

Vandals Set Fire To German Synagogue

NUREMBERG, Germany—Vandals set fire to the synagogue at the nearby town of Amberg last week, justice authorities disclosed.

Police also reported attempts to burn down a Jewish school and a Jewish home in the small Bavarian town.

Report of this new violence in the month-old international wave of anti-Semitism was delayed at the request of Jewish officials, authorities said.

A spokesman for justice authorities here said the local rabbi and other Jewish community members feared publicity might set off another wave of incidents.

The spokesman said firemen quartered opposite the Amberg-synagogue noticed flames licking out of a side building of the synagogue last week.

Fire fighters went into immediate action. They later discovered preparations for burning the school and a Jewish home.

Von Brentano Confers

BONN — West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano recently discussed the effects in the U.S. of the outbreak of anti-Semitism here, while police disclosed the arrest of three more persons for hate-scravling.

Von Brentano conferred with Dr. George A. Federer, West Germany's consul-general in New York.

The police said they had detained three men last week in the act of painting the words "Jews Get Out" on the walls of houses.

Carrying Poster

They also were carrying a hand-painted poster with the same words, swastika and SS symbols, which police said they planned to

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Jewish Congress Opposes Filing Of Treason Charges

NEW YORK — The American Jewish Congress is opposed to the filing of treason charges against three youths accused of launching a Nazi movement in Queens.

Shad Polier, a national vice-president of the AJCongress, declared at a dinner honoring New York's Mayor Wagner last week that "these youths and their evil actions must not become the opportunity for martyrdom or confusion."

"The law must not be brought into disrepute through misuse. If present laws are not adequate, let stronger laws be enacted — and promptly," Mr. Polier asserted, adding:

"We do not wish to see the law of treason or the demand for the death penalty invoked against such youths as were arrested in New York last week. These youths and the entire community are entitled to full investigation of their actions, a fair trial and just punishment for their misdeeds."

Mr. Polier, a New York lawyer, serves as chairman of the AJCongress Commission on Law and Social Action. More than 400 members of the AJCongress Council of Organizations attended the dinner, which honored Mayor Wagner for "helping to make New York

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Politics Holds Up Election Of New Israeli Chief Rabbi

TEL AVIV, Israel. — Politics have stymied the election of a new Israeli Chief Rabbinate.

The tenure of Chief Rabbi Itzhak Nissim and members of the Supreme Rabbinical Council expires Feb. 27 and there is no longer any chance of holding new elections before that date.

Legal authorities are studying whether this must mean the paralysis of the rabbinate, which is the exclusive juridical authority in cases of marriage and divorce.

The deadlock is over election rules. The opponents are Rabbi Nissim and Rabbi Yaakov Toledano, Minister for Religious Affairs. Behind them, however, are the National Religious party which has been closely identified with the rabbinate, and Premier David Ben-Gurion, who has been fighting to break the influence of the religious parties and to separate religion from politics.

Toledano Is Retained

Rabbi Toledano is an instrument of the Premier. He is not attached to any party and was taken into the Government by Mr. Ben-Gurion after the Religious defected last year. The National Religious party has since returned to the coalition, but the Premier has insisted on retaining Rabbi Toledano as Minister for Religious Affairs.

Rabbi Toledano is one of the two chief rabbis of Tel Aviv. He was

an unsuccessful candidate for Chief Rabbi of Israel in 1955. He blamed the National Religious party for his defeat by Rabbi Nissim.

Both are rabbis of the Sephardic (Oriental) community. Rabbi Isaac H. Herzog had been elected Ashkenazi (Occidental) Chief Rabbi in 1955. He died July 25, 1959.

Other Candidates

The most widely discussed candidates to succeed Rabbi Herzog are Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik of Brookline, Mass., and Rabbi Iser J. Unterman of Tel Aviv, both of whom are associated with the National Religious party, and Rabbi Shlomo Goren, chief chaplain of the Israeli defense forces.

New regulations drafted by the Ministry for Religious Affairs provided that candidates must be Israeli citizens. This would exclude Rabbi Soloveitchik. They also provided that candidates must be under 70. This would bar Rabbi Unterman.

It looked to many people like an attempt to rig the election in favor of Rabbi Goren, who is said to have the support of the Premier.

Withdraws Objection

In the face of heavy pressure, Rabbi Toledano withdrew the objection to non-Israelis, but he stands firm on the age requirement. He argued that inasmuch as the Chief Rabbi must also serve as head of the religious courts and that the law requires judges to retire at 75, a man in his seventies could not complete the five-year tenure.

The Rabbinical Council rejected the clause and is not cooperating.

Under the election rules, the Rabbinate and the ministry each appoint four members to a committee that selects forty-two rabbis for an electoral college. The college also includes twenty-eight laymen chosen by local religious councils to represent synagogues.

Because of its opposition to the proposed nomination rules, the Supreme Rabbinical Council has declined to appoint anyone to the election committee.

British Families Refuse German Exchange Visitors

LONDON — One fourth of all British families taking part in student and children foreign exchange visits have refused to accept German exchange visitors this year, it was disclosed last week.

R. Bake, director of a London agency which arranges such visits, said that 180 of the 750 British families registered with his agency had indicated they would not accept West German students or children as visitors.

Vies With UAR For Ear Of Africa

TEL AVIV, Israel — Israel has entered a competition with the United Arab Republic for the ear of Africa.

President Gamal Abdel Nasser's Cairo radio has been broadcasting in twenty-five languages and dialects to all parts of Africa. Premier David Ben-Gurion's Voice of Israel is making a more modest start.

Service Initiated

The service was initiated this month with half-hour programs in English and French beamed to West Africa over fifty-kilowatt short-wave transmitters. Similar programs are scheduled for East Africa later this month. Plans are being completed for transmissions in Swahili, the most widely spoken dialect on the continent, and Amharic, the language of Ethiopia.

Uses "Soft Sell"

In marked contrast to its hard-hitting Arabic broadcasts that hammer away at the Arab leadership, the Israeli service employs the "soft sell."

Programs include nightly factual news broadcasts. Weekly features include readings from the Bible and the Koran, talks on various aspects of Israeli life, reports on the activities of Africans in Israel and answers to listeners' letters. There are also nightly musical programs.

Importance of Africa

Semah C. Hyman, director of broadcasts to Africa, said in a speech inaugurating the service that the broadcasts resulted from a realization of the growing importance of Africa.

"Israel, too, is one of the new countries," he said. "Although its circumstances do not exactly parallel those of the African states, its eleven years of experience and its special world-wide contacts might usefully be drawn on. Israel would be happy to share this experience with Africa."

New Avenue of Activity

The service to Africa opened a new avenue of activity for Israel's active radio station.

In its Arabic service over a 100-kilowatt medium-wave transmitter, the station has been trying to undermine the prestige of President Nasser by seeking to prove him a liar. It has also tried to encourage Arab refugees in the neighboring countries to stay where they are by broadcasting job opportunities in the Arab states, as gleaned from newspaper advertisements.

To Build Or Not To Build...

A New Community Center

PART II

by Helen L. Elias

One of the agencies in Providence that is vitally interested in the Jewish Community Center, in more ways than one, is the General Jewish Committee. Since 1949, when it was called on to help the Center out on an emergency basis, it has contributed a substantial portion of the Center budget every year. In 1958, for instance, the GJC's allocation to the Center was \$37,850, while the United Fund gave \$30,000. Even though the total raised by the GJC in its campaign each year since 1949 has decreased, following a trend prevalent throughout the country, its allotments to the Center have increased. And it is also evident that the General Jewish Committee is solidly behind the Center in more than just financing. Many men and women serve on the Boards of both agencies and spend many hours concerned with the problems and activities of both. For these reasons it seemed logical to

ask Joseph Galkin, Executive Director of the General Jewish Committee, what he thought of building a new Community Center. Mr. Galkin, in replying, made it clear that he was speaking as an individual, and not for the Board of the GJC.

Cannot Afford Failure

He said: "I would like to see new, or at least additional, facilities for the Center, but when the Center goes out on a campaign of this sort, it cannot afford to run the risk of failure. It has to have the community one hundred percent behind it, and that means more time with the present administration and quality of programming. Until a few years ago," he continued, "public relations between the Center and the community were very poor. There was a great deal of antagonism between various groups. It takes time to undo the damage that was done then, and great progress has been made during the past two years. But more time is needed, during which the ef-

fects of good planning and the involvement of more people can be felt, and the whole community can be brought solidly behind the Center. Then the Center will be ready to ask community support for a building fund campaign. Then it will receive such support."

Another community leader who believes that time is needed before the Community Center is ready for a building fund campaign is Max L. Grant, who was the first president of the Center on Benefit Street, back in 1920, and the person most responsible for organizing the Center movement here in Providence.

Center Necessary

On the subject of the Community Center and its place in the life of the city, Mr. Grant said: "I believe that Center in 1960 is just as necessary as it was in 1920. Times have changed, and so the modern center, to accomplish its work, must change also. The center today differs from the center of yesterday in

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Says Few In Soviet Union Are 'Practicing' Jews

ROME — Although the Jewish population of the Soviet Union is generally estimated at 3,000,000 a Soviet official says "practicing" Jews there number only 500,000 with 400 synagogues.

The official, M. Voschikow, a member of the five-man Committee for Religious Cults, was interviewed on a recent visit to Moscow. The committee is the highest Soviet authority on religious matters.

Voschikow conceded "there are persons with anti-Semitic feelings in the USSR." But he insisted such feelings were similar only to "anti-Protestant feelings in Italy, or dislike of Italians in the U.S."

The Soviet civil authorities, declared Voschikow, "don't encourage such feelings. When they are too strongly manifested, they are prosecuted and punished according to Soviet law for the protection of nationalities, applying also to the Jewish nationality."

Voschikow, whose committee is appointed by the Cabinet of the USSR, minimized the Oct. 4 incident in the Moscow suburb of Malachowka when fire was set to a synagogue and the wife of the cemetery's Jewish caretaker died. The incident attracted world-wide attention.

According to the Soviet official, somebody started a fire in an upper floor of the synagogue as well as in a building of the adjoining cemetery. The dead woman, he said, was suffocated by smoke trying to escape the flames. The entire monetary loss, Voschikow said, was only 200 rubles — the equivalent of \$20.

Voschikow's statement — the first given by any Soviet official since the incident — said that religious services in the Malachowka synagogue were not interrupted for a single day. He said those responsible for the fire had been found and a judicial investigation was under way. Declaring that he did not know the names, number or ages of those responsible for the incident, he held, nevertheless, that the episode was one of "hooliganism committed by an isolated group, and did not constitute organized action."

Reliable unofficial sources, however, doubted that the incident was unorganized. They said that, during two consecutive nights, before and after the incident, anti-Semitic leaflets, bearing the old Czarist slogan "Hit Jews and Save Russia," were placed on walls of Jewish homes in Malachowka. The leaflets also referred to the town as a "second Jerusalem" and the population of Malachowka is



Bar Mitzvah—Alan Morton Berk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Berk of 99 Drown Street, Cranston, became Bar Mitzvah on Nov. 7 at Temple Beth Israel. A reception was held at the Crown Hotel.

about 30,000, of whom about 10 per cent are Jews.

The unofficial sources insisted the dead woman was not suffocated by smoke, but had been strangled. They estimated the damage at several thousand dollars, declaring the cemetery and the caretaker's home were destroyed, and several hundred Jewish books lost in the flames.

Congressmen Protest Navy's Policy

NEW YORK — While two New York Congressmen protested the Navy's policy of canceling contracts with oil tankers which have done business with Israel, Jewish organizations last week called on President Eisenhower to intervene personally.

The Pentagon conceded that "escape" clauses have been standard for two years in contracts for ships chartered to haul oil in the Suez-Arabian area, where vessels "doing business with Israel are barred."

The Navy said the clauses were included after the tanker National Peace was refused port facilities at Ras Tanura, Saudi Arabia, on Dec. 18, 1957, because her owners had done business with Israel.

Rep. Celler (D.-N.Y.) introduced a bill in the House aimed at this policy.

Organizations Protest

Sen. Javits told the Senate last week that the U. S. could not con-

done interference with American shipping by an "illegal" Arab boycott.

The President's intercession was asked by the American Jewish Congress, the Jewish War Veterans, the Jewish Labor Committee, and the Farband Labor Zionist Order.

Adolph Held, national chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee, wired the White House:

"Certainly our nation cannot have its policies dictated by the bigotry of Arab leaders who are seeking to use the economic club in order to destroy a citadel of democracy in the Middle East."

'Unthinkable'

Louis Segal, general secretary of Farband, said:

"For a major arm of the U. S. government to participate in the illegal and immoral Arab boycott against Israel by virtually foreclosing bidding on oil cargo shipping contracts to U. S. flagships that have business dealings with Israel is unthinkable."

who died Jan. 15 after a long illness, were held Jan. 17 at the Max Sugarman Funeral Home. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

Mr. Dickens, the husband of Mrs. Fannie (Billinghoff) Dickens, was the founder and treasurer of R. I. Products Company, plumbing and heating wholesale supply house in Providence.

Born in Russia in 1892, son of the late Harry and Marcia (Schmuger) Dickens, he had lived in Providence for 57 years. He was a graduate of the Providence public schools.

He was a member of the Congregation Sons of Jacob, Touro Fraternal Association, Jewish Home for the Aged, Hebrew Free Loan Association and B'nai B'rith.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Maynard S. Burt of Providence; three brothers, Charles of Cranston, Abraham of Providence and Louis Dickens of Reno, Nev.; a sister, Mrs. Abraham E. Goldstein of Pawtucket, and two grandchildren.

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Besides his mother, survivors include his wife, Etta (Skolnick) Kirshenbaum; four sons, Selwyn, Jordan, Sanford and Allen Kirshenbaum; four brothers, Samuel, Louis, Isidore and David Kirshenbaum; a sister, Mrs. Ira Riffkin, and three grandchildren, all of Providence.

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Sisterhood To Hold Torah Fund Affair

The Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel will hold its annual Torah Fund Affair on Monday afternoon in the Meeting House. A dessert tea at 1 P.M. will precede the program.

Mrs. Sylvia Cutler Ettenberg, Dean of students at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, will speak on "Educational Camping." Mrs. Abraham Saltzman, harpist and soloist with the R.I. Philharmonic Orchestra will present a program of traditional American, English and Israeli folk songs.

The Torah Fund Affair is sponsored once a year by the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel and the proceeds of the affair are used toward scholarships for the rabbinical students of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Mrs. Fred Strasmich, chairman of the day, has been assisted by Mesdames Sheldon Gerber, co-chairman; Max Alperin and David Meyers, Chai chairmen; Jack Glantz, hospitality; Eli A. Bohnen, decorations; Arthur Kaplan and Joseph Riss, reservations; George Tuck, program; Nathan Levitt, publicity; Thomas Goldberg, treasurer, and Jacob Hohenemser, ex-officio.

GJCCampaignFund Reaches \$600,176

The 1959 campaign of the General Jewish Committee has gone over its quota with total contributions of \$600,176.50.

Final figures in the fund-raising drive were announced Monday night by Joseph K. Levy, general campaign chairman, at a board of directors dinner-meeting at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, marking the close of the 1959 campaign. The \$600,000 goal was set at the start of the annual campaign and represents an increase of \$70,000 over the amount raised in 1958.

Mr. Hassenfeld presented Mr. Levy with a special book containing prayers and services for Passover in appreciation for his "outstanding leadership during the past three years as general campaign chairman."

Other leaders in the campaign included Merrill L. Hassenfeld, Initial Gifts chairman; Mrs. Julius Irving, Women's Division general chairman; Benjamin F. Ruttenberg, Trades and Industry division; Leonard Y. Goldman, D-Day chairman, Alter Boyman, Area division chairman, and Thomas W. Pearlman, Young Adults Division chairman.

ISRAELI LOTTERY

JERUSALEM — Israel's real national sport is not soccer, but the Mifal Hapayis lottery.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

REAPPOINT MR. MILLMAN

Matthew Millman has been reappointed as director of the Jewish Community Center's Camp Centerland for the 1960 Camp season it was announced today by Murry Halpert, camp committee chairman. Mr. Millman is a member of the English Department of the faculty at Hope High School.

The Camp Committee has also announced the opening date for the 1960 Day Camp season as Tuesday, July 5. The Center's three Day Camps, Camp Centerland, Camp Jaycee, and Camp Adventure will be open for an eight week period, beginning at the above date. Recruiting of staff for the 1960 season has already begun at the Center. Camper enrollment will begin in the month of March.

NURSERY SCHOOLS

Second semester at both Nursery Schools operated by the Jewish Community Center will begin during the coming week.

Open to pre-school children 3 to 5 years old, the Center Nursery Schools are operated Mondays thru Fridays with both morning and afternoon sessions available. Registration is open to Center members only.

Director of the East Side Center School is Mrs. Doris Gurland. Members of the staff at the East Side School include Mrs. Norma Goldman, Mrs. Bertha K. Shields, Miss Maureen Murphy and Miss Patricia Frizell. Mrs. Sidney Nulman is chairman of the East Side Nursery School Committee.

Mrs. Madeline Larsen is director of the South Side Center's Nursery School, assisted by Mrs. Pearl Dimond. Mrs. David Troup is South Side Nursery Committee chairman.

Information on fees, registration procedures, calendars, etc. may be obtained by phoning the Community Center office.

APPOINT MASSEUR

Felix Banahan has been appointed as masseur at the East Side Jewish Community Center's Men's Health Club, it was announced today by Murray Trinkle, chairman of the East Side Center's Health and Physical Education Committee. The Center's Men's Health Club will once more resume its services on a full schedule.

A graduate of the Massachusetts Physio-Therapy School, Mr. Banahan has served as masseur at Boston City Hospital, Pawtucket YMCA, and the American

Bridge

By Revoke

At a recent local duplicate tournament only two of the six tables reached the optimum contract on the following hand (dealer West; both vulnerable).

North

♠—7
♥—K, Q, 9, 8, 2
♦—A, 10, 6, 3
♣—A, 4, 3

West

♠—Q, J, 10, 5, 3
♥—A, J, 7, 6
♦—Q, J, 2
♣—J

East

♠—K, 9, 6
♥—10, 4, 3
♦—5, 4
♣—9, 8, 7, 5, 2

South

♠—A, 8, 4, 2
♥—5
♦—K, 9, 8, 7
♣—K, Q, 10, 6

At all six tables West opened with a bid of 1S. One North player over-called with 2H and South, judging that there could be no game in view of his singleton in partner's suit, passed. It would appear to be a mistake to make a simple overcall on a hand which is well suited for play in any of three suits and which has three defensive tricks. Certainly the other five North players shared that view for each of them made a take-out double.

There was far less unanimity of action on the South hand. One player passed for penalties and failed to collect when West made seven tricks against a less than perfect defense. It is a general principle that low-level doubles are not likely to prove profitable when the declarer stands to lose no more trump tricks than he expected to lose. From South's point of view, if West had six cards in the spade suit (by no means unlikely) and made five of them it would be a poor result.

One South player bid 3C and one bid 3D over partner's informative double. Over 3C North bid 3H; South now tried 3NT and could make no more than eight tricks. 3D proved a happier choice. For partner was able to support diamonds and the partnership ended in the one makeable game of 5D.

The only other pair to arrive at 5D did so by a more scientific approach. After his partner's double of 1S, South bid 2S—a conventional bid which passed the choice of suit back to North. When North bid 3H South bid 3S—a bid which said: "I am not interested in hearts; bid one of the other suits if you are able to do so." North duly bid 4D and South raised to game.

Health Salon. Services at the Center's Men's Health Club are available on Sundays, from 9:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M., and on Monday and Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 9 o'clock. Massages may be scheduled by appointment at other hours.

Other services offered by the Health Club include showers, steam room, electric cabinet, alcohol rubs and the use of exercise equipment. Facilities are available to Center members only.

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Society

Swartz' New Home

Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Swartz are now residing in their new home at 30 Alton Road.

Goldsteins Have Son

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Goldstein of 88 Bartlett Avenue, Cranston, announce the birth of their fourth son, Neal Stanley, on Jan. 9. Mrs. Goldstein is the former Barbara Solomon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Solomon of Oakland Avenue. Paternal grandfather is Max Goldstein of Providence.

Announce Birth of Son

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Glantz of 159 Magnolia Street, Hartford, Conn., formerly of Providence, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Stanley Carl, on Jan. 10. Mrs. Glantz is the former Helene Scherz.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Scherz of Providence. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irving Glantz of Providence. The great-grandmother is Mrs. Katie Monzack of Providence.

Move to Florida

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Talan of 51 Stadium Road have moved to Miami Beach, Fla.

First Child Born

Mr. and Mrs. Morton S. Fine of 60 Eleventh Street announce the birth of their first child, a son, Richard Gary, on Jan. 11. Mrs. Fine is the former Gertrude Kramer of Pawtucket.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kramer of East Avenue, Pawtucket, are the maternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Fine of Tenth Street are the paternal grandparents. Paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Ethel Goldstein of Providence.

Introduce Miss Strassman

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reitman of Mayflower Drive, Cranston, introduced Miss Joan Susan Strass-



Engaged—The engagement of Barbara Joan Marcus to Stephen Gordon Katz is announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Marcus of Summit Avenue. Mr. Katz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Katz of Rochambeau Avenue.

Miss Marcus attended the University of Miami and Chandler of Boston. Mr. Katz attended the University of Rhode Island.

man, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Strassman of Brooklyn, N. Y., to their relatives and friends on Jan. 16 at a cocktail and buffet supper held at the Commodore Room, Johnson's Hummocks. More than 200 guests from New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island were present.

Miss Strassman, who is a graduate of the New York School for Physicians Aides, is engaged to Stan Reitman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reitman. A March 26 wedding is planned.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

WASHINGTON TRIP

Plans are being completed for the Jewish Community Center's "Cherry Blossom Trip" to Washington, D. C. for teenagers, to be conducted during the school vacation period from April 20 to April 24 inclusive. Appointed to serve on the planning committee are Mitchell Riffkin, Linda Roberts, Michael Stewart, Esther Cohen and Corrinne Goldenberg. Adult advisors for the trip will be Arthur Eisenstein, Joseph Gladstone, Mrs. Leo Borenstein and Mrs. Harold Goldenberg.

Among the places which the teenagers plan to visit on the five day trip are the nation's Capitol, the White House, the FBI, the Israeli Embassy, the Lincoln Memorial, Smithsonian Institute, Pan-American Union, Naval Observatory and many other places of interest.

Enrollment for the trip is open to all high school boys and girls who are Center members. Information on fees, registration procedures, etc. may be obtained by calling either JCC building.

APPOINT CHAIRMAN

The appointment of Bertram L. Bernhardt as chairman of the 1960 nominating committee was announced this week by Henry J. Hassenfeld, president of the General Jewish Committee.

Mr. Hassenfeld said that the committee will start work immed-

ately on the task of drawing up a list of officers and members of the Board of Directors for the year 1960-61. The slate will be presented at the annual meeting of the GJC in early June.

Other committee members named from the Board of Directors are Alter Boyman, Martin Chase, Leonard Y. Goldman, Joseph W. Rens and Joe Thaler. Members from the community-at-large are Harold Leavitt, Mrs. Arthur J. Levy and Albert Shore. Alternates from the Board of Directors are Martin Dittleman, Ira S. Galkin and Mrs. David Meyers. Dr. Stanley Summer and Samuel H. Wilk were named as alternates from the community-at-large.

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Vandals Set Fire

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paste on a Jewish-owned factory in Lehrte, near Hanover.

Their names were given as Kurt Thomas, 33, Kurt Blank, 25, and Wolfgang Hultschke, 28.

Police said Blank had taken part in the Communist World Youth Festival in Berlin in 1951 and Hultschke had been arrested in 1951 while illegally trying to travel to East Germany for the festival.

Neo-Nazi Arrested

In West Berlin, police announced the arrest of Wolfgang Solondz, a member of the banned neo-Nazi National Youth of Germany organization, who is suspected of links with East German Communist officials.

Police said Solondz might have been sent as a provocateur by the East German state security service.

To Build Or Not To Build...

A New Community Center

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many ways. Yesterday's center was in the midst of a Jewish immigrant population and within walking distance of a closely populated settlement. It served its purpose in keeping children off the streets and giving them the opportunity to employ their time in a healthy manner.

"Today's center is not within easy walking approach of the Jewish population, but that makes little difference in an age when we are forgetting how to walk and when we are lost without means of transportation from the youngest to the oldest member of the household. This means that a center today can be just that, even though at a great distance

from its members. It also means that the center, like any institution, must have proper and sufficient parking facilities.

"Yesterday's center", continued Mr. Grant, "was for the benefit of the poor immigrant. Today's center is for children from all kinds of homes, who today experience many adolescent problems due to the temptations of wrong environment and wrong companionship.

"I am strongly convinced that whereas the child we saved yesterday, through the center movement, might well have been somebody else's; the child we save in our modern society might well be our own. In this expanding era, young people don't want to be limited by the confines of their own Temples, their own intimate groups, or their own economic or social levels. In this age they want the thrills of the search for greater experiences and horizons. Under what better auspices can we fill these wants of our modern child than in a modern center, a center that will meet the social requisites under a common denominator that will bring our children together on the highest plane."

On the question of building such a modern center, Mr. Grant said that he thought it was generally agreed that remodeling of old buildings for new purposes was outmoded; that it usually proved costly and unsatisfactory in the long run. He said, "If you want a modern center, you have to start fresh and build what you need, and not what you have the means for. There is nothing you can't do if you have the right leadership and the right cause." But he feels that it will take time to bring the whole community behind any Center capital funds campaign.

One important factor that Mr. Grant mentioned in connection with a Center campaign at this time was the fact that the Miriam Hospital will definitely conduct a campaign for necessary expansion as soon as possible, in 1960 or '61, and that our community cannot adequately support two such large campaigns within a few years of each other.

He was of the opinion that Center leadership should start building city-wide interest now, so that when the time comes to go out for capital funds, it will find the city ready to give.

Last spring Charles J. Fox took over as president of the Community Center, and since that time he has given a great deal of thought to this problem of a new and modern Center. He now feels that a great deal of preliminary planning and analysis of community needs and resources must be made before the Center can actually sit down to plan and locate a new building.

In last week's article on the Community Center, we quoted from the survey of the Center and the community in general, made in 1951 under the sponsorship of the General Jewish Committee. Mr. Fox stated that he felt that this survey was an outstanding piece of community research, but that today, in 1960, it is no longer valid in many respects. These are some of the reasons he gave for this opinion:

1. Great population shifts in

the Jewish community, such as the growth of such suburban areas as Cranston. Not only the present shifts, but future possibilities of change. Will the suburbanites move back to the East Side?

2. The rise in economic and educational standards among our Jewish people.

3. Greater mobility, as most families have at least one, and usually two, cars, and most teenagers drive. Also, the increasing number of freeways in Rhode Island might influence location of a Center in the future.

4. Construction, since the 1951 survey, of the new Temple Beth-El on the East Side and the expansion of Temple Emanuel, bringing additional facilities to this area.

5. Increase in attendance at weekday Hebrew schools, which limits the leisure time of the children.

6. Increase in the number of aged, not institutionalized, in the general population, bringing an increase in the need for recreation for them.

7. Increase in the number of country clubs and swimming clubs among the Jewish population.

8. Increase in the number of Jewish children attending private schools.

9. Change in popular taste. Golf and bowling more popular, as sports like basketball decline.

10. People geared to higher standards of living. They want more attractive quarters for organizational and leisure time activity.

11. Need of organizations for permanent "homes"... in which to meet

12. The changing role of the center... change in the concept of what a center should be.

In view of all these changes, Mr. Fox feels that a new survey is needed to determine the best plan for the Center. He said that in conferences that he has had with

Opposes Charges

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the national pace-setter in the struggle against racial and anti-Semitism.

The American Jewish Congress leader said that his organization "does not equate the politically-inspired raising of the swastika in Germany with the ugly acts that have desecrated places of worship in this city. We are, however," he added, "deeply concerned that children and young people growing up in this city should have been poisoned by religious hatred."

He concluded:

"Explanations of hooliganism, vandalism and imitation cannot explain why so many young people should seize upon the blood-bathed swastika as a symbol for any purpose. Our homes, our schools, our churches and the community at large must examine their consciences and discover how we have failed our children."

Last week, Magistrate Milton Solomon charged the 21-year old avowed leader of a Nazi movement in Queens, and two of his companions, 18 and 16 years old, with treason. If convicted, they would face the death penalty. The charges of treason and conspiracy were filed against the three youths under the New York State Penal Code. The youths had appeared in Ridgewood Felony Court, Adolescent Term, to be arraigned on disorderly conduct charges preferred by the police.

leaders in other communities and leaders of the Center's national organization, the Jewish Welfare Board, he has realized that it is necessary to involve many people in this self-analysis and planning for the future. He feels that the city of Greater Providence has not yet completed its present period of transition, and that there are many changes still to come that will have a great influence on the future of the Jewish Community Center.

"The building of a new center," says Mr. Fox, "represents a challenge to a whole new generation of community leaders. Our community needs to achieve readiness, but readiness has to be engendered in it by wise and dynamic leadership. We all have a job to do, and it is a job that can only be done by the whole community... thinking, planning and working together."

At this time the Jewish Community Center seems to be in the position of a family that has outgrown its home but cannot yet afford to move into a new one. The members of the family know they need more space and more facilities, but the "provider" does not seem to be in a position to provide right now.

Although the Providence community as a whole seems to feel that the Center is needed; that it undoubtedly could do a better job of meeting the leisure time needs of Providence young people and adults if it had better and bigger facilities, yet it also seems agreed that the sum of money needed for such facilities cannot be raised without the basis of at least a few substantial contributions. When such contributions are available, then and only then, say most community leaders, can the Center embark on a major fund raising venture.

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First Day of Passover	Tues., Apr. 12
Rosh-Chodesh	Wed.-Thurs., Apr. 27-28
Lag B'Omer	Sun., May 15
Rosh-Chodesh	Fri., May 27
First Day of Pentecost (Shebuoth)	Wed., June 1
Rosh-Chodesh	Sat.-Sun., June 25-26
Fast of Tammuz	Tues., July 12
Rosh-Chodesh	Mon., July 25
Fast of Av	Tues., Aug. 2
Rosh-Chodesh	Tues.-Wed., Aug. 23-24
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Fast of Gedaliah	Sat., Sept. 24
Yom-Kippur	Sat., Oct. 1
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Simchas-Torah	Fri., Oct. 14
Rosh-Chodesh	Fri-Sat., Oct. 21-22
Rosh-Chodesh	Sun., Nov. 20
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JANUARY 31
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7:30 p. m.—Jota Phi Sorority, Dessert Hour
8:15 p. m.—R. I. Selfhelp, Regular Meeting
8:30 p. m.—Hug Ivri, Regular Meeting Mr. and Mrs. Club, "Yiddish Night"

FEBRUARY 1
8:00 p. m.—Temple Beth El Board of Trustees Meeting
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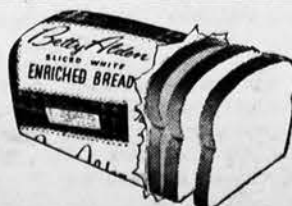
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ORGANIZATION NEWS

Hebrew Day School To Add Ninth Grade

Joseph Dubin, president, and Archie Smith, chairman of the education committee of the Providence Hebrew Day School, have announced the addition of the ninth grade to the Junior High School department of the school to start this September. This completes the Junior High School which was started three years ago with the 7th grade.

The Providence Hebrew Day

School now includes kindergarten, elementary and junior high schools.

The secular program of the Junior High School department includes English, Algebra, Mathematics, Latin, Science, Social Studies. The study of the Talmud, Hebrew Literature, Bible, Late Prophets, Hebrew History, Geography of the Land of Israel, and Yiddish are the subjects of the Hebrew curriculum.

The Providence Hebrew Day School, which is recognized by the School Department of the City of Providence and is affiliated with the Bureau of Jewish Education, is now engaged in a building fund campaign for a new modern school building which will accommodate a larger enrollment and provide needed classroom and recreational areas.

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SCOUT SABBATH

Temple Beth Israel will conduct its annual Scout Sabbath on Friday, Feb. 5, with services conducted by Rabbi Morris Schussheim with the participation of Cantor Israel Tabatsky and the temple choir.

Troop 10 of Temple Beth Israel will have as guests neighboring troops of Boy and Girl Scouts. Honored at the service will be all former winners of the Ner Tamid medal awarded to Jewish Scouts for merit in Jewish studies and performance of duties. These are Norman Bolski, Irwin Chaiken, Norman Gross, Jordan Richman and James Ross. Gerald Feldman is scoutmaster of the troop.

MELAVEH MALKAH

Edward I. Cohen, Esq., Jewish humorist and entertainer, of Boston, will be the featured guest at the Melaveh Malkah given by the Mizrahi Couples Club of Greater Providence which will be held on Saturday at 8 P. M. at the Sons of Jacob Synagogue.

Mr. Cohen, who has compiled a book on Jewish humor, is a member of the Massachusetts Supreme Court, the Maine Supreme Court, the U. S. District Court and the U. S. Supreme Court. He is first vice-president of the New England Council of Young Israel and of the Professional Orthodox Society of New England. He is also a member of the executive board of the Union of Orthodox Synagogues of America and has been editor of the Synagogue Journal for the past eight years.

Group singing will be led by Cantor Maurice Gordon and Professor William Schwartz, president of the Club, will be master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Hersh Galinsky is chairman of the refreshment committee which includes Mesdames Maurice Gereboff, Morris Drazin, William Schwartz, Maurice Gordon, William Reich and Morris L. Keller.

TO OPEN CLASSES

The second series of Adult Ceramics Classes will open at the South Side Jewish Community Center, 45 Hamilton St., this Wednesday beginning at 8 P. M.

Open to all interested adults and young adults, both Center members and non-members, the classes feature instruction in ceramics for both novices and skilled ceramics workers. Instructor for the series is Donald Booth of the Rhode Island School of Design.



Fred Kelman Photo

Celebrate Anniversary—Shown cutting their 50th anniversary cake on Jan. 11 are Mr. and Mrs. Emil M. Ross of 89 Lexington Avenue who celebrated their anniversary at the Shaare Zedek Synagogue. They have three children and six grandchildren.

BETH DAVID MOTHERHOOD

Dr. Bernard Berstein will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Motherhood of Temple Beth David which will be held on Monday at the Temple. Dr. Berstein will discuss children's vision and will illustrate his talk with slides. The title of his talk is "Mommy and Daddy, You Can Help Me Learn To See."

The jackpot drawing will be given to the winning member present.

PLAN DANCES

The Young Adult Association of the Jewish Community Center will conduct a special "Canteen Party" at the South Side JCC building on Sunday Feb. 7, beginning at 8 P. M.

Feature of the evening's program will be dance instruction by Roy Duskin, dance teacher. Informal dancing and refreshments will also be included on the evening's program.

YAA president, Sheldon Rothschild, announces that the group will also conduct its gala "February Fling" dance at the South Side Center on Sunday, Feb. 14. Out-of-town young adult groups have been invited to attend this affair, which will feature music for dancing by the Shiffman Four, and a special entertainment program. Martin Uffer is program chairman for this event.

TO HOLD DISCUSSION

The Jewish Community Center's Jewish Youth Council will conduct a special discussion program, open to all parents, at the East Side Center building on Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 8 P. M.

Entitled "Youth Groups — Their Opportunity for Volunteer Service in the Community", the discussion program will serve as a prelude to the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth. Panelists will be Marlene Finn, chosen youth delegate from Providence to the 1960 Conference, and her alternates, Jerald Engel and Edward Feldstein. Moderator will be Stanley Krieger, Youth Council president.

Admission to the program will be open to all interested parents of teenagers.

'HIGH BUTTON SHOES'

Leading roles in the cast of "High Button Shoes", the musical which the Center will present on March 1, 2 and 3, have been assigned, it was announced by Norman Tilles, producer.

Arthur Torg will portray Harrison Floy; Rhea Goldstein will appear as Fran; Vic Gerstenblatt as Oglethorpe, Bev Kwasha as Mamma, and Milton Stanzler as Pontude.

To be seen as Nancy will be Carol Riffkin, while her brother Mitch will appear as Stevie. Donna Tilles will be seen as Judy Simtkins, Harold Goldenberg as Mr. Simtkins and Ruth Fine as Mrs. Simtkins.

Other members of the cast include Roberta Loebenberg, Flo Tilles, Evelyn Mellon, Phyllis Stanzler, Eunice Paul, Estelle Rubin, Tovia Siegel, Rayna Ackerman, Cynthia Ferdman, Zina White, Elaine Colami, Gloria Fusco, Gail Gilstein, Cynthia Blau, Kathy Gaines, Enid Kagan, Linda Goldstein, Estelle Chorney, Martha Chase, Harriet Goldstein, Elayne Ackerman, Eileen Medrech, Lotta Jagolinzer, Leonard Gamache, Stanley Krieger, Stanley Gilbert, Marshall Cohen, Les Weinstein, Norman Jagolinzer, Art Finkelstein and Bonita Blau.

There are still some openings in the cast of "High Button Shoes" for adults and young adults, particularly for men. Those interested may report at the next rehearsal on Monday evening at the East Side Center.

'YIDDISH NIGHT'

The South Side Jewish Community Center's Mr. and Mrs. Club will conduct its annual "Yiddish Night" program at the South Side building this Sunday beginning at 8:30 P. M. Admission to the program will be open to all adult Center members.

The program will include a meeting and report (conducted in Yiddish) by Raymond Cohen, Club president. A Yiddish dramatic sketch will be presented by Earl Novich, Solomon Selinker, and Ben Paris. Chairman of refreshments will be Mrs. Benjamin Hayman. Mrs. Eric Rothschild is program chairman.

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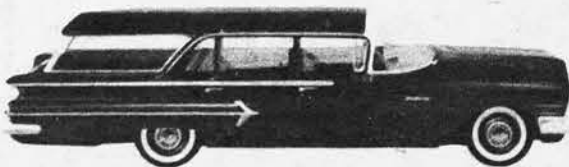
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Weak Minds And Empty Heads

The circumstances surrounding Ted Williams' latest visit to Boston made for substantial headlines. The press report that came out of the great man's trip were genteel enough; but the stories and the uproar that preceded The Thumper were so bizarre that this column, even after mustering all the cynicism at its command, had to borrow a word from the politicians in order properly to express its feelings.

I was shocked.

You would think that after all their losing battles with Williams, the Boston writers finally would have learned to hold their fire until they had been given adequate provocation. With Ted so close to the end of the trail, you might be inclined to figure that past animosities would be forgotten, while his questionable future was being decided.

Yet this small group of men, determined apparently to carry until eternity their chagrin over the way the public has rallied behind the great slugger, despite its frequent diatribes, grabbed at a broken straw and created a monstrous haystack in its attempt to demean the popularity of the fading hero.

Matters were not helped a bit when Bucky the Boob Harris said things to a visiting New York columnist that should have been strictly off the record.

To the casual reader of the Boston papers, the story started with the news a few weeks back that Ted Williams was due in Boston. His purpose, or purposes, were to participate in that annual sportsmen's show and discuss his sporting goods line, and to have a checkup on his troublesome neck.

Then the fun started. The writers apparently checked with BtheB Harris, found that this stalwart general manager did not know a thing about Ted's arrival. Further, Harris did not know of Ted's plans, his condition, his intention of showing up at spring training, his intention of playing. There had been no correspondence between them, except that Williams' contract had gone out with the others.

The writers thereupon waxed indignant. From the quantity of their stickiness, they used plenty of wax, too. What a thing for Ted to do! Who did he think he was, anyhow? (They learned a long time ago, and at regular intervals since, who Ted Williams thinks he is.) How dare he hold up the plans of the Red Sox while he took his sweet time making up his mind! And how could he prepare to invade Boston without sending out a detailed press release on his coming, and without begging for an interview with BtheB?

Oh, that rotten Ted Williams! So they fried him in oil.

Meanwhile, Milton Gross came to town. Gross, who writes for the New York Post, and who incidentally comes close to being my favorite baseball writer, for his integrity, his thoughtful and uncompromising opinions, and his accuracy, was watching Sugar Ray Robinson prepare for his fight with Paul Pender. One day, with little

to do, he visited BtheB at Fenway Park and interviewed the GM.

Gross had noted the attacks on Williams in the papers and wondered about them. He discussed it with BtheB. The general manager confirmed what the papers were shouting. He knew nothing of Ted's plans, not even of the slugger's intentions of visiting him at Fenway Park.

Then he morosely wondered out loud whether the Sox might be better off without Williams, and admitted he could do nothing about it. Williams would call the turn as to whether he played or did not play. And so the Boston club's plans were way up in the air.

Oh, that rotten Ted Williams!

And while this was going on, Bob Murphy of the radio-TV staff came to Providence as a speaker and was widely quoted for what he said was his personal opinion that Williams would show up at spring training, and that his physical condition then would determine whether or not he played.

I read all this — the stories of a few Boston writers, and quotes from some others, along with Gross' interview with BtheB, and Murphy's comments — and I wondered, as I still do, what the devil is going on in Boston.

Then I did a little research — and it required very little, as you will see — and here it is, the episode that betrays in black and white what weak minds and empty heads there are among those who have dedicated themselves to belittling Ted Williams.

There was a story in the Sporting News two weeks ago, in which The Thumper stated that his neck still hurt him, but that he was going to report to the Red Sox for spring training, and then decide, according to the nature and extent of his aches and pains, whether he will play ball in 1960.

That's plain enough, isn't it? No double talk there, as far as anyone can see. But read on!

Last week, in the January 20 issue of the Sporting News, there appeared a story from Miami in which a writer named Burns reaffirmed what had been said the week before. Under a headline reading "Ted To Have Medical Check, Then Decide If He'll Play", the writer quoted the outfielder as saying that a consultation with Boston doctors late this month would influence his baseball future. Ted added that he had received his contract, but would not sign it until he had talked with the general manager and the doctors. And the story concluded, in Ted's words:

"I'm not trying to make a production out of my indecision. If I knew right now what I was going to do, I'd say so."

So now, after the facts have been sifted from the gossip, it turns out that unless the Sporting News has been banned in Boston, all the writers and BtheB and Bob Murphy and everyone else should have known exactly what was in Ted's mind and immediate plans. He had made his position crystal clear.

Ted's visit to Boston had no official connection with the Red Sox.

He could not sign his contract until he decided whether or not he would play. He could tell BtheB nothing until he saw how he felt when he reported to the spring training base in Arizona. So he made no official appointment with the general manager. He did try to pay a courtesy call, since Fenway is almost across the street from Leahy Clinic. But the Red Sox don't yet operate as determined ball clubs do. It was Saturday, and the entire ball park was closed tight. BtheB was at home sulking.

And how about that greater charge, that Ted by his actions was holding up the plans of the Red Sox? How in the world could anyone make that accusation, when the man already had spoken out so plainly on the subject? How was he holding up the Red Sox operation, when the club had just completed mailing out contracts, when spring training was still more than a month away? In what way can you substantiate the charge that The Thumper was holding up the team's operation?

One writer outdid himself during the great furore of January 1960. He takes the cake.

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Society This Week

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Hold Anniversary Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Grossman entertained 235 guests at the Ledgemont Country Club on Jan. 17 in observance of the 50th anniversary of their marriage. Rabbi Morris Schussheim gave the invocation and Cantor Israel Tabatsky sang the blessing.

A citation was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Grossman in behalf of the congregation of Temple Beth Israel in recognition of 39 years of service as founding members of the congregation.

A group of friends presented a plaque to be hung in the temple board room which is to be named in honor of the couple. A certificate for a grove of trees in Israel was presented by another group of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Grossman announced the sum of \$2500 in contributions to the Temple Beth Israel Building Fund, Jewish Home for the Aged, Kibbutz Merhavah, Israel; Rhode Island Hospital, Miriam Hospital, Pawtucket Memorial Hospital, Brown University, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence College, Brandeis University, Temple Beth El Library Fund, Jewish Theological Seminary, Hadassah and Pioneer Women.

The couple's five sons established the Mr. and Mrs. Leo Grossman Visiting Professor of Judaic Studies Fund at Brown University.

Elected Sports Editor

Edward D. Rotmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rotmer of 310 Taber Avenue, has recently been elected sports editor of the Brown Daily Herald, the campus newspaper. A graduate of Hope High

Syd Cohen

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This gent blamed Williams for Jackie Jensen's failure to communicate his intentions with the Boston front office. He suggested that Jensen is waiting to see whether Ted signs. If he does, Jensen will not play. If Ted retires, Jensen will return.

Can you think of a more insane reason on which to balance the fate of a \$40,000 salary?

Abrams and Field

The landslide election of Al Santio as Schoolboy Athlete of the Year in Rhode Island does not preclude the opportunity to pay respect to two Jewish boys whose names figured in the voting. Among the 17 athletes who were considered for the award by the members of Words Unlimited were Stan Abrams of Pawtucket West, and Victor Field of Moses Brown Academy (now a freshman at Brown University).

Neither Stan nor Vic made the select list because of the efforts of this column. They won mention at the suggestion of non-Jewish members of the sportswriters and sportscasters association. That speaks well for both.

School he is a candidate for the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Mr. Rotmer was a member of the freshman ball club in 1959 and is presently a member of the Tower Club, an honorary undergraduate religious-social organization.

Third Daughter Born

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Snyder of 288 Hartwell Road, Buffalo, N. Y., formerly of Providence, announce the birth of their third daughter, Miriam Susan.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Schuster, 78 Rochambeau Avenue. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Snyder of 110 Lyndon Road, Cranston.

Announces Marriage

Mrs. Dianne D. Diwinsky of Norwood Avenue, Edgewood, announces the marriage of her daughter, Phyllis Joy Diwinsky, to Avram Nathan Cohen, son of Joseph Cohen of Laurel Avenue.

Rabbi William Braude officiated at the ceremony which took place at Temple Beth El on Jan. 18.

The bride is a graduate of Beth Israel Hospital School of Nursing. Mr. Cohen is an alumnus of Babson Institute, Boston, Mass.

After a wedding trip to Nassau,

Mr. and Mrs. Cohen will reside on Nancy Street, Pawtucket.

Himelfarb 54th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Himelfarb of 81 Dartmouth Street celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Jan. 10 at a dinner at the Great House sponsored by their children and grand-children. Mr. and Mrs. Himelfarb have five

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ORGANIZATION NEWS



Dr. Gold To Speak — Dr. Henry Raphael Gold, a rabbi who gave up the rabbinate to become a psychiatrist, will be presented by the Cranston Jewish Center Adult Education Committee on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 8:30 P. M.

Dr. Gold, who was Professor of Medical Psychology at Baylor University, is a practicing psychiatrist in New York City. He has been a psychiatric staff member of Bellevue Hospital in New York for three years and psychiatrist for the Court of General Sessions in that city. As a rabbi he occupied pulpits at Dallas, Memphis, New Orleans and Boston. He is also a former vice-president of the Zionist Organization of America and is an honorary chairman of the Jewish National Fund.

The lecture is open to the public.

TO HEAR MRS. SWITZER

Mrs. Rozella Switzer, Southern New England regional director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Providence Chapter of Women's American ORT which will be held on Tuesday at 8:15 P. M. at the A. A. U. W. Club, 96 Waterman Street. Her speech is entitled "The Night Is Not Dark."

Hostesses for the meeting are Mrs. Jeanne Segal and Mrs. Marcia Tippe.

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HUG IVRI TO MEET

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Men and women interested in joining the Hug Ivri may call the Bureau of Education Office.

TEMPLE SINAI

Rabbi Donald Heskins will speak on "Fear and Judaism" at services at Temple Sinai tonight to be held at 8:30 o'clock at the Greenwood Hall, Warwick.

Cantor Victor Gerstenblatt will be assisted by the choir. An Oneg Shabbat will follow.

SECOND TERM TO START

The second term of Elementary Hebrew at Brown University Extension Division will begin on Feb. 10 for a series of 12 sessions. The course is designed for those who have a knowledge of elementary Hebrew equivalent to the first 18 lessons in the textbook Ivrit Hayah, Part I.

Rabbi Nathan N. Rosen, director of B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at Brown University, is the instructor. Men and women wishing to secure partial scholarships may call Rabbi Rosen or the Bureau of Jewish Education office.

DESSERT HOUR

Mu Chapter of Iota Phi sorority will hold a Dessert Hour on Sunday at 7:30 P. M. at the East Side Jewish Community Center.

Any girl who is a high school sophomore or at least 15 years old and is interested in becoming a member of the February pledge class can receive further information by calling Diane Dauer at ST 1-5107, Beverly Saltzman at WI 1-8016 or Elaine Goldberg at DE 1-6159.

PLAN BRUNCH

The Phi Delta sorority, Alpha Alpha Chapter, is planning to hold a Brunch on Sunday, Feb. 14, for all interested future pledges. It will be held at 11:30 A. M. at the home of Miss Roberta Perelman, 58 Garfield Avenue. High school girls who are interested in attending may call Sandra Bilgor at DE 1-6220; Roberta Perelman at PL 1-5252, or Brenda Sarat at PL 1-1078.

TO TALK ON RUSSIA

Dr. Charles Potter will give an "Illustrated Talk on a Russian Journey" at the next meeting of Rhode Island Selfhelp which will be held on Sunday at 8:15 P. M. at the East Side Jewish Community Center.

A social hour and refreshments will follow the talk.

RESNICK FAMILY CIRCLE

Officers for the coming year were elected at the meeting of the Resnick Family Circle which was held on Jan. 10 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Steingold of Stadium Road.

Gilbert Resnick was elected president. Other officers are Robert Resnick, vice-president; Selma Resnick, secretary, and Milton Lewis, treasurer.

Plans for the 20th anniversary banquet of the group which will be held at the El Morocco Club on April 3 were discussed.

DR. ROSTON TO SPEAK

Dr. Murray Roston, a visiting scholar from Israel and director of the religious school at Temple Beth Israel, will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel which will be held on Monday at 8 P. M. at the Temple. His topic will be "Israel Today."

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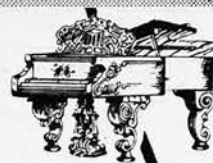
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Mrs. Ethel J. Cohen, past national president, Ladies Auxiliaries Jewish War Veterans of America, and Mrs. Beatrice Miller, national historian, Ladies Auxiliaries Jewish War Veterans of America are attending the National Executive Committee conference in Washington, D. C.

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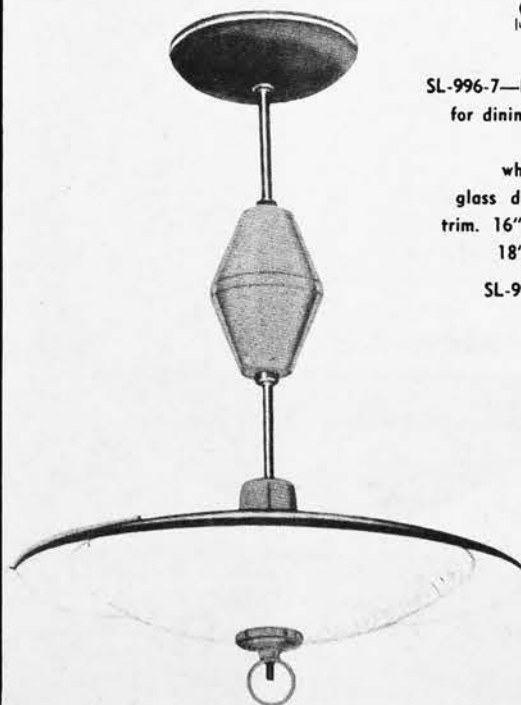
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The invitation was extended by Bishop John Wesley Lord of the Boston area through Reverend Morrill O. Martin, local District Superintendent of Methodist churches, and Reverend Thomas W. Bowman, pastor of the church, to express their deep interest in the recent wave of anti-Semitic acts. Mr. Block's topic is "Anti-Semitism - The Road to Ruin."

Mr. Block is a former president of Touro Fraternal Association and a present board member of the organization; a former vice-president and present board member of the Cranston Jewish Center, and is Bulletin editor of the Providence Lion's Club.

SONS OF JACOB

Regular Sabbath services at Congregation Sons of Jacob will be held today at 4:30. Isidore M. Zaidman will speak on "Dreams" at the Oneg Shabbat which will be held at 8 o'clock tonight. Rabbi Hersh M. Galinsky will direct the program and Rev. Max Pressman will conduct the community singing. Mrs. Benjamin Fish is hostess for the evening.

Rabbi Galinsky will lead the seminar in Chumash at 8 A. M. on Saturday, immediately prior to the services. The Saturday afternoon study group will start at 3:15 P. M. and Mincha will follow at 4:15 P. M.

The regular monthly meeting of the governing board of the Sons of Jacob Hebrew Academy will be held Monday at 7:30 P. M.

"For 2c Plain"

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discount on your medicines. I remember the huge apothecary where we bought the prescriptions. It was right next to Mandell's bank and it was owned by a man named Lindemann who always gave me a piece of kondel-zucer (rock candy) when I came in.

These wonderful men, the Verein doctors, climbed four or five flights of tenement stairs countless times a day. When they discovered Jewish asthma in the chest of a sweatshop worker, they knew they could not advise him to go to a warmer and drier climate. The man had a wife and four children in the house and couldn't afford to lose one day's wages. What could the doctor do for him? Often only prescribe cough medicine and tell the workman to rest as much as possible after work and once in a while, the Verein doctor would write on the prescription slip, "Join the cloakmakers' union."

MY PLAN TO SAVE THE QUIZ SHOW

I think perhaps that I could have saved the once-popular television quiz show if they'd put my plan into effect.

Not long before ratings forced them off the air, the \$64,000 people called me and asked if I'd go on the program. I told the folks I wasn't their man. I wouldn't have had a chance on this deal. I might possibly get by for two or three questions on Shakespeare. But for the life of me, I cannot tell you when Shakespeare's son-in-law died. I once knew the name of the fellow who printed the First Folio, but I dismissed it from my mind long ago.

But then, free of charge, I offered the \$64,000 people an idea to help get an additional ten million viewers in the South. Here is the plan:

Put Teddy Nadler in one booth and that Elfrida girl in another booth and ask them the questions they ask the Negroes in Mississippi to qualify them as voters.

They're interesting questions, like, How many bubbles in a pound of soap?

James Grigg Raines, chief registrar of Terrell County, Alabama, said that the five Negroes involved in the Federal lawsuit were denied registration because they failed to read the United States Constitution intelligently: "I interpret the law to mean they must read it so I can understand it...every one of them pronounced 'equity,' 'equity.'"

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Officers and Board Members of Touro Fraternal Association are shown following installation exercises held Jan. 13 at Touro Hall. Seated, left to right are Joseph Block; Burton Salk, vice-president; Samuel H. Wilk, president; Joseph Engle, chairman of the board; Leonard L. Levin; Irwin Stone, treasurer; Leo Greenberg. Second row — Howard L. Winograd, inside guard; Mortin I. Miller, chaplain; Harry M. Schwartz, Alfred Weinstock, Samuel M. Gerstein, Benjamin Rabinowitz, Saul E. Faber. Back row — Paul E. Goldstein; Louis I. Sweet, installing officer and board member; Sidney P. Cohen, master of ceremonies; Dr. Marshall K. Bornstein; Mitchell Sugarman, faithful guide, Charles Coken, secretary. Not present when the photo was taken were board members Isaac G. Chorney, Edward I. Friedman and Fred Abrams.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

ELECT WALTER BAKER

Walter Baker was elected president of the South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association at the 54th Annual Convention of that organization which was held on Jan. 24.

Other officers who were elected include Samuel Jamnik, first vice-president; Louis Berman, second vice-president; Louis Strauss, treasurer; Abraham Bazar, financial secretary; Nathan Miller, recording secretary.

Elected to the board of directors were Harry Ackerman, Irving Adler, Archie Baker, Sam Bazar, Charles Bograd, Hyman Brotman, Hime Buckler, Samuel Gorman, Hyman Hodash, Samuel Jacobs, Samuel Kaufman, Samuel Kirshenbaum, Joseph Margolis, Abraham Paull, Jacob Pepper, Sydney Pepper, Emil Ross, Theodore Reuter, Louis Sacarovitz, Elisha Scollard, Ira Stone, Louis Shanbrum, Abraham Sholovitz, Louis Soren, Israel Winoker and Rubin Liebovich.

GYM SESSIONS TO START

Gym sessions for young adult men and women will begin at the South Side Jewish Community Center this Monday at 9 A. M., it was announced today by Abraham Lobel, chairman of the South Side Health and Physical Education Committee.

Admission to the program will be open to all young adults who are Center members. The program will be directed by Anthony Neri, Center physical education director. The program will include exercises, gymnastics and a variety of net games.

TO HOLD BRUNCH

Jim Mendes will be guest speaker at the brunch of the Mister

and Miss Club of Temple Beth El which will be held on Sunday at 12:30 P. M. His subject will be "Jazz As a Cultural Contribution." A question and answer period will follow.

PLAN PIPELINE

JERUSALEM — A six-inch 30-kilometer pipeline will be laid between the recently-discovered Rosh Zohr natural gas field and the Sdom Potash Works, it was

announced last week. The project was outlined in an agreement between the Dead Sea Works and the Naphtha Petroleum Company, which has a concession to the natural gas field.

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TEL AVIV — The 50-member Canadian Jewish mission decided last week to establish a \$5,000,000

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

GOLDEN AGERS

Mrs. Arthur Rosen will give readings in Yiddish at the next meeting of the Friendly Jewish Golden Agers which will be held at the East Side Jewish Community Center Building on Thursday at 1:30 P. M.

INSTALL OFFICERS

Officers were installed at the semi-annual installation breakfast of Little Rhody A. Z. A. which was held on Jan. 24. Leslie Weinstein, the first Aleph Godol of the chapter, acted as installing officer.

Officers are Henry Feldman, Aleph Godol; Ronald Chase, Aleph Sagan; Steven Yoken, Aleph Mazkir; Chesley Oriel, Aleph Gizbor; Jeff Davis, Aleph Mazkir; Steven Oster, Aleph Shotare, and Jeffrey Jacobson, Aleph Sopher.

Stuart Halpert, outgoing Aleph Godol was presented with a P.A.G. pin for his work for the chapter.

Any boy of high school age who wishes to join A. Z. A. may do so by attending a meeting on any Sunday at 11 A. M. at the East Side Center.

TO PRESENT DANCE

A March of Dimes Dance will be presented by the Albert Einstein B.B.G. on Saturday from 8 to 11 P.M. at the South Side Jewish Community Center. Proceeds will go to the March of Dimes Fund. The public is invited to attend.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

by Sylvia Porter



WORLD'S FAIR PREVIEW

All during the day of Jan. 21, special couriers of the U. S. State Dept. were calling at the Washington embassies of 82 nations with whom we have diplomatic relations to deliver a personal message from our President.

As each ambassador opened his envelope, he read an invitation to his nation to participate in "The New York World's Fair--1964"—the first world's fair in our country in a quarter-century and only the second world's fair anywhere in this entire era. Conspicuously not receiving invitations are Red China and East Germany.

Now the Fair is off to an official start and acceptances will begin to pour in. Informally, we already have received one rather "important" acceptance; when Soviet Premier Khrushchev was in New York this past fall, he told Mayor Wagner that Russia intends to come in.

Even at this stage, preparations are well advanced. The Fair will be located at Flushing Meadows, site of the original 1939 Fair. Headquarters are at New York City's Empire State Building.

"For it takes years to organize a global venture of government-private enterprises of this magnitude," explained Thomas J. Deegan, Jr., the dynamic public relations adviser who spearheaded the Fair drive and who attained national fame in 1954 when he helped his close associate, the late Robert R. Young, win control of the New York Central Railroad.

"What will some of the exhibits be like?" I asked.

He laughed. "Who knows? Who can imagine what our industries will invent in the next few years, what progress our government will make in space exploration, peaceful uses of nuclear energy." Deegan revealed that when RCA announced a few months ago that it was joining the Fair, he called on RCA chairman David Sarnoff to ask the same question. "He laughed, too, and said, 'I only know that what we're doing in electronics today will be obsolete by then and most of what we'll be exhibiting isn't even on our drawing boards.'"

"Let's do some educated crystal-gazing then," I suggested, and immediately Deegan replied.

"Do you remember the parachute jump at the 1939 World's Fair?" I certainly do; I was terrified when I tried it.

"At this Fair, we might send you up in a rocket," he said matter-of-factly. "That's quite conceivable."

"Do you remember the little 'golf carts' in which we went from pavilion to pavilion?" I vividly do; they were exciting.

"This time you may ride around in cars that don't touch the ground at all. Our auto companies are far advanced in experimentation with a car that floats on air. This could be part of the 1964 show."

He paused. "You've seen those 'think machines' of IBM and other companies?" I have; they stupefy me.

"Maybe at the 1964 World's Fair we'll have 'think machines' which will communicate with other 'think machines' all over the globe." And when I broke in, "You mean I could ask a machine in New York to ask a machine in the Kremlin about the weather in Russia and get back an instantaneous reply?" he nodded. "Why not?"

So we went on, musing over the possibilities in automation, jet travel, space, synthetics, etc. It was fun but with serious undertones. For our very uncertainty emphasizes that so rapidly is the world now moving in exploration and invention that many a projection which seems wildly improbable in 1960, may be plebeian by 1964.

Our educated crystal-gazing pounds home what a challenge this Fair will be to us and all the nations who join with us in showing what the leaders of the 2nd half of the 20th century are doing to make a peaceful world more prosperous and rewarding to the millions.

"It'll be wonderful," I said as I rose to go. "I hope I'm here to see it."

"You'll be here," said Deegan, "and it'll be wonderful beyond your dreams and mine."

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... Meanwhile, In New York

One of the perils created by all totalitarian movements is that they provoke their enemies into frenzied gestures of imitation. Thus, while Dr. Adenauer was calling for "rough-'em-up" tactics in Germany, a New York magistrate was engaging in his own form of oppressive madness.

Confronted by the youthful leader of a local Nazi enterprise and two of his companions who had been arrested on a charge of plotting to attack Jews, Magistrate Milton Solomon ordered that they all be accused of treason as well as lesser offenses. The penalty would be death.

It is inconceivable that such a count would survive scrutiny in higher courts, even if this absurd proceeding were carried to a conclusion. But equally fantastic is the spectacle of a judicial officer instigating such a move and capriciously defining treason as "a war against society and the government."

The psychotics and delinquents practicing Nazi gangsterism in our backyard should be exposed and punished promptly. But to equate their mad deeds with those of conspirators with a wartime enemy is to abandon all rules of law and reason.

"For 2c Plain"

By HARRY GOLDEN

The Verein Doctor

In the Jewish culture, we always avoided revealing the full extent of our sorrow in order to keep going (and also confuse the evil eye). Nothing was ever discussed in precise terms. Either we talked around it or used a euphemism.

Thus, you would never say a relative had tuberculosis. You always referred to tuberculosis as "a touch." The immigrants pounced upon this linguistic convenience. "He has a touch of bronchitis," they heard the doctors say, and so now tuberculosis became "a touch." "He has a touch." This was not so devastating and it sustained the illusion that the workingman could continue going to the shop every day. This happened in the days of the sweatshop and the Jewish cemeteries in Brooklyn and Maspeth filled up with workers who died of "a touch." In those days, we joked about tuberculosis: we called it "Jewish asthma," just as we called some people "Jewish millionaires" because they had \$3,000 in the savings bank.

The "Verein" doctor understood all of this very well. The immigrant Jews formed fraternities here, usually based on the places of origin in the old country. We called them "societies" or "Vereins" and one of the benefits of membership was that you had the services of a doctor. All of this has been erroneously propagandized as "socialized medicine" (which all of us will come to anyway in another twenty years with our growing maturity). The Verein doctor had nothing to do with "socialization." He had to do with health and survival. He was not only a doctor but usually also a philosopher.

The Verein doctor worked in the days before specialized medicine and of course lacked the wonderful remedies and specialized skills doctors have at their command today. Actually, his main weapon was psychological. Your father was sick. There was sorrow in the house. Suddenly the door opened and Dr. Frankel came in--and everybody felt better. His very presence was a comfort. In the Verein you paid fifty cents every three months and that entitled you to a doctor and you'd be surprised how many doctors competed for the appointment. They had no way of knowing that many of these immigrants and children would rise up in the world and keep them on as personal physicians for life. They were Verein doctors who healed the sick, inspired confidence and then went into the kitchen and had a glass of hot tea with your mother. A confinement case was "extra"--fifteen dollars was the Verein assessment--and if you were a member of the Verein, you received a

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ONE MAN'S OPINION

The Defamers
And The Anti-Defamers

BY BERYL SEGAL



We feel the same way, Mr. Van Dam. And not because they might not be believed when "real fire" breaks out, but for different reasons altogether.

Just put yourself in Mr. Adenauer's place.

Since Christmas, when the first synagogue in Cologne was desecrated, he has been reassuring everybody concerned that he will not tolerate further outbreaks. He assured Dr. Van Dam of quick action. He is doing all that can be done to find the guilty, and to prosecute. No one can accuse him of not doing this. It is in the interest of his own government to do this, if not in the interest of the Jews.

Now, along come American Jewish organizations and want assurances. Everybody who is somebody sends its representatives and demand assurances.

I am a Jew, and it hurts me. It humiliates me. Every swastika that is being scribbled on any wall, be it synagogue or church, is burned on my body. But if they were to come to me with their "statements" and "declarations" and "investigations," I would be hard put to it not to send them away with words of admonition.

What gives these American Jewish organization such superiority? Where did they get the idea that they can interfere in everything that takes place anywhere in the world? The London Jews did marvelously without American advice. They had a demonstration that rocked London. The Paris Jews did not need American guidance. They replied swiftly and effectively. They are not quiet. They will do what is needed, as long as it is time to do something.

Let us remember this thing. They are not "foreigners." They do not need our protection.

Besides, while the swastika smearings have subsided in Europe, they sound like the work of an organized, powerful organization. Why not attend to home conditions first?

And even here, a little less hysteria will do. Why run three or four agencies, when one will do?

The American Jewish public will have to wake up sometime to this evil in our midst.

From Christmas time to the date of this writing is more than a month. During this month, we had a rash of Anti-Jewish outbreaks that defy understanding. No one knows how they started and how they spread all over the world. If anyone knows, he does not tell. Speculations are running wild. Some are so wild, that I cannot bear to repeat them. They seem to be so well organized, almost as if they had a world organization behind them.

Fortunately, there is not a single government, with the exception of the Nasser regime, that is in sympathy with these acts of desecration and profanity. For this is what they are, desecration and profanity. No one was injured. No attack was made on the person of a single Jew during this month.

This adds to the mystery. While the demonstrations were going on in West Berlin and in London, in New York and in Paris, not a single Nazi dared come out in the open and interfere.

Assurances are coming from all the governments that quick action will be taken. They are taken. The German government acted swiftly and effectively. The

British government enacted special laws. The Italian government condemned the acts of the Nazis. And in our own country, they caught and brought to justice those who were guilty.

We cannot complain. The world is not indifferent. The world is not negligent.

And this points out even deeper our own hysteria and our own futility.

No sooner was the news from Germany released from the wires, the Community Relations Committee issued a statement in the name of seven organizations affiliated with it. That was sufficient, so it seemed. The statement said that it is the responsibility of the German government to exterminate the roots of the evil, and to drive out of public office the remnants of Nazis.

But that was not enough. The American Jewish Committee dispatched a representative to investigate. He went to Bonn. He saw Adenauer.

The World Jewish Congress sent Nahum Goldmann, its president, to Bonn. He saw Adenauer.

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, not to be outdone, sent its chief, Mr. Epstein, to Bonn to "see with his own eyes," whatever that means. He also saw Adenauer.

For all I know, there might have been more. These are the ones I saw in the news.

And this prompted Mr. H. V. Van Dam, of the General Council of German Jews, to speak out against American Jews and their practices.

In an AP article by Carl Hartman, he is quoted as saying:

"Dr. H. V. Van Dam, General Secretary of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, recently issued a blast against American Jewish organizations for, what he calls, interference in German affairs. He warned against turning in false alarms of Anti-Semitism with the remark that they might not believe them if there were a real fire."

Thus far the article.

(Mr. Segal's opinions are his own. His views are not necessarily those of this newspaper.)

"I'll Be Down to Get You in a Taxi, Honey."

Irving Jacobson, the comic, told of accompanying Miss Picon on her tour of Romania. In Jassce, he said, after one show the students released the horses on Molly's carriage and pulled the conveyance back to her hotel. "That's absolutely true," her husband confirmed. "If you don't believe it, I still have the receipts for the money I paid them to do it." Molly told of her own first role, with Thomashefsky, who offered her 50¢ a performance in the melodrama, "Pintelah Yeed." Molly protested: "I don't want to cry that much for 50¢."

Jennie Goldstein was the great tragedienne of 2d Av., and Max Gabel presented the melodramas full of wailing and death scenes. One of Gabel's fans who'd moved away returned to the old theater some years later, bought a ticket and walked in--unaware that it was now a Chinese theater. He watched the sword-play and murders on-stage and beamed: "That Gabel; still the greatest."

THE DIRECTOR: Richard Burton sat with some actors in the Blue Angel the other day and sang the praises of Tyrone Guthrie as the ideal play director. "Guthrie," he said, "feeds an actor's ego, makes him feel the role was written only for him and that the corrections come from an enormous affection;

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The Lyons
Den

by Leonard Lyons

THE FABULOUS INVALID, 2D AVENUE VERSION: The "Kosher Widow" cast gave a farewell luncheon at Sardi's the other day for the star, Molly Picon, and her husband-producer, Jacob Kalich. Miss Picon is leaving to co-star with Robert Morley in the London production of "A Majority of One." And at the luncheon, of course, the veteran Yiddish performers told their stories.

Forty years ago, when the immigrant populations of the big cities totaled millions, there was a circuit of Yiddish theaters throughout the hemisphere. The pioneers were giants--Adler, Thomashefsky, Kessler, Satz, Lebedeff, Maurice Schwartz, Menasha Skulnik and Paul Muni are still active stars. When immigration halted and assimilation progressed, the audience potential dwindled. Now 60 per cent of each play script is in English.

"The Kosher Widow" played to 150,000 customers in its ten-week run. But the road has practically vanished, and gone are the breeding grounds where improvisation and experiment were stan-

dard fare. Kalich said that he became a producer after the manager of a "Shylock" troupe insisted that, in lieu of a Shakespeare scene he deemed dull, Kalich sing a duet with the 250 lb. Portia.

Sholem Secunda, the composer whose hits include "Bei Mir Bist Du Schoen," said he once brought a musical he wrote to the Lyric Theater in Brooklyn. The producer and theater owner, a man named Lowenfeld, had odd economies. He hired only a three-piece pit orchestra. Secunda insisted that he augment it at least with a trombone. Lowenfeld stormed at the composer: "A trombone? What are you playing--'Pagliacci'?"

Muni, Serebrov and Paul Adler told of the time May Schonfeld did "God, Man and Devil," when God's appearance was to be preceded by the blowing of a ram's horn. May chanced to drop a penny into the pianola backstage and it played Schubert's Serenade. "This will do it," the manager beamed. "I won't have to hire a horn blower." That night, on cue, May dropped a penny into the pianola, before "God's" appearance. The song came out: