

**MESKIN, Aharon**, Israel, actor; b. Russia, March 22, 1898; s. Moshe and Rachel (Chasanov); m. Sima Sirkis, 1933; son, Amnon; settled in Pal., 1928. Member, Habima Theatre, since 1918. Major roles: David in David's Crown, by Calderon; The Golem in The Golem by H. Leivick; Shylock in The Merchant of Venice, by Shakespeare; Palti-ben-Layish in Mihal Bat Shaul, by A. Ashman; Ivanoff in Hard to be a Jew, by Sholem Aleichem; Avraham in Be-Arvot ha-Negev, by Yigal Mossenson; Monserrat in Monserrat, by E. Robles; Othello in Othello, by Shakespeare; Stephen in Cry the Beloved Country (Lost in the Stars), by Alan Paton, Maxwell Anderson and Kurt Weill; Willy Loman in Death of a Salesman, by A. Miller. Home: 33 Frug St., Tel Aviv.

**MESSA, M. Bentob**, Brit. Arabia, merchant; b. Aden, Sept. 2, 1902; s. Tob Menahem and Rachel (Judah); attended, Amer. U., Beirut, 1923; m. Margalit Moshe Elbaz, Apr. 15, 1943; son, Uriel. Importer and exporter, manufacturers' representative, gen. agent, since 1922. Pres.: Jewish community, since 1937; Jewish Community Council, since 1951; WJC, 1935—all of Aden; delegate: Zionist Congress, 1939; WJC, Geneva, 1953; member: exec., Aden settlement; Aden Chamber of Commerce. Office: Section A, St. No. 1, Camp, Aden, P.O.B. 310.

**MESSELOFF, Charles R.**, U.S., physician; b. Lodz, Pol., March 15, 1903; s. Morris and Rachel (Bernstein); in U.S. since 1904; M.D., Bellevue Hosp., 1926; m. Lillian Levenson, June 5, 1928; children: Alice, Reva. Chief attending physician, Beth Abraham Home, since 1952; asso. physician and cardiologist, Hosp. for Joint Diseases, since 1937; asso. visiting physician, City Hosp., since 1950; chief cardiologist, Dept. of Health, 1945-53; physician, Selective Service, 1941-53. Frankenhimer fellowship, Mt Sinai Hosp., 1930-31. Member: N. Bronx Med. Soc., pres., 1952; Alpha Omega Alpha; AMA; N.Y. Heart Assn; Amer. Heart Assn. Contributor to med. journals. Home: 3725 Henry Hudson Pkwy, New York, N.Y. Office: 1750 Grand Concourse, New York, N.Y.

**MESSINGER, Eugen Jehuda**, Switzerland, rabbi, author; b. Zurich, Switzerland, Nov. 12, 1911; s. Josef and Helene (Hirsch); D.J., U. of Berne, 1937; Rabbi, Rabbinical Sem., Paris, France, 1940; m. Sonia Levie, March 18, 1940; children: Daniel, Eva. Rabbi, Jewish Community Berne, since 1940; Docent, Volkshochschule, since 1953. Collaborator: and revisor, Swiss Lexicon, 1944-48; Lexikon der Paedagogik, 1949. Author: Aus der Geschichte der Juden der Stadt Bern, 1948; Die Israelitische Erziehung, 1949; Jüdische Erziehung in der Diaspora, 1954. Home: Heckenweg 26, Berne. Study: Kapellenstr. 2, Berne.

**MESTEL, Jacob**, U.S., actor, stage director, editor; b. Zloczow, Austria, Feb. 25, 1884; s. Abraham and Rachel (Weintraub); attended: Teachers Coll., Lwow, 1901-05; Acad. of Acting and Directing, Vienna, 1918-20; in U.S. since 1920; m. Sarah Kindman, 1925. Co-editor, Lexicon of the Yiddish Theatre, since 1930 and Yiddish Kultur, since 1946; editor, Farlag Ykuf, since 1950; member, Yiddish Art Theatre, N.Y., since 1923; dir., Arter Theatre, since 1926; dir., Yiddish Theatre, Vienna, Freie Jüdische Volksbühne, 1918-20; actor and dir., Jacob Ben-Ami Co., N. and S. Amer., 1931, 1936, 1941; actor: on television, The Goldbergs, 1952, 1953; and radio, WEVD, 1937-39. Author: poetry: Fraholomte Shoen, 1909; A Libes-Lid, 1911; Vita Hayizd, 1913; Dimyoines, 1921; Soldatn-Un Payatzen-Lider, 1928; prose: Milhome-Notitzn Fun A Yiddishn Ofitzir, 1924, 1927; Lucretzia's Toyt, 1936; Unser Teater, 1943. Translator of plays from German, Polish and English. Clubs: Yiddish and English Amateur Groups in U.S. and Can. Home: 114 W. 61 St., New York, N.Y.

**MESTEL, Solomon**, U.K., rabbi; b. Toporow, Poland, Dec. 24, 1886; s. Wolf and Czessia (Distenfeld); in U.K. since 1908; attended, Jews Coll., until 1919, Rabbi, 1926; M.A., U. of London, Eng., 1919; m. Rachel Brodetsky, Jan. 6, 1919; children: Dr. Jessica, Norma, Dr. Leon, Ruth. Welfare officer, United Synagogue, since 1934; rabbi: Richmond Dist. Synagogue, Richmond, 1918-19; Bristol, 1919-20; Nottingham, 1920-23—all of Eng.; rabbi: Mikreh-Israel, E. Melbourne, Australia, 1923-31; W. Ham Dist. Synagogue, London, 1931-34. Member, Beth Din, Melbourne, dir of edn, 1923-31; vice-pres., Australian Zionist Fed. Home: Bathurst, 169 Earham Grove, Forest Gate, London, E. 7, Eng.

**METZ, Herbert**, U.S., business executive; b. N.Y.C., Oct. 25, 1892; s. Issac and Celia (Zabin); B.S., Pa. State U., 1914; m. Bertha Ehrlich, Oct. 1, 1916; children: Mrs. Cecile Gertrude Reichenbach, Mrs. Betsy Pollock. Dir., voting trustee, Graybar Electric Co., Inc., since 1947, sales promotion mgr, 1928-39, lamp and lighting sales mgr, 1939-45, Eastern dist. mgr, since 1945. Student, Western Electric Co., 1915-17, salesman, Denver branch, 1917-19, power and light sales manager, 1920-23, advertising manager, supply dept., 1923-28. Member: bd of govs, Natl Assn of Electrical Distributors; Beta Sigma Rho; Alpha Delta Sigma. Editor, Opportunities in Selling; contributor on salesmanship. Recipient, James H. McGraw Wholesaler's Award, 1945. Clubs: Inwood Country; Cornell; Bankers and Sales Execs. Home: 1 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. Office: 21-15 Bridge Plaza N., Long Island City, N.Y.

**METZ, Solomon H.**, U.S., rabbi, educator; b. Kul, Russian Lith., Oct. 10, 1890; s. Haskel Leibe and Mere (Wolpert); in U.S. since 1907; attended: Yeshivoh of Slobodka and Telshi, Russia; Rabbi

Isaac Elchanan, N.Y.C.; B.A., Coll. of City of N.Y., 1916; Rabbi, M.H.L., Jewish Theol. Seminary, N.Y.C., 1918; m. Gertrude Krieger, Aug. 17, 1917; children: Haskel Mordecai, Ezra David, Emmanuel Wolpert, Rayanna. Rabbi emeritus, Adas Israel Synagogue, Wash., D.C., since 1951, rabbi, 1930-51; dean, Washington Coll. of Jewish Studies, since 1948, Lecturer on mysticism, Bible, hasidism, since 1951; Hebrew teacher, Uptown Talmud Torah, N.Y.C., 1914-16; asst. principal, Rabbi Herbert Goldstein's Synagogue, 1916-17; clothing mfr, 1918-29; rabbi, Washington Heights Cong., N.Y.C., 1929-30. Pres.: Washington Jewish Community Council, 1938-40; Louis D. Bandeis chap., ZOA, 1932; bd member, Natl Assn for Advancement of Colored People, 1947-48; volunteer chaplain, World War II. Member: B'nai B'rith; Havrutah; Hapoel Hamizrachi; Histadrut; Comm. on Religious Life in Nation's Capitol; Natl Conf. of Christians and Jews; Masons. Contributor to Washington Evening Star and Anglo-Jewish publications. Home: 36 Channing St. N.W., Wash., D.C.

**METZGER, Kurt L.**, U.S., rabbi; b. Nuremberg, Ger., Dec. 10, 1909; s. Nathan and Sali (Habermann); Rabbi, Jewish Theol. Seminary, Breslau, Ger., 1939; in U.S. since 1939; m. Lore R. Scharff, Dec. 30, 1942; son, Ralph Bernard. Rabbi, Temple Beth El, Glens Falls, N.Y., since 1942; chaplain: Great Meadow State Prison, Comstock, N.Y., since 1946; N.Y. State Veterans' Camp, Mt McGregor, N.Y., since 1946; dist. rabbinat, Landau, Palatinate, Ger., 1935-38; rabbinat, Nuremberg, Ger., 1939; rabbi: B'nai Israel, Connelville, Pa., 1940-41; Temple of Israel, Amsterdam, N.Y., 1941-42; chaplain, Veterans Administration Hosp., Saratoga Springs, N.Y., 1948-51. Pres., Adirondack Ministerial Fellowship, 1945-46; dir., Warren County Health Assn; historical, Natl Council of Jewish Prison Chaplains. Member: Central Conf. of Amer. Rabbis; N.Y. Bd of Rabbis; Natl Chaplains Assn; ZOA; AJComm; Armed Forces advisory comm., Northeast area U.S.; B'nai B'rith; Author: Jüdische Wanderung, 1936. Club: Glens Falls Rotary (dir., 1951-52). Home: 559 Glen St., Glens Falls, N.Y. Study: 3 Marion Ave., Glens Falls, N.Y.

**METZKER, Isaac**, U.S., author, journalist; b. Galicia, Poland, July, 1901; s. David and Fannie (Reich); attended Humboldt Hochschule, Berlin, Germany, 1922; Eron's Preparatory School and Jewish Teachers Seminary, N.Y.C., 1924; in U.S., since 1924; m. Bella Stark, July 2, 1944. Editorial staff member, Jewish Daily Forward, since 1944; teacher, Workmen's Circle Schools, 1932-44; served, U.S. Army, 1942-43. Member: I.L. Peretz Writers Union; Workmen's Circle. Author: novels: Toly un Toby, 1936; Oifn Zeidnsfelder, 1953; short stories, Erd un Zun, 1937; biographical story, Don Itzhak Abarbanel, 1941; serially, in Jewish Daily Forward, De Eibige Shtime, 1942; Beatrice un Ben, 1945. Club, PEN. Home: 2044 E. 13 St., Bklyn, N.Y. Office: Jewish Daily Forward, 175 E. Broadway, New York, N.Y.

**MEYER, Abraham Leopold**, S. Africa, insurance agent; b. Janishky, Russia, Oct. 12, 1880; s. L.W. and R.Z. (Grodnick); in S. Afr., since 1898; m. Fanny Blieden, Jan. 7, 1917; children: Julian, Mrs. Leah Wilma Freinkel, Mrs. Zelda Rapeport. Representative, Sun Life Assurance Co. of Can.; Commissioner of Oaths. Exec. member, chmn, general purposes comm., S. Afr. Jewish Bd of Deputies; hon. life pres., United Hebrew Schools, past pres.; vice pres., Witwatersrand Jewish Welfare Council, Johannesburg; trustee, S. Afr. Jewish Orphanage. Clubs: Houghton Golf and Bowling; Balfour Park, Johannesburg. Home: 26 Johnston St., Berea, Johannesburg. Office: Sun Life of Canada, P.O. Box 2013, Johannesburg.

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**MEYER, Baron de Hirsch**, U.S., attorney, banker; b. Prairie du Chien, Wis., s. John and Sarah (Jay); B.A., U. of Wis., 1920; LL.B., Harvard Law School, 1923; m. Polly Lux, Aug., 1951. Member, law firm, Meyer, Weiss and Rosen, since 1942; pres., Miami Beach Federal Savings and Loan Assn, since 1933; chmn, bd; Industrial Savings Bank, Miami, since 1948; Federal Title and Ins. Corp., since 1950; dir., N. Shore Bank, since 1947—both of Miami Beach; dir., Central Savings Bank, Jacksonville, Fla., since 1950; admitted to bar: Wis., 1925; Fla., 1927; member, City Council of City of Miami Beach, 1930-42; corporal, World War I, maj., World War II. Natl dir., AJComm, 1953; pres.: Jewish Welfare Bureau; Southeastern Conf. of Jewish Feds and Welfare Funds, 1940; Miami Beach Bar Assn, 1947; AJComm, Miami, 1952; dir. and pres.: Dade County TB Assn, 1938; Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, 1948; trustee, pres., Mt Sinai