

Editorials

Jewish Home In Birobidjan

The failure of the Soviet experiment to establish a Jewish Home round Birobidjan in the Far East is revealed in a survey of its development published in the Times.

It is now ten years since its foundation. The plan in 1928 was to settle the area in the basin of the River Amur, on the frontier of Manchuria with the Jews from the Ukraine, White Russia and other parts of the Soviet Union, who would exploit the mineral resources and timber of the region and eventually create a self-supporting economic unit.

The region then had a population of 34,000, which was almost entirely non-Jewish. The aim in 1928 was to settle 100,000 Jews by 1938. To encourage their settlement, the region was officially raised to the status of an "autonomous Jewish Republic" in 1934. Simultaneously renewed efforts were made to attract the Jews not only of the Soviet Union, but also of Poland, Lithuania and America. But the latest figures, show that the present Jewish population of the Area is not more than 20,000.

These facts are of significance at the present time when strenuous efforts are being made to divert attention away from Palestine towards other territories, which are cited as offering possibilities of large-scale settlement of Jews. It is with no sense of pleasure that we record the failure of Birobidjan. Zionists are anxious to find any place under the sun which will afford Jewish refugees the prospect of escape.

But Zionists view the whole problem in an atmosphere of realism. Russia may seek to discover many reasons for the failure of their Jewish experiment. But they need not search very far.

While Jews may live in all parts of the world, they have one National Home, Palestine.

The world has seen that Palestine alone, because of its associations with the Jewish past and of the hope it holds for the Jewish future, can bring the Jews to make almost superhuman sacrifices in life, labour and energy, sacrifices which guarantee the success of the Jewish National Home, and which ensure the permanence of Palestine's contribution towards the solution of the Jewish problem.

Benefits of Fascism

On March 10, Italy's business men will pay the first installment of a 7½ per cent capital levy, the third imposed by Mussolini since 1936.

How Dictators Help Business

Attention of that minority of American business men who think that what we need is a good strong dictator of the Right.

The New York Herald Tribune reports a new setup in Germany that will control all the key industries in the interests of the government, giving the people who own them virtually nothing to say about how they are managed. As a sample here is what's going to happen to the automobile industry:

"Civilian models would be constructed to suit military as well as civilian needs. New models in both trucks and passenger cars will be designed to meet military requirements."

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Educator Reveals Existence Of 800 Anti-Jewish Groups

Elected Again



NEW YORK. — Dr. Israel Goldstein, American Zionist leader, was elected to serve his sixth consecutive term in the presidency of the Jewish National Fund of America, as the representatives of all Zionist groups in the United States met last week to reconstitute an administration of the Fund's activities for the year 1939.

Play With Anti-Nazi Theme Hailed in N. Y.

NEW YORK. — "The American Way," a cavalcade of American history which opens with the arrival of German immigrants at Ellis Island in 1886 and closes with a Nazi meeting in a small American town, opened at the Center Theater and was met with a storm of applause from the audience which was echoed by acclaim in the press.

It features Frederick March as a German immigrant cabinet maker who is killed in defying the fanaticism of a German Bund meeting and is eulogized as an American as his coffin is carried through the main street of the Ohio town in the last scene. The two-act play was written by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart.

Joseph Baratz, Palestine Pioneer, to Speak at Temple

Joseph Baratz, founder of Dagan, the oldest cooperative colony in Palestine, a noted writer and Palestine labor leader, will visit Temple Beth Israel this Friday night in order to bring to the local community a comprehensive and authentic report on the achievements of Palestine as a center for refugee settlement in recent years. Mr. Baratz will speak at the regular Friday night service at the Temple.

Having spent more than thirty years on the soil of Palestine, Mr. Baratz has been a pioneer in the setting up of agricultural cooperative settlements which have formed the backbone of the Jewish rebuilding of Palestine in the past two decades.

A soft spoken man, Mr. Baratz, embodies a picturesque contrast between the man of the soil and the poet. Mr. Baratz came to Palestine as a youth of seventeen, some ten years before the organization of the Jewish National Fund.

Congress to Discuss 4 Jewish Problems Noted Economist Guest Speaker

Four major propositions will be considered at the Regional Convention of the American Jewish Congress, to be held on Sunday evening at the Crown Hotel, according to an announcement by Joseph Smith, chairman of the R. I. Council of the Congress:

a) The work for fair play to Jews in trades, professions and industries.

b) The continuance of the boycott against Nazi goods and services, as an act of Jewish honor (Continued on page 5)

Chairman



JOSEPH SMITH

Police Guard Her Goods as Woman "Sits" to Get Relief

NEW YORK. — The city of New York outdid itself last week to make things comfortable for Mrs. Fannie Marcus, who was staging a one-woman sitdown strike against the Home Relief Bureau.

Three policemen were assigned to look after her property while she was sitting down, and a police matron hovered over her throughout the night, in case she needed any attention. Police of the Bathgate station gave her \$2.

Rublee Renews Berlin Parleys

BERLIN. — George Rublee, American director of the intergovernmental refugee committee, conferred for the first time yesterday with Dr. Helmuth Wohlthat, newly-appointed German negotiator for Jewish emigration.

Rublee returned to Berlin after reporting in Paris to the steering committee of the intergovernmental body about his previous talks with Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former president of the Reichsbank.

Body of Countess Found in Thames

LONDON. — The body of Countess Marie Kanogek, Austrian Jewish refugee and a niece of James Speyer, noted New York banker, was found in the Thames near the Granite Wharf. The countess had disappeared from a West End hotel where she had been staying since her arrival in England.

Austrian circles here said she had been worrying over the treatment of Jews in Germany and that her husband, apparently non-Jewish, held an important government post and went over to the Nazi cause after the incorporation of Austria in the Greater Germany.

"Hang Roosevelt" Cries Berlin Crowd

BERLIN. — Julius Streicher, Nazi anti-Semitic leader, and Roberto Farinacci, Italian anti-Semitic editor, joined last week in a three and one-half hour attack on the Catholic Church, Jews, France, democracies in general, Great Britain's policy in Palestine and the United States. Speaking to 10,000 at the Berlin Sportsplatz, Streicher said:—

"The mills of the Gods grind slowly and Mr. Roosevelt and others will be unable to thwart a spirit such as Hitler's."

The crowd in reply, shouted:—"Hang them."

Indigent Relief Ordered by Nazis

BERLIN. — Because of the Jewish Community's inability to support them, several thousand Berlin Jews crowded offices of the City Welfare Organization which resumed care of indigent Jews as an emergency measure, but indications were that the relief might be continued indefinitely.

GOOD WILL PROMOTED

EASTON, Pa. — An Inter-Faith Council for the promotion of good-will among the religions represented in the Lafayette College student body and in the community was organized here.

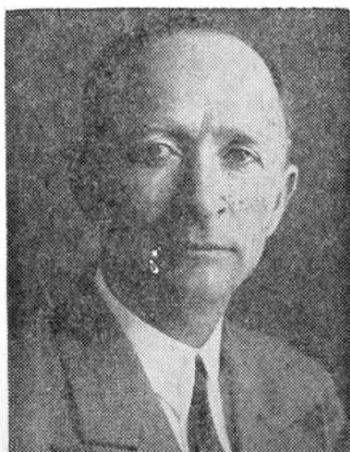
Must Combat Menace Says Dr. A. Johnson Labor, Farmer Not Prejudiced

Confirming estimates that there are 800 definitely anti-Jewish organizations in this country, and crediting them with perhaps half of the 6,000,000 adherents they claim, Dr. Alvin Johnson, director of the New School for Social Research, sums up his studies with the warning: "We are dunces if we refuse to face the menace of Anti-Semitism, weaklings if we fail to supply our resources in combating it."

Many One Man Shows

Some of these organizations are nationwide in their operation, some are regional; but as he puts it, "most of them are one man shows, with a few dues-paying members and small sales of anti-Semitic literature."

The most important are: Silver Shirts, Defenders of the Christian Faith, Industrial Defense Association, American Nationalist Confederation, James True Associates, Knights of the White Camellia, (Continued on Page 8)



Highlights of the Week's News

Small Loans Act Introduced in House

A small loans act which would reduce the interest rate from three to 2½ per cent was introduced this week into the House of Representatives by Rep. Herman D. Ferrara, Dem., of Providence. Mr. Ferrara said he would ask the House judiciary committee to call M. Joseph Cummings, chief of State Division of Banking and Insurance before it for evidence that the loan companies could operate at the lower rate profitably.

Poor Shots

HONG-KONG. — The Japs must close their eyes when they pull the trigger for Imperial Airway pilots on the Hanci to Hong-Kong route report that on each trip they have to go through a barrage from Jap warships. Thus far the Japs haven't even come close.

To Study Relief

A special commission to study relief in cities and the State will soon be appointed Governor William H. Vanderbilt announced this week in a speech before mayors, town councilmen, and public aid directors who met and organized the Municipal Heads of Rhode Island.

Thomas Protests

JERSEY CITY. — Norman Thomas continued his fight this week against "I was the Law" Mayor Hague. Thomas informed Attorney General Murphy that picking a judge to succeed William Clark in N. J. District Court must be handled with great care to make sure the nominee is under no obligation to Boss Hague.

State Departments Report Savings

A saving of \$25,000 in the administration of the State Department of Education will be effected between now and June 30, Dr. James F. Rockett, director, announced this week.

Another saving, estimated at \$14,000 was also made this week when Governor Vanderbilt eliminated the racing commission. The functions of the commission will be taken over by the department of Business Regulation which will be created when the re-organization bill is passed.

To Declare "War"

TOKYO. — The Japanese cabinet is seriously considering declaring "war" on China. Not that the declaration would reduce the carnage and conquest of the past years but an official declaration of war would enable the Japs to force the Chinese to pay indemnities.

Urge Establishment Of Juvenile Court

The establishment of a modern, progressive juvenile court in this State will improve the administration of justice, Arthur J. Levy, attorney, said in a radio address this week.

In 21 American States there are juvenile courts entirely separate

and apart from other court systems, Mr. Levy said. Such a system is needed in R. I. because, under the present system, we cannot give our 200,000 children the attention they need."

WPA Civil Service Bill Opposed

WASHINGTON. — Strong opposition developed in Congress this week to placing WPA employees under civil service. Opponents interpreted the move as a trend toward making the WPA a permanent agency, and declared it would give a preferred jobholding status to many administrative employees they consider incompetent.

Proponents replied that it was a step toward eliminating the "politics in relief."

To Fight Federal Gasoline Tax

Declaring that he would immediately seek legislation opposing the re-enactment of the Federal gasoline and lubricating oil taxes, Errol M. Scott, district manager of the Automobile Legal Association, invited all R. I. motorists, this week, to join him in the fight for the abandonment of these taxes. "The present laws should expire by virtue of their own limitations in June and July of the present year," Mr. Scott said. "I fear, however, that an attempt will be made to perpetuate them by new legislation."

Hot Money

WASHINGTON. — The treasury revealed this week that \$219,232,000 in hot money — foreign capital sent here for safekeeping — poured into the United States last October, reflecting the panic abroad over war threats. The October influx was almost seven times greater than the total net capital during the first nine months of 1938.

Auto Insurance Rates Reduced

Reduced rates in liability insurance for motorists — in some instances as much as 23.5 per cent — were announced this week by National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters of New York. The reduction was directly due to the safety drive in Rhode Island during the past year.

It is estimated that the saving to R. I. motorists will be \$200,000 during the year. The reduced rate applies to all policies taken out, or renewed, on or after last Monday.

High School Recommendation

NEW YORK. — A special Regents Inquiry into high school curricular recommended that high schools should give students some general or professional training in last two years and specialized vocational instructions should be left to graduate schools.

"Pursuit of Happiness" to be Given Wed. & Thur. Nights

Repertory Players present on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, February 8 and 9, at Parker Playhouse, "The Pursuit of Happiness," an American comedy by Lawrence Langner and Armina Marshall Langner. The play is under the direction of William E. Smith, assisted by Frances Pritsker.

Following the precedent set in their first major production of the current season, of contributing seventy-five per cent of proceeds to charity, Repertory will contribute the same amount from proceeds of "Pursuit of Happiness," to the R. I. Coordinating Committee. The work of this committee is to bring eight refugees into Rhode Island each month, with the assurance that they will not become public

charges. A doublefold purpose is accomplished, therefore, by attending the play. An evening of amusing entertainment will be afforded, while the major part of admission charge will go to a worthy cause.

The cast comprises: Mildred Field, Jules Goldsmith, Alec Gurtwitz, Martha Kaplan, Bernard Kiefson, Sydney Long, Harold Roberts, Sydney Shepard, Claire Smira and Bert Sonis. Ben Victor is stage manager. Properties are being handled by Helen Bernhardt and Mildred Rose. Pearl Kaplan is charge of costumes.

Tickets may be obtained by calling Phillip Lieberman, chairman, (GASpee 5009 or HOPkins 9707), Jules Goldsmith, chairman or Mrs. Walter H. Strauss, president, (DEXter 3615.)

Hadassah Women Plan Observance Of Oneg Shabbot, Sat. at Emanuel

Mrs. Pilavin and Mrs. Harold Rogell are co-chairmen of the Oneg Shabbot celebration of Providence Chapter of Senior Hadassah to be held Saturday, afternoon, 2 o'clock, Temple Emanuel.

This annual celebration is to commemorate the traditional custom of the Jewish housewives' observance of the Sabbath, midst culture and beauty.

Mrs. Morris Cowen is program chairman, and has arranged the following program: A group of Jewish folk songs, sung by Mrs. Milton Pliner; reading of J. S. Barrie's play, "Rosalinde," by Mrs. L. Justin Huddish.

Members of the Hospitality Committee for the day are the Mesdames James Kransnoff, David Friedman, Ernst Nathan, Maurice



MRS. A. PILAVIN

Bazaar, Benjamin Levin, Edmund Waldman, Leo Rosen, Lester Emers, Julius Irving, Mowry Lowe and Edward Deutch.

Huge Paper Firm May Sell Utilities

Three R. I. firms, the Narragansett Electric Co., United Electric Railways and Yellow Cab Co., are involved in the corporate mesh surrounding the International Paper & Power Company which this week moved to simplify its corporate structure by selling a number of their public utility holdings.

There is no indication, thus far, whether the local concerns will be affected.

Embargo Fixed

WASHINGTON. — The embargo on Spain is fixed by statute, Martin Conboy declared this week, and the President has no power to lift it. Besides, Mr. Conboy said, a general war is threatened and the U. S. might be "trapped" in it.

Eleven Indicted

Eleven men, six of them officials on election day in the 13th ward were indicated this week by Providence Grand Jury, reconvened by Attorney General Louis V. Jackvony to consider evidence of election frauds uncovered by his investigators.

Gov't, to Adopt Quake Orphans

SANTIAGO. — Thousands of orphans left destitute in the quake

area may be made wards of the state by the Chilean government. The orphans will be cared for until they are old enough to fend for themselves.

Showing of "Prof. Mamlock" Banned

Maintaining that racial hatred would be incited if the film were shown, Capt. George W. Cowan, amusement inspector of the Providence police yesterday recommended the Bureau of Police and Fire to ban the Russian film, "Professor Mamlock," which was under consideration for a booking here in the near future.

The film is released in this country through Amkino corporation in New York. It is a story of the Nazi persecution of Jews. Contrary to opinion, however, there is little outright Communist propaganda, as stated by critics' reviews. T. T. Lewis of the Amkino Corporation said his company is preparing to take the matter to court if the Providence police cannot be induced to change their ruling.

Law and Women

CHICAGO. — Two slaps that cause pain are grounds for divorce, says Chicago judge. But another jurist rules that wife's life has to be endangered before beating becomes cruel. The only conclusion that can be drawn is that

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How Dictators Help Business

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only when specially authorized by the commissar."

At present 135 models of passenger cars are produced in the Reich. These will be reduced to fifteen by Hitler's decree.

We'd give a couple of blocked pfennigs for the thoughts of one of the smart German business men who contributed to Hitler's campaign funds "to save Germany from Bolshevism."

the law is as hard to understand as women.

Victory for a Song

ENGLAND. — Victory over the fascist movement was had for a song this week. A bunch of the "boys" were making good headway in creating a riot while Air Minister Sir Kingsley Wood was making a speech when the latter, with a burst of inspiration, began to sing "God Save the King." The riot promptly ended.

Joy Ride Ends On Rock Pile

HONOLULU. — Private Ben Fliegelman, Army mechanic, who "borrowed" one of the Army's largest bombers for a joy ride was dishonorably discharged this week and sentenced to five years at hard labor.

Capacity Audience Enjoys 'The Dybbuk'

Playing to an audience which filled every available seat in the new Hope Street High School, the Centre Players presented last Wednesday evening, "The Dybbuk," an English version of S. Ansky's drama of Chassidic mysticism. Mrs. Samuel Starr directed the production.

Unflatteringly played by each of the twenty-seven characters in the cast, the play told of a mystic life bordering on two worlds. Special mention goes to Miss Florence Shapiro for her excellent portrayal of the bride, through whose lips the voice of her dead lover defied the powers of the supernatural world. Boris Pritcher brought a dramatic effectiveness to the role of the lover. Other outstanding performances were given by Abraham Blackman, Mrs. Morris Shohan and Dr. Walter Nelson.

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"Artists and Models Abroad"

"A Jewish Community Council for Providence"

By DR. ISRAEL M. GOLDMAN

This is the last of the series of four addresses made by Dr. Israel M. Goldman at Temple Emanuel on "Planning the Future of the Providence Jewish Community." JEWISH COMMUNITY, AN ABSTRACTION

It has already been indicated that, strictly speaking, there is no such thing as "a Jewish Community" in Providence. We do have a Jewish population but not a Jewish community. The mere fact that thousands of people live within the boundaries of one city does not in itself constitute a community. At the present time when we speak of the Jewish community we really are speaking of an abstraction of something which does not exist. We do not have that kind of organized agency which would include all Jewish elements in our midst. It is only when a framework will be provided to embrace every phase of Jewish communal interest that it will become possible to speak of a Jewish community in Providence.

OUT OF MANY—ONE

At the present time there are in Providence about one hundred fifteen different organizations. This is a very healthy sign; it shows that our Jewish people have a great many interests and they bring about certain organizations in order to give concrete expression to these interests. But surely all of these organizations have many things in common. It should be the purpose of an organized Jewish community to express in one way what the many organizations all have in common.

For one thing, all Jews of all different organizations belong to one minority group in this community. We are the Jewish group. In the eyes of the non-Jew we are considered as one, but in reality the Jewish community itself is not one. It is split up into many segments and groups. Why not do something to bring about that essential unity which is ours? Then again, practically all Jews in this community have a common response to general Jewish problems. We are interested in Jewish relief. We want to help in the up-building of Palestine. We want to look after our local charitable needs. We seek group protection against anti-Jewish propaganda and anti-Jewish discrimination. We are concerned about our Jewish Youth. We have interest of a religious and a cultural character. Why not create an agency which will give expression to those common responses on the part of practically all our people? Why not attempt to bring into existence that organization which will

create out of many segments one united Jewry?

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The organization which we need to form must serve two objectives. First, it must allow for the widest degree of Jewish participation, and second, it must permit the greatest opportunities for inter-group cooperation. The organization which would achieve these two objectives would be a Jewish Community Council. Since 1920, some twenty American Jewish communities have organized such Councils. Of this number about a dozen deal more specifically with fund-raising activities, but the remainder have a more all-inclusive and broader purpose.

STRUCTURE AND ACTIVITIES

How would such a Council be brought about? The first thing to remember is that it must be absolutely democratic. It should be truly representative and allow for the inclusion of Jewish organizations of every type and for every shade of Jewish opinion. Therefore, it would be necessary to have each of the one hundred fifteen Jewish organizations in Providence select delegates to the Council. The number of delegates to be sent by each organization would be proportionate to the number of their membership. It is likely that in a city like ours, we would have about one hundred to one hundred fifty such delegates, comprising the membership of the Council. The active affairs of the Council would be administered by its officers and its Executive Committee.

What would this Council do? First and foremost, it would serve as a forum for the discussion of our communal problems. That in itself is tremendously important. Then again such discussion might bring about the decision to launch upon one of any number of activities. It must be stated at the very outset however, that no action of the Council can be imposed upon any of its member organizations without the consent of that particular organization. Some of the activities which the Council will naturally undertake are as follows:

1) Looking after the needs of our local philanthropic and social service agencies. This task would naturally be entrusted to the already existing Federation for Jewish Social Service. This organization would be delegated with the high responsibility of providing the funds necessary for these agencies, as well as to develop such programs which would make more effective the work of these agencies.

2) Raising funds for non-local Jewish causes. This task would be entrusted to the United Jewish Welfare Fund. In a previous lecture I discussed the formation of such an organization in great detail. For the present it would be sufficient to state that it is my view that we should bring about a co-ordination of communal campaigns for non-local causes. Such co-ordination would necessitate having a United Jewish Campaign in the spring of the year, for all

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To Aid Refugees



MISCHA ELMAN

Elman to Play at Met., February 21

Sponsored by the National Committee to Aid German Refugees, Mischa Elman, eminent violinist, will play in Providence at the Metropolitan Theatre on February 21.

Interest in Mr. Elman's concert tour, the initial concert of which took place in Carnegie Hall on January 21, is mounting daily. Requests have come in from scores of cities, not on his original schedule, that Mr. Elman appear there. Entire proceeds of all his concerts will be divided equally among the three leading refugee-aid organizations for rehabilitation work among Jewish, Catholic and Protestant victims of Nazi persecution.

FORCEFUL APPEAL

PARIS. — In a stirring debate in the Chamber of Deputies, Jean Camille Fernand Laurent, made a forceful appeal for a joint stand by the great nations, including the United States, in behalf of refugee aid. This, it is noted, constituted the first important official recognition in France of the refugee problem.

Goebbels is Still Peeved at America Must Give Up "Bad Manners"

BERLIN. — Propaganda Minister Goebbels this week admonished the United States in its own interest to "return to the old established methods of international courtesy."

In his customary language the fiery Propaganda Minister wrote in Adolf Hitler's Voelkischer Beobachter that American criticism of German affairs was caused mostly by Jews or men who up to both ears, are dependent upon the Jews.

"Inner American Reasons"

He appealed for a "fundamental change in the American attitude," recalled recent anti-Nazi utterances of Secretary of Interior Ickes and Senator Pittman (D., Nev.) and mentioned United States rejection of a German protest on Mr. Ickes' statements.

The United States, he said, should adopt toward Germany "the methods usually applied between cultured nations."

"Deep Apprehensions"

Goebbels stated that he viewed future developments in German-American relations with "deep apprehensions."

New Hebrew School At Cong. Abraham

A new, fully equipped regular Hebrew-school, with classes for beginners up to advanced students of the Talmud, will begin to function at the end of February, at the Congregations Sons of Abraham, it was announced this week by Rabbi Nathan Taragin.

Classes will start in the afternoon after public school hours. A graded psychological curricula has been prepared, and a competent staff of Hebrew teachers

will conduct all the classes.

Students may be registered either by contacting Rabbi Tarragin, at his home, 34 Warrington street, Williams 0826, or at his study room at the Synagogue, between 4 and 6 o'clock.

Zion Chess Club Officers Named

Announcement was made this week that the following officers have been named in the Zion Chess Club: Burton Blazar, president; Shirley Weintraub, secretary, and Sylvia Werner, treasurer. Ida Lerner is librarian, with Samuel Kopel and Ethel Karklin as co-librarians.

William Fishbein, principal of the B'nai Zion Talmud Torah, is supervisor of the club. Ages of members range from ten to fifteen years.

Ladies Loan Ass'n Plans Donor Affair

A meeting and complimentary bridge was held last week by the Ladies Hebrew Free Loan Association, for its members and their friends, with Mrs. Joseph W. Strauss, presiding.

Arrangements were made for a Donor's Luncheon, to be held on March 22, with Mrs. David Saltzman and chairman. Mrs. Isidor Feldman was appointed program chairman, and Mrs. M. S. Blom is treasurer.

It was announced that the raffle for a vacuum cleaner would be extended to a future date.

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Scene Around Town

By JACOB LEICHTER

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Yes, it seems we had a custom
Which you heeded to be proper
You wore the drab and sombre black
Complemented by your topper . . .

But we hear tell, by connoisseurs
(And they're hardly ever wrong)
If you don't sport a "twilight" tux
Why you simply "don't belong!" . . .

So get going to your tailor
Let him know what's on your mind
If friends don't praise your finished suit
They're jealous — or color blind! . . .

Faith

The only orator at the B'nai B'rith initiation last Sunday nite was Herman Silverman, that gentleman from East Greenwich . . . Silverman actually had something to say, and was interesting enough to keep all hands awake . . . Sorry, we can't say as much for Judge Fromberg, who had us limp juggling his Hebrew pincenez . . . The affair drew a good audience, and was a tribute to the efforts of the local lodge . . .

Over - Emphasis

Now it can be told:—The press over-emphasised Walter O'Hara's largesse toward his ex . . . She received, not \$750,000 but \$7,500 payable at \$70 a week) . . . Nor does she receive Providence and Pawtucket property . . . Right now she is at Colorado Springs, resting from the ordeal of the recent legalities . . . Mo Hendel, local attorney and one time contributor to the Herald, was her legal representative . . . Bon mot from Ed Soforenko: "Interest is what you have. Curiosity is what your neighbor shows." . . . What is commonly called amnesia, is called "Fugues" by psychologists, although fugue is really a musical term . . .

Tragic Comedy

While the story may be funny, it's tragic aspect can scarcely be passed over lightly, by American Jews . . . Fanny Brice was assigned to appear in a picture about Hawaii . . . At the last minute, she was told that her part would have to be altered . . . That she would have to drop her accent, and utter sophisticated lines . . .

Italian Jews Forced To Seek New Homes Thousands Have Lost Positions

ROME. — A large proportion of Italy's 70,000 Jews are feeling tightening anti-Semitic regulations and are looking for new homes in other lands.

Officially, Italian Jews are not banned from Italy and there is no official campaign to drive them from the country as in Germany, But their position is becoming more and more uncomfortable and 15,000 foreign Jews must emigrate by March 12.

Thousands of Italian Jews have lost their jobs and are living on their savings. Foreign consulates in Rome are constantly crowded with Jews seeking—usually in vain—foreign visas. Incidents occur almost every day to illustrate the development of the anti-Semitic policy.

Many of Them Fascists

When Italy's anti-Jewish program was launched unexpectedly last fall, nobody was more surprised than the Italian Jews. Most of them considered themselves more Italian than Jewish.

Hadassah Speaker



NELL ZIFF

Miss Ziff, national president of Junior Hadassah, will be guest speaker at a joint meeting of Senior and Junior Hadassahs, to be held on February 14 at the Crown Hotel.

LABOR COMMITTEE

Announcement was made this week by Alter Boyman that the annual conference of the Labor Committee for Palestine will be held on March 19.

"The Many and the Man"

"The brisk and prosperous and clever people,
The educated and the ruling class,
Unanimously said, 'He is an ass;
Bees in his bonnet; jackdaws in his steeple,'

"The Doctors said, 'He isn't mad; but odd.'
Societies for Birds and Beasts, though loath.'
Summoned him up, for cruelties to both
The Church deplored his attitude to God

"With pity and contempt men stopped to look;
With missiles and abuse boys stayed to mock;
But still the vessel prospered in the dock,
As Noah, plank by plank, the gopher took.

"The weather-prophets said, 'He isn't sane.'
The Herd, as ever, pressed upon its Man . . .
And then, a month after the rain began,
Wisdom approved him . . . it began to RAIN."

JOHN MASFIELD

"Hey, I'm Fanny Brice," she reminded the producer, "not Ina Claire." . . . So the role was assigned to Ina Claire and Fanny Brice is no longer on the payroll . . . The reason Fanny was dropped is because of what she is—a Jewish comedienne . . . Not only her dialect, but her features as well, have been her strong points . . . But producers now drop anything tainted Jewish, like a hot potato . . . When was the last time you saw Benny Rubin in a picture? . . . Rubin was considered one of the best comics in the business, and is still under forty . . . Al Jolson hasn't made a picture in years . . . Eddie Cantor hasn't spent a half hour on the air in years, without devoting a portion of it to waving the American flag . . . Perhaps these are the ramparts we should watch . . .

Doings and Goings

I wonder why George Dann shaved his upper lip . . . Al Cohen of Lindy's Diner, and Leon Simons are bound for the West Indies and other Southern ports of call . . . The George Gerbers are docking about now on the last stretch of their West Indies trip . . . Are Milton Rosen and Rose Lazarus a new pair? . . . The Roland Blocks are building blocks for a baby-Block in about three score and ten days . . . Dave Meyers, the parking magnate, tells the story of the local executive who spoke of buying a Siamese cat, and his stenographer piped up, "How can you buy one Siamese cat when they're joined together? . . . Horticultural Note: Butcholini's bad boys are now referring to humanitarians and democrats as "Peter Pansies." . . .

Leon Glantz announces the opening of the New Virginia Dare shop, a bit further up on the main stem, and promises bargains galore to our local ladies . . .

Evelyn Silverman, who as "Suzanna," did the Cherry & Webb fashion notes over the air, is on her way back to Georgia, with her folks . . . Adele Bernstein has her bridal gown hanging in Lee's for your approval . . . Have the Sam Finegolds returned from their cruise? . . . Are the Frankie Lazarus's home hunting? . . . This week's favorite gag: First Pupil: "I wonder how old Miss Jones is."

Second Student:—"Quite old, I imagine . . . They say she used to teach Caesar." . . . Zoological Note: Leni Riefenstahl, who flopped as a peddler of the Nazi Olympics film, said before she sailed ingloriously for Germany that the only Hollywood studio she visited was Walt Disney's . . . Was it because she missed that Ratz atmosphere and hoped to get a taste of it by hobnobbing with the Mickey Mouse menagerie? . . .

Hadassah to Give Children's Luncheon

Providence Chapter of Senior Hadassah is planning something new in the interest of their Infant Welfare Committee, for raising money for nurseries.

A children's luncheon will be held on February 22 at the Jewish Orphanage, to interest youngsters in the cause. A child's program will be presented, by the Junior Repertory Group. Admission will be fifty cents, and only children may attend.

National Defense

GEORGE FIELDING ELLIOT

During the present session of Congress, national defense will be a much used and much abused term.

In itself, as applied to American strategical problems, it is a contradiction. The military policy of the United States has its foundation in sea-power, that it, in a properly constituted navy with suitable bases in strategic locations. But a navy, is inherently an offensive instrument. The basic purpose of the United States fleet is the defense of this country; but to accomplish that purpose, once it comes to fighting, the fleet must act offensively against the fleet and sea-communications of the enemy.

It cannot be said too often that the ultimate object of all naval operations is the control of sea communications; the securing of them for one's own use, whether military or commercial, the denying of them to the enemy.

This means offensive warfare; it means the vigorous employment of naval forces against the enemy's sea-lanes, in order to control them, or against the fleet if that be within reach. In the end, the enemy must either give over his use of sea communications, or bring his fleet out to fight for them. It is in this manner that the United States navy must operate in war, in order to dominate the oceans to the east and west of us, to prevent their use by enemy forces, to defend the American continents from attack and to prevent the establishment anywhere in this hemisphere of hostile air or naval bases by means of which we might be seriously threatened.

It is upon naval operations so conducted that the real defense of this country and its neighbors, whose security is bound up with our own, must rest. It is in the very grave risk which a fleet powerful enough to accomplish such objects imposes on any potential enemy, that our best safety from having to fight at all is to be found.

One difficulty that will be encountered in building a well coordinated system of defense in which both navy and army will bear their proper share, each in turn supported by an adequate air force, is the incurable enthusiasm of our people for bright new toys—for gadgets, as the navy puts it. The latest gadget is the airplane. Aviation has captured the imagination of American youth—as well it may—and its advocates have to a large extent captured the imaginations of our Congressmen.

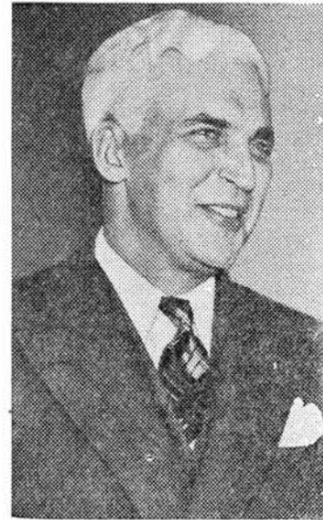
Now we are being informed that the army air force needs 10,000 combat planes—presumably because of

rumors that Germany has that many. Aside from the fact that the German rumors, on a basis of German post-Munich admissions, are about three times magnified, one would like to have some of our armchair air strategists work out a scheme by which those 10,000 German planes or any number of German planes at all beyond the 100 or 120 which may be borne in the two German aircraft carriers (still on the building ways) could make a concentrated attack on our Atlantic seaboard.

They could not, until Germany had established an air base on this side of the ocean; and to obtain such a base, she would have to send warships and troops to fight for it. Even if the future brings aeronautical development to the point where planes carrying military loads can cross the Atlantic and return without refueling, it will still not be possible to envisage a huge air attack on New York or Washington, given proper defensive measures on our part, by reason of the difficulty of coordinating the movements of such a large force as would be required, operating at such a distance from its base, under unknown weather conditions and against resistance not only from the air but from the ground. Certainly the greater part of the raiding force would never see the shores of Europe again. Sensible people—and there are a few more sensible warriors than German staff officers—do not make war by throwing away powerful forces for uncertain and perhaps wholly illusory gains.

The danger to our national defense in all this is not from a foreign foe, but from the consequences of our own folly. Take this matter of 10,000 army airplanes. Aeronautical science is advancing very rapidly; today's miracle is obsolete tomorrow. The assembling of a greater number of planes than would be reasonably

Mc Nutt to Run



MANILLA. — Paul V. McNutt, United States high commissioner to the Philippines and former governor of Indiana will leave his Manilla post Tuesday to return to the mainland and open his campaign for the 1940 Democratic presidential nomination. McNutt headquarters have already been opened at Indianapolis by his manager, Frank McHale.

Streicher Warns Against Nazi Gags

NUREMBERG, Germany. — Julius Streicher, in his New Year speech as Nazi Party leader for Franconia, said this week that he would "knock down" any cabaret artist, who made jokes about the Nazi Party or officials and would close the cabarets concerned.

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National Defense

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adequate to the immediate demands of a sudden initiation of hostilities is therefore a waste of good material. But what is the level of this reasonable adequacy? As far as the navy is concerned, we have two principal types of planes; those borne in ships, the number of which is of course proportionate to the requirements of the ships themselves and those to be operated from shore bases—the big flying boats, or patrol planes, and the planes assigned to the Marine Corps.

The figure of 3,000 planes now established for the navy is ample to meet these needs of training. The army's official maximum is that fixed by the Baker board, after long and careful study—2,320. Of these, about 1,000 form the General Headquarters Air Force, the concentrated striking force for the continental United States. It is not easy to imagine any initial effort toward establishing a base in this hemisphere, or any raiding affair conducted from ships, that could not be met by such a force. The success of such efforts, in any case is very largely controlled by factors quite outside the manner of planes we possess. Of the remaining 1,320 planes, some 500 are earmarked for Panama and Hawaii, 400 for training purposes, 200 for cargo and transport, and 200 for observation and liaison duties at home. In the last category, a slight increase might be advisable; but in general the allotment of 2,320 planes to the army seems sufficient for the immediate needs of a sudden war. The economical way to handle the situation is to have annual replacements to keep this force fully modern in all respects, and to have such arrangements with industry as shall ensure a rapid and orderly speed-up of production when the emergency arrives.

If, on the other hand, we now allow ourselves to be led into wasteful extravagance and overproduction by the hysterical clamor of people who want our air strength immediately lifted to astronomical figures, we shall experience the inevitable reaction when the day of retrenchment comes, and the advocates of reasonable and necessary national defense will be sadly put to it to save what is really needed from the axe of an economy wave of public and congressional opinion.

Take the matter of a Committee of National Defense, hitherto advocated by this writer as an essential to careful and coordinated planning. In its original form, this suggestion was for a permanent committee to be composed of certain Cabinet officers, the Chief of Staff, the Chief of Naval Operations and the chairmen and senior minority members of the related committees of the Congress, to study the needs of our defense forces and our military policy and to establish the broad lines upon which that policy should be conducted; a committee which should, however, be purely a consultative and planning body, without executive authority and without any power to interfere with the independent conduct of their proper duties either by the executive departments concerned, or by the various congressional committees.

Now we can hear of a "super-committee" to handle national defense legislation, a committee whose scope is apparently intended by its proponents to extend to such matters as railways, public utilities and the like, and will inevitably seek to take over much of the authority now properly vested in the committees on naval, military and foreign affairs and on appropriations. Under such a set-up, friction and difficulties are inevitable. The distinction is of

planning and centralized authority. It is a distinction whose dangers must be perceived in time, or again the whole vitally important cause of needful national defense may suffer.

These are some of the warning signals which we perceive as Congress considers the policies which shall, in future, affect the safety and independence of our Republic. It is to be hoped that neither the advocates of extravagance nor those of placid content with the status quo will dominate congressional councils. Either way lies peril. Perhaps never in our history has it been more necessary that sound and rational thinking should control our military policy. Today's world is not one in which a free people can safely disregard the temper of the national sword.

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Congress to Discuss 4 Jewish Problems

(Continued from page 1) and self-defense.

c) Combating anti-Semitism. Not permitting the Jewish race to be maligned and libeled by Nazi provocateurs and agents.

d) Uniting the Jewish masses through individual membership and through local Jewish organizations, for the purpose of aiding the American and World Jewish Congress, in defense of Jewish rights, wherever threatened.

Principal speaker at the convention will be Dr. Jacob Lestchinsky, famed statistician and economist, who will discuss the plight of minorities in European countries. Dr. Lestchinsky will picture the Jewish situation in Poland, the Reich and Rumania, and will offer a program of economic reconstruction. Delegates of all Jewish organizations of Rhode Island are expected to attend the conference. No solicitations or collections will be made.

The arrangements committee comprises Joseph Smith and Mrs. Joseph W. Strauss, co-chairmen; Jacob Licht, Dr. Ilie Berger, Harry Leach, Jacob S. Rabinowitz, Abraham Heller, James Goldman, Joseph Strauss, Robert Berstein and Alter Boyman.

NORMAN CONQUEST

There is no record of Jews in England before the Norman conquest.

Personal

Visiting Daughters

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fine of Hattresburg, Mississippi, were in town during the past week visiting their daughters, Mrs. Irving J. Fain and Mrs. Milton Leand.

Honored at Birthday

Miss Blanche R. Dickens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Dickens of 128 Lauriston street, was feted last Friday evening at a formal dinner dance, given at the Stork Club by her parents, in honor of her sixteenth birthday. Thirty couples attended. The party gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dickens, prior to the dance at the night club.

Daughter Born

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice S. Alch of 21 Lenox avenue, have announced the birth of a daughter, Rochelle Kay, on January 26, at the Lying-In Hospital. Mrs. Alch was formerly Miss Lillian E. Eygees.

To Marry Sunday

Miss Fae Irene Weiner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weiner of 148 Prairie avenue, will be married to Clarence M. Bazar, son of Mrs. David Bazar, of 198 Baker street, on Sunday at Weinstein's Banquet Hall.

Bar-Mitzvah

The Bar-Mitzvah of Morris Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wolf Rose of 10 Pleasant street, Cranston, was held last Monday at the Congregation Sons of Abraham, Rabbi Nathan Taragin officiated at the confirmation ceremony, which was followed by a reception for relatives and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Rose entertained at dinner on Monday evening, in complement to their son.

Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gordon of Mulberry street will hold open house on Sunday evening from 7 to 11 o'clock, in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Frances Gordon, to Milton Gomberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gomberg of Richter street.

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Prov. ORT to Launch Campaign for Funds

Dr. Lwowitz will Speak Sunday

The Providence ORT committee will hold a conference at the Narragansett Hotel, on Sunday, February 5, at 2:30 o'clock, for the purpose of launching a campaign for funds to aid in the rehabilitation of Jews in Eastern Europe.

Dr. David Lwowitz, vice-president of the World ORT Federation, will speak on the activities of the ORT. Hundreds of vocational schools in Eastern Europe are maintained by ORT for the training of Jewish young men and women in a useful and profitable trade. These factory-schools are located in every large Jewish community in Poland, Latvia and Roumania. The delegates to the conference are requested to come at the appointed time.

Masada to Have J N F Bridge, Wed.

The second annual Jewish National Fund bridge, sponsored by Masada, will be held next Wednesday evening, 8:15 o'clock, at Temple Beth Israel. Refreshments will be served and prizes will be given.

Members of the arrangements committee are: Celia Horvitz, chairman, Dorothy and Charlotte Nochemson, Betty Plotkin, Edith Lipsey and Charlotte Rakatansky.

A meeting of the organization will be held on Sunday evening at Temple Beth Israel.

857 Club to Hear Lawrence Berenson

A meeting of newly-formed 857 Club will be held on Sunday evening, February 12, in the vestry of Temple Beth El, at which time Lawrence Berenson, New York attorney, will be the guest speaker.

A graduate of Harvard Law School, Mr. Berenson is the legal representative of the Cuban government in this country, and was the individual who brought about the opening of Cuba to Jewish refugees. He will have as his subject "Nazi infiltration in South America."

Dancing and refreshments will follow the meeting.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

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First Program February 5

WASHINGTON.—Jewish contributions to the United States will be dramatized in a radio program sponsored by the Department of the Interior on the Columbia Broadcasting System on February 5, as part of the series, entitled "Americans All—Immigrants All," the Office of Education announced.

The program is intended to show how Jewish immigrants, grateful to the country of their adoption, helped to finance the Revolutionary War and contributed their services in all subsequent American wars.

It will feature the contributions of such persons as Samuel Gompers, David Lubin, Lillian Wald, Dr. Joseph Goldberger and Nathan Strauss. The final episode will present Jews' contribution to art and culture in the work of Oscar Hammerstein, George Gershwin and Irving Berlin.

Talmud Torah Aux. Installs Officers

Officers of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ahavath Shalom Talmud Torah were installed last week by Leo Tarutz, principal of the Talmud Torah, as follows: Mrs. J. Adler, honorary president; Mrs. B. Coren, president; Mrs. C. Ehrlich, first vice-president; Mrs. B. Copeland, second vice-president; Mrs. P. Abrams, third vice-president; Mrs. D. Taber, treasurer; Mrs. J. Berman, financial secretary and Mrs. J. Ely, recording secretary.

Rabbi David Bachrach opened the meeting with a prayer. A prayer for the departed was also recited by Mr. Einstein. Refreshments were served by the Mesdames Minken, A. Gregerman, Copeland, Ehrlich and Coren.

End of Appeasement Not in Sight, Masaryk

NEW YORK.—Continued appeasement of Hitler can only come by surrender of some of the territories of the great Powers, Jan Masaryk, son of the president-founder of the Czechoslovak republic, declared last week.

"The Munich pact," he said, "was a result of the meeting of the four European Powers who decided to give away something that did not belong to them in a spirit at least as stern as prevailed in Versailles."

"This was during peacetime, and my country, which was the one to be served up, was not even asked and was not even given a chance to plead the cause in which we all believe."

Stanley Weintraub To Talk Saturday

At the Junior Congregation services of the Sons of Abraham Synagogue, to be held on Saturday morning, Stanley Weintraub, vice-president of the Student Council, will deliver a sermon on the subject, "Israel Sings."

Myron Winoker, a member of the Bar-Mitzvah class, spoke last week on the subject, "Is Punishment a Reward?"

RAISING MONEY

NEW YORK CITY.—A group of 150 Americans are engaged in a campaign to raise \$200,000 to be used to help Jewish and Christian scholars exiled from Germany. Gov. Cross of Connecticut is pre-



A Jewish Community Council for Prov.

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non-local causes. This campaign would be conducted by and sums would be distributed by the United Jewish Welfare Fund. This body would have the responsibility then, of raising and distributing funds for non-local Jewish causes.

3) Protecting the good name of the Jew is certainly a collective concern. It is likely that a Community Council would have a Public Relations Committee. It would be the task of this community to do what it could to protect the good name of the Jew in the General community.

4) It has been indicated in previous addresses that as a community, we have done nothing to express our collective concern

for Jewish education. The Community Council might as well set up a Jewish Education Committee or a Jewish Education Association, whose concern it should be to help each of the existing Jewish educational institutions, in its program of Jewish education.

It is impossible and perhaps even undesirable to list in advance, types of activities upon which a Jewish Community Council should launch. It is certain that as such a Council would meet, and as different groups would get to have confidence in one another, various kinds of collective interests could take shape in definite programs and activities.

Of course, it is apparent to all, that such a Council would really

be able to serve as the official voice of the Jewish Community. That is no mean advantage.

In beginning this series of addresses I adopted as a slogan the famous words of the great Jewish sage, Hillel, who said "Al Tifrosh Min Hatzibur"—"Separate not thyself from the Community." In closing this series of addresses, I would like to do so under the

inspiration of another Rabbinic teaching. Our rabbis tell us: "Mah Li Betorach Hatzibur—Haray Zeh Machariv Es Haolam—"He who says what concern have I in the responsibility of the community? Why need I be bothered by its laws? Why need I hearken to its voice?" Such a man is guilty of bringing destructions into the Jewish world."

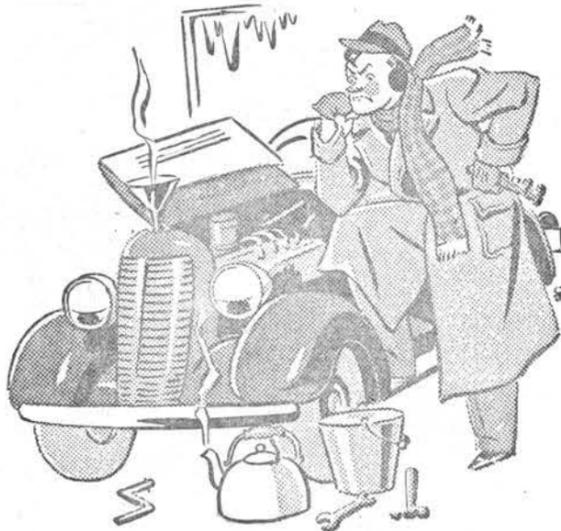
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Prague to Deprive Jews of Citizenship Immigrants Must Leave Country

PRAGUE. — Two far-reaching decrees — one aimed at depriving most Jews of their Czechoslovakian citizenship and the other forcing all immigrants to leave the country within six months — will be proclaimed tomorrow.

The government, as a result of the reduction in its territory, declares it must assure to the native population its opportunities for work.

When Jews have lost their citizenship they will be classed as immigrants, thus coming under the second decree requiring all to emigrate within six months.

The Jewish decree requires a re-examination of citizenship of all persons naturalized after Nov. 1, 1918, or who settled in Czechoslovakia since Jan. 1, 1938, if they are unable to produce proof they are Czech-Slovak or Carpatho-Ukraine (Ruthian) nationals.

Alfred Finklestein Elected Hebrew Free Loan Pres.

Alfred Finklestein was elected president of the South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association, at the 34th Annual Meeting of the organization, held last Sunday afternoon at Swedish Workman's Hall.

Other officers elected are: Louis Kirshenbaum, first vice-president; Benjamin Friedman, second vice-president; Elisha Scoliard, recording secretary; Samuel Newman, financial secretary, and Abraham Zellermyer, treasurer.

The Board of Directors comprise the following: Samuel Brier, Charles Broitman, Joseph Cushing, Louis Diwinsky, Max Fish, Joseph Grossman, Jacob Hazman, Joseph Heller, Sydney J. Hoffman, Morris Kirschenbaum, Simon Licker, Morris Margulies, Jacob Rabinowitz, Benjamin Rakatansky, Abraham Rosenberg, Frank Scoliard, Louis Shanbraun, Charles Siegel, George Silverman, Sonie Silverman, Louis Strauss, Nathan Wasserman and Samuel Wintman. Hyman Brotman is honorary director on the board



ALFRED FINKLESTEIN

for 1939.

Officers were installed at a meeting of the organization held on Tuesday night at their headquarters, 154 Prairie avenue. Charles Siegel, past president, acted as master of ceremonies. A social hour followed the installation.

Dies Group Likely To Continue a Year Will Receive \$100,000 More

WASHINGTON. — Administration leaders were understood this week to have reached a compromise with Representative Dies (D., Tex.) which provides for continuation of his Committee to Investigate Un-American Activities another year.

In return for favorable action on his resolution asking for an extension of the committee's life and \$100,000 to finance its investigations. Mr. Dies was said to have pledged that his committee would conduct itself more judicially.

The House Rules Committee, under the reported compromise, will report Mr. Dies' proposal favorably, but limit the life of his committee to one year instead of the two he asked.

Temple Women To Meet Monday

A regular meeting of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel will be held on Monday evening at the Temple, in the form of Gentlemen's Night. After the meeting games will be played, and prizes will be awarded. Refreshments will be served. The meeting will be conducted by Mrs. Barney Taber.

Meeting Held By Home Ass'n, Wed.

A regular meeting of the Ladies Association of the Jewish Home for Aged was held last Wednesday afternoon at the Home. A musical program was presented by Allen Marcus and His Swingers, and Mrs. Issac Feinstein rendered several vocal selections.

At a board meeting, which preceded the regular meeting, encouraging reports were heard on the Donor's Luncheon, to be held on March 8. An interesting program is being arranged.

AID FOR REFUGEES

NEW YORK — More than 250 persons representing 23 professions in the city declared their intention to aid in the plan to extend free professional service to German refugees.

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Conclave Hears Refugee Plea; Silverman Named Co-chairman

BOSTON. — To help meet the problems of refugees and distressed Jews in European lands, "which today are more complicated than at any time in modern history," more than 700 representatives of 100 New England Jewish communities organized a New England Region of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, chief American agency for aid to distressed Jews overseas, and named Louis E. Kirstein, noted Boston merchant and philanthropist, head of the Regional organization. Elected co-chairmen with Mr. Kirstein, were Israel Bernstein, Portland, Maine; Bernhart E. Hoffman of New Haven, Conn. F. Frank Vorenberg

and Samuel Markell of Boston; Archibald Silverman, Providence, R. I.; and Sam Steinfield, Claremont, N. H.

Striking the keynote of the all-day Conference which was held at the Hotel Somerset, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, national fund-raising chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, declared that "we cannot permit any single Jew to die because of the lack of food, because of the lack of shelter, and because of the lack of sympathy from his fellow-Jews."

In his address, Dr. Wise asserted: "Catastrophes are piling up on the world and the ability of the world to meet them is being severely strained. A million refugees are forcing their way into France from war-torn Spain. Thousands of People are dead in Chile, and thousands and thousands more are fleeing from famine and disease. The world needs a program of humane cooperation with those who are the victims of human and natural disasters."

The Conference organized the New England regions into fourteen zones, and a region vice-chairman was elected in charge of each zone. Among those elected was Samuel Kaplan of Providence. Among the leaders in the open forum discussion was Adolf Meller of this city.

Hold Al Jolson Slandered Hotel

PITTSBURGH. — A three-judge Common Pleas Court this week upheld a \$15,000 verdict against the National Broadcasting Company, which was sued by operators of the Summit Hotel for an allegedly slanderous remark made by Al Jolson during a broadcast.

The incident occurred 3½ years ago during an interview with Jolson and Sam Parks, Jr., former national open golf champion, who then was golf professional at the hotel resort.

A verdict returned last October found that the broadcasting company was responsible for remarks of its entertainers. Judges W. H. Dithrich, John J. Kennedy and Thomas Crichton sustained the verdict today.

Counsel for the National Broadcasting Company indicated the case will be appealed to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

cast. You'll sit on the edge of your seat when Moto matches his craft against a killer's cunning in the murky darkness of a Port Said night! Charles Carlisle, radio's romantic tenor, heads the vaudeville at Fays this week. He has appeared on such programs as the Lucky Strike Hit Parade and Fred Allen's Town Hall. Five other acts complete the bill.

MAJESTIC

"Son of Frankenstein" will Basil Rathbone, Boris Karloff and Bela Lugosi is another chiller in the famous series of monster pictures. Others in the cast are Lionel Atwill and Josephine Hutchinson. The second feature at the Majestic is "Torchy Blane in Chinatown." There seems to be no end to Torchy's popularity. This is the seventh in the film series. Glenda Farrell fills the title role with her usual

AT THE THEATRES

ALBEE

Striking a distinctly original note, "The Great Man Votes," the feature at the Albee this week, presents John Barrymore and a



VIRGINIA WEIDLER

distinguished cast in a story of a widower and his two children, who find themselves key figures in a hilarious political campaign. Modern politics come in for much delightful spoofing. "The Lady Vanishes," is the second feature and concerns itself with passengers on a continental express train traveling through a Balkan country. Paul Lukas and Margaret Lockwood have the leads. The management of the RKO theatre will present French Night, on Friday evening after the last show, when "Tender Enemy," a French import starring Simone Berrain and Jacqueline Deix, will be shown.

FAYS

Mr. Moto is back again to please his large fan following, in the film "Mr. Moto's Last Warning." As usual, Peter Lorre fills the role of the famous Saturday Evening Post sleuth. Ricardo Cortez and Virginia Fields are others in the

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MEXICO CITY. — Col. Fulgencio Batista, "strong man" and head of the Cuban army, arrived Thursday at Mexico City for secret consultation with Mexico's Dictator-President Lazaro Cardenas. Batista recently made a similar journey to Washington.

Obituary

MORRIS I. KENNISON

Funeral services were held last Sunday afternoon for Morris I. Kennison, 64, father of Dr. Samuel I. Kennison, of this city, who died on Sunday at the Miriam Hospital following a four week illness. Prior to 1914 Mr. Kennison had been active in Jewish affairs in Bristol, and was one of the founders of the Bristol Jewish congregation. In recent years he had lived in Malden, Mass.

Besides Dr. Kennison, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Fannie (Ducan) Kennison; his mother Frances Kennison and two other sons, Dr. Ezra Kennison of Malden and Leo Kennison of Boston. Rabbi William G. Braude officiated at the services, held from the Max Sugarman Funeral Home. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

MRS. ROSE ALBERTS

Funeral services were held on Wednesday morning, from the Max Sugarman Funeral Home, for Mrs. Rose Alberts, 56, wife of Henry Alberts of 101 Forest street, who died on Tuesday at the Miriam Hospital after a long illness.

Mrs. Alberts was a member of the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, the Ladies Union Aid Society and the Jewish Home for Aged.

Besides her husband, she is survived by her mother, Mrs. Fannie Kaplan of Providence; five daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Alberts, Mrs. Lillian Charney, Mrs. Ethel Hockman and Miss Evelyn Alberts of Providence, and Mrs. Irene Bookchin of New York; five grandchildren; two brothers, Samuel and Charles Kaplan of Providence; and three sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Arbeitman and Mrs. Annie Katz of Providence, and Mrs. Frieda I. Steigel of Springfield, Mas.

CANNOT EMIGRATE

BERLIN. — Efforts to release 200 Jewish youths of thousands still being held in concentration camps have failed because they have no funds. Under existing conditions they have no chance to emigrate unless some nation will accept them as transmigrants to be trained for reemigration.

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Educator Reveals Anti-Jewish Data

Says We Must Combat Menace

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The German-American Bund, Father Coughlin's one man show.

"It is a motley array that has been waiting for years for a Hitler to come and organize them into a unified power," says Dr. Johnson, who, in his analysis of the motives appealed to by "native bigotry," continues:

Anti-Semitic Methods

"The methods of anti-Semitic propaganda may be simply classified. For the average timid soul, identification of the Jews with the Reds. For the romantic moron, the grand conspiracy of the Elders of Zion. For the blase society lady, the fake letter of Franklin. For the anti-New Dealer, a catalogue of government posts held by Jews under the New Deal and 'proof' that obnoxious New Deal measures were devised by Jews. For the small business man, assertions that the great corporations destroying him are controlled by Jews. For the Fundamentalist, blood ritual whisperings. For the southern gentlemen, identification of the Jew with Negro domination. Nothing for the parlor anti-Semitic, who hates the Jew on his own, to the admiration of his women folk."

Special Publication

During the past year Dr. Johnson has been carrying on special inquiries in this field from the vantage ground of the famous University in Exile which he heads. His complete findings will be brought out in "Calling America," a special number of Survey Graphic, scheduled for publication February 1, on the challenge to democracy reaching the United States and collaborated in by more than fifty advisers, foreign correspondents, economists, historians, political and social scientists.

Farmer, Labor Know Truth

Dr. Johnson points out, however, that "organized labor is not anti-Semitic. Whether AF of L or CIO, it is perfectly aware that the Jew is only a stalking horse in the hunt aimed at organized labor. The farmers are not anti-Semitic. You may of course picture some of them in the long winter evenings, thrilling themselves with the Elders of Zion, just as they thrill themselves with the Quadroon's Revenge or The True Story of Dillinger. But something tells the farmer that literature is always made up of lies. The women, save for the time-expired parlor heroines and the fluffy suburbanites who fear that a Jewish family might move into their environment and disturb their knitting raptures, are not anti-Semitic. They have an instinctive sense of bunk. Scarcely any of the unemployed has failed to receive a leaflet. "You haven't a job. Who's got it? A Jew. How do you like it?" Momentarily at least this argument gets under the skin, although strange as it may seem to the comfortable, the unemployed stand out for their common humanity. But the next leaflet may damn the "Jewish" New Deal policy of relief. That was intended for another group, but literature gets mixed in a society like ours.

Pre-Nazi Germany Weak

"Anti-Semitism enabled Hitler to overthrow the German democracy. But it was a weak democracy, forced upon a defeated people who had never had the opportunity to develop democrats, and without real democrats, democracy is a mere book definition. Given a similar situation of defeat and humiliation, of indemnities, inflation, the destruction of every hope of modest security, we

doubtedly our designing Hitler would seize upon endemic Anti-Semitism as one of his chief sources of strength.

Forces for Abatement

"If there are forces making for the increase in anti-Semitism, so also are there forces making for its abatement. Nazi Germany, identified with anti-Semitism, is not gaining in popularity in this country. I have mentioned the

Gallup poll with its evidence of almost universal condemnation of the treatment of the Jews in Germany. Nazi Germany will be still less popular with us when she really goes out to get the "White Jews," the business men who are making money, the Henry Fords and such. She has to go after them sooner or later, if only to meet her fiscal requirements. The identification of Nazism with

American conservative capitalism will retire into the limbo whence it came, and therewith the sinews of propagandist anti-Semitism will be much slackend.

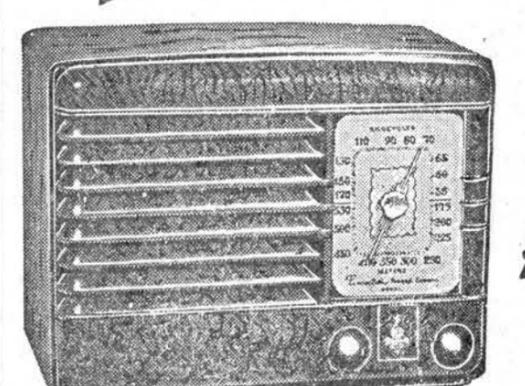
SETTLEMENT STOPPED

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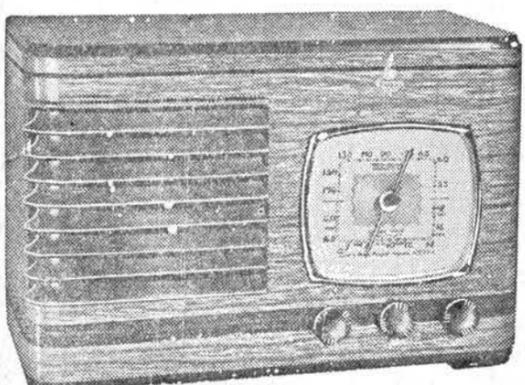
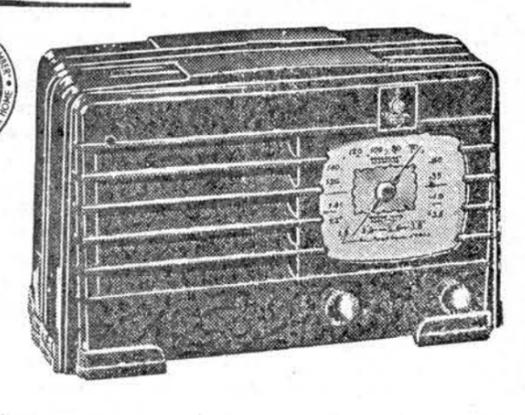


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