at large expressed itself in his Socialistic hopes.

He was a picture to look upon. He looked like one of our ancient prophets. When I knew him his long hair and beard were gray. His eyes shone with the fire and burned within him. The Arabs really thought him a prophet, a seer. They used to bow to him and were awestruck on seeing him. His best years were spent in pioneer work in Palestine. He was a "shomer" on the colonies in the early days when encounters with Arabs were many and fierce. He was among the most fearless of guards.

When I looked up and saw him smile I was rather puzzled. I asked him why he smiled. He pointed at my medal and asked what it was. I explained, with some pardonable pride, that it was a token of appreciation from fellow Zionists for work done in behalf of our cause. "Is it gold?" he asked.

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"It is, indeed."
 "And they gave it to you for Zion-ist work?"
 "I didn't do it for the sake of medals, but I am happy to have it."
 "If you want to see real medals come into the other room and I will show you some." I accompanied him into the other room where we were alone.

"Your medal you cannot take with you after a hundred and twenty years. I will show you medals that I will take with me," he said, mysteriously. He unbuttoned his coat and shirt and exhibited his fine, broad chest, proudly pointing to the scars which covered it, and saying with the pride and naivete of a child: "These I got while working for our people, and I shall take these medals with me to eternity."

ARTZENU! ARTZENU!
 I had been commissioned by a group of Jews in Winnipeg, Canada, to purchase some land for a colony. I had picked out a piece of land which seemed satisfactory. It was situated near a river. In fact, one strip of land dipped right into the water. The place was a veritable paradise. We went to buy it all. But after we had agreed on part of it, the Arab owners of the strip which dipped into the water refused to sell it. The more we offered the more they wanted, and when we met their offers they changed their minds. They knew that if we purchased and colonized the adjoining land, that strip would become valuable. They knew we would not want to have them keep the strip, as it would cause constant friction.

A committee of experts were to go with me to the land and advise me before purchasing. A fence divided the part we had an option on from the strip we could not get. My little son, age six, was with us. He insisted he wanted to go along. He said it was his future home and felt he had a right to see it. We were all piled into a vehicle and drove to the place.

When we arrived at our destination every one was charmed by the beautiful location. I tell you, it was a "Gan Eden." My little boy noticed the fence which partitioned off the strip which we could not obtain. He asked, in his clear and beautiful Hebrew:

"What is that fence for?"
 I explained to him that Arabs who owned the strip would not let us have it. "Hatzzenue! It is our land!" he yelled in childlike indignation. "What do you mean they would not let us have it? Have you told them we want it?"

I told him we tried our best to convince them that we ought to have that strip of land, but they wanted more money than we could pay.

"Pay?" he asked in his childish simplicity. "We are the owners of this land. Of course, when we were away they used it and lived on it. When we came back they should have met us with a parade and given us back what is ours. They should have thanked us for letting them use our land all these years."

Of course, we all laughed, both at his indignation and at his childish simplicity. He thought we were laughing at him. His little face became crimson and his eyes flashed at us as he cried:

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NEWS FROM ENGLAND

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Many Important Meetings of Russian Jews in the Metropolis—London's Russian Day—Those Four Russian Jews Again!—Progress of the Revolution Still Closely Watched—Conflicting Rumors Cause Disappointment—Sometimes—Dr. Gollancz's Forty-fifth Anniversary—Beautified Jewesses; a London Complaint.

London, March 30, 1917.

The great meetings of congratulation that are being held in the East End of London are some sign of the deep excitement caused by the Russian revolution among London's large exile population. There was one remarkable mass meeting in Mile End on March 24, which was attended by over 5,000 Russian Jews, and there was another in Whitechapel on the 25th. At the Whitechapel meeting Lord Sheffield, who is one of the small but distinguished group of peers who fight in difficult days for the traditional liberties of the subject, made a speech. In the course of this he said Britain would welcome as citizens those who were invited and accepted as soldiers, but if any man refused to incur the obligation at the worst he should be free to abandon the country that he desired not to fight for. His second contention was that they should never threaten to return a man to the land he had repudiated. "If he must go let him choose his new country for himself." This statement was warmly applauded by large numbers of Russian Jews present. A letter was read from Israel Zangwill indorsing all his views.

Benjamin Grad, a member of the audience, asked permission to speak against the resolution, and after some hesitation on the part of the gathering, he was permitted to speak; but when he urged that the real reason was whether refugees had a right to refuse to serve in this war he was interrupted and eventually howled down.

The above gathering was divided between sharing the general joy over the revolution and pleading once more for release from the dilemma in which the government has placed Russian Jews in England—that of conscription or deportation.

Of course, the feeling of Russian Jews on this matter is different now that it is a question of returning, not to the old Russia, but to a free, new Russia, but the question of principle remains the same. It is said that a large number—perhaps 75 per cent., according to one East End authority—of the young Russian Jews will be anxious to go back, either to fight or to serve the new Russia in other ways, but they want to do so of their own free will and not under the threat of deportation. The Russian revolution, one would think, has made the demand for a more liberal policy on the right of asylum irresistible by our government.

March 31 will be London's day of rejoicing over the freedom of Russia. The demonstrations here so far have been sincerely enthusiastic meetings of Russians, Jew and Christian, in the East End, of which little notice has been taken in the newspapers and by the Western world of London. On March 31 there are to be three demonstrations, which will put on record the feeling of the English people as distinct from the official congratulations in Parliament. The biggest will be the workers' mass meeting in the Albert Hall, the character of which is sufficiently indicated by mentioning that Israel Zangwill, Mr. Lansbury, W. C. Anderson and Robert Emilie are among the speakers. At the Queen's Hall there is to be an Anglo-Russian meeting, where two members of the government, Mr. Fisher and Sir Alfred Mond are to speak, and in the Kingsway Hall in the afternoon a meeting organized by the Russian political and social organizations in London will be held.

I understand that the case of the four Russian Jews who were arrested on a Danish ship at Kirkwall while proceeding from Norway to America will come before the Court of Appeal tomorrow. It will be recalled that the Divisional Court discharged a rule nisi for a prohibition against the magistrate at Bow street Police Court, who is trying these four men for the offence of obtaining a passport by a false declaration under the Defence of the Realm Regulations. The Master of the Crown Office declined to enter an appeal against the decision of the Divisional Court on the ground that the matter was barred as criminal under the Judicature Acts. On an ex parte application the Master of the Rolls, ordered the appeal to be set down. As the issue is particularly important the case has been expedited and will be argued by T. M. Healy and Holford Knight for the appellants, and the Attorney General and G. W. Ricketts for the Crown.

The progress of the Russian revolution is still being followed very closely by Jews here, and the communal leaders are watching and waiting anxiously. At times the news seems to suggest that the full rights for Jews that were expected to be given would be very modified things, while at other times the news is all in the other direction. The reason for this conflict is clearly to be found in the internal condition of Russia at present. It would be too much to expect that there would not be counter revolution influences at work, and these will, of course, affect the news leaving Russia.

Rabbi Professor Dr. H. Gollancz celebrated the forty-fifth anniversary of his ministry at the Bayswater Synagogue last Sunday. Tributes of respect and reverence poured in on all sides, together with pleasant little trifles like a silver rose bowl for Mrs. Herman Gollancz and a large-sized portrait of Dr. Gollancz, presented by his sons. Referring to Dr. Gollancz's career, Leopold Frank, Warden of the Synagogue, spoke of his work as Minister of the Dalston Synagogue, where he had by no means confined himself to the needs of his own congregation. He had been instrumental in obtaining charming Clissold Park for the use of the London public, and he was one of the promoters of the Technical Institute of Instruction in Holloway Road, London, thirty years ago. He had maintained friendly intercourse with non-Jewish clergymen, and had associated himself with other public men in the question of race regeneration. His activities, concluded Mr. Frank, had always tended to shed lustre on the Jewish clergy and to raise the name of Jews in outside circles.

A correspondent in the *Jewish Chronicle* is moved to words over what he calls the question of beautified Jewesses. He writes a letter in the following strain: "Sir—Numbers of young Jewish women take their walks about the West End on such days as they are not at work in the East End or West Central districts. Unfortunately, some of them render themselves unpleasantly noticeable and ludicrous by covering their faces with a layer of paint, powder and rouge. A few merely whiten their noses or give an unholy mauve hue to that organ, thereby making it extraordinarily conspicuous. In either case, the idea, one imagines, is to beautify themselves. The exact opposite is the actual result. As they cannot be mistaken for members of that fast section of the upper ten, which also debauches itself (though so much more skillfully), they run the greatest risk of being mistaken for disreputable characters. They, therefore, do themselves and their race an injustice by the practice."

German Opinion Favors Zionism.

German opinion is rapidly veering around to the view that the interests of the empire will be better served by the establishment in Palestine of a Jewish autonomous settlement than by a continuance of the unsuccessful effort to establish Teutonic colonies there. The last to express himself and most frankly in that direction is the well-known Carl Frantz Emders, an army official of high rank, who is regarded as the leading authority on Turkish internal affairs.

A recent article by him in the *Europäische Stadt und Wirtschaft Zeitung*, of Berlin, on "Zionism and Turkey," has elicited much favorable comment in the German press. In this article he says: "Zionism has been ignored only by those who least know what its aims and its motives are. Who, indeed, of the rabid anti-Semites know the history of the Jewish people? Any one who has noticed the development of the Zionist movement from the time of Herzl to this day must admit its justification, and he who has seen the fruit of the Zionist labor in Palestine cannot but wish it success."

"The realization of the Zionist idea leans infinitely more to our economic life than those fantasies and dreams of the German people that the Near East will create for us the lost world markets. The Basle program, which lays down the primary principles of Zionism, does not go anywhere beyond the bounds of the practical. Turkey is beyond all doubt prepared to grant the Jews sufficient freedom for the development of their own culture, which is partly due to the tolerance which Turkey has always shown dissenting religions and partly to her own economic interest. We must hope that after the war Jewish culture will be able to develop peacefully in Palestine if the Pan-Turkish principle which is now being fanned into a flame will not burn too furiously. We, too, in our German problems, will come under its influence. It will not be politically wise for Turkey to hinder Jewish immigration into Palestine."

"It is, indeed, ridiculous not to realize what has already been accomplished through Zionism. The development of Jewish colonization in Palestine will have a great influence even on our own domestic life. The products of the Jewish colonies in Palestine are of a better quality than all other products in the Turkish Empire. In time, if they will not be hindered by the Turkish government, the

products of the Jewish colonies will also supersede all the others in quantity, and will thus create commercial relations between us and the Orient. It will be in the interests of Germany to show a greater interest in the Zionist plant than it has shown hitherto. Germany will gain more by it than by creating German colonies in Palestine and in Anatolia. German colonization in Palestine is nothing but a dream, beyond the realm of realization, which I would advise the German people to forego."

Shekolim Sold to Jewish War Prisoners.

The interest among the Jewish war prisoners in the Zionist idea is a clear example of the spirit pervading the Jewish masses in Europe, even in time of war. In a letter acknowledging the receipt of a parcel of literature sent by the Federation of American Zionists, L. Gottlieb, an Austrian prisoner of war in the detention camp, Douglas, England, writes: "I am glad to inform you that our activity here is progressing favorably. Nearly fifty shekolim have been disposed of. A course in Jewish literature and history is being conducted here and I find the literature you sent me of a great help. The Copenhagen office is sending us their bulletins regularly, and we would be pleased to keep in touch with your federation as well."

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A Friend's Tribute to the Late Rabbi Joseph Friedlander.

The sun and flower are sweeter now from day
To fragrant day. A winging song's the air.
God says again: "Behold! the world is fair."
The hours from flower to flower go, from ray
To ray, and April dreams of blossoming May.
And yet but winter meets our hearts, for lo
A friend, a brother-poet-priest, did go
From us, although toward heaven's holler way.

Friendship, like pearls, precious is and rare.
How few the fraters! When we lose a friend
An endless loneliness our hearts doth rend—
It is a lonely ship on seas of care.

Poet and preacher, rabbi in Israel,
A citizen of heaven were you long ago,
e'er since you donned the robe of song,
And since the mantle of preacher upon you fell.

Because you served where duties do not shine
The nearer were you, friend, to Heaven's heart;
Because it had more heart and soul than art,
The nobler shone it and the more divine.

Death was the only gift life gave to you,
Therefore death's gift to you is life and peace.
Above's your heaven, there bloom your Eden trees,
For in this vale of tears no paradise you knew.

They need no eulogy whom God doth praise;
And heaven deems high the faithful priests of men,
Who preach the truth with trial in their ken,
And, dooming themselves, for others pathways blaze.

A glory loosed you on each humble place
Your life adorned. Too little gave they you,
O! rabbi, martyr, to God's tasks so true.
A piece of your heart you left in every place.

Soldier of life, O dreamer of Zion's sod,
Lover of God and song, minnesinger pure,
Their memory the longer doth endure
Who walk in humble glory with their God.

Homeless you wandered till to heaven you came;
Dying in duty, at last you gained release,
Upon the firing line you found your peace.
God's pioneer to be's enough of fame.

Felled is a Zion's stately cedar tree,
Fled is a singing bird of Holyland,
A scroll of lore is borne by angel band
To realms where life and lore are also gleed.

Man murders man, and all their rabbis slay,
Like babes that bite their loving mother's breast,
Or children spilling their medicine in jest,
Or boys that break the sign-posts of the way.

God saw a lonely heath, a moor forlorn,
In Plainfield. So, to cheer its hungry heart,
He bade a bard and rabbi there depart,
A beam of beauty its plainness to adorn.

From spring you go. And yet you also bear
A spring with you—a heart of faith and song;
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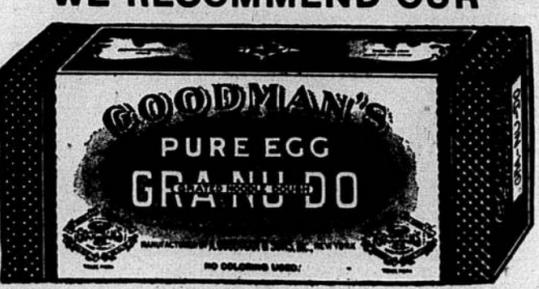
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ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE JEWISH WORLD

Mr. Manuel P. Ostrow has resigned as manager of the United Jewish Charities of Houston, Tex.

Morris Levy, of Omaha, Neb., has offered to add \$100 to every \$1,000 raised in Omaha for war relief purposes.

A Menorah society was recently organized by a number of Jewish students of Dickinson law school, Scranton, Pa.

Mrs. Julius Rosenwald and Mrs. Moses L. Purvin have been elected directors of the Woman's City Club, of Chicago, Ill.

A section of the Council of Jewish Women has been organized in El Paso, Tex., with an enrolled membership of fifty-seven.

Dr. Lee K. Frankel has been appointed a member of the Executive Committee of the Advisory Board of the Council for National Defense.

The Zionist Federation of Germany sends 3,000 copies of the *Judische Rundschau*, its official organ, to its members in the trenches.

The Little Rock (Ark.) Y. M. H. A. has added fifty members by a brief campaign. A new literary society has been formed, of which Rabbis Louis Witt and K. Ellenbogen will be the instructors.

The Rev. Adolph Burger, formerly of Congregation Ohav Zedek, of Philadelphia, Pa., has left for Evansville, Ind., to assume the spiritual leadership of the Congregation B'nai Mosha.

A meeting for the purpose of organizing a circle to assist with the work of reopening the Maimonides Hospital of Chicago, Ill., was held by a group of women in the Lawndale district on Tuesday, April 17.

William Altman, for years assistant curator of the Golden Gate Park Memorial Museum at San Francisco, Cal., the largest institution of its kind in the West, was appointed curator by the Park Commission recently.

The B'nai Amona Congregation, of St. Louis, Mo., by acclamation elected Rabbi Abraham E. Halpern, who will graduate next June at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and who is expected to assume his office on the 15th of August.

Rev. Rudolph Farber has been elected rabbi of the local congregation at Texarkana, Tex. Rabbi Farber occupied charges in various parts of the country, notably Portland, Ore.; Vancouver, B. C.; Denver and Los Angeles.

Mortimer Fléishacker, prominent San Francisco (Cal.) banker, has been appointed by Governor William D. Stephens a member of the State Council of Defense, created by the present legislature to assist in the defense of California.

North Chicago Hospital has formed a field unit with a personnel of forty-eight, headed by Dr. Joseph Beck, with Dr. Carl Beck as chief of staff. Its services already have been offered to the government and it is now awaiting instructions.

A convalescent home which can well accommodate fifty beds will be turned over to the government as a hospital following action by the Baron Hirsch Woman's Club of Chicago, Ill., at its regular monthly meeting in the Auditorium Hotel.

The Central Jewish Institute, which was formed at San Francisco, Cal., through the efforts of Rabbi Meyer Berlin, the Mizrahi leader, for the establishment of a Talmud Torah, has decided to change its name to the Hebrew Educational Alliance.

On Sunday afternoon, April 15, Rabbi Isaac Landman, of Philadelphia, corresponding secretary of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, conducted the first Jewish religious service at Cornell, and organized a Jewish student congregation in the university.

Temple Emanuel of Chicago rededicated its new building on Friday evening, April 20, and Saturday morning, April 21. The dedicatory program included addresses by Rabbi Abraham Hirschberg, Dr. Joseph Stolz, Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, Rabbi Joseph Hevesh and Dr. Tobias Schanfarber.

Through the efforts of Marvin M. Lowenthal, director of the Pacific Coast Zionist Bureau, a Hadassah Society has been formed at San Francisco, Cal., with a number of prominent Jewish women as members. Mrs. Reuben R. Rinder, wife of Cantor Rinder of Temple Emanu-El, has been elected president.

The death of Isaac E. Wagenheim, of Pensacola, Fla., occurred last month at the home of the deceased. He was fifty-three years of age and a retired rabbi, having officiated both in Trenton, N. J., and Pensacola, Fla. He was recognized by his fellow citizens as a charitable and public-spirited man.

Of the four Jewish theatres in Warsaw three have been obliged to close lately. The causes were financial difficulties. The financial crisis of the Jewish theatre in Warsaw is accentuated by the fact that the municipal administration has laid a tax of 15 per cent. on gross receipts.

At a most enthusiastic meeting held at Forrest City, Ark., by the Jewish citizens of Cross, St. Francis and Lee counties in Marianna recently the Tri-Cities Jewish League was organized. It is proposed to hold services alternately in the three cities of Wynne, Forrest City and Marianna.

The will of Abraham Kuh, wealthy clothing manufacturer of Chicago, Ill., shows the following bequests to charities: \$3,000 to the Home for Aged Jews; \$1,000 to the Jewish Training School of Chicago; \$1,000 to the Chicago Home for Jewish Orphans, and \$1,000 to the Home for Jewish Friendless and Working Girls.

The forty-fourth annual convention of District Grand Lodge No. 7, I. O. B. B., was held in Chattanooga, Tenn., Sunday morning, April 22, and continued throughout the week. District No. 7 of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith comprises eight States—Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, Florida and Oklahoma.

Baltimore will be the scene of the next Zionist convention. Beginning Sunday, June 24, and for practically the entire week following, the Zionist organizations of America will convene in Baltimore. These organizations include the Federation of American Zionists, Hadassah and the Provisional Executive Committee for General Zionist Affairs.

During the month of March the following organizations joined the National Conference of Jewish Charities: The Jewish Hospital, of Cincinnati; Hebrew Benevolent Society, of Fresno, Cal.; Daughters of Israel Relief Society, Oakland, Cal.; Federation of Jewish Charities, Lexington, Ky., and the Bertha Fensterwald Social Center, of Nashville, Tenn.

The Cleveland Council of Jewish Women, in recognition of the excellent work done by Rabbi M. J. Gries, is establishing a scholarship in his name which will give to worthy girls and boys an opportunity to secure a higher education. Rabbi Gries was the organizer and first president of the council, and from its organization until the present time has been an active worker in its behalf.

The Central Committee of the Jewish Relief Organizations in Russia has established a special Finance Committee, which is headed by the well-known Jew and Deputy of the First Duma, M. M. Winovar. It is the object of this committee to found a credit-bank for Jewish homeless in Russia, and also to extend the system of self-taxation, now in vogue in Moscow and Petrograd, to the whole country.

The silver gilt Medaille des Epidemics has been conferred on Captain Hyman Lightstone, R. A. M. C., by the French Government, attached to the headquarters of the Fourth Brigade British Army, in recognition of the devoted care lavished by him on many inhabitants of the district of Querrien and Port Noyelles, where there was no other practitioner, especially during a serious epidemic of typhoid fever.

In the year ending December 31, 1916, the Hebrew Board of Relief of San Francisco, Cal., assisted 572 families, consisting of 2,218 individuals, in addition to 538 unmarried persons, making a total of 2,756 persons who were aided by the board. A total of \$35,387.70 was expended during the year for relief, of which \$21,235.37 came from the city and county for the care of committed children and from the Widows' Pension Bureau.

There was no election campaign in Zawiercie, Poland, where the Jews and Poles were not opposed to one another. The polling lists were combined and the Jews, who represent 22 per cent. of the population, were granted seven seats out of twenty. Among the seven Jews who were unanimously chosen are the Zionists, Adolph Bernstein and Meyer Frank. The Zionists of Zawiercie have worked out a complete program of activity, which includes an organization of women who will participate in the propaganda.

The epidemics of typhus and typhoid which have been raging in the cities for the past two years show no abatement. Among recent victims in Jerusalem of these epidemics are David Schlesinger, a superintendent of the orphan asylum, and Leib Weber, teacher in the Yeschibah Ohel Jacob.

The city physician in Jaffa, Dr. Schami, is giving vaccine injections free of charge to hundreds of applicants. In Safed they are still eagerly awaiting the physician which the Vienna Alliance promised quite a while ago to send from Switzerland.

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The Jewish school, Tachkemoni, in Jaffa, which was organized by the Mizrahi Zionists and stands under their control, has been entirely destroyed during the bombardment of the Jaffa harbor by the British. Fortunately no fatalities occurred, and the school is now being conducted in a hired building.

Alex. Stern, of Fargo, N. Dak., was elected the president of the City Commission of Fargo, N. Dak., by an overwhelming majority on April 3. Mr. Stern was the Finance Commissioner of the city of Fargo four years ago and during his term of office saved the city over \$45,000, and as a reward was elected the president of the City Commission. Mr. Stern has probably done more for Fargo and the Jewish community than any other individual.

Influential Rumanian Jewish refugees who have arrived at Kieff state that during the Rumanian campaign a complete change has taken place in the attitude of the Rumanian Christians toward Jews. Even former staunch anti-Semites now advocate concessions to Jews. The Liberal political leaders state that they favor the full emancipation of our brethren as a reward for the heroic conduct of the Jews in the war. On the whole the Rumanian Jews look to the future with great confidence.

Owing to the fact that most of the Zionists of Bulgaria are under arms, the propaganda has suffered considerably. The *Amischpat*, published in Philippopol, has been suspended and the *Judische Echo*, a monthly magazine, is gotten out at irregular intervals. Nevertheless, the few Zionists who are still in civil life are making superhuman efforts to carry on a propaganda, and to resume publications of the *Amischpat*. Their shekel campaign has brought surprisingly good results in the cities of Philippopol, Pazardjik and Hascovo.

Political Leaders in Washington on Jewish Questions.

(Special Correspondence.) By DR. ROBERT KATZ. Washington, D. C.—Recognizing the import of the present historical moment in the life of our nation, our representative thought it desirable to ascertain the views and attitude of political leaders at the capital toward sundry Jewish questions.

My first attempts to extract some definite expressions were directed against the Jewish representatives, but proved unavailing. In effect they did attempt to answer my questions, but they were all so evasive, both in manner and expression, that one could formulate but one reply for them all: "Leave well enough alone."

It is ever thus with our Jewish leaders in the capital. At every acute moment, whether in the history of the country or the fortunes of our co-religionists, they impose upon themselves a severe silence in regard to Jewish questions, giving one the impression that they dare not venture an opinion.

In contrast to this attitude the straightforward statements of non-Jewish representative men is exceedingly welcome, especially in so far as it does away with the implication that specific Jewish questions should be taboo at this or any other moment.

Strangely enough, the first one to speak regarding Jews as affected by the present critical moment was no other than Congressman Burnett, father of the Burnett anti-immigration bill, and here is what he said:

"The Jews have ever been among the very best of our citizens. I have said so on every possible occasion, and am happy of the opportunity afforded me to repeat this sentiment. America—the leaders of our country—never did and never will look upon Jews as anything but the very best of friends. I feel sure I am now voicing the opinion of every American. In this national critical moment we trust entirely to Jewish loyalty and devotion." Dozens of other Congressmen spoke in this identical fashion, Congressman Moore of Pennsylvania adding:

"We feel that the Jews love America, and we look upon the Jewish residents in this country, whether naturalized or not, as very near to us. You may assure your friends that all Jewish Americans, even if they originally came from Germany or Austria, have nothing to fear. They must, of course, like the rest of us, remain loyal, but we know that they are all that, no matter what their place of birth is. Every one who knows the Jews knows this to be their characteristic."

Equally as friendly in expression and spirit were the opinions of Senator Calder, of New York, and "Joe" Cannon, grandfather of the House, and its late Speaker. Of the many legislators approached, Congressman Fitzgerald, of New York, was

the only one who declined to say anything, believing this to be an inauspicious moment. Similar in sentiment to those quoted were remarks uttered in this connection by a number of heads of government and state departments.

A good deal of talk is now to be heard over the question of a Jewish State in Palestine. Politicians at large talk very enthusiastically of the possibility, and there are those who seem perfectly willing to have our government exert its influence in such a direction, but among these our Jewish leaders are once more missing. When directly confronted with the question of Palestine, the non-committal shake of the head or the indifferent heaving of the shoulders is all they will permit themselves to offer by way of comment.

A Summer Course in Zionism.

Jewish students are being invited by the Intercollegiate Zionist Association to participate in a course of Zionism that will be given in New York City, in regular collegiate form, from June 13 to June 22, and which will include twenty-five lectures. Among the subjects arranged for will be the following: "The Aspects of Jewish Problems," Dr. H. M. Kallen (four lectures); "The Effects of Palestine on the Evolution of Biblical Literature," Dr. Ben Zion Mossinsohn (four lectures); "The Renaissance of Hebrew," Dr. Ben Zion Mossinsohn (two lectures); "The Organization," Mr. Jacob de Haas (three lectures); "The History of Palestinian Colonization," Mr. E. W. Lewin-Epstein (five lectures). Additional subjects and lectures will be announced later.

The managers of this course will arrange for a suitable place for the lectures as soon as the number of students who will attend has been determined. They will also make provision for the accommodation of students coming from out of town. Those desirous of attending this course are asked to communicate with Mr. Jonas Friedenwald, president of the Intercollegiate Zionist Association, 1029 Madison avenue, Baltimore, Md. The chief aim of the association is to develop active Zionist workers for the staff of the Zionist organizations of America.

The Brandeis prize of \$100 for the best original essay on some phase of Jewish life and culture in Palestine by a student in any college or university has been transferred to the keeping of this association. The contest for this year is closed, all the competing essays being in the hands of the judges, Hon. Julian W. Mack, Professor Richard Gottheil and Professor Felix Frankfurter.

After an impressive plea by Rabbi Mordecai M. Kaplan, of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, at a reception in his honor at the Hotel Sherman last week it was decided to form a Chicago, Ill., contributor's branch of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

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ENGAGEMENTS.

BENNETT-LIPPMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. Morris L. Lippman, of 600 West 186th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Lulu to Mr. Irving Bennett. Reception at the Hotel Nederland on Sunday, April 29, 3 to 6 p. m.

BRAUNSTEIN-BRENKINHOFF.—Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Braunstein announce the engagement of their daughter Berdie to Mr. Leo Brenkinhoff.

BUSHER-ITEMAN.—Mrs. Henrietta Iteman, of 2453 Seventh avenue, announces the engagement of her daughter Florence to Mr. George Busher.

COHEN-KREINICK.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kreinick announce the engagement of their daughter Rose to Mr. Isidore J. Cohen.

DAITCH-MARCUS.—Mr. and Mrs. Simon Marcus, of 20 Morningside avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter Rose to Mr. Louis Daitch. Reception at the Hotel Bon Ray, Ninety-second street and Madison avenue, Sunday, May 6, 3 until 6.

EBER-KIND.—Mr. and Mrs. I. Kind, of 2250 Seventh avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter Stella to Mr. Sam Eber. At home Sunday, May 6, after 7 p. m.

FATT-COHEN.—Mr. Jack Cohen, of 121 East Ninetieth street, announces the betrothal of his daughter Louise to Mr. Charles Fatt.

GOLDMAN-POPPER.—Mrs. Fanny Popper, 135 West 117th street, announces the engagement of her daughter Linda Josephine to Mr. Jesse W. Goldman.

GOTTLIEB-LAPIDUS.—Mr. and Mrs. W. Lapidus, of 294 Central Park West, announce the engagement of their daughter Carolyn Ruth to Mr. James Gottlieb.

HERZ-GROSS.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gross of Beethoven Hall, 210 East Fifth street, announce the betrothal of their daughter Theresa to Mr. I. Herz.

JACOBS-KLAUSNER.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Klausner announce the engagement of their daughter Rose Alma to Mr. Alfred Jacobs. Reception at the Hotel Martini on Sunday, May 27, 3 to 6.

JACOBSON-DAVIS.—Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Davis, of 1050 Lowell street, announce the engagement of their daughter Leah to Mr. Abraham Jacobson. At home Sunday, April 29, from 3 to 6 p. m.

JACOBSON-WOHLFELD.—Mr. and Mrs. Julius Wohlfeld, of 543 West 163d street, announce the engagement of their daughter Miriam to Mr. Harry Jacobson.

KAUFMAN-MAISNER.—Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Stein, of 500 West 176th street, announce the engagement of their sister, Alice Maisner, to Mr. A. M. Kaufman.

KRAUS-KLEIN.—Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Klein, of 790 Riverside Drive, announce the engagement of their daughter Frances to Mr. Arthur A. Kraus. Reception at the Hotel Ansonia on April 29, 1917, at 8.30 p. m.

KEPPLER-ALEXANDER.—Mr. and Mrs. M. Alexander, of 23 West 106th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Bert to Mr. Jess Keppler.

LEHMAN-FEIERSTEIN.—Mr. and Mrs. G. Feierstein, of 290 East 142d street, announce the engagement of their daughter Evelyn to Mr. Louis Lehman.

MENCHER-GOLDSTEIN.—Dr. and Mrs. Moss Goldstein, of 1696 Lexington avenue, announce the betrothal of their daughter Ruth to Dr. Sidney Mencher.

MINDEN-STOLL.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stoll, of 46 West Ninety-sixth street, announce the engagement of their daughter Ruth Lillian to Mr. Joseph H. Minden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Minden. Reception Hotel Savoy, Sunday evening, May 6, after 8 o'clock. No cards.

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OTTENHEIMER-FINN.—Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Ottenheimer announce the engagement of their daughter Ruth to Mr. Theodore A. Finn. At home Sunday, April 29, 3 to 6 p. m. 315 West Seventy-ninth street.

PROBSTEIN-STAMPER.—Mrs. Sarah Stamper, of 995 Southern Boulevard, announces the betrothal of her daughter Leah to Mr. Oscar Probstein.

SCHWARTZ-ELIAS.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Elias, of 557 West 148th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Essie to Julius Schwartz.

TAYLOR-GAUS.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Gaus, of 151 West 140th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dena to Mr. William Taylor. Reception at the Academy, 115 West Seventy-ninth street, Sunday, April 29, after 8 o'clock.

WEITZER-BONNER.—Mrs. Esther Bonner, of 306 West Ninety-ninth street, announces the engagement of her daughter Eva to Bernard Wetzler.

MARRIAGES.

ABLOWITZ-WASSERMAN.—On Sunday, April 22, Abraham Ablowitz was married to Carrie Wasserman, by Rev. Dr. Isidor Reichert.

ABRAMSON-BORKER.—Mr. and Mrs. Simon Borker announce the marriage of their daughter Rebecca to Mr. Isadore Abramson, of Newark, N. J., on Sunday, April 22, 1917. Rev. S. Seidman performed the ceremony at his residence, 1431 Madison avenue.

BRILL-KIRSCHNER.—On Sunday, April 22, 1917, Mrs. Fani Kirschner to Mr. Joseph Brill, by the Rev. Sol. Goldstein.

BUCHFUEHRER-KLEIN.—On Sunday, April 22, 1917, Miss Tillie Klein to Mr. Charles Buchfuhrer, Rev. Sol. Goldstein officiating.

COHN-KROESE.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Kroese, of 2460 Seventh avenue, announce the marriage of their daughter, Tilly M., to Alexander L. Cohn.

FERDINAND-HOFT.—Mrs. Celia Hoft, of 575 West 159th street, announces the marriage of her daughter Grace to Dr. Maurice Ferdinand on Sunday, April 22, 1917, at the home of the bride. Rabbi Aaron Eiseman performed the ceremony.

HERSHFIELD-SELZ.—On Sunday, April 22, 1917, at the Hotel Ansonia, by the Rev. Dr. Moses Hyamson, Mr. Levi Hershfield to Florence F. Selz.

HERZ-EISENBERG.—On April 11, 1917, Mrs. Augusta Eisenberg, of 485 East 140th street, to David Herz at the home of the officiating minister, 175 East Seventy-ninth street. Rabbi Aaron Eiseman performed the ceremony.

HOROWITZ-WALLTERSTEIN.—On Sunday, April 22, 1917, Miss Frances Wallterstein to Mr. Abraham Horowitz by Rev. S. Seidman.

MARX-ABRAMOWITZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Abraham L. Abramowitz, of 920 Avenue St. John, announce the marriage of their daughter Selma to Irving Marx on Sunday, April 22, 1917, at the home of the bride's parents. Rabbi Aaron Eiseman performed the ceremony.

PIFFERLING-ROSENBAUM.—Joe Pifferling to Clara Rosenbaum, April 19, at Hotel Astor.

ROSENSCHEIN-NAFTAL.—Mr. and Mrs. Michael Naftal, of 255 West Eighty-fourth street, announce the marriage of their daughter Adelaide to David Rosenschein on Monday evening, April 23, 1917, at Delmonico's. Rabbi Aaron Eiseman performed the ceremony.

PUTZEL-GOODNEY.—On Sunday, April 22, Milton Putzel was married to Frieda Goodney, by Rev. Dr. Isidor Reichert.

SCHWARTZ-GRAUBART.—Joseph Schwartz and Caroline Graubart were married April 21, 1917, by Dr. A. Spiegel.

SHINDLEMAN-MAKARON.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Makaron announce the marriage of their daughter Mamie to Mr. Benjamin Shindleman on Saturday, April 21, 1917. Rev. S. Seidman performed the ceremony.

SHERMAN-GAETSKY.—On Sunday, April 22, 1917, Miss Rose Gaetsky to Mr. Sam Sherman by Rev. S. Seidman at his residence, 1431 Madison avenue.

WEINGOLD-FRIEDMAN.—Barnett Weingold and Theresa Friedman were married April 22, 1917, by Dr. A. Spiegel.

GROSS-GOLDSTEIN.—Frank S. Gross and Pauline Goldstein were married April 22, 1917, by Dr. A. Spiegel.

WOLFSON-OSHINOFKY.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Oshinofsky announce the marriage of their daughter Mollie to Mr. Charles Wolfson on Sunday, April 22, 1917. Rev. S. Seidman officiated.

BIRTHS.

COHEN.—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Cohen (nee Rose Stone), of 601 West 160th street, a daughter, April 18.

GOLDFARB.—Mr. and Mrs. Martin Goldfarb (nee Helen L. Schermer), announce the birth of a daughter, Shirley Audrey, April 17.

HUEBSCH.—Mr. and Mrs. Irwin M. Huebsch (nee Leona Wagner), of 981 Tiffany street, announce birth of a son, April 18.

JACOBS.—Mr. and Mrs. Max Jacobs (nee Celia Seligson), of 1102 Washington avenue, Bronx, announce the birth of a son, April 17, 1917.

WESSLER.—Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Wessler (nee Minnie Miller), of 730 Riverside Drive, announce the birth of a son, Friday, April 20.

BAR MITZVAH.

KRAUS.—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kraus, of 1500 First avenue, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ralph, on Saturday, April 28, at Temple Rodeph Shalom, Lexington avenue and Sixty-third street, at 10 a. m. At home Sunday from 3 to 6.

SOLOMON.—Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Solomon, of 145 Cedar avenue, Far Rockaway, N. Y. announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Ernest at Temple Israel on Saturday, April 28, 1914.

IN THE SYNAGOGUES.

ADATH ISRAEL (East 169th Street).—Rabbi Mayer Kopfstein will preach this evening on "An Opportunity."

AGUDATH JESHORIM (115 East Eighty-sixth street).—Rabbi G. Lipkind will lecture this evening on "A Jewish Revival" and Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

AHAWATH CHESED SHAAR HASHOVAYIM (Fifty-fifth street and Lexington avenue).—Dr. I. S. Moses will preach this Sabbath morning on "Hygienic and Religious Laws."

BETH ELOHIM (961 Southern Boulevard).—Dr. J. D. Spear will preach this evening and on Sabbath morning.

BETH YEHUDA (Brooklyn).—Rabbi Samuel Buchler preaches this evening and Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

B'NAI ISRAEL (535 West 148th street).—Rev. Dr. Isidor Reichert preaches this evening on "Hope," and on Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

B'NAI JESHURUN (Leslie Hall, Eighty-second street and Broadway).—Services Sabbath morning.

EZ CHAIM (107 East Ninety-second street).—Rabbi David Davidson preaches Sabbath morning on "Woman Suffrage and the So-Called Eastern Council of Reform Rabbis."

EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE, YOUNG PEOPLE'S SYNAGOGUE (East Broadway and Jefferson street).—Services this evening at 8.15 o'clock. Rabbi Brill will speak.

EMANU-EL (Fifth avenue and Forty-third street).—On Sunday morning Dr. Joseph Silverman will lecture on "America and the World Crisis."

FREE SYNAGOGUE (Carnegie Hall).—Dr. Stephen S. Wise will lecture Sunday morning on "Can We Win the War Without Losing America?"

FREE SYNAGOGUE (155 Clinton street).—Religious services will be held this evening at 8.15 o'clock. Mr. Louis I. Newman will address the congregation.

FREE SYNAGOGUE (Community Building, 163d street and Southern Boulevard).—Services this evening at 8.15 o'clock. Dr. Wise will speak.

ISRAEL (120th street and Lenox avenue).—Dr. M. H. Harris will preach on "The Jew's Duty in America" this morning.

ISRAEL OF BROOKLYN (Bedford and Lafayette avenue).—Rabbi Nathan Krass preaches this evening.

ISRAEL OF WASHINGTON HEIGHTS (181st street and St. Nicholas avenue).—Friday evening at 8.15 o'clock Rabbi M. Krauskopf will preach.

JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (531 West 123d street).—Services this evening at 6 o'clock. Sabbath morning at 9.30 o'clock Mr. Rudolph Lupu will preach.

JUDAH HALEVI (166th street and Morris avenue).—Rabbi Jesse Bienefeld will preach this evening and on Sabbath morning.

KEHILATH JESHURUN (117 East Eighty-fifth street).—Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein will preach this Sabbath morning.

MONTEFIORE (Hewitt and Macy place, Bronx).—Rabbi Alexander Basel will preach Sabbath morning.

MT. ZION (37 West 119th street).—Rev. B. A. Tintner will preach Sabbath morning on "The Ethics of the Fathers."

OHAB ZEDEK (116th street, near Fifth avenue).—On Sabbath morning Dr. Drachman will preach on "Optimistic Aspects of the Great War."

ORACH CHAIM (1463 Lexington avenue).—Rev. Dr. Moses Hyamson preaches Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

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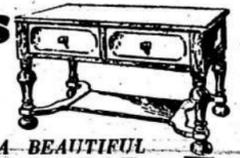
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Did the Reformers in Boston Put One Over.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD:

There is now going on in Boston a campaign for 5,000 members and \$200,000 for the "Federated Jewish Charities," under the plea "A United Israel for Charity." Stated baldly, it represents an insidious attempt of the precious Reformers to bring under absolute control the various Jewish institutions in Boston. And the most humiliating thing is the way the Orthodox Jews are at their beck and call, eager for a pat on the head from our "prominent Jews." They have allowed themselves to be chloroformed with bribes of the latter, for that is what it comes to. The Reformers are willing, it seems, to pay a price if they can only reach the coveted end. It distresses those of us who see clearly to observe in what a cringing, fawning, crawling fashion our Orthodox Jews are proceeding.

There can never be a union of Jews and Reformers for any purpose, in the very nature of things. In Chicago there exists the Federated Orthodox Charities besides the Reform charities. I recall that Mr. E. G. Hirsch once told his followers that the latter was bound to swallow up the former, but they must bide their time. In Brooklyn, I understand, the Orthodox Jews, having learned by sad experience that their former Jewish institutions were being conducted in a Reform, or goyish spirit, their Jewish institutions have been forced to take steps looking towards a separation. Now the Jews of Boston, having practically delivered over their institutions to the Reformers, may look forward certainly to a repetition of the conditions in Brooklyn. They will pay dearly for their shortsightedness and stupidity.

All this is but one more manifestation of that stupid baseness that appears to be guiding the "pillars" (financial) of our Orthodox Judaism. Some Jewish congregations have fallen so low as to invite to their festive occasions Reform preachers! Has the last spark of self-respect, of decency, died away? How many of us realize that it is on the accentuation of the tremendous difference between Jews and Reformers that the future of Judaism depends?

JACOB HELLER.

Dorchester, Mass., 2 Iyar, 5677.

Eastern Council of Reform Rabbis Meet.

On Sunday night the Eastern Council of Reform Rabbis opened their spring assembly at Temple Emanu-El. Professor Philip Boas, of Whitman University, who recently drew the attention of American Jewry by an article of his in the *Atlantic Monthly*, delivered an address on "Youth and Judaism." Professor Israel Friedlander spoke on "Aspects of Historical Judaism," and Mr. Jacob Billikopf, director of the 1917 Ten-Million-Dollar Jewish Relief Campaign, appealed on behalf of that fund. Dr. Joseph Silverman, president of the council, was chairman.



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Glaze.

One pint good brown stock, 1/2 ounce isinglass, 1 tablespoonful brown sugar. Put the ingredients, after dissolving the isinglass, into a small iron saucepan, and let all simmer at the side of the fire till reduced to half the quantity. Then pour it into a small pot or basin (it is required). It is best applied to tongues, cold roast poultry, etc., with a small brush.

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Horseradish Sauce.

Grate horseradish and parsley root finely. Mix it with white vinegar, pepper and salt, till it has a cream-like consistency.

German Horseradish Sauce.

One-half stick of horseradish, 1 sour apple, 1 dessertspoonful castor sugar, 1 glass white wine, 1/4 gill wine vinegar, 1

gill stock. Wash, scrape and grate the horseradish, peel and grate the apple, mix the other ingredients with them. Stir over the fire with a tiny piece of dripping, season with pepper and salt and let simmer for a few minutes.

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The peel of a lemon or an orange, dried thoroughly and placed in the tea caddy, will greatly improve the taste and aroma of the tea.

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Suet puddings are lighter and more digestible if made of half flour and half bread crumbs. It is a good way of using up stale bread, and reduces the flour bill.

MUSIC NOTES

The third and last concert of Ossip Gabrilowitsch's orchestral series in Aeolian Hall will be given Friday evening, May 11. Mr. Gabrilowitsch will appear in the double capacity of conductor and soloist, playing the Rachmaninoff Second Concerto in C minor for piano and orchestra, under the baton of Arnold Volpe. The orchestral numbers which Mr. Gabrilowitsch will conduct are the Glinka overture, "Russlan and Ludmilla"; the Tschaikowski suite, opus 43; the Gliere symphonic poem, "The Sirens," and Rimsky-Korsakoff's "Scheherazade."

The Society of the Friends of Music will give their second public concert of the season on Thursday evening, May 3, with Artur Bodansky, of the Metropolitan, conducting an orchestra of 100 musicians.

The society will present an Oriental program on this occasion, in the works of the Swiss composer-conductor, Ernest Bloch, giving his Jewish Cycle as far as completed. The program consists of Mr. Bloch's Jewish poems for orchestra, as played in Boston by the Boston Symphony Orchestra the latter part of March, under the composer's baton. The Rhapsodie Hebraique "Schelomo" (Solo-orchestra will be presented with Hans Kindler reading the cello part, also the Psalms Nos. 137, 114 and 22, the two former for soprano and orchestra, and the latter (No. 22) for baritone and orchestra. The soloists will be Melanie Kurt, Carl Braun, Marie Tiffany, Flora Perini and Lila Robeson, all of the Metropolitan.

Ernest Bloch will conduct his own symphony, "Israel," in two movements (unfinished), the first a prelude and the second "Allegro agitato—Andante moderato." The entire program will be played from manuscript for the first time in New York, and promises to be one of the most vitally interesting and important contributions to the season's musical offerings, representing, as it does, the highest type of Oriental music in its glowing color.

The seats are on sale at Carnegie Hall and at the Wolfsohn Musical Bureau, No. 1 West Thirty-fourth street, at prices from 75 cents to \$2, with boxes at \$12 to \$15. Very few boxes are left.

The officers of the Society of the Friends of Music are Mrs. J. F. D. Lanier, president; Miss Cottenet, secretary; Walter Maynard, treasurer; Walter I. Rosen, chairman, and its Advisory Board includes the conductors Bodansky, Toscanini, Stokowski, Muck, Ruben Goldmark, Franz Kneisel, Walter Damrosch and Frank Damrosch.

When the British Army Takes Palestine.

Sir Archibald Murray, commander of the British Army which has invaded Palestine and is now invading Gaza, although his cavalry and camel corps supported by armored cars have advanced to within twenty-five miles of Jerusalem, has issued the following statement of the disposition that will be made of Palestine, whose capture is expected within the next few weeks:

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"All the Jews will not return to Palestine, but many will do so. The new Jewish State, under British or French aegis, would become the spiritual and cultural centre of Jewry throughout the world. The Jews would at least have a homeland and a nationality of their own. The national dream that has sustained them for a score of centuries and more will have been fulfilled."

Present Conditions in Palestine.

All fear of drought was ended for the Jewish colonists in Palestine on December 26, when a welcome storm occurred accompanied by a downpour of one and a quarter inches of rain. This was followed by a cloudburst in Jaffa on December 28, with a rainfall of eight inches. In the interior the downfall was sufficient to assure a good farming season. Until January the rainfall in the vicinity of Jaffa had reached a total of ten inches, which is approximately 35 per cent. of the total for the entire season.

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A number of our eminent Jewish leaders are about to visit the larger cities and deliver addresses on behalf of the campaign to raise ten million dollars for the Jewish war sufferers. While this is very well, we feel that this effort should go further and the veins and capillaries as well as the arteries should be tapped and the work of the "big guns" should be supplemented by that of the rabbis in every community. Inasmuch as our clergy perform no weddings during *S'hira* they will be only too glad to give their Sundays to the movement and we would ask those in charge to act upon this suggestion without further delay.

An English Jewess, a dramatic writer, complains that in all the recent bumper crop of Jewish plays not one deals with scenes and characters drawn from the higher walks of communal life—the middle-class circles. She naively suggests that the synagogue might well take a hand in fostering this development, somewhat patterning itself upon the example of the mediaeval church and its Biblical mystery and morality plays. We do not see any merit to the suggestion, even assuming that the synagogue would or could devise its traditional attitude in this respect, for the world has changed greatly since the Middle Ages and the drama is no longer within the purview and especial care of the clerical element. In one way, perhaps, 'tis a pity!

We are made more than glad, we are proud that our theories have been justified, by the magnificent manner in which the community, almost as one man, has realized the duty devolving upon its members as Americans in the present national crisis. So much has been promised, so much will be done by the Jews of this country as Americans in their loyal support of our government in the war, that we think we may ask the communal organs of public opinion everywhere not to cease, in and out of season if necessary, from condemning all plans and projects for the formation of Jewish regiments or military units of any sort as impolitic, mischievous, ineffectual and totally out of joint with the requirements of American life.

Dr. Ludwig Zamenhof, the Polish Jew, who died last week at Warsaw, was well and widely known as the inventor of Esperanto, the projected universal language from which so much for world-improvement was and is hoped. Zamenhof was an observant Jew, but took little or no direct interest in Jewish affairs except as these reacted to the advantage of his beloved Esperanto. For Esperanto he was active and persistent and for it he accomplished a great deal. While of course the followers of this universal medium of expression have been recruited from all lands, classes and creeds, Jews everywhere took a more vivid and a deeper interest in its successful dissemination because of their fellow-feeling for its inventor. Zamenhof did not live to be very old in years; but his name and fame are imperishable, we firmly believe.

The Anglo-Jewish community, in spite of these stressful, war-time days, finds opportunity to concern itself with the problems of the Jewish religion. One section of that community considers who is the ideal minister of a congregation and reaches the rather natural conclusion that such is he who is a good rabbi, with all that these two words imply. A second element centres about the person of a distinguished ultra-Reform scholar, of sound ability but of rather heterodox opinions, who inclines to the entirely correct belief that Judaism is peculiarly the religion of a democrat, not only because of the absence of the priestly caste from its structure, but also because it takes particular notice of the needs and the ideals of the poor and the lowly. Finally, the third division of the thinkers on religious subjects within Anglo-Jewry finds an outlet for its spiritual energy in comparing the relative claims to attention of Orthodoxy and Reform, with the resultant verdict in favor of the former branch in the synagogue. On the whole, this activity along religious lines must be productive of much good for the future welfare of Judaism and, consequently, of Jewry everywhere.

TEN MILLION DOLLARS.

THE great problem affecting the Jews of the United States at the present time is how to raise and to raise the required ten million dollars for the purpose of continuing the war relief measures which have been undertaken by our great special communal organizations since the outbreak of the great war. An excellent start toward the goal set has already been made, thanks to the munificence of Julius Rosenwald, of Chicago, the yeoman work of ex-Ambassador Henry Morgenthau and the statesman-like action of a group of distinguished New York philanthropists headed by Jacob H. Schiff and Nathan Straus. But much, most of the work remains to be accomplished, and we address these words to our readers and to those within the circle of their influence for the purpose of securing from them steady and concerted action.

The American Jewish relief work necessarily requires to be continued, not less but more because the war is now, as we all hope, entering upon its final stages and because the United States is one of the belligerents. The misery and the suffering of the Jews in the war zones of the Old World have steadily grown worse during the past few months; and today, more than ever, our co-religionists there need our help. We who are fortunately placed, in that our country was at peace for two years while the other great nations of the earth were fighting each other and spilling their blood and their treasure in torrential streams, and in that our people have enjoyed an unexampled prosperity, are in elementary duty bound to help, to succor, to alleviate, to give all aid.

No higher duty, no greater or more humane work than this could be thought of, and so it behooves every man, woman and child in American Jewry to hold up actively and thoroughly the hands of the Joint Distribution Committee and of its affiliated bodies, the American Jewish Relief Committee, the Central Committee, the People's Relief Committee and all the countless subsidiaries these have evoked.

He gives twice who gives quickly is an old adage which should be carried out in realization at this time. To the greatest Jewry on the globe we say: Give, give and again give! Help each one to raise the ten million dollars needed for relief!

We can well comprehend that the many Jews in this country of an Austrian or Hungarian origin and allegiance should be disquieted over the breach in relations which has occurred between the governments of Vienna and Washington. Yet we would point to the situation affecting the Jews with their original German subjectship unimpaired, who sojourn in our midsts, and whose position since the declaration of a state of war between the Imperial German Government and this country has not altered to any appreciable extent. As the latter have no present cause for concern, so the former need not trouble about their own status. Moreover, our country has never waged war on inoffensive persons who are quiet and law-abiding. *Verb. sap!*

Jacob H. Schiff is not only a prince among philanthropists but surely also a past master in the art of knowing how to do things! Feeling that the success of the new ten-million-dollar relief fund was endangered by the communal apathy on the one hand and the excitement of the national crisis on the other, he hit upon the ingenious plan of inviting the affluent and well-disposed to give among us to dinner. And, then, when he had them at his mercy, as it were, he deftly reminded them of their duty in the premises, and let Rabbi J. Leon Magnes picture the misery and the suffering as only he knows how to depict it, and behold! the good work is accomplished! Hats off, say we, to Jacob H. Schiff!

Ever since the war began a certain section of Anglo-Jewry have protested their loyalty to British ideals and aspirations to heaven, and have time and again forgotten that, in accentuating the Briton, one need not extinguish the man and the Jew. Our own co-religionists here in the United States, with our beloved country now enrolled in the ranks of the belligerents, proceed to work out their plans for the relief of the sorely-stricken Jew of the older war-zones, and seek to continue their alleviative benefactions unimpaired. What a contrast the action of these two sections of the house of Israel presents! Indeed, the stand American Jews have taken is quite in accord with the splendid policy of our own government, the head of which has well said that we war not for conquest or aggrandizement but in response to the dictates of humanity.

If there be any consolation in contemplating the "misery" that is certainly affecting our people in the warring and neutral countries of the Old World, misery, fortunately, here and there of not a very serious or distressing nature, then our own impending "misery" is not so grievous. This country must needs economize! The war makes this a necessary, a burning demand of the hour! The Jewish housewife everywhere is the soul of a real economy of management, and, when we read of the "deprivations" to which our brethren and sisters in London, who "love" their Passover dainties, which is the "misery" of our first sentence, have been subjected, we can appreciate what this misery signifies! Well, our best wish for them and for ourselves is that, when next *Pesach* draws around, it may behold an entire world at peace with the great humanizing ideals realized in practice!

WINDOWS OF HEAVEN.

"And the captain answered the man of God and said, Now behold, if the Lord should make windows in heaven, might such a thing be?" (II Kings VII: 19.)

UNBELIEF always bore the same mien and spoke the same language. Its vaunted originality is an age-long sham and an idle pretense. Faith, indeed, does not boast of originality, yet its old truths bear a new aspect, because they are constantly rejuvenated as each new soul strews on them the fresh bloom of its aspiring wings.

Now, what is the century-old attitude of unbelief towards this world of mystery? None other than the captain's in our text; nor has that attitude changed a whit since. When Elisha, the prophet, promises a sudden cessation of dearth, the captain—a worldly wise man, one surmises—sneers and scoffs; "If God should open the windows of heaven!" This is the perennial sneering argument of the skeptic: Let God, then, open the windows of heaven, let us see with our own eyes the curtained secrets of the sky!

Unbelief recognizes naught else than the brute evidence of the senses. Truths must be demonstrable to the eye even as facts are. Truths apart from facts do not exist, and facts do not exist apart from the senses, of which the eye is probably the chief avenue of knowledge. The fallacy of the position lies in the circumstance that unbelief asks the senses—and particularly the eye—to perform functions for which they are not properly equipped. Senses are equipped for sense impressions, not for spirit impressions. The senses have their sphere, the eyes their horizon; and whatever lies beyond does not register itself upon these instruments of flesh and fibre. But behind the eyes there is a mighty spirit, that watches and controls with supreme sway the workings of these twitching and quivering instruments; and this inner spirit feels itself at liberty to follow or not to follow, to keep abreast of, or to pass beyond them all. More often than not, it passes beyond them, for it knows that it has to deal with mere twitchings and tremors which in themselves do not constitute knowledge, only the raw material of which knowledge is to be made. Who is the maker of this knowledge? Who but this Inner Man, that is bent upon properly interpreting the meaning of the sundry tremblings of fidgety fibre and quivering cell. This act of interpretation is itself something that transcends the senses and gives the spirit freedom from them. And once the spirit has gained this freedom,—as it must if knowledge be made at all possible—who shall prescribe limits to its liberty, who shall say to it, "Thus far and no further"? Who shall clip its wing and stop its upward flight? It was made for soaring, not for crawling; it was built for vision, not for sight. Can sight prevent vision? But unbelief, in asking sneeringly for windows in heaven, would do just this: It would prevent vision by the brute instrumentality of sight.

The central fallacy of unbelief is that it asks for windows in heaven. It should ask for windows of heaven. For thus it might find what it pretends to seek. Because in very truth there are windows of heaven, but they are not in heaven. The windows of heaven are in man, in man's soul, in man's hidden being. What bright windows does the good God open for himself in the spirit of a true man! In an Elijah or an Elisha, in some prophet, poet, martyr, saint! All the stained-glass windows of expensive churches, with their gallery of long-faced saints, cannot compare in beauty and impressiveness with the wonderfully designed windows God himself opens in the conscience and the consciousness of his children—even of you and me, when we enjoy lucid moments. How those man-made windows often shut the light of God out and create a half gloom in which the spirit is obfuscated, while these God-made windows let the divine light in, flooding our being with Truth and Wisdom, with Justice and Righteousness, with Beauty and Love! Such sparkling clarity, such celestial brightness, such direct vision cannot be had by any other means than by these windows of heaven that are not in heaven, but in man's yearning heart. Windows of heaven forsooth! If you keep on turning your eyes upward waiting for miraculous revelation of eternity's well-guarded secret, you will see nothing. But turn your gaze within: nay, shut your physical eye, in order to give free play to the visioning power of the spirit—and you will find all the gleaming windows you need for assurance of knowledge and for firmness of faith.

How restless is the human eye! How it roves far and wide, surveying the whole universe for something to fill its orb with, scanning the signalling heavens for a sign or a wonder! Yet, as Kahlil Gibran says, "the eye is not satisfied with seeing!" And this simply because it often turns in a remote direction, whereas truth lies nearer home. When, after having kept our eyes wide open too long, we are still not satisfied with seeing, we ought to shut them and say: Truth is not there—without, it is here—within!

The art of shutting our eyes—we ought to learn that. I lay awake the other night, and, shutting my eyes, all sense of my physical being, all realization of the material world of which my clay is part, dropped away from me, and a wondrous feeling of *at-home-ness* filled me with unspeakable happiness. I was pure spirit—my God and I knew it. Forthwith I opened my eyes, and there in the darkness of my room I saw gleaming something white—the door by which my bed stood. Just a door—but its sharp whiteness cut into me and filled me with pain. For the moment this door was a symbol of that outer world of anguish from which I longed to be free. For the moment this door brought to me the sights and sounds of that brute sense-world in which men and women struggle in a welter of sheer futility and folly. Quickly I shut my eyes—the door and its weird background vanished—and my spirit cried out: *Here, at last, I am at home!* And God opened the windows of Heaven in the dark insubstantial night.

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Official Report of the Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society opened at 11 a. m. on Sunday, April 22, 1917, in the assembly room of the Hotel Ansonia, Broadway and Seventy-third street, in the city of New York. Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of the society, was in the chair, and the corresponding secretary, Mr. Albert M. Friedenberg, acted as recording secretary pro tempore. The sessions were very well attended.

Dr. Adler opened the proceedings by extending a cordial welcome to those attending this jubilee meeting of the society. Letters and telegrams expressing the writers' inability to attend were presented from Professor Richard Gottheil, Rev. Dr. Abraham Simon, Dr. Herbert Friedenwald, and Messrs. Samuel Oppenheim, Bernard Bienenfeld, Albert M. Hyamson, Israel Cowen and Rabbi Julius J. Price. Miss Elfrida Cowen, of New York, read the paper on "Judith Peixotto Hays," standing in her name on the program. This gave the interesting record of a New York public school teacher of the middle of the nineteenth century, who was the first Jewess to be appointed to a principalship. Mr. Daniel P. Hays, of New York, gave an interesting account of Dr. Daniel L. M. Peixotto, 1800-1843, of New York, an eminent physician of his day, whose father was the successor of Gershom Mendes Seixas as minister of the local Portuguese synagogue, and of some of his descendants. Hon. Oscar S. Straus suggested that, in publishing necrologies of deceased members of the society, a portrait of the subject be added wherever deemed appropriate. This suggestion was referred to the Executive Council. Rev. Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, of Philadelphia, favored, in his paper on "Napoleon and the Jews," the preparation and publication of a monograph on the Napoleonic Sanhedrin, written from the point of view of the twentieth instead of the nineteenth century. Such a work has been authorized by the council, and will be actively pushed to completion. Dr. Neuman's paper was discussed by Miss Annette Kohn, and Messrs. B. H. Hartogensis, Adler and Straus, the last-mentioned calling attention to earlier writings on the subject. Dr. Solomon Zeitlin, of Philadelphia, in a paper on "When Did Jerusalem Surrender to Antiochus Sidetes?" gave an explanation of an abstruse chronological point in Josephus. He said that the close of the summer of 132 B. C. E. marked the date of Antiochus' attack on the holy city. Mr. Straus read his necrology of Benjamin Franklin Einstein, Dr. Adler those of Caesar Cone, Moses R. Walter and Edward Wolf, the last by Clinton O. Mayer, and Mr. Friedenberg those of Bernard Bruenn, by L. V. De Gruy, Martin A. Marks by Hon. Simon Wolf, Jacob Ottenheimer by Rev. Dr. Louis Grossman, Martin Philippon by Rev. Dr. David Philippon, Francis Deak-Pollak by Hon. Benjamin N. Cardozo, all of whom were members of the society. Rev. Dr. Abram Simon, of Washington, sent a paper, "Notes of Jewish Interest in the District of Columbia," which was read by Mr. Friedenberg. This gave an account of an interdenominational society of Jews and Christians in Washington in 1834, Jonas P. Levy's relations to the Hebrew congregation of that city and a Sunday observance incident of 1859. Finally, Mrs. Minnie D. Louis, of New York, read an original new national hymn, entitled "America, Thou Hope of Nations."

The second session of this meeting opened Sunday afternoon at 3.05 o'clock. Mr. Friedenberg read the paper by Mr. Israel Cowen, of Chicago, "References to Jews in Harris Newmark's 'Sixty Years in Southern California.'" This gave interesting details of life in Los Angeles in the early 50's with special reference to Jews and Judaism. Mr. Lee M. Friedman, of Boston, then presented a note, "Six French Men-of-War Full of Jews at Louisburgh," and an interesting paper discussing "Cotton Mather and the Jews." In the latter he referred to the expectations of the arrival of the millennium, to Mather's conversionist zeal, and gave bibliographical details concerning this New England worthy. The paper was discussed by Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool. The president appointed as a Committee on Nominations Rev. Dr. Abram S. Isaacs, of Paterson, N. J.; Mr. Clarence S. Na-

than, of New York, and Dr. Neuman. The chair was then taken for the remainder of the session by the society's beloved senior vice-president, Hon. Simon W. Rosendale, of Albany, N. Y. Mr. Leon Hühner, of New York, gave an informing and detailed biography of David Salisbury Franks, a distinguished patriot and officer of the Revolutionary War. Thereupon Mrs. Max J. Kohler, of New York, read a charming paper on "Some American Litterateurs of the Last Century," dealing with the relations of J. Nathan to Margaret Fuller, and adding a succinct sketch of the life of the former. Mr. Max J. Kohler, of New York, summarized his important and valuable treatise on "Jewish Rights at the Congresses of Vienna (1814-1815) and Aix la Chapelle (1818)." He told how the Jews of the time had gone to the first of these congresses and made representations touching their emancipation, and how humanitarian questions, formerly regarded as purely internal consideration of the various states, were there discussed. The second congress was held to necessarily complete and complement the work of the Vienna gathering. Prof. Alexander Marx, of New York, presented a highly scientific paper on "The Aims and Tasks of the Science of Jewish History." This gave an account of the progress of Jewish historiography since Zunz, Jost and Graetz, and offered useful suggestions for future researches. It was discussed by Dr. Adler, who threw out a suggestion that at future meetings of the society tasks should be set, not chosen, in the case of writers of papers, and by Mr. Friedenberg, who made a plea for the observance of a due sense of proportion in treating American Jewish worthies and minor notes. Finally Rev. Dr. David de Sola Pool read his notable papers: 1. "Shemah Israel, a Magazine of the Reform Movement in Curaçao, 1864-1865"; 2. "A Manuscript Hebrew Work of Samuel Roblez de Medina, Surinam, 1762"; 3. "The Refutation of Rabbi B. C. Carillon, Jamaica, 1847"; 4. "Warder Cresson's 'The Key of David,' 1852"; 5. A Pamphlet on the Subject of Reform, Jamaica, 1848, and, 6. "Colonel Myer Asch and the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia, 1876." One of them was discussed by Mr. Friedenberg, while in connection with the last mentioned Mr. Daniel W. Shoyer, of New York, a descendant of Colonel Asch, who was present, exhibited the various medals and decorations bestowed by foreign governments on his uncle.

On Sunday evening, at the Hotel Ansonia, the Judeans met and tendered a reception to the society in honor of its jubilee. Dr. Henry M. Leipziger, president of the Judeans, presided, and delivered an address of introduction. The first speaker was Hon. Oscar S. Straus, past president of the society, who described the aims and work of its founders. Dr. Cyrus Adler, the present president, gave a succinct account of the organization and of what led up to this. Professor Jacob H. Hollander, of Baltimore, delivered an address proposing a plan of work for the society in its new quarter century, and Mr. Daniel P. Hays, vice-president of the Judeans, showed how vital is the connection between American Jewish history and Jewish life in this country. A collation provided by the Judeans kept its members and their guests together until long after midnight.

The final session of the society opened on Monday morning, April 23, at 10.15 o'clock. Hon. N. Taylor Phillips, the treasurer, presented his report, showing the society to be in a healthy financial state. Mr. Friedenberg's report as corresponding secretary gave the news that the society's membership is now greater than ever before—close to the 400 mark—and described recent publications and future publication plans. Mr. Leon Hühner, the curator, submitted a report for his office. The Committee on Nominations thereupon reported, and the following officers and members of the Executive Council of the society were unanimously elected: President, Dr. Cyrus Adler, Philadelphia, Pa.; vice-presidents, Hon. Simon W. Rosendale, Albany, N. Y.; Professor Richard J. H. Gottheil, New York city; Rev. Dr. David Philippon, Cincinnati, Ohio; Hon. Julian W. Mack, Chicago, Ill.; corresponding secretary, Albert M. Friedenberg, New York city; recording secretary, Samuel Oppenheim, New York city; treasurer, Hon. N. Taylor Phillips, New York city; curator, Leon Hühner, New York city; additional members of the Executive Council (for a term of three years, expiring with the twenty-eighth annual meeting of the society), Charles J. Cohen, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. Herbert Friedenwald, Denver, Colo.; Professor Max L. Margolis, Philadelphia, Pa.; Professor Alexander Marx, New York city.

Mr. A. B. Makover, of Baltimore, then read his paper, "Mordecai M. Noah, His Life and Work from the Jewish Point of View," which was discussed by Messrs. Adler and Hühner. The following papers were then presented in abstract by title: Mr. Albert M. Hyamson, of Cheshunt, Eng., on "British Projects for the Restoration of the Jews"; Rabbi Julius J. Price, of Toronto, Can., on: 1. "Newman L. Steiner, the First Jewish Justice of the Peace in Ontario"; 2. "Further Data on the Hart Family, of Three Rivers, Quebec"; 3. "Esther Brandeur, an Early Canadian Jewish Convert"; 4. "The Ashers of Toronto"; and, 5. "An Unpublished Letter of Aron Ezekiel Hart"; and Mrs. Carrie Baumgarten Wallenstein, of Baltimore, on "A Note on Selig Baumgarten, the First Seal Engraver in the United States." Dr. Adler suggested that in future the annual meetings should be, so far as possible, limited to sessions of one day; that two such might be set apart through the year, and that a time limit of twenty minutes, in the case of individual papers, may appear desirable. On motion the thanks of the society were formally tendered to the Judeans for their courtesy in arranging a meeting to celebrate the silver jubilee of this society and for

entertaining it. This brought the proceedings of this notable session to a fitting close, and the society adjourned without delay.

Since the adjournment a cablegram of congratulations to the society on its anniversary was received from the Jewish Historical Society of England. Prevailing international conditions delayed the receipt of this message.

ALBERT M. FRIEDENBERG, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary Pro Tempore.

"The English Message."

The semi-official proposal to return Palestine to the Jews by General Sir Archibald Murray, commander of the British Army which has captured Gaza and is marching on to Jaffa and Jerusalem, is the inspiration of an editorial in the *Jewish Advocate* for April 23, in which is made clear the historical trend of English opinion with regard to the Jewish aspiration. Says the *Advocate*:

"The British are a Bible-loving people, and it has always been particularly characteristic of the British army officers that they have been Bible believers. The ill-fated General Gordon of Khartoum went with a cane in one hand and a Bible in the other to overcome the Mahdi. There are British sects that believe that they are part of the lost ten tribes. There are tens of thousands of Englishmen who believe that the Stone of Scone on which British Kings are enthroned in Westminster Abbey is the stone on which Jacob rested in Bethlehem. It was the conviction that the entrance of the Jews into England would complete the dispersion and thus usher in the millennium that convinced Oliver Cromwell to yield to Menasseh Ben Israel's plea for the readmission of the Jews into England. Therefore, the English, the Jews are and have always been, as Queen Victoria put it in the patent in which she granted special honors to Moses Montefiore, 'members of the Jewish nation.' And therefore it has been a simple doctrine to the English mind that to this nation should come restoration and that its rehabilitation should be in Palestine.

"It has not been all literary nor all sentiment. Sir Charles Warren, one of Lord Kitchener's earlier military comrades in 1875, overshadowed that the coming of 'Frank' to Palestine could have only one logical outcome, that which the Zionists have always proclaimed. Lord Kitchener took the same ground with a broad political belief in its utility. The Jews resettled in Palestine meant to him a neutralization of the head-rail of a railroad that would reach through Bagdad to India. The Earl of Shaftesbury, in 1856, and Disraeli prepared independent political plans having the same end, their purpose being that Zionist achievement would be the most correct and feasible of the Near Eastern question. Condor, the great surveyor of Palestine, saw the problem in the same light of George Elliott visioned it in 'Daniel Deronda'—as a new meeting place for the East and West, a Belgium of the Orient, in which the Jews would rejuvenate their culture and so, in a modern way realize the prophecy that 'from Zion should go forth the work of the Law.' Lawrence Olophant held the same attitude when he went to Constantinople in 1880 with letters from the present King's father urging the Sultan to give Palestine to the Jews. Lord Cromer, than whom no man of all the British pro-consuls had a better understanding of the Oriental question, was anxious to have Jewish neighbors for Egypt. Lord Milner, one of the political quartet that governs England today, wrote in the same strain only a few months ago. Lord Salisbury, uncle of the present Foreign Secretary, Mr. Balfour (who is now in the United States), twenty years ago not only realized the character of the Zionist movement, but understood the nature of the Jewish position, and contented himself with the observation: 'If only 40 per cent. of the Jews are energetically interested, they would certainly accomplish their purpose.' And the present Foreign Secretary, even as the present Premier of England, were interested in the Zionist movement as a manifestation of human possibilities, when tens of thousands of Jews were scoffing at the idea as impractical and impossible. It is because he has the British point of view that Colonel Paterson organized the Yule Zion Corps and told his former Palestinians that it was his one wish to lead them to the conquest of Zion. And so it comes about as a natural and not as a startling fact that the leader of the British forces in Palestine should explain that it is his purpose to conquer Zion for a restored Jewish nation. And it is significant that, in telling the world that he wants to do that, he understands what the accomplishment involves. He realizes full well that all the Jews are not going to Palestine, and he understands just what the Jews can accomplish if they are rehabilitated there.

Zangwill Returns to Zionist Movement.

Israel Zangwill, the distinguished English author, has announced his return to the Zionist movement, from which he has been alienated since 1905. At a meeting in London, held several days ago, Mr. Zangwill said that it was almost certain that, at the end of the war, Palestine would fall into the hands of the Allied Powers. This historic event, he said, will give the Zionists the opportunity to realize the ideal, which is the establishment

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Mr. Zangwill explained that he left the Zionist movement in 1905 because he had become convinced that it would be impossible to create a Jewish State in Palestine under Turkish rule. At that time he felt it his duty to seek some other land to which Jews, dwelling in lands of persecution and oppression, could flee and establish themselves on an autonomous basis. He had, therefore, organized the Jewish territorial movement, which had given serious consideration to Great Britain's proffer of Uganda, in Africa, to the Jews, and had investigated the possibilities of Cyrenaica, Australia, Mexico, Central America and other possible territories for a Jewish "haven," but had not been able to find a suitable location. Now, however, when Palestine was about to become free and there was strong possi-

bility that it would be given to the Jews, said Mr. Zangwill, he wants to do his utmost for Zionism and give it his full support.

In disposing of an estate valued at \$75,000, the will of Samuel Kayser, of Philadelphia, Pa., gives \$1,000 each to the Jewish Hospital Association and Home for Aged and Infirm Israelites; \$500 to the Jewish Foster Home and Orphan Association; \$250 each to the Jewish Maternity Hospital and Masonic Home, Philadelphia, and \$200 to Odd Fellows' Home of Philadelphia.

A CORRECTION.

In the HEBREW STANDARD, under date of April 6, appeared a notice that Miss Beatrice Rosenthal, founder of the Beatrice Charity Club, had collected \$45 as the proceeds of a charity bazaar. The amount collected was \$345.

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SOLOMON BASHWITZ

Many even suppose that to advance through the many grades of success it is a prerequisite that the individual discard the finer and higher qualities within him and replace them entirely by selfish motives. Unfortunately in the vast majority of cases this seems true, but yet the man of higher ideals is not so easily drawn into this whirlpool of materialism and unspirituality. Mr. Solomon Bashwitz of Bashwitz Bros., manufacturers of clothing at 43 East Eleventh street, belongs to the last-named category. The career of Mr. Bashwitz is outlined in this series of prominent Jews not only because he has made wonderful progress in the industrial world, but because he has shown that a man can reach the highest rung in the ladder of success and yet retain every quality of refinement and love that was in him originally. Mr. Bashwitz has worked his way from the very bottom to the very top, and in his varied experience he undoubtedly met with many instances of ungenerosity and petty ill-will, but he has withstood the ultimate test of real character; he has not lost an iota of the finer qualities that have been implanted within him. Today he is still optimistic and cheerful; he still has faith in human nature and is ever ready to help any cause where his moral and financial support will be of service. His life story should be an inspiration to our youth, for Mr. Bashwitz made his way to success as a result of his own hard work and aggressive nature.



Solomon Bashwitz was born August 2, 1873, in Nackel, Germany. He is the son of Abraham and Natalie Bashwitz. He received a normal school education and later attended gymnasium. Army service was not in harmony with his temperament, and at the age of sixteen he left his native country, and embarked for London. In his heart he cherished the hope that he would some day return to his native town and family, with fame and fortune. This he would place at the disposal of his parents for whom he always showed the highest regard and love. It was undoubtedly this motive that urged him on and gave him the energy and desire for accomplishment that he manifested from the very moment he left his parents' roof. London, however, proved to be the wrong place for the imaginative lad who was fired with thought of acquiring wealth and name. After four months he embarked for America, alone, with hope and courage, and youth as his only assets. For some time he worked as errand boy at \$3 per week. In his desire to save he earned many a nickel given to him for fare, but yet this means of accumulating a fortune proved extremely slow, and young Solomon decided to learn a trade. He found employment in a clothing house and not only did he learn the trade, but he mastered every branch of it. Through persistent hard work, day and night, the young man succeeded in saving four or five thousand dollars within five years. He had made his first "fortune," and true to the promise he had made to himself when he left home, he returned to his parents and presented them with the debt he felt he owed them. A debt of thanks and respect. But the young man soon returned and after a few years saved enough to start in business for himself. He received no financial aid of any one at any time, but through perseverance and hard work Mr. Bashwitz has developed a business that he may well be proud of. He is recognized today among the leaders in the clothing trade; he utilizes the labor of over two thousand hands for his complete output, and sells to the trade all over the country.

And it might here be added that now after having amassed a real fortune, Mr. Bashwitz has not yet forgotten his little native town. Each year finds him back home among his sisters and old mother—always making her feel that what belongs to him will ever belong to her.

Mr. Bashwitz is a man of refinement and higher intelligence and manifests keen interest in Jewish topics. He is much interested in the success of the Federation of Jewish Charities, for which institution he worked heart and soul when he realized the significance of its scope. Mr. Bashwitz regrets, however, that there are a goodly number of wealthy Jews in this city who do not do their share in helping to solve the problem of the destitute. He hopes, however, that through the Federation many will naturally fall into the habit of contributing to charity more liberally.

In addition to working up his business, Mr. Bashwitz takes keen interest in developing the younger lads in his employ, and he sometimes regrets that conditions in the modern shops do not permit of advancement as rapidly as in former years. However, he has always taken every opportunity to encourage and aid the young men in his business who show any aptitudes. He feels that it is his duty to do for the present generation what the past generation has done for him. The sight of an ambitious boy recalls his own early experiences, and Mr. Bashwitz is happy to be instrumental in creating another successful man.

For many years Mr. Bashwitz has been known for his charitable inclinations and there is no worthy cause in the city to which he does not contribute. He is a member of the Eighty-sixth Street Temple, and holds a high degree in the Masonic order.

On March 28, 1897, Mr. Bashwitz was married to Miss Henrietta Samuels and they are the parents of two children, Hattie, aged nineteen, and Lillian, aged fourteen.

When asked to give his advice to the young, Mr. Bashwitz smiled and said there is but one way to become successful and that is by having your future plans continually in mind. The young man who works hard, and is energetic and progressive will find more opportunities now-a-days than in former years, Mr. Bashwitz thinks.

When we see a successful man, one that has attained great heights, we are wont to attribute his success to elements of luck which played in his life and which failed to stand by us at the psychological moment. But it is usually not so. In most cases, the man who reached his goal had fought bitterly and had paid dearly for it.

ELIAS GOTTFRIED

Elias Gottfried, the well-known baker and president of the Gottfried Lobo Bakery, located at Nos. 530-538 East Seventy-second street, furnishes a living example of how dearly and bitterly one must pay for success. In recording his life's history it is needless to use words of praise. His story tells all and places him in the right light.

The date of Mr. Gottfried's birth is February 21, 1860; the place, Wielkocz, near Przemysl, Galicia. He is a descendant of a very distinguished family, a family that has for generations excelled in learning. His father, who died very young, was a profound Talmudical scholar; his brother, Rabbi Samson Gottfried, of Baltimore, is a man of great knowledge. Naturally, Mr. Gottfried inherited the faculties of his progenitors. Circumstances, however, played havoc with his plans, and instead of applying his talents to study, he applied them to business.

When his mother died, Elias was two years old, and at the death of his father, he was eight years. Seven children remained poverty stricken; he was the youngest. Six of the children were distributed among the aristocratic families of Przemysl, and Elias was sent to his grandfather, Reb Fishel, in Wilkocz. His grandfather was truly a great scholar, but, unfortunately, a still greater pauper, and instead of food the lad was fed on Gemorah. Mr. Gottfried distinctly remembers as his grandfather used to read with him the page in the Talmud-dealing with "The egg that was laid on a Holiday," and how he used to wish that the egg was a reality, so that he might see it and eat it, for he was, indeed, very hungry, was young Gottfried.

As he grew older, dreaming about food and studying about eggs far from satisfied him. So when he reached his thirteenth year he left his grandfather and went out into the world to provide for himself with real, eatable food. But, instead of fairing better, he fared worse. His family disowned him because of his mercenary tendencies, and in addition, therefore, to being hungry, he was also ashamed of himself, for he really shared the opinion of his family that it was criminal on his part to sell soda water for a living—the trade he plied.

Finally he left Przemysl and went first to Vienna and then to Budapest. For a while matters improved. He had even advanced himself to a managerial position, having 200 people under his supervision. Just then he was called to military service and again he encountered bitter experiences—experiences that would well nigh fill a handsome volume. Eventually he came to America. His brother advanced him 150 gulden for the journey. En route he met a poor family, who was stranded and unable to continue their journey. Mr. Gottfried thereupon parted with all of his surplus capital and arrived at these shores penniless.

Here, to earn a living, he first tried peddling, but without results. He then received employment in a German bakery at a wage of \$6 a month and food, which was seldom given him. For one month he lived on bread and two boxes of sardines, while working twenty hours a day.

With a little financial aid from the United Hebrew Charities he took to the trade of pants making. However, no sooner he learned the trade a strike broke out and he was obliged to return to the bakery at a compensation of \$10 a month. His first month's earnings he immediately turned over to a man who taught him how to make wrappers. He had also agreed to pay the man an additional \$15 and work four weeks gratis. Meanwhile he had nothing to eat, and on one miserable night he was requested to surrender his lodging for being delinquent in rent. For eight successive days he slept on park benches, swallowing his saliva for want of food.

His new trade proved a failure, and for the second time he returned to drudge in the bakery. In the course of several months he was advanced to the position of foreman, and subsequently branched out into the business for himself. At that time a Jewish bakery was a poor business. The employe as well as the employer worked eighteen hours a day, but neither profited to a great extent because it was not properly conducted. Mr. Gottfried immediately inaugurated new methods, and he became popular as a baker. In a short time he opened a second shop and then another and another. All in all he built a dozen bakeries and sold them.

In 1906 there was founded in New York the Standard Bread and Yeast Company, a \$5,000,000 corporation that planned to corner the bakery market. The company bought several baking establishments, including a large plant on East Seventy-second street. Six months later the company realized that it was making no headway. Mr. Gottfried was thereupon called for. He was offered one hundred thousand dollars in stocks and an annuity to assume the management of the business. Mr. Gottfried accepted the offer. He soon discovered that the bakery was top heavy. There were on the pay roll men who did not earn their wages; there was no order, no system, things were topsy turvy. Naturally, he was opposed in the reforms he tried to initiate and after several months he resigned. Shortly thereafter the concern failed and Mr. Gottfried bought one of their plants on Second street for \$80.

The Second street bakery required quite an outlay of money and Mr. Gottfried received a loan of several thousand dollars from two silent partners. Soon as he began to do business a strike, which held on for months, was spitefully engineered. In addition to this trouble, one of his investors demanded his capital. Mr. Gottfried's cash balance



in the bank was \$2,000.75. "Give him a check for \$2,000," he instructed his bookkeeper, to the latter's tearful protestation that Mr. Gottfried was ruining himself. Two weeks later more money was demanded of him and he sold the flour he had on hand below cost and gave his investor an additional \$1,000.

Later one of his erstwhile backers joined in partnership, to the detriment of Mr. Gottfried. After a couple of years he dissolved partnership and Mr. Gottfried was offered by a friend an opportunity to start making munitions of war. "Never in my life will I invest a cent in a business of this kind," replied Mr. Gottfried. "I'd much rather make bread for the hungry than manufacture cannons and shrapnel to kill my fellow men."

He took over the Seventy-second street bakery and is now the biggest Jewish baker in the world. He employs a great number of men in his shop. They all love him and respect him. He treats them as if they were his own children. Officially, his employees are on strike for three years, but not a soul left him.

Mr. Gottfried is a benevolent man, one who is ready to hold out his hand to any one in need of succor. He is director of the Second Street Orphan Home and Hebrew National Orphan Home. He is a contributor to every charitable institution in Greater New York.

On the 25th of June, 1917, Mr. Gottfried will celebrate his twenty-fifth wedding anniversary to Rachel Ark, of his native town. They have seven children. The oldest daughter, Jennie, is married to William Printz, and his son, Benjamin, is associated with him in business. The other children are still at school.

Conditions over which man has no control oftentimes remove him from the sphere he is by birth and inclination most fitted for and place him in a hostile and exotic climate, where he cannot grow and develop.

EDWIN A. RELKIN

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One of the happiest of men is Mr. Edwin A. Relkin, the "Napoleon of the Jewish Theatrical Business World." His remarkable activity, his restless disposition, his desire to do things—things that are worth doing—manifest that despite painstaking efforts and numerous hardships he experienced, he has the good fortune to play the part in life he is best fitted for by birth and temperament. He is a man of the theatre through and through. The speculative, the insecure, the haphazard theatrical life hold out irresistible charm to him and harmonizes with his inner self.

The late Jacob Gordin, in one of his inimitable addresses from the stage, characterized Mr. Relkin as "A living wind." And this is precisely what he is—nay, he is even more than that, he is a sweeping storm in society.

Mr. Relkin is known to all. His name is frequently mentioned in the newspapers in association with the Jewish theatre. Few, however, know his life's history and his accomplishments.

Edwin A. Relkin was born in Orchard street, New York city, on the 12th day of August, 1881. His father, Joseph Relkin, who emigrated from Marienpol, Russia, came of distinguished stock. He was recognized as one of the foremost Jewish immigrants. He dedicated his life to Jewish charities and was one of the leading founders of "Hachnosas Orchim." The elder Mr. Relkin died several years ago.

Mr. Relkin attended the Public Schools of New York and Chicago. From childhood he felt the call of the theatre. The theatre was a magnet he could not withstand, and at the age of sixteen he ran away from home and joined a circus in Buffalo as a program boy.

When he was 19 he worked as an usher at Glikman's Theatre, Chicago. Gradually he was advanced to the managership of the same theatre. Later he was engaged as publicity agent by Boris Thomeshefsky to advertise the latter's production of Zangwill's "Children of the Ghetto." This was the beginning of Mr. Relkin's theatrical career. For five years thereafter he was associated with the late Michael Minz, and then started the "theatrical booking business," being the first to book theatres throughout the country. Endowed with unusual executive and organizing abilities, his success was instantaneous. He books for Jewish companies such theatres as the Belasco in Washington, Nixon in Pittsburgh, Auditorium, Chicago; Olympic, St. Louis; theatres controlled by Klaw & Erlanger and the Shuberts, who never before permitted Jewish companies to play in their houses. Mr. Relkin developed the booking business to such an extent that he had at one time during the summer of 1914 fourteen Jewish companies on the road, and there was no conflict of dates between them. He sent five other companies from coast to coast, and he holds the record of taking in \$3,400 in one evening at the Auditorium, Chicago, while presenting Esther Rachel Kominsky. His companies played in American cities numbering only 200 Jewish families: Pittsfield, Mass.; Pueblo, Colo.

The coming summer he will have control in New York of People's Theatre, Grand, Goebel's and Liberty. He will have under his management, Adler, Kessler, Bessie Thomeshefsky, Lipzin, Prager Yavoler Company and Max Goebel's Company, which played last Pass-over to 8,000 people under his management at the Grand Opera House, Boston. Mr. Relkin is also the representative of Shuberts, David Belasco, Gest and others in all matters concerning the Jewish theatrical field. He has also, in association with Mme. Gudinski, hired the National Theatre for 1919.

Psychologists have frequently observed that men with unusual abilities for great enterprises are, as a rule, not frugal, they are not money mad, they are men with warm hearts that beat as fast as their minds work. It is a fact that stands test in the case of Mr. Relkin, who is what is commonly called, a "Brilliant boy," a man with a great, big heart.



When one speaks of successful Jewish business men one has usually in mind manufacturers of clothing, cloaks, underwear and kindred lines. Mr. John Sklar is not engaged in any of these various industries. He is the only Jew in the United States manufacturing surgical, dental and veterinary instruments, and he is one of the most successful in this line. His name is known in the world of affairs from New York to San Francisco, and his firm conducts a big business throughout the length and breadth of the land.

JOHN SKLAR

Mr. Sklar is a Russian-Jewish immigrant. He was born on the 28th of October, 1865, at Musz, Province of Minsk, Russia, son of Benjamin and Minnie Sklar. His father, who died in 1914, was a devout Chosia, and his grandfather, Reb Israel, who lived to the age of 103, was quite prominent in the province.

Mr. Sklar came to the United States from London in 1889. Having been a locksmith in the old country, he started here working in a foundry—work somewhat allied to his old trade. A few months later he received employment with a concern manufacturing surgical instruments, and his connection with this firm served to lay the foundation for his future business career. After three years he started in business for himself in a basement on Guinet, the present Lorimer street, Brooklyn, for which he paid a monthly rental of \$8. His initial capital that he invested totaled \$135. The most difficult and trying years of his life ensued. Again and again he was on the verge of throwing up his hands in despair, particularly in face of several flattering offers made him to resume work in the factory. But his wife, whose inestimable aid Mr. Sklar acknowledges, stood by him through thick and thin, spurred him on to greater and greater efforts, and encouraged him not to give up his business. Finally, after years of unremitting toil, working day and night and conducting his business in an honest business way, his patience and integrity was rewarded. Gradually he began to rise, until he has attained prominence and solidity in the business world.



The writer interviewed Mr. Sklar at his handsome home on Willoughby avenue, and listened with almost feverish suspense to the story of the struggle he endured and how he finally attained his hard-earned and well-deserving success.

While he was in Russia, in his days of youth, Mr. Sklar actively participated in the movement to subserve the Romanoff dynasty. He was what is commonly, but erroneously, known as a Nihilist. He was intimately acquainted with some of the foremost revolutionary leaders. During all these years of toil and toil in America, however, he was unable to further interest himself in the movement and in general social work. At present, however, he participates in charitable and Jewish communal work. If he cannot give as much time as he would like to the various institutions, he at least gives his money freely to perpetuate them. He is second vice-president of the Beth Moses Hospital, of Brooklyn. He was the founder of the Muzzer and Baranowitzer Society; he has been for twenty years a prominent member of the Minsker Society, member of the Brooklyn Federation of Charities and is ready to assist any good cause.

Mr. Sklar is the head of an unusually interesting family. His wife, Bessie, whose maiden name was Klatchka, he married in 1890. Four children have been born to them. Their oldest daughter, Frances, is married to Edward Sawatken, who was for many years in Mr. Sklar's employ and is now partner and manager of the firm. Their son, Max, is also associated with Mr. Sklar. Their third child, Lillian, 18 years old, has received a very good education, has also studied Yiddish and Hebrew and participates in charitable work. The youngest child, Abraham, is at a boarding school.

Mr. Sklar is unassuming, kind-hearted and engaging. He is particularly fond of Jewish literature, which he reads extensively.

George Washington never told a lie. So the legend runs. Children believe it. But no sooner they grow up to be men and women they begin to doubt it. The reason thereof is very simple. The average man has found it so very difficult to get along with the absolute truth in everyday life that it appears incredible to him for any one else to do it. And yet, there are men, few and far between, who are absolutely truthful; who, like George Washington, would cheerfully accept the unpleasant consequences resulting therefrom rather than dissimulate. Abraham H. Feldman is one of them. Not alone do children believe in him, but the men and women with whom he comes in daily contact. It is commonly known among his business and social associates that Mr. Feldman never lies. A good many people, at first dubious about this fact, tested him and convinced themselves that it is so. Neither in private life nor in business has he ever been found to lie. It is most remarkable! How many more men like Mr. Feldman are there?

ABRAHAM H. FELDMAN

In communal work Mr. Feldman is not personally very active. He is closely associated and takes a lively interest in the Hebrew National Orphan Home, and in the Masonic orders, but he is not anxious to hold any office. He nevertheless contributes to all good causes. His name is enrolled on the roster of almost every charitable institution in New York. He supports these various institutions not because he seeks glory or worldly recognition, but simply follows the mandates of his heart.

Mr. Abraham H. Feldman was born at Tarnopol, Galicia, the first of May, 1871. He arrived to these shores in 1894. Before he reached this country he lived for several years in Bessarabia. Being poor, he was obliged from early childhood to provide for himself. He therefore took to tailoring in Bessarabia. There he also married Minnie Oustitcher, who is a descendant of a distinguished family in Russia. Two weeks after the wedding the young couple started out for America.

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Flag Raising by Immigrants.

Arrangements are being made for a large flag raising by erstwhile Jewish immigrants on Saturday evening, May 5, in the heart of the East Side.

Since the break between the United States and Germany and the entry of this country into the world war erstwhile immigrants have been coming to the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society of America, 229-231 East Broadway, New York city, eager to show their loyalty and allegiance to their adopted country.

A large American flag will be unfurled, and there will be patriotic speeches by men of prominence, and the pledges to the flag will be given. East Broadway for blocks will be illuminated and all the neighborhood will be decorated with bunting and flags. Patriotic airs will be sung and word will go forth that Jewish immigrants are solid behind the President.

A neighborhood committee has been formed and the older residents are taking a deep interest in the ceremonies, which will be a great manifestation of patriotism.

The arrangements are in charge of a committee of the Board of Directors of the society, of which the president, Judge Leon Sanders, is chairman.

The flag raising will be held under the auspices of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society of America, and its 50,000 members in New York city will be present, as well as former immigrants from throughout the country. It will be a flag raising in behalf of the immigrant Jews in this country.

Board of Jewish Ministers Pledges Loyalty.

At a meeting of the New York Board of Jewish Ministers held April 19 the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, Our beloved land, the United States, has taken up arms in defense of the rights of its citizens and the rights of humanity, be it

"Resolved, That we, rabbis of Greater New York, reaffirm our loyalty and the historic loyalty of the congregations which we serve; and be it further

"Resolved, That we, both individually and as a body, take every measure in our power to enlist actively in the cause of our country the services of all those men, women and children to whom we minister, while daily praying to the God of the spirits of all flesh that He may speedily lift up His face upon His stricken and suffering children, and an honorable, a blessed and a lasting peace to the world; and be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Mayor of the city of New York and to the local press."

The members of the board also recommended the formation of patriotic leagues for war relief work within the synagogues.

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They brought with them the munificent sum of ten marks. Mr. Feldman immediately began to work as a cloak operator. He subsequently became a designer in the same line, and in 1904 ventured into business for himself. He is now a successful manufacturer of coats at No. 44 West Twenty-eighth street. The first three years he was in partnership, but after dissolution remained for himself. In the business world his reputation is equally clean as in the social world.

The Feldmans have four children, three sons and a daughter.

In answer to the question how a young man should conduct himself in order to achieve success Mr. Feldman answered: "Frugality and ambition naturally are important factors, but honesty, and above all, truthfulness, is the first and most essential requisite to success. He who tells the truth must eventually succeed."

An observer of a battle in progress sees only an army of men, wild men, wearing the same uniforms bent on doing the same thing to rout and annihilate the enemy. If, however, one were enabled to observe each man individually on the battlefield and pry into his soul, one would readily recognize the frightful disharmony in the army which outwardly appears so harmoniously united.

MAX TISCHLER

iously united.

It has been the task of the writer of these lines to interview successful men. Outwardly they all look alike. They are all massed on life's battlefield battling for existence. But an acquaintance with the various individuals a radical difference is noted between them. One readily discovers that not all men are money chasers, there are among them noble characters, refined souls, idealists, dreamers, who deserve greater recognition than the successful man of affairs and finance.

Mr. Tischler, president of the Manhattan Roofing Company, located at No. 133 East 118th street, belongs to this group. He is one of the finest and noblest characters the writer has run across. Speaking about him, business, success, and all it stands for, dwindles imperceptibly. He is interesting as a man and not as a fortune hunter. He is director and ex-vice-president of the National Hebrew Orphan Home, and it is commonly known that he contributes to according to his means and oftentimes even beyond his means.



Max Tischler, son of Fishel and Esther Tischler, was born at Kolish, Poland, on August 29, 1869. He came to America in 1891 and, like so many of his compatriots that had preceded him, he struggled bitterly to make ends meet. The first day he worked with Italian laborers on the highways picking stones, digging, etc., at a wage of \$1.50 a day. He afterwards learned to become a clothing cutter. Two and half years after his arrival he ventured into the clothing business with a capital of \$213 he had saved. But this venture far from satisfied his wish for success. So eight years later he essayed in contracting, roofing and real estate. In the first three months he made a bit of money, only to lose it again in the following two months. Sad times followed and he struggled on desperately, never despairing and ever trying to keep his name clean until fortune smiled upon him.

The members of Mr. Tischler's immediate family are as interesting and attractive as he is. His wife, Yetta, whom he married December 12, 1897, is well known in social circles. She is vice-president of the Harlem Ladies' League, of the Hebrew National Orphan Home, and takes an active interest in a dozen various other institutions. His daughter Elizabeth is an accomplished musician. She is an exceptional violinist and appeared at concerts given for charity. Artists that have heard her play hold out great prospects to her. On the whole, nature has been exceedingly kind to her, having endowed her with beauty, grace and charm. The other children, Minnie, William and Rubin, are equally accomplished.

To the man who is alert and watchful and does not let the opportunity slip by, New York affords many ways and means for success. Mr. Jacob Manowitz, manufacturer of jute and linen coat fronts at 123

JACOB MANOWITZ

Bleeker street, came to this country seventeen years ago without money or friends. For a few months he sold dry goods from house to house. Later he sold trimmings to the clothing trade. By chance one of his customers, knowing that Mr. Manowitz had the material, asked him to make up a special order for one hundred coat fronts. Although Mr. Manowitz had had no previous experience in this work, he hired a machine and, after three weeks, completed the work that would now take five or six hours. However, Mr. Manowitz realized that there were possibilities in this industry. He stopped selling trimmings and began the manufacture of coat fronts. He was the first man to produce on a large scale and, after thirteen years of growth, Mr. Manowitz is practically the leader of this specialty, having branch factories in Boston and Chicago.

Mr. Jacob Manowitz was born in Rodja, Russian-Poland, thirty-nine years ago. He is the son of Benjamin and Bella Monk, who owned and operated a flour mill in his native town. It was after his arrival that Mr. Manowitz adopted his present name. Until his eighteenth year Mr. Manowitz was a Yesheva Bochar, but the lure of this country was too great for him and at the age of twenty-two he decided to come here and make his fortune. He did. About five years ago Mr. Manowitz visited his native town to see his parents who were then still living. Pressure was brought to bear to make him settle there and, although he was inclined to consider the idea at first, he soon found that his old ways of life had changed. Five weeks was the longest he could stay, and at the expiration of this time he came back to New York. Mr. Manowitz feels that no man who has lived in New York for any length of time could ever adapt himself to the life of a European country town.

Mr. Manowitz has for many years been interested in Jewish affairs and has given his financial aid to many Jewish philanthropic causes. He is a member of Anshe Krasheushitz and is a member of Goelet Lodge F. and A. M.

Mr. Manowitz is a good-natured man of retiring disposition and takes no credit for his success. He feels that this is a country where a dollar can be made very easily if only a little effort is applied.

Mr. Manowitz married Miss Sarah Cherivin and they are the parents of three boys, Abe, who is in business for himself; Meyer, in business with his father, and Sol, who attends school.

"Go out and sell," is Mr. Manowitz's advice to young men. "Save 40 per cent. of your salary and go into business the first opportunity you have. Stick and you'll make good. Avoid getting a job."

The Bar Mitzvah of Dr. Held's Son.

Last Saturday, April 21, and Sunday, April 22, the Bar Mitzvah of Abraham Held, only son of Dr. I. W. Held, was celebrated at the home of the Helds, at 3 East Eighty-fourth street. The celebration was one of the most remarkable family reunions in the better social set of New York Jewry.

On Saturday morning the scene of the celebration was at the Attorney Street Synagogue. There was gathered the biggest audience the congregation ever held. There were present the richest and the best known Jews of the great East Side and of the Galician colony, and a great many from Harlem. Among them were Bernard Semel, Morris Rosenfeld, Moshe Richter and Morris Morrison.

The Bar Mitzvah, who is a pupil of Reb Isaac Ewen, made an address in Hebrew which called for the admiration of all present. His address was not studied by heart, but was his own composition. Young Held speaks Hebrew as if it were his native tongue, and is a student of the language. The rabbi of Attorney Street Synagogue, Reb David Frankel, also made a very timely address.

After the morning service the whole congregation was invited for kiddush to the home of Jacob Held, 309 East Houston street, grandfather of young Held. Among those who attended were Isaac Ewen, Bernard Semel, Moses Richter, Morris Rosenfeld, Counsellor Konigsberg, Mr. J. Bleiberg, David Saltpeper and many others.

On Sunday evening a grand dinner was given at the home of Dr. Held. Owing to limited space only nearest relatives were invited, still there were over 100 present.

Mr. Bernard Semel was toastmaster. Addresses were made by Morris Rosenfeld, William Fishman, Isaac Ewen, Moses Richter, Morris Morrison, Philip Watenberg, J. Pfeffer, Mr. Sekler, Dr. Strachstein, Rabbi David Frankel, and several others. The last speaker was young Held. A great future has been prophesied by all the speakers for the only son of Dr. Held.

Institutional Synagogue Makes Rapid Progress.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, spiritual leader of the Institutional Synagogue, announced at the regular business meeting of the congregation, held last Saturday night, that the Jewish revival movement, which is to be conducted under the auspices of the Institutional Synagogue, was making rapid progress. Donations of several thousand dollars have been pledged and a large part of this amount is already in the hands of the treasurer, Mr. Samuel R. Travis. Letters of encouragement and offers of co-operation and assistance in manifold forms are being received daily by Rabbi Goldstein. Plans for several monster revival meetings in different parts of Harlem are rapidly being completed and the enthusiasm among the large body of young men and young women who form the nucleus of the Institutional Synagogue is very keen. It is hoped that within the next week or two a house advantageously located in Harlem will be leased and active Jewish work will be begun immediately.

B'nai B'rith Items.

Mr. Nathan Straus was initiated last Monday night as a member of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith, at a public reception tendered to the president of the district, Mr. Joseph Rosenzweig, at the B'nai B'rith Building. There was a class of forty candidates, among whom were some of the most prominent men in the community, of whom Mr. Nathan Straus was one. Rev. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who was to be initiated last Monday, will be initiated at some future time.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Myer L. Victorius, chairman of the Intellectual Advancement Committee. Among those who spoke were Rev. Dr. Maurice H. Harris, Mr. Joseph Rosenzweig, the president of the district; Mr. Frederick Jay, president of District No. 3, and Mr. Myer L. Victorius. The gentlemen who conducted the initiation ceremony were David Kraus, Harry Silverstein, William Asher, Charles Katzenstein, Lester Brucks, J. Goldberger and Isaac L. Elias.

Free Synagogue.

Through the courtesy of the Committee of the Free Synagogue, its members and their friends are invited to attend a course of lectures on "Aspects of Historical Judaism" by Dr. Israel Friedlander.

The society will therefore meet at 8.15 o'clock on Monday evening, April 30, in the vestry rooms of Temple Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue and Forty-third street.

The Zionist solution is based on history, and therefore the course on historical Judaism by Dr. Friedlander should clarify some common misconceptions of the basis and aims of Zionism.

The Russian Crisis.

At the monthly meeting of the New York section of the Council of Jewish Women, held at the vestry rooms of Temple Ahawath Chesed, the Russian crisis was the topic discussed. Dr. Moissaye Olgin took it up historically, while Hon. Louis Marshall discussed it practically. A resolution of felicitation to the Provisional Government of Russia was introduced by Mrs. Alexander Kohut. Mrs. Nathaniel Harris, the national president, delivered a short address and received an ovation from the 600 women present.

Mrs. S. Boehm, president of the Temple Auxiliary, and Mrs. Ben Leeburger, president of the Sisterhood, welcomed the New York section to the temple vestry.

Mrs. William D. Sporborg, the president of the section, made a number of interesting announcements.

Temple Peni-El Notes.

A Red Cross unit has been formed at Temple Peni-El, and meets regularly every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the vestry rooms under the direction of a Red Cross nurse.

Rabbi Eisenman is arranging a meeting of the ladies of the congregation to take up work for relief preparedness. The women will meet regularly and sew and prepare Red Cross supplies for the wounded, and also collect delicacies for the enlisted men and work in co-operation with the Jewish chaplains who will take care of the men of our faith who join the ranks, and also provide for needy families of soldiers.

Visiting the Orphanages.

Mr. Chas. I. Herron, president; Mr. Jacob Levy, ex-president, and Mr. Elias L. Trotzky, superintendent of the Marks Nathan Jewish Orphan Home of Chicago, arrived in New York last Sunday, for a two weeks' stay, to study the conditions and workings of Eastern child-rearing institutions. They will stay at the Claridge Hotel, Forty-fourth street and Broadway, and will be pleased to see the friends of the home, as well as personal friends.

Dr. Pool to Inaugurate Lecture Course

Under the auspices of Congregation Shearith Israel, Seventieth street and Central Park West, together with the Menorah Alumni of the city of New York, a spring course of four lectures on "Readings in the Shulchan Aruch" will be given by the Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool on Tuesday evenings in May, at 8.15 o'clock, in the Synagogue Assembly Hall. The public is cordially invited.

Program:—Tuesday, May 1, "Education"; Tuesday, May 8, "Young and Old"; Tuesday, May 15, "The Synagogue and the Home"; Tuesday, May 22, "Charity."

Temple Israel of Harlem.

On Friday evening, April 20, Dr. M. H. Harris delivered an address devoted entirely to a statement of the deplorable situation of the Jews in the Eastern zone of war, and made an appeal for contributions toward the \$10,000,000 fund. A collection was taken up. Dr. Harris has followed this by a circular appeal to all of his congregants.

Reception to Mr. Goldwasser.

A reception was tendered to Mr. I. E. Goldwasser by the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Hebrew Association in the restaurant of the association building on Sunday evening, April 22. Practically the whole board was present, including Mr. Felix M. Warburg, honorary president, and Judge Irving Lehman, chairman. After the dinner addresses were made by Mr. Theo. B. Richter, toastmaster; Mr. F. M. Warburg, Judge Lehman and Messrs. H. M. Toch, S. B. Rosenthal, J. Levenson, L. E. Katzenstein and Rabbi A. G. Robison. On behalf of the board Judge Lehman presented Mr. Goldwasser with handsomely engrossed resolutions contained in a very beautiful volume. Mr. Goldwasser responded briefly, describing his career in the association, and thanking the board for the co-operation which they had given him.

A Letter of Congratulation.

The following letter was sent to Mrs. Dora Malgood, the president of the Harlem Home of the Daughters of Israel by the Hebrew Day Nursery, of which she is one of the directresses:

Dear Mrs. Malgood—We congratulate you on your election as president of the Harlem Home. We congratulate at the same time your electors; they have honored themselves and conferred a great benefit on the Harlem Home. Our prayer is that your interest in the Hebrew Day Nursery should not in the least suffer by your ability in the new sphere—that you continue as directress among us and to be blessed in the future by young and old as you have been blessed.

(Signed): Mrs. Etta Fine, president; Mr. Meshnik, secretary.

Lord Salisbury on Zionism.

The late Lord Salisbury, Premier and Foreign Secretary of England, an uncle of Mr. Balfour, in 1898 made the following statement on the Zionist movement: "Zionism will certainly achieve results, notwithstanding that it has many opponents. The Jews have surely a better right than all others to protect the holy places of Christendom in Palestine. They will establish there a good model State. In the center of Asia Minor, they will, through their capacity for trade, create conditions which have not hitherto existed there. Frankly, it depends upon the Jews whether they shall realize that idea. If only 40 per cent. of the Jews are energetically interested, they will certainly accomplish their purpose. The Jewish nation, which has managed to withstand 2,500 years of storm, has the patience and the persistence necessary to carry out such a project as Zionism suggests."

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein has been invited to lecture in the Institutional Synagogue for the Jewish High School boys at Townsend Harris Hall. His theme will be, "The Institutional Synagogue, a Jewish Religious Revival Movement."

Want Column

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THE CALL FOR THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS.

April 1, 1917.

Dear Sirs:

By virtue of the authority vested in us as the Executive Committee for an American Jewish Congress, the Jews of America are earnestly requested to select representatives to an American Jewish Congress which shall meet on September 2, 1917, at Washington, D. C., exclusively for the purpose of defining methods whereby, in co-operation with the Jews of the world, full rights may be secured for the Jews of all lands and all laws discriminating against them may be abrogated. It being understood that the phrase "full rights" is deemed to include:

- 1. Civil, religious and political rights, and in addition thereto
2. Wherever the various peoples of any land are or may be recognized as having rights as such, the conferring upon the Jewish people of the land affected, of like rights, if desired by them, as determined and ascertained by the Congress.
3. The securing and protection of Jewish rights in Palestine.
4. The question of the economic reconstruction of the Jewish communities in the war zones.

No resolution shall be introduced, considered or acted upon at the Congress which shall in any way purport or tend to commit the Congress as a body, or any of its delegates or any of the communities or organizations which shall be represented therein, to the adoption, recognition or indorsement of any general theory or philosophy of Jewish life, or any theoretical principle of a racial, political, economic or religious character, or which shall involve the perpetuation of such Congress.

The calling and holding of the Congress shall in no manner affect the autonomy of any existing American Jewish organizations, but in so far as the Executive Committee selected by such Congress shall take action for the securing of Jewish rights as defined in the

call for such Congress, the activities of such Executive Committee shall, during the period of its existence, be regarded as having precedence over those of any other organizations which shall participate in such Congress.

The delegates are to be elected in the manner prescribed by the inclosed printed rules of elections. The general election to the Congress is to be held on June 10, 1917.

The Congress shall meet on September 2, 1917, at Washington, D. C., unless the Administrative Committee will, by a two-thirds vote of its members, convene it for an earlier or later date.

Yours respectfully,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR AN AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS.

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NOTICE FROM THE GENERAL BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

The Date of Election for the American Jewish Congress Has Been Set for June 10, 1917, in Every Congress District.

Every Congress Committee is hereby requested to call a conference of representatives of all Jewish organizations in the city, both those affiliated with its committee as well as those that have not hitherto been represented thereon, for the purpose of reorganizing the committee and electing its officers.

Every society, lodge, branch, local, section, camp, congregation or other organization consisting of individual members should be invited to send two delegates each to the conference.

The Congress Committee thus reorganized shall act as the local representative of our Administrative Committee in all matters of Congress propaganda, collection of funds, etc.

The reorganized Congress Committee shall immediately issue a call for a convention to be held for the nomination of candidates to the Jewish Congress. Each of the organizations described above, including those represented in your reorganized Congress Committee, as well as those organizations which for any reason whatsoever have failed to send representatives to the conference, shall be called upon to hold a meeting of its members, for the purpose of electing one delegate to the nominating convention. Special

notice of such meeting must be given to the members of the organization by personal letter or by publication in the newspapers.

The rules of election also provide for independent nominations, which may be made by 300 voters residing within your district, uniting for the purpose of making an independent nomination and paying a fee of \$3 to your district board of elections.

The nominating convention shall elect a district board of elections (preferably a small working committee) which shall have charge of the details of administration pertaining to the Congress elections.

THE FOLLOWING RULES SHOULD BE NOTED.

THE RIGHT TO VOTE.

Section 1. Every Jew and every Jewess, 21 years of age or over, shall be qualified to vote for representatives to the Jewish Congress.

ELECTION PRECINCTS.

Section 10. Every society, lodge, branch, local, section, camp, congregation or any other organization consisting of individual members, shall constitute an election precinct. A Congress district shall comprise all election precincts whose meetings are regularly held within its boundaries.

NOMINATIONS BY CONVENTION.

Section 25. In each Congress district, except as otherwise provided in Section 34, a convention shall be held for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Jewish Congress.

Section 28. Every election precinct shall elect one delegate to the convention to be held in its Congress district.

Section 29. Every election precinct shall hold a meeting of its members for the election of a delegate to the nominating convention of its Congress district. Special notice of such meeting shall be given to the members of the precinct by personal letters or by publication in the newspapers.

Section 30. The convention in each Congress district shall meet upon notice, served by mail, to the delegates from each election precinct.

Section 31. The convention in every Congress district shall nominate two candidates for each one of the number of representatives allotted to such districts.

Section 32. In all Congress districts, except in the city of New York, the candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast at the nominating convention shall be declared nominated.

Section 33. In the city of New York each delegate to a district convention shall be entitled to inscribe on the ballot the names of three-fifths of the

number of candidates to be elected, a major fraction of one to be counted as one; the candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared nominated.

INDEPENDENT NOMINATIONS.

Section 35. Three hundred voters residing within the same Jewish Congress district shall have the right to nominate a candidate for representative to the Jewish Congress, by petition upon payment of a fee of \$3.

PLACE AND TIME OF ELECTION.

Section 38. Every election precinct shall hold a meeting of its members for the election of representatives to the Jewish Congress. Special notice of such meeting shall be given to the members of the precinct by personal letters or by publication in the newspapers.

Section 40. Any qualified voter desiring to vote by mail may procure from the Board of Elections of his or her Congress district a regular ballot, upon payment of 25 cents, and may vote for as many candidates as may be voted for in said district, the said ballot to be returned by mail, addressed to the District Board of Elections, and no such ballot shall be opened before the day of election. Ballots received postmarked after the day of election shall not be counted.

Section 41. No voter shall be entitled to more than one vote.

MANNER OF VOTING.

Section 42. In all Congress districts, except in the city of New York, each voter shall be entitled to vote for as many candidates as are to be elected, by making an X against the name of each of them. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

Section 43. In the city of New York every voter shall be entitled to vote for three-fifths of the number of candidates to be elected from his Congress district; a major fraction of one to be counted as one. The voter shall make an X against the name of each of the candidates for whom he desires to vote. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

- MEYER L. BROWN, GEDALIA BUBLICK, JACOB CARLINGER, JOEL ENTEEN, MAX L. HOLLANDER, ISAAC A. HOURWICH, LOUIS LIPSKY, FRANK F. ROSENBLATT, BERNARD A. ROSENBLATT, J. B. SALUTSKY, SOLOMON SUFRIN, CYRUS L. SULZBERGER, B. ZUCKERMAN, General Board of Elections.

America's Decision.

Driven by no reckless impulse, but with measured tread and after a display of patience unexampled in history, the United States has entered the whirling vortex of war. It enters it with a ringing declaration of high faith which dignifies afresh our cause and our arms. The stately eloquence of the President, with its lofty declaration of principle, its greeting to Russia freed, and its fine attitude of sympathy with the German democracy, stand in sharp and glaring contrast with the false and shifty pleadings of the European autocracies now at bay against the rest of the world, using every crime not to avert—that is happily impossible—but to delay their own destruction. Every sentence in the President's address thrills us with the Pisgah vision of a new world and consecrates the terrible task to which the Allies are committed. In the calm, ennobling words of Dr. Wilson, the war is a great purging and enfranchising mission, a seeking after that for which nations, like men, care to live and for which they are content to die. The purpose of the war, the President declares, is to "vindicate the principles of peace and justice in the life of the world as against selfish autocratic power." Those principles are the rarest principles of Judaism, and it is in the fitness of things that for their establishing the vast and overwhelming majority of the Jewish race—all virtually, indeed, save the minority in the enemy States—should now be banded with the Allied Powers. Hundreds of thousands of Jews are already in the fighting forces of the Entente. The call to arms in America will assuredly add

many thousands more, for American Jews have ever been to the very front whenever the safety of that true land of liberty was threatened. And no less do we treasure the heartening knowledge that the Jewries of these islands and of the United States are now united in the pursuit of the great supreme cause—united, too, with the liberated Jewry of the Russian Empire. The entry of America into the war is indeed an event of wide and inexhaustible import. It clinches the moral argument for the Allies. It combines the whole of the leading Democratic States in a single camp. It sets the seal indelibly upon the high moral intent and outlook of the Allied nations. It begins a new and better era for all the world, and let it not be forgotten—the German Democracy included. It is a day of stern struggle. But it is also a day of unspeakable hope and happiness—London Jewish Chronicle.

Jewish Baby Has President's Well Wishes—Named After Him by Parents.

San Francisco.—Woodrow Wilson Sperling is perhaps the only San Francisco boy to receive the personal well wishes of President Wilson. He is a month old, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sperling. Mr. Sperling is a past grand president of District Grand Lodge No. 4, Independent Order B'nai B'rith and a well-known communal worker. Soon after the baby's birth his proud parents sent a telegram to the White House, advising President Wilson that the boy had been named for him. In reply the parents received this message: "Mr. Frank Sperling. "My Dear Sir.—The President asks me to thank you and Mrs. Sperling for your telegram and for your generous expressions of approbation. He deeply appre-

ciates the compliment which you have paid him in the naming of your baby, and he hopes that the little man will be richly blessed with health and happiness.

"Sincerely yours, "J. P. TUMULTY, "Secretary to the President."

Let American Jews Aid Russia.

The signing of the decree abolishing all restrictions on Jews in Russia is greeted in this country as the final step in their emancipation. It justifies Louis Marshall's cablegram congratulating the Jewish people upon "the most glorious Passover" in their history. To great rejoicing will follow great disappointment if by defeat in the field, or by dissensions in council, or by the machinations of reactionaries, autocracy should return to Russia. It might mean the downfall of democracy in a great part of the civilized world, the backsliding of civilization; it would certainly mean the loss by the Russian Jews of their newly won rights.

The Jews of America can do much to avert such a catastrophe. How they may do this is shown by dispatches from Petrograd describing the strengthening of the Duma and the Provisional Government by the news that America has entered the war, and by the expectation of help from the new world. Men like Mr. Schiff and Mr. Marshall may do liberal institutions an inestimable service by organizing financial aid for Russia and by wise advice to their compatriots in the unshackled empire. It is an opportunity unique in all the centuries. It should be utilized.—New York World.

The Jewish member of the Upper House, M. Weinstein, who is a great authority on the food problem, is among the active organizers of the food supply in Southern Russia.

Resolutions of Thanks.

At a special meeting called for the purpose, the congregation of the Temple Tomcha Torah assembled in their house of worship at No. 792 East 159th street, Sunday evening, April 22, to present a set of engrossed resolutions of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Reich, of No. 838 West End avenue, New York, for the Sefer Torah recently donated to the congregation. The president and other officers of the congregation and about 500 members were present. Addresses were delivered by Rabbis Wexler, Fried, Masliansky and Cohen.

The Sefer Torah was given by Mr. and Mrs. Reich in memory of their daughter, Sadie Roth, and in honor of their grand children, Constance Roth and Marjorie Roth.

A triple photo-dramatic feature bill will be presented at the Strand Theatre. Marie Doro will be seen in a new production entitled "Heart's Desire," by Shannon Lefe. A quaint portrayal of the little island of St. Anne's, of the rocky coast of France, forms the background for the story, said to be the quaintest and most charming in which this popular star has even been seen.

WOLF, SOLOMON B.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Solomon B. Wolf, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of her attorney, William Klingenstein, No. 309 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 2d day of November next.

Dated New York, the 23d day of April, 1917. ROSE WOLF, Executrix. WILLIAM KLINGENSTEIN, Attorney for Executrix, 309 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT, County of New York.—WILSON M. POWELL, as sole Trustee under the marriage settlement dated April 13, 1897, between George H. B. Hill and Margaret Elizabeth Hill, plaintiff, against Margaret Elizabeth Hill, individually and as executrix of the last will and testament of George H. B. Hill, deceased, Annie L. Ward as executrix of the last will and testament of J. Langdon Ward, deceased, Wilson M. Powell and Rachel H. Powell, as Executors of the last will and testament of Wilson M. Powell, deceased, Annie M. Ames, Isabella F. Farrington, Ella J. Hill, Louise M. Hill, Wilbur E. Farrington, Henry J. Farrington, Louise Hoyt, George E. Farrington, individually and as trustee under the last will and testament of George H. B. Hill, deceased, Edward Hill Farrington, Hope Farrington, Wilbur Ernest Farrington, Jr., Donald Hill Farrington, Isabel H. Farrington, defendants. To the above named defendants: You and each of you are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorneys within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default, for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated New York, March 26, 1917. REYNOLDS RICHARDS & McCUTCHEON, Plaintiff's Attorneys, office and postoffice address, No. 68 William street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, N. Y. To Margaret Elizabeth Hill, individually and as executrix of the last will and testament of George H. B. Hill, deceased, Annie M. Ames, Isabella F. Farrington, Ella J. Hill, Louise M. Hill, Wilbur E. Farrington, Henry J. Farrington, individually and as trustee under the last will and testament of George H. B. Hill, deceased, Edward Hill Farrington, Hope Farrington, Wilbur Ernest Farrington, Jr., Donald Hill Farrington, Isabel H. Farrington: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of Hon. Mitchell L. Erlanger, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the 24th day of April, 1917, and filed with the complaint in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York at the County Court House in the city, county and State of New York. Yours, etc. REYNOLDS RICHARDS & McCUTCHEON, Plaintiff's Attorneys, office and postoffice address, 68 William street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

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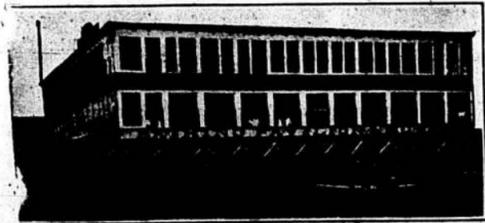
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Jews of Palestine Optimistic.

The outstanding feature of a confidential report on conditions in Palestine, made to the Provisional Zionist Committee under date of February 20, is the optimism, the display of real Jewish grit, of the population, which helps it to rise above the present distressing condition and look forward to a future in which it will be able to rehabilitate itself, to make good the losses it has suffered since August, 1914.

"No colony has been deserted," says this report; "no farm abandoned. The Jewish population has remained at its post, has managed to maintain its position. There has been no real famine, thanks to the splendid help of our American brethren. The schools have continued in their normal course. Once the war is over it will take but a few years for us to make up our losses.

The real misfortune of Palestine is the depreciation of paper money. This has caused an enormous rise in the cost of all the necessities of life. Another factor is the cessation of all transportation facilities, which causes a scarcity of grain in the cities. The Turkish Government is doing what it can to relieve the situation, and is supplying the people of Jaffa and Jerusalem with grain and bread (against payment), but these supplies are both insufficient and irregular. Hence our people are suffering terribly from malnutrition, which predisposes them to various diseases, and because of this malnutrition even the mildest form of illness, normally considered, often has fatal consequences."

Jewish Homeless in Poland.

Copenhagen.—Owing to the fact that a number of Jewish homeless cannot return to their one-time homes, because nothing has been left of those homes, the Relief Section for Jewish Homeless, in Warsaw, cannot wind up its activities.

The section is now taking care of a number of children, aged and incurable. These are distributed in different branches, the central home of which has 346 individuals, including 130 children, who are taught Polish, arithmetic and gymnastics. In another branch 131 girls and 110 boys are maintained. Through the efforts of Mr. B. Eiger, a new branch was recently opened especially intended for sickly children. This department now has 40 inmates, all of them orphans. Everything possible is being done for these unfortunate youngsters, in physical development, study, and instruction in light occupations.

The average expense of the section works out at the rate of 12 roubles a month per child, and 18 per adult. All around, the section has a monthly expense of 12,300 roubles, 10,800 of which amount is contributed by the city, the remainder being made up by private donations.

The good work of the section in the past can best be estimated by these figures: During its existence it served out 4,859,298 meals, and provided 1,500,932 beds. At that period Warsaw had no less than 50,000 homeless Jewish souls, and the expense of the section exceeded 40,000 roubles a month. At the same time, the then City Administration refused to contribute anything to their work.

All the Way From Tobolsk.

The New York Postoffice delivered to the Provisional Zionist Committee last week a post card, written in German, addressed "To any known Zionist organization." This post card came from the prison camp at Tobolsk, Russia, and was written by Lieutenant Solo Luwisch, a war prisoner, on January 31, and is a pathetic plea for Zionist literature in English, German or Hebrew. Lieutenant Luwisch writes: "I have been for months without any news of Palestine, and I long for it—not only I, but many other of my comrades in arms, will rejoice to receive whatever literature you can send us concerning our holy ideal."

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Mr. J. Prown, of the Rose Villa, Lakewood, N. J., will close his winter season, which has been the most successful season he has ever enjoyed, on May 15, 1917, and announces that this coming summer he will conduct the Rudolph, at Arverne, L. I. The hotel has been renovated, redecorated and refurnished. Dietary laws observed. Open from Decoration Day. J. PROWN, Prop. All communication up to that date address J. Prown, Lakewood, N. J.

The Man Conducting the Campaign for the Ten Million Dollar Relief Fund.

By M. F. Seidman.

The magnificent act of Mr. Julius Rosenwald embodied in his last donation to the Jewish Fund for War Relief had the most desired effect upon American Jewry. The Jewish conscience has been reawakened, and the practical response is accordingly. Relief collections are throughout already showing marked improvement. This not only means greater help for those unfortunates now finding themselves in the infernal regions created on the European continent, but also signifies more Jewish activity, greater interest in Jewish questions. In brief, it signifies better Jews and therefore finer beings.

Because this is so very evident and fully recognized, Rosenwald's magnanimous gift made such a tremendous impression in all Jewish quarters. The entire Jewish press responded with inspiring leaders. Orthodox and Reformers, Zionists and "Genossen," all realized that Mr. Rosenwald's donation, implied more, much more than a mere sum of money. Considering the circumstances and the manner in which it is made, the donation is a great and most noble act.

Very few, however, are acquainted with the circumstances which preceded this relief contribution, and how it came to be made. I was equally as ignorant, and only discovered the facts by chance.

It was in the study of a well known Jewish writer that I was introduced to Mr. Jacob Billikopf, the man who obtained Mr. Rosenwald's million dollars for Jewish war sufferers.

The name did not sound unfamiliar. I had noticed it in print, and knew vaguely that he was a "social worker," an official in some Jewish institution in the country. One of those types to whom we remain perfectly indifferent before we make their personal acquaintance, and in whom our interest after such an acquaintance is confined to and dependent upon our interest in the particular institution which such an individual may be serving, and the extent of his usefulness there. In and by themselves as individuals they do not interest us.

The first impression one gets of Mr. Billikopf is not a very deep one, it is pleasant, but little more than that. He is young, just over thirty years, rather short in build, well-dressed, polite, pleasant, but reserved, and conventional in his conversation. "A rising lawyer of a respectable family," would be your first thought, if you knew nothing of his station in life.

A few minutes in Mr. Billikopf's company, however, compel you to modify your original impression. Very gradually, almost imperceptibly, you feel that he is influencing you, and that that influence is gaining on you every moment. Without any force, rather through his apparent goodness and earnest, he compels your entire attention. You cannot help listening to him, because you seem to feel that he is actuated by the very best of motives. At the same time he is practical. His ideas are never too far-fetched, he will not ask for more than the possible, and does not formulate that which is not to be realized.

My interest in Mr. Billikopf rose very quickly. I felt that in my extensive circle of friends and acquaintances, there was no such specimen, and that more intimate contact with him would enrich and complete that circle.

Accordingly, I extended Mr. Billikopf an invitation to dinner. In an unobtrusive corner of an elegant restaurant, Mr. Billikopf related to me how he secured the million dollar donation from Mr. Julius Rosenwald.

"The idea did not originate with me," Mr. Billikopf commenced. "Here in New York those directing the relief work came to the conclusion that in order to stimulate the work, it would be well if a single individual were found who would donate a large sum, conditional upon the donation of all others. And they further concluded that Mr. Julius Rosenwald was the only suitable person to effect such a move. Then it was that I was invited to step in, for the express purpose of approaching Mr. Rosenwald and putting the suggestion before him. Originally, I was not particularly disposed to take the matter up, but due consideration led me to accept the invitation.

"Actually, the undertaking proved very easy, far easier than I had anticipated. My interview with Mr. Rosenwald lasted only a quarter of an hour. He was at that time at Washington, and I met him at exactly twelve minutes of twelve at noon. Three minutes past twelve I had already secured his promise, that for every million dollars gathered by the Jewish relief organizations he will give one hundred thousand dollars, up to the sum of ONE MILLION."

I was curious to know just what Mr. Billikopf had said to Mr. Rosenwald to have accomplished so much in so short a time, and I asked him. "Nothing extraordinary," he replied.

"Very briefly, I related to him the existing conditions of the Jews in the warring countries. All this he no doubt knew himself. I told him how relief activities had slackened in this country. The great Jewish public had become so accustomed to the horrors their brethren were subject to that appeals left them unmoved. Our hope to revive the practical interest of the people now centered on finding some one who will donate a big sum, on condition that all others in the community should do their share. Mr. Rosenwald listened very attentively and at the end only asked:

"Are you convinced that this will have the desired effect? And I answered 'yes,' for it really was my conviction that Mr. Rosenwald's example would be followed by a great many, by the greater portion of American Jewry."

Mr. Billikopf's manner of relating his accomplishment was calm and modest, and very much in contrast with the tone of the average "social worker" to which there are in our midst a few fortunate exceptions—who never fail to tell you, in strict confidence, of the deplorable condition in which he found his institution when he first came to it; and how he has since been carrying all its burdens on his own shoulders, and that the executive only hinders him, and so forth.

When Mr. Billikopf tells you that he answered to Mr. Rosenwald's question, "yes," he feels called upon to add "because I really had the conviction that it would serve as an example to American Jewry." This is the manner of an earnest and sincere being.

And with genuine joy he goes on to tell you that Mr. Rosenwald's worthy deed is already bearing fruit. In Omaha, Neb., a Mr. Levy offers to give you 10 per cent. of the entire sum his city will contribute toward the Jewish relief funds. A similar act is reported from Portland, Ore., on the part of Mr. Ben Selling. It is his hope to find Jewish philanthropists, as generously disposed, in every town and city of America. In New York he expects quite a number of Jews to emulate Mr. Rosenwald's example, and in this manner he hopes to see the ten-million-dollar fund for Jewish war sufferers collected.

Mr. Billikopf has taken complete charge of the 1917 campaign for a ten-million-dollar relief fund, and has temporarily given up all his other connections in order to devote himself exclusively to this work. And there is no doubt that he will bring the campaign to a successful issue. Everyone who knows him has the utmost confidence in him.

Mr. Billikopf comes from Russia, a brother of his being the director of a Jewish school in Minsk. He reached this country at the age of fifteen and gave himself over to study. Already as a student, he said, he felt that his labors would have to be devoted to public service.

"What gave you that feeling?" I asked, quite curious to hear his reply. "The hope that in this manner I would prove most useful to society and life," he answered unhesitatingly and with the utmost simplicity. It was quite evident that the idea of his obligations to society and the necessity of exerting himself in its welfare was an old and settled one with him.

For quite a time we sat and conversed, touching on various questions and problems. Over many vital Jewish questions we are in total disagreement, but the man, the individual, has gained my sympathy and my absolute confidence. I have the utmost faith in him, in his earnestness of purpose and practical mind, and his capacity to wield these to the best advantage for the best causes. I am sure all those who know him will appreciate all I have said as being no exaggeration.

Jews in Remote Colony Organize.

Buenos Aires.—From San Juan comes the news that the Jewish colonists there have formed an organization which they call the "Sociedad Israelita de Socorros Mutuos," and which has already been legalized by the provincial government. The Jews of San Juan have for a number of years shown the utmost indifference to everything of Jewish interest. The cries of the war-sufferers have, however, reached even their remote corner, and although they were slow in responding, they finally did collect some money, and thanks to this chance accident, which brought them all a little nearer to one another, the organization mentioned resulted. So far it is the aim of the society to provide a burial ground for its members, but it is to be hoped that at a later stage they will also attempt to do something for the living.

All the Jewish charities in Toronto, Canada, have recently come together in an amalgamation under the title of the Federation of Hebrew Philanthropies. The building at 218 Simcoe street is to be remodeled and used as an executive, which will look after the work, towards which there are 1,800 subscribers. It is probable that a portion of the building will be utilized for the Young Men's Hebrew Association, which has been using up to now inadequate premises on Grange avenue.

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A Significant Editorial. When it is recalled that the Manchester Guardian is the organ of England's former Premier, Herbert Asquith, its comment on the proclamation issued by General Maude, when the British army occupied Bagdad, becomes tremendously significant:

"The proclamation of General Maude speaks of a union between Arabs north, south, east and west of Bagdad. This is no time to ask what will be the precise extent of an Arab state, with boundaries so vague as these; but we may suppose that these vague words are used to give the widest possible scope for the new state, or it may be, confederation of states. The Arab race is distributed from Syria to the Indian Ocean and the shores of Northeast Africa, and from as far west as Morocco to the borders of Persia.

"But there is the area of the old Semitic civilizations between the Mediterranean and the Persian Gulf; a region wide enough, and under good government, rich enough to satisfy the amplest ambitions. In a portion of this region, that which lies south of Damascus and west of the Hadjass Railway, the Jews have the prior political claim, and it is one which we cannot, by the very reasoning by which it makes one anxious to revive the political existence of the Arab state, deny to them. They are both Semites; there is a close resemblance between their languages; and though their religion is different, the one people has never had the smallest difficulties in understanding the virtues of the other. Both in Bagdad and in Spain the Jews and Arabs got on well together; indeed, the Jewish colony in Bagdad is the oldest in the world, and in the great days of Arab culture and prosperity, was one of its chief sources of strength. So it will continue to be. Two conditions there are of co-operation in the great work of regenerating the ancient Semitic world, which seems this time to fall to the Arabs and to the Jews. One is a continuance on both sides of that wise toleration and sympathy, which has usually marked their relations in the past. The other is that the larger unity of the Jews should both alike have full freedom of economic expansion.

"We say nothing at this stage of the effect that the restoration of two such ancient and noble civilizations will have on our own position in the east, except that it cannot but be beneficial and strengthening. For the present, the great thing is that the English people should understand the splendor of the political ideals that are now put forward by this country."

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At the first annual mass meeting of the League of the Jewish Youth of America, held last Sunday at the Century Theatre, Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, who came to the meeting as a guest, but was prevailed upon to address the gathering, delivered himself of some sentiments running contrary to his entire previous stand on Jewish questions. Mr. Schiff was rightly known as an outspoken opponent of all Jewish national movements, and his declaration for the need of a "Cultural Center in Palestine" proved a pleasing surprise to the great audience which came to formally launch a countrywide movement to further and develop Jewish sentiment on the part of the American Jewish youth.

Mr. Schiff arrived at the conclusion of a need for a "Jewish Homeland," as he himself explained, after due reflection on recent events. After expressing his fear that Russian freedom would do away with the spiritual light which the Jewry of that country and other oppressed centers had for so long radiated, he went on to explain the necessity which this fact involved in this manner:

"It has come to me while thinking over recent events, and the statement I am about to make may surprise many, that the Jewish people should at last have a home-land of their own. I do not mean by that that there should be a Jewish nation. I am not a believer in a Jewish nation built on all kinds of isms, with egotism as the first, and agnosticism and atheism among the others. But I am a believer in the Jewish people and in the mission of the Jew, and I believe that somewhere there should be a great reservoir of Jewish learning in which Jewish culture might be furthered and developed, unhampered by the materialism of the world, and might spread its beautiful ideas over the world. "And naturally, that land would be Palestine. If that ever develops—and the present war may bring the development of this idea nearer—it will not be accomplished in a day or a year, and in the meantime it is our duty to keep the flame of Judaism burning brightly."

Mr. Schiff, continuing, spoke of the acquirement of Palestine as a practicable thing made possible by the present war. He also made reference to the patriotic duties that devolve upon us as Americans.

The League of the Jewish Youth of America is a new organization, resulting from the efforts of Dr. Benderley, director of the Bureau of Education of the local Kehillah, aided by Dr. Magnes, who is chairman of the Kehillah. It counts over 5,000 members now, but it is hoped that 45,000 more will have come into its fold before the next annual meeting is held. Other speakers at this meeting were: Mr. Louis Marshall, who presided; Dr. J. L. Magnes, Prof. M. M. Kafan, Joseph H. Cohen, Louis Sokolow; the last three being identified fan, Pincus Buckowitz and Lena Sokolow with the league. Among other prominent visitors was Mr. Nathan Straus.

The Archives of Racial and Special Biology has printed a note tending to prove that Herr Batocki, the German Food Dictator, was of Jewish origin. This fact was sufficient to arouse again the latter a bitter attack by the anti-Semitic agrarians.

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JULIA SELIGMAN, Executrix. ROSENBERG, HESSBERG, DUGAN & HAINES, Attorneys for Executrix, 57 State street, Albany, N. Y.

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Congregation Baith Israel Anshei Emes.

The teachers of the Sunday school of Congregation Baith Israel Anshei Emes were tendered a dinner by the School Board on Sunday evening, April 22, in the auditorium of the school, on Harrison street, near Court street.

Assistant District Attorney Harry G. Anderson acted as toastmaster, and brief addresses were delivered by Chairman Louis J. Moss, President Pincus Weinberg, Vice-President Samuel Brooks, Rabbi Israel Goldfarb, Superintendent A. Dango, Mr. Michael Salit and J. Schnittka. Mr. Ralph Copland responded on behalf of the teachers. The affair was very successful in that it afforded the members of the board an opportunity to come in closer touch with the teachers and to exchange views for the betterment and improvement of the school.

The Baith Israel Sunday School is the oldest Jewish religious school in the city of Brooklyn, having been established in 1856. Many of Brooklyn's most prominent Jewish citizens have received their religious training within its walls. The school has a registration of 400 pupils, and is in charge of Superintendent A. Dango and a staff of twenty-five teachers. Rabbi Israel Goldfarb is the principal.

Citizenship Among Jewish Immigrants.

Dr. Charles S. Bernheimer, superintendent of the Hebrew Educational Society of Brooklyn, is chairman of a committee on Americanization and citizenship of the National Association of Jewish Social Workers. Organizations aiding in citizenship work among Jewish immigrants are requested to communicate with Dr. Bernheimer, Hopkinson and Sutter avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y., so that reference to their activities may be made in a report to be presented at the conference of the association to be held in Pittsburgh beginning Sunday, June 3.

Temple Petach Tikvah.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Petach Tikvah Junior Congregation took place last Thursday evening in the vestry rooms of the temple. The members listened to a debate on the subject, "Resolved, That the 'Merchant of Venice' should not be taught in the public schools." The affirmative side was by Mr. N. Persky and Miss A. Zhitofsky and the negative side by Mr. N. Goldstein and Miss H. Shacker. The judges were Assistant District Attorney Louis Goldstein, Dr. Rose Lipshitz and Mr. Samuel Paley, who decided in favor of the affirmative side. A fine musical program was also rendered.

The Civic Forum.

The Rev. Dr. Nathan Krass, of Temple Israel, will speak on "War and Religion" on Sunday evening, April 29, 8 o'clock, in the assembly hall of Public School No. 84, Glenmore and Stone avenues, Brooklyn, under the auspices of the Brooklyn Civic Forum. The lecture will be preceded by a musical program. Questions and discussion allowed. The public is cordially invited.

Next week's attraction at the Star Theatre is one of the old favorites, which comes with a brand new and up-to-date production and an all-star cast of comedy entertainers. The title of the show, ever popular with the local theatregoers, is "Pat White, the Whirlwind Irish Comedian and His Gaiety Girls." is sure of a warm welcome here. Pat White, who will handle the principal comedy role, will be supported by such popular artists as Anna Grant, Purdig and Wilder, Elliott and West, Daisy Mayfair, Gene True, and others. One of the strongest features with this attraction will be an especially picked chorus of singing and dancing girls.

A man is usually as old as his arteries, and likewise, an automobile is as weak as its tires. Tire trouble is the bane of all motorists, and the problem is a difficult one to solve. If you have difficulty with your tires it would be well to consult the Economical Tire Company, whose recently opened establishment is located at 30 West Sixtieth street, between Broadway and Columbus avenue. They deal in tires and tubes of all makes and description, both new and used, and it would be to the interest of the auto owner who is emotionally inclined to consult them and receive the benefit of their expert advice.

OBITUARY.

GREEN.—William M. Green, prominently identified with the wholesale jewelry business at No. 9 Maiden lane for the last fifteen years, died Wednesday, April 19, at his residence, No. 598 West 191st street, after a short illness, in his sixtieth year. He was the New York representative of the Leach & Miller Company, Attleboro, Mass., and at the time of his death was Republican captain of the Twenty-third Assembly District, New York county.

Mr. Green was for many years a resident of Providence, R. I., where he was at one time Past Master of the Masons; Past Regent, Royal Arcanum, and Major of the Uniformed Ranks, Knights of Pythias.

Services were held at his late residence, Saturday evening, April 21. Rabbi H. L. Martin, of the Temple of the Covenant, officiating. Interment took place in Providence, R. I., Sunday, April 22. The pallbearers were Mr. S. Lederer, Col. Harry Cutler, Mr. S. Greenblatt, Mr. S. Grover, all of Providence, R. I. Beside his widow, he leaves three sons and two daughters.

The Rosenblatt Concert.

The sale of tickets for the greatest American Jewish musical event of modern times, has begun—the meeting and the concert of Cantor Josef Rosenblatt at the New York Hippodrome on May 6 (Sunday), to be followed by a tour of the famous Russian sacred singer over the country as far as the Pacific coast, the recitals being under the auspices of the Central Committee for the Relief of Jewish War Sufferers and the profits to go to Jewish war relief. M. H. Hanson, the well-known concert manager, of 437 Fifth avenue, is in direct charge of this first concert and the tour following, and the financial arrangements are being handled by Morris Engelman, financial secretary of the Central Committee. Cantor Rosenblatt, who has now been in New York and has a reputation for Jewish sacred song second to none in this country, is preparing some remarkable programs that will present some of the most wonderful of the melodies of Jewish liturgy.

Into the office of the Central Committee there has been coming for the past fortnight an old gentleman whose one query has been when the tickets would be placed on sale. He made his first appearance when the New York concert and tour were first talked about. "I want to hear Rosenblatt," was all he said. "And the music that he alone can sing as it should be sung and as I used to hear it in Russia many years ago. And I want to bring my son with me. He was born here and knows nothing of what this wonderful old music is. He cannot realize it. I am going to have him hear it." On the first day that the tickets were on sale the old man was on hand. He was the first buyer. He got two seats at 50 cents in the front row of the gallery, handing out his dollar with a shaking hand with much pride, and went away happy, feeling that he was the father of the whole entertainment.

As will be seen from this true and pathetic little incident of the past week, these concerts throughout the country and that in the New York Hippodrome are not to be for the rich. They will be for everybody—the very poorest. No tickets are to be allowed to get into the hands of speculators. In fact, these great concerts are to be conducted for the people especially. Every seat in the big Hippodrome has been reserved, whether the purchaser pays 50 cents or \$2.50, the highest price. The entire big galleries are marked at 50 cents, whereas generally at concerts of this importance the first nine or ten rows bring \$1 a seat. The entire orchestra is being sold at \$1.50 instead of \$2.50, and there are 1,000 seats on the orchestra floor.

The sale is starting with a rush. "First come, first served" is the invariable rule, not being broken for anyone. The tickets are to be had at the Central Committee office in the World Building, Mr. Hanson's office, the office of Morris Engelman, 217 West 125th street, and at all the daily Jewish papers.

Welfare Work for Americans in the American Army and Navy.

Practically all of American Jewry, through its representatives, has united in projected welfare work for men who will be called to the colors. The work contemplated includes the establishment of shacks in training camps and points of mobilization, and the employment of representatives who will travel through the camps for the purpose of taking care of the religious as well as the social needs of the enlisted men.

The project will require, from present indications, a budget of at least \$100,000 for the first year's work. This sum must be raised at once from those who are patriotically and philanthropically inclined. Contributions should be made to Mr. S. Rosenstamm, treasurer, No. 61 Broadway, New York city.

Some two years ago Mr. S. S. Rosenstamm organized the army work on the Mexican border, principally at Douglas, Ariz., and San Antonio, Texas. At these places club houses were established containing writing rooms, reading rooms, music rooms, game rooms and shower baths, the only ticket of admission necessary being a soldier's uniform. Mr. Rosenstamm, who was favorably impressed, by an actual visit to Douglas, Ariz., with the good work done for the benefit of all who took advantage of the opportunities and facilities offered, believes it is extremely important now to continue the good work and has expressed his willingness to head the list of contributors with a donation of \$2,000.

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In Testimony Whereof, We have caused the Seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said County of New York to be hereunto affixed. Witness my hand and the seal of the said Court, at the City of New York, this 28th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

DANIEL J. DOWDNEY, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

MAURICE S. COHEN, Attorney for Petitioner, 64 Wall Street, New York City.

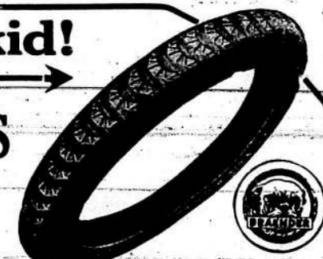
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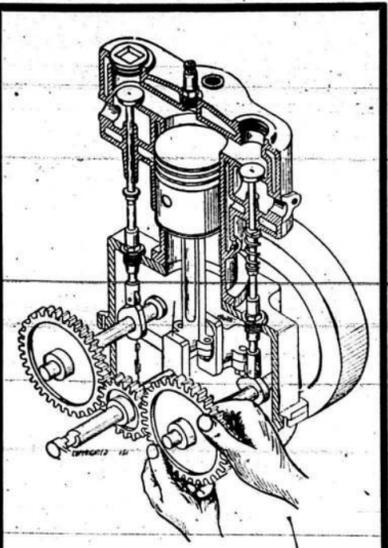
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Buenos Aires.—A correspondent writing from San Salvador, Entre Rios, to the local publication, Nation, while telling of the removal of a number of families from one part of the colony to another, describes them in this manner: "The families in question are all Russian Germans (or German Russians), professing the Protestant faith, yet observers of the Sabbath. They are nearly all born in this country."

"A JEWISH CONCEPTION OF HELL."

By Rev. DR. JULIUS J. PRICE, Toronto, Can. The hope of deliverance from bonds of everlasting death gave shape to the conception of heaven and hell. It is with hell that we are here concerned. There are numerous theories regarding the entrance and location of this place of torment, but it is the purpose of this paper to deal with the conception of hell as conceived by the ancient Hebrew sages in the Talmud. Hell, according to the Talmud, has three entrances—one in the wilderness (Numbers xvi, 33), one in the sea (Jon. ii, 3), and one in Jerusalem (Is. xxxi, 9). On the other hand, seven names are given for hell in the Talmud—Sheol, Avadon (Ps. lxxxviii, 12; A. V. 11), Shachath (corruption, Ps. xvi, 10), Horrible Pit (Ps. xi, 2), Miry Clay (Ps. xl, 2), the Shadow of Death (Ps. cvii, 4), and the Lowermost Land. Its situation is supposed to be, on the one hand, above the firmament of the above three located places, or, on the other hand, beyond the mountain of darkness. Three classes of people, according to Jewish tradition, will not see he'll, because they endure it in this life: Those who suffer from extreme poverty, from diarrhoea, and from creditors. Some add also those who are indissolubly wedded to a shrew. This fact is still better brought out in the following passage from the Talmud. Turnus Rufus asked Rabbi Akiba: "If your God is a friend of the poor, why does he not feed them?" He replied "that we, by maintaining them, may escape the condemnation of hell." The judgments of the wicked in hell are, according to the Talmud, supposed to last for a certain time; for, from the words of Rabbi Akiba, we conclude the following: "Five judgments either have lasted or will last twelve months—that of deluge, of Job, of the Egyptians or of Gog-Magog and the wicked in hell." According to the Talmud, all those that descend into hell rise again after the year of judgment except those who commit adultery, who cause their fellows to blush in public and who call their neighbors by wicked names. Regarding the sin of adultery, the Talmud promulgates an idea which was later taught by Christ—namely, that "even if a man hands money to a woman or receives it from her hand, in order to look at her, he will not escape the condemnation of hell, even if he be like Moses who received the law on Mount Sinai." In order to make man more conscious of the value of his prayers, the Talmud states "that whoever articulates every word while reading the Shema will have hell coo'ed for him." On the other hand, "Whoever imparts instruction to an unworthy disciple falls into hell." A man elucidating Talmudic passages reads: "Whoever separates himself from the words of the law falls into hell; for it is said (Pr. xxi, 16), "The man that wanders out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of Rephaim"; and Rephaim means hell, as it is said (Pr. ix, 18), "But he knowest not that Rephaim is there and that her guests are in the depth of hell." Certain offences in life, should they be violated, call for a particular punishment, and as a result important positions were taught not to be regarded lightly. We read that "The judge should ever consider himself as having a sword laid across his thighs and hell open under him, as it is said (S. of S. iii, 7-8): 'Behold the bed of Solomon! three scores valiant men are about it, of valiant of Israel; they all hold swords, being experts in war.' Every one has his sword upon his thigh for fear of the night." On the other hand, the Talmud tells us that whoever talks of the failings of the disciples of the wise falls into the condemnation of hell. "If thou seest a disciple of the wise transgressing at night time, think not of it by day, because he must have certainly repented of it." A third class of people who are condemned to eternal punishment are those who use foul language, for it is said (Pr. xxii, 14), "A deep pit is reserved for the mouth that talks strange things." Rabbi Nachman bar Yitzchak said: "Also for him who hears it and keeps silent, as it is said (Pr. xxii, 14), 'He that is abhorred of the Lord shall fall therein.' Proud people are also condemned, as well as those who heed the advice of their wives. He who is given to anger, according to the words of Rabbi Jonathan, "also falls under the dominion of this terrible abode." The rich men of Babylonia were condemned to eternal punishment; for, according to Bar Mernios, they refused him employment, and as a result the rabbis cursed them, saying (Pr. xi, 4): "Riches profiteth not in the day of wrath, but aims delivereth from death." And again (Pr. x, 2): "Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, but aims delivereth from death." One deliverance is from an unnatural death and the other is from condemnation of hell. And, again, according to the words of Rabbi Joseph, who cites (Is. xlii, 3): "I have commanded my people that are set apart," said "these are the Persians who are set apart for he'll." In spite of the fact that hell was portrayed in the most horrible manner, where those condemned to it suffer the most excruciating pains, yet so varied is the human family that even the punishment of hell does not effect some of them; for, according to the Talmud, there are classes of people who do not repent, even at the threshold of hell; while, on the other hand, Rabbi Joshua ben Levi, commenting on (Ps. lxxxiv, 6), said: "Jewish transgressors passing through the depths of hell acknowledge with floods of tears the justice of the penal sentence they are undergoing. Lord of the Universe, they cry, thou hast fairly judged, fairly acquitted and fairly condemned; fairly, also, hast thou prepared hell for the wicked

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and the Garden of Eden for the righteous. In one passage of the Talmud there is a certain hint given as to the number of compartments the soul must go through after its death in order to suffer the penalties hell puts upon it. The passage in question reads as follows: "At that time hell burst forth under his feet, and the King trembled and went up to the chamber over the gate and wept; and as he went through he said, 'O my son Absalom! my son, my son Absalom!' etc. (2 Sa. xviii, 3). Eight times did he exclaim 'my son,' by which he rescued him from the seven regions of hell and raised him to the world to come." Thus, then, from the above number of Talmudic passages can we of today gain some knowledge as to the Jewish conception of hell as developed in the Talmud.

Roumania and Her Jewish Subjects. (Special Correspondence.) Copyright 1917, by M. F. Seldman. Christiana.—In the last issue of the Adeverul, one of the most influential organs in Roumania, the following letter appears: "Worthy Editor Sinior Ciurei: "Knowing you to be a man imbued with the strongest sentiments of justice, and since you hold the office of president of the Press Association, we appeal to you to interest yourself in our behalf.

"We, the undersigned Jews, Roumanian citizens and residents of Zandaren, have been arrested and interned, together with all enemy subjects. The treatment meted out to us is, however, very different and far worse than anything extended to enemy subjects. Not only have we been arrested and locked up, but our wives and children have been done by in the same way, while our homes, left with no one in charge, have been robbed, looted and burned. When we were taken away from our home we were permitted to take nothing, not even bedding for our children, and when one of us attempted to take some bedclothes for his ailing wife, Lieutenant Panitesou was not slow in knocking him about in a manner which will permit of no description. "Will you not, dear, sir, do what you can for us?"

COHEN, HEYMAN.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Heyman Cohen, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, No. 320 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 27th day of September, next. Dated, New York, the 20th day of March, 1917.

MANDEL E. COHEN, JACOB D. COHEN, Executors. MORRISON & SCHIFF, Attorneys for Executors, 320 Broadway, New York City.

SELIGMAN, JAMES.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against James Seligman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, No. 3 South William street, in the City of New York, on or before the 24th day of September next. Dated, New York, the 15th day of March, 1917.

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OPPENHEIM, ANSEL.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, dated January 2nd, 1917, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Ansel Oppenheim, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at place of transacting business, at the office of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, No. 149 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 28th day of September next. Dated, New York, the 4th day of January, 1917.

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HESS, JONAS.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Jonas Hess, late of the County of New York, Borough of Manhattan, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Hirsch, Scheuerman & Limburg, their attorneys at their place of transacting business, No. 160 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of August, next. Dated, New York, the 30th day of January, 1917. HELEN FLORENCE HESS, HENRY M. BUTZEL, Executors. HIRSCH, SCHEUERMAN & LIMBURG, Attorneys for Executors, 160 Broadway, New York City.

ROSENBERGER, LEOPOLD.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Leopold Rosenberger, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at the place of transacting business, at the office of M. S. & L. S. ISAACS, No. 52 William Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 15th day of October next. Dated New York, the 3d day of April, 1917. IRMA ROSENBERGER, Executrix. M. S. & L. S. ISAACS, Attorneys for Executrix, 52 William Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

POLLACK, SAMUEL.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Samuel Pollack, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Harvey J. Cohen, 51 Chambers street, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of October next. Dated New York, the 15th day of March, 1917. HARVEY J. COHEN, ISAAC POLLACK, DAVID POLLACK, Executors.

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MAGNUS, ADOLPH.—The People of the State of New York, by the Grace of God free and independent, to Daniel Magnus, Friederike Israel, Hedwig Magnus, H. Alice Magnus, as Executors of Isidor Magnus, deceased, Betty Oulmann, Iska Theodor, Rosa Maas, Hanna Cohen, Walter Magnus, Johanna Bogusch, Jenny Magnus, Marie Wiler, Hans Magnus, Martin Magnus, Elsa Oulmann, City of Lyck, Ernestine Magnus, Johanna Mankiewitz, Frieda Taendler, Alice Magnus, Manuel Sidney Magnus, Jeanne Magnus, Oscar Magnus, Henry Magnus, Arthur Oulmann, Farmers Loan and Trust Company and Johanna Mankiewitz and Frieda Taendler, as personal representatives, heirs-at-law and next of kin of David Magnus, deceased; United Hebrew Charities, Montefiore Home and Hospital, Mount Sinai Hospital, Hebrew Technical Institute for Boys, and to all persons interested as creditors, legatees, next of kin or otherwise, in the Estate of Adolph Magnus, deceased, who at the time of his death resided at the City of New York, having no fixed place of residence in said city, send Greeting: Upon the petition of Frederick S. Magnus, residing at Central Avenue, Lawrence, Long Island, New York, and Heinrich Magnus, residing at 5343 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, Executors of the last Will and Testament of Adolph Magnus, deceased, praying for the judicial settlement of their account of proceedings as such Executors. You and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before our Surrogate of the County of New York, at the Surrogates' Court of said County, held at the Hall of Records, in the County of New York, on the 8th day of May, 1917, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the account of Frederick S. Magnus and Heinrich Magnus, as Executors of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, should not be judicially settled. In Testimony Whereof, We have caused the Seal of the Surrogates' Court of the said County of New York to be hereunto [L. S.] affixed. Witness, Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of our said County, at the County of New York, the 29th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen. DANIEL J. DOWDNEY, Clerk of the Surrogates' Court.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

ABRAHAM AND THE ANGELS.

Dear Children:

Abraham sat at the door of his tent and eagerly scanned the horizon to see if any wayfarer, footsore and weary from his long travels, hungry and thirsty on that fearfully sultry day, was approaching in his vicinity. That he might welcome him to his hospitable tent, give him a refreshing bath, sit him under his shady tree, and give him to eat and drink, but the Lord pitied him and did not wish to trouble him with guests, as Abraham was still weak from the circumcision, as it was the third day since he performed that commandment, he therefore "removed the sun from its covering" and made that day so hot that it was impossible for a human being to expose himself to its rays. Abraham felt very sorry that he could not find someone to whom he could act as a kind host. The Lord thereupon sent angels in the guise of men, whom Abraham might entertain to the full extent of his lavish hospitality.

"And he lifted up his eyes and looked, and lo, three men stood near him, and when he saw them he ran to meet them from the door of the tent, and bowed himself to the ground." "These three men," says Rashi, "were angels who each had a different mission to perform—one to bring the tidings that Sarah would give birth to a son, one to overturn Sodom, and one to heal Abraham, for one angel is not sent on two missions." You can tell that this is so because the first "parshah" (section) talks of them in the plural, "and they did eat," "and they said unto him," whereas the tidings that Sarah will have a son is brought by one angel, as it is said, "and he said I will certainly return unto thee at this time next year, and lo, Sarah, thy wife, shall have a son." Regarding the overthrowing of Sodom one angel also says to Lot: "I will not overthrow this city of which thou has spoken," and the angel Raphael, who healed Abraham, went from there to save Lot, as it is said, "and it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad that he said, 'Escape for thy life.'" From this we learn that one was sent to save Lot. In the second paragraph it says "vayar," "vayar," "he saw," "he saw." The first time it is meant to tell us that he saw the angels; the second time it expresses the idea "he understood," he saw them standing in one place, loath to approach, and he understood that they did not wish to trouble him, and although they knew that he would run towards them, they stood in their place to do him honor by showing him that they did not wish to trouble him, and he hastened and ran to meet them. And he said, "My Lord, if now I have found favor in thy eyes, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant." To all of them he said, "My Lords," and to the greatest amongst them he said "pass not away, I pray thee" (and how did he know who was the greatest of them)? This is explained by the "Sifse Chachomim" (a commentary on Rashi), he saw the one that walked in the middle, for he took them for men, and thought that they were a teacher and his two disciples, and it is the law that the teacher walks in the middle and the greater of the disciples walks on his right-hand side, and the less learned one on his left-hand side. Another meaning of this paragraph is this: Abraham said to the Almighty, "My Lord, may thy holy presence remain with me until I will run and invite the guests. Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched," because Abraham had the water brought by an attendant, so did the

Holy One, blessed be He, repay him by giving his children water through an attendant, as it is said (Leviticus, 20): "And Moses lifted up his hand and he smote the rock with his staff twice, and the congregation drank together with their cattle."

Then Abraham said to his guests: "Wash your feet." He thought that they were Arabs who bow to the dust of their feet and he was particular, that they should not bring idol worship in his house, but Lot, who was not particular, told the angels first to lodge and then wash their feet, "and I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your heart." In the Torah, the Prophets and the Scriptures we find that bread comforts the heart. In the Torah—"and comfort ye your hearts." In the Prophets (Judges, 19-5)—"comfort thy heart with a morsel of bread." In the Scriptures (Psalms 104-15)—"and bread which strengthens the heart of man." Abraham said to the angels, "Vesangu libchem," and comfort ye your heart. In the singular not "levarchem"; in the plural this teaches us that angels only have "one heart," that means a heart that is entirely free from the evil imagination—and Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it and make cakes, 'Kemach,' 'flour,' 'Solet,' 'fine meal.' The fine meal for the cakes, the flour to cover the bottom of the pan when baking."

בן אהרן

He—What, another new dress? How on earth am I going to pay for it in these war times? She—Well, my dear, I'm your wife; not your financial adviser.—*London Opinion.*

Rural Aunt—Doesn't the waiter act queer? Dasher—Decidedly so; I believe the fellow is tipsy. Rural Aunt—Dear me; he must be one of the victims of that tipping habit I've read so much about.—*Puck.*

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When is a soldier not half a soldier? When he is in quarters.

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SCHUCHMAN, JOHN PETER.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against John Peter Schuchman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorney, Edward Kaufmann, Room 901, No. 115 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 19th day of May next.

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Dated New York, the 23d day of February, 1917. LOUIS ADLER and ABRAHAM M. LEVY, Executors. LEWIS S. MARX, Attorney for Executors, 128 Broadway, New York City.

JACOBSEN, ERNEST OTTO.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Ernest Otto Jacobsen, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the office of its attorneys, Sullivan & Cromwell, at their place of transacting business, No. 49 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of September, next.

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Dated New York, the 27th day of October, 1916. ROSA GOODKIND, MARTIN H. GOODKIND, Executors. KURZMAN, FRANKENHAIMER & GUTMAN, Attorneys for Executors, 25 Broad Street, New York City.

SIMONS, JOHN E.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against John E. Simons, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorney, Ely Neumann, No. 45 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City and County of New York, on or before the 15th day of October, next.

Dated New York, April 13th, 1917. JACOB S. SIMONS and AUGUSTUS MAY, Executors. ELY NEUMANN, Attorney for Executor Jacob S. Simons. MILTON MAYER, Attorney for Executor, Augustus May.

OETTINGER, SAMUEL JOSEPH.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Samuel Joseph Oettinger, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorney, Morris Blau, 154 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of June next.

Dated New York, the 10th day of November, 1916. BERNARD J. OETTINGER, MARY SPRINGER, PHILIP JOSEPH OETTINGER, Executors. MORRIS BLAU, Attorney for Executors, 154 Nassau Street, Manhattan, New York City.

SPIEGELBERG, JEROME S.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Jerome S. Spiegelberg, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of his attorneys, Wise & Seligsberg, No. 15 William Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the twenty-first day of July, next.

GOLDMANN, PHILIPP.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Philipp Goldmann, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of Charles Putzel, their attorney, No. 233 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 24th day of November, 1916. LUDOLPH H. ABRAHAM, CHARLES SIDENBERG, Executors. CHARLES PUTZEL, Attorney for Executors, 233 Broadway, New York City.

MARRUS, MOSES L.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Moses L. Marrus, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorney, No. 51 Chambers Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 5th day of June, 1917.

Dated, New York, the 21st day of November, 1916. HANNAH EHRENREICH, JACOB LEWENGOOD, ARTHUR HAAS, EDWIN M. EHRENREICH, Executors. ADAM WISNER, Attorney for Executors, 51 Chambers Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

TYNBERG, MORRIS A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Morris A. Tynberg, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Arthur B. Spingarn, No. 55 Liberty Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of August, next.

Dated New York, the 2d day of February, 1917. SIEG. TYNBERG, JR., MARTHA ANNIE KOHN and ARTHUR B. SPINGARN, Executors. ARTHUR B. SPINGARN, Attorney for Executors, 55 Liberty Street, New York City.

FALK, MILTON J.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Milton J. Falk, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorneys, Wise & Seligsberg, No. 15 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 19th day of July, next.

Dated, New York, the 6th day of January, 1917. EDMOND E. WISE, EDWARD FLAUT, Executors. WISE & SELIGSBURG, Attorneys for Executors, 15 William Street, New York City.

MARKS, HARRY A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Harry A. Marks, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorneys, Cohen Brothers, No. 64 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 27th day of November, 1916. SELMA FROELICH MARKS, Executrix. COHEN BROTHERS, Attorneys for Executrix, No. 64 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, N. Y.

FIBUX, ADEHEMAR.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Adehemar Fibux, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Lind & Pfeiffer, No. 46 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 15th day of August, 1917.

COLEMAN, MEYER.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Meyer Coleman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Myers & Sherwin, No. 299 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 18th day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 8th day of December, 1916. AARON COLEMAN, JACOB COLEMAN, NATHAN COLEMAN, Executors. MYERS & SHERWIN, Attorneys for Executors, No. 299 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

NAFTAL, MORITZ.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Moritz Naftal, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of William C. Rittenberg, No. 233 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 2d day of December, 1916. HENRY NAFTAL, MICHAEL NAFTAL, Executors. WILLIAM C. RITTENBERG, Attorney for Executors, 233 Broadway, New York City.

WEGLEIN, DAVID C.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against David C. Weglein, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, at the office of Thomas & Friedman, his attorneys, No. 2 Rector Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, on or before the 15th day of July next.

Dated, New York, November 27, 1916. EDWARD FROWENFELD, Executor. THOMAS & FRIEDMAN, Attorneys for Executor, 2 Rector Street, New York City.

DATESGOLD, ARON.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Aron Datesgold, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of her attorneys, Flugelman & Trosk, No. 299 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 6th day of July next.

Dated New York, the 23d day of December, 1916. REBECCA DATESGOLD, Administratrix. FLUEGELMAN & TROSK, Attorneys for Administratrix, 299 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

HEINE, BETTIE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Bettie Heine, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, at the office of Samuel Fruchthandler, No. 99 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 2d day of October, next.

Dated New York the 23d day of March, 1917. BERNHARD H. LEVY, Executor. SAMUEL FRUCHTHANDLER, Attorney for Executor, 99 Nassau Street, New York.

GOLDMAN, ALBERT.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Albert Goldman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of Hays, Hershfield & Wolf, their attorneys, No. 115 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of August, next.

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Dated, the 24th day of January, 1917. MEYER C. JACOBS and JOEL JACOBS, Executors. KANTROWITZ & ESBERG, Attorneys for Executors, No. 320 Broadway, New York City.

ABRAHAMS, MORRIS.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Morris Abrahams, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Lind & Pfeiffer, No. 46 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 15th day of August, 1917.

Dated New York, January 27, 1917. MARK L. ABRAHAMS, SOL H. ABRAHAMS and GOLDIE SCHLANSKY, Executors. LIND & PFEIFFER, Attorneys for Executors, 46 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

BACH, ALICE HENDRICKS.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, one of the Surrogates of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Alice Hendricks Bach, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorney, Albert L. Cohn, No. 7 Pine Street, Manhattan Borough, City of New York, on or before the fifteenth day of August, next.

Dated New York, the 30th day of January, 1917. ALBERT BACH and HENRY M. BACH, Executors. ALBERT L. COHN, Attorney for Executors, No. 7 Pine Street, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

PERBONER, JACOB.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Jacob Perboner, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber at her place of transacting business, at the office of her attorney, Emanuel Jacobus, No. 74 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 8th day of November, 1916.

HOFFMAN, EMILIE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Emilie Hoffman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of Stern, Barr & Tyler, No. 299 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 1st day of August, next.

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