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Backward, Turn Backward

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He was a lawyer. Not the kind that unscrupulous people like to emphasize with a nodding wink, but one throughout whose whole career all who had come in contact with him had words of praise and fairness. His friends were proud of his record, but to him it was all natural. It was his mother's dying injunction, and it reminded him that it was the anniversary of his mother's transit on. He left his office early that day and went to the synagogue to say "kaddish." Reaching his home thereafter, he lit the "Neshummah" lamp. He was alone and could commune with himself. He slipped into his smoking jacket, lit his meerschaum pipe and sank cosily into a Morris chair before the open fire, for the damp and cold weather without had crept into the very marrow of his bones. He toasted his weary limbs and watched the flickerings of the "Neshummah" lamp. What strange shadows it cast! See how it strives to ascend upward, ever upward. A dimness blurred his eyes; a strange longing overcame him. He felt a tugging at his heart strings as the room seemed to fill with a something, a presence which he could neither discern nor explain. Crash! What was that? The cracking in twain of a burning log brought him to his senses. He rubbed his eyes and looked about him. Still did the "Neshummah" lamp burn and flicker, sending up long columns of black smoke. His pipe went out. He relit it and then reached for a book it and then reached for a book, which he opened at random. Strange! It was Elizabeth Akers Allen's poem, "Rock Me to Sleep," and he read:

"Backward, turn backward, Oh Time, in your flight,
Make me a child again just for to-night!
Mother, come back from the echoless shore,
Take me again to your heart as of yore;
Kiss from my forehead the furrows of care,
Smooth the few silver threads out of my hair;
Over my slumber your loving watch keep;
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep!"

flown! And he conjured up before him the woman that had given him birth. The velvety softness of her white skin; those brown eyes, oh

at his pipe, in the ecstasy of his vision, the book slipped from his hands to the floor, while his thoughts sailed away in the drifting clouds of

Again at that book?" called her mother.

"But mother," protested Naomi, "I do want to learn to speak French."

her mother, "but a man isn't coming to marry you for your education, and like as not he won't know any French and you won't be able to practice it on him. Furthermore, education is not good for girls. She's apt to know more than her husband and that's marrying trouble at the very start."

"But, mother, I don't want to marry. I'd rather—"

"And I'd rather you drop that book and learn how to do that cast over stitch which you'll need in mending your children's clothes."

"Mother!"

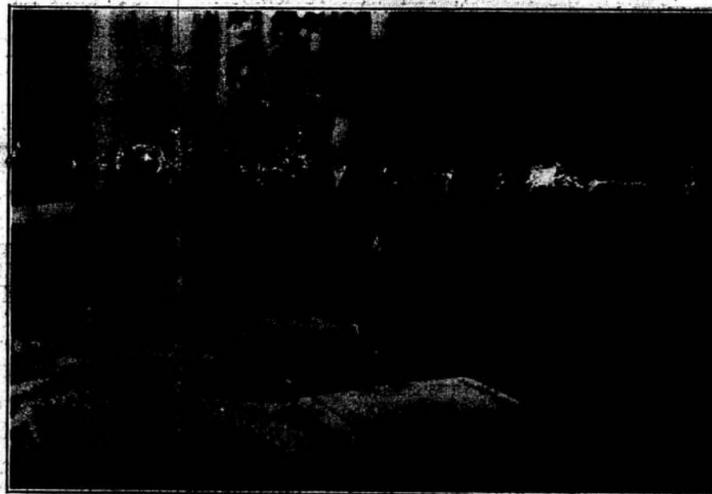
"Don't mother me. A nice mother you'll be and much you'll be able to teach your children. You put that book away and come here." Naomi sighed and did as bid. She watched for a moment the deft fingers. How quickly and smoothly they worked. But though the physical eye was looking at the flying fingers, the mind's eye was picturing French words and sentences.

"Now do you think you can do it?" asked her mother. Naomi started from her reverie. "Look here Naomi; do you think I've nothing else to do? I know how to sew. You don't. Sit down here and do it. Your education should have taught you to have respect and pay attention. Other girls at your age have their entire trousseau ready. Education, bah!"

Naomi sighed and half heartedly picked up the needle and thread and attempted the cast-over stitch. It was useless. It wasn't that she did not like to sew, but her mother's ideals and her own conicted. And it wasn't simply another language that Naomi sought to learn. She wanted to broaden; see what the world had discovered and also drink from the fountain of knowledge, whether mathematics, astronomy, anything at all, as long as it was more than being pent up within four walls. Just when she was of age to enjoy life with a little understanding, her parents already sought to bind her for life.

In country towns reports travel by messenger service and the girlish beauty of Naomi soon made the rounds. The courting swains set in their appearance to see for themselves, and ere many moons passed Naomi the girl became Naomi the wife.

What did it all mean? Why did they do it? Why had she not been given an opportunity to live happy and carefree—just a little while—in



DAVID PINSKY.

David Pinsky is the first Yiddish playwright whose work has commanded universal attention in the English-speaking literary and dramatic world. A translation of his four-act drama, "The Treasure," was brought out a couple of years ago and attracted more attention and favorable comment than the work of any other new dramatist who has appeared on the horizon in years. Professor George P. Baker, of Harvard, who has so deeply influenced the present generation of American playwrights, regards it as the most conspicuous production in dramatic literature brought out in America in twenty years. A German version of "The Treasure" was produced in Berlin by Max Reinhardt, the greatest of Continental stage directors, and, in its English translation, it will probably be seen at the Neighborhood Theatre. A new volume containing three dramas fully as meritorious as "The Treasure" will be published this season.

Pinsky was born about 1873 in Mohliver-on-the-Dnieper. He received his early education in the Cheder. When about 10 or 11 years of age he removed with his parents to the city of Moscow, where he continued his Jewish studies. In 1892, after the exodus of Jews from Moscow, Pinsky went to Warsaw where his first literary efforts were printed in Spector's *Hausfreund*. As a publicist he achieved quite a reputation. In 1896 he left Russia for Berlin and also Switzerland where he assisted Dr. Chaim Zhitlovsky in organizing the "Friends of Yiddish" Congress in Basle, the morning after the first Zionist Congress. At the invitation of the *Arbeiter Zeitung* he came to the United States, to accept a position on its editorial staff.

His breath came heavy and labored; his old eyes welled with tears, that trickled down his sunken visage to become enmeshed in his shaggy beard. The years, how they had

how he loved to look into them. The sweet smile; her soul loving embrace, for he had been the youngest of her broad, her Benjamin. Puffing hard

smoke to "Backward, Turn Backward" to see—

"Naomi, what are you doing there?"

If father cannot afford to send me to school at least you should not object to my studying at home."

"That's all very well," answered

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the world of "Oh, if I could only be a doctor, a lawyer, an artist, an actress! She would cure all diseases; adjust amicably all strife; paint all nature and portray all humanity. And she had planned to be them all, all! But now—still a child—still proud of her raven black tresses—she felt her head—peered into the mirror. My God! Shorn! Gone! Ugly enough to frighten death itself. What did it all mean? What did it all mean? And Naomi sat down and wept. What did she understand about the Chuppah? What had the mournful festivities to do with her? Two things only she realized. First, that she was no longer a child of her parents, but the wife of one whom she had seen but twice before. Second, saddest of all, that all she had inwardly dreamed, all the ambition of studying medicine, law, art and acting, were shattered beyond redemption.

And the years passed. Child after child set in an appearance, and with the husband she had, she pitied her offspring as she realized they were doomed to a life of perpetuating the race. Especially with four girls in the family, the oldest fifteen, it meant four dowries to prepare and in their dire poverty girls were a drudge and a bane to the household. It was a difficult problem, yet in spite of all the hardships which all the neighbors knew Naomi endured, there was a smouldering flame in her bosom that sparkled through her eyes; aye, even a smile ventured to implant itself about the corners of her mouth, so that the neighbors envied her happy disposition. Poor were her children but always clean, and Naomi watched them grow and develop. She taught them the little she knew, including the cast-over stitch, but she did not stop there. The goal she had once set for herself she would yet reach through her children, for were they not her flesh and blood. With the love of home she imbued and encouraged them and helped bridge over the cost of their education by extra washing, mending and dressmaking, of which her husband knew nothing about, for the simple reason that the wife belonged to the husband to do with what he willed, and all that belonged to her as well. And she impressed upon the children's hearts never to forget that one hand washed the other, and what she was doing for the oldest they in turn were to do for the younger, each in turn. Her mother heart swelled at the school reports brought home by them all. Her oldest daughter could actually speak French and German and already assisted other children, which materially relieved the mother's burden and permitted that effort to go to another of the brood.

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But all was not sunshine. Dark clouds appeared. Suddenly the whole sky became overcast and thunder and lightning had its fling. Ruth, the oldest, had confided to her mother her dream of studying medicine, of curing the world of its ailments, and the mother gave her a hug and kiss for her confidence. Joy reigned supreme. It was unthinkable in those days for woman to go outside of her domestic sphere prescribed to her by man, and the fact that her mother concurred in her ambitious desires made Ruth feel doubly happy. She was the mother's first born in spirit and here was the working model. The heavens opened and let loose their torrents as louder and louder waxed the storm. They had all figured without the father, the "breadwinner," for on that very day he came home with a great burst of enthusiasm. Thumping the table with his fist he demanded food.

"I've news for you," he bawled out as he finished smacking his lips upon completing the last spoonful. "Yes, and that is?" said Naomi. "We'll be relieved of one burden anyway, and each burden removed means that much less worry." "Speak! Don't talk riddles." "Don't hurry me. I'm still hungry. Bring on the next course and make it a heaping plate full. It was a hard job, but I got it through, and it's given me an appetite." The next course was served. Naomi watch him eat. He certainly was a grandmaster of the universal order of girth swellers. "I've work to do. What is it?" she asked again. "Well, the glad tidings are that I have a husband for Ruth." "But she's only a child," protested the mother, full well remembering her own blasted life. "How old were you when you were foisted on me?" "Foisted, was I? Would to— Never—mind—swearing. The damage has been done. Ruth is old enough to marry." "But I don't want to marry," protested Ruth. "I want to become a doctor."

"Do you think I'm going to support you all your life? I've kept you in school longer than other parents. Look at the education I've given you and this is the things I get. I always said it was useless to educate girls. They get swelled heads and rule you. A girl has only one thing in life to look forward to and that is to marry, understand me?" he shouted, striking the table a blow with his fist that the dishes rattled. "A doctor, she wants to become. The world is being killed fast enough and is not waiting for you." "Oh mother, I don't want to marry," cried Ruth sinking her head on her mother's shoulder. Naomi sighed. "And who is the man," asked the mother. "A Jew. That's all I worry about. He'll be able to support her." "That's neither here nor there. Who is the man? What is he?" "Don't worry about it. I told you I did a good piece of business. In the first place there is to be no dowry. I've made arrangements for the wedding and he's to be here next week."

"But what is he and where from? Who are his parents?" "He's a Jew," I told you. A chimney-sweep." "A chimney-sweep? Is that the best kind of a husband you could find for your oldest daughter?" "What are you putting on frills for, are we rich that we can choose." "We may not have money, but the children at least have character, education and ambition. You're mad." "Not at all. When one considers that every man is asking for a dowry, in spite of pretty faces, education, family, why, I think—"

"Stop thinking! She will not marry that man." "Either she marries this man or out she goes." "What do you mean?" "Exactly what I said, and if you stand in my way, you can go with her." "Are you crazy?" "There's the door!" Ruth sobbed the more, but Naomi was cool and determined.

"I accept your challenge. Such a home as you've given me I, too, can build." "No, no, mother. I'll marry the chimney sweep; I'll marry anyone. Don't go, mother." Naomi patted her daughter's head. "Your daughter knows a good thing; she has more sense than you." Naomi steeled herself; her brain was working as it never worked before. A sneer spread over the father's face. "Well, which is it?" he asked. "You've made your decision; I've made mine. I'm going away with the children."

"All of them?" he asked, a sinister light coming to his eyes. "No," answered Naomi, drawing the word as she intuitively caught the meaning of the query. "No, not all of them. That would be too easy a release. I'll choose which I'll take; the others you can take care off, not to relieve you entirely of your responsibility. And as soon as I can I'll come or send for the others, because," she continued, her bosom heaving, barely able to restrain herself in her excitement as she glared at the man, so low, yet her husband, "because they are my children, all mine, body and soul. You showed me the door and I'm going through, for the home I'm going to will be mine, built with my hands—as this one has."

Naomi kept her promise. With the help of borrowed money she left for America, taking her two oldest daughters with her as well as Benjamin, the youngest of the swarm, who still needed a mother's attention. The other children were of the age, too young to marry yet old enough to care for the house and attend the wants of their father. They arrived and settled. It was difficult at first to find anything to do, especially when one could not speak the language, but there was work to be done and all buckled down to do it. Obtaining employment in a flower factory, home work given to help swell the family treasury. Between cleaning the house and cooking the meals, Naomi managed to find time to twirl green tissue paper on wire stems and paste all kinds of leaves and flowers together. Even the little mezzinikle was taught how and squatted on the floor, between tempting bites of an apple, he, too, twirled and twirled, earning part of his board, if nothing else, for every little helped, so that at the end of a year Naomi succeeded in saving enough to send abroad for the rest of the brood and the father also. He immediately found fault with his surroundings, and sought to assume the old office of master of the household, all to no avail, for America had worked a charm. It was in the air. Women as well as men were free. Ambition was the aim and the struggle for it was unceasing and unending. At least one in the family would achieve success, and the teachings of the mother came to the fore and one hand began washing the other. With one combined effort Ruth was sent to a medical school while the others supported the home, and Naomi hugged each and all in turn, and lived in the very being of her children. Only the father was disconsolate and bewailed the day he fell from his pedestal. And as one reached the goal a helping hand was immediately extended to another. One became a doctor, another an artist, still an-

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other an actress. There remained only the lawyer to complete the mother's dream, but to all outward appearances the mezzinikle showed no inclination towards it. All the family knew was that he was employed.

But with Naomi, hard work had made serious inroads into her health in spite of her cheerful disposition, and a grievous illness which marty-like she had suffered for a long time without informing her children lest it affect their coveted goal could be repressed no longer, and it burst forth with a vengeance. She felt her days were numbered, and longingly she looked to her Benjamin, but as she had never forced her personality upon any of the children, she said naught.

Benjamin, however, knew his mother's desires and had completed the law course in the afternoons unknown to his mother and family. The school examination had been passed and he was awaiting the report from the State examiners. He saw his mother growing worse and worse, and the doctor had given her but one day more to live. In desperation he sent a telegram to the examiners, stating the case and kindly requesting an immediate reply as to his standing. His excitement, was attributed to his mother's grave condition. Benjamin was out on an errand when the reply came.

"It's a telegram for Benjamin," Naomi heard Ruth say. "Let me have it! I know what it is! It is good news! Let me have it," gasped Naomi. It was given her. She opened it; read it; kissed it and placed it to her heart just as Benjamin came in.

"My mezzinikle, my lawyer!" murmured Naomi, pressing him to her. "You've passed; you're a lawyer and you never let your mother know, and oh, how much it would have comforted her." Naomi hugged and kissed him again. "Oh, I'm so proud of you, but remember your mother's dying prayer, that you be ever humble and never seek success in any form through deceit or another's misfortune. Just as the doctor should be the helping angel before as well as after illness, be not blinded by the glitter of gold, but"

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Simon Wolf Celebrates His Eighty-first Birthday

By DR. ROBERT KATZ.

Washington.—Simon Wolf, citizen of this city and world famous for his activities in matters of concern to the Jewish people, celebrated his eighty-first birthday last Sunday, October 28. On this occasion, as on all of Simon Wolf's birthdays, the city and all who know him sent him their felicitations and best wishes for many returns of the day.

I visited Simon Wolf yesterday in his office in the Woodward Building and found him as happy, as hopeful and buoyant as ever. At an age when many who are younger than him have given up their work, their interests and enthusiasm, this old, gray Jewish patriarch stand before us retaining a vital touch and interest in all that is happening about him, planning, thinking, calculating, reading, writing, making projects, criticizing—yes, even working for his livelihood. In Simon Wolf you see the young-old, the past-present, the American Jew. You look at him and think: Although he is merely an individual, yet there is reflected in him the whole history and development of the Jewish political life in the United States of the last fifty or sixty years. Whether or not you agree with Simon Wolf's theories and views on the Jewish question and problem; whether or not you are even satisfied with the work of this patriarch, this does not, by so much as a hair's breadth, change your high esteem for Simon Wolf, nor does it in the least effect the tribute you are ready to pay this great Jew for his life-long effort on behalf of the Jews of America and for all those who have turned to him just as American citizens.

Simon Wolf is the one surviving Jew in America whose influence as a Jew played a distinct role more than fifty years ago—let us say in the time of President Lincoln. It may be said that Simon Wolf laid the foundation of Jewish American political life, so that Americans began to reckon with Jewish power and influence and Jews, as such, began to serve America. When you study a list of the most important Jews—of the best known Jews who have played a distinguished part in American life, and who continue to do so—you are still forced to put Simon Wolf at the head of the list. You think of the names Oscar Straus, Jacob Schiff, Nathan Straus, Louis Marshall, Justice Brandeis, Henry Morgenthau and similar names, and you are at the end of the list. And you know, without any exhaustive research, that the Honorable Simon Wolf, whose eighty-first birthday has just been celebrated, played an important part in the Jewish life of America long before the others were even known among their own people. This does not imply that the others whose names have been mentioned are in any way of lesser importance. No. This proves only that Simon Wolf is at present the most significant living political institution in America. Indeed, Simon Wolf is more than an individual, more than a politician—he is an institution, a foundation stone in the structure of Jewish-American history.

All the peoples and nations of the world send their representatives to the American Government at Washington. These ambassadors are selected by the various governments of the different countries. Simon Wolf has been, for the last fifty years, the Jewish ambassador to the American Government. That he had been especially selected, or that the Jews of America had elected him to the position, would be incorrect and false. This, as all know, is not the case. And yet Simon is the Jewish ambassador here, and everyone realizes and knows this. He is the unofficial and unattached, yet all-satisfying, well-liked and all-understanding ambassador of the Jews to the American Government. Few have attained to a position of such honor, and it is possible that after Simon Wolf, this unique position may become obsolete, unless someone shall arise who is as fully developed and of as great importance as his Jewish patriot. This position, held by Simon Wolf is not something that one can lay hands on, and yet it is recognized as a reality by Christian as well as Jews. In political circles, and in centers of influence in Washington, Simon Wolf has never been regarded otherwise than in connection with this position.

It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that Simon Wolf should have been acquainted with every President since Lincoln. He was a frequent visitor at the White House during every administration, Democratic or Republican. As the representative of a whole people, Mr. Wolf, naturally, has always been neutral and has had no special dealings with either of the political parties. For this reason he has always been welcomed by all the Presidents, who have held him in high esteem. It is related in this city, and there is no reason for doubting the story, that all of the Presidents, have been on intimate terms with him. They have never called him by any other name than "Simon," for "Mr. Wolf" would have been too formal. And he has always called them by their first name—"Theodore, Charlie, William," etc. This serves merely to show on what intimate terms Mr. Wolf came in contact with those in high places, and even if the story were merely a fiction, it would not disprove this intimacy.

One thing has always characterized the long public career of Simon Wolf. He has always stood out as a Jew. Even in undertakings that were of a non-Jewish character, if ever the opportunity came for the action of a Jew, Mr. Wolf made full use of this opportunity. He showed himself thoughtful always of his poor, oppressed people. Whenever he heard of injustices against his people, no matter where they were done, his voice would be heard. He counted his Jewish origin a thing of pride, and always spoke of it with pride and dignity. Even today, you cannot converse with Mr. Wolf for five minutes without his touching upon some topic of Jewish interest or dealing with Jewish history. His work for the B'nai Brith, for immigration, for the Jews of Russia, for orphans in this country, for thousands and thousands of individuals, is so vast that it must be left to the biographer of this great personality. It seems not so long ago, in his eighty-first year, that Mr. Wolf, together with Dr. Kaufman Kohler of Cincinnati, published an historical work on the relief and support given by the American Government to the Jews of Roumania. This book mentions all of the papers and documents, treating of this episode, that are to be found in the archives of the State Department. Together with the B'nai Brith, Simon Wolf did what he could to win for the Jews of Roumania all the rights of citizenship. He put in a great deal of work in this book, also.

There is another thing about Mr. Simon Wolf that is worthy of attention. This is his honesty and devotion. It is usually thought that a man like Mr. Simon is rich, is wealthy, well provided for, and that in his old age all he need do is live in comfort. In his case, however, this is far from the truth. Only at his last birthday, the Jews of Washington sought some means of meeting the mortgage of a few thousand dollars on the home of Simon Wolf. As we have seen, Mr. Wolf must, to the present day, be in his office every day so that he may do the work that waits for him. This is the reward of this great Jewish worker at his eighty-first birthday.

Germany Keen for a Jewish State

The fear that England or the United States may establish a Jewish State in Palestine and derive the political benefits which would accrue therefrom is driving German public opinion in the agitation that the Zionist goal should be realized through German efforts. From a number of clippings that have come into the possession of the Zionist Publicity Department, it is evident that the German press is seriously engaged in a discussion of this project in an endeavor to persuade Germany to take the initiative while yet its relations with Turkey are such as to make that step possible.

The Reichbote devotes much space to a discussion of what it terms "these American Zionist proposals," and insists that it is necessary for the German Government to counteract these projects and intrigue, to prevent England from making use of these American Zionist proposals as a backdoor which will enable her to pass freely from Egypt to India.

"This is a fact which we must keep well in mind when we are shaping our policy. As far as Germany is concerned it is to be presumed that the new Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who has been Consul in Constantinople, will realize the importance of this question. And in this connection it is important that Austro-German Zionism which aims at an emigration to Palestine shall receive every encouragement.

"The moment has arrived when Zionist leaders must tell themselves that now, if ever, is the time for them to get their plans and hopes to materialize, and thus to take the wind out of the sails of the Anglo-American powers. Of course it is in Turkey's interest to encourage this movement, for just as a Jewish immigration, which is mothered by England and America, will mean the loss of Palestine, so will a Zionist colonization which is carried on under the protection of the Central Powers be to the advantage of the Turkish Empire.

"This is not the first time that we have spoken on behalf of this movement. In the *Vossische Zeitung* a few days ago, in an article entitled 'The Fight for Palestine,' G. A. Bratter referred to an article by us and remarked that the demand of the Reichbote that Germany should place herself at the head of such a movement, is therefore of real political importance, even if the Reichsbote had something different in view when it put forward the suggestion. Of course, if we wish to handle this important Palestinian question as it should be handled, we shall have to avoid, as England has avoided, any suggestion that it is connected with international politics. In England the above-mentioned Palestinian policy is not pursued by those Jews only who are Zionists nor by such non-Jews only who are anti-Semites."

"In reply to this we should like to point out that our interest in Zionist projects is not due to any anti-Semitic feelings. We look upon them, just as Bratter presumes England to do, purely and solely from the point of view of their utility in national and international politics. We must cut the ground from under the feet of Anglo-American politics for our own sake and for the sake of our Allies. If, in so doing, we can give Zionism a helping hand all the better. We do believe that the gradual realization of Zionist aims will be a great blessing to the Jews, that it will deliver the children of Israel from the

curse of being dispersed amongst all the nations of the world. The best minds amongst them think so too. And their hosts of to-day will also rejoice if the Jews prosper and more and more emigrate to Palestine, all the more so because their Jewish guests have been not altogether a force for good but have often acted as a disintegrating and dangerous force. That is an obvious fact which cannot be denied, indeed is not denied by all right-thinking members of the Jewish race."

The *Deutsche Worte* of August 8 writes: "There is amongst Jews an ever-growing section which favors Zionism, the movement which strives to create for the Jewish people a home in Palestine secured by public law. We have for many years followed this movement attentively, and we are convinced that it is the concrete embodiment of 'much Christian and honest endeavor.' Now enemy countries are trying to make use of this great movement to serve their own ends. We are being told how America is using M. Morgenthau and England, Lord Rothschild for this purpose. Should these projects of our enemies prove successful we shall, in our opinion, be face to face with a grave calamity, far graver than the declaration of war by a small or even a medium sized state would be."

The German *Volksstimme* is also moved to comment on the "insatiable imperialism" of England and the United States, which "is now trying to make use of the Jewish people."

The project of England to send a Jewish regiment to fight in Palestine has every appearance of being a disinterested attempt to help a persecuted nation. But that is only the superficial aspect of the case, according to the *Volksstimme*. In reality, however, the advantages that would accrue to Great Britain are very considerable. English troops have already penetrated far into the Turkish Empire. "They have conquered Mesopotamia, taken a large part of Turkish Arabia, the Sinia Peninsula and the southern point of Palestine. They are now fighting for the remainder of Palestine."

But the Arabian rising and the claims of Italy in Asia Minor create a difficulty. The annexation by Great Britain of Palestine would be a great blow to Italian hopes. Hence, the usefulness of a Jewish regiment.

So far the deductions of the *Volksstimme*, which then arrives at these conclusions: "Germany is not yet sufficiently awake to the importance of these events. It has always looked upon Jewish national aspiration either as a Jewish Utopia, or a danger to Catholicism or even as an intrigue against the integrity of the Turkish Empire. Not one of these is correct. We need take no account of those who look upon the strong Jewish national element as an absurd Utopia. It is no business of the German Empire to look after the interests of Catholicism, but incidentally we may say that any danger to their interests is surely imaginary. The danger to Turkey is equally without foundation. Zionists do not at present wish to set up an independent State in Palestine, but only to have cultural autonomy as Turkish subjects, just as the Bohemians are subjects of the German Empire. Of course, it must never be forgotten that it is in Turkey's interest that the colonization plans of the Zionists should materialize. Turkey is in need of an increase of population. And as far as immigration is concerned the facts of the case are such as to make only Jewish immigration of any value. Germany and her Allies are very closely interested in the economic development of Turkey."

Summarizing the various editorials and "leading articles" which have recently been published in the German press on this subject, *Palestine* the organ of "The British Palestine Committee" remarks:

"To those who know anything of German life, these discussions about Palestine in the German press, indicate a very great change. From the Jewish point of view Germany is the traditional home of assimilation. It is really Germany which consecrated, if it did not invent, the fiction that the Jews are not a nation but only a sect. On the other hand, the German Government has always shown profound incapacity for appreciating the idea of nationality. That Germany should now become the home of a powerful propaganda stimulated by the German Government itself in favor of including in the peace settlement provision for a Jewish national centre in Palestine is something like a revolution in thought.

"Why has the problem of a Jewish Palestine become actual and real for Germany? The German Government had strong reasons for avoiding it. In all the discussions in the German press the delicacy of German relations with Turkey is very evident. To touch a Jewish Palestine without affronting the Young Turks, that is indeed a difficult task. Nevertheless, the Germans have been driven to do it. Some may read in this evidence of the German conviction that, whatever may be professed in public, the Young Turks have no future. That may well be one explanation, but the root of the matter is probably this: the German Government has learnt in the stress of this war that Jewish nationalism is one of the vital political facts in the modern world. No power which wishes to be firmly based can safely set its future against the future of the Jewish nation, and no peace settlement which denies satisfaction to the Jewish national cause has elements of permanence. That we take to be the true meaning of the German interest in a Jewish Palestine."

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ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE JEWISH WORLD

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Herbert Hirschberg, City Librarian of Toledo, Ohio, has been elected president of the Ohio Library Association.

Judge Josiah W. Cohen, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has been returned for the third term as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.

A new congregation, known as Rodeph Sholom, has been established at Toronto, Can., with Rabbi M. H. Levey as their spiritual head.

The high-school girls of Harbord Collegiate have organized the Aguilar Girls' Club. The club is a branch of the Toronto (Can.) Young Judaea.

The great Jewish hospital at Witebsk, Russia, which was established sixty years ago, has been closed owing to the lack of funds for its maintenance.

An important change has been effected in the management of the Zionist Bureau for New England in the appointment of Dr. M. M. Eichler to succeed Alexander Sachs as director of the bureau.

Mr. Ezekiel S. Moses, a senior medical student, has been appointed a demonstrator in physiology at the Grant Medical College, Bombay. Hitherto such appointments were given to medical graduates only.

Trustees of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum of this city are negotiating with the Schieffelin estate for the purchase of 100 acres in the northeastern part of the Bronx, as a site for the proposed new home of the institution.

To mark their appreciation of the services rendered by their rabbi, Dr. Isidore Lewinthal, during the thirty years which have just been completed, Congregation Chavai Sholom, of Nashville, Tenn., presented him with a handsome automobile.

Louis P. Alloë, president of the St. Louis (Mo.) Board of Aldermen and Acting Mayor, has offered to resign his public office and abandon his business in order to serve the government for the period of the war without compensation.

Joseph Samuels, of Providence, has been appointed to the Governor's staff by Governor Beekman, of Rhode Island, with the title of lieutenant colonel. This is the first time in the history of the State that a co-religionist has been named on the Governor's staff.

Samuel Gerald Tritt has been appointed chief returning officer for George Etienne Cartier Division, Montreal. This is probably the first time that a Jew in Canada has been chosen for that office. Mr. Tritt as chief returning officer will appoint his own deputy returning officers.

Among the most recent honors bestowed on Russia Jews are the appointment of M. Meyerovitch to be Assistant Government Commissary in the Fourth Army and the election of MM. Lazarovitch and Freedman as Deputy Mayors of Odessa.

The October sitting of the Springfield (Mass.) Superior Court, Judge Christopher T. Callahan presiding, was opened with a prayer by Rabbi Samuel Price, this being the first time within the memory of court officers that a Jewish clergyman has officiated at the opening of court.

The Federation of Jewish Charities of Philadelphia, Pa., is in receipt of \$5,000 United States 4 per cent. Liberty bonds, presented by Mrs. Morris Pfalzer in memory of her husband, Morris Pfalzer, who was for many years a director of the federation and one of its most ardent supporters.

Jerome J. Hanauer, bond expert of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., has gone to Washington at the instance of Secretary McAdoo to assist Treasury Department officials in allotting Liberty bonds. He acted in a similar capacity for the government last June on the occasion of the first Liberty loan apportionment.

Important articles dealing with the Jewish question in Palestine are appearing in the press of England. Recently the *Daily News* carried an editorial article based on the Jewish national demands. More recently the *Manchester Guardian* also published an important editorial article on the same question.

The next Massachusetts Legislature will have four Jewish members; namely, Simon Swig, Republican (re-elected), from Ward 16, Roxbury; Philip J. Feinberg, Democrat, Ward 5, Boston; Jacob Wasserman, Republican (re-elected), Ward 19, Dorchester, and Samuel B. Pinkel, Republican, Ward 21, Dorchester.

Mizrachi, the orthodox Zionist organization of America, has decided to conduct a referendum on the Palestine question among the orthodox Jews of America. Every Jew who attends the synagogues of the city will receive a special circular, in which are stated the Jewish aims in Palestine. All orthodox Jews will be asked to sign this formula.

A serious rupture in the affairs of the Order B'rith Abraham lodges of Providence, R. I., has taken place. Proceedings have been brought by the Grand Lodge, asking for a restraining order and for other legal remedies against the action of the local lodges; four in number, which during the past few months have withdrawn from the national order and established independent fraternal benefit associations.

A serious anti-Jewish riot has taken place at Kostromo as a result of the food crisis. The Black Hundreds directed the wrath of the mob against the Jews accusing them of speculations. Hooligans attacked and looted many Jewish shops. Similar outbreaks occurred at Poltava and Orjel, but there the militia and local organizations succeeded in suppressing the riots almost at the beginning of the outbreak.

The municipality of the city of Tambov (situated outside the former pale) has had under discussion the Sunday-closing question. The municipality came to the conclusion that no pressure could be put on Jews, who rest on Saturdays, to abstain from trading on Sundays also.

In the occupied districts Jews are sent to prison for failing to "subscribe" to the State loan, and are fined or arrested for forgetting to bow to German officers or for not getting out of their way on the pavement. In addition, Jews and Jewesses are abducted, not only for forced labor, but often also have to supply men to assist officers in hunting or in other pleasures and games.

It has been observed that soldiers, usually in a state of intoxication and very often after deserting their regiments, were taking a leading part in the latest outbreaks of anti-Jewish rioting in Russia. The president of the Rabbinical Commission, Rabbi Zirelsohn, of Kishineff, therefore issued an appeal to all Jews to refrain from selling intoxicating drinks to soldiers, and thus obviate one of the causes leading to trouble.

The Russian Government has informed the committees established to aid the refugees that it cannot increase its grant to them in view of the financial position of the country. The committees are, therefore, confronted with the task of finding means to meet the additional expenses. Many Jewish leaders propose to divert to Siberia the stream of Jewish refugees from freshly threatened districts and to provide work for them there.

Through the generosity of Elias Lowenstein, of Memphis, Tenn., work on a cafeteria at the National Jewish Hospital for Consumptives, at Denver, Colo., was begun October 26, and will cost approximately \$5,000. During a recent visit to Denver—Mr. Lowenstein became interested in the work being accomplished at the sanitarium, and when it was explained to him the possibilities of conserving labor and food by the installation of the cafeteria, he volunteered to supply the necessary funds.

Lieutenant Observer Nissim de Camondo, a French aviator, has fallen in combat. He had been charged with the delicate mission of photographing the German positions, and while engaged in this operation he was attacked by a group of enemy aviators. He destroyed one of their machines, but was mortally wounded by a bullet. Lieutenant de Camondo had frequently been mentioned in dispatches in exceptionally eulogistic terms for his courage and coolness. The deceased, who was twenty-five years of age, was the son of Count Moise de Camondo, member of the Jewish Consistory of Paris.

The donations for the Jewish National Fund in the month of August amounted to 274,473 francs. The sums contributed by the various lands are: Russia, 171,728 francs; Austria, 63,079 francs; Germany, 14,328 francs; North America, 8,114 francs; South America, 5,380 francs; East Asia, 4,282 francs; Argentine, 2,789 francs; England, 2,312 francs; Greece, 554 francs; South Slavonic Lands, 535 francs; Sweden, 484 francs; Holland, 402 francs; Bulgaria, 185 francs; Belgium, 118 francs; Denmark, 87 francs; France, 71 francs; and Egypt, 25 francs. The receipts of the Jewish National Fund from January 1, to August 31, 1917, amounted to 1,302,846 francs.

Several hundred people attended the first annual convention of the Hudson County League of Young Men's Hebrew and Kindred Associations, held in Jersey City, N. J., recently. The associations represented were: Jersey City Hebrew Association, Young Men's Hebrew Association of West New York, Young Folks' League of Hoboken, Original Welcome Social Club, Young Women's Hebrew Association of West New York, Young Ladies' Hebrew Association of North Hudson, Zairi Zion of Jersey City, Ivria Social Club, Young Women's Hebrew Association of Hudson County and the Young Men's Hebrew Association of North Hudson.

Abram J. Katz, well known in mercantile, financial and philanthropic circles of Rochester, N. Y., for many years, died last week on a train en route from Baltimore to Rochester. In 1899, when the firm of Stein, Bloch & Co. was incorporated, he became its treasurer, an office he held until 1899. In recent years Mr. Katz has devoted a large proportion of his time to charitable and philanthropic work. He was active in the work of United Charities of Rochester from the time of its organization, and was also prominently identified with the State Charities Aid Society. He served as president of the Jewish Orphan Asylum Association and the United Jewish Charities.

The lawlessness and capricious behavior of the German authorities in the invaded provinces of Russia is causing serious hardships to Jews, in addition to the economic trouble. The commandant of a townlet ordered the Jews to remove from three streets because he had to pass through those streets on the way to his office, and objected to meeting so many Jews. Even the officer who was instructed to execute the order was too kind hearted to witness the tragedy of turning other people into the fields (there were no other houses available for them). He therefore ejected only part of the Jewish tenants. The others had to abstain from showing themselves in the streets as far as they could.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND

(Exclusive Correspondence to the HEBREW STANDARD)

First Meeting of London's Military Tribunal to Hear Russian Jewish Appeals Provides Interesting Statistics—More About the Leeds Rabbi and Reader Cases—Jewish Candidate Withdraws from Parliamentary Bye-Election—Big British Movement of Palestine for the Jews' Question—Departure of Bezalel—Board of Deputies Forms Foreign Affairs Committee to Replace Old Conjoint.

London, Oct. 26, 1917.

The Russian Military Service Tribunal held its first session on October 24 in a room at the Old Bailey, that most famous of all centres of criminal jurisdiction in this country. In the first hour and a half twenty-four claims were heard out of an estimated total of at least 8,000. Other tribunals will sit simultaneously, however. Most of the twenty-four were apparently Russian Jews, the majority of them being ladies' tailors or tailors' pressers. An exception, however, was a Russian Jew employed as a waiter in an officers' mess at Salisbury. He was aged twenty. Another was a London barber, who, besides running his own shop, had been in the habit of attending a local soldiers' hospital each day and cutting the hair of soldier patients free of charge. Out of the twenty-four appeals three were adjourned; another three were ordered to change their occupations and do work of national importance; ten were totally exempted, and eight—that is, one-third of the total—were ordered to join the army. An example of those ordered to do work of national importance but not ordered to join the army was Isaac Lipschitz, who was a tailor's presser. He was given exemption on the understanding that he devote himself henceforward to some form of productive activity in which the army needs outside assistance.

Last week I referred to certain cases heard by the magistrate of Leeds (Yorkshire), in which a rabbi and a synagogue reader were charged with being absentees from the army. They were respectively the rabbi and late reader of the Zionist Synagogue in Leeds. The attorney for the defense of Rabbi Mendelsohn said that, although he was a minister of religion within the meaning of the Military Service Act, the date of Mendelsohn's appointment (March, 1916) precluded him, as it would an English minister, from taking advantage of the provisions of the act. As a Russian subject, however, it appeared that he came within the provisions of the act ratifying this year's convention between the British and Russian Governments, which made the qualification regarding ministers operative thirty days from the date of the Order in Council. The claim for exemption was allowed.

Miller, the reader, was held to be not entitled to exemption. The evidence showed that he did not lecture or preach or perform the ceremony of marriage pertaining to the Jewish ritual. The fact that he earned his living as a grocer did not affect the decision. Miller was handed over to a military escort. Masser, who appeared as Miller's legal adviser, asked the stipendiary magistrate to state a case, pointing out that the decision affected some 700 or 800 officials in the country, and on the advice of the stipendiary magistrate Masser agreed to take time to consider what form his proposed appeal should take.

Lieutenant Montagu Lyons, who I mentioned as a coming Parliamentary candidate on independent lines at an approaching bye-election, has now withdrawn his candidature, no reason being given.

Quite a number of public meetings are being held by Jews in various parts of the country on the Palestine question. At all these meetings an identical resolution has been carried in the following words: "That this meeting, being unanimously in favor of the reconstitution of Palestine as the national home of the Jewish people, trusts that His Majesty's Government will use its best endeavors for the achievement of this object." It is stated that the resolution has now been adopted by 250 Jewish institutions, communities and organizations, both Zionist and non-Zionist, in London, Liverpool, Leeds, Glasgow, Manchester, Sheffield, Swansea, Bristol, Nottingham, Cardiff, Dublin, Belfast, and many other centres. In most of these places it was passed by what is called the local Jewish Representative Council, which speaks for synagogues, trade unions and friendly societies.

In London it has been adopted by a conference of London synagogues attended by delegates from thirty-six synagogues; by the Council of the United Jewish Friendly Societies, representing more than 50,000 members, and by a large number of separate Zionist and non-Zionist organizations.

At a meeting in London at which the resolution was adopted Commander Jo-

siab Wedgwood, D. S. O., and Member of Parliament (who, although not himself a Jew, takes a great interest in Jewish questions), said he had the highest authority for stating that France was in favor of the proposal and the Vatican was enthusiastic. It was as necessary to reconstitute the Jews as a nation as to restore Belgium, Poland and Serbia. The chief danger—not a serious one—was that the German-speaking Jews might fail to oppose the spread of German kultur, and Germany wanted Palestine as the high road to India. Anglicized Jews, he declared, need not fear compulsory repatriation.

As part and parcel of the same campaign Israel Cohen, author of "Jewish Life in Modern Times," and other Jewish writers have been getting Zionist-Palestine articles into the daily newspapers.

About a month or two ago I mentioned that one Bezalel, a Russian Jew in the East End of London, was organizing most of the opposition to the Russian Jewish army measures. He was opposed both to repatriation and to service in the British army. He secured a good following, especially among some of the unthinking young Russian Jews whose knowledge of the facts of the case was not complete, but an end was put to his activities by his arrest and internment. It now appears that during his internment he "hunger struck" for a certain period and secured some alleviation of his imprisonment as a result. Now I hear he has been deported for the duration of the war. The Jewish press here speaks well of Bezalel's ability and persistence, although disagreeing with the objects to which they were directed.

At the meeting of the Board of Deputies held last Sunday, October 21, it was unanimously agreed to accept the following recommendation. That this board forms a Foreign Affairs Committee, and that the board instructs such committee to ascertain whether an agreement could be arrived at with the Anglo-Jewish Association for harmonious action in foreign affairs.

As a result of this being carried a Foreign Affairs Committee was elected, after a ballot, as follows: Sir Adolph Tuck, Bart.; Bertram B. Behas, Samuel J. Cohen, S. H. Emanuel, S. Finburgh, H. S. Q. Henriques Joshua M. Levy and B. S. Straus.

At the same meeting, at the instance of Rabbi Dr. Samuel Daiches, the question of making provision for the dependents of Russian Jews who had left England to serve in the army of their native country was referred to the board's Law and Parliamentary Committee.

Roumanian King Greets Jewish Aviator.

London.—Dragushin, the young Roumanian Jew who has distinguished himself in the French aviation service, in which he is a volunteer, was received recently by the King of Roumania on the occasion of a visit to Yassi. The King, who praised Dragushin for his many heroic flights of which he had heard, asked the young aviator whether he would not like to enter the Roumanian service in the same capacity as that which he now holds in the French corps. In answer Dragushin said simply that he was a Jew.

For his heroism and spectacular flights Dragushin has the praise of the French General Staff, and in addition to receiving medals and other marks of recognition, he has been promoted to a commanding position. As a volunteer flyer he has served with the French army about Salonika.

His last spectacular feat was an attempt to fly from Salonika to Yassi. In this flight he made various bomb attacks on the German camps in Constance and threw down proclamations to the inhabitants of Bucharest. He was prevented from reaching his destination because his gasoline gave out. He was forced to come down at a small village in Besarabia. There he took the train to Yassi, where he was received by the King.

Dragushin was born in Botoshani, Roumania, and is now twenty-one years old. His parents live in Bucharest, where they have a store of medical and surgical instruments.

Special Tax to Relieve Jews.

Copenhagen.—Paragraph 60 of the Polish laws for the reorganization of Jewish communities gives the elective bodies of those communities the power to levy special taxes on the Jewish population, with particular provisions for the relief of the poorer Jews of the community.

The power afforded by this paragraph has now been invoked by a number of the Jewish communities in Poland.

One of the communities to take advantage of this law is Wlaciawek, the electors of which have drawn up a list of wealthy, property-owning and middle class Jews and have levied a monthly tax of from 10 to 100 marks, in accordance with the wealth and income of the proposed taxpayer.

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MARRIAGES.

CHOCK-SEIDEMAN.—On Tuesday, November 6, Miss Hannah Seideman to Mr. Leon Chock, by Rev. Dr. Drachman. FRIEDMAN-HEINRICH.—On Tuesday, November 6, 1917, at the Hotel Astor, by the Rev. Edward Lissman, Nettie, daughter of Bernhard and the late Carrie Heinrich, to Mr. Harry J. Friedman. GREENFIELD-ALMULY.—Miss Marion Almuly of 815 Fox street, married to Jacob Greenfield of 1185 Fulton avenue, by Rev. Dr. Max Reichler on November 8, at the Rabbi's study. KANNER-STROLOWITZ.—Jerome J. Kanner to Rose Strolowitz, Saturday, November 10, 1917, by Rev. B. A. Tinmer. KOBRE-SARGOY.—By the Rev. Dr. Max Raisin, on Sunday, November 11, Nathan Kobre to Miss Isabel Sargoy, of 682 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. MEYERS-ZILVER.—On November 6, at the Hotel Ansonia, by Rev. Dr. A. S. Ansbacher, Hilda Deutsch Zilver to Mr. Harry Meyers. MUNITZ-HURWITZ.—Miss Ida B. Hurwitz of 704 Caldwell avenue to Harry Munitz, of Athol, Mass., by Rev. Dr. Max Reichler, on Monday, November 12, at the Rabbi's study. SILVERMAN-LEHMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lehman of 143 W. 113th street, announces the marriage of their daughter Gertrude to Albert Arthur Silverman on Tuesday, November 6, 1916, at their home. Rabbi Aaron Eise-man performed the ceremony.

BIRTHS.

MARKS.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marks (nee Gertrude Green), of 3810 Broadway, announce the birth of a daughter on November 6, 1917. SEYDEL.—To Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Seydel, a daughter, Ervil Rae, on Monday, November 5. WEISER.—Mr. and Mrs. William Weiser (nee Frances Haber) announce the arrival of a son on October 18, 1917. Pldyon Ha Ben will take place at their home, 415 Avenue C, Brooklyn, on November 18, 1917.

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ZWEIG.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zweig (nee Irene Morris), of 629 West 170th street, announce the birth of a daughter on Tuesday, November 6.

BAR MITZVAH.

SCHNITZLER.—Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Schnitzler, of 965 Fox street, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Laurence on Saturday, November 17, Temple Beth Elohim, 961 Southern Boulevard, at 10 a. m. At home Sunday, 3 to 6 p. m. WETZLER.—Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Wetzler announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jerome A. Wetzler, on Saturday, November 17, at Temple Mount Neboh, 150th street and Broadway. Reception Sunday, November 18, from 3 to 6, at 575 West 159th street.

IN THE SYNAGOGUES.

ADATH ISRAEL (Bronx).—Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman will preach this (Friday) evening. AGUDATH JESHORIM (117 E. 86th St.).—Rabbi G. Lipkind will preach this evening on "The Religion of the Pulpits." Sabbath morning on the portion of the week. AHAWATH CHESED SHAAR HASOMAYIM (55th St. and Lex. Ave.).—Rev. Dr. I. S. Moses preaches Sabbath morning on "Love at First Sight." ANSHE CHESED (114th St. and 7th Ave.).—Rabbi Jacob Kohn preaches Sabbath morning on the weekly portion. BETH-EL (6th Ave. and 74th St.).—Rev. Dr. Samuel Schulman preaches Sabbath morning at 10.30. Sunday at 11 Dr. Schulman lectures on "The Age's Challenge to the Jew." BETH ELOHIM (961 Southern Boulevard).—Sabbath morning Rabbi Louis J. Goetz will preach. BETH ISRAEL (262 W. 99th St.).—Services this evening at 8.15, Dr. Gustav N. Hausmann will lecture. Sabbath morning at 10 Dr. Gustav N. Hausman will speak. BETH JEHUDA (904 Bedford Ave. Brooklyn).—Sabbath morning Rabbi Samuel Buchler will preach on the portion of the week. B'NAI ISRAEL (535 West 148th St.).—Rev. Dr. Isidor Reichert will preach this evening on "Why Not Abolish Religion?" Sabbath morning, "The Eternal Struggle." BOROUGHPARK TEMPLE (14th Ave. and 49th St.).—Friday evening at 8.30, Dr. David Levine, "Judea's Voice in America's History." Sabbath morning, on the portion of the week. Wednesday evening Forum, "Post-Biblical Sources of Judaism." EMANU-EL (5th Ave. and 43d St.).—Sunday morning Dr. Silverman will lecture on "Social Problems and the New World." EZ CHAIM (107 E. 92d St.).—Dr. David Davidson preaches Sabbath morning on "Jacob and Esau in the Twentieth Century." FREE SYNAGOGUE (Carnegie Hall).—Sunday morning Prof. Lyon Phelps of Yale University will speak on "The Drama of Today." FREE SYNAGOGUE (Bronx Branch, 165d St. and Southern Boulevard).—Dr. Sydney E. Goldstein will speak tonight. FREE SYNAGOGUE (Washington Heights Branch, Broadway and 157th St.).—This evening Dr. Stephen S. Wise will deliver an address on "Is There a God to Answer Prayer?" INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE (112 W. 116th St.).—Friday evening, 8.30 o'clock, Mr. I. L. Brill will lecture on "Has the Jew a Right to Live?" Sabbath morning, sermon by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein. Sunday morning, at Mount Morris Theatre, 116th St. and 5th Ave., at 10.30, Mr. Herman Bernstein lectures on "New Russia and the Jew." ISALAH (127 W. 89th St.).—Rabbi Samuel Greenfield lectures this evening on "Palestine and Russia." Sabbath morning on the portion of the Law. ISRAEL (120th St. and Lenox Ave.).—Dr. M. H. Harris will speak this (Friday) evening and Sabbath morning. ISRAEL (Bedford Ave., Brooklyn).—Rabbi Marius S. Ransom, of Paterson, N. J., will lecture this evening. JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (531 W. 123d St.).—Sabbath morning Mr. Benjamin H. Birnbaum will preach. JUDAH HALEVI (116th St. and Morris Ave.).—Rabbi Jesse L. Bienenfeld lectures this evening on "The Sabbatians." Sabbath morning on the portion of the Law. MOUNT SINAI ANSHE EMETH (600 W. 181st St.).—Rev. Dr. L. Zinsler will preach this evening on "Which is the Real Jewish Ideal?" Sabbath morning on "Hatred and Love." MT. ZION (45 W. 119th St.).—This evening Rabbi B. A. Tintner preaches on "Choosing Friends." Sabbath morning Rabbi Tintner preaches on the weekly portion. ORACH CHAIM (95th St. and Lexington Ave.).—Rev. Dr. Moses Hyamson preaches Sabbath morning. PENI EL (525 W. 147th St.).—Rabbi Aaron Eise-man will preach this evening on "Will the Jew Disappear?" Sabbath morning on "The Parents' Greatest Blessing to Their Children." PETACH TIKVAH (Rochester Ave. and Lincoln Pl., Brooklyn).—Rabbi I. H. Levinthal preaches tonight on "Woman's Influence in Judaism." Sabbath morning on the portion of the week. PINCUS ELIJAH (118 W. 95th St.).—Sabbath morning Rev. Dr. Jacob S. Minkin preaches on the portion of the Law. RODEPH SHOLOM (63d St. and Lexington Ave.).—Rev. Dr. Rudolph Grossman lectures on Sabbath morning. SHAARI ZEDEK (Putnam Ave., Brooklyn).—Dr. Max Raisin will preach this evening on "The Resurrected Jewish Nation in Palestine." Sabbath morning

on the portion of the week. SHEARITH ISRAEL (Central Park West and 70th St.).—Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool will preach on Sabbath morning. SINAI (Stebbins Ave. and E. 163d St.).—This evening Miss Eva Leon, of Jerusalem, will lecture on "Palestine as Memory and Hope." Sabbath morning Rabbi Max Reichler will preach on "Dual Personalities." SINAI (Mt. Vernon, N. Y.).—Dr. Joseph I. Gorfinkle lectures this evening on "Mr. Wells' Crude Conception of God." Sabbath morning on "Variations in Character." TEMPLE OF THE COVENANT (552 W. 181st street).—Services this evening at 8.20. Rabbi Frederick Braun lectures on "Religious Science Health." TIFEREETH ISRAEL (Kensington Brooklyn).—This evening Rabbi Jacob Katz preaches on "Socialist and Jew." Sabbath morning on the portion of the week. WASHINGTON HEIGHTS (510 W. 161st St.).—Rabbi Moses Rosenthal will preach Sabbath morning on the portion of the week. YOUNG ISRAEL (Pike St., near E. B'way).—Prof. I. L. Friedlander will give the first of a series of lectures this evening. ZICHRON EPHRAIM (163 E. 67th St.).—Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman preaches Sabbath morning on "The American Jew and Politics."

Young Israel

What promises to be a season of great activity among young Jews and Jewesses of New York has been arranged for by Young Israel. It is the aim and hope of this movement to bring about, through its activities, a common and better understanding between old and young Jewry, so that traditional Judaism may be preserved in America. The committees, in planning this work, have directed their efforts toward making every activity of Young Israel both instructive and interesting. On Friday evening, November 16, Professor Israel Friedlander will give the first of a series of eighteen Friday evening lectures at the Pike Street Synagogue, Pike Street, near East Broadway. The series will consist of two courses: 1. Present-day Values of Jewish Institutions, as follows: November 16, "Value of Ceremonials"; November 30, "The Dietary Laws"; December 14, "Chanukah"; December 28, "The Traditional Prayer Book"; January 11, "Tzitzith and Tfilin"; January 25, "Sabbath and Festival Lights"; February 8, "The Penitential Period"; February 22, "Purim"; March 1, "The Memorial Service"; March 15, "Passover." 2. Jewish Movements, as follows: November 23, "Universalism"; December 7, "Nationalism"; December 21, "Zionism"; January 4, "Mysticism"; January 18, "Hassidism"; February 1, "The Has-kalah"; February 15, "Reform Judaism"; March 8, "Continuity of Traditional Judaism." Among the lecturers will be the following: Rabbi Davidowitz, of Philadelphia; Elias Margolis, of Mt. Vernon; E. L. Solomon, Jacob Kohn, Samuel M. Cohen, Samuel Sachs, of Bath Beach; E. A. Lichter, of Far Rockaway; J. S. Minkin, Dr. Kaufman, Dr. Chertoff, Dr. Katkoff, and Professor I. L. Friedlander. Courses in Hebrew and Jewish history (Biblical and post-Biblical) are now being formed. Literary, Dramatic and Music Circles are also being organized. These will meet for the first time this season on Wednesday evening, November 21. Similar activities are now being planned to be started in other sections of the city. All young men and young women who are interested in this work, or would like to join the classes and circles, will please communicate with Max Oxen-bandler, president of Young Israel, 135 Montgomery Street, New York City.

Russian Evening at the Y. M. H. A. The Young Men's Hebrew Association, 92d street and Lexington avenue, will give an elaborate entertainment on Sunday evening, November 18, consisting of Russian music by the Y. M. H. A. Orchestra, Russian folk songs by an eminent vocalist, a motion picture film showing life in Russia today, and finally, an address by Mr. Herman Bernstein, recently returned from Russia. The orchestra will play music by Tchaikovsky, Rubinstein and other Russian composers; and the folk songs will be those sung every day by Russian Moujiks and peasants. The feature of the evening will be the address by Mr. Herman Bernstein who is expected to give the audience some conception of present conditions in the great Democracy.

The Harlem Forum.

Mr. Willard Osborne, the well-known violinist, a pupil of Professor Auer, and Mr. Israel Joseph, the pianist, will be the soloists at the Harlem Forum meeting on Sunday morning, November 18, 1917, at 10.45 o'clock, in the auditorium of the Wadleigh High School, 115th street, near Seventh avenue. Mr. Saul J. Cohen will speak on "What the Recent British Declaration Means to the Jews." The discussion will be opened by Professor St. T. H. Hurwitz and Mr. Isaac Rosengarten.

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Montefiore Congregation Notes.

In a very interesting sermon delivered last Saturday morning, Rabbi Basel expounded the theory that there is a guiding principle in the life of every individual which motivates any course of action he may pursue. After widening the scope to include all groups of society and even nations under this idea and explaining the motives which have served for many years to guide the policies of various nations now enrolled in conflict, he stated that throughout all the ages the center of gravity of the Jews has been scholarship.

Unfortunately, however, despite the fact that a vast amount of money is yearly expended in this country for the maintenance of Jewish institutions of learning, the existing standard of education is below the mark and it has been necessary to depend on the Old World for the upholding of Jewish ideals by supplying us with competent instructors and literary works of note. In order to raise the standard of Jewish learning in our country, it is absolutely essential, he stated, that there be a more comprehensive study of the criterion of Hebrew literature.

With this object in view, Rabbi Basel has proposed the organization of a group of earnest and sincere men who are to study the Talmud under his guidance, so that he may be thoroughly understood, especially by the younger element he has decided to conduct the discussion in English. Everybody in the neighborhood who is interested in the perpetuation of the ideal which has been the very core of Judaism, is urged to join this movement and attend its meetings which are held on Wednesday evenings in the vestry rooms of The Temple, Hewitt and Macy places, Bronx, N. Y.

The Montefiore Junior Congregation is making rapid progress as an important organization and now holds very instructive and interesting services every Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock.

The Institutional Synagogue's Activities.

The Institutional Synagogue is conducting the following courses at their building, 112 W. 116th street:

Friday evening class in Talmud at 8 o'clock under the direction of Rabbi Z. Kapner. Lectures on Jewish problems every Friday evening at 8.30 p. m. The lecturer for this week is Mr. I. L. Erii.

Every Sabbath afternoon at 3 o'clock a class in Rashi meets under the leadership of Mr. B. Reuben Weilerstein of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

On Monday evenings at 8 o'clock a lecture course is conducted by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein on Jewish History.

On Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock a class in elementary Hebrew for adults and at 9 o'clock a class in advanced Hebrew for adults, will be conducted by Mr. Goodman of the Rabbinical College.

On Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock a class in Hebrew Conversation will be led by Miss Hammerschlag.

On Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock a class in Congregational Singing will be led by Mr. Abram Kohn.

On Tuesday evenings courses on the Bible and the Prophets are conducted by Professor S. T. Hurwitz of the Rabbinical College of America and Mr. Weilerstein.

Talmud Torah classes and Kindergarten classes will open next Monday morning and afternoon, November 19.

Sabbath and Daily Services are now held at the Synagogue House. Daily Services begin at 6.45 a. m.



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Temple of the Covenant.

The Friday evening services of the Temple of the Covenant now begin at twenty minutes after eight o'clock instead of half past eight as formerly, and are attended by congregations growing with each week. Last Friday evening, Rabbi Braum delivered the first of a series of addresses on "Religious Science Health" which proved to be very instructive as well as entertaining. He promises that this series will be based not only upon his studies, but also upon actual experiences in his own life.

Two new circles have been added to the group of societies affiliated with the Temple, intended to include all of the younger people in the community, older than the Post-Confirmants Club. The Junior of these held its second meeting on Sunday evening, adopted its constitution and elected its officers. The senior circle will hold a meeting for the same purpose on Sunday evening.

The Post-Confirmants Club has organized by the election of Howard Simon, president; Terrace Beller, vice-president; Charlotte Greenhoot, secretary; and Philip Levinson, treasurer.

Troop 183 of the Boy Scouts, secured subscriptions for nearly \$15,000 of Liberty Bonds.

A pinoché and whist took place at the Temple on Wednesday evening.

The Daughters of the Covenant tendered a social reception to their friends on Thursday afternoon, which proved to be a very pleasant gathering.

Open Forum of Congregation Judah Halevi.

The Young Folks' League of Congregation Judah Halevi, 166th street and Morris avenue, is conducting an open forum this winter. The meetings will take place the first Tuesday night of each month. Among the speakers who will address the forum are Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman, on "The Purpose of Young Folks' Leagues"; Miss Alice Seligsberg, on "Zionism"; Mr. Samuel Seinfeld, on "Jewish Philanthropy in New York"; Dr. Henry Keller, on a subject to be announced later, and other well-known Jewish speakers.

The Women's Study Bible Class meets every Wednesday morning in the vestry room of the synagogue. During the next month the subject for discussion will be "Biblical and Rabbinic Holy Days." New members for the class must submit their names to either Mrs. M. Cohen, 1055 Morris avenue, or to Rabbi Bienenfeld, 1382 College avenue.

The Talmud Torah has added a kindergarten class, under the leadership of Miss Eva Jacobs. The class meets Sunday mornings at 10 o'clock. The regular Talmud Torah sessions will continue as heretofore. The boys' high-school class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 p. m. The girls' high-school class meets Wednesdays at 5 p. m.

The late Friday night service begins at 8.30 o'clock. During November, Rabbi Bienenfeld will finish lecturing on "The Jewish Sects." The subjects for the next series will be announced later.

Sinai Temple War Activities.

The Sinai Boy Scouts, Troop 137 of the Boy Scouts of America, sold second Liberty bonds to the extent of \$8,300. At the rally held at the Seventy-first Regiment Armory the following scouts were awarded war medals: Milton White, Hyman Alexander, Leonard Gordon, Lawrence Seideman, Somner Levy and Harry Nathan. The newly appointed Troop Committee comprises Rev. Dr. Max Reichler, William Daub and Emil Fleisch.

The following members of Sinai Congregation are in the service of the United States: Robert Dressner, John Fleischman, Harry Fox, Sidney Trattner, Arthur Locks, two sons of Mr. and Mrs. M. Frank, Arthur Bauer, Jerome B. Bauer, Eugene N. Weil, Benjamin Jacoby and David Cohn.

The Sinai Sisterhood and the Henriette Sisterhood, both auxiliary societies of Sinai Congregation of the Bronx, appointed committees on amalgamation, for the purpose of presenting a definite and feasible plan of merging both organizations into one. The president of Sinai Sisterhood is Mrs. R. Heiderman and the president of the Henriette Sisterhood is Mrs. Kovacs.

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Hebrew National Orphan House to Banquet Three Wards.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hebrew National Orphan House, of 52 St. Marks place, this city, has made all arrangements for a special Bar Mitzvah dinner, to take place on November 18 at Beethoven Hall, in honor of three of the boys who are at present sheltered in the orphanage.

The officials of the Orphan House are congratulating themselves over the successful third annual meeting, held by the orphanage on November 11, at which were present more than 2,000 delegates representing 700 supporting societies. At this convention plans for a \$100,000 campaign, which the house will begin within the next few weeks, were laid, for the purpose of buying a site in Westchester county, where the cottage system is to be established. The fact that the house is fast outgrowing its present quarters, and also that hundreds of applications by widowed mothers with children have had to be turned down because of the lack of room has led the officials to believe that in the cottage system there will be more room for the orphans who seek admission to the house.

One of the chief undertakings of the Hebrew National Orphan House is the placing of Jewish children at present sheltered in non-Jewish institutions in orphanages and shelter houses where a Jewish environment prevails. The three boys to be Bar Mitzvah on November 18 were taken from non-Jewish institutions, where they had been trained in the Christian faith. The fact that they are now ready for Bar Mitzvah in the Hebrew faith proves the nature of the work of this house, the officials say.

Temple Rodeph Shalom.

The Rodeph Shalom Women's Society will hold its regular monthly meeting in the Vestry of the Temple on Monday, November 19, at 2.30 p. m. The subject for consideration will be "Woman's Place in the World Today." The speakers will be Mrs. Raymond Brown, vice-chairman of the New York State Woman's Suffrage Party, and Miss Katherine D. Blake, Principal of Public School No. 6. All interested, are welcome.

The Woman's Bible Class was re-opened last Monday, with an attendance of fifty women. It meets on the second and fourth Monday afternoons of each month, at 3.30 p. m. The Book of Proverbs is being studied.

The Young Peoples' Society has formed a Red Cross Auxiliary, which will work in conjunction with the Temple Auxiliary. A series of lectures will be given on the general subject, "The Jews in European Lands," under the auspices of the Forum of the Young Peoples' Society.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thanks to Rabbi Franklin.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD:
I desire to express publicly my thanks to Rabbi Leo M. Franklin, of Detroit, Mich., for his kindness extended to me and the true Jewish spirit he displayed in connection with the sad death of Mr. Jacob J. Vanderbuegle of this city, who died suddenly at the Ponchartrain Hotel, Detroit, on the morning of November 6. In cases of this kind the Coroner usually passes the remains to a public or city undertaker, entailing much red tape and unnecessary expenses. As soon as Rabbi Franklin was made aware of the death of Mr. Vanderbuegle, he had the body attended to by the sexton of his congregation, gave his time and personal attention to every detail, and in addition recited a funeral service over the remains before they were sent East for final interment.

As Mr. Vanderbuegle was a stranger to Rabbi Franklin, I wish to express my admiration for his kindly action, the sacrifice of his time, and his exemplification of the old Jewish adage, *Kol Yisroel Haberim* (all Israel are brothers).
Very truly yours,
JOSEPH GOLDBERG.

Publication Society to Co-operate with Welfare Board.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD:
The Jewish Publication Society of America is one of the original and constituent members of the Jewish Board for Welfare Work in the United States Army and Navy.

In view of the movement instituted by the Jewish Board for Welfare Work to raise funds with which to meet the various needs of the Jewish soldiers and sailors in the United States service, the officers of the society feel that any contributions which the members may make on the subscription lists recently sent to them had better be transmitted direct to Mr. S. S. Rosenstamm, treasurer, the Jewish Board for Welfare Work, 61 Broadway, New York City.

Yours very truly,
I. GEORGE DOBSEVAGE,
Secretary.

Y. W. H. A. Congregation.

Mr. Mortimer L. Cohen is to be the leader of the Y. W. H. A. Congregation, assisted by Rev. Jacob Schwartz, the excellent cantor. Mr. Cohen has for two years had charge of the Holy Day services of the Y. M. H. A., and is very much liked. He is to be director of the religious work with the clubs and classes.

Women's day and night classes in English to foreigners and Americanization are in session.

A women's class in war emergency cooking meets every Monday night.

A Red Cross workroom has been established. Women are in session from 9 till 3 daily, making surgical dressings, knitting and sewing garments.

Readers of this paper are asked to come and help "do their bit."

Mt. Zion Notes.

The Jewish Culture Circle will meet every Tuesday at 4 p. m., for lectures on history, religion, Hebrew, and the discussion of the problems of modern Jewry.

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A line of congratulation to Rabbi H. Pereira Mendes, who last Saturday celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his installation as minister of K. K. Shearith Israel. Long life, health and happiness to Dr. Mendes and abundance and continuance of prosperity to the congregation he has so splendidly served.

The reports of actual conditions in Jerusalem are so harrowing that we trust all Jews in this country will feel impelled to contribute liberally to the funds for Jewish war relief. The Jews of the Holy City are reported to be actually starving! The misery and need are great! The flow of relief must be equally large and direct.

Fate played a strange and ironic trick in the case of the late Mrs. Marks Nathan, of Chicago, who died in the Home for Old Jewish People in that city which she and her husband had endowed. In days of affluence she gave liberally of her substance for the benefit of her poor co-religionists; when the remainder of her fortune was swept away, after the greater portion thereof had been expended for eleemosynary purpose, she became a beneficiary of the very institution which she and her spouse had created and which bears his name.

We regret to observe that the incipient anti-Jewish rioting in a London suburb was seized upon by the anti-Semitic British press as offering them a worthy fillip to their diatribes upon Jews. By all accounts the actual attacks upon our co-religionists were mendacious in the extreme. To suffer such anti-Semitic outbreaks in the press, therefore, does not redound to the credit and the glory of the present responsible British Government. Indeed, this presents them with what should be a welcome opportunity to curtail the mischievous activity of these newspapers.

That the Council of Jewish Women, our national Jewish woman's organization, has twenty-five years on constructive, positive work within Jewry and Judaism to its credit, the triennial held in Chicago amply proved. The council has performed its functions bravely and usefully, and its influence on Jewish life in this country on the whole has been salutary. Of course, the inner councils and especially some of the triennials of the organization have been marked by battles royal and undignified squabbles between individualistic intellects that might well have been omitted. But since the council thoroughly "cleaned house" a few years ago, its progress and development have been uninterrupted and unimpeded. Long life to the Council of Jewish Women!

We note that the German Government has not taken up a more satisfactory and tolerant attitude toward the Jewish subjects of Austria-Hungary, one of its present confederates in the attempt to fasten its militaristic policies upon the civilized world. This fact and the others which stand with it should serve to convince the authorities of the dual monarchy that the German Government is, as President Wilson said so finely and notably, not to be trusted. The German supreme command is a thoroughgoing Teutonic organization, whose ideals, such as they are, have been articulated by the notorious Treitschke and the other leaders in the campaign of anti-Semitic vilification of past decades. That their opinions have undergone no real change is apparent from their latest performances.

Speaking of the topic of the Jew in politics, what shall one say of the candidate for Councilman of the First Ward of West Hoboken, N. J., who unblushingly advertised to overcome the serious purpose of a circular holding him out as a "Christian" candidate who would "help drive the Jew out of politics"? This is the reverse of the "Jew in politics" shield. Injecting the racial or religious issue into partisan politics invariably produces some such result as this. This particular candidate spread broadcast his "opposition" to this form of propaganda on his behalf; but one can safely read between the lines and fix the blame where it properly belongs. Neither Jews nor Christians should inject the question of Judaism into a political campaign. The present is an instance which enforces the validity of our own, long-maintained policy in this regard.

APPEALS TO JEWISH VOTERS

NOW that the general election for the current civil year has passed into history, we may properly deal with an eleventh-hour development of the recent municipal political campaign. We refer, of course, to the appeals to Jewish voters on the lower East Side by a distinguished Jewish publicist, with which we have already dealt, and to the insistent requests by a group of some prominent and other near prominent Jews to have their co-religionists cast their ballots as voters for one or the other of the rival candidates for the Mayoralty. All these appeals are equally reprehensible. Jacob H. Schiff, Louis Marshall, Adolph Lewisohn, Oscar S. Straus, Henry Morgenthau, et al., have as little right to ask Jews *qua* Jews to vote for Mayor Mitchel as Samuel Untermyer had to beg them to give their support to Judge John F. Hylan.

The curious feature of all these varied appeals is that all proceed from an exuberance of patriotism, as it were. Their "justification" resides in the circumstance that a race-Jew happened to be a candidate for the same high office as Messrs. Mitchel and Hylan, and his canvass had been seized upon by the seditious and disaffected among us as presenting an excellent opportunity to hinder, delay, defeat and impede the national administration in its vigorous prosecution of the war.

Jews by and large are good, loyal and law-abiding Americans and need not be appealed to on racial or religious grounds to perform their full duty as American citizens in every situation. That there exist Jews who believe in the doctrines preached by the particular race-Jew in question is, unfortunately, only too true; appeals to such to behold the error of their ways fall on sterile ground, and inject an issue into practical politics which does not belong there.

We have often criticized the attempts, modestly put forth in past years and stridently voiced this time, to separate voters into classes according to their racial or religious affiliations, that we need not labor the point anew. Messrs. Schiff and company on the one side and Mr. Untermyer on the other have no more warrant for raising the banner of the Jew in politics as such than has the humblest Jewish nobody and office-seeker who happens to found a miscegenated "Hebrew" political club for his own selfish aggrandizement.

In the death of Dr. Israel Lewy, of Breslau, the Jewish theological college of that city, of which he was the official rabbi, and the science of Judaism in general lose a notable figure. Lewy was one of the greatest Talmudists of our age, and, more important even, he was thoroughly skilled in and equipped with modern scientific methods and knew how to impart of his knowledge and impress his abiding influence upon those who sat as pupils at his feet. In short, Israel Lewy was not merely a learned and erudite rabbi; he was a distinguished teacher of teachers and his quality is known throughout the Jewish world by reason of the performances of some of those who studied under him and received *semichah* at his hands.

Beyond an occasional editorial leader or note in these columns or those of a few of our esteemed contemporaries, the centenary of the birth of Graetz, the celebrated Jewish historian, on October 31, was suffered to pass unnoticed. It is a pity that the world of Jewish scholarship, in spite of the turmoil in which the universe is at present seething, did not formally observe the date in question, for Graetz was an outstanding figure in Jewish historiography and his "History of the Jews" is still, in many respects, an unsullied masterpiece. We suggest to the authorities of the Jewish Publication Society, the Jewish Historical Society, the Society of Jewish Academicians and our Jewish institutions of higher learning that they take steps during the current season properly to commemorate Graetz's work in and services for the science of Judaism.

The question of what is Jewry's stake in the world-war is troubling the Anglo-Jewish community. It has become insistent through its continuous repetition in journals not very well-disposed toward our people and, therefore, it was necessary for the British patriots among the Jews to assure the non-Jews that British Jews had no stake in the war apart from Great Britain. Of course, this is true and applicable to all the other fighting countries and their Jews alike. But a part of Jewry, the Zionists, have a stake in this war and that is the determination of what the future of Palestine is to be. This, however, is not Jewry's but simply Zionism's stake in the war, and this important distinction and wide difference should never be lost sight of. If it result in still further widening the breach between the Zionists and the anti-Zionists within Jewry that is unfortunate but inevitable.

Tardily, but none the less emphatically, Massachusetts has at last taken the final step to divorce completely the church from the state. This Commonwealth has fully vindicated the American principle of religious liberty by the adoption at the latest general election of a constitutional amendment prohibiting grants of public funds or property to charitable, educational or religious institutions in which sectarian doctrine is expounded or which do not fall within the visitatorial control of the public officials. When it is remembered that Massachusetts persisted in retaining a church establishment for a period long subsequent to the adoption of the disestablishment provision in the amendments to the United States Constitution, and that this subject of State subventions for sectarian institutions remained to harass the people of that Commonwealth to our own times, this action of the voters and their recognition of the essentially un-American character of the mischievous provision thus swept aside are refreshing.

SURFACE JUDGMENT

"And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him." (Gen. xxvii. 23.)

HE was old and his eyes were dim. Their darkened orbs carried no distinct picture of the world to his soul. Sightless, he was visionless. Or rather—the opposite? Was it because he was visionless that he was sightless, too? Had not the dimness of his mental perception preceded by a good many years the dimness of Isaac's bodily perception? One wonders: for it happens quite often that with loss of eyesight other faculties, by Nature's kind compensation, blossom into unexpected strength; but in Isaac obscurity of sight seems to go hand in hand with obtuseness of vision. The failing body harbors a failing mind. But would the body have failed quite so much, if the mind had not been constitutionally weak? Or, though the body was destined to fail, would not the mind, had it been stronger, have risen superior to the infirmities of old-age and incipient blindness?

It is evident that throughout his life, even in his early years, Isaac was prone to judge by surface indications. Are we not told that he "loved Esau because he did eat of his venison"? A kind of cupboard-love it was which had to be fed by way of the stomach. Rebecca, on the contrary, loved Jacob. This division of parental love does not necessarily mean that Jacob was far above Esau in moral integrity and manly virtue: such was not the case, for Jacob was in those days not altogether blameless. But it means that whatever virtues Esau possessed—and he had some virtues that were admirable—were on the surface; of the kind that easily took the eyes and won the affections of men;—while whatever virtues Jacob possessed lay deeply hidden; in those days barely existent in the germ; indeed, trying to break through an un-prepossessing, un-lovable, nay, repellant external impression. This division of love means, then, that Rebecca, in giving preference to Jacob, saw deeper than Isaac and the others; while Isaac and the others were quite willing to abide by the conventional standards of the world and judged the two youths according to surface indication, giving their affection to him who obviously deserved it, and withholding it from him who according to all appearances did not merit it.

Rebecca had vision, Isaac only sight. Isaac did not know how to discern between merit and meanness.

And if Isaac exhibited this bias to accept surface-indications of worth while yet he had sight, what wonder that, when sight too failed him, he was wholly at the mercy of the brute immediacies of the surface of things? All his wisdom was concentrated at the tips of his blindly groping fingers:—what wonder that he accepted their testimony when they came in touch with the shaggy goat-hair that covered Jacob's smooth arm?—Verily, a pathetic condemnation this is of certain types of mind: "And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands!" A surface-judgment based on surface-considerations! Knowledge conveyed by the palpating of the finger-tips, rather than by the feeling of the subtle tendrils of the spirit!

Mind! Isaac had his doubts concerning the identity of his son when the latter approached him with the *impromptu* venison. The voice he heard was gentle and silvery, not the rough ring of Esau's robust speech; there was in the phraseology too something that was reminiscent of the other son. This voice spoke to his spirit, and he found himself exclaiming: "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." How was he to settle his doubt? By the only method he ever knew of: the recognition of signs that lay near the surface! His spirit, made uneasy by those haunting Jacob-like accents, would have told him the truth; would have advised him to trust to other than shallow superficial attributes; would have sent him to the deep search of the soul within: but when was he accustomed to heed the language of the soul? How was he to apply spiritual tests who had never cultivated spiritual discernment? "And he discerned him not!"

We are all given to surface-judgments. Why? Is it because surface-judgments are easier? Men do not as a rule shun difficulties because these are difficult. If men do at times choose the line of least resistance, there are other contributory reasons besides ease and comfort. Nor would men consciously elect to base their judgment upon appearances, for if they did so, they would with equal consciousness suspect the validity of judgments obtained with little effort. Then again, it is not the lack of effort that vitiates surface-judgments; just as, conversely, it is not the presence of hard effort that validates profound judgments. The presence or absence of effort is quite incidental: God does not, I believe, make things hard for us of set purpose, hiding away the deeper meanings below the surface, as though by some stupendous game of hide-and-seek He delighted to play with us, pur-blind creatures. No—surface-judgments are cheap and untrustworthy, not because they lie near and within easy reach, but because of a certain shallow surface-quality which adheres to them; and similarly, profound judgments are acceptable not because they are out of reach, but because of their essential profundity.

Thus, when we are asked, why most men accept the obvious, the shallow, the superficial, the only answer we can give is that the reason lies not in anything incidental, but in these men themselves. Shallow people are satisfied with the shallows of life; deep-souled people call for the deeps. And all this is, as in the case of Isaac, a matter of cultivation and conscious mental habit. If we cultivate our spiritual nature, we shall never be satisfied with the wisdom of the finger-tips, but we shall ask for the deep things of the spirit.

Life is deep—very deep. But deeper still is the soul that discerns the depths of Life. And when our nature is deep enough for the whole of God's world to drop into, we must be prepared to support the full weight of Infinity. *Atlas* bore the heavens on his shoulders. But bearing the heavens on one's shoulders is a lighter task than bearing the heavens in one's heart!

JOEL BLAU.

American Jewish Committee Holds Eleventh Annual Meeting.

A resolution expressing unstinted and whole-hearted support of the government was adopted unanimously by a rising vote at the eleventh annual meeting of the American Jewish Committee, the first since the United States entered the war, which was held at the Hotel Astor, New York city, on Sunday, November 11.

The chairman of the meeting was Mr. Louis Marshall, president of the committee. Those present were: Dr. Cyrus Adler, Philadelphia; Jacob Billikopf, Kansas City; S. Marcus Fechter, Cincinnati; Simon Fleischmann, Buffalo; Isaac W. Frank, Cincinnati; Felix Fuld, Newark; Ephraim Lederer, Philadelphia; Louis E. Levy, Philadelphia; Judge Julian W. Mack, Chicago; Morris Rosenbaum, Philadelphia; Julius Rosenwald, Chicago; Isador Sobel, Erie; Sigmund B. Sonnenborn, Baltimore; Charles Van Leer, Seaford, and Messrs. Isaac Allen, Samson Bendorly, L. Borgenicht, Nathan Bijur, Samuel Dorf, Julius J. Dukas, Harry Fischel, Lee K. Frankel, Leon Kamaiky, Jacob Kohn, David Kornbluch, Samuel C. Lampert, Irving Lehman, William Lieberman, Judah L. Magnes, Louis Marshall, H. Masliansky, Jacob Massel, H. Pereira Mendes, Leon Moisseiff, Rabbi M. Z. Margolies, Solomon Neumann, Leon Sanders, Jacob H. Schiff, Bernard Semel, Joseph Silverman, Oscar S. Straus, Cyrus L. Sulzberger and Felix M. Warburg, of New York city.

The death of Abram J. Katz, of Rochester, during the past week was announced by the president, and the following resolution was adopted:

"We learn with sorrow of the death of our esteemed associate and friend, Abram J. Katz, and pause in our deliberations to enter upon our minutes an expression of the deep regret that we all feel at the passing of this kind-hearted gentleman, this loyal Jew and this public-spirited citizen, who was ever ready to respond to the voice of duty."

The Executive Committee presented the appended report of its activities during the past year.

Reports were also rendered by Dr. J. L. Magnes on behalf of the Jewish Community (Kehillah) of New York city and Mr. Louis E. Levy on behalf of the Philadelphia Community. Dr. Cyrus Adler, chairman of Committee on Bureau of Statistics, presented the annual report on behalf of that committee.

Great interest was manifested by the members in the matter of securing accurate statistics with regard to the participation of American Jews in the war. A number of the members, pointing out the need of educating immigrants in American history and civics, and particularly as to the ideals and aims of our country in the present struggle, urged the committee to co-operate with patriotic agencies already in existence which are doing work in this direction.

A resolution was adopted directing the Executive Committee to prosecute vigorously the work of collecting data respecting the participation of Jews in the war and to consider plans for patriotic educational work.

Mr. Marshall, the president of the committee, presented the following resolution which was adopted unanimously by a rising vote:

"It seems fitting that at this, the eleventh annual meeting, of the American Jewish Committee, the first since our entrance into the war, at which are gathered representatives from all parts of the country, expression be given to the love, the devotion, the gratitude and the loyalty which fill our hearts and souls toward the United States of America, the land where we were born or which with open arms adopted us, the sacred shrine of liberty and equality, where tyranny cannot exist, where human rights have ever been triumphantly maintained, and where justice and righteousness have reached their highest development. We recognize in the war in which the entire American people is now engaged a condition unsought but inevitable, a conflict willfully and deliberately thrust upon a peace-loving nation, that dreamt not of spoils or conquest, and the direct consequence of machinations long concealed which threatened our repose, our independence, our honor and even our cherished freedom.

"In common with our fellow citizens of every race and creed, we renew our allegiance to our government and to its flag which symbolize the most precious hopes of mankind; we pledge to them our unstinted and whole-hearted support; and we dedicate to the perpetuation of American ideals and institutions, to the maintenance of the honor of our country and the preservation of the principles for which it stands our lives our possessions, and those we hold most dear to the end that liberty shall not perish from the earth."

The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: Louis Marshall, president; Dr. Cyrus Adler, vice-president and chairman of Executive Committee; Julius Rosenwald, vice-president and Isaac W. Bernheim, treasurer.

The following members of the Executive Committee were re-elected for a term of three years: Isaac W. Bernheim, Samuel Dorf, Julius Rosenwald, Cyrus L. Sulzberger and Mayer Sulzberger.

The following members whose terms have expired were re-elected for a term of five years: Leonard Haas, Atlanta; Ben Selling, Portland; I. W. Bernheim, Louisville; Isaac W. Frank, Pittsburgh.

The following new members were elected: Bernard Friedman, Tucson, to succeed Leon M. Jacobs, Phoenix; Marlon M. Travis, Tulsa, to succeed J. H. Stolper, Muskogee; I. W. Hellman, Jr.,

San Francisco, to succeed Harris Weinstock; Nathan Glickman, Milwaukee, to succeed Max Landauer; E. N. Callish, Richmond, to succeed Henry S. Hutzler; A. C. Ratchesky, Boston, to succeed Lee M. Friedman; Bernard M. Cone, Greensboro, to succeed Cesar Cone (deceased); Rabbi Horace Wolf, Rochester, to succeed Abram J. Katz (deceased); Henry Wallerstein, Wichita, Kansas, and Emanuel Rosenberg, Seattle, Washington to fill vacancies.

The following were elected members at large for one year: Herman Bernstein, New York; Nathan Bijur, New York; S. Marcus Fechter, Cincinnati; Herbert Friedenwald, Baltimore; Albert D. Lasker, Chicago; Irving Lehman, New York; Jacob M. Losh, Chicago; Oscar S. Straus, New York; Albert W. Well, New Haven; Abram I. Elkus, New York; Chas. Fiserman, Cleveland, and Aaron Waldheim, St. Louis.

A communication was received from Dr. P. A. Siegelstein, President of the American Union of Rumanian Jews, calling attention to the pitiful plight of the Jews in that part of Roumania still under native rule, and suggesting to the committee that it consider the advisability of requesting the American government to intervene. Mr. Marshall stated that this matter was receiving the serious attention of the Executive Committee and that it was expected that definite action would soon be taken.

Dr. H. Pereira Mendes, on behalf of a conference of delegates of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of America, the New York Board of Rabbis and the New York Board of Jewish Ministers, drew the attention of the committee to the anti-Jewish attitude of contractors engaged in building cantonments for the United States Government in the matter of advertising for and employing carpenters. The President stated that this matter had already been taken up by the Executive Committee and was receiving attention.

An invitation to hold the next annual meeting in Philadelphia was received from the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, but in view of the uncertainty of the times, the place of the next annual meeting was left to the discretion of the Executive Committee.

Eighth Triennial Convention, Council of Jewish Women, Chicago, Ill.—Twenty-five Years of Progress.

The eighth triennial convention of the Council of Jewish Women held in Chicago from November 5 to 11 was a great gathering of Jewish women from all over the country. Out of the ninety sections representing ninety cities in the United States sixty sections sent delegates or alternates or both.

Chicago women outdid themselves as an organized body making for the general comfort and good cheer of all those assembled as guests. One hundred and fifty women represented the Committee of Chicago women. These one hundred and fifty women were formed into eight committees, having at the head of each committee a prominent and able woman. Committees, such as Information, Halls and Headquarters, Hospitality, Utilities, Social, Courtesies, Excursions, Registration, Printing, Ushers and Pages, Music, etc., were only a few of those formed and well attest to the ability for organization for which Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon is well known.

The convention was held at the Congress Hotel, and many of the delegates and alternates and visitors stopped there. Each evening was devoted to a well thought out program at a different synagogue. The Rabbi of the Synagogue at which the meeting was held with his congregation acted as hosts. In some instances a reception was held after the program. During the day the business of the convention was carried out with care and precision, and no minute of the short space of time allotted for the business to be presented, was wasted. Sessions were held daily from nine till one and from two till five, while evening meetings began at eight and frequently lasted till eleven.

The first evening was given over to the Commemoration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the founding of the Council of Jewish Women and the "Development of Jewish Women" during the past twenty-five years was taken up by Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon, "In Politics"; Mrs. Hugo Rosenberg, "In Society"; Mrs. Cesar Misch, "In Industry." Tuesday's session was taken up by reports of chairman and officers, also the report of the National Committee on Religion, Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon, chairman. One of the most touching and beautiful exhibitions of the whole convention was a Model Sabbath School Lesson by the children of the Chicago Section Sabbath Schools in the congested district. This lesson was given on the floor of the convention and the efficiency of the children as demonstrated through it was indeed a lesson for all delegates to take home to their sections. Mrs. Davis, principal of this school was heartily congratulated on this wonderful accomplishment. At the evening session Mrs. Ernestine Dreyfoos, National Executive Secretary, presented a full and comprehensive report of the work of the National Council in the past triennial. Mrs. Kaufman Kohler, of Cincinnati, presented a paper on Religion which will appear in full in another issue. Discussion on Conservative Judaism by Mrs. Isaac Sweet, of Portland; and Reform Judaism, by Mrs. I. L. Rypins, of St. Paul, followed. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday sessions were taken up by reports of the Legislative Committee, Mrs. Charles Cowen, Committee on Revision; Miss Rose Brenner, Committee on Education; Mrs. Charles Long, Committee on Philan-

thropy; Mrs. S. Pisko, Sub-committee on Blind; Mrs. Joshua Pisa, Department of Immigrant Aid; Miss Helen Winkler, Committee on Recreation; Mrs. Nathan Weinberger, Committee on Junior Auxiliary; Mrs. Sidney G. Kusworm. Reports of the sixty sections present were heard at intervals throughout the entire session. Addresses were delivered by Mrs. Charles Long, on Education; Mrs. Frieda Hammerslough, of Hartford, on Modern Educational Experiments; Mrs. Carl Wilff, Terre Haute, Ind., on the Feminist Movement; Miss Francis Taussig, of Chicago, on Education for Social Service; Philanthropy, by Mrs. Alexander Kohut, of New York. Saturday morning all visitors were invited to service in the various synagogues of Chicago. Saturday evening was given over to a large reception arranged by the Chicago section. The new Board of Managers met on Sunday afternoon.

By a revision of the Constitution the office of honorary president for life was created. By a unanimous vote of the entire convention Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon, of Chicago, was elected to fill this office. Three honorary vice-presidents were elected for life by acclamation. They were Mrs. Emanuel Mandel, of Chicago; Mrs. Julius Beer, of New York; Mrs. Enoch Rauh, of Pittsburgh. Miss Grace Goldsmith, of San Antonio, was elected recording secretary and Mrs. Stern, of Kansas City, was made treasurer. Mrs. Nathaniel Harris, the president, and Mrs. Ernestine Dreyfoos, the executive secretary, were unanimously re-elected. Some of the new directors elected are: Mrs. Leo Herz, New Haven; Mrs. Metzger, Minneapolis; Mrs. S. M. Blumaur, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Leo Schwartz, Nashville; Mrs. William D. Sporborg, Portchester, N. Y.

Guests were all loud in praise of the women of Chicago for their wonderful hospitality and the ease with which they carried on all the business of the convention. The delegates, alternates and guests were the guests of the Chicago section for luncheon every day of the convention. Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon, called now "the mother of the organization," was a mother in the truest sense. No guest present was left without care and comfort. Mrs. Israel Cowen, chairman, deserved much credit for a well-thought-out, constructive and delightful program. Mrs. Felix Levy, president of the Chicago section, delivered an excellent report of the work of her section.

The New York delegation comprised about thirty ladies—four delegates, four alternates, many members of the board and of the section constituted this delegation. Mrs. Kohut, vice-president, delivered a paper on "Philanthropy." Mrs. Wm. D. Sporborg, president of the New York section, gave a report on the New York section which was a history of large achievements—in fact, the largest number of activities, the fullest amount of constructive work and the largest number of members than any other section. New York's membership is almost 1,000 more than the membership of any single section of the ninety which represent the National Council of Jewish Women. Mrs. Sporborg refused all nominations for office which were offered, for there was such a desire to do her honor that, despite her protestations against taking office, she was obliged to become a national director, capturing over 100 votes. Mrs. Sporborg was appointed chairman on Resolutions for the period of the triennial. The resolution submitted by Mrs. Alexander Kohut, of New York, to raise \$25,000 for the sending of a unit into the war zone to study conditions of women and children was unanimously passed.

Delegates, alternates and visitors from the State of New York gave a dinner in honor of the national president, Mrs. Nathaniel Harris, on Thursday night at the La Salle Hotel.

The convention was a credit to the Jewish women of the United States. The council has grown from fifty-seven sections in 1914 to ninety in 1917. The number of members has increased; the constructive work has been put on a firmer foundation, and the keynote of the convention was "religion."

When Jews Bow Their Heads in Shame.

The ultimate in congregational idiocy was reached in our opinion in the turning over of the platform of the Free Synagogue a week or so ago to two candidates seeking the office of District Attorney in the heated campaign now going on in New York city, who engaged in a debate which should only have been staged in a bar-room. The papers the next day were full of the affair, and told of the way the audience shouted in glee when the candidates called each other names and engaged in mud-slinging of the most approved sort in political campaigning. The heads of the Free Synagogue, we suppose, justify the proceeding on the ground that their "pulpit" is an open forum from which the public can be enlightened on important questions of the hour. Possibly, if they knew beforehand, however, how the affair would degenerate, they would have declined to allow their pulpit to be made a gory arena for rival office-seekers to go at each other, cheered on by the audience yelling for blood. That they did not foresee this argues little for their judgment. The affair may be to New York's liking, but everywhere Jews will resent the coupling of the name of a synagogue with such an indecent proceeding. They will not even be content to dismiss the affair by referring hereafter to the institution that permitted it as the freak synagogue, but they will ask by what right it calls itself a synagogue. All of Dr. Wise's splendid efforts and the promise of his great abilities for social reform and Jewish advance are invalidated by a "break" of such a serious sort.—The Sentinel, Chicago.

Samuel I. Hyman—An Appreciation.*

By ISRAEL UNTERBERG.

We met here this afternoon to honor the memory of Samuel I. Hyman, the late president of this, The Central Jewish Institute, the man who was dear to every one of us, a man who was actively identified with every movement concerning the welfare of the Jewish people.

It is difficult for me as one, who has been so closely identified with him in many undertakings to speak impersonally of him, without voicing the sense of sorrow that has been mine since he passed away. The loss that I feel so keenly I am sure is felt equally by all of you. It is too deep and too sincere a sorrow for public expression. We are not here to mourn for him; we are gathered here to honor his memory and to find in the record of his life work, new strength and new energy to carry on the tasks which he unfortunately left unfinished.

I have found it more and more difficult in these few months that have passed to realize that this energetic, wholesome, self-sacrificing friend has actually left us, never to return.

To those of us who came in daily contact with him, a repetition of the enormous amount of work that he was doing is hardly necessary. But, to the larger public, the record of his busy life devoted as it was to the general welfare, can only serve as an incentive and an inspiration.

His devotion to the growth of the Central Jewish Institute, his earnest participation in the welfare of the congregations with which he was identified, his deep interest in the meetings and discussions in the Kehillah, his active support and advice in the affairs of the Young Women's Hebrew Association, and the enthusiasm and energy that he expended in the Federation of Jewish Charities in New York City, gives some intimation of the amount of time and effort that he sacrificed in behalf of the community.

These were some of the public works to which he gave himself, but over and above these communal activities, his outstanding characteristic was his love of Judaism as a religion—as a spiritual force. It was to Judaism that he gave his life without fear or favor. Never at rest, never considering himself, but always insisting upon the need for a better understanding of Judaism among the leaders and for a better Jewish education for the younger generation. A courageous, fearless man whose only and constant thought was for the welfare of his Jewish brethren. He was fortunate in that he actually lived to see some of his plans carried out, some of his work accomplished. He accomplished more than merely the building of an institution or the creation of a new activity. His life is not to be narrowed down to the strengthening of the Synagogue or even to the uprearing of the Central Jewish Institute. He lived among us in an age in our Jewish Communal History that, I believe, will stand out in the future as a very important period in the history of the Jews in America. A time during which the many different groups of our people were striving to join hands with another in a clasp of better understanding. And in this striving he played a most important part. His earnestness won the admiration, his orthodoxy won the respect and his natural goodness won the love of all our people. By the force of his personality he brought men of different opinions together and made them friends in a common cause. By the example of his own sacrifice he made them see only the common good and by his eloquence brought others to see the need of giving.

His life was an example to all of us consistent, intelligent and unselfish. He gave his best to the encouragement and betterment of our Jewish community. It is not for us to measure the years of his life. He passed from among us while in the very strength of his years, yet how much of accomplishment he had crowded into his short lifetime. How much permanent good has he left after him? Measuring his life by such a standard, he reached a high place in the community life, and left behind him a good name and a precious memory, honored and beloved.

Chairman's remarks at memorial meeting at Central Jewish Institute, Sunday, November 4, 1917.

Two important conferences in different parts of the city aiming at the organization of welfare work among Jewish soldiers in the various camps in the United States and among those at the front took place on November 11. The first took place in the forenoon at the home of Jacob H. Schiff, 965 Fifth Avenue, where plans were laid for the raising of \$1,000,000 for the specific purpose of work among the soldiers and for the raising of \$4,000,000 as New York's contribution to the \$10,000,000 War Relief Fund for Jewish Sufferers. The other conference, at which were present 162 delegates from more than seventy labor, Zionist and Socialist organizations, resulted in the formation of the People's League for Jewish Soldiers of America.

Mr. Schiff, as chairman, addressed the conference, at which were present Felix M. Warburg, Louis Marshall, Abraham Elkus and Leon Kamaiky, who acted as vice-chairman; Walter Saks, treasurer, and Cyrus A. Sulzberger, secretary. David A. Brown, of Detroit, was named as general director of the campaign. Enthusiastic addresses were delivered by various speakers, beginning with Mr. Schiff. Among those who have become members of the Executive Committee of the Relief and Welfare campaign are Paul

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At the conference of the People's League for Jewish Soldiers of America, which was called by the Jewish National Workers' Alliance, an Executive Committee of twenty-seven was formed. This committee was instructed to keep in touch with all organizations doing a similar work in the military camps of America.

Plans were laid for the raising of a fund of \$100,000 to build club houses and reading rooms for Jewish soldiers at the camps and in cities near the camps. At this meeting one of the delegates made an appeal, urging that money was needed for adequate food and clothing for the Jewish soldiers. This appeal was answered by a soldier—Private Kaplan—who assured the league that the government was taking very good care of the Jewish soldiers, but that what was necessary was that Jewish club rooms and reading-rooms should be established, where the Jewish soldiers might meet with the same comforts as those that obtain in the quarters of the Y. M. C. A. Four other soldiers from Camp Dix, N. J., told of plans which were being made by Jewish soldiers at that camp to address a petition to the President, asking that at the peace conference after the war the United States shall exercise its influence in behalf of obtaining Palestine for the Jews.

Polish Zionists Prepare for Municipal Campaigns.

Warsaw.—The municipal elections in Poland will take place shortly, in accordance with the new law governing religious autonomy which is being enforced by the German Government in Poland. The Zionist Organization has begun its preparation for the prosecution of the campaign, as a result of which it hopes to win the administration of the communities for its own candidates. Its political platform as formulated by the Zionist leaders reads as follows:

- "a. To do away with the present methods and system for the election of Jewish community representatives and leaders and to establish general, secret, direct and proportional voting.
- "b. To do away with the nomination of administration officials by government influence.
- "c. To extend the rights and powers of the community in all matters touching on Jewish national life and to leave to the community control over all, especially the Jewish, cultural and social institutions which are to be established through State or city moneys.
- "d. To include among the obligations of the community the supporting of the Jewish colonists in Jerusalem.
- "e. To give to the highest official of the community the right and power to take over all Jewish interests."

The Zionists have published and issued a proclamation in which they declare that their demands are thoroughly in harmony with the interests of all of the Jews of the country, and they demand on this ground that all Polish Jews should unite on this platform and should help them in this way to win the Jewish communities of Poland.

Miss Rose M. Cohen has attained second place on the list of eligibles for appointment to the sanitary police force of Cleveland, Ohio. Eight women and three men passed the recent civil service examination, which was the first test for applicants for this position to be thrown open to women.

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It requires more than ordinary ability to successfully manage an establishment devoted to the catering to many hundreds of guests at one time. Among the chosen few who have become renowned for their success are Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Jacobs, the owners of the Lakewood Hotel at Lakewood, N. J. It is Mr. Jacobs and his inseparable life-companion who stand for the highest type in the field of hotels where Jewish dietary laws are strictly maintained.

It is by no means easy to conduct a hotel which the leaders of Orthodox Jewry should consider as fit, in every respect, to serve the purpose for which it has been created, but Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs have solved the problem. While Mr. Jacobs attends to all of the details of purchasing, booking and general management, it is well known that the great power behind the throne is his wife, Mrs. Nathan Jacobs, for it was only by her aid and assistance that Nathan Jacobs was able to venture into the hotel business, and the marvelous success attained is undoubtedly due to her unexcelled tact and ingenuity.



Tannersville, in Greene County, N. Y., was the first place of their activities, where they maintained the "Woodward House," with accommodations for about fifty people. This first venture proved such a success that larger quarters were immediately sought. The Mountain Summit House at Tannersville had been tried by a number of managers, and finally remained closed for a few seasons. At the earnest solicitation of many friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs leased the entire property for a term of years. Their success at this hotel was really phenomenal, they being able to number among their guests such Orthodox lights of the Jewish community as the Rev. H. P. Mendes, Prof. I. L. Friedlander, the late Dr. Solomon Schechter, Prof. Marks of the Theological Seminary, Dr. Freidenwald, Rabbi M. S. Margolies and other great Talmudical scholars. With accommodations for 250 guests it was necessary to secure rooms in advance, the house being always crowded to capacity. While the Mountain Summit House was primarily a summer resort, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs were kept busy the entire year. The beautiful Lillian Court (named after their daughter Lillian), at Lakewood, and recognized for years as the most ideal spot of the City of the Pines, was maintained by Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs for a number of years; their enormous clientele caused the hundred odd rooms to be always filled by the most select class. The leases of both of the above places drawing to a close, Mrs. Jacobs visited all of the most prominent resorts with the view of finding larger facilities to accommodate the ever increasing number of applicants, who were willing to pay almost any price for the privileges which could only be found in a hotel with Mrs. Nathan Jacobs as the hostess.

"The Nautilus," at Arverne, E. I., was the next scene of their activities. It was here that the great qualities of Mrs. Jacobs' wonderful managerial instinct was shown to the best advantage. Her quiet and unassuming manner, combined with a most evenly balanced disposition, made her the master of every detail of the tremendous establishment, and, indeed, it has truly been said that Mrs. Jacobs was equally at ease, in the maze of servants in the kitchen, or when gracing the ballroom during the many society functions which are regularly held at her famous hotels.

Continued success, however, has only spurred her on to still greater efforts, for her pet ambition seems to have been to become the owner of the very largest hotel at any summer or winter resort in the country, an ambition which she has realized by untiring effort, now that the most interesting of America's hotels has come under her management.

It was in 1885 that Nathan Straus, the eminent philanthropist, was visiting his friend, the late Grover Cleveland, who was then President of the United States. Together the two gentlemen boarded a train for Lakewood, where they applied for rooms at the Laurel House. Upon Straus being refused accommodation by virtue of his being a Jew, his indignation knew no bounds, and he immediately caused arrangements to be made for the construction of one of the largest hotels in the country, which would be known as a high class National non-sectarian hotel. In fact, to use the gentleman's own words, "he would build a hotel fit for kings and queens." The result of Straus' efforts culminated in the completion of the now famous Lakewood Hotel, the cost of which was estimated at no less than two million dollars. In its palmy days the hotel was patronized by George Gould, Richard Croker, and some of the foremost politicians of the country. The tremendous cost of up-keep of such a gigantic enterprise was however a problem

which had puzzled the best hotel managers, none of whom being able to show even a margin of profit.

The plan eventually became known as the White Elephant of the Pines, and plans were seriously considered for tearing down the entire mass of buildings.

But here was furnished the greatest lesson of the indomitable will and courage of a Jewish woman. Fearless and determined to succeed, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs bought the entire property. The great problem of how to retain their great Jewish clientele was solved through rabbinical advice and under Jewish clerical superintendency. In the process of remodeling the entire culinary department, plans were made for the installation of a strictly kosher department. This phase of the hotel consists not only of a separate dining room and kitchen, but complete pantry and kitchen utensils.

Religious services are held every week in the synagogue, which is amply supplied with Sephorim and regular prayer books.

Some of the features of the Lakewood Hotel of the present day are: Accommodations for about fifteen hundred guests, for the convenience of whom there are provided sun parlors, elaborate parlors in blue, pink and white, each able to accommodate a hundred or more; private reception rooms, bridal suites, bar and grill rooms, billiard tables, bowling alleys, a ballroom which is a theatre in itself, an indoor tennis court, and a complete physical culture department with static machines and all of the very latest health building equipments, including all of the most up-to-date apparatus incidental to the important requirements of "hydrotherapy." This phase of activities is under the able management of Dr. B. F. Roller and Professor DeBell.

Mr. Nathan Jacobs was born in Nashville, Tenn., in 1869, following the mercantile business in South Carolina for a number of years. In 1893 he married Mollie E. Jacobson, a native of Konin, in Russian Poland. Both their parents were widely known as strictly Orthodox Jews and Talmudical scholars. They have three children, Elihu A., aged 20, who is taking an academic course at Princeton University; Lillian, aged 16, is just finishing high school preparatory to her entering Vassar College; Irving S., aged 9, is a clever violinist. All of the children are being taught the fundamental principles of the Jewish faith.

Samuel Feldstein was born in Roumania and came to the United States when but a child five years of age. Having the benefit of a common school education, he began life as a clerk. Through manifesting real business principles he was soon accepted as a partner in the dry goods business of his father.

SAMUEL FELDSTEIN

In 1902, Mr. Feldstein became associated with the late Leopold Bieber, who was then conducting the Cold Spring House at Tannersville, N. Y. Under Mr. Feldstein's able management the business rapidly improved, making extensive alterations necessary. Mr. Feldstein, with Mrs. Yetta Bieber, the widow of Leopold, are now conducting the beautiful Hotel Majestic at Lakewood, N. J. Mr. Feldstein is very outspoken in regard to those that have assisted in his success. He highly praises Mrs. Feldstein, who was formerly a Miss Bieber and one of the right bowers in the business of her late father, Leopold Bieber. "Mrs. Feldstein," he says, "has not only proven a devoted friend, a good wife and a good mother, but her true womanly companionship causes her to be eagerly sought by the women and girl guests of the hotel."

Mr. Feldstein also wishes to go on record by saying that he is peculiarly blessed in having an absolutely perfect mother-in-law, for he realizes that his success, in a very great measure, is due, not only to her great knowledge of the culinary arts, but of all of the minutest details which count in the successful management of a large hotel. In the assembling of a large number of guests, it requires great skill and tact to satisfy the many and varied tastes of each patron, but Mrs. Yetta Bieber always rises to the occasion, and with a sang-froid that is really remarkable, causes the cherished dish to immediately appear. The fame of Mrs. Yetta Bieber as an expert in conducting a hotel where the strict dietary laws are observed, has spread from one end of the country to the other, and the privilege of spending a few weeks at a hotel with Mrs. Yetta Bieber as the hostess, is one for which all are willing to pay.

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Regular services are conducted in the synagogue of the hotel, and during Passover and the High Holiday season, it is necessary to secure rooms in advance, so great is the demand.

In 1897, Mr. Feldstein married Miss Sadie Bieber. They have four children, three girls and one boy. Irene, aged 19, is a high school graduate; the others are Alex, 16; Ruth, 12, and Helen, 8 years, respectively. All of the children, in addition to their regular schooling, are receiving the benefit of a thorough Jewish training.

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BACKWARD, TURN BACKWARD.

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rather bridge over chasms; adjust strife and make people feel glad that you live. And remember that he who has fallen is not to be trodden upon but lifted up. Promise me, Benjamin!

"I promise!" Naomi squeezed his hands, and as she lay on her bed of pain with her children about her, and she looked into each face and saw all her dreams realized, it seemed to her that the world had been created just for that one moment of happiness; she drank deeply of the draught, and in her raptures she forgave her parents and her husband for all her early sufferings. Then it was she saw the wonderful workings of the Creator; that alone she would at most have achieved one of her desires, but as the vehicle she had mothered forth aspirations and had lived to realize them all. The reaction had set in. She could contain herself no longer.

"Oh, God! my cup is full. I can die in peace! Take me! Children! Children! My soul—the light—it is getting dimmer and dimmer! It flickers—it—flick—ers—"

"Backward, turn backward," murmured the old man. The book slipped to the floor with a thud "Mother!" His face sank into the palms of his hands and he wept.

What should prove one of the dramatic delights of the year is the engagement of John Barrymore, Constance Collier and Lionel Barrymore in Messrs. Schubert's production of John N. Raphael's dramatization of Geo. du Maurier's famous novel, "Peter Ibbetson," which comes to the Bronx Opera House, week beginning next Monday, November 19, matinees Wednesday and Saturday. The great success of "Peter Ibbetson" at the Republic and later at the 48th Street Theatre, New York, proved anew that after all it is the sweetly poetic love story that counts above all on the stage. It is rather curious that this play, which has proved one of the most astonishing dramatic successes of the time, should have been twenty or more years in finding its way to the stage. Other than John Barrymore, Constance Collier and Lionel Barrymore, the more important members of the cast are: Wallis Clark, Alice John, Mercedes Desmore, Alice Wilson, Alexander Loftus, Riano Bogislav, Catherine Charlton and Emily McLean.

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 The Junior Congregation of Temple Petach Tikvah held a well-attended meeting on Tuesday evening, November 13, in the vestry rooms of the Temple. An elaborate musical program was rendered, after which Dr. Levinthal gave an illustrated talk on "Jews in Many Lands." Plans were also discussed for a membership campaign which will be waged in the near future. It is the desire of the officers to align every young man and young woman of this section with the work that is being done in the Temple.
 The first issue of the Hebrew paper called "Havr. Hatzoir" which is published by the pupils of the Hebrew School of the Temple made its appearance this week. All the articles are written by the pupils themselves and the paper has received very favorable commendation from everyone who saw it. The paper will be published every month.

Hebrew Educational Society.
 Dr. Nathan Krass, in his lecture on Sunday afternoon, November 11, at the Hebrew Educational Society, discussed H. G. Wells' book, "God, the Invisible King." He contrasted Wells' idea of a finite god with the Jewish idea—an omnipotent, infinite God, faith in whose power made for a moral order. Bernhard Bloch, secretary of the society, presided. Musical numbers on the violin were furnished by Benjamin Levitsky, accompanied by Miss Celia Sussman.
 Dr. Krass will not speak this coming Sunday afternoon, November 18, but will resume on the following Sunday, November 25. His subject will be "Ingersoll and the Bible."
 The Yiddish lecture on Saturday evening, November 10, was on "The Selective Draft," by Louis Lande. The lecture of Saturday evening, November 17, will be by Dr. Martin J. Loeb, on the "Mechanism of the Circulation of the Blood."
 The Brownsville Neighborhood Theatre will give a revival performance of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" on Saturday evening, November 24, preceded by Anthony Hope's "The Philosopher in the Apple Orchard."

The special bill of the season at the Star Theatre will be Harry Hart's new "Hello Girls," beginning Monday afternoon, with funny comedians and comedienne, playing the leading comedy parts with spirit and understanding, and who extract fun in a generous measure. It is doubtful if more real enjoyment has ever offered the patrons of this house than will be given them this week. Among the principal entertainers will be Lew Golden, Mona Raymond, Francis T. Reynolds, Lew Lederer, Milton De Vere, Nellie Nice and Emily Nice. The chorus is composed of twenty girls who are real singers and dancers. The usual Sunday concerts will be given.

This past week Charles Dillingham had the distinction of celebrating the 1,000th presentation at the big playhouse under his astute, brilliant and successful guidance. The now current spectacle, "Cheer Up" on Monday last passed its 127th performance; "Hip Hip Hooray!" ran 439 times, and last year's offering, "The Big Show," 434 times, making the grand total of 1,000. The greatest attendance for any 100 consecutive performances has been during this season, when the first century was passed without one performance being given with an empty seat in the huge auditorium, which seats 5,74 persons. In all, during Mr. Dillingham's tenancy of the Hippodrome nearly 5,000,000 patrons have found rare enjoyment in the wholesome pastime he has provided. Notwithstanding that the most expensive amusement institution to operate and the added fact that its overhead expenses are far greater than those of any two other New York theatres combined, it is worthy of note that the moderate scale

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Schneck, of 789 West End avenue, tendered a dinner to their family last Sunday at Delmonico's in honor of the engagement of their daughter Sadie to Mr. Moe Kass.

Under the auspices of the Young Folks' League of Temple Mount Zion a dance will be given at the Hotel McAlpin on Sunday, afternoon, November 18, in honor of the members who are now serving with the colors.

The Sisterhood of the Congregation Mount Zion will hold its annual affair on the evening of Thursday, November 29, at the Palm Garden, 58th street near Lexington avenue. The entertainment will be given by the children, who have been coached by a professional.

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Moses Boguslawski, the gifted Russian pianist, who, at his recital last Tuesday made such an outstanding impression,

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A popular recital with an All-Russian program is Ossip Gabrilowitsch's offering in Carnegie Hall on Sunday afternoon, November 18.

Joseph Bonnet, the French organ virtuoso, will devote his second concert of his historical series, in the Astor Hotel ballroom on Monday afternoon, November 19,

A feature of the Flonzaley Quartet's first subscription concert, in Aeolian Hall on Tuesday evening, November 27, will be the Dohnanyi quartet in D flat major, Op. 15.

The first concert of the Societe des Instruments Anciens, following the return to America of this unique organization, which was heard here for the first time last season, will be given in Aeolian Hall on Saturday afternoon, November 24.

The Halsey Singing Society, Leon M. Kramer, Director, is open for membership to young ladies. Altos and sopranos, who are able to read from score, are eligible to join the augmented choir.

For her recital at Aeolian Hall on Monday evening, November 19 at 8.15, Wynnie Pyle, the young American pianist who has won much renown as an orchestral soloist, will play the following program:

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The opera season is in full swing, having opened with a gala performance of "Aida" last Monday night. Tonight John McCormack makes his debut as a member of the Metropolitan's forces, appearing as Rudolph in "Boheme," his associates being Alda, De Luca and Chalmers.

Jascha Heifetz, the brilliant young Russian violinist, appears again as soloist with the Symphony Society of New York, Walter Damrosch, conductor, on Sunday afternoon, November 18, in Aeolian Hall.

Mr. Morris Clark and his company including Josephine Dowler, soprano; Ben Jacklow, tenor; Elsie Rose, violinist, and Albert Lefkowitz, pianist, will give an evening of Jewish music at Forward Hall, No. 175 East Broadway, Saturday, November 17 at 8.30 p. m.



bin "Ich." "Gei ich Mir Shpatzleren," "Der Bal Agolle," "Di G'neive," "Yam Lied," "Di Alte Kashe," "Di Gildere Pahve," "Nit kein Gebetene," "Di M'sinke Oisgegeben," "Numo Ferach," "Neiss Tziyono," and "Dort wu Di Tzeder." "America" and "Hatikvah" will conclude the evening.

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"Raids" and "Cover."

The adjuration to "take cover" from impending raids has been uncomfortably frequent and insistent, at least in and around the metropolis, during the last few days. One effect of this miserable marauding and killing with a wicked, reckless disregard which will mark the Germans forever as victims of bloodlust or the insanity which takes a delight in destruction, may prove a lasting one, leaving marked consequences for the community. Aircraft has succeeded in doing what no other force was capable of effecting. It shortened very materially the service on the eve of the Day of Atonement. Having once had synagogues close on Kal Nidre evening somewhere between 7 and 7.30 o'clock, will congregations, when aircraft cease from troubling and the nations are at rest, be willing to revert to the pre-raid ritual? It was London synagogues that were for the most part affected, but sooner or later Minag metropolis becomes the rule in Anglo-Jewry. If, then, the short Kal Nidre has come to stay, we may be sure that other services will be affected, and there will be no little trimming to follow, the suit of what in many respects is the most solemn ritual in all the year. This, however, by the way, and because I mentioned raids and the adjuration to "take cover."—Mentor in London Jewish Chronicle.

How The Jews Evacuated Jaffa

The Joint Distribution Committee has issued the following synopsis of four circulars from the "Central Evacuation Committee in Judea," with reference to the evacuations from Jaffa, April, 1917. Circular No. 1 is a report to the "Evacuation Committee in Samaria and in Upper and Lower Galilee," signed "Bezalel Yaffe, for the president" dated Petah-Tikwah, April 20, 1917.

The report begins by reciting an order received the day before (April 19, 1917) from the officer commanding the Fourth Army Corps, to bring all the population except the farmers and owners of orchards and vineyards with their families to the Lud Station Center "tomorrow at sunrise." The Evacuation Committee, however, obtained permission to bring some of the population to Ras-elain Station and to Kafir Saba. There were no trains ready. The people were not consulted as to where they were to go. In spite of possible objections, the committee believed that it was best to allow migration of refugees into Galilee, although many of them might be "swallowed up by the multitude of the Moslem poor class there."

Statistics:—There was such crowds at the stations every day that it was impossible to obtain detailed lists of the people who were leaving, or of their destinations. The committee had hoped that they would be able to distribute the refugees among the various villages, but eventually most of them were sent to Tiberias. The committee was strongly against the idea of so many crowding into Tiberias, both through fear of epidemics and also because the refugees would only be "another beggar-mob, that would be added to the Tiberian population, ever accustomed to receive charity." The committee wanted to distribute the refugees in the villages and requested that the farmers should do their best to accommodate as many as possible. The Evacuation Committee offered to refund the farmers part of the expense for organizing agricultural enterprises for the employment of the refugees. The committee did not wish to spend all the money it had on hand for aiding the refugees. It desired that all workmen and artisans and even those that could be made fit for such work should be distributed in the villages and towns, so that the American funds should be used only for relief purposes in Tiberias, as "had been done in Jaffa."

They fixed a "ration list" divided into three classes: Fr. 0.20 per day for a person of the "third" class; Fr. 0.25 "second" class; Fr. 0.30 "first" class, increased pro rata by the number of persons in each family, so that if there were ten persons in a family, a family of the "third" class would receive Fr. 1.20, of the "second" class Fr. 1.30 and of the "first" class Fr. 1.75 per day. They prepared some of the most urgently needed drugs which were to be distributed in the various centers of the refugee settlement in Samaria and Galilee. They prepared a questionnaire, upon receipt of the replies to which they hoped to be able to systematize the data and prepare a detailed report to be submitted to the American Consul. Obtaining the replies to this questionnaire they knew would be very difficult. In a postscript the report states: "That landowners could stay for the time being," while by a new order "all settlements between the railways and the seashore were to be evacuated."

Circular No. 2 is a report or letter by the Central Evacuation Committee as to the conditions in Judea, addressed to "their collaborators in Galilee," dated Petah Tikwah, May 2, 1917. It explains that the evacuation was conducted without any attempt at organization; through the extreme haste and the large numbers involved. The heads of institutions remained at their posts, both because of their interest in their own institutions and because they knew that they were watched. Besides, there was a fear that all the Jewish villages of Judea, including Jerusalem, lying in or near the war zones would also have to be evacuated. There appeared to be a hope that communication with the Jews abroad would be reopened in the near future, and that the relief channels would not be stopped, as was at first feared. A meeting had been held at which certain gentlemen were asked to go to Galilee to help with their advice; to examine into the possibility of providing employment for the refugees and to try to find means to obtain loans of cash or corn, so that the refugees, who were able to work, might be given employment. The meeting also decided to send Ltq. 200 in gold to Mr. Ashkenazi "to cover his most urgent expenses."

Circular No. 3 is a report to the Evacuation Committee in Samaria and in Upper and Lower Galilee, signed "N. Bizengof president," dated Petah-Tikwah, May 18, 1917. The delegates upon their return from Galilee had reported that the accounts were badly kept and that they had ordered that they should be improved, so that there should be a detailed list of the refugees, what they received in money, food, etc.; whether the money was received from local sources or loaned and how it had been spent; also that the accounts should show the expenses of temporary and permanent employees, travelling, etc. They also had required that the accounts shall show the "affiliation" of the refugees and the "ration class" to which each one belonged.

Circular No. 4, is a report by the Central Evacuation Committee as to the conditions in Judea, signed, M. Dozengof and Bezalel Yaffe, dated Petah-Tikwah, May 20, 1917. The delegation, consisting of Messrs. M. Dozengof, B. Yaffe, J.

Willkansky, Blumenfeld, Sprinzak and D. Horwitz, had returned from Samaria and Galilee, after having visited there for ten days. In Galilee they visited the following villages: (Jewish) Merhaviah (Afoula), Rosh-Pinah, Zichron-Jacob, Meshka, Segera, Yemma, Bet-Gen, Kineret, Degania, Bitania, and the towns of Tiberias, Saffed and Haifa. The constituted relief committees (comprising as a rule the members of the American Relief Committee and delegates of the workmen's organization and local delegates) had arranged that the farmers should send their vehicles to relieve the fugitives. Bread and tea were provided at some places. Tents were provided and funds and clothing were collected. Public kitchens were also erected at Tiberias. Ltq. 700 was raised, most of which had already been spent.

The report praises the work done for the refugees in the building of Rabbi Meir Baal Hanes (Central Committee Keneseth Israel). The medical aid was better there than elsewhere. At a public kitchen, between April 15 and May 7, 4,705 meals (over 4,000 free) were served. During the same period the Rabbi Meir Baal Hanes served 5,095 meals, of which 4,500 were free. The meals consisted of between one-half and one and one-half pounds of bread and a "hot dish," besides which unleavened bread, eggs, figs and tea were distributed among the first refugees who arrived during the Passover. The refugees who only passed through Tiberias were given bread, and a bakery had been erected by the Evacuation Committee, especially for the refugees. The delegates also commended what was done at Haifa. The amount is not given, but "a few hundred pounds" was collected by means of a head tax imposed by the Committee on the Jewish Population, and clothing worth about Ltq. 80 was collected. This clothing was to be kept until the winter. If the then state of affairs continued till winter, the report says, the clothing question will become an all-absorbing one.

The delegation was sent because of reports of friction between the refugees and the resident population. The delegation found that a good deal of trouble was caused by the suddenness of the movement of so many refugees and also by their having settled down in improper locations, when they came to a farm. There is no doubt, that through the scarcity of funds, many of the refugees suffered terribly and were very hungry. This caused the residents to fear that they would be unable to master the situation.

The delegation went to Galilee, both to reassure the residents and also to cause them to understand that only by their giving the refugees employment would it be possible to relieve the situation. The coming of the delegation into Galilee relieved the situation considerably. A local committee of the Central Evacuation Committee was formed in Galilee, which included Messrs. Hoffen, Ashkenazi, Willkansky, Glikin, Zimmerman, Bossel, Janovsky, and the workmen's delegates. Work was found for the refugees in Galilee, in the erection of certain buildings, fences, stables and additional rooms for the houses of the farmers, the labor being necessary through the arrival of so many refugees. It was also possible to make bricks. Masons, carpenters and kindred artisans were thus given paying employment.

In Rosh-Pinah near Saffed, the farmers proposed to level and repair the streets and so employed many of the refugees; 60 per cent of the expense of this work was to be paid by the farmers and the other 40 per cent by the Evacuation Committee, after the moratorium. Agricultural employment was also found at certain places, for which the farmers paid about \$2 per acre, which will result in about Fr. 4,000 in gold being paid for the labor of the refugees, which will come into the treasury of the Evacuation Committee.

In Zichron-Jacob (Samaria), there is a charcoal factory, which will give employment to a number of persons. In Petah-Tikwah, Kafir Saba (Judea), the refugees will be given employment in guarding the almond orchards and vineyards, picking fruit, etc. Some of the refugees will be employed in the service of the Government.

Various enterprises have been entrusted to Jewish contractors in co-partnership with Arabs. The Committee expects to receive about Fr. 4,000 in gold a month from this work from the Government, while the Committee decided to refuse to support the families of men physically fit but unwilling to work. They also decided to increase the allowance to all workmen, to Fr. 0.08 per day. The report states that the support and maintenance of the refugees will amount to about Fr. 50,000 in gold, per month, and as there was grave fear that relief from America would be interrupted, they appealed to all the Jewish communities in the Ottoman Empire for contributions and loans to be repaid after the moratorium.

The Galileans subscribed for the next month's budget the sum of Fr. 16,500; the Lower Galilee Colonies Federation Ltq. 800, out of the American funds that were at their disposal. The Tiberian Relief Committee promised Ltq. 400. Saffed promised Ltq. 500 and Mr. Carniel and Dr. Gruen promised to hand over the balance of the American funds in their possession. Saffed and Rosh-Pinah also responded to the appeal. The Palestine Bureau of the Anglo-Palestine Co., Ltd., and the Jewish Colonization Association also each promised Ltq. 100 in notes monthly.

Stress is laid upon the great scarcity of drugs and of doctors. Sickness is very prevalent, owing to the fact that the refugees are unused to the climate

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to which they have been moved. Many are still living in the open, and disease is also caused through insufficient nourishment. The Health Bureau at Jerusalem had promised to assist, but the mission had probably been detained, as it had not arrived in Galilee. The education of the children had also not been overlooked, and the report contains the details of what is intended to be done for the education of the children. Statistics are given as to 4,562 refugees, of whom 250 are fit for hard work, 343 for light work, 1,160 totally unfit. The budget for the next month for Galilee calls for Fr. 35,500 in gold, which is to be expended to give 2,500 persons, Fr. 0.20 per day; 500 workmen Fr. 0.80 per day and for medical aid, rent, transportation, educational purposes, etc. No budget had yet been prepared for Samaria and Judea, but the committee expected that it would amount to at least Fr. 50,000 in gold.

The income, it is pointed out, is based very largely upon loans which it is hoped to obtain, and which will not have to be repaid until after "a certain period." The Committee "firmly hoped that we shall soon receive funds again from the American Relief Committee, when we shall be able to repay our debts contracted in Galilee."

The Committee was considering means by which it might acquire a large quantity of wheat, for which Fr. 120,000 was required. The care of the refugees during the winter was giving great concern to the Committee. A copy of an appeal for help by the "Central Evacuation Committee in Judea," addressed to the Jewish Communities in the Ottoman Empire, dated Petah Tikwah, May 4, 1917, accompanies the report.

The Jewish Schools in Bagdad Reopen. The occupancy of Bagdad by General Maude's army has made possible the reopening of the Jewish schools in the capital of Mesopotamia, and the Zionist Publicity Department has just received an interesting and detailed report of these institutions, written by a distinguished American resident of that city.

Although the girls' school is attended by 1,100 Jewish children, there are about 2,000 girls for whom no accommodations are available. The old, Oriental idea that girls may be neglected, while every stress is laid on the education of boys, is gradually disappearing in Bagdad. The "shut-out" girls are clamorous for school accommodation, and there would not be a single "slacker" among the entire number if room could be found for them.

The 1,100 girls for whom there is accommodation are housed in a splendid building erected several years ago by Mme. Laura Khadourie, of India, at a cost of 10,000 pounds sterling, and is regarded as one of the finest edifices and most useful institutions in the city. Thirteen hundred boys are pupils at the Albert Sassoon School which is under the direction of Mr. I. Bassan, whose wife is directress of the girls' school. Both of these institutions are supported by the Alliance Israelite Universelle, but since the war the income of this organization—coming mainly from London and Paris—has fallen off, and the schools have suffered in consequence. All pupils who are able to pay tuition do so, but the income from this source is very small.

A local philanthropist, Menahem S. Daniel, maintains a school for poor children which is attended by 160 girls and 140 boys. About one-half of these children who attend the school, which is located in the former home of Mr. Daniel's father, receive clothing and one meal a day free. In addition to these two institutions there is the community school, with 2,300 boys from the poorest class, who receive one free meal a day. Some of the children are given clothing. This school needs a thorough reorganization. The community is not able to raise adequate funds. The teaching facilities and methods are very antiquated, and the building itself presents a very disheveled appearance.

Since the advent of the British forces the school children in all of the institutions have manifested a strong desire to learn the English language. American school teachers would be especially welcomed, owing to the reputation which the American schools in Constantinople, Beirut and Asia Minor have won in the Orient. Mme. Bassan would especially welcome the co-operation of a Jewish young woman who holds a teacher's license from any part of the United States. The children in Mr. Daniel's school have already taken up the study of English,

and their progress in a very short time is described as astonishing.

For What Are the Jews of Austria Fighting?

"Each of the eight nations composing the Austrian State is to get its reward for the blood it is shedding now," remarks the *Judische Volkstimme*, of Brunn, "But what of the Jews?" it asks.

"What will be our reward? Or, perhaps, we have made no sacrifice at all for our fatherland."

"What do the Jews matter to this anti-Semitic, this clerical, gang which holds the rudder of the state?"

"What does it matter to the anti-Semitic press that the Jews sacrifice their property and their lives to the state?"

"Thut nichts—der Jude wird verbrant." It does not matter—the Jew will be burned.

Galicja, Poland, Bukowina, the most important Jewish centres, have suffered most from the war. Being Jews, the unfortunate denizens suffered most at the hands of the Russians. And those who escaped Russian domination suffered even more. They were interned, existing miserably. In many places in Bohemia and Moravia they were left to the brutalities of mobs. The police did not interfere—these were Jewish refugees.

"We are being rewarded for our loyalty. From Posen and Breslau those Austrian subjects who have the 'misfortune' to be Jews have been expelled. Our government permits it all. We are rewarded for our sacrifice. In Vienna no unbaptized Jews may hold a municipal position; neither in Lemberg. The Jew is to get his reward! In the crown lands, where there is a German the Jew must be German; where there is a Slav majority he must be a Slav. Thus are the rights of the minority protected."

Together with this editor, The Hague Jewish Correspondence Bureau has sent the Provisional Zionist Committee information that, in response to an interpellation, the Mayor of Vienna informed the City Council on September 1 that he had been assured by the Prime Minister and the Minister of Foreign Affairs that already a third of the Jewish refugees had been "persuaded" to leave the city. For his own part the Mayor promised to do all in his power to get rid of the rest, and that the measures against aliens adopted by Hungary were especially directed against the Jewish refugees from Galicja, who would be required to leave the cities whether or not they have employment.

JEWISH CALENDAR.

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Table with 2 columns: Festival/Day and Date. Includes Chanukah (Monday, Dec. 10), Rosh Chodesh Tebeth (Sunday, Dec. 16), Fast of Tebeth (Tuesday, Dec. 25), Rosh Chodesh Shebat (Monday, Jan. 14), Rosh Chodesh Adar (Wednesday, Feb. 13), Purim (Tuesday, Feb. 26), Rosh Chodesh Nisan (Thursday, March 14), First day Pessach (Thursday, March 23), Seventh day Pessach (Wednesday, April 3), Rosh Chodesh Iyar (Saturday, April 13), Lag b'Omer (Tuesday, April 30), Rosh Chodesh Sivan (Sunday, May 12), First day Shavuoth (Friday, May 17), Rosh Chodesh Tammuz (Friday, June 11), Fast of Tammuz (Thursday, June 27), Rosh Chodesh Ab (Wednesday, July 10), Fast of Ab (Thursday, July 18), Rosh Chodesh Elul (Friday, August 9).

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

SIMEON AND LEVI.

Dear Children:
Jacob and Esau parted. Esau went to Seir and Jacob went to Succoth. Rashi says, quoting from the Talmud, he spent eighteen months there, summer, winter and summer, and derives this information from the text, "And Jacob journeyed to Succoth (Booths) (that) was in the summer when people live in the open), and built himself a house (in the winter). Therefore he called the name of the place Succoth (in the summer). "And Jacob came in good health," "Shalem." "Shalem begufo," perfect in his health, for he was cured from the halting upon his thigh. "Shalem bemanono," sound in his money, for he was not any poorer because of the present he gave to Esau. "Shalem betoratho," sound in his Torah, for he did not forget his learning in the house of Laban. "When he came from Padan-aram," as one might say of his neighbor, "this one escaped from the lion's jaws safe and sound." Here, also, he came safe and sound from Padan-aram, from Laban and Esau, who met him on the way with hostile intentions, "and he encamped before the city." It was the Sabbath eve, and he did not wish to travel any further then. "And he bought the parcel of the field where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Chamor, the father of Shechem, for a hundred kessitah, and erected there an altar, and called it by the Divine name, the name of the Lord of Israel. There happened now something that was shocking in the extreme. Dinah, Jacob's daughter, having gone out for a walk, was siezed and attacked by Shechem, the son of Chamor the Hivite, the prince of the country, and he said to her: "See how much money your father spent for a small parcel of field. I will marry you and the entire metropolis, with all its fields, will be yours." When the sons of Jacob came from the field and heard of that outrageous action, it excited their anger and greatly, for that was a thing that was not to be done even amongst the nations, for they observed the laws of morality since the punishment of the flood came upon the immoral ones. Chamor told Dinah's brother how madly in love his son was with her, and offered them all the advantages of his land if they would only intermarry. The sons of Jacob spoke with cunning, because he had defiled Dinah, their sister. "It would be a reproach to us to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised. But on this condition will we consent unto you; if ye will become as we are, that every male of you be circumcised, then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters unto us; and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people." When Chamor and Shechem told the men of their city the conditions imposed upon them by Jacob's sons, they changed their words as follows: "Their daughters we will take unto us for wives, and our daughters we

will give unto them." Rashi says, Jacob's sons said, "we will give our daughters, any of them we please, and we will take your daughters, whoever we will choose." Whilst Chamor and Shechem said just the contrary, "their daughters we will take, whosoever we please, and our daughters we will give them which ever we will choose to give," in order to persuade the men to become circumcised. The men of the city were persuaded to become circumcised, and it came to pass on this third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, who, although they were his sons, acted like other men who were not his sons, for they did not ask his advice. Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brothers, because they risked their lives for her sake, they are called her brothers. They took each his sword and came upon the city, "betach," unresisted because they were sore. The Medrash says "betash," which means secure, signifies that they were secure in the merit of their old father, and knew that for his sake they would get their revenge with perfect safety, and after slaying the people and their abductor of their sister, they took Dinah out of Shechem's house and went out.

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"Ma, what is a dream?" asked little Emmie. Her mother endeavored to explain, but her descriptive vocabulary failed her: Emmie had, however, grasped some portion of her mother's explanation, and exclaimed, "Oh, I know! It's a moving picture in your sleep."

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How can you always have what you please?
If you will be pleased with what you have.

Why do blind men so often marry blind women?
Because love is blind.

Why is money like a whip?
Because money makes the mare go.

NIGHT.

Now the night is falling,
And the day is done,
Shadows hastening onward
Toward the setting sun.

Birds and beasts and flowers
All are going to rest,
Hear the little birdies
Chirp in their little nest.

Soon the sky bedecked will be
With the many stars,
Venus, Saturn, Jupiter,
And the warlike Mars.

All the little children
Nod their curly heads,
On the linen pillow
Of their trundle beds.

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Upon the petition of Sol M. Stroock, Michael Waldstein and May L. Cohn, residing respectively at 131 West 85th Street, 218 West 26th Street and 307 West 104th Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, you and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before the Surrogates Court of New York County, held at the Hall of Records, in the County of New York, on the 30th day of November, 1917, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the account of proceedings of Julius M. Cohn, deceased, as sole surviving trustee of the trusts created by the sixth and twenty-seventh paragraphs of the last will and testament of said Moritz Cohn, deceased, by Sol M. Stroock, Michael Waldstein and May L. Cohn, as executors of the last will and testament of Julius M. Cohn, said deceased, should not be judicially settled.

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LOEB, MAX.—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 Max Loeb, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of her attorneys, Charles L. Hoffman and Henry A. Friedman, No. 31 Nassau street, in the City of New York, on or before the 26th day of April next.

CLARA LOEB, Administratrix. CHARLES L. HOFFMAN and HENRY A. FRIEDMAN, Attorneys for Administratrix, 31 Nassau street, New York City.

HOFFMAN, GESCHE.—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 Gesche Hoffman, 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 Benjamin Eisler, No. 35 Nassau street, in the City of New York, on or before the 26th day of April next.

ALFRED FRANKENTHALER, Executor. BENJAMIN EISLER, Attorney for Executor, 35 Nassau street, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

BELLER, WOLF.—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 Wolf Beller, 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 his attorneys, Isadore Apfel, No. 290 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 29th day of April next.

ABRAHAM J. BELLER, Executor; ANNIE FELDMAN, Executrix. ISADORE APFEL, Esq., Attorney, 290 Broadway, New York City.

BURGER, LOUIS.—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 Louis Burger, 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 Messrs. Kantrowitz and Esberg, No. 320 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of June, next.

ALICE BURGER, Executrix. KANTROWITZ & ESBERG, Attorneys for Executrix, No. 320 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York.

ELETZ, SAMUEL.—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 Eletz, 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, Abraham H. Sarasohn, No. 309 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the sixth day of March next.

SOPHIE ELETZ, Administratrix. ABRAHAM H. SARASOHN, Attorney for Administratrix, 309 Broadway, New York City.

ROTH, MAX.—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 Max Roth, 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 Leon Laski, Esq., No. 160 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 12th day of April next.

ANNIE ROTH, LEON LASKI, Executors. Dated, New York, the 2d day of October, 1917.

SILVERMAN, LOUIS.—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 Louis Silverman, late of the County of New York, now deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at place of transacting business, at the office of his attorneys, Hyams & Hyams, No. 19 East 17th Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 17th day of December, next.

ANNIE SILVERMAN, Administratrix. Dated, New York, the 13th day of June, 1917.

ECKSTEIN, GUSTAVE.—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 Gustave Eckstein, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the office of Hays, Kaufmann & Lindheim, No. 60 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of November next.

ROSALIE ECKSTEIN, Executrix. HAYS, KAUFMAN & LINDHEIM, Esqs., Attorneys for Executrix, 60 Wall Street, New York City.

LEHMAN, JOSEPH.—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 Joseph Lehman, 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, Hyams & Hyams, No. 32 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of November next.

REINE LEHMAN and GEORGE KLEINER, Executors. HYAMS & HYAMS, Attorneys for Executors, 32 Broadway, New York City.

HYMAN, SAMUEL.—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 I. Hyman, 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 Messrs. Cardozo & Nathan, No. 128 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 22nd day of March next.

TILLIE E. HYMAN, Executrix. CARDOZO & NATHAN, Attorneys for Executrix, 128 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

WEIL, JONAS.—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 Jonas Weil, 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 Messrs. Hays, Kaufmann & Lindheim, No. 60 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of December next.

SAMUEL WEIL, BENJAMIN J. WEIL and LOUIS W. WEIL, Executors. ARNSTEIN LEVY, Attorneys for Executors, No. 128 Broadway, New York City.

ARNHEIM, FANNIE.—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 Fannie Arnheim, 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, Hays, Kaufmann & Lindheim, No. 60 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of January next.

ALICE ARNHEIM and HENRY OLLESHEIMER, Executors. HAYS, KAUFMAN & LINDHEIM, Attorneys for Executors, 60 Wall Street, New York City.

SKLARSK, ALBERT.—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 Albert Sklarsk, 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 Jacob Brenner, their attorney, No. 26 Court Street, Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of April next.

JACOB BRENNER, Attorney for Executors, 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

BEHR, PAULINE.—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 Pauline Behr, 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, Eisman, Levy, Corn & Lewine, No. 125 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of March next.

ISAAC S. LONG, Executor. EISMAN, LEVY, CORN & LEWINE, Attorneys for Executor, No. 125 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

MARKWELL, NATHAN M.—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 Nathan M. Markwell, 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 Felner & Maass, her attorneys, No. 100 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 24th day of March next.

FANNIE P. MARKWELL, Executrix. Dated New York the 7th day of September, 1917.

ADELSON, PHILIP.—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 Philip Adelson, 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 Felner & Maass, their attorneys, No. 100 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 24th day of March next.

BENJAMIN F. FEINER and RICHARD SENTER, Executors. Dated New York the 7th day of September, 1917.

GOTTLIEB, EDWARD O.—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 Edward O. Gottlieb, 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 Marcus Schnitzer, attorney, No. 280 Broadway, Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of December next.

SOPHIE GOTTLIEB, HERMAN GOTTLIEB and CHARLES J. GOLDSMID, Executors. MARCUS SCHNITZER, Attorney for Executors, Office and P. O. address, 280 Broadway, Manhattan, New York.

BERLINER, SOLOMON.—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 Solomon Berliner, 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, San & Eisner, No. 149 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 18th day of January next.

JACOB S. BERLINER, HATTIE BERLINER, MAIER BERLINER, FEIST BERLINER and ERNEST J. WILE, Executors. SAN & EISNER, Attorneys for Executors, 149 Broadway, New York City.

HESSLER, ROSALIE.—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 Rosalie Hessler, 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 Kurzman, Frankenhelmer & Gutman, No. 25 Broad Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of March next.

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SAMUEL WOLF, Executor. BENJAMIN F. SPELLMAN, Attorney for Executor, 115 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.

SCHLESINGER, FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.—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 Florence Nightingale Schlesinger, 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 Benjamin J. Spellman, No. 115 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 28th day of December next.

JACOB WERTHEIM, Executor. LIEBMAN & TANZER, Attorneys for Executor, 233 Broadway, New York City.

SINMANN, HANNAH.—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 Hannah Sinmann, also known as "Hanna Sinmann," 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 Julius J. Michael, Esq., attorney, No. 111 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 17th day of December next.

SOLOMON H. FURGATCH, Administrator. JULIUS J. MICHAEL, 111 Broadway, New York City. HAROLD H. STRAUS, 5 Beekman Street, New York City, Attorneys for Administrator.

MARROW, 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 Marrow, 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, Nicholas Aleinikoff, No. 93 Nassau Street, Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of January, next.

JOSEPH MARROW, ALEXANDER S. ALEINIKOFF, HARRY FRIEDMAN, Executors. NICHOLAS ALEINIKOFF, Attorney for Executors, 93 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

SOLOMON, RACHEL.—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 Rachel Solomon, 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, Siegel, Corn & Siegel, No. 295 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 4th day of November next.

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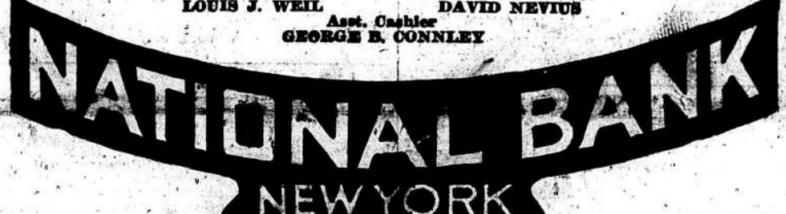
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