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The Orthodox Jew brings a wax candle of the size to burn twenty-four hours to the Synagogue on the Day of Atonement.

Some bring one for the soul of each of their departed ones.

In Germany a candle is brought to the Synagogue for each male only, for, according to some ancient tradition, the man, having just two hundred and forty-eight members in his body, and the spirit and soul counting each as one, equal algebraically to the Hebrew letters of the word "Ner" — light — hence the candle, while the woman is supposed to possess four members more than the man. But in some countries candles are brought for man and woman alike.

The candles are stuck into long boxes filled with sand, resembling flower boxes. These are placed on tables in front of the worshippers.

Copious tears rolled down the cheeks of Oosher Carliner and moistened the sand in the box which held the candles.

His entire being quavered at the approach of the Memorial Service.

He sobbed and moaned so audibly that his neighbor to the right gently remonstrated, calling his attention to the fact that he disturbed the other worshippers.

Oosher tried to contain himself. But when the Chazan chanted the "El molay rachamim," praying for the repose of Gittle, daughter of Yiddl, Oosher's wife, Carliner could no longer restrain himself. He was overcome by grief and had to be assisted out of the Synagogue. He had to remain in the vestibule the remainder of the day.

The September breezes penetrating the spacious vestibule through the open doors were refreshing and soothing to Carliner's hysterical condition.

He stood up and repeated every word of the "Kaddish" after the reader, with fervor. An inner voice told him that the soul of his Gittle was among the souls of the righteous. It granted him comfort.

Carliner, during the recess following the Memorial Service, gave himself up to retrospection and a glimpse into the future. He dwelt lingeringly upon the happy day—his greatest festal day—upon which he and Gittle were united in marriage. He recalled how bright seemed the days in the future beckoning to them,

He saw himself poor—very poor—in earthly possessions, but bravely she stood at his side inspiring him

their ardent love—ah, what rejoicing! He lived through it all again. The

Happily they struggled forward together for three years when the direful blow fell upon him. He

departure is made easy by the conviction that you will care for our Esther—that you will not rest nor slumber until you have brought her under the canopy of wedlock. I will rest easily in my grave if our child, guided by Providence and her good father, will find a husband worthy of her."

Oosher's head sank low upon his breast and a deep sigh escaped him. "Why, oh why, was she torn from us so soon—so abruptly? Would I were learned and could grasp the meaning of 'What the Merciful doeth is for the good!' But how can my affliction verify this asseveration? How gladly would I have given up my life to cause her to live! How differently would Esther have been raised had she her mother as a guiding star! But have I a right to rebel against the unsearchable will of God, especially on this holy of all holy days? Perish the thought that I should lose my faith in Destiny. Do not our precepts ask why we should not accept the bad as we do the good (from Him)?"

"Does not the Talmud teach that even the cutting of a man's finger is Destiny? Yes, all is Destiny! I'll resign myself to His will—to the will of the holy One, blessed be He! I'll confide in Him and follow blindly Destiny. I am amassing a fortune, for whom? For Esther—my daughter—her image.

"May the Lord help me in formulating a plan to carry out my sainted Gittle's will to bring our child into a haven of happiness before I die. True, she is but twelve now. But it is, nevertheless, not too soon for me to arrange some program by which to perform my paternal duty."

Oosher Carliner came home from the synagogue after sunset with a contented spirit. Making peace with his God and the renewal of his faith in destiny wrought wonders to his perturbed mind. What now occupied his thoughts most was the working out the course to pursue to find the proper mate for his treasured Esther. She being studious and rather idealistically inclined, caused her father to fear the aiming at a materialistically bent son-in-law. Yet he dreaded the thought of choosing a young man who would prize learning and wisdom above all earthly possessions.

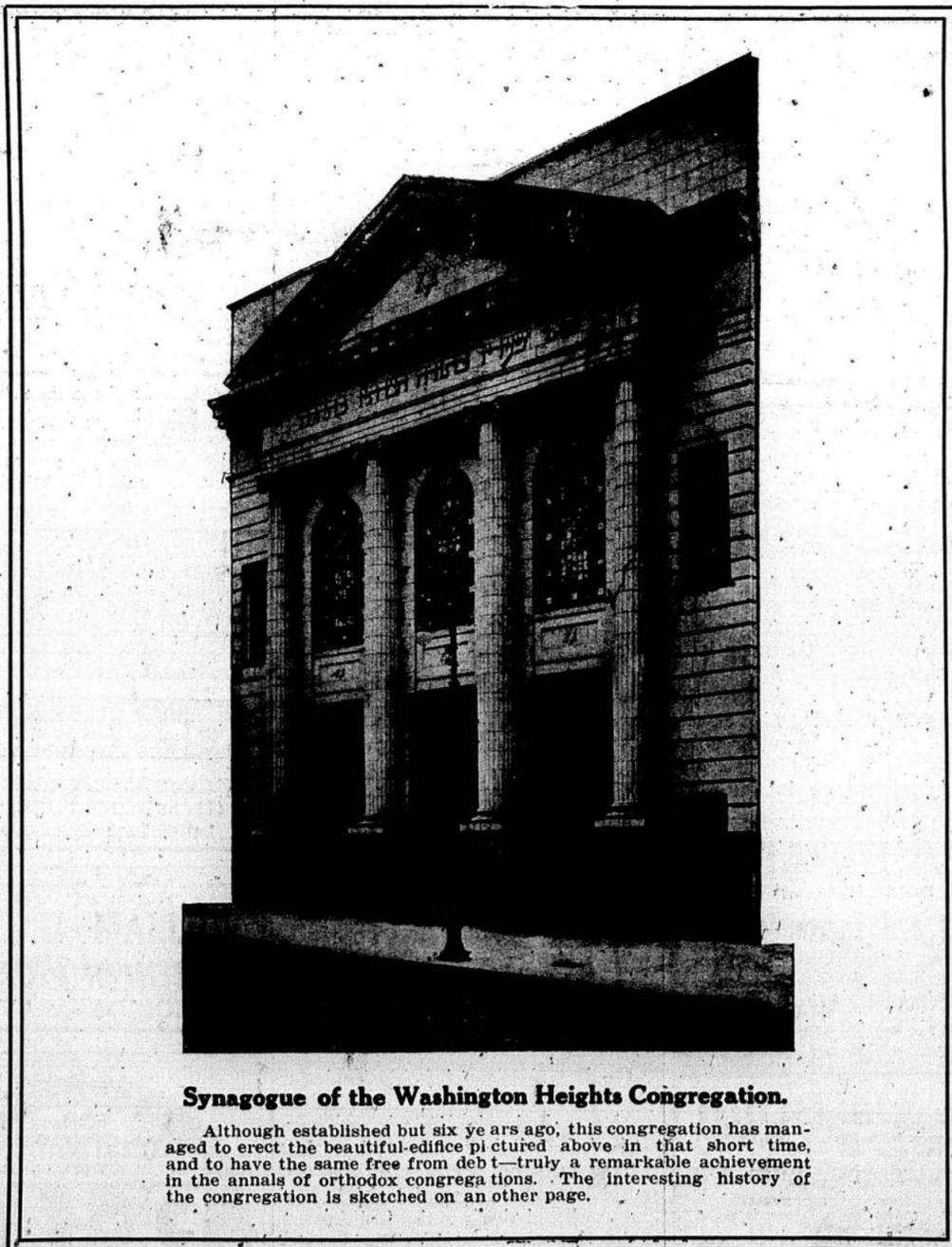
It was difficult for Carliner to decide whether to heed the Ethical saying of Shemayah "Love work

and instilling in him courage and endurance.

And when Esther came—fruit of

sun, moon and stars could not dispense more light than Esther brought to them.

writhe in anguish at the memory of those last days. Her dying words rang loudly in his ears: "Oosher, my



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and hate Rabbanuth." "there is no bread for the wise," or the admonition of Rabban Gamaliel, the son of Rabbi Judah the Prince, "An excellent thing is study combined with some worldly occupation, for the labor demanded by them both makes sin to be forgotten."

Oosher was also mindful of the Talmudical opinions "Silver answereth all" and "Silver and gold purify bastards."

Not only wished Carliner that his business, for the success of which he had worked so hard, should remain intact, but that it continue to grow after he be no more.

The feast of Booths or Tabernacles, during which he put aside all business transactions, gave Carliner ample time for deliberation. He finally hit upon a plan. He decided to hang out a sign "Boy Wanted" in front of his place of business. He trusted to Destiny to send among the host of boys who would be sure to come, the right one who would ultimately become the husband of his Esther and the heir to his fortune.

Carliner gave every boy in the long line awaiting his arrival at his place of business an equal chance, between the hours of eight and twelve a. m., to expound on his merits which would entitle him to the coveted job. But there was some flaw in every title.

Esther was in the habit of calling at her father's office every noon and together they went to their dinner.

Oosher had by now almost given up his task and all hope of ever bringing his dream to a realization. While he was donning his coat and was about to leave in came a boy bringing with him the sign "Boy Wanted."

After a moment of astonishment Carliner demanded an explanation. The boy coolly replied, "I brought in the sign because you already have a boy." "What do you mean?" gasped Carliner. "I mean," answered the lad, "that I am the boy you are looking for."

He noticed Esther tugging at her father's coat.

"You just go ahead to your dinner," he quietly said, "I'll wait for your return."

Oosher followed the command-like words of the boy as though they had come from the mouth of a superior.

On his way to and during the repast he pondered hard over the boy and his action. An inner voice told him that it was the boy whom God had destined to become his

son-in-law. He partook but scantily of the food. He could scarcely await his return to his office.

Oosher Carliner was neither born with nor bred in an atmosphere of system or order. The appearance of his office was of little moment to him. It was with utter astonishment that he found on his return that the place had taken on a new aspect. Useless scraps of paper, burnt matches and cigar stubs had been picked up from the floor and relegated to the waste basket. Cuspidors showed their true colors. An old hat, coat and towel were removed from chairs and desk and hung into their respective places. The boy was just giving the finishing touches to the removal of a decade old dust.

Carliner knew not whether to laugh or scold. "You want to turn my shop into a parlor," he remarked.

"While waiting, not knowing, the purpose of my being here, I thought a little order would not hurt the place," retorted the boy.

"Strange," thought Oosher, "the boy does not appear at all strange to me. I feel attached to him already. This may explain why I submit to all his doings."

A number of orders the boy carried out with dispatch and adroitness.

Toward evening it dawned on Carliner that he had not even asked the boy's name. He began to question the lad.

"My name is Mordecai Lazarus. I am fourteen years old. I graduated from Public School 137, on Grand street, a year ago, and have had one term in the Stuyvesant High School. Since my fifth year I sold papers and did divers chores in order to contribute toward the maintenance of the family." After a silence of a few moments, Mordecai asked in a strange tone, "Has your girl no mother?" The question darted deep into Oosher's heart. It required, but the mentioning to cause his soul to be saddened. He collected himself and counter-questioned the lad as to what caused the question.

"Instinct, I suppose. I have no mother, since I was four years old and there is a certain something which reveals to me the absence of a mother's love and care in other motherless children. I could not continue High School and work to earn money, I'd have to neglect one or both. My father is poor and broken in health, so my duty impels me to assist him. But I intend going to night school if my position will allow me."

Carliner listened to the lad's recital gravely. He was deeply moved. Tears sprang to his eyes. Mordecai, too, tried to be brave, but alas, when the heart is too full it seeks an outlet through tears. Tears are verily the safety-valve of the heart, when too much is laid on.

After a pause Carliner remarked, "You have not even asked what your duties are to be and the pay you are to receive."

"My duties will be to do anything which will be advantageous to my employer. My pay shall be what I am worth, not more nor less."

Oosher Carliner left his business in a bewildered condition. When Esther asked why he was so perturbed, her father assured her that it was only on account of the unusual amount of work which had accumulated during the holidays.

At the supper table Esther expressed much regret that her father had to work so hard and hoped that he had engaged the boy—meaning Mordecai.

She thought he had an open countenance. She was also favor-

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Italian Jews Confer Over Jewish Problems.

We have just had here an event of more than passing moment. Representatives of all Italian organizations giving the Jewish cause any thought met in conference for purposes of discussion and joint action. Local conferences at Milan and Neapol prepared the way for this representative gathering which had the welfare of Jewry for consideration.

"Pro Israel," the non-Jewish organization formed for the especial purpose of fighting for the obtaining of Jewish rights, after its conference at Milan, made public the following declaration, in connection with the expected "peace conference":

Article 2. (a) To demand at peace conference the granting of full civil rights for Jews in whatever countries they reside.

(b) To aid the establishment of Jews in Palestine, giving all their immigrants from whatever country full rights of citizenship.

(c) To keep up negotiations with all organizations aiming at Jewish emancipation, and exert efforts to have similar non-Jewish committees established in other countries.

Article 3. To attain the above objects this association will engage in active propaganda, through the holding of conferences and meetings, through press articles and pamphlets, and by exerting its influence over social, national and international bodies and powers.

Article 5. Every member is morally obligated to carry on the utmost individual propaganda.

The Naples conference which preceded the great meeting at Rome was held at the Royal University, presided over by its noted rector, Professor Alberto Margheri. In contrast to all previous records in this regard, the leading Jews of Naples distinguished themselves by their participation and hearty co-operation.

Among those present at the "Pro Causa Ebraica" conference, these gentlemen were particularly conspicuous: Professors Bartolomei, Bemporad, Boube, Graziani, Margheri, Presutti, Semola and Torroca, all of the Royal University. There were also present: Prince D'Abro Pagratide, Advocate Capri, member of the Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Momigliano, director of the Naples Sanitary Office; Advocate Dario Ascarelli, member of the Provincial Council, and the well-known Russian Jews, Shreider and Vigdorick.

Greetings were received from deputies, Prof. Napoleone Colajani, Prof. Enrico de Marinis, Prof. Alfredo Sandulli, and others of equal importance. When it came to the framing of resolutions, heated debates were indulged in, after which the following among others was adopted:

"The Naples Committee for the legal emancipation of the Jews declares: That, whereas, the freedom to belief is one of the fundamentals on which are based human right and freedom, the difference in belief cannot and should not form a motive for imposing unequal treatment upon individuals or peoples. "The program of political and national restoration and the protection of the rights of individuals and peoples, which was announced by the Allies in answer to the President of the United States, whom we applaud, must, of course, add the equality of all faiths and beliefs before the law.

"That the thousand-year-old traditions of the Italian people, the tradition of the right and freedom of civilization and idealism, obliges the Italian people, the example of tolerance, to support this movement in behalf of Jews, which other states have taken up long ago.

"These resolutions shall be delivered to the General Committee in Rome by a delegation appointed for the purpose by the president."

When the Rome conference opened, these resolutions adopted at Naples were already well known, and the knowledge exercised quite a measure of influence.

Among those in attendance at the conference were Advocate Angelo Sereni and Prof. Anselmo Colombo, representing the Committee of Jewish Kehillahs in Italy; Prof. Tommaso Montifiore, representing a propaganda committee just founded in Rome; Advocate Alfonso Pacifici, a well known publicist, representing the Florentine organization "Pro Ebrei Oppressi"; Advocate Dario Ascarelli, in behalf of the Naples Committee; the noted journalist and Zionist worker, Advocate Felice Ravenna, representing the Zionist Federation of Italy; while Professor Sabatino Lopez, president of the "Pro Causa Ebraica," was telegraphically excused for non-ability to be present.

Nearly all discussion centered around the conference very soon to be held at Paris, at the initiative of the Alliance Israelite Universelle, at which will be present representatives from France, England and Italy, and, if possible, also from Russia and the United States.

It is surely a good omen that the Paris Alliance should call a conference having Palestine as the first item on its program, and this very fact itself forms an accusation against the United Jewish Kehillahs of Italy for not having taken the initiative in this direction.

Much discussion was devoted to the question of propaganda for the Jewish cause. The results of all debates and deliberations are best summed up in this resolution:

"Representatives of Jewish organizations in Italy, gathered in conference at Rome during March, 1917, took up various Jewish problems, giving them that earnest consideration which the present hour demands.

"They demand in a voce ardente, that among the necessary purposes to

be achieved before a lasting peace is concluded shall be included the principle of political and civil equality of Jews everywhere, which inclusion will no doubt go a long way in securing and insuring human justice on this earth.

"They further demand Jewish free colonization in Palestine, which should be guaranteed by those who will have charge of the disposal of the destinies of the different nationalities.

"They empower the president of the Jewish Kehillahs in Italy to prosecute the efforts already made to induce the Italian government to take the initiative in this connection.

"The representatives of the Kehillahs Committee as well as those of all other organizations who are participating in this Rome conference are empowered to represent Italian Jewry at the forthcoming conference in Paris, and are called upon to bring before the notice of the conference all the above resolutions, and to make every effort to have these realized. Let clear confirmation be given at the Paris conference to the demand of all Jewish personalities of note, to carry forward the activities in behalf of the Jewish cause."

At the conference the foundation for a great Jewish propaganda organization was evolved, of which more will be heard at an early date.

It will be noted that the Rome conference omitted to formulate the demand for Jewish national rights, in spite of the great efforts of those two noted Zionists, Pacific and Ravenna. Let us hope that these rights will find their champions at the Paris conference and that they will gain due recognition.

The Eighth Annual New York Kehillah Convention.

The eighth annual convention of the Kehillah of New York city, held at the Hebrew Technical School for Girls during last Saturday and Sunday, was characteristic of the tense and vital moment which we are now living through. There was a spirit of animation and enthusiasm such as has never been seen before at Kehillah conventions. The opening session on Saturday night found the auditorium and gallery packed to its uttermost capacity long before the platform worthies arrived. The latter came in at 9 o'clock, led by Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, who was immediately introduced by Dr. Magnes as the first speaker.

Mr. Schiff, who was given a tremendous ovation by the whole standing assembly lasting many minutes, briefly introduced the following resolution:

"Be it resolved by this eighth annual convention of the Kehillah (Jewish community) of New York city, that the delegates here assembled representing large numbers of Jews of all sections of New York city, reaffirm in common with their fellow Americans of all creeds and races, their loyalty and devotion to their great country in war as in peace; and be it further

"Resolved, That we call upon the constituent organizations of the Kehillah and upon all Jews of this metropolis to place themselves at the service of the nation until democracy shall have triumphed and a just and lasting peace shall have been achieved."

The resolution passed amid acclamation. Mr. Schiff went on to show how happy we are to do our duty with Russia in her new condition, rather than the old, as an ally. Speaking of his own appreciation of the change that country had undergone, Mr. Schiff said: "I am a modest man and do not like to talk of myself, but I want to tell you that I have subscribed very substantially to the Russian liberty loan." As refuting the very idea that anybody in Russia today even thought of a separate peace, Mr. Schiff read to the gathering the following cablegram, which he had that day received from Mr. Kamenka, of Petrograd, one of the leading Jewish bankers in Russia:

"Please accept my best thanks for your telegrams. Happy to see therein a new proof of your sympathies for my country, which is the best pledge for the prosperous development, equally fruitful, for our two countries, now happily allied. The calumny, spread with so much energy by our enemies, that revolutionary Russia, desires a separate peace is absolutely false. There does exist, indeed, here as in other countries, a certain pacifist movement, but its watchword has never been a separate peace. It simply preached moderation in the conditions of peace, which, however, is to be concluded only in common accord with our allies. In spite of the full freedom of speech at present existing with us, a separate peace has not yet been proclaimed by any one, and I can assure you that the entire nation would protest energetically against such a demand. I am happy to be able to state the fact that the idea of a separate peace is absolutely foreign also to our co-religionists, and the great part of which they take in the liberty loan is sure to prove to the world that not only do the Jews ardently desire the triumph of Russia and of her noble allies over their ferocious enemy, but that they have profound faith in this final victory. I thank you for the amiable words which you were kind enough to address to me, and shall be happy to see our personal relations become more and more close."

After Dr. Magnes, chairman of the Executive Committee, briefly traced the Kehillah movement in the eight years of its past existence and held out various promises for the future, Mr. Louis Marshall eloquently described "The Status of International Jewry" in the different countries, with especial reference to the country which had now become "the greatest democracy in the world," concluding with "the question always of in-

terest to the Jew, what of Palestine?" Proceeding to answer this question, Mr. Marshall dwelt on the possibility now near at hand to establish in Palestine a Jewish cultural center, thanks to the successes achieved by the allied armies. "I don't know whether I am talking Zionism," Mr. Marshall remarked at this point, "if this is Zionism, I have always been a Zionist, but I always want to see where I go before I lead."

Herbert H. Lehman, treasurer of the Joint Distribution Committee, was supposed to speak on war relief, but the question of transmitting moneys abroad had unexpectedly called him away to Washington. Judge Mack, of Chicago, who was present as a guest, was called upon to say a few words and he did, fully making up for the absence of the official relief representative. In plain but most vigorous terms, Judge Mack denounced the millionaires and multi-millionaires of New York for the indifferent manner in which they were answering the call of the millions of our starving brethren on the other side. Chicago, the West, he said, had issued the call, opened the campaign, but it was New York which was expected to lead, and it had enough Jews who were able to take the lead, but they were not forthcoming. Other speakers during that session were Prof. I. Friedlander, Judge Irving Lehman and Mr. Samuel I. Hyman.

Sunday morning was devoted to reports by Dr. S. Benderley, Dr. Paul Abelson, Isaac Allen and Dr. Moses Hyamson, the first two, respectively, directing the Bureau of Education and the Bureau of Industry, while the latter headed committees on religious affairs and millah. Professor Slouschz, of Paris, the noted Hebrew writer, Reuben Breinin, Dr. Samuel Bettheim and others spoke during the day. Much time was devoted to the discussion of possible methods the Kehillah might follow in effecting the idea of democratizing itself and serving as that representative body, which it was intended to be. The three possible plans as submitted on a drawn chart were different sectional Kehillahs controlled by the Kehillah proper, working through organizations and institutions of which there are no less than 4,000 in Greater New York, and reaching the community through individual membership. It was once more left to the executive to find the best method of placing itself in a position where it can best interpret genuine public opinion and work in the interests of the entire community.

The dramatic moment of the convention was reached late in the afternoon, when Dr. Israel Friedlander introduced a Palestine resolution. The entire gathering rose and in a most rapturous manner sang the "Hatikvah." When quiet was resumed the Hon. Solomon Sufrin came to the platform and expressed his disapproval at the uncertain phrasing of the resolution, demanding that a "publicly recognized and legally assured home in Palestine" be inserted. Other amendments were offered, and finally a unanimous resolution, worked out by all disputants and different very materially in its wording from the original, was brought in and adopted. It read:

"Whereas, Our country is now at war fighting with the democracies of the world for the triumph of freedom and justice and for the protection of the rights of the smaller nationalities; be it

"Resolved, That we, the delegates of the Jewish community of New York, in convention assembled, affirm our faith in the triumph of the cause for which this country now stands and always stood, and that we reaffirm our faith in the speedy redemption of Zion, and express our full confidence that the United States of America, together with its Allies, will use efforts toward the realization of the hope and aspiration of the Jewish people for the re-establishment of a free and publicly recognized homeland in Palestine."

Resolutions were also adopted expressing support to New York Federated Charities and the Jewish farmers of New York State. That a request be made to the Board of Education to place Jewish boys drafted for farm work in proper Jewish homes. That all societies and organizations be urged not to suspend from membership those answering the country's call; that the Kehillah bureaus be separated from that body, and "that this convention send greetings to the free Russian democracy, together with the hope that all nationalities within the Russian State may be accorded full freedom to develop their national life." A resolution was also adopted calling upon the executive to see to it that the practice in vogue in many hospitals of having Jewish children circumcised by non-Jewish physicians should be discontinued.

The following gentlemen were elected to fill the place of members of the Executive Committee whose terms had expired: Isaac Allen, Dr. S. Benderley, L. Borgenicht, Harry Fischel, William Fischman, S. I. Hyman, Jacob Kohn, David Kornbleuh, Louis Marshall, S. Neuman, S. Rottenberg, Leon Sanders, Jacob H. Schiff, Joseph Silverman, I. M. Settenheim, Cyrus L. Sulzberger. The officers are: Dr. J. L. Magnes, chairman; Cyrus L. Sulzberger, vice-chairman; Jacob Wertheim, treasurer, and Jacob Massel, secretary.

Jewish Students for the Front.

Five of the most prominent Jewish students of the University of California have answered the call to the colors.

Melville Kaufman, Louis Less and Irwin Iscar Meyer, members of the graduating class, have accepted positions in the quartermaster's department of the United States Army.

George Washington Cohen, winner of the Carnot medal for debate, and Stanley Arndt, past president of the University Menorah Society, have enrolled on the reserve list as second lieutenants.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE JEWISH WORLD

A Menorah Society is being organized at Reed College, Oregon.

Jacob Cohen was elected speaker of the New South Wales Parliament.

During the past year the Hebrew Orphan Asylum of this city cared for 750 boys and 562 girls as against 731 boys and 517 girls in 1915.

Emil Fuchs, a lawyer of this city, who was formerly a Deputy Attorney General, has been appointed a temporary City Magistrate by Mayor Mitchell.

Mr. Samuel I. Towb, who at one time was editor of the *Jewish Record*, a Yiddish weekly, published at St. Louis, Mo., and who resigned, has again assumed the editorship.

Plans for the 1-story synagogue to be erected at 539-522 East 146th street for the Congregation Beth Abraham were filed last week. It is estimated to cost \$2,500.

The campaign to raise a \$6,000 budget for the Jewish Orphanage of Providence, R. I., is progressing successfully. In the first three days 613 new members were enrolled and \$2,634 pledged.

The bronze statue, "Butensky's Exile," three-feet-high and weighing seventy-five pounds, has been stolen from the Chicago Hebrew Institute. The statue is valued at more than \$500.

The alumnists of Camp Kennebec have raised \$1,000 for the purpose of erecting a playroom for the children of the Eagleville (Pa.) Sanatorium, to be known as the Blanche Fox Memorial Playroom.

Sir Moses Montefiore Home for Aged and Infirm Israelites at Cleveland, O., will receive from sons of the late Fred Lazarus, of Columbus, for many years president of the institution, a bequest of \$5,000.

The election of fourteen Jews to the Municipal Council of Siedlitz, in Poland, has been declared void because some of the candidates were unable to speak Polish correctly. A new election was ordered.

The annual meeting of the Young Women's Union of Philadelphia, Pa., recently held, showed a house enrollment of 2,293, with a total attendance of 63,886. There are fifty-seven clubs and twenty-seven classes in operation.

The laying of the cornerstone of the synagogue of Congregation Tifereth Israel, at San Diego, Cal., was celebrated on a recent Sunday. Many prominent Gentiles as well as Jews were present, and a collection taken, netted \$1,500.

Harry Herzog, of Portland, Oregon, has won in competition recently held among senior students in the architectural department of the University of Pennsylvania first mention for his design of a courthouse and jail for women.

A Zionist society was organized by Jewish residents of Revere, Mass., last Sunday night.

Bernard Edelherz, of New York city, has been appointed Assistant United States Attorney in the customs division.

Last Sunday a campaign was inaugurated in Boston, Mass., to enlist 4,000 members for a Central Young Men's Hebrew Association.

The Hartford (Conn.) Zionist Literary Association has been formed with an initial membership of twenty-five business men and professionals.

Jews of Indianapolis, Ind., through their Jewish Federation of Charities, disbursed \$128,000 for philanthropic work in the fiscal year just ended.

Captain Louis F. Josephthal has been appointed by Governor Whitman chief of the newly organized Bureau of Naval Reserve for New York State.

Miss Clara Hepner, who will graduate from the Helena (Mont.) high school next month, has been awarded a scholarship for four years at the University of Missoula.

Mrs. Daniel Guggenheim has contributed \$1,000 to the National League for Women's Service toward the \$100,000 the society is raising to finance its work in forty States.

Barney Cohen, of Chicago, Ill., was appointed director of the new department of labor under the new administrative code. Mr. Cohen was assistant chief factory inspector during the Deneen administration and through Governor Dunne's term.

Jacob M. Loeb, president of the Chicago (Ill.) Board of Education, has been confirmed by the City Council and re-elected president of the Board of Education for five years as a tribute to his magnificent endeavors while head of the Chicago school system.

The latest returns of last week's election shows five Jews elected to the Massachusetts Constitutional Convention. They are Joseph Michelman, Dorchester; David Stoneman, Roxbury; David Mancovitz, Boston; T. Philip Finn, Chelsea, and Judge Louis Swig, Taunton.

The campaign for \$200,000 and 5,000 members of the Federated Jewish Charities of Boston has ended successfully, as the sum of \$200,000 was exceeded by more than \$50,000, and the membership, which means an assured annual income, was placed in excess of 8,000, with many to be heard from.

Sol H. Goldberg, of Chicago, Ill., whose genius contrived the hump hairpin, has discovered a submarine destroyer that destroys torpedoes, mines and submarines. Mr. Goldberg has been called to Washington to show his contrivance and will donate the invention to the government, if it is proved successful.

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The prohibition against wearing long coats by Jews in the public parks in Warsaw, which was in force for many years, with the purpose of excluding old fashioned Jews from the parks, has now been removed by the German military authorities.

Those in charge of the collection in Minneapolis, Minn., for Jewish war sufferers announce that Miss I. H. Ruben and John Friedman have announced their intention of contributing respectively 10 per cent. and 5 per cent. of the total amount collected.

The Assembly of Colorado, at their last session, passed a bill to prevent places of public accommodation, resorts, etc., from publishing and distributing matter proclaiming that such hotel or other place does not desire the patronage of members of any certain religious sect.

Last week at a very enthusiastic and well-attended meeting of the Jewish women of Memphis, Tenn., a Young Women's Hebrew Association was formed, which will work along the lines of the Y. M. H. A., its purpose being social, educational and philanthropic.

The presentation of Zangwill's "The Melting Pot," which was forbidden in London since the war began, because of its slurs against the Russian Government, is now again permitted, since it is well known that the former autocratic government was meant by the author.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, who recently resigned from the pulpit of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, has also resigned as general director of the Central Jewish Institute in order to give his entire energies to a Jewish revival movement in Harlem, of which he is the leader.

Because they say prices are prohibitive, a number of Columbus (O.) Jews are to organize a company, capitalized at \$5,000, for the establishment of a Jewish co-operative meat market. Until this is opened, 300 Jewish families are said to have agreed to abstain from the use of meat.

The highest position in the gift of the San Francisco library trustees has been bestowed upon Miss Belle A. Goldman, of San Francisco, Cal., who has been appointed superintendent of all the branch libraries and stations in San Francisco. Under her supervision and instruction there are twenty-two libraries.

The Irene Kaufman Settlement in Pittsburgh, Pa., is steadily growing until there are now 2,300 members enrolled. Last year among its activities may be noted 6,000 visits by the staff of nurses; 30,000 shower baths were given at the bathhouse and over 5,000 persons attended instructive baby welfare exhibits.

The late Dr. T. Leonard Levy was to have been the principal speaker at the annual meeting of his congregation on Monday night. But when the congregation gathered Dr. Levy was ill. His congregation sent him word of good news that the debt of the temple, amounting to \$42,000 had been paid off as a personal tribute to him.

Attempts by Cossacks to bring about a Jewish pogrom in Kishineff have resulted in failure. Inflammatory speeches were delivered, shots were fired and rumors of desecration of churches by the Jews were circulated. The committee of soldiers' delegates succeeded in preventing the disturbance with the aid of the troops.

Three students of the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati, Ohio, have enlisted in the Marine Corps. Few others who applied have been rejected on the score of defective vision.

The three who enlisted are Frederick Israel Rypins, Solomon Fineberg and Louis E. Grafman. According to a ruling of the Board of Trustees of the Hebrew Union College, they will receive full credit for the unexpired part of the semester at their return after the restoration of peace.

Several Boston (Mass.) Jewish charities benefit by the will of Meyer Weisman. The Home for Aged will get \$1,000; the Home for Jewish Children, \$1,000; the Beth Israel Hospital, \$500; several free loan societies will participate in a division of \$1,000; the sum of \$3,000 will be divided between the Hebrew Educational Alliance, Roxbury, of which Mr. Weisman was treasurer, and other Hebrew schools, and testator's widow and her daughter, Katherine, are made trustees of a free loan fund of \$3,000.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND

(Exclusive Correspondence to the HEBREW STANDARD)

Latest Position of Conscription of Russian Jews in Britain—Another Finish of the Four Jews' Question—A Strange Synagogue Limitation

Jews and Food Economy in Passover—Jewish Industries Flourishing Greatly—Many Jewish Girls Volunteering for Work on Farms—Queen Alexandra Visits Jewish Sculptor's Exhibition.

London, April 13, 1917.

Communications are passing between Petrograd and London for the purpose of ascertaining whether the new Russian Government will agree to the conscription into the British army of Russian subjects resident in this country. Should the sanction of the Russian Government be given, a bill to legalize the proposal will be introduced into the House of Commons shortly. It is estimated that there are about 25,000 Russians of military age in Great Britain, the greater number of whom are to be found in the East End of London, and a fair proportion in Manchester, Leeds and Bradford. It is declared that a good deal of angry feeling has been caused among the non-Jewish population of Jewish quarters by the allegation that many Russian Jews have taken the places in civil life of British subjects called to the army. Just how far this is true it is quite impossible to say. There are and can be no statistics. As a matter of fact, so far as my own information goes, Russian Jews have kept to their own occupations and, except in the cheap fruit trade sold from barrows, they have not encroached upon anybody else's preserves. This cheap fruit trade, furthermore, can scarcely be said to be the preserve of anybody.

The withdrawal on the morning of April 5 at Bow Street Police Court, London, by the Crown of the charge against the four Russian Jews taken off a Danish ship at Kirkwall ends a proceeding which should never have been instituted. The incident will become historic, for it is believed to be the first occasion on which a Crown prosecution has been dropped on the express ground that a revolution had taken place in the native country of the prisoners. The incident also ends the international issue raised by the seizure on a Danish ship. It was intended, I hear, to take the matter from the Court of Appeals to the House of Lords, but as the cause was founded on a "writ of prohibition" to prevent proceedings now terminated, no further action can be prosecuted. But I understand that if a similar incident should arise the immunity from arrest of friendly aliens traveling on neutral ships would be strenuously supported.

Many complaints have been made about a curious happening in connection with the unveiling of the Rothschild memorial window at the Great Synagogue. The service was a special one working to a printed ceremony and was conducted by the chief rabbi and the Rev. A. Katz. For some reason it was declared to be a private service, and only a select few were allowed to be present. The door of the synagogue was actually closed in the face of the Rev. S. Lipson, chaplain to the Home Forces, a Jewish minister who has won enormously high encomiums by his splendid work during the last year or two. Luckily information was carried to the chief rabbi, who rescued the Rev. Lipson from his undignified position on the doorstep. It may be that the privacy order emanated from the Rothschilds family, but that is not clear. Anyhow, the matter has aroused, as I say, a lot of complaint and dissatisfaction. It is perhaps best forgotten as speedily as possible.

In these days in this country economy in the use of food is one of the great questions. Economy in the use of everything, in fact, is practiced far and wide and is forced upon most people by the excessively high prices of commodities and the general high level of the cost of living. At the same time, even with all this, there is room for moderation. The Rev. Isidore Harris preaching at the Berkeley Street Synagogue uttered a plea for carefulness in food during the present Passover. He said: "Hitherto it has been usual to indulge at this season in many luxuries which enter so largely into the Passover fare that, with some Jews, their consumption has almost come to form an article of religion. It is therefore well that we should remind ourselves that the proper observance of the feast does not warrant excessive indulgence in all kinds of time-honored dainties. On the contrary, properly understood, it makes for simplicity and moderation rather than for elaborateness and superfluity. It is true that there figure on the Seder table the traditional four cups of wine. But, according to Jewish prescription, this wine need not consist of fermented liquors. In thousands of humble Jewish homes, where the cup of sanctification is raised on every Sabbath and festival, it is a simple beverage containing no particle of alcohol. Therefore, without transgressing any ancient rule, we may ob-

serve our Passover today in the most frugal fashion, and the more frugally we celebrate it the nearer we shall come to the spirit of the ancient ordinance.

Mention of economy reminds me of the other side of the question and that is that Jews in this country are enjoying on the whole a very large measure of prosperity—in fact, perhaps a larger proportionate prosperity than their non-Jewish fellow citizens of similar classes. In the boot and shoe and the clothing trades, both of these being largely concerned with military work, orders are extraordinarily plentiful. Prices are high, and if a man does not mind working he can put in almost as many hours as he likes, with good thumping rates of pay. Then in many other branches of industry where Jewish labor figures largely big business is being done and the Ghettos in the various cities show outward and visible signs of the resultant inward well-being. It does not appear, however, that Jewish charities and philanthropic funds are benefiting to anything like a similar extent. This is a thousand pities at a time like this. Of course, the cost of living is extremely high, but even then the amount of wages, and profits being earned leave in the majority of cases a fine margin on the right side, and the community leaders are quite right in going out after some of this to reduce deficiencies which figure on too many charity balance sheets in the community. Their success has not been great so far, but it is increasing.

The national service movement grows bigger and bigger. Not only are half a million men wanted, towards which less than 200,000 have volunteered so far, but 40,000 women are specially wanted for the land. These latter are coming along fairly well and Jewesses figure remarkably well among them. These girls, none of whom apparently have ever before had any farming training, are given a skitless outfit consisting of high boots or leggings, a long tunic and breeches and hat. They then have a month's free training, followed by actual work on the farm at \$4.50 a week. The only drawback in the scheme, which is very popular, is, of course, the small wages paid, as it will cost the girls nearly that per week to secure decent board and lodging in the adjacent villages.

Jacob Epstein's exhibition of conventional and also cubist and futurist sculpture continues to attract great crowds, and this clever American Jew sculptor domiciled in this country, is at last reaping the reward of years of waiting in the wilderness for recognition. This year his show had the honor of a visit from Queen Alexandra, who expressed her appreciation of much of the work, but declined to give any views about his more eccentric futurist studies. This visit by itself has given the exhibition a further big boost up.

Adolph Lewisohn a Zionist.

Mr. Adolph Lewisohn has authorized the Provisional Executive Committee for General Zionist Affairs to issue the following statement in his behalf:

"I think favorably of the establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine, and hope that the League to Enforce Peace will include the Jewish nation among those small nationalities, which ought to be liberated and protected. I was formerly not in sympathy with the Zionist movement, but since America has entered the world war for the express purpose, as was so nobly stated by President Wilson, of protecting the rights of all nationalities, the Jews all over the world should, in my opinion, favor the establishment of the Jewish State in Palestine, which will be a center of Hebraic life and will have influence upon Judaism everywhere. As I understand it, the idea of the League to Enforce Peace after it has been established will be that all nations, whether small or large, shall be equally protected."

Mr. Lewisohn made this statement at a public Seder, which was held at the Fellowship House in New York city last Passover, and closed with the prayer, "L'Shono Habo Be Yerushalayim." He authorized Mr. Ben Avi, the secretary of the Palestine Bureau, to convey this statement to the Provisional Committee for publication.

The Dutch Jerusalem.

From Amsterdam comes the report that after a vacancy of nearly six years a new chief rabbi was elected in the person of A. S. Onderwijzer, a member of the rabbinate for some time. The last chief rabbi, Joseph H. Duenner, who died October 22, 1911, having served in this capacity for nearly fifty years, was a native of Cracow. It was almost a tradition for the Ashkenazim community of Amsterdam since its foundation in the seventeenth century to call its rabbis from Poland. Duenner was an orthodox, though he was criticized by some of the extremists, as the late chief rabbi of The Hague, Berenstein, a lineal descendant of the famous Jacob Joshua of Frankfort on the Main, called "Perie Yehoshua," because he taught Talmud without the traditional cantillation, and by the German orthodox leaders for proposing textual emendations of the Talmud. Dutch Judaism is very rigid, and the new chief rabbi is one of its typical representatives presented in the darkest tones by Herman Heijermans in his "Diamond City"—*American Israelite*.

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SPITZER-LANS.—Mrs. Sophie Lans, of 119 East Twenty-eighth street, announces the engagement of her daughter Hattie to Mr. Jack Spitzer, of Lynbrook, L. I.

THEISE-ROSETT.—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rosett, of 957 Fox street, announce the engagement of their daughter Gertrude to Mr. David B. Theise.

WITT-BRESLAUER.—Mrs. Sarah Breslauer, of No. 2026 Seventh avenue, announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Jessie Breslauer, to Mr. Joseph Witt.

MARRIAGES.

BURSTEIN-BLATE.—On Sunday, May 6, 1917, Miss Bertha Blate to Mr. Irving Burstein. Rev. Ezekiel Jacobson officiated.

FISCHER-HIRSCH.—Sunday, May 6, 1917, Otto Fischer to Martha Hirsch.

JACOBSON-DAVIS.—Abraham Jacobson to Miss Leah Davis, Saturday evening, May 5, 1917, at the residence of the bride's mother by the Rev. Dr. Krauskopf.

LEVY-MARKS.—Chester Levy to Miss Emily Marks, Thursday, May 10, 1917, by the Rev. Dr. M. Krauskopf at his residence, 504 West 151st street.

BAR MITZVAH.

HIRSCH.—Dr. and Mrs. Henry P. Hirsch, of 253 East Eighty-sixth street, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Frank on Saturday, May 12, at Temple Peni-El, 147th street, near Broadway. Reception at Savigny, 229 Lenox avenue, Sunday, May 13, after 8 o'clock.

PFÄELZER.—Mr. and Mrs. Morris F. Pfäelzer, of 725 Home street, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Leopold M., on Saturday, May 12, at the Temple of the Sinai Congregation, 951 Stebbins avenue, near 168d street.

BIRTHS.

FLAM.—To Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Flam, of 219 Audubon avenue, a daughter, on April 3.

KOFF.—Mr. and Mrs. A. Koff (nee Coralin Rosenblatt), of 38 Fort Washington avenue, announce the birth of a daughter, Irma Bessie, on May 4, 1917.

MAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer A. May (nee Lillian Siegel), of 916 Southern Boulevard, announce the birth of a son on May 5.

RODMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rodman (nee Sadie Breakstone), of 590 West 174th street, announce the birth of a son on May 3, 1917.

SILVER.—A daughter, May 5, to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Silver, of 2355 Valentine avenue.

OBITUARY.

FROMENSON, BARUCH.—Baruch Fromenson, well-known Maskil and communal worker, died suddenly from heart trouble on Monday morning, May 7, at his home, 909 Beck street, New York city. He was seventy years old.

Mr. Fromenson was born at Shavel, Government Kovno, Russia, in 1847. In his early youth he went to Panivesh, where he studied for several years, later entering the Yeshibah of Wolozhin, the foremost rabbinical college of Russia. At the age of twenty-five he came to America, and settled in Chicago, where he occupied the position of cantor in the Maninopol Synagogue. He came to New York at the invitation of the Chrystie Street Synagogue, one of the oldest synagogues in this city. The last position he held was as cantor in the Mikre Kodesh Synagogue of Rochester, N. Y.

For a period of twenty years Baruch Fromenson was connected with the Jewish Daily News and the Jewish Morning Journal. He is survived by a widow and four sons, one of whom is the well-known journalist and Zionist worker, A. H. Fromenson.

Baruch Fromenson was interred in the Mount Zion Cemetery, Long Island, New York.

IN THE SYNAGOGUES.

ADATH ISRAEL (East 169th street).—Rabbi Mayer Kopstein will preach this evening on "Standards of Peace."

AHAWATH CHESED SHAAR HASOMAYIM (Fifty-fifth street and Lexington avenue).—Rev. Dr. Isaac S. Moses will preach this Sabbath morning on "Good Out of Evil."

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. Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

B'NAI ISRAEL (535 West 148th street).—Rev. Dr. Isidor Reichert preaches this evening on "Who Is a Real Hero?" and on Sabbath morning on "The Forces Above Nature."

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

EZ CHAIM (107 East Ninety-second street).—On Sabbath morning Dr. David Davidson will preach on "The Cardinal Principle of Israel's Religion."

FREE SYNAGOGUE (Carnegie Hall).—Dr. Stephen S. Wise will lecture Sunday morning on "The War and the Jewish Question."

FREE SYNAGOGUE (155 Clinton street).—Religious services will be held this evening at 8:30 o'clock, Besanta Koomar Roy will preach.

INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE OF HARLEM (Y. W. H. A. Building, 31 West

110th street).—Religious services Friday at sundown and Saturday morning at 8.45 a. m.

INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE, WASHINGTON HEIGHTS (Y. W. H. A. Building, 2005 Amsterdam avenue).—Friday evening, religious meeting at 8.15. Speaker, Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein.

ISRAEL (20th street and Lenox avenue).—This evening Dr. M. H. Harris will speak on "Isaac M. Wise and His Times." Sabbath morning on "The Stranger."

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

ISRAEL OF WASHINGTON HEIGHTS (181st street and St. Nicholas avenue).—This evening, at 8.15 o'clock, Rabbi M. Krauskopf will preach on "The Important Lessons from the 'S'fra." Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (531 West 123d street).—Services this evening at 6 o'clock and Sabbath morning at 9.30 o'clock, when Mr. Louis Hammer will preach.

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

PENI-EL (147th street and Broadway).—Rabbi Aaron Eisenman will preach this evening on "The Possible Benefits of the War." Sabbath morning, "God's Richest Gift to Man—'Mother'."

PETACH TIKVAH (Brooklyn).—Rabbi Israel H. Levinthal will lecture tonight on "The Influence of the Religious Teacher."

RODEPH SHOLOM (Sixty-third street and Lexington avenue).—Dr. Rudolph Grossman will preach Sabbath morning.

SHAARI ZEDEK (25 West 118th street).—Rabbi P. Chertoff will preach Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

SHAARI ZEDEK (Brooklyn).—This evening Hon. Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing prison, will speak. On Sabbath morning Dr. Max Raisin will preach.

SHEARITH ISRAEL (Central Park West and Seventieth street).—Sabbath morning Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool will preach an anniversary sermon, "After Twenty Years."

SINAI (Stebbins avenue and 163d street).—Rev. Max Reichler preaches this evening on "Religion and Revivalism." Sabbath morning he will preach on "Counting of Days."

TIFERE'TH ISRAEL OF KENSINGTON (Brooklyn).—Mr. Jacob Katz will preach this evening on "Persecution and Hope." Sabbath morning on the portion of the week.

TEMPLE OF THE COVENANT (552 West 181st street).—Rev. H. L. Martin lectures this evening. Sabbath morning on the portion of the Law.

YOUNG WOMEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION (31 West 110th street).—Services this evening. Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser will speak.

ZICHRON EPHRAIM (Sixty-seventh street, near Third avenue).—Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman will preach this Sabbath morning on "Friends and Enemies."

ferred to Louis D. Brandeis as the greatest and wisest Jew living, at the same time not failing to reflect on the unbounded generosity of Nathan Straus. A resolution reaffirming allegiance to the Basle program and expressing hope that the consideration now being given by the powers to the Jewish claim on Palestine, will result in the complete fulfillment of the Zionist ideal was introduced by Mr. Louis Lipsky and carried by the meeting amid the greatest acclaim and the singing of the Hatikvah. Rev. Masliansky also addressed the meeting.

Enthusiastic Mass Meeting of Zionists—Cooper Union Crowd Hears Inspiring Addresses.

Despite the uninviting weather, Cooper Union saw one of the greatest crowds that ever rallied to a Zionist gathering. Long before the meeting was opened, not an inch of space was left, and in the rain police officials battled with hundreds of persistent individuals who would not be turned away from the shut gates. In this outside crowd, the majority of whom lingered for hours, were numerous men prominent in all walks of Jewish life, some arriving in their automobiles, only to go back in the manner in which they had come.

The audience was plainly a Zionist one throughout, and from their midst in every row, dozens of Zionist standards were held up, and when at a particularly appealing moment all of them would be raised and waved at once, a glorious sight was presented.

Mr. Morris Rothenberg, chairman of the Zionist Council of Greater New York, by whom the meeting was arranged, introduced Mr. Nathan Straus as chairman of the meeting. Mr. Straus, among other things, said in his own original way, announced his intention of going to Palestine at the earliest possible moment, when he said he would take a number of volunteers with him of those unable to pay their own passage. Dr. Shmarya Levin, if anything, excelled himself in a most inspiring address, treating in his diplomatic manner all phases of the present situation in the movement. Referring to the "new friends" the movement had recently won, he assured them that all were welcome, but an avowal of good will was insufficient, and a "cultural center without a people" would not go very far in the development of that center. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, in an eloquence of which he alone is master, told his vast audience why this country had entered the war, what we were going to fight for, and the necessity of cooperating with our government. As to the manner in which we Jews would answer the call of the country, he had no doubts whatever on that head. Recently, he said, he had been invited to join a patriotic league of Jews. He refused, because its aim, it was said, was to deepen Jewish patriotism. For a movement with such an object he had no time, for there were none in the country more loyal and devoted than the Jews, and the spirit of the meeting which supported this sentiment left no doubt that he was right. Speaking of the Zionist movement and its great leaders, he re-

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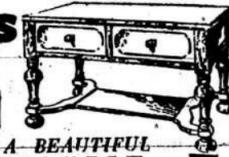
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At Hunts Point Palace, the Bronx section of this city, over 700 delegates, representing some 62,000 members of the Arbeiter Ring, spread over most of our States and Canada, met at their seventeenth annual convention, and were in session for the first six full days of this month. The proceedings, as usual, were characterized by stormy debates and disorderly sittings. Nevertheless a great deal of business was transacted, and on the whole proved the most historical gathering the organization has yet had. Those favoring the adoption of fraternal insurance rates pressed their demand upon the convention, and after numerous heated discussions it was left to a two-thirds decision of the membership by referendum. Opposition was voiced to the sending of Mr. Root to Russia, and full support was lent to the decision of the St. Louis Socialist convention in regard to this country's entry into the war. The convention placed itself behind the National Workmen's Committee in regard to the American Jewish Congress, but refused to endorse the permanency of that committee as desirable. Among dozens of Socialist and labor leaders who addressed the convention were Congressman Meyer London, Algernon E. Lee and Charles Irving, editor of the New York Call. While the convention was in session it exchanged greetings with the Russian Bund.

Young Women's Hebrew Association.

The clubs are all registering for work during the summer months. Some have already begun sewing for the Red Cross, others are to do work for the men in the navy—clothing, scarfs and wrist-lets—Mrs. Jerome J. Hanauer donating the wool and needles.

The building will be used as the local headquarters for the taking of the military census.

On Sunday afternoon, May 20, at 3 o'clock, the Educational Dramatic League Players will present "The Woodland Princess."

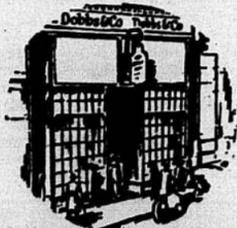
The young women of the gymnastic department have mobilized and are drilling on the roof once a week with Miss Constance Hewitt in charge.

Miss Fannie Levine, violinist, arranged a splendid musicale, assisted by the Misses Vera Giles, Rose Auspitz and Marie Schultz. There was an enthusiastic, music-loving group. The program included selections from Debussy, Rachmaninoff, Chopin, Liszt and Massenet.

A group of fifty children under the direction of Miss Ray Krellenstein will present the pantomime of "Cinderella" on May 13, at 3 p. m.

The residents are to be the guests of Mrs. Leon Schwartz at a dance on Thursday, May 10, Lag b'Omer.

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Red Cap Pudding.

One-half pound glace cherries, juice of 2 lemons, 1/2 pound bread crumbs, 3 eggs, 1/2 pound moist sugar, 1/2 pound suet, 1/2 pound moist sugar. Grease a plain mould and cover the bottom with halves of glace cherries. Mix together the breadcrumbs, finely chopped suet, sugar, lemon juice and the eggs, well beaten. Press the mixture firmly into the decorated mould, tie it up in a cloth and boil for 5 hours. Serve with a thin lemon sauce.

When your apple pie juice commences to run out pour the juice off and put back the pie until done and then put in the juice after it has thickened a little on stove.

Potato Salad.

Peel the potatoes, cut them into small dice sufficient to fill a pint measure; put them in a saucepan with enough cold water to cover them and a pinch of salt; boil till tender, but do not let them break; strain off and let cool; mix in a basin 1 large tablespoonful of mayonaisse sauce, a teaspoonful of tarragon vinegar, a good pinch of salt, a teaspoonful chopped tarragon and chervil; add the potatoes, mix and turn into a dish; garnish with tomatoes, peeled and cut in small square pieces.

Sardine Salade en Mayonnaise.

One lettuce, 2 or 3 spring onions, 1 tomato, tarragon and chervil, 1 cucumber, 2 hard-boiled eggs, boned sardines, mayonaisse sauce. Wash well, drain and break up a lettuce; chop up the onions and place them both in a salad bowl with sliced tomato and cucumber; pour mayonaisse sauce over all, and stir well together; garnish with quarters of hard-boiled eggs, sardines and a sprinkling of chopped tarragon and chervil. This salad can be served en vinaigrette by using that sauce instead of mayonnaise.

Spring Salad.

One head of celery, blanched and cut in dice; three times as much peeled and sliced cucumber; the same of uncooked artichoke bottoms, minced; twice as much small, pink radishes in dice or pickled red cabbage; 1 tablespoonful made mustard, 2 tablespoonful good vinegar, 8 tablespoonful good salad oil, a pinch of pepper, 1/2 teaspoonful minced chervil. Let the celery, cucumber and artichokes stand for 2 hours sprinkled with salt, then add the radishes or pickled red cabbage; rub the mustard smooth with the vinegar, add the salad oil, pepper and chervil; drain the vegetables and mix them thoroughly with the sauce and seasoning and serve in a salad bowl.

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America was held on April 29. There were present Mr. Louis Marshall, in the chair; Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, Judge Mayer Sulzberger, Judge Irving Lehman, Dr. Harry Friedenwald, Mr. Simon M. Roeder, Rabbi Charles I. Hoffman, Mr. Sol M. Stroock, and Dr. Cyrus Adler.

The acting president, Dr. Adler, presented a report on the affair of the seminary since the last meeting. Contributions had been received from the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies in New York, on account of moneys designated for the seminary, and from Philadelphia and Boston. It was reported that branches of the seminary were being formed in Chicago and Detroit.

The seminary will be represented at the installation of the president of the Iliff School of Theology in Denver on May 16 by Dr. Charles E. H. Kauvar, an alumnus of the seminary.

Professor Israel Friedlander represented the seminary at the formal opening of the School of Communal Studies on March 29, and delivered an interesting address on the occasion.

The seminary building was used on April 11 for a meeting to discuss the formation of a community center.

Seventy-two students are now enrolled in the seminary proper and one hundred and eleven students in the Teachers' Institute.

The graduating exercises will take place on Sunday afternoon, June 3, at 3:30 p. m. at Aeolian Hall, West 42d street.

The directors voted that the seminary should cooperate with the intercollegiate Menorah Association and become a contributing member of the American School for Archaeological Research in Jerusalem.

The seminary students who are willing to conduct religious services for men in the army and navy will be excused from their attendance during their last year, a year's work in the field to take the place of the regular course.

The report of the librarian, Professor Alexander Marx, showed that the total number of books in the library is 51,941, and of manuscripts, 1,807. The most important acquisition was the gift of a manuscript containing the treatise Aboda Zam written in Ubeda, Spain, in 1290, presented by Judge Sulzberger. Donations were also received from Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, Mr. Isidor Loewy, Dr. Herman Abramowitz, Mr. H. N. Friedman, Columbia University, and Mrs. J. Koch.

Moses Montefiore Mutual Relief Society.

Moses Montefiore Mutual Relief Society, Inc., will celebrate its fifth anniversary with a banquet and dance at the Ellsmere, 82 West 126th street, on Sunday evening, May 13.

This society was formerly a subordinate lodge of the Independent Order Sons of Benjamin and known as Moses Montefiore Lodge, No. 23, and was organized by Mr. Lazarus Shapiro in 1880, who, in 1867, immigrated to the United States, and who in his boyhood days had often met Sir Moses Montefiore in synagogues and the London Hebrew Free School, named the lodge after that worthy representative of the Jewish race, but not before first obtaining Sir Moses Montefiore's consent in writing. This much-prized letter is still in the possession of the society.

Mr. Lazarus Shapiro, the organizer of the lodge and deputy grand master of the Independent Order Sons of Benjamin, urged upon the order at a convention held in New York city the adoption of a modern insurance plan for the old method of taxation, as the rates had become excessive without any future prospects of relief, and he advocated the election of a capable representative for grand master who shall be paid a regular salary, so that he may give his time and energy to build up the order. The managers in control for selfish purposes refused to adopt Mr. Shapiro's suggestions and decided to retain power even at the downfall and ruin of the order. At a meeting of the lodge subsequent to this memorable convention, Mr. Shapiro, as the representative of the lodge, advocated secession from the order. This the lodge decided to do, and on May 5, 1912, witnessed the institution of Moses Montefiore Mutual Relief Society. Brother Nicholas Aleinikoff, one of its ex-presidents, an eminent lawyer by profession, obtained a State charter for the society, and under contract with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States each and every member is insured for \$500. The funds of the lodge, which amounted to \$340, now amount to \$5,000 in its reserve fund and about \$2,000 in its general fund, and a membership of 250. The society paid out nearly \$1,200 in sick and distress benefits besides the expenses of the burial of its deceased members and their families, and owns its own burial grounds in Washington Cemetery.

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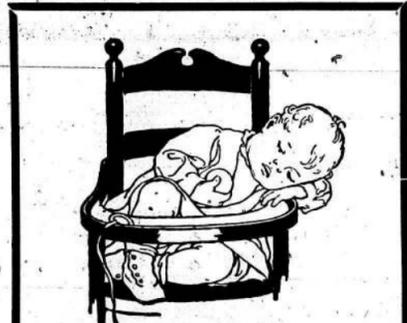
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The German newspapers regard the plans for the erection of an independent Jewish state in Palestine, under Zionist auspices, as a foul British scheme for power. So be it! But, if the Jewish state be successfully re-established, it will be due to Great Britain and the United States, never, under any possible chain of circumstances of which we can conceive, to Germany.

While, of course, Jews as Jews have nothing to do with the war, as good Americans Jews can exert their influence on their co-religionists in power with the new government of Russia to the end that the latter remain steadfast to its allies. Surely the Germans are now bending all their efforts to bring Russia to negotiate a separate peace with them. If, then, American Jews circumvent this move and preserve Russia for the *entente* their action is highly praiseworthy and eminently patriotic.

In an address before the *Kallah*, at Isaiah Temple, in Chicago, Rabbi Emil G. Hirsch viewed the thought of the last half century in its relations to Judaism, and declared sententiously: "Thank God Russia promises soon to furnish no more the main battalions of the Zionist host." We do not quibble with the nature of this sentiment, although we must take exception seriously to the form in which it is couched. Yet our object in referring to it here is to point out to our Zionist friends the futility of citing various prominent Jews, of whom Rabbi Hirsch is one, as well disposed to their movement, because of chance opinions.

Dr. M. D. Eder, of England, a friend of Israel Zangwill, declares that the Jewish religion, especially Occidental Judaism, is doomed, but that the rise of Jewish nationality, divorced from our religion, spells Israel's hope for the future. Dr. Eder is frank in his heterodoxy, which, if we mistake not, has become out of fashion since the days when political Zionism succumbed before the cultural aspects of this great movement. Hence Dr. Eder belongs to the earlier group of Zionists, demonstrated by his friendship with and allegiance to Zangwill, whom he followed into the ITO and with whom he may return to Zionism. Who knows?

Even the desirability of keeping our American soldiers of the Jewish faith firmly steadfast to the dietary laws does not bring us to change our views about the folly of attempting to organize Jewish regiments or military units. Regard for the laws of *Kashruth* may well be had by the Jewish soldiers in any unit with the aid of civilians, and the experience of Germany and her confederates on the one hand and of Great Britain and her allies on the other proves that this is so. Such a specious plea, however, should never be suffered to produce a state of affairs in opposition to the highest interests of Jews as citizens of the modern states.

Jewish Comment, in one of its recent issues, made a few choice remarks about the sublimity of poverty. We do not know who of its nine-headed editorial board of rabbis was responsible for this contribution to contemporaneous Jewish editorial thought, but suspect that the truth of these views was borne in upon their author through some pastoral experience of his own. Communal conditions in this country do not seem to be conducive to winning men to a belief in the advantages of poverty. On all sides we see attention paid to the man of wealth, who is, moreover, in a position to realize his ideals and notions about everything in practice, and therefore the poor man, not to be confounded for a moment with the *Schnorrer*, feels that the economy of the modern community has not provided him with the proper place within which to work out his ideals and notions into a reality. Yet Judaism is resplendently the religion of the poor man!

THE JEWISH LOAN TO RUSSIA

THE committee of prominent Jews of this country, headed by Jacob H. Schiff, Louis Marshall and Oscar S. Straus, which has taken up the matter of floating a substantial loan to the new Russian Government from the Jews of America, deserves the hearty support of all sections of the community in this undertaking. As is very well expressed, the object of this movement of the committee is to indicate to the leaders of the new Russia that, for the first time in history, American Jewry is able to accord full and hearty support to the present government of Russia.

This is an instance where Jews, as such, may act as Americans in the interests of a foreign power, for the present is an extraordinary situation. The relations between Russia and America were surrendered in 1911 because Russia did not vouchsafe the same fair treatment to all our citizens, the then objects of Russian hatred being the Jews of this country. Then, the insistence of the Russo-Jewish problem in Russia reacted profoundly upon Jewish conditions in every land under the sun, but particularly keenly in our own country. Now, with the intolerable position of Russia's Jewry gloriously righted, and the great and portentous Jewish question of the ages fairly solved or in a condition approaching early and definite solution, American Jews, but especially those among them who are of Russian stock, may imitate the actions of the government of the United States in the premises and extend financial help and credit to an alien but friendly power.

That Russia needs the money goes almost without saying, and that the situation of her finances is an acute one is equally true. The loan itself need not bear any distinctive Jewish earmarks, but participation therein may be confined, as a sagacious piece of financial business and Jewish statesmanship to American Jews.

With this explanation, then, we commit the projected loan to Russia to the good offices of the strong committee just formed, and to the Jews of America who will rally, we are fully persuaded, whole heartedly, to its support. An occasional critic of the form of the loan, the participation therein, and the security afforded by it may arise; for the reasons we have indicated in these remarks his words should fall on sterile soil. Our community, living in a land which is now in the van in the struggle for universal democracy, should show that it knows and itself clearly appreciates the meaning of freedom.

That the new order of things in Russia has completely altered the condition of affairs formerly obtaining there is proved by the circumstance that Jews are now freely admitted to the status of officers in the Russian army. This is probably the greatest measure of an advance that the Russian revolution has produced and serves to show clearly that the government of that country means to be thoroughly democratic in principle. For, hitherto, in Russia a Jew belonged (in the eyes of the old bureaucrats) to the lowest order, and was by no means admissible to the rights and privileges of human beings!

Two interesting features of the recently issued report of the proceedings at the twenty-fifth council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at Baltimore last January are comprised in the statements from the committees on legislation and on the president's message. In the latter the hope is expressed that the membership of the Union may be increased, for in the last few years its constituency has stagnated in numbers. This shows that the Union is slowly but gradually losing ground, for the present members that belong to the Union are losing, not growing in influence. Then, in the report of the committee on legislation we find mention of a rising tendency to curtail the number of set papers, presented at councils and thereby to afford greater opportunity for individual debate. This is in accord with the spirit of the times, for frequent opportunity for discussion prevents the rise of oligarchies and effectively mars the cut-and-dried nature of the work of many of our great communal organizations. The Un-

ion has "glorious" days before it, so it seems!

Rabbi J. Leonard Levy, of Pittsburgh, whose untimely demise we very much deplore, was, in his theological point of view, of course, a man with whom this journal could have nothing in common. Brought up in a traditional atmosphere in England, he threw in his lot with the Reformers once he had reached these shores and became more and more radical in his Jewish outlook as he grew older. He was one of the greatest pulpit orators in the Reform synagogue, and this hortatory excellence of his made up for his shortcomings as scholar and theologian. He was, however, a distinguished pastor and social servant of his flock, and in these two fields he accomplished many things. It is a pity that a man of his undoubted gifts along the lines just indicated should have been prematurely carried off, for fifty-two years marks the span of this human life. The Pittsburgh Jewish community loses in him a veritable tower of strength, and the Reformers of this country suffer the loss of a trained and trusted councillor, who brought much that was important and original to their formal assemblies of all kinds. Rabbi Levy was, in the last thirty years of his life, an uncompromising foe of the ideals for which this journal stands, and his material success here seemed to confound those who, like ourselves, have always clung to the hallowed traditions of Israel. None the less we can now say, with deep regret: We mourn his loss!

THE PERMANENT AND THE PASSING.

"To cause the lamp to burn always."—(Lev. xxiv, 2.)

RELIGION is a search for the Permanent. The lamp of faith is quenchless. It burns always. It is not alight with a fitful flare which soon dies down. Faith is not a will-o'-the-wisp which lures only to deceive, nor a straw-fire of intense but brief and quite meaningless duration. It is a "perpetual light," a "*Ner-Tamid*"—eternal even as God is eternal.

Storms may rage in the world of thought—but what storm can quench a star? The slightest puff of wind may extinguish the lights kindled by human hands; but what blast of tumultuous tempest is strong enough to extinguish the celestial lights kindled by the Hand Divine? The Light of Faith is that load-star too high for storms. Intellectual and social upheavals threaten to snuff out this Perpetual Lamp: men say, Religion is done for, an outworn relic unfit for an "enlightened" age. Yet, Religion is still the one redeeming agency which cannot be moved in a world shaken and shocked to its foundations. Religion is still a World-Force, because it is a World-Fact. It is permanent because it seeks for the permanent.

The desire for Permanence is inborn in human nature and, therefore, the common heritage of all men. And this is because life is so changeful, haunted by the ghost of eternal restlessness. In proportion to our sense of heaving uncertainty is our desire for stability and poise. The winding course of our days impels us to a blind, blundering, nevertheless earnest, search after the Permanent in the midst of the Passing. It was this search which has led the race to the highest achievements in Science, Art, Literature.

So many clouds that shift and float; so many winds that veer and turn; so many waves that rise and fall; so many rivers that wind in and out; so many worlds that come and go; so many changing sights thrown upon the vast screen of experience! Yet a handful of scientists dared to sift these passing phenomena and pick out from among them the handful of permanent principles by which the universe is eternally ruled. So many flashes and gleams of beauty; so many colors and hues that play upon sea and sky; so many fair forms and shapes of grace wrought into the world-pattern; yet a handful of artists, endowed with illumined vision, knew how to perceive in this bewildering variety the permanent and un fading glimpses of the eternally beautiful. So many human passions and impulses; so many criss-crossing interests in the home, the state, the world; so much that is high and low curiously interwoven with the strands of the human soul; yet a handful of gifted writers knew how to select, out of this baffling record of human whimsicalities, the permanent principles that control the heart of mankind. Just a handful of everlasting truths, just a few glimpses of the beautiful, just a few hints of the good! All the flowers of our spring days, all the gleamings of our harvests, all the vintage of our autumns, are gathered up in these grains of the permanent which we have been able to winnow out of the straw and the chaff of the passing.

Climb as high as you will from the valley of the common life up the slope of the highest human endeavor, and you will find that what sends men upward and forward is this insistent, hungry quest of the Permanent in the midst of the Passing. But if you dare to climb until you reach the summit, you will find there the Supreme Principle of Permanence—God! There you will find the Lamp of Faith—like a far-gleaming beacon—irradiating the whole landscape. You will find that God is the only Perpetual Light in which all the lesser lights are gathered up. Far more than Science, Art and Literature, does Religion succeed in showing forth the Permanent in the midst of the Passing. Up on the Peak of Vision we see God, the Eternal Wisdom and Love, in every floating cloudlet, in every wayward sunbeam, and in every erring heart. He is the Rock of Ages, who changeth not, yet is present in every change. He is the quiet Heart at the centre of the raging Cyclone. The seeker after the highest will find in Him the highest truth, the highest beauty, the highest goodness; but even the humblest heart, that does not exercise itself in "things too high" for it, will find in Him rest and repose; confidence and comfort.

Without this thrilling Vision of God—in which man is seen as the human expression of God, and God as the divine expression of man—any religion is a meaningless mockery. Even the noblest effort at lifting up mankind, along purely humanitarian and materialistic lines, must prove dry, arid and ultimately wasteful, because it does not seek at the same time to lift the human heart Godward. And as for the individual life, what can become of it, in the midst of a rolling ocean of ceaseless change from cradle to coffin, without the sure anchorage of faith? What shall take the place of this anchor—our momentary pleasures and pastimes, our bustle and hustle? Shall God be disenthroned—and men pay homage to the twin-devils of Greed and Speed?

Our times bathed in blood, are crying out for God as no other age. This cry is still inarticulate: we have not yet learned how to express it in word and deed; we have not yet found the language which shall, in sweet simplicity and unwavering trust, express religious thought, even as Science and Art has found its medium of expression; much less have we learned how men and women may become imbued with the God-passion that this noblest of all human passions be raised into a molding force of their personal lives—we are still groping in the dark. But do we not already see in all this darkness the white glimmerings of the pure lamp of Faith? Standing before a world which is being remade by the Hand of God, before an humanity which is being chastened by a sense of the enormity of its bloodguiltiness—dare we assert that, in times such as these, there is, in both the individual and the collective life, a higher and more urgent need than God? Cast all vainglorious assertions aside and pray rather that the Light of God may even now shine forth more brilliantly than ever before. Yea, hang out the lamp of Faith above the wreck and ruin of worlds and civilizations. For though the earth be shaken, though nations be moved, and though kings totter to their fall, "*almighty in the heights is God.*"

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A SHORT HISTORY OF WASHINGTON HEIGHTS CONGREGATION

By EMANUEL HERTZ
Although the origin of this congregation is of comparatively recent date—a matter of about six years—the beginnings are even now shrouded in uncertainty. But all are agreed that the impetus which resulted in the purchase of the frame structure which, when renovated and changed from a dilapidated residence to a house of worship, was furnished by a former landlord of Jumel Hall, who ejected a minyan on Kol Nidre Night at about 8 o'clock and turned over the hall to a dancing class. The primitive Jewish Community, such as it was, required such a rude awakening before action became inevitable.

Herman Fine, Isidore Kottler, Louis Maryash and a few others undertook the work of organizing the first Orthodox congregation on Washington Heights. The influx of Jewish families by way of Harlem, from Yorkville and from the great East Side, brought a new generation of young men in its train. Nathan Brody, Abraham Rosenstein, Abraham M. Turkeltaub, Arthur M. Lampport, Louis Cashman and others came upon the scene, and when at a meeting during Chal Hamoad Succoth of 1912 in the old Synagogue, Nathan Brody, the second president, broached the project of building a new house of worship—subscriptions amounting to over \$12,000 were offered before the close of the meeting. Nathan Brody, Abraham M. Turkeltaub, Emanuel Hertz, Arthur M. Lampport addressed the meeting, which in concluding its labors appointed a Ways and Means Committee to which was entrusted the task of selecting a site and erecting a new building. The personnel of the committee appointed was as follows: Abraham M. Turkeltaub, chairman; Arthur M. Lampport, treasurer; and Abraham Rosenstein, secretary; the remaining members were Nathan Brody, Louis Cashman, Charles Cohen, Barnett Feinberg, Jacob Sellig Harris, Emanuel Hertz, Isidore Kottler, Morris W. Levine, Irving L. Lichtenstein and Ely Rosenberg.

It was no ordinary task that confronted the committee. The first rabbi acting had just severed his relations with the congregation and consequently the religious school, such as it was, was completely disorganized. For the holidays in the fall of that year the congregation invited Moses Rosenthal, then a student in the senior class of the Jewish Theological Seminary, who took charge of the religious school and delivered a sermon once or twice a month. In the meantime the old Shaari Zedek Congregation, which in its day was one of the leading congregations in this city, through some of its members inaugurated negotiations looking to a fusion of resources and an amalgamation of membership. After weary months of negotiations with the few remaining members of that congregation and countless committee conferences and interminable talk and correspondence, the plan failed, much to the relief of the new group of men who had in the meantime arrived on Washington Heights. With the assistance of such men as Irving L. Lichtenstein, E. M. Bonav, Solomon, Jerome, Moses and Sidney Konheim, S. M. Pye, Hyman Jacoby, Arthur Kreger, Marcus J. Federman, and others, the work of procuring the irreducible minimum of funds with which a building operation could be undertaken was collected by sub-committees and their friends, most enthusiastically assisted by the women of the congregation; so that on the 16th day of June, 1914, (5674) work was begun for the erection of the present synagogue and the first services were held on September 21, 1914—Rosh Hashonah—of the same year. The building was completed and dedicated on the 26th day of September, 1915 (5676).

The dedication exercises were in many respects memorable. The building was turned over to the congregation by Abraham M. Turkeltaub, on behalf of the Ways and Means Committee, after every dollar of indebtedness had been paid and discharged by that committee. Rabbi Elias Solomon delivered the opening prayer. Borough President Marcus M. Marks spoke on behalf of the city. Dr. Solomon Schechter spoke on behalf

of the institutions which he represented. The Rev. Dr. Moses Hyamson spoke on behalf of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations and Rev. Hirsch Maslansky on behalf of Jewry in general. Rabbi Moses Rosenthal preached in conclusion and closed the first portion of the exercises. In the evening a repast was had in the vestry rooms and the evening exercises were concluded by a Siyum Sefer and an address by Rev. Dr. Bernard Brachman. The Ladies' Organization donated an aristocratic and costly Chuppa. At a subsequent Sunday Mrs. Caelie Rosett and her family as well as her brother, Mr. Joachim Philipstein, donated a rare set of silver, together with a Sefer Torah, as well as the two candelabra and clock which now decorate the synagogue.

The congregation have made it an annual practice since the outbreak of the war to collect donations for the war sufferers. Two years ago \$3,000 was collected and last year \$5,000 was collected—most of which was distributed through the proper authorities to the war-stricken Jewish communities.

During the winter of 1915-1916 a series of Friday evening lectures were inaugurated, which did not seem to find much favor—although such prominent speakers as Mr. Justice Brandeis, Mr. Borough President Marks, Dr. Drachman, Dr. Margolis and others were invited. It seems to be the overwhelming opinion that no innovations to the Orthodox ritual for the purpose of easing or making more convenient the services should be made. With the exception of the five holidays during the year no donations at the services are permitted—so that aside from a small charge for weddings and bar mitzvahs made for the rabbi and sexton, here is a self-supporting and self-paying Orthodox congregation, untaxed, unencumbered, out of debt for the first time perhaps on this continent.

The present board of officers and trustees are Emanuel Hertz, president; Solomon Littenberg, vice-president; Hyman Jacoby, treasurer; Jerome Konheim, Secretary; Nathan Brody, Louis Cashman, Jacob Klein, Irving L. Lichtenstein, Abraham L. Turkeltaub, Philip Maslansky, constituting the board of trustees; rabbi, Rev. Moses Rosenthal; cantor, Rev. Samuel Kantor; sexton, Rev. Nathan D. Miller.

From the very first year the students of the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Fort Washington Avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-third Street, both boys and girls, numbering about 100, have had religious services in the synagogue every Sunday between 8 and 10 A. M. Prayers and a sermon in their sign language have been the principal features of that inspiring service. Their teachers and minister have full charge of the assembly.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Society as re-organized meets in the synagogue from time to time and either addresses or readings by prominent men and women are provided at each meeting. The practical work of this society consists of assisting the poor and setting them up in business in order to remove them as constant applicants for charity.

The Rohms Circle and Alumnae Association, consisting of graduates and Bar Mitzvah boys, are two new organizations which in time will do excellent work in conjunction with the new Junior Congregation, which meets and conducts services every Sabbath afternoon.

Memorial and Festive Trees at the National Farm School.

Attention is called at this time to the annual tree planting which is now going on at the National Farm School in preparation for the annual consecration exercises to be held on the grounds of the school on Sunday, June 3, when trees will be consecrated to the memory of departed dear ones or dedicated in honor of various joyous events in the lives of friends of the school.

There is surely no custom more fraught with poetic sentiment than that of planting a tree to perpetuate a memory or to commemorate an event. And this practice, which has within recent years been established at the National Farm School, is a revival of an ancient and hallowed Jewish custom. It is becoming more popular among people throughout the country every year, and is attested by the number of trees which have already been bespoken at the school this year. With the suitably inscribed tablet to mark the tree and the name of him or her for whom it has been planted will be identified with the work of the National Farm School for all time.

Requests for trees have been received, as follows: Sam Blumenthal, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Joseph Hirsch, Max Kutz and Julius Regenstein, Atlanta, Ga.; David J. Morrison, Solomon J. Morrison, Albert Reich and Max A. Reich, Savannah, Ga.; Colonel Isadore Eisenstaedt, I. Ginsberg, Millie Jacobs, Woolf Jacobs, Isaac L. Marks, Herman J. Millhauser and Jacob Mishkutz, Chicago, Ill.; Matilde Leopold, New Orleans, La.; Marx Wineland, Frostburg, Md.; Deborah Van Noorden and William Van Noorden, Boston, Mass.; Joseph Ruwitsch, Norway, Mich.; Aaron Kaufman, Detroit, Mich.; Henry Frank, Natchez, Miss.; Nathan Neu and Phoebe B. Sugarman, Newark, N. J.; Elise Nordhaus and Jacob Nordhaus, Albuquerque, N. M.; Joseph Steefel, Albany, N. Y.; Edwin N. Meyers, Buffalo, N. Y.; Morris Levy, Far Rockaway, N. Y.; Esther Armstrong, Jeanette Armstrong, Jennie Benedict, Babette Hanauer, Hermine Levi, Arthur J. Mandel and Leopold J. Mandel, New York city, N. Y.; Birdie Cohn and Phillip Cohn, New Bern, N. C.; Max Stern, Fargo, N. D.; Hyman Cohen, Canton, Ohio; Isaac Frankenberg, Babette Freberg Klein, M. H. Marx, Meyer S. Rosenthal and Isaac A. Weil, Cincinnati, Ohio; Tillie Freidman, Celia Grossman and Max Kofinsky, Cleveland, Ohio; Dorothy Ottenheimer, Portland, Ore.; Edward M.

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Festive Trees.—Aaron B. Barmach, Philadelphia, Pa., thirteenth birthday; David Joseph Benjamin, Kansas City, Mo.; birth; Edna H. Berkowitz, Philadelphia, Pa., betrothal; Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bloehm, Philadelphia, Pa., twenty-fifth anniversary of wedding; Benjamin Blumberg and Fanny Louise Burghelm, Terre Haute, Ind., wedding; Israel J. Brodsky, Philadelphia, graduation; Helen Dilsheimer, Philadelphia, confirmation; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fleisher, Philadelphia, golden wedding; Rabbi Sobom Foster, Newark, N. J., fifteenth anniversary of incumbency of pulpit; Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Frank, Philadelphia, twenty-fifth anniversary wedding; Elizabeth Greenfield, Philadelphia, birth; Captain and Mrs. J. B. Greenhut, New York city, golden wedding; Rev. A. Cross, Philadelphia, twenty-fifth anniversary of connection with congregation Adath Jeshurun; Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Heller, Philadelphia, tenth anniversary of wedding; Gustave Julien Isenberg, Philadelphia, birth; Louis Meyerhoff Isenberg, Philadelphia, birth; Frank Alfred Jacobs, Philadelphia, birth; Dene P. Katzenberg, Philadelphia, birth; Jacob William Kaufman, Pittsburgh, Pa., birth; Raymond and Minnie Kaufman, Pittsburgh, third anniversary of marriage; Keneseth Israel Sisterhood, Philadelphia, fifth anniversary of founding; Keneseth Israel Temple Religious School, Allentown, Pa., first year's existence, 1915-16; Allen Klein, South Orange, N. J., birth; Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Krauskopf, Philadelphia, twentieth anniversary of marriage; Rose Eleanor Krauskopf, Philadelphia, birth; Samuel Harold Levinger, Paducah, Ky., birth; Louis Edward Levy, Philadelphia, seventieth birthday; Dora Rosenau and Samuel Jacobs, Philadelphia, wedding; Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Schwarzchild, Philadelphia, twenty-fifth anniversary of marriage; David Strauss, Philadelphia, seventieth birthday; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney A. Teller, Pittsburgh, Pa., marriage; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Tickner, Philadelphia, marriage; Mr. and Mrs. Max Wineland, Philadelphia, twenty-fifth anniversary of marriage.

There is no specific charge made for the planting and inscribing of trees at the Farm School. Any sum received is acceptable, and is used for the maintenance of the school, which accepts poor boys from all parts of the country and gives them a three years' training in practical and scientific agriculture, free of all costs to them. Sums ranging from \$5 to \$100 have been received for this purpose in the past.

Arrangements for planting trees at the school may be made by addressing Dr. Joseph Krauskopf at the office of the school, 407 Mutual Life Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

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The University of the Cape of Good Hope recently announced Abraham Kretzmer as the winner of the Hebrew Bursary prize, which was for the first time open to competition at the last matriculation (college admission) examinations. Young Kretzmer is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Kretzmer, of Johannesburg. He is vice-president of the Young Israel Society, and is otherwise keenly interested in Jewish and Zionist work.

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LEO D. GREENFIELD

shop. Or picture the same lad leaving school at 3 p. m., running along at top speed to Park Row, a mile distant, buying a load of newspapers, a load which almost doubles him up, then running swiftly back so as to sell his "Extras!" before the other "newsies." Scenes like these are not unusual in this great metropolis. Few, however, have either the time or inclination to observe them. The majority of people see these things with their physical eye only and it means nothing to them. And yet it is from this seemingly unfortunate group of children that some of our finest and most benevolent citizens spring up. How many of these poor lads succumb to these adverse conditions no one knows, but those who survive the struggle generally mount way and above their fellow men more fortunately born. Mr. Leo D. Greenfield is the lad portrayed in the picture. He is probably one of the few who has survived, but he is an illustrious example of what one can achieve when one has grit, perseverance, self-reliance and energy.



The parents of Leo D., Max and Rose Greenfield came to these shores in 1879, when the boy was but 3 years of age, having been born at Palotz, Hungary, on March 16, 1876. The elder Mr. Greenfield is a man of erudition, refinement and culture. In Palotz he filled a quite prominent position, acting as private secretary to the District Attorney of the city, but his brothers, who had preceded him to America, lured him to come hither.

Contrary to expectations the affairs of the elder Mr. Greenfield were far from satisfactory, and it fell upon the shoulders of Leo, who was the oldest of the children, to bear partly the burden of supporting the family. Naturally, the strain and stress of conditions at home greatly interfered with Leo's education. He attended school on and off, peddling with shoe polish, selling newspapers, helping his father in the factory, and working at odds and ends in the interim. Young as he was he already manifested his business abilities. One day he went through the house in which he lived from top to bottom, visiting every tenant, in order to ascertain what particular newspaper each read. Next day he supplied each tenant with a free copy, and so he gradually obtained a clientele of 300 families whom he supplied with newspapers. During the day of the Sullivan-Kilraine prizefight he sold, with the assistance of three other boys, \$70 worth of newspapers. The newsboys held Leo in high esteem, for he was a very swift runner and always managed to get ahead of them selling his "Extras!" He was nicknamed "Monk the Newsboy."

When conditions at home improved a little, Leo sold out his newspaper accounts to newsdealers and entered the Hebrew Technical School. Here he remained for two years, studying surveying and architectural drawing. He was a model student and an excellent craftsman. His handiwork was exhibited on several occasions. At this time, however, he joined his father, who was a clothing contractor, and young Greenfield once more abandoned his studies and entered his father's factory. After two years his father took sick, the business was given up and Leo was again confronted with the problem of making a living.

At this stage Leo D. Greenfield was only fifteen years of age, but the vicissitudes he had already passed through were enough to fill the career of a man of forty. Still he remained undaunted. Reverses only made him work harder, for young as he was he realized that to give up the fight would spell ruin. So from his father's factory he applied for a job in a cloak house. His worth was immediately appreciated by his bosses and he was promoted to foreman, having 60 employes under his supervision. This position, however, far from satisfied young Greenfield. He had the fame but not the game. He thereupon asked his employers for an increase in salary; this being refused him he sat down as an operator and earned as high as \$90 a week, with an assistant. Later he became a salesman and was as successful in this line as in everything else he took to.

Success, however, did not come to him by leaning back in his chair with his feet on his desk, smoking a good cigar. When called upon he made himself useful in every other capacity. If necessary, he sat down at the machine and showed others how to make a garment, or did the shipping or any of the thousand and one other things that come up. Little wonder that he has made such a wonderful success.

In 1905, owing to a misunderstanding with his employers, Mr. Greenfield gave up his position as salesman and embarked in business, first with a partner and a year later for himself. Today the name of Leo D. Greenfield is known from coast to coast. His firm is the clearing house for 125 manufacturers of everything in the ready-to-wear, and he practically sells to jobbers exclusively in every city in the Union. The business he did during 1916 ran up high in seven figures. His success is a personal triumph.

Mr. Greenfield is under the impression that the reason of his success is due to the fact that he has been making the merchandise the trade is interested in. No one can dispute that. But there is even a better reason for his success. It is Greenfield, the man, that has made the success, and not Greenfield, the business man. It is Mr. Greenfield's magnetic personality, his integrity, his straightforwardness, his dislike for show, his simplicity, the sterling qualities of his character that have attracted to him hosts and hosts of men from every nook and corner of the Great States. During the 26 years he has been in

business for himself Mr. Greenfield has not lost one account. This statement is a big one, but it is as true as it is big.

The interest in Mr. Greenfield's life does not cease with his business career. His life outside of business hours is even richer, finer, nobler, more inspiring. There are few men in this great city of ours who are more liberally disposed than he is. To characterize the man best would be to say he is a man of heart; that's all. Kindness is a Heavenly attribute, and he has undoubtedly been endowed with more than his share of it. Those who know him talk of him as a prince. His great pleasure in life is to do good. He has dedicated his life to make his less fortunate brethren happier. And he does not do all this for reward in either this world or the world to come. He cares little for the praise or honor which is showered upon him; he does what he does because it makes others happy, and, therefore, him also. "The greatest pleasure in the world is to give." That is exactly Mr. Greenfield's attitude.

To do big things in life, to make great sacrifices is oftentimes comparatively easier than to do the little things. For along with great sacrifices comes the glamor of fame, while the little things one does do not create a sensation. Mr. Greenfield has done innumerable little deeds that are only recorded in the hearts of those he befriended. As a son, no parents could wish for a dearer one; as a brother, no kin could ask for a better one, and as a friend, no man could hope for a truer one. Just one little deed to characterize him. Mr. Greenfield is a heavy smoker, still from sunset Friday to sunset Saturday he does not touch a cigar, simply because he has promised his parents, who are pious, not to do so. It is, perhaps, a little thing, but it takes a big man to do it.

Mr. Greenfield's charitable activities do not end with his contributions. He takes a personal interest in many institutions and gives to them his valuable time. He is president and director of the Zion Hospital, director of the National Orphan Asylum, and clothes all the children of the institution; director of Bath Beach H. F. L. A. and Y. M. H. A., member of New York and Brooklyn Federation, Beth Israel Hospital, Home for the Aged, Hebrew Technical School, Hebrew Sheltering, Mount Sinai Hospital, Jewish Tuberculosis, Hebrew Sheltering and Guardian Society, Hebrew Technical School for Girls, Home of the Hebrew Infants, Montefiore Homes and Hospital, Y. W. H. A., Hebrew Kindergarten and Day Nursery, Israel Orphan House, Hebrew Charities of Jerusalem, Merchants' Association, Institute of Arts and Sciences of Brooklyn, Hebrew Day Nursery, Hebrew Orphan Asylum and practically every other institution in the Greater City. He gives a day of support to Daughters of Jacob each year. He is on the Building Committee of the Congregation Sons of Benevolent Society, Golet Lodge, 918, F. A. M.; a life member of Brooklyn Lodge Elks 22, life member Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, a 32d-degree Mason, life member of Kismet Temple of Mystic Shrine and treasurer Bay Side Hungarian Society.

In December, 1905, Mr. Greenfield married Juliette Loeb, daughter of Felix and Estelle Loeb. Mrs. Greenfield was born at 13 Broadway. Her parents emigrated from Alsace. The Greenfields have two children, Alvin S., aged 8, and Florence, aged 4. In Bath Beach the community in which Mr. Greenfield has made his home the last twenty years, he is practically known by every man, woman and child.

Mr. Greenfield is a man of simple habits and tastes. He does not pretend to be what he is not. To be his friend all one must needs be is an honest man. Whether a man is poor or rich matters not. If the world were peopled with many more like him Utopia would be at hand.

Mr. Abraham Weinstein had much to say during the interview the writer had with him. He told many interesting experiences of his ascent on the ladder of success. At the conclusion of the interview the writer asked him what is most essential in order to succeed in life, and he answered, "Honesty and hard work." He then perused writer's remarks about himself and declared that these four words express everything. The career of Mr. Weinstein, the life of his children, his business methods, all, everything, are embodied in the few words, "Honesty and hard work." And this explains his remarkable success.

Mr. Abraham Weinstein, of the firm of Weinstein & Klipstein, 110 West Twenty-third street, is one of the few big cloak manufacturers in the United States. The whole of the Weinstein family has attained prominence in the manufacture of ladies' coats. This firm by itself does a business of \$3,500,000 a year. It occupies 50,000 square feet and employs 500 people.

The writer had the opportunity of going through Mr. Weinstein's place of business and he found it a wonder of wonders in the manufacturing line. On the lower floor there is put aside a million dollars' worth of raw material. The shop which is full of light air, has all modern improvements, even an emergency hospital. The firm consists of Mr. Weinstein, his son-in-law, Mr. Klipstein, his older son, Louis, and the younger one, Irving.

Mr. Abraham Weinstein was born on the tenth of "Toveth," 1865, at Puchowitz, Province of Minsk, Russia, as the son of Isaac and Bela Weinstein. His father was a renowned "lamdan" and chosid. To America Mr. Weinstein came in 1895. In the old country he was a successful and respectable business man engaged in forestry. A stupendous enterprise, however, led him to leave his native land. He had built a mill with all modern appliances, but his competitors were envious of him, so they burnt the mill and Mr. Weinstein, totally ruined, set out to seek his fortune in the new land.

Here he set to work with all the diligence and honesty that he could summon to his command. He started as a presser at cloaks and worked at it for nine years. At home he was indebted \$50 to his grocer and butcher and his first aim was to send back what he owed. After a couple of years he brought over his family and supported them while working as a presser. But, despite stressful times, he managed to save a little and finally started the manufacturing of coats with a capital of \$3,000. The first year he did business to the amount of \$22,000, and in so short a time he worked up a tremendous business, a business that is a monument to Mr. Weinstein's ability and sagacity.

Added to his "honesty and hard work" Mr. Weinstein had the good fortune of being the parent of children who hold him in high

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The oldest son, Louis, is a very intelligent young man and when one converses with him one cannot imagine that he has attained his intelligence, not through books, but in the school of practical life. He has not even received a public school education. He attended school for one year only, then entered his father's business. He is now engineering the big business. The younger son, Irving, graduated from public school and then he, too, joined his father in business. On June 24, 1917, he will marry Miss Eugenie Duke. He is a very refined and sympathetic young man and is given over heart and soul to his father.

The employees of the firm Weinstein & Klipstein are accorded unusual treatment and they are devoted to their employers.

Mr. Weinstein is an orthodox Jew and brought up his children in strict accordance with Jewish traditions. The older son, Louis, is a graduate of the Hebrew School of the Educational Alliance.

During all these years Mr. Weinstein was too busy to give up his time to community work. He is only a member of the Pochowitz Congregation, but he stands by every Jewish charity and helps every good undertaking. His name in the community is well known. In the business world his standing is high. There is no limit to his credit.

Mr. and Mrs. Weinstein, who before marriage was Meta Shulman, have brought up seven children of whom they have every reason to be proud. The older daughter, Anna, is married to B. S. Miller, Ida is married to Mr. Klipstein, who is the junior member of the firm. The three younger daughters, Mannie, Eva and Esther are unmarried. Esther is a pupil of the Washington Irving High School.

Mr. Weinstein has not alone attained riches, but the recognition of his fellow man. His reputation is unblemished, and is devoutly to be wished by all who seek to lead an honest, upright life.

Very few Jewish young men have, through their own efforts, earned for themselves the enviable reputation in the business world that Mr. Louis Davis, of the firm of A. Davis & Son, enjoys. During the last twenty years his progress in the cloak and suit industry has been a steady one, and through timely real-estate investments he has established himself permanently on the high road of success. There is no doubt that during the next few years Mr. Davis will be an important factor in the commercial life of the city.

Louis Davis was born and bred in New York city. He is the son of Abraham and Mary Davis, who came to this country from Kopscha, Russia, forty-seven years ago. Although the older Mr. Davis has been in this country almost half a century, he adheres strictly to the orthodox faith and is a strict observer of the Sabbath. Mr. Louis Davis attended Public School No. 75, Manhattan, and after graduation was admitted to the College of the City of New York. When he left college he entered into business with his father, with whom he remained throughout his business career.

However, it is not for his business acumen alone that Mr. Davis is to be commended, but rather for his personal traits. His matter-of-fact bearing and quiet reserve is the dominant feature of his personality. It is undoubtedly this natural unostentatious manner that inspires all the confidence that his friends and business associates have for him. During the last ten years Mr. Davis has been prominently connected with Masonry. He is past master of the Maimonides Lodge, and holds a high degree in the order.

Next month Mr. Davis will be married to Miss Sophie Brenner, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. Levi Brenner, who is a prominent figure in the Bronx.

Fair dealing and plain dealing Mr. Davis thinks is the keynote of a man's business success. Economy is worth practicing at the beginning, but as a system, Mr. Davis has little faith in it. "Don't undertake too much, but grow slowly and persistently," is Mr. Davis' advice to young men who hope to make their way in the business world.

Communal workers may be roughly divided into two classes; those whose names are household words, who do their work in the full glare of publicity, and those who quietly and modestly render whole-hearted, disinterested service. Mr. John L. Bernstein belongs to the second group. He is not as well known to American Jewry as other communal workers; yet, there are hundreds of Jews throughout the country who owe him a debt they can never repay.

John L. Bernstein was born May 10, 1872, in Niesen, Russia. His parents were Leb Ber and Dinah Bernstein. He came to America in 1890, and his first experiences were similar to those of all Jewish immigrants who come to America penniless. Starting as a brusher in a hat factory at \$3 a week, he did not long remain a manual laborer. Having saved a little money, we find him at the age of 20 opening a news store at 145 Park avenue, Brooklyn. He sold newspapers during the day and attended Pratt's Institute at night, making himself an efficient stenographer. In that capacity he entered the office of Holcomb, Martin & Weil, attorneys, and while in their employ, studied law at the Law School of the University of New York and was admitted to the bar in 1899.

The service upon which Mr. Bernstein particularly and justly prides himself is that which he has rendered to countless immigrant Jews. Mr. Bernstein has been the secretary of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society for the last fifteen years. No man could have filled that office with greater zeal and devotion. During the long period of his incumbency he has appealed hundreds of cases of immigrant Jews threatened with deportation. Fully 80 per cent. of his appeals were sustained by the Department of State at Washington. He has also taken up innumerable cases of habeas corpus proceedings in which he has been uniformly successful. No one save he

who has been through the experience can picture the soul agony of the man who, fleeing from dire persecution, comes to what he fondly believes a haven of refuge, only to find the door of promise shut in his face. To such a man deportation spells ruin, to which even death is to be preferred. And it is from such a living death that John L. Bernstein has saved legions of his co-religionists. It was a hard task, imposing upon him great burdens, without any fanfare of applause, but in the discharge of a noble service, his simple loyal nature found its reward.

Mr. Bernstein is a trustee of Temple Tiferes Israel of Kensington, and from the first day of his affiliation with that temple he fought valiantly for the establishment of a religious school. And when a school was finally organized, it was inevitable that he should be placed at its head. Under his leadership it has grown and prospered until today it is one of the best equipped religious schools in greater New York. Mr. Bernstein is wholeheartedly devoted to the cause of Jewish nationalism and beside being a member of the Executive Committee of the Order Sons of Zion is also the chairman of its Organization Committee. He is a liberal supporter of every charitable organization in the community.

On December 14, 1905, Mr. Bernstein was married to Miss Celene J. Shaikewich, and they are the parents of two children, Mortimer Edward, age 10, and Florence Estner, age 9. Mr. Bernstein is an ardent Zionist and active member of the Order Sons of Zion.

When a man over fifty can look back upon his past life and feel proud of the obstacles and difficulties that he has overcome, and can at last feel secure against the ravages of Dame Fortune, he is reaping a large part of the joy that life can bring forth. When, in addition to this, a man has reared a large family, every member of which is well provided for and established independently, then, indeed, life is a blessing. This is the blissful state that Mr. Samuel Miller, of the firm of S. Miller & Sons, finds himself in at present.

Samuel Miller was born May 16, 1862, in Rodamishel, Galicia. He is the son of Abraham and Cheva Miller. From both his father's and his mother's side he is descended from a family of well-known and respected Talmudists and rabbis. Until his twentieth year Mr. Miller devoted his time to the study of the Bible and the Talmud. His experience with practical life was practically nil. In his twenty-third year he landed on these shores penniless and friendless. But within his heart stirred the great hope that through hard work and persistent effort he could earn enough to bring his wife and little children to live with him. This hope urged him to endless sacrifice. At first he peddled for a while, but he could earn very little this way. He learned the tailoring trade, and with his hardest efforts he could earn but three to four dollars per week. After a year had passed he was earning \$9 per week, the largest sum he ever earned in a factory. But with this amount he accomplished much. He supported himself and also managed to save enough money to send for his family in Europe. When his wife and children arrived they were in direst poverty. One dingy little room, at \$4 per month, served as their parlor, living room and bedroom. Mr. Miller soon realized that by working for others he could never make great progress, and so he began to do a little contracting at home. With the aid of his wife he managed to make ends meet, and at the same time they succeeded in putting a little aside. After six or seven years they accumulated about \$300, and with this limited capital Mr. Miller went into partnership with a friend that was also engaged in the tailoring trade. Their business proved a success from the start. Within four years they had cleared a little fortune, and with that as a new foundation they built up a business on a large scale. However, as the years went by and his children were growing to manhood, Mr. Miller dissolved the partnership with his former associate and established himself with his sons. Today the firm of S. Miller & Sons is recognized among the leaders of the cloak and suit industry in the city.

Mr. Miller is a quiet, unassuming individual, intelligent and well versed in Hebrew and Talmud. During all his life Mr. Miller has shown an unusual love for his children. He has given each one of his older sons a share in his business, and has always done everything in his power to make them valuable citizens of the community. In 1883 Mr. Miller was married to Miss Dora Keil, and they are the parents of eight sons and daughters, Anna (Mrs. Abraham M. Stern), Abraham, Isidore, Max, Gussie (Mrs. Louis Hirschberg), William, Sadie (Mrs. H. Mendelowitz) and Blanche, who attends high school.

Among the older Jewish immigrants who have sacrificed much to help transplant the Jewish traditions to the American soil, Mr. Abraham Gitter, owner of the Gitter Millinery, at 303 Grand street, stands out pre-eminently. The writer, who interviewed Mr. Gitter for the purpose of recording his life's story in the book, History of American Jews, who deserve their names perpetuated, spent with him an interesting half hour discussing various phases of Judaism in general and American Jews in particular. Mr. Gitter has decided views on these various questions and has expressed several opinions. He does not belong to the group of people that can boast only of material success. His accomplishments are by far of greater importance.

He is vice-president and director of the Rabbi Joseph Rabbinical School, for which he gives up a good deal of his time and energy, being, as an orthodox Jew, particularly concerned in the bringing up of the young generation. However, he has not given his material support to this institution exclusively. He is a member of the Tiphereth Jerusalem of the South Fifth Street Congregation, Rabbi Isaac Rabbinical School, Down-Town Talmud Torah, Beth Israel Hospital and of almost every other Jewish institution he deems important.

Mr. Abraham Gitter was born on the 27th day of Sevon, 1867, at Yonisk, Province of Kovno, Russia, as the son of Nechamia and Basho Gitter. His father, who was the owner of a brewery, was a very learned man. He died when Abraham was ten years old.

In 1891 Mr. Gitter came to America. As is usually the case, he suffered a good many hardships before he made his way. On his ar-

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SARAH PURSCH, Administratrix, et al. EMANUEL JACOBUS, Attorney for Administratrix, et al. 74 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

HOFFMAN, EMILIE.—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 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. Dated, New York, the 8th day of January, 1917.

ALONZO L. TUSKA, SAMUEL E. A. STERN, HERBERT G. EINSTEIN, Executors. STERN, BARR & TYLER, Attorneys for Executors, 299 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

BLUMENTHAL, ROSA.—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 Rosa Blumenthal, 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 R. H. Switzer, their attorney, and their place of transacting business, No. 52-53 Park Row, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of June, next.

Dated, New York, the 24th day of November, 1916. **DANIEL ROSENTHAL, ELLI BLUMENTHAL,** Executors. R. H. SWITZER, Attorney for Executors, Nos. 52-53 Park Row, New York City.

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He had no other choice than to peddle. Being, however, ashamed to ply his trade in New York city, where he had so many landsleute and acquaintances, he went to Pennsylvania. There he encountered reverses. The first few dollars he saved by peddling he bought a tract of land for cultivation. Luck was against him; he lost all he had saved and he resumed peddling. Again he saved a few dollars, again he bought a farm and shared his first fate. Finally, after two and one-half years, he returned to New York and began to work for a "landsman," who was in the millinery line. A long time afterward he started the manufacture of a certain hat-band, and other millinery articles, which netted him quite a profitable income. He subsequently ventured into the millinery trade and made a success of it.

In 1883, while still in Russia, Mr. Gitter married Miss Minna Minin. They are parents of four daughters and two sons. One of his daughters, Hannah, is married to David Fine; another, Bertha, is married to Dr. Louis Jacob, a well-known dentist; a third, Rose, will shortly be married to George Greenwald, of Mount Vernon, N. Y.

There is a legend of an ancient king who, whenever fortune smiled upon him, became a prey to fear lest his good fortune should arouse the jealousy of the gods. There is a profound philosophy in this point of view, and its modern version was rendered very pithily by Mr. Harry Miller—"In times of prosperity prepare for adversity."

Mr. Harry Miller was born July 1, 1881, in Telsz, Russia. His parents were Jacob and Bessie Miller. He received the usual cheder education up to his Bar Mitzvah, and at the age of 14 opened a flour mill with a capital of 50 rubles. His early business venture did not prosper and he decided to try his fortune in America, where he settled in 1898. During the first three days after his arrival he was by turns an operator in the cloak industry and a cutter in the same line. On the third day he secured a position in a trimming establishment at \$3 a week. At the end of two months the young boy demanded a raise, and when refused promptly looked about for another position, which he found the same day at double the wages he previously received. After working in his new place for four months, he impressed his employers so favorably that he was given an opportunity to prove his mettle as salesman, and immediately made good. This gave him a chance to save a little money, and with the first \$200 in his possession he started his present line of business, that of selling cotton goods. At the end of his first business year, because of successive failures, he found that he had practically nothing left. With pain in his heart, but a smile on his face, he began again, and yet once more until his boundless energy and sound business acumen yielded a rich harvest. "My philosophy of life," Mr. Miller said to his interviewer, "is never to be dismayed in times of adversity, nor to be unduly dazed when the sun of prosperity shines upon a man; To this I attribute whatever success I may have achieved."

Mr. Miller believes that it is the duty of every business man to take an active interest in the charitable and religious organizations of the community. He is a member of Temple Emanuel of Borough Park, the Jewish Maternity Hospital and the Mount Sinai Hospital. Mr. Miller also values highly the work of the Talmud Torah in fostering Jewish ideals and traditions in the rising generation; and he contributes liberally to a number of Talmud Torahs.

Mr. Miller has a most lovable and genial personality, and boasts of a number of friends who esteem him not merely as a successful man of affairs, but as a man of fine and sterling manhood.

On January 29, 1902, Mr. Miller was married to Miss Sarah Tanenbaum, and they are the parents of one child, Samuel, aged 13.

Institutional Synagogue Expanding to Washington Heights.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, who is to conduct the future religious activities of the association. He will deliver his first address on Friday evening, May 11, 1917, to which the entire community of Washington Heights is invited. He is planning to inaugurate an entire course in the study of Judaism; religious, ethical and historical. There certainly never has been a greater opportunity for the promotion of Jewish ideals and ideas as is afforded by this institution under the guidance of Dr. Goldstein.

Bronx Mass Meeting for Palestine Medical Unit.

On Saturday evening, May 12, 1917, the Hadassah Bronx Group, co-operating with the Tiphereth Zion, the only senior English speaking young men's Zionist organization in Bronx County, will hold a monster mass meeting in the Morris High School auditorium, 166th street and Boston road, in the interest of the Palestinian Medical Unit. The two organizations have obtained the following prominent Zionist speakers to address the huge gathering: Dr. Schmarya Levine, Miss Henrietta Szold and Mr. A. H. Fromenson. Over two thousand invitations have been sent to the members of Jewish congregations, Talmud Torah associations and charitable institutions, throughout the Bronx, and the committee in charge has spared neither time nor effort to insure the successful culmination of this mass meeting. The Mass Meeting Arrangement Committee appeals to all loyal Bronx Jews and Jewesses to attend this monster Zionist rally and listen to the problems that confront our brethren in the Holy Land.

Young Men's Hebrew Association of Washington Heights.

The first religious exercises of the Young Men's Hebrew Association of Washington Heights were held in the large hall in Commonwealth Hall on Friday evening, May 4, 1917. The Rev. Samuel Kantor, of Washington Heights Congregation, conducted the services, and Mr. Emanuel Hertz, the president of Washington Heights Congregation, delivered the first lecture, taking as a subject "According to an ancient rabbinic interpretation, Joshua had the Torah engraved upon the stones of the altar (Joshua, viii. 32) not in the original Hebrew alone, but in all the languages of mankind, which were held to be seventy, in order that all men might become acquainted with the words of the Scriptures." The association has been very fortunate in obtaining the invaluable assistance of Rev. Dr. Herbert S. Goldstein, who is to conduct the future religious activities of the association. He will deliver his first address on Friday evening, May 11, 1917, to which the entire community of Washington Heights is invited. He is planning to inaugurate an entire course in the study of Judaism; religious, ethical and historical. There certainly never has been a greater opportunity for the promotion of Jewish ideals and ideas as is afforded by this institution under the guidance of Dr. Goldstein.

Women's Proclamation Committee.

The Women's Proclamation Society, the national women's organization for Jewish war relief, 203 Broadway, of which Mrs. Samuel Elkes is president, was represented at the forty-third convention of the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs, which met at the Hotel Astor last Friday, May 4. The delegates and alternates appointed were Mrs. Alfred Blumenthal, Mrs. Julius J. Dukas, Mrs. Albert Lucas, Mrs. Walter H. Stiner and Mrs. Samuel R. Travis.

The Women's Proclamation Society announces that contributions received in April amounted to \$2,155.05. The month of May was begun with the receipt of \$9.37, which represents the savings of two children who had each taken a bank two months ago. A few days earlier another little girl had turned in \$1.54, mostly in pennies. The society has already distributed several hundred of these banks in New York city and among several branches.

Palestine Jews Face Massacre.

News that the Jews of Palestine are to be massacred by the Turks now facing defeat by Gen. Murray's British army has been received in London. The Jewish Chronicle says:

"Not alone hunger and disease have preyed upon the Jews in Palestine, so that thousands are starving, with no possibility of obtaining food, but the Turkish Government appears to have entered into a course of calculated and brutal ruthlessness against our people. The Turkish Governor, Djemal Pasha, has proclaimed the intention of the authorities to wipe out mercilessly the Jewish population of Palestine. He has made the public statement that the Armenian policy of massacre is to be applied to the Jews."

Young Men's Hebrew Association.

On Sunday evening, May 6, the Wolbarst Oratorical Contest was held in the Young Men's Hebrew Association, Ninety-second street and Lexington avenue. Six literary clubs of the association were represented and a very interesting meeting was the result.

Dr. Wolbarst gave a special prize to the winner, and the Judaea Society of the Y. M. H. A. gave a prize for the best Jewish oration.

After a very spirited contest Mr. Adolph Frank, of the Carlyle Society, was picked as the winner, while Mr. Herman Bralofsky was awarded the prize of the Judaea Society.

The last services of the season will be held Friday night, with Rabbi A. G. Robison and Mr. David Friedman addressing the congregation.

Virginia Zionist Convention.

The second annual convention of the Virginia Zionist Association will take place in Norfolk on Sunday, June 3. Representatives of the Federation of American Zionists and the Provisional Zionist Committee will attend the convention and address the mass meeting which is being arranged. All delegates, friends and visitors are cordially invited to be present. The officers of the Virginia Zionist Association are: Dr. L. I. Goldberg, of Norfolk, president; Dr. M. Speier, of Newport News, vice-president; Mrs. David Blaustein, of Norfolk, executive secretary; Miss Rose Rosenthal, of Portsmouth, corresponding secretary, and Mr. L. Kottz, of Portsmouth, treasurer.

Socialist-Territorialist Convention for Palestine.

Last Sunday Socialist-Territorialist delegates from all over the United States and Canada met in convention to decide upon that party's attitude toward the Palestinian question. Over forty delegates were in attendance, and the great majority proved for Palestine. The same sentiment was expressed by the great number of telegraphic greetings read out. M. Kaz, in the name of the Central Committee, opened the convention and gave a report of its recent activities.

Woman's Auxiliary to the Central Jewish Institute.

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Central Jewish Institute will hold a large meeting on Monday evening, May 14, at the Central Jewish Institute, 125 East Eighty-fifth street, for the purpose of organizing a unit of the National League for Woman's Service. Mrs. Jacob M. Marcuson is chairman of the committee in charge. Prominent speakers will address this meeting, and the public is invited to attend and join the movement.

By order of the new Russian government the official oath taken by Jews has been altered in such a manner as to delete all words offensive to our religion. The old oath contained a suggestion that our creed sanctioned quibbles destroying the sanctity of the oath.

A representative meeting of Zionists has been held at Petrograd. The meeting resolved to call upon the Russian Jews to support the new government, to work for the development of the Jewish national ideals in Russia and for the realization of the Zionist aims in Palestine.

From a report issued by the South African Jewish Congress Committee it appears that its representatives conferred with high officials of the Union Government and a number of Cabinet members, and assurances have been given on behalf of the government that its influence will be exercised to further the aims of the Congress Committee, which are no other than a secured home for Jews in Palestine.

ADLER, JOHN.—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 Adler, 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, Lewis S. Marx, No. 123 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 7th day of September next.

JACOBS, 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 Jacobs, 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. 45 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of September next.

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GOODKIND, HENRY.—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 Henry Goodkind, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at the office of Messrs. Kurzman, Frankenhimer & Gutman, their attorneys, at their place of transacting business, No. 25 Broad Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of May next.

KURZMAN, FRANKENHIMER & GUTMAN, Attorneys for Executors, 25 Broad Street, New York City.

SIMONS, JOHN E.—In pursuance of an order of the Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given, according to law, 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, the office of Ely Neumann, No. 45 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City and County of New York, on or before the 15th day of October next.

JACOB S. SIMONS and AUGUSTUS MAY, Executors.

OTTINGER, SAMUEL JOSEPH.—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 Samuel Joseph Ottinger, 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.

MORRIS BLAU, Attorney for Executors, 154 Nassau Street, Manhattan, New York City.

SPIEGELBERG, JEROME S.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, 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.

WISE & SELIGSBERG, Attorneys for Executor, No. 15 William Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

ROSENTHAL, JULIUS.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Julius Rosenthal, 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 Krakower & Peters, her attorneys, No. 309 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of October next.

KRAKOWER & PETERS, Attorneys for Administratrix, 309 Broadway, New York City.

GOLDSMITH, WALTER D.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Walter D. Goldsmith, 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 attorney, Jacob Maran, her attorney, No. 132 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 11th day of June, next.

JACOB MARAN, Attorney for Administratrix, 132 Nassau Street, New York City.

WEINER, JACOB K.—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 Jacob K. Weiner, 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, Arnold Lichtig, No. 141 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 18th day of June next.

ARNOLD LICHTIG, Attorney for Administratrix, 141 Broadway, New York City.

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The Regeneration of Russia and the Hope of Israel.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD: Dear Sir.-The hope of oppressed humanity has at last been realized. A new heaven and a new earth has dawned upon the oppressed and the persecuted. Those who suffered in tears will now reap in joy. A new hope was born and a new hope has dawned upon humanity-the hope of a better day compared to the dark and gloomy outlook of the past.

The recent revolution in Russia and the abdication of the Czar came as a bolt from a blue sky. The world was hardly prepared for such a joyous event, although it was not altogether unexpected. The day of autocratic regime has now vanished like the mists before the rising sun-at least as far as Russia is concerned. The spirit of liberalism has conquered as never before. Liberalism is now regarded as a force and not a menace in the quagmire land of darkness and barbarism.

The fact that the new regime in Russia will grant religious toleration to men of various creeds and denominations and abolish all social, religious and national restrictions and bring about the immediate summoning of a constituent assembly, based on universal suffrage, is an epochal event in the annals of the history of our people in that once accursed land to them. Nowhere is this event to be more welcomed and more joyously celebrated than among our own people, living for centuries in that unhappy land. A new Pesach dawns upon them, and this year's festival of our redemption from Egypt will be doubly celebrated by our co-religionists in Russia, and even outside Russia. The deliverance of our race from a modern Egypt will be hailed with joy by Jewry throughout the world, since it constitutes an evidence of God's watchful attitude toward our unhappy people in the Diaspora.

The new regime will undoubtedly open a new field for Zionist propaganda in Russia, and our co-religionists in that now happy land will be in a position to uphold their national movement with a vigor and loyalty second to none. It will once more demonstrate the truth to the world that Zionism is a national movement for the restoration of our people into our ancient fatherland, Palestine. The emancipation of our Russian co-religionists will sound the death-knell of territorialism, since it has no further raison d'etre for its existence. Not so with Zionism, which is quite a national movement, and independent of what position Jewry throughout the world enjoys in the Diaspora. Will the Belgians be satisfied today if a happy land were granted them on the understanding that they give up their nationalism and accept that which is conceded to them? Surely not.

Once a nation always a nation is the motto of every nationalist. And so it is with us Zionists, the modern Maccabees, ardent upholders of the truths foretold by the prophets of old. The anti-Zionist, a negligible minority today, will soon see the folly of his reasonings and choose for himself either submission or a real mission for his future destiny.

The Zionist will from now on be ardent in his desire to reach the goal mapped out by him in years gone by, and the present is the most unique time to do battle for his national cause, as was never before. Happy the day when Zion could reclaim her sons and daughters, and happy the world that could bring about such a restoration. That happiness will be completely ours if we only perform our duties courageously, faltering neither to the right nor to the left. The regenera-

tion of Russia is an object lesson to those who pooh pooh every ideal that aims at the real weal and progress of humanity. The aims of the Zionists in some quarters are still derided and scoffed at, but the day will assuredly come when we who sow in tears shall reap in joy, when we who are rejected shall become the cornerstone of the builders of an enduring and everlasting civilization for the habitation of man.

N. E. B. EZRA.

Shanghai, March 23, 1917.

Records Wanted of Those Who Enlist.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD: The Bureau of Jewish Statistics and Research of the American Jewish Committee is very desirous of securing for permanent record the names of all Jews who enlist in, or who join the military or naval forces of the country. It has been suggested that the Jewish press throughout the country would be doing a helpful service by printing in their columns from week to week lists of Jews mustered into the army and navy. If this idea seems good to you, will you not adopt it so far as to give space in your valuable columns to the names of those of our co-religionists in your section, of the country who enter the militia, and the regular army and navy?

Assuring you that such a favor on your part would be greatly appreciated, I am, very truly yours, SAMSON D. OPPENHEIM, Director.

Uncle Sam and His Jewish Citizens in Turkey.

By DR. ROBERT KATZ. (Special Correspondence.)

Washington.-The State Department has just announced that the expected break of diplomatic relations on the part of Turkey with our government has, at the instance of her Teutonic ally, been effected. State Department officials are unable to say when Ambassador Abram I. Elkus is likely to make his return to this country. Some anxiety is felt in this connection owing to the state of illness in which the American Ambassador found himself lately. It is, however, perfectly evident that our government is not feeling any great concern over the hostile attitude of the Turkish Government.

In connection with this new phase in the international situation the State Department drew attention to the fact that, since the outbreak of the European war, some 1,200 American citizens remained in Turkey. These are settled in Jerusalem, Jaffa and immediate vicinity. For over a year now efforts have been made to bring these citizens over to this country, but all attempts in this direction have proven vain. The Des Moines and Caesar, both of the United States navy service, especially undertook the trip in order to transport these Americans from Turkey to some neutral port, while the Joint Distribution Committee co-operated with the government by guaranteeing the passage money of all citizens who would be brought across, but the hope of those who worked so indefatigably in this matter remained unfulfilled.

As far as the government is concerned it has positively exhausted every means at its command, and the official records covering its efforts form a glorious monument to the noble labors of a State in behalf of its citizens, who in this particular instance were mainly composed of Jews.

It was well known in Washington that this was one of the most important matters with Ambassador Elkus when he sailed for his new office, and he, realizing that his government laid so much weight

on its success, did not for a moment relax his exertions.

Immediately upon his arrival at Constantinople he set in motion the official machinery in diplomatic negotiations with the civil administration of Turkey. After many exchanges between both governments Constantinople yielded, and everything was made ready for the departure of the Americans. At the very last moment, however, the discovery was made that Djemel Pasha, Military Governor of Palestine, withheld his consent, and that his opposition was supreme. In Turkey, as in so many other countries, the civil authorities bow to the demands of the military powers, and the Military Governor wrote Ambassador Elkus that, much as he regretted it, military caution and exigencies made it impossible for him to permit the departure of these 1,200 Palestinian Americans. Ambassador Elkus took the matter up afresh, this time with no other than Djemel Pasha himself. Negotiations continued for quite some time, and at one moment a grave stage had been reached. Cables went forward and backward, until, finally, the Governor in turn yielded. But his permission was conditional. These helpless Americans were expected to make for Beirut, where they were to cool their heels for at least thirty days, to insure the uselessness of any military information they might carry off with them. From there they should proceed to Barcelona, Spain, whence they might go ahead in their attempts to reach the United States. While these negotiations were under way time was speeding ahead, and by the time arrangements had been duly made and the consent of the Allies obtained for letting the American boats pass through certain areas February of this year had been reached. The submarine dispute made its appearance, and Germany maintained a stony silence in regard to the passage of these boats. Official circles well knew how to interpret this silence, and would not risk the lives of its citizens. At this stage Spain, author of the most torturous piece of history, offered to come to the aid of these stranded Jewish wanderers by guaranteeing their transfer to Barcelona. Here again the negotiations exceeded the period during which it was possible to effect such a move; April 6 had arrived, a state of war was declared to exist, and there remained nothing further to be done. The 1,200 American citizens will now have to reconcile themselves to stay on until the war is over. The Half Moon will no doubt satisfy itself with having severed relations with the Stars and Stripes to satisfy Germany, and no actual hostilities are likely to result.

Jews and the Question of Conscription Before Congress.

Washington, D. C.-It is a peculiar fact, but be our share in the doings of the Capital ever so limited, we are still singled out in one form or another on every possible occasion.

It will be remembered that at the time of the immigration bill, Gallinger, Senator for New Hampshire, was very complimentary in his remarks about us. In the debate, on conscription this worthy gentleman again took the opportunity of slinging a little mud at us.

With Gallinger and his kind the term "slacker" today stands for what is worst and most criminal in the human character. Speaking before the Senate on the selective draft measure, Gallinger, among other things, said he "knew where the slackers were to be found," they are located mainly in the East Side. And fearing that he may not be making himself clearly understood, the Senator for New Hampshire goes on to elucidate his remarks by the further explanation that he means the East Side of the Bowery, and then makes reference to two other Jewish districts as being overrun with that inhuman breed, the "slacker." And following immediately upon Gallinger, another worthy Senator arises to the text of "slackers," and says that he is in perfect accord with Gallinger's statements, for he of his personal knowledge knows exactly where the slackers come from, although, he says, he does not find it necessary to mention specifically any part. The Senator in question does not openly wish to court the disfavor of the Jews, especially since he realizes that his mean insinuations serve the purpose equally as well.

The Senate did not prove to be the only place where, for no seeming reason, we were singled out for attention. The House of Representatives did its share in this connection. During the conscription debate mention was freely made of "Russian immigrants," while repeated reference was made to the "unloyalty" of the immigrant arrivals of recent years, pointed reference being made here also to our "slackers." All those from the floor of the House, while in the corridors free and audible reference in one manner or another to the Jews was made throughout most discussions.

On Saturday, when the conscription measure brought forth the height of excitement, detrimental remarks were freely indulged in. Sears, hailing from Florida State, during a debate in the House, said:

"Fate has indeed been particularly unkind to us in choosing the excellent gentleman from California, Mr. Kahn, to lead the fight for Prussianism. I have read of the oppression his people were subjected to, and as an American citizen my heart went out to them, and it does not seem at all fitting for this gentleman (Mr. Kahn) to attempt now to force on my people and now also his people, that militarism, which in my opinion, will fall upon them much harder than anything they have yet had to contend with." Congressman Kahn, who brought in the minority report, and led the fight for the administration meas-

ure, is as we all know a German-born Jew, who is proving today a far greater patriot than the bluest Plymouth Rock descendants. And when the opponents of the government measure wish to fight it, they do not hit Kahn the conscriptionist, but they strike at Kahn the Jew. And Congressman Sears did not feel satisfied with singling out one Jewish Representative for his bitter attack, but went over from Kahn straight to Congressman Bachrach, of Atlantic City, whom he derided in a similar manner, these two Jewish Representatives being the only ones out of the 428 Congressmen Sears saw fit to mark out for deliberate attack. These instances showing the strange manner in which we are generally honored by special attention could well be multiplied. And yet our Jewish Congressmen acted and voted as did the rest of the people's representatives, each voted according to the dictates of his conception as his duty toward his country and State, as is clearly shown by their division. Kahn was entirely for the government, as London was entirely against it. Kraus voted against conscription and Bachrach was against it, changing his mind quite late in the day, while Sabath and Siegel were for the administration measure. Yes, it is ever the same; do what you will, your adversaries will ever see in you, not a political opponent, but a Jew, as Congressman Sears put it, a member of the oppressed race.

DR. ROBERT KATZ.

National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor.

Washington, May 8.-The National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor has been recognized as a relief society by the War Department, and will be afforded facilities for the effective accomplishment of their humane purpose in accordance with the provisions of the Hague convention of 1907.

A relief society, according to the Hague convention which is properly constituted "in accordance with the laws of the country and with the object of serving as the channel for charitable effort, shall receive from belligerent nations for themselves and their duly accredited agents every facility for efficient performance of their humane task within the bounds imposed by military necessity and administrative regulations."

The Washington Bureau of the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor announces that it is prepared to distribute relief and to perform the duties and functions of a relief society in the United States during the war. Joseph D. Sears, secretary of the bureau, said that agents are being recruited and that this organization is prepared to meet the exigencies arising out of the internment of prisoners of war in this country.

The Committee on Internment of the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor, of which Adolph Lewisohn is president, consists of William Hamlin Childs, chairman; Raymond B. Fosdick, Frederick A. Goetz, Sam A. Lewisohn, George W. Wickersham, E. Stagg Whitin and Joseph D. Sears, secretary. The committee's office in New York is at Columbia University; the Washington bureau is in the Hotel Raleigh.

Jewish Republic Resolution in Congress.

Washington, D. C.-Arthur Randle, a local Gentle real estate broker, offered his services to President Wilson for the purpose of organizing an expedition to take Palestine from the Turks. Randle's enthusiasm for this project was stimulated by recent reports from Palestine, and his offer followed as a result. Before the week is out a resolution will have been introduced in Congress favoring the establishment of a Jewish republic in Palestine.

Successful Campaign of Boston Charities Federation-Public Response Most Creditable.

Boston.-A very successful campaign for the raising of \$100,000, carried on by the Federated Jewish Charities of this city, has just been concluded. All past records have been surpassed in local philanthropic endeavor, and the announcement by Chairman Leon Strauss, of the Wind-up Committee, at a luncheon at Ford Hall, that the desired membership and pledges had been oversubscribed was hailed with the greatest acclaim by all present.

The campaign for raising this (to us) vast sum was launched at a banquet recently tendered the new executive director of the federation, Mr. Morris D. Waldman. Seventy-five thousand dollars was raised right there and then, and the entire sum for the annual dispensation among the different institutions was set at \$200,000. A thorough canvass of the city's wealthier Jews showed that numbers of them had escaped contributing in any manner, and all these have now been made members and will contribute their share in the future. The campaign closed with a ten-day canvass throughout all the districts by seventeen ladies' and men's teams, who worked incessantly to obtain the necessary number of members and pledges. The surprising feature of the campaign proved to be the very worthy manner in which the ghetto sections in West and South ends responded. The West End team, captained by Harry E. Burroughs and E. J. Brody, reported a membership of 1,380 and \$8,701 in annual subscriptions. The South End teams, in charge of A. Leve and Dr. J. Selib, secured 472 members and \$4,793 in pledges. The efforts of the Y. W. H. Association, with Miss Eva Olim, president for New England at the head, are well worthy of mention, having netted \$3,419 and 628 members. In

recognition of her exertions Miss Eva Olim was presented with a silver loving cup, while the team members and their co-workers were banqueted and entertained at Ford Hall last Sunday. In all over 8,000 members were secured and about \$250,000 in money raised.

Zionists in Russia Loyal.

The leaders of the movement in Russia have issued a manifesto calling upon the Zionists of that republic to support the Provisional Government and also to demand of the government that it grant national rights to the Jews and support the effort to establish a Jewish homeland in Palestine.

This information is contained in an exclusive cablegram to the Jewish Morning Journal, dated April 24, and which states also that Dr. Tschlenow has been elected to the Municipal Council of Moscow, and he has also been chosen chairman of the Zionist Council in that city. The Zionists of Minsk have been invited by the City Council to elect a representative to that body, and recently held a parade in celebration of the world-stirring events of the past month. This parade was cheered by thousands of spectators along the whole line of march. The organization of the movement has made tremendous strides and has gained recognition as a national movement.

Among the political prisoners liberated by the new regime are the Zionists who had been thrown into jail for making propaganda for the movement.

Want Column

A GENTLEMAN'S home at Rockaway Beach will be rented for the summer completely furnished to a select family only; rent reasonable. E. C. WOOD, 17-19 Vandewater street, New York city.

WANTED, a Rabbi, for congregation Rodolph Sholem, of Tampa, Fla., who shall be a good בעל תורה. Must be able to deliver a good English lecture. He also must be a good experienced teacher. שוחט אינה מורה. The right man will get a good salary. Address all communications to E. H. STEINBERG, Pres., Tampa, Fla.

AN ELDERLY GENTLEMAN and companion desire rooms and board with a private family; only those observing strictly the dietary laws will be considered. Address BOX B, care HEBREW STANDARD.

BOARDERS WANTED - Large and small rooms; good, substantial table; home comforts. 181 LENOX AVE.

WANTED-EXPERIENCED COUPLE (no children) for summer boarding house. Man understands management thoroughly, having had his own business. Woman to take care of books, also entire charge of office, etc. Both have large following. Moderate Salary. Address BOX S, care of HEBREW STANDARD.

A RESPONSIBLE, congenial, educated young woman desires the supervision of a motherless home, only where a maid is kept. Address "COMPETENT," care of HEBREW STANDARD, 87 Nassau street.

GOVERNESS-Cultured lady wishes entire charge of motherless children; successful teacher and disciplinarian. Address COMPANION, care HEBREW STANDARD, 87 Nassau street.

YOUNG RABBI desires position in city or country; also willing to conduct Congregational Hebrew School. Address A. K., HEBREW STANDARD.

WANTED.-Accommodation for young lady in private family within sixty miles of New York; state terms. BOX R, HEBREW STANDARD.

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STEINHARDT, JACOB.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Jacob Steinhardt, 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 Steinhardt & Goldman, their attorneys, No. 111 Broadway, New York City, on or before the 1st day of July next.

Dated, New York, December 6, 1916.

CARRIE STEINHARDT, EUGENE S. BENJAMIN, JULIUS GOLDMAN, Executors.

STEINHARDT & GOLDMAN, Attorneys for Executors, 111 Broadway, New York City.

EHRENREICH, MOSES.—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 Moses Ehrenreich, 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 WIENER, Attorney for Executors, 51 Chambers Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

TYNBERG, MORRIS A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, dated January 25, 1917, 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.

FAIK, MILTON J.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Milton J. Faik, 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 PLAUT, Executors.

WISE & SELIGSBURG, Attorneys for Executors, 15 William Street, New York City.

MARKS, HARRY A.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, 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 her 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.

SELMIA FROEHLICH MARKS, Executrix.

COHEN BROTHERS, Attorneys for Executrix, No. 64 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, N. Y.

FIEUX, ADEHEMAR.—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 Adhemar Fieux, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Charles O. Maas, No. 87 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of June, next.

Dated, New York, the 23d day of December, 1916.

MAURICE FIEUX, Administrator.

CHARLES O. MAAS, Attorney for Administrator, 87 Nassau Street, New York City.

MAYER, MONTIE J.—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 Montie J. Mayer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at the office of his attorneys, his place of transacting business, at No. 100 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, city of New York, on or before the 15th day of May, 1917, next.

Dated New York November 2, 1916.

JULIAN T. MAYER, Administrator.

FEINER & MAASS, Attorneys for Administrator, 100 Broadway, New York City.

COHN, JULIUS M.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, dated March 16, 1917, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Julius M. Cohn, 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 Stroock & Stroock, No. 30 Broad street, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of October, 1917, next.

Dated New York the 21st day of March, 1917.

MAY L. COHN, MICHAEL WALLSTEIN, SOL M. STROOCK, Executors.

LEVISON, ISAAC.—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 Isaac Levison, late of the County of New York, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Barnett & Jablow, attorneys for one of the subscribers, at 149 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of September next.

Dated New York, the 28th day of February, 1917.

LEO KOHN and BENNO LEVISON, Executors.

BARNETT & JABLOW, attorneys for Leo Kohn, No. 149 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

S. C. SUGARMAN, Attorney for Benno Levison, No. 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

GOLDMAN, ALBERT.—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 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.

Dated, New York, the 23d day of January, 1917.

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HAYS, HERSHFIELD & WOLF, Attorneys for Executors, No. 115 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

LEWIS, ISAAC.—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 Isaac Lewis, 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, No. 115 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of August, next.

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MUSIC NOTES

Miss Beth Tischler's Recital at Wanamaker's.

On Saturday afternoon, May 5, Miss Beth Tischler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Tischler, gave a vocal recital in the Wanamaker auditorium. Despite the inclement weather the auditorium was filled to its capacity and the audience received Miss Tischler enthusiastically.

Although but sixteen years of age Miss Tischler has already acquired a name in



the musical world. Artists and critics hold out a great future for her. At the concert she played with rare charm and grace. The audience sat in rapt attention, and followed her every movement closely. Miss Tischler, young as she is, knows how to interpret her masters. She puts her soul into her work and brings out the finest nuances with unusual technical skill.

Miss Tischler was assisted at the concert by Miss Sadie Davidson, a clever organist and pianist. Miss Davidson was formerly assistant to Mr. Alexander Russel, concert director at Wanamaker's.

A significant event of the musical season will be held Monday evening, May 14, at Horace Mann Auditorium, 130th street and Broadway, under the auspices of the Columbia Menorah Society. A concert of Jewish music, including folk, synagogue and national music, will be given by several of the foremost figures in Jewish musical circles in New York. The participants include Kurt Schindler, Leon Kramer, Rabbi David de Sola Pool, Pinchos Jassinowsky, the Halevy Singing Society, Mischa Violin, Sara Garowitz, and others. The concert is the final event in a campaign by the Jewish students of Columbia University on behalf of the \$10,000,000 fund for the relief of Jewish war sufferers. The concert proceeds will be turned over to the relief fund.

Concert for Jewish Relief.

The Hippodrome was filled to overflowing on Sunday evening last because of the concert given under the auspices of the Central Committee for the Relief of Jews Suffering Through the War, at which the special attraction was the rendition of the sacred songs by Cantor Rosenblatt, of the Congregation Ohab Zedek, and his choir of forty-five trained voices. Fully 6,000 of those present, comprising men, women and children, were moved to tears and to charity by the account rendered by Nathan Straus, who, coming uninvited and unexpected, was made chairman of the meeting. He and Judge Rosalsky were the principle speakers. The Yiddish address of the evening was made by Rev. H. Masliansky.

The principal object of the meeting was to arouse a greater interest in war relief locally and to obtain 100,000 subscribers to the \$10,000,000 fund.

The program of Jewish liturgical and ritual music held the audience in great interest, and when an El Male Rachamim was chanted the entire audience was moved to tears. Mr. Samuel R. Travis, chairman of this particular campaign, is trying to obtain 100,000 subscribers in connection with the Rosenblatt concert tour. From indications, as proved by the returns pouring into the office of the treasurer, Harry Fischel, 51 Chambers street, there is every reason to believe that this particular campaign is one to prove successful.

Mr. Morris Engelman received the following telegram:

"Tulsa, Okla., May 4, 1917.

"I beg to have you announce my personal subscription of \$15,000 in addition to what I have collected from Tulsa, Okla. I regret very much that my business being so far from New York forces my absence from your concert. I hardly need tell you how urgent is the cause that prompts this occasion in my sympathies. With my people I am striving as far as my powers and purse will permit to alleviate the suffering of our innocent people even in normal times the life of our European brethren is inevitably so much the worse. At this time, when they are almost literally unclothed and in dire need, we here in this blessed land of the free owe it to our higher selves to lend a helping hand to all suffering humanity, especially to the 'bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh.' As chairman of the Campaign Committee I have left no stone unturned in order to do my duty. Compelled to remain in Tulsa, I will, with the help of a few gentlemen, try to raise throughout the State of Oklahoma a goodly sum for this worthy cause. It gives me pleasure to report that the following named gentlemen have subscribed the amounts opposite their names to this campaign: H. Appelman, Kansas City, \$2,500; Livingstone Family, Tulsa, \$1,000; Midwest Supply Company, \$500; Max Travis, \$500; Max Lebowitz, \$250; Robert Stokell, \$150; Julius Ross, \$100; Louis Bendit, \$100; Emma Bendit, \$50; Carl Bendit, \$50; Emma Bendit, \$50.

"S. R. TRAVIS."

A full list of the donors will be published in our next issue.

It is interesting to note that the cash contributions obtained through the young lady's representatives of the best families, amounted to \$4,240, and in many instances the people did not give their names. These young ladies also handled over 2,000 envelopes containing pledges, to be paid monthly, from 25 cents up to \$1.00. The letters were until 4 a. m. making the count.

It is of interest to add that in one of the envelopes was a diamond horseshoe pin, donated by Mr. Harry Silverman, who wrote on a slip: "Lowe a debt to the Russian revolution."

The audience was a most representative one, in the sense that it was imbued with a true spirit of Judaism. All present carried themselves with a dignity that impressed itself upon many leading men and women, both Jews and Gentiles.

BROOKLYN NOTES

Shaari Zedek Notes.

The Hon. Thomas Mott Osborne, well-known social reformer, and former warden of Sing Sing Prison, will occupy Dr. Raisin's pulpit this Friday evening, May 11.

The annual bazaar of the congregation, held under the auspices of the Sisterhood, took place on Tuesday evening, lasting through Wednesday afternoon and evening, and resulted in a considerable sum of money for the benefit of the congregation. At the opening on Tuesday evening addresses were delivered by Mrs. Henrietta Breslauer, president of the Sisterhood; Dr. Max Raisin, and Mrs. Nathan Folgeman, chairman of the Bazaar Committee. There were a number of generous gifts from merchants of Brooklyn and Manhattan, among them a fine bookcase from Mr. H. Freedberger, of Freedberger & Kosch, which is to go to the Sunday school library.

Dr. Raisin was the speaker before the Greenpoint Y. M. H. A. at its last meeting for the season, and on Sunday evening presided at the Civic Forum at Public School 84, in Brownsville, at which Prince Sarath Ghosh, of India, was the speaker. On Thursday evening, Lag B'Omer, he spoke before the Jewish Institute of New York at the Hebrew Technical Institute for Girls auditorium.

Temple Peni-El Activities.

The Boy Scouts will meet on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Red Cross Unit meets regularly every Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

Rabbi Eiseman launched a war relief society among the women of Washington Heights on Monday evening. The society will meet and sew supplies for the Red Cross, gather together delicacies for the soldiers in camp, and take care of the destitute families of soldiers who are at the front, also co-operate with the Jewish chaplain who will accompany the enlisted men.

A Committee of Religious Welfare Work in the United States army and navy has been organized in the congregation, consisting of the following: Rabbi Aaron Eiseman, chairman; Emanuel Friedman, president of the congregation; S. Martin, vice-president of the congregation; Samuel Barkin, and Benjamin Davidson, secretary. This committee will co-operate with the National Jewish Board of Welfare Work in the United States army and navy.

The Peni-El Sisterhood will give a charity whist, lotto and dance on Sunday evening, May 13, at 8 o'clock, at the Floral Garden, 146th street and Broadway, to raise funds for its activities. "Mother's Day" will be observed in the Temple on Sabbath morning, and in the religious school on Sunday morning. All attending the service will wear a white carnation, each child in the school will be presented with a flower. Rabbi Eiseman will preach a sermon on the topic: "God's Richest Gift to Man—'Mother.'"

Hebrew Home for Aged.

Officers of the Brooklyn Hebrew Home for the Aged are redoubling their efforts to bring the campaign for \$50,000 to a speedy and successful conclusion. The response up to the present has been gratifying, but the total has not yet been reached.

A strawberry festival and bazaar, arranged as a miniature Coney Island, will be held on the Home grounds on June 2 and 3.

The first number of the Bulletin, the official organ of the Home, is off the press. It is printed in two languages, interestingly illustrated in blue and white. Mrs. Charles Rosenthal is president of the Home and editor of the Bulletin.

Hughey Bernard's American Burlesques, featuring Harry ("Watch the Slide") Welsh, comes to the Star Theatre next week. Welsh is supported by an excellent cast, with Billy Barnes at the head, and Sam Green plays amusingly in his role of Strong-Arm Lewis, a tenderloin product with hold-up proclivities. It is a good burlesque show, and twenty pretty girls constitute a chorus that is kept busily occupied lending enhanced value to the musical numbers. The show will be held at the Star Theatre, 250 West 42nd Street, New York, on Thursday evening, May 10, at 8 o'clock. Tickets \$1.00; Rochester, \$1.50; Buffalo, \$1.50.

GOLDMANN, PHILIPP.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, 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 subscriber, 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.

LUDELPH H. ABRAHAM, CHARLES SIDENBERG, Executors.

CHARLES PUTZEL, Attorney for Executors, 233 Broadway, New York City.

MARRUS, MOSES L.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, dated January 6, 1917, 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 subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of his attorney, Clifford Seasegood, No. 32 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of August, next.

Dated, New York, the 10th day of January, 1917.

JACOB RICHMAN, ANNIE MARRUS, Executors.

HERMAN S. FRIED, Attorney for Executors, 299 Broadway, New York City.

LAUTERBACH, FRANCES ROTHSCHILD.—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 Frances Rothschild Lauterbach, 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 attorney, Clifford Seasegood, No. 32 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of July, 1917.

Dated, New York, the 10th day of January, 1917.

AARON LAUTERBACH, Administrator.

CLIFFORD SEASEGOOD, Attorney for Administrator, No. 32 Nassau Street, Manhattan, New York City.

LEWISOHN, EMMA M.—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 Emma M. Lewisoohn, 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 Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett, 62 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 26th day of July, 1917.

Dated, New York, the 10th day of January, 1917.

ADOLPH LEWISOHN, SAM A. LEWISOHN, Executors.

SIMPSON, THACHER & BARTLETT, Attorneys for the Executors, 62 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York, N. Y.

ISKOWITZ, HENRI.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Henri Iskowit, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at place of transacting business, at the office of her attorney, Alexander Karlin, No. 320 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of June, next.

Dated, New York, the 6th day of December, 1916.

HELEN ISKOWITZ, Administratrix.

ALEXANDER KARLIN, Attorney for Administratrix, 320 Broadway, New York City.

COLEMAN, MEYER.—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 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 Thacher & Bartlett, 62 Cedar Street, & Sherwin, No. 299 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 18th day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 8th day of December, 1916.

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MYERS & SHERWIN, Attorneys for Executors, No. 299 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

NAFTAL, MORITZ.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, 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 subscriber, at the 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 Honorable Joan P. Cohalan, 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, the office of Thomas & Friedman, his attorneys, No. 2 Rector street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, on or before the 15th day of June 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 Honorable 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 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.

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The Most Important Zionist Convention.

The most important convention in the history of the Zionist movement will be held in Baltimore, beginning June 24, by the American wing of that body unless it becomes necessary to summon the 1,200 delegates to that city at an earlier date.

With a British army in Palestine, marching on Jerusalem, with the question of the establishment of a Jewish State, one of the subjects discussed by President Wilson and Arthur J. Balfour, Great Britain's special commissioner to the United States, with all of the Entente Powers favoring the project, and the strong probability that, because of the diplomatic break between the United States and Turkey, the American Government will shortly issue a pronouncement in favor of a Jewish republic, the Zionist organizations of America are considering the advisability of summoning the delegates from practically every city in the United States at an earlier date, in order to gain time for the tremendous task which the rapidly developing situation will impose upon it.

One of the most important things to be considered by the convention will be the calling of a world congress of the Zionist organizations of the Entente countries, in the event that, following the capture of Jerusalem by General Archibald Murray's army, Great Britain should carry out its intention, already semi-officially announced, to give Palestine to the Jews.

The organizations that will be represented at the Baltimore convention will be the Provisional Zionist Committee, of which Justice Louis D. Brandeis, of the United States Supreme Court, is the honorary chairman, and Rev. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, acting chairman; the Federation of American Zionists, of which Dr. Harry Friedenwald, of Baltimore, is president, and which will send 400 delegates, representing 200 societies; Hadassah, the women's branch of the Zionist movement, of which Henrietta Szold, of New York city, is president, will send 125 delegates; Young Judaea, the junior branch of the movement, will be represented by 150 delegates; the Histadruth-Ivrit, the Hebrew-speaking branch, 100 delegates; the Ahoosa and Zion Commonwealth, representing groups that have already acquired land in Palestine for colonization purposes, will have fifty delegates, and the Order Sons of Zion, the fraternal insurance branch of the movement, of which Joseph Baroness, member of the Board of Education of New York city, is the head, will send 200 delegates.

In addition to these organizations which are directly identified with the movement, delegates, to the number of fifty or more, are expected from the Order B'rith Shalom, of which Dr. Louis Rubinsohn, of Philadelphia, is grand master; the Independent Order Sons of Israel, Harry Levinsohn, of Boston, grand master, and the federations of Galician, Roumanian, Polish and Russian Jews which have adopted the Zionist platform, in addition to several other organizations which have fallen into line since it has become manifest that the restoration of Palestine to the Jews is an early possibility.

The International Organization will be represented by Dr. Shmarya Levin, member of the first Russian Duma; Dr. Leo Motzkin, of the Zionist Actions Committee, and Dr. Ben Zion Mossinsohn, director of the Jewish high school in Jaffa, Palestine.

One of the projects that will come before the convention will be the reorganization of the movement, which has heretofore operated mainly along the lines of agitation and propaganda, into a body whose main function shall be the development of Palestine as an autonomous Jewish territory, in which the Jewish people will be free to develop their own national distinctive culture.

The United Synagogue of America.

A meeting of the Executive Council of the United Synagogue of America was held at the building of the Jewish Theological Seminary on Sunday, April 29, 1917. There were present Dr. Cyrus Adler, in the chair; Professor Louis Ginsberg, Mr. Meyer Goodfriend, Professor Mordecai M. Kaplan, Rabbi Jacob Klein, Professor Alexander Marx, Dr. Elias L. Solomon, of New York; Dr. Julius H. Greenstone, Rabbi Max D. Klein, of Philadelphia; Rabbi Charles I. Hoffman, of Newark; Mr. William Levy, of Baltimore, and Rabbi Herman H. Rubenowitz, of Boston.

The following organizations were admitted to the United Synagogue since the last meeting: Keneseth Israel Congregation, Birmingham, Ala.; Congregations Agudath Achim (First Hungarian), Beth Hamidrash Hagodol, Bani David Ohave Zedek, Ezras Israel, Kehillath Jacob, Olr Chedosh (Englewood), Moses Montefiore, South Side Hebrew Congregation, Chicago, Ill.; Hungarian Congregation Bene Jeshurun, Cleveland, Ohio; Congregation Sons of Zion, Holyoke, Mass.; Modern Orthodox Society, Omaha, Neb.; Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Philadelphia, Pa., and Congregation Mount Sinai, of Washington Heights, New York city.

A committee on memberships, for the purpose of deciding on new admissions, was appointed, consisting of Professor Marx, Dr. Solomon, Rabbi Kohn and Dr. Adler, ex-officio.

Dr. Adler reported that he represented the United Synagogue at a conference called by the Y. M. H. A. and Kindred Associations in the matter of Jewish welfare work in the army and navy.

The next annual convention of the United Synagogue will take place on Sunday, July 1, and Monday, July 2, at the Seminary Building in New York.

The matter of electing a delegate to the American Jewish Congress was referred to the annual convention.

Rabbi Hoffman reported on the work of

propaganda in the various centers where districts were established. The fourteen districts and their chairmen are as follows: New England, Rabbi Herman H. Rubenowitz; New York, Rabbi Jacob Kohn; New Jersey, Rabbi Charles I. Hoffman; Pennsylvania and Delaware, Dr. Julius H. Greenstone; Maryland and District of Columbia and Virginia, Rabbi Eugene Kohn; Alabama and the Southern Mississippi Valley, Rabbi Jacob Mendelsohn; Ohio and Indiana, Mr. B. Friedman; Illinois, Rabbi Joseph Hevesh; Michigan and Wisconsin, Rabbi Abraham M. Hershman; Kansas and Colorado, Dr. Charles H. Kauvar; Texas and Oklahoma, Rabbi Samuel Rosinger; California and Pacific Coast, Rabbi Herman Lissauer; Iowa and Minnesota, Rabbi C. David Matt; Canada, Dr. Herman Abramowitz.

Dr. Greenstone reported on behalf of the Committee on Education that Rabbi Eugene Kohn's book on "Method of Teaching Biblical History" will be ready for distribution in the fall.

Dr. Solomon, of the Committee on Religious Observance, reported that the work of compiling a directory of kosher restaurants was well under way, and that he has already heard from forty-five cities where there were over 200 restaurants, which have received the endorsements of the rabbi and Schochet of each city.

Card calendars of the dates of the Jewish holidays for the year 5678-5679 have been distributed, so that due provision may be made by Jewish pupils and employes.

B'nai B'rith Acts to Prevent Threatened Palestine Massacre.

Mr. Adolf Kraus, president of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, received the following cablegram from the president of the B'nai B'rith lodge of London:

"London, May 4. "President B'nai B'rith, 1228 Tribune Building, Chicago: "Well authenticated report Jewish massacre threatened Palestine. Can you intervene through foreign lodges or otherwise? GILBERT, President."

Immediately upon receipt of same, Mr. Kraus telegraphed to the order's representative in Washington as follows: "Mr. Julius I. Peyser, Southern Building, Washington, D. C.: "Have received cable from London lodge that there is well authenticated report that Jewish massacre is threatened in Palestine. Request State Department arrange for delivery of following cable to S. E. Trier, Vestre Boulevard, 49, Copenhagen, or Dr. Martin Bloch, Bahnhofstrasse, 82, Zurich: "Please wire Dr. Berthold Timendorfer, Berlin, also Prof. Sol Ehrmann, Vienna, it is reported in America that Jews in Palestine will be massacred. Petition government to call attention of Turkish Government to the report. Kraus. Kindly request our State Department to aid us in having messages promptly forwarded, and if possible send messages in my name to Timendorfer and Ehrmann direct by wireless, as valuable time may thereby be saved."

"ADOLF KRAUS."

Eighty-sixth Street Temple Sisterhood to Do Red Cross Work.

The Sisterhood of the Eighty-sixth Street Temple contemplates joining the great band of women who are doing their bit for humanity in this time of stress. An auxiliary Red Cross society is in process of formation, which will meet once a week in the vestry rooms of the Temple. All the women of Yorkville with a spare afternoon are invited to come and sew or knit and do their little bit towards the good cause. This will not involve joining the Red Cross Society.

Cantors' Association to Sing.

A sacred concert will be given by the Cantors' Association of America, Rev. Sol. Baum, president, under the direction of Prof. Leon Kramer, assisted by Maximilian Pilzer, violinist (late concert master of the Philharmonic Orchestra), and Hans Kronold, violoncello, on Sunday evening, May 20, 1917, at the Temple Beth Israel, Lexington avenue and Seventy-second street. The concert is for the benefit of the Hebrew Free School.

Jews and the Warsaw Administration

Copenhagen.—At the last meeting of the Warsaw Municipality a Jewish debate again developed. The budget was under consideration and the Jewish Councillor Seideman opposed certain grants to institutions which he considered as of no benefit whatever to the community. While on this subject he remarked upon the attitude of the Magistrate (head of the city administration) toward Jewish matters, when he thought he invariably became economical. He further pointed out the injustice of making the Kehillah pay for all Jewish sick treated in the city hospitals, although Jews were paying their taxes as well as their neighbors. The Mayor in reply to Councillor Seideman defended the different institutions for which grants are opposed, pointing to their necessity. As to the manner in which Jews are singled out and imposed upon, the Mayor assured the council all distinctions would be done away with, and it was his hope and conviction that in the future equal rights in all directions extended to the Jews will completely do away with the Jewish question in Poland.

Many other members of the council participated in the debate, all voicing the sentiment that whatever the future holds for Polish Jewry, it was up to the city administration to immediately remove all disabilities Jews are subjected to which is within the power of the council.

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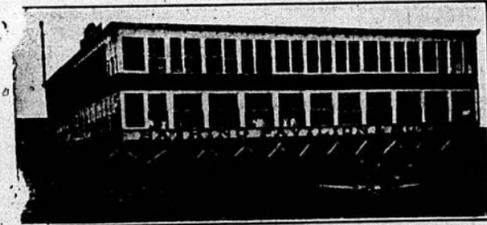
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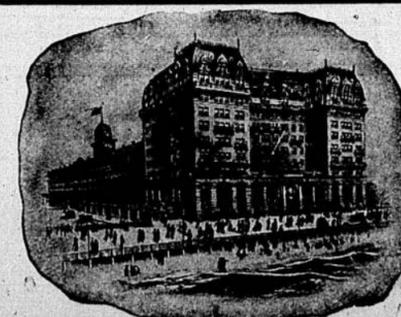
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Annual Meeting of New York Section

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the New York section of the Council of Jewish Women was held at Temple Emanu-El on May 7, and was attended by the largest gathering that ever attended an annual meeting.

Mrs. William D. Sporborg, the president, delivered her message, which was a masterpiece. At the conclusion the audience arose amidst loud and prolonged applause.

The treasury on last May 1 contained \$1,400. This May, after having spent over \$10,000 on the year's work, there is left an actual working balance of over \$8,500, in addition to a special fund of \$16,000 pledged for a specific purpose.

During the past week three bequests were made to the section—\$1,000 from the Lavanburg estate, \$50,000 left in trust by Samuel Hirsch and \$250 from the estate of Helen Lehmaier.

The membership now numbers over 2,300, a gain of about 600 new members.

Reports were read by the twenty-one chairmen showing splendid work and an unusual organization and plan of co-operation.

The following officers and directors were elected: President, Mrs. William D. Sporborg; honorary vice-presidents, Mrs. Simon Baruch, Mrs. Julius Beer, Mrs. A. N. Cohen, Mrs. Isabella Freedman, Mrs. Nathan Glauber, Mrs. J. B. Greenhut, Mrs. Daniel Guggenheim, Mrs. Frederick Nathan, Mrs. Cyrus Sulzberger, Mrs. Oscar Straus, Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff. Vice-presidents, Mrs. Mary V. Fisher, first vice-president; Mrs. Alexander Kohut, Mrs. Irving Lehman, Mrs. N. Taylor Phillips, Mrs. Bernard E. Pollak, Mrs. William Singer, Mrs. Robert Weil. Treasurer, Mrs. Emil Klein. Corresponding secretary, Miss Sara X. Schottenfels. Recording secretary, Mrs. Samuel H. Bijur. Auditor, Mrs. Ira Leo Bamberger. Directors—Mrs. Jerome Alexander, Mrs. Philip N. Aronson, Mrs. Joseph Mayer Asher, Mrs. William Bamberger, Mrs. Nathan I. Bijur, Mrs. Alfred Cook, Mrs. G. Richard Davis, Mrs. Wolf Freudenthal, Mrs. Hyman Gips, Mrs. Abraham Goldsmith, Mrs. I. Edwin Goldwasser, Mrs. B. Frank Hays, Mrs. Daniel P. Hays, Mrs. Max J. Kohler, Mrs. Max L. Levenson, Mrs. Julius Levy, Mrs. Marcus M. Marks, Mrs. M. M. Menken, Mrs. Henry Meyers, Mrs. Henry Moskowitz, Mrs. Laurent Oppenheim, Mrs. Francis D. Pollak, Mrs. Charles Reizenstein, Mrs. David Rothschild, Mrs. Charles E. Seligman, Mrs. William C. Solomon, Mrs. Charles Stein, Mrs. Max Stern, Mrs. William Stern, Mrs. Nathan Straus, Jr.

The Washington Heights Free Synagogue.

The third and last of the organization meetings of the Washington Heights Branch of the Free Synagogue will be held on next Sunday evening, May 13, at 8.15, at Corrigan Hall, 157th street and Broadway, at which meeting Dr. Wise and Dr. Goldstein and probably other members of the Executive Council of the synagogue will speak. At this meeting plans for the permanent organization of a Free Synagogue of Washington Heights will be considered. There will be a musical program, including the singing of several choruses by the volunteer choir of the Bronx division of the synagogue.

Memorial Service for the Late Dr. J. Leonard Levy.

Services in memory of the late Dr. J. Leonard Levy, of Pittsburgh, Pa., will be held at Temple Emanu-El, Fifth avenue and Forty-third street, on Sunday evening, May 20, at 8.15 o'clock, under the auspices of the Eastern Council of Reform Rabbis. The services will be national in scope, as representatives from various cities, as well as the choir of Temple Emanu-El, will participate in the program. The public is cordially invited.

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Despite the serious state of affairs, it is not believed that any massacre will take place, Djemal Pasha being too adroit a politician to antagonize the civil forces of the world, and instead employing the subtle method of inciting one part of the population to exterminate the other. The Palestine Amt Bureau of the Zionist Organization has been removed from Jaffa to Jerusalem, and an office has been opened at Petach Tikwah to take care of the refugees. Despite the chaotic conditions the Zionist Provision Committee is in possession of means for the sending of relief to Palestine. It is sending aid to the refugees.

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The Jewish Prisoner.
 The Hague.—*Dos Naye Viener Jurnal* relates this incident of a Galician Jewish prisoner in Siberia:
 In the Russian prisoners' camp behind Irkutsk, Christmas night was becomingly celebrated, and the commandant, Ivan Ivanowitch, was distributing the presents which had been received by different prisoners, calling each one by name before handing him over his parcel.
 "Moses Nathansohn," the cossack yelled out, and a frail little Jew hailing from Galicia appeared. The commandant handed him a square-looking parcel. The Jew was all aglow as he tremblingly took the parcel and commenced to undo it. The parcel had been well packed for the Siberian journey, and it was some time before all the outer wrappings were removed. Finally the Jew produced a black volume, gold-edged, with some large Hebrew lettering on one of the covers. It was nothing less than a "Sidur."
 He had written home that he wanted his Sidur. Here he was going through all the agonies attendant upon hunger and frost; he could well have done with his warm overcoat, which remained behind at Tarnov, but disregarding the weather which had almost reached zero, he wanted his "Sidur."
 He settled down in a corner, oblivious to all that was going on around him, deaf to the shouts of the commandant. Later another Galician Jew joined him, and the happy possessor of the Sidur said to him: "What can I do here if not pray? It is the one thing they cannot forbid me, because they don't understand it."

Jews Forbidden Use of Public Conveyances.
 Stockholm.—Among the Jewish refugees in Prague a couple of cases of spotted typhoid have been discovered, as a result of which the City Magistrate has forbidden all Jewish refugees the use of the public tramways. This order has incensed the entire Jewish population of the city, especially so as the order is being given the narrowest interpretation and is being enforced in the most rigorous manner. Scandalous instances frequently occur. Thus recently the well-known scholar, Professor Liebin, was ejected from a car, the conductress having discovered that he is a Galician Jew. More than half of an editorial in the Prague Jewish periodical *Zelbstwehr*, on this shameful ordinance, was stricken out by the censor. The *Zelbstwehr* pointed out that typhoid is brought into the community by numbers of the soldiers returning from the front, yet no one blames them for it or puts unheard-of restrictions on them. If spotted typhoid made its appearance also among the Jewish refugees it is due only to hunger, cold and general privations to which they are subjected, and which they have done least to cause.
 Very vigorous protests against this treatment of refugees were heard at the last meeting of the Vienna Kehillah executive, and it was finally decided to intervene through the government if the steps taken by the Prague Kehillah should prove ineffective.

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"As to the Jews," said Mr. Gourdji, who announced himself in favor of the creation of a Jewish state, "what they have accomplished in Palestine in the last thirty years gives proof of what they would be capable of doing in the future if they were able definitely to establish a center there of Jewish life. All who have visited Palestine, even those who are hostile to the Jews, are astonished, and bow before the grandeur of this work of progress. It might be said that they have infused new blood—their own blood—into the land of their ancestors in order to revivify it and to have a still greater love for it. They have formed prosperous agricultural colonies where there were only deserts. They have created whole towns and villages, founded schools, workshops, art institutes and commercial and industrial enterprises in a land where there was nothing.

"And all this in spite of all the difficulties with which they had to contend. The Jews have given a considerable stimulus to the economic, art and intellectual development of Palestine. In addition to the historic claims which they hold over these countries they have added new claims which it would be an injustice to deny them. A Jewish republic would certainly be an element of progress and peace. It would be an intellectual

REISNER, MARIE.—The People of the State of New York, by the Grace of God Free and Independent. To Marie Reisner, Meta Weichmann, Anna Weichmann, Christine Tegtmeyer, Kate Helse, Fritz Weichmann, Henry Weichmann and Frieda Weichmann, the heirs and next of kin of Bertha Sophie Weichmann, deceased, send greeting: Whereas, Anna Glombik, who resides at 11 East Sixty-ninth street, Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, has lately applied to the Surrogate's Court of our County of New York, to have a certain instrument in writing, relating to personal property, duly proved as the last will and testament of Bertha Sophie Weichmann, who was at the time of her death a resident of 11 East Sixty-ninth street, the County of New York, deceased.

Therefore, you and each of you are cited to show cause before the Surrogate's Court of our County of New York, at the Hall of Records, in the County of New York, on the 11th day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, at half past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the said will and testament should not be admitted to probate as a will of personal property.

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, Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, Surrogate of our County of New York, at the City of New York, at said county, on the 30th day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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

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 Mitchell, 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. DEYNOLDS, 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, 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: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of Hon. Mitchell L. DeLanger, 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 Courthouse in the city, county and State of New York.

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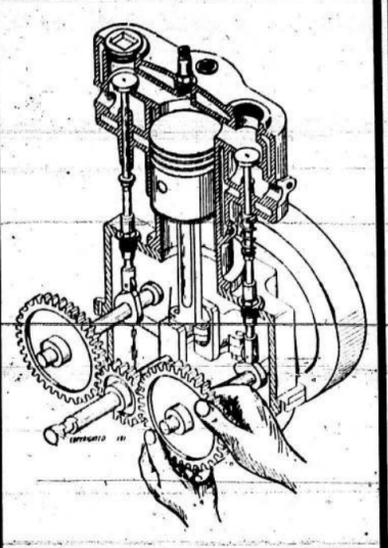
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This statement was published in a recent issue of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and its chief feature is as follows: "Jews have no political schemes of conquest. We contemplate a charter, granted by the sovereign powers to the Jews, a charter which will not impinge upon the acquired rights of the actual inhabitants, but will give the Jews a privileged position: the right of pre-emption and purchase of crown lands and railways, and facilities for all manner of industrial development. Free ingress of immigrants, who will flock to the Holy Land, will be granted, and the right to regulate the influx would be vested in the Jews themselves. It would, of course, be stipulated that only secular land or property remaining under the control of their own peoples as heretofore.... What the Zionists want is not the power to rule, but the feeling that they are being governed by a just and fair administration, equitable, tolerant and sympathetic; which, moreover, understands the possibilities of their future."

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DESTINY

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ably impressed with his clean appearance, although his clothes were quite threadbare. She did not seem surprised on hearing the incidents of the afternoon and expressed her satisfaction. Carliner watched his daughter closely and was pleased to know the child shared his views.

At the end of the week Carliner told Mordecai Lazarus that he was pleased with his work as also with his manners. He paid him six dollars and promised him a raise if everything was satisfactory the next week. He shook hands with him and the lad departed in good spirits.

Mordecai Lazarus and Esther Carliner soon became well acquainted. The young girl in a very short time found out the boy's superiority and did not disdain his assistance with her lessons. She never partook of the dainties to which her father treated her when she came to his shop without offering some to Mordecai.

Carliner watched the youngsters with complacent acquiescence. When a customer one day asked Oosher how the boy was doing, remarking that he was much impressed by the lad's ways, Carliner asserted that Mordecai was worth his weight in gold.

It could not escape the vigilant father's eyes, the gladness which spread over his Esther's face, called forth by the flattering remarks about Mordecai.

Everyone who came had some expression of praise of the changed aspect of his establishment and Carliner felt proud of his strategy. Oosher's best appreciation of the boy's valor was shown in frequent and substantial increase of his pay.

Employer and employe learned to esteem one another more and more every day—likewise the boy and girl.

Carliner blessed the Lord day by day. His prayer was that he might not be disappointed in the culmination to which it should please Destiny to lead them.

As time went on his fortune steadily increased. He ascribed his success mostly to the sagacity and integrity of Mordecai.

The boy by now knew every phase of the business and the characteristics of the customers, many of whom preferred to transact business with him.

Oosher was not only not jealous but "petit-a-petit" relinquished many an important deal to the lad. Try as he would he always found Mordecai unchanged—honest, truthful and extremely grateful.

Carliner began to stay away from his business for a day—sometimes longer—under some pretext. On his return he always found everything intact. The lad was so natural he could never be taken by surprise.

Mordecai's deference for his employer never changed. He was glad of the opportunity to save Carliner work and worry.

All this could not fail to impress most favorably father and daughter and to enhance the cordiality of the trio.

Oosher Carliner became ill and was confined to his bed for several weeks. During this period Mordecai not only attended scrupulously to the business and came daily after closing hours to make his report, but also tried in every way to lighten the burden of Esther.

The weak condition in which the illness left Carliner compelled him to go to the country for several weeks. This he did with a light heart, for he felt convinced that he was leaving his affairs in good hands.

On his return he presented his faithful employe with a gold watch and chain and fifty dollars in gold.

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Esther did not fail to report minutely to her father all that had transpired during his absence, emphasizing the attention and kindness Mordecai had shown her and pointing out his unselfishness.

Oosher's heart was filled with gladness. During his five years in the employ of Carliner, Mordecai had been of much help to his father whose failing health the more endeared the son to him.

On Mordecai's nineteenth birthday, Lazarus the Elder died.

Carliner and Esther proved themselves a boon to the youth during the time of his grief, for he had no one else to comfort him. He now spent most of his leisure time in their home as his step-mother, whom he had never admired, was by no means a magnet for him.

Esther meanwhile developed into charming maidenhood. Her companionship with Mordecai awakened in her many a trait which perhaps would have remained dormant. She played the piano sweetly and sang some.

Lazarus played the violin quite acceptably. They practiced together very often.

Thus music, in addition to many characteristics which they had in common, vastly contributed to the melting of the pure souls of Mordecai Lazarus and Esther Carliner.

During the year of mourning Mordecai abstained from any public amusements.

Esther could not find much diversion in the company of other young men. She therefore preferred to pass much of her time in reading, in long walks and attending lectures with Lazarus.

Oosher Carliner's heart expanded when he saw how perfectly his daughter and Mordecai understood one another. Often he gave a sigh of joyousness and muttered to himself: "Etsba Elohim"—the finger of Destiny!

With the expiration of the time of mourning a new era began in the lives of the young people. They indulged in frolicking pleasures together. Their interest in every phase of life became so mutual that neither would take a step even in trivial matters without consulting the other.

"Purim," Feast of Lots, is celebrated by the Jews all over the globe, despite the fact that it was instituted after the dispersion of the Jewish people. The origin of this festival is given at length in the Book of Esther, one of the books of the Bible.

This book tells how, Mordecai and Esther were destined by the Lord to frustrate Haman's evil design to destroy the Jews living in Persia.

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Oosher Carliner, too, had had ample time and proof to convince himself that his daughter and his earthly possessions would be safe with his trusted employe.

Mordecai's marriage proposal to Esther was a "fait accompli" in the hearts of father and daughter. Their consent involved no red tape!

The happy trio agreed that Purim would be a most appropriate time to celebrate the engagement.

Oosher Carliner for the first time since the demise of his wife was happy again. He smiled somewhat freely of the sparkling tones and expressed the overflow of his joy by the singing of the ode:

"The lily of Jacob rejoiced and was glad when Mordecai was seen in purple. Thou hast ever been Israel's salvation and their hope in every generation, to make known that all who hope in Thee shall not be ashamed, neither shall any be confounded who put their trust in Thee."

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Dated, New York, the 24th day of January, 1917.
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Thus it was with Sodom; they had reached the end of their rope. But the Great Judge desired to give them a fair trial. He appointed for them, as their lawyer, the greatest lover of the human race that ever lived, our own father Abraham! And the Lord said, "Because the cry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous, I will go down now and see if they have done according to the cry against them, which is come unto Me, destruction shall come upon them; and if not, I will know it."

"All this the Lord said to Abraham," says Rashi, "because He said He would not hide anything from him." "I will go down and see"—the Lord knows everything that takes place and He does not have to "go down and see," but He has thus set an example to the human judges not to condemn a person to death unless they see that there is no shadow of a doubt of his guilt. Another meaning of it is this: "I will go down" to the very depth of their actions and motives "and see" if they persist in their rebellion against Me, "destruction shall come upon them, and if they will not persist in their rebellion I will know what to do to them to punish them for their sins, but I will not destroy them."

The Rabbins have expounded this sentence as relating to the crowning act of infamy of which the Sodomites were guilty. There was a law in Sodom that anyone who would be caught giving charity to the poor would be put to death. There was among them a young girl who saw a man in that city who was starving for hunger; she pitied him and hid some bread in the pitcher which she pretended to bring to the well to fill with water, and gave it to the poor man when she thought nobody was looking. But her action was observed, and she was seized and stripped of her clothes, her body was smeared over with honey and she was placed on the top of a roof in the glaring sun, and the bees swarmed upon her and stung her to death. And the men turned their faces from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham stood before the Lord. And Abraham drew near and said: "Wilt Thou then destroy the righteous also with the wicked?" "Vayigash Abraham," and Abraham drew near. "Vayigash," says Rashi, means three things; drawing near to war, drawing near to appease, drawing near to plead. And in such a mood did Abraham draw near, to argue for the Sodomites, to appease the Lord in their behalf and to plead for them. "Haaf tispeh," wilt Thou "in Thy wrath" destroy the righteous with the wicked? Perhaps there are fifty righteous within the city, which will make ten righteous for each city (for there were five cities). "Wilt Thou then also destroy and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous that are therein?" "Far be it from Thee, and if Thou wilt decree that the righteous shall not save the wicked, why shouldst

Thou slay the righteous?" "Chalila lechah." "Far be it from Thee to do after this manner." "Chulin hu lechah," it is not befitting Thy holiness, for it will be said, "This is ever His action to destroy everyone, the righteous as well as the wicked; thus He has done to the generation of the flood, also to the generation whom He scattered at the time the Tower of Babel was built." And the Lord assured him "if I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all of the place for their sake."

Sodom was the metropolis, and the most important of the five cities, therefore, the Torah singles it out. And Abraham answered and said, "Behold, now I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, although I am but dust and ashes. I would have long since become dust through the kings, and ashes through Nimrod, were it not for Thy mercy that preserved me. Perhaps there will lack five of the fifty righteous, wilt Thou then destroy all the city for the lack of the five? Then there would be more righteous for each city and Thou, the Righteous One of the Universe, could count Thy presence as one of them in order to save them. Perhaps there will be found there ten," pleaded Abraham, for less than ten he did not plead, as he knew that during the flood there were eight—Noah, his wife, their three sons and their wives, and they could not save their generation, and for nine he pleaded with the Presence of the Lord with them as ten, but he could not find that number of righteous there.

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