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CURRENT COMMENTS

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A CANADIAN judge has taken under advisement the question as to whether the oath of a Jew who recites Kol Nidre is acceptable. Perhaps he will learn three things—first that this prayer was the result of the treatment given Jews in the Dark Ages by people with the attorney's intelligence; secondly that the Jew holds his oath so sacred that he recites Kol Nidre lest forces beyond his control force him to break his word; and thirdly that Kol Nidre does not apply between man and man. Says the Mishnah (Yoma, chapter viii): "The Day of Atonement and repentance atone for transgression of man in his relation to God, but for transgressions between man and man there is no expiation in the Day of Atonement, until the wrongful act has been rectified."

In the same province in Canada the Jewish Congress has gone on record as deploring the Mexican treatment of Catholics. Jews, not having enough troubles of their own seek to help others in distress—when logic says, "Go to; we are concerned solely with our own survival"—when justice says, "What has the world done for the German Jew"—but when sentiment says, "You are human; you suffer; let us help in whatever way we can."

The New York Evening Journal relates that whenever a bridge partner of the late Yugoslavian King made a mistake, he was presented with a book of rules; that the only one of his regular cronies who received no copy was the Chief Rabbi of Belgrade. The King remarked that he would not tolerate anti-Semitism since he did not want to lose such a good partner.

THE MONTEFIORE HOSPITAL

The Montefiore Hospital controversy has reached an acute stage. Suspicion, innuendo, and undermined confidence are spreading to other organizations in this city. Coming at the beginning of a hard winter, when even our sense of charity is dulled, our whole charitable structure can collapse. Human institutions are like ant hills. Hundreds of workers and many hours are required to build what the pressure of one foot can destroy.

Controversy in politics and religion is stimulating. But in the case of an institution like the Montefiore Hospital, controversy must give way to harmony. Controversy cannot be killed by secrecy or by dignified silence. It cannot be settled by anonymous Sentinel tactics. Nor can it be clarified by rumors, whispers, or impressions of a public wondering what it is all about.

The hope for settlement lies in every one concerned coming out in the open. Specific charges have been made. They must be answered specifically. The time for dignity has passed. Personalities and vituperation must stop. There are two sides to any story and narrow-mindedness on the part of either group is not justified.

In the belief that controversy flourishes in the dark and cannot survive the light or trial at the bar of an informed public opinion, the AMERICAN JEWISH OUTLOOK offers its columns to all concerned to the end that the Montefiore Hospital of Pittsburgh will again inspire in Jewish hearts the zeal for service worthy of the name of Sir Moses Montefiore.

Asher Isaacs

DE HAAS WARNS AGAINST RUMORS AS ZIONIST FACTIONS NEAR PEACE

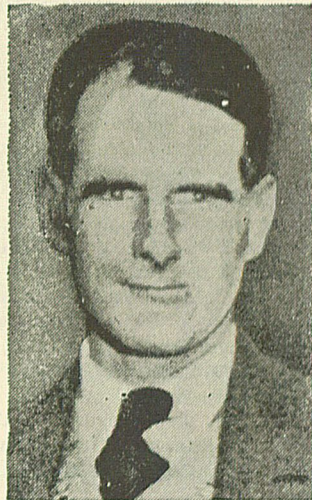
NEW YORK (JTA)—Predicting that peace between warring Zionist factions is only a matter of days at most, Jacob de Haas, veteran Zionist leader, last week issued a statement counseling patience and urging disregard of stories that tend to widen the gap instead of closing it.

The full text of the statement follows:

"Those of us who are earnestly and determinedly working for a real peace between the Zionist factions have reason to congratulate ourselves that considerable progress has been made in the negotiations. Unless the extremists on either side override their officers, a formal announcement covering an agreement on a number of the differences that had been the chief causes of bitterness in the past, may be expected within a week or so.

"I would refrain from saying even as much as this, which I do entirely upon my own responsibility, were it not that rumors and news dispatches are continually circulated that tend if anything to widen the gap instead of closing it. I advise Zionists to ignore the whispers that the 'truce' is a farce, and to believe with me that there is every prospect of the extension of the public agreement between Histadruth and the Revisionists.

"The vast majority of Zionists, I am sure, desire understanding and co-operation between the parties. They have and can have no objections to ideological differences and therefore I believe they will be content to exercise a little patience and will not permit themselves to be used as obstacles to peace."



Sean O'Casey, noted Irish playwright, sees many similarities between the Jews and the Irish and foresees a great future for Palestine as a Jewish National Home.

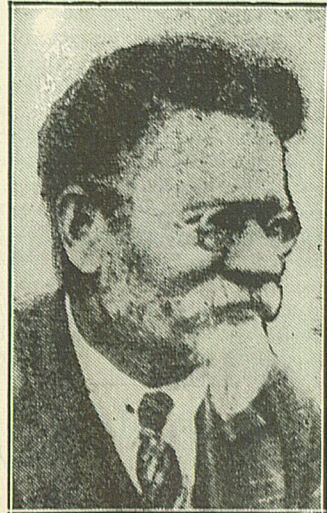
SOVIET ENVOY IS ENTHUSIASTIC ON BIRO-BIDJAN

MOSCOW (JTA)—Alexander Troyanovsky, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, returned here last Thursday after a visit to Biro-Bidjan where he inspected the Jewish enterprises, including the first Jewish collective farm, "Waldheim," and the Jewish theater.

In a statement to the Jewish Telegraph Agency, Troyanovsky expressed his admiration for the achievements reached in Biro-Bidjan.

"The creation of a Jewish autonomous region in the Far East has provoked great interest in America," the Ambassador stated. "However, what I have seen now with my own eyes in this region has made a tremendous impression upon me. The work of developing the region is only starting. Jewish pioneers are fertilizing the waste and unpopulated territory.

OPEN BIRO-BIDJAN TO POLISH JEWRY



Michael Kallinin, president of the Soviet Republic, which last week announced the opening of Biro-Bidjan to Jewish immigrants from Poland.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

MOSCOW—Transportation of fifteen hundred Jews from Poland to Biro-Bidjan will start in February as commencement of an organized immigration of Polish Jews into Soviet Russia, it was officially announced here last week.

The permission for Polish Jews to migrate to Biro-Bidjan was obtained as a result of negotiations between Soviet authorities and Dr. M. Suritz, representative of Agro-Yid, Jewish organization in Poland established for the purpose of aiding the migration of Polish Jews to Biro-Bidjan. Dr. Suritz, who upon his arrival at Moscow, was received by President Kallinin, will organize the migration of the first group to the autonomous Jewish region.

Prior to seeing President Kallinin, Dr. Suritz paid a visit to the Polish Ambassador in Moscow. Dr. Suritz informed the envoy he came to the Soviet to submit a memorandum to the government, asking permission for

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CANTOR AND MUSSOLINI DISCUSS FILM PROJECTS

ROME (JTA)—Eddie Cantor, film, radio and stage comedian now touring Europe, was granted an audience at Venezia Palace here last week by Premier Mussolini, who discussed with the actor his plans for making moving pictures in Italy with American capital.

With Cantor was John L. McBride, United States attache, who came to the comedian's rescue when it was discovered that he had forgotten his passport and his ticket of admission to Il Duce's presence.

BRITISH ORDER PROBE OF IRAQ BAN ON PAPERS

LONDON (JTA)—The British government has ordered its Ambassador in Iraq to institute an inquiry on the ban of foreign Jewish papers in that country, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, British Secretary of State for Colonies, last week informed questioners in the House of Commons.

PALESTINE SURPLUS NOW \$18,000,000

JERUSALEM (JTA)—The Palestine government had a surplus of £3,654,280 (approximately \$18,000,000) on October 31, it was officially announced. The total of coins and notes now in circulation is £4,566,964, officials stated.

PARIS DISAVOWS INTENT TO OPEN DRIVE ON JEWS

PARIS (JTA)—The Jewish Telegraphic Agency was asked last week by French authoritative circles definitely to deny that anti-Jewish measures will be enacted against Jewish immigrants in France. The Jewish press was asked through the Jewish Telegraphic Agency not to accept any such alarming reports without verifying them.

GOLD REPORTS SUCCESS ON RETURN FROM MISSION

NEW YORK (JTA)—Rabbi Wolf Gold, president of the American Mizrahi, returned last week from Palestine, where he went as a member of a Mizrahi commission to restore peace between the two Mizrahi factions there.

He announced the commission had been completely successful in its mission, that a thorough understanding had been reached between the dissenting groups and harmony restored in the rank of Palestinian Mizrahi.

The agreement had been submitted to a special meeting of the World Mizrahi Executive and overwhelmingly ratified, Rabbi Gold reported.

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BETH SHALOM NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Celebrating the calendar New Year, ending the Old and beginning the New, has become a universal custom. Through an optimistic sense the significance of the day causes one not only to reflect but look ahead for better days and years to come, with a self made promise to better one's thoughts and action. The evening of the New Year is then usually devoted to dinner and entertainment.

In Pittsburgh it is expected that Public Dining Rooms and Ballrooms will be over-crowded New Years eve, regardless of reservations.

The Beth Shalom New Year's Party Committee, is this year limiting its reservations to comfortable seating capacity, the number being exactly 320 persons. This will permit roomy dining space beside a large dancing area. An excellent turkey dinner will be served at 11:30 p. m., with dancing from 9 p. m. to 4 a. m. The orchestra will be directed by a leading theater man, one who has made a specialty of dancing rhythm. Novelty singing will be a feature of this orchestra. Beside the evening of dancing and turkey dinner, ginger ale will be given without charge, and at 3 a. m. black coffee with cake will be served.

The cost of this full evening is \$6.00 per couple. Although invitations have been issued, the committee in charge of this New Year's party are using this column to notify those interested that reservations will be accepted in the order received; but to avoid disappointments due to patrons' last minute reservations, it is urged those contemplating table parties to send or phone their reservations without delay.

Beth Shalom New Year's Party Committee, Auditorium, Beacon and Shady Avenues. Elmer Hamburg, chairman; Max Moses, co-chairman; B. T. Glick, treasurer; Ernest Prince, chairman reservations; Irving Stein, Abe Edison, Ed. Feinberg, reservation associates; Max Pearlman, catering; Mrs. Meyer Rosenthal, menu; Abe Caplan, chairman, music committee; Harry Rosenberg, favors; Mrs. David Hill, flowers; Mrs. M. L. Avner, reception committee; Isaac Rogow, publicity. A very able and active committee has been selected to assist their chairman.

LADIES' HOSPITAL AID SOCIETY TO HAVE LINEN INGATHERING DAY

Linen Ingathering Day to be observed in the Y. M. and W. H. A., December 27, at 2:15 o'clock will mark the twenty-seventh year of activity for the sewing group of the Ladies' Hospital Aid Society. In 1898, seventeen women under the leadership of Mrs. Barnett Davis formed this society for philanthropic work. The sewing committee was created several years later with Mrs. M. A. Goodstone as chairman. These workers met once each week and made up hospital supplies for the Montefiore Hospital. During the past year the sewing committee headed by Mrs. Louis Goldman, has made up more than 10,000 articles for the hospital. Because of the increased demands, Mrs. Goldman and her co-workers, who include Mrs. Alex. Gordon, Mrs. Joseph Landau, Mrs. Edward Sheinberg, Mrs. Joseph Goldberg, Mrs. Mary Azen, Mrs. Lena Goldberg, Mrs. Louis Gorfinkell, Mrs. William Harrison, Mrs. Anna Lazarus, Mrs. Sarah Mendelson, Mrs. Louis Mogul, Mrs. Charles Sachs, Mrs. Louis Schwartz, Mrs. Jacob Sheffler, Mrs. Lazarus Simon and

Mrs. Sarah Zidman, sew all day Tuesday and Wednesday in Montefiore Hospital.

During the regime of Mrs. Henry Finkelpark linen ingathering day was inaugurated. In former years, it was customary for members and friends of the Ladies' Hospital Aid Society to make voluntary contributions to get funds for purchasing linen supplies to be made up by the sewing committee.

At the meeting scheduled December 27, for the first time, there will be no solicitations of funds. The ways and means committee functioning under the direction of Mrs. Simon Seegman will announce the results of the money project which has been under way.

Mrs. J. deS. Freund, president of the Ladies' Hospital Aid Society, will preside, and Mrs. Louis Goldman will give a report summarizing the year's work of her committee. Other features of this program planned by Mrs. Jerome Seder, program chairman, are a talk by Abraham Oseroff, director of the Montefiore Hospital, and musical selections by Charles Pallos, violinist, accompanied by Miss Margaret Wilhelm.

YOUNG MEN & WOMEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION

FREE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM SUNDAY NIGHT

A program of one-act plays will be offered by the Student Division of the "Y" Playhouse Sunday night, December 23rd, in the Morris Kaufmann Auditorium. This program which undoubtedly will provide an evening of interest and entertainment is being offered free to all members of the "Y." The plays were selected under the personal supervision of Irwin M. Ringold, promotion manager of the Playhouse, who also had charge of casting and directing. Satire, comedy and straight drama are represented in the types of plays to be given.

An unusual feature of this first Student Division program is the participation of the Beaver Falls Section of the National Council of Jewish Juniors. Their play is entitled "Singapore Spider."

DR. MORDECAI M. KAPLAN WILL GIVE THREE-DAY INSTITUTE

Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, recognized as the outstanding Jewish educator in America and author of a number of works on Jewish problems, will come to Pittsburgh as the fourth lecturer on the "Y" series for a three-day institute on January 15th, 16th and 17th. Dr. Kaplan's most recent book, "Judaism As a Civilization," has been hailed as probably the most constructive piece of writing on a Jewish subject since Maimonides.

In presenting Dr. Kaplan the Lecturers' Committee is bringing to Pittsburgh a distinguished leader in Jew-

ish thought and action. Dr. Kaplan is head of the Jewish Theological Seminary and Dean of Teachers Institute. As a leader and teacher he has been the inspiration for hundreds of young men who have taken up the ministry as a profession and who have adopted the theories recently propounded in his book "Judaism As a Civilization." The Conservative Synagogue of America is directly traceable to Dr. Kaplan's preaching and teaching.

Because Dr. Kaplan's new book, "Judaism As a Civilization" is regarded as being of the utmost importance to Jewish thinking and Jewish living, it was decided to have him speak three nights in order to give him an opportunity to discuss his philosophy fully.

Subscribers to the Lecture Series will be admitted all three nights without extra charge upon presentation of their season tickets. Single tickets will be for sale at 25c to members for the three lectures and 50c to non-members.

ATTORNEY SYLVIA SCHLESINGER WILL ADDRESS OFFICE REVIEW CLUB

In line with its policy to present interesting programs, the Office Review Club will sponsor Miss Sylvia Schlesinger, well known attorney, who will address the club on Thursday evening, December 27, at 8:00 p. m. Miss Schlesinger is well qualified to give a most interesting talk on the field of legal stenography. The regular class work will be suspended for this night and everyone is welcome to attend the discussion.

STUDENT FORUMS

The Student Council of the Y. M. & W. H. A., the Pitt Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. are sponsoring a series of five student luncheon forums on Fridays at the Y. M. H. A. building. Dr. T. Z. Koo addressed the first meeting on December 7th and William Pickens was the speaker on December 14th. The next meeting will take place on Friday, January 4th, when J. Middleton Murray, famous English author and biographer, will be the speaker. On January 11th, Francis P. Miller, Secretary of the Foreign Policy Association, will speak and on January 18th, Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, Dr. Bernard C. Clausen and a prominent representative of the Catholic faith will conduct a good will seminar. The only charge is 35c for the luncheon.

These meetings bring together a great many Jewish and non-Jewish students of the various schools of higher learning and provide a splendid discussion forum on problems affecting young people.

ISAAC SEDER EDUCATIONAL CENTER

Milton Susman, registrar of the Isaac Seder Educational Center, has

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The Federation of Jewish Philanthropies Now Able to Perform Greater Service Than Ever Before

Entrance of the Federal government into the local welfare picture on a widespread scale has enabled the 15 member-agencies of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies to devote themselves more intensively to constructive and preventive work among the underprivileged members of the Jewish community.

A study of the Federation's work revealed that greater emphasis is today being placed upon guidance and service which will help lead the unfortunate back to self-support and independence, rather upon simply material help.

Where heretofore most efforts of the units affiliated under the Federation had to be directed chiefly toward emergency relief, close attention may now be given the health, domestic problems and recreational needs of Jewish families and individuals, it was found. In underprivileged families where these problems do not exist, or are not uppermost, relief is being rendered by the County Relief Board, which is a governmental agency.

That does not mean, however, that the burden of need for the Federation's work has been lessened. On the contrary, it was found that the member-organizations are able to expand the scope of their efforts to cover a sorely-needed requirement for ser-

vice. The more than \$300,000 budget requested by the Federation for the coming year of the Community Fund, from which it receives support, will be used primarily to restore morale in destitute families where poverty and worry have taken their toll in broken spirit and health, to care for dependent Jewish children, provide medical service to the needy, to give guidance and help to friendless adults and boys and girls who have problems which seem insoluble, and to provide wholesome recreational opportunities for men, women and children in the more congested areas of the community.

Approximately one-third of the local Jewish population, directly benefit by the work of the 15 agencies affiliated with the Federation, it is estimated.

Although the more remote effects of the far-flung activities carried on by Federation workers can never be ascertained, it is definitely known that some 35,000 units of service were rendered last year. Allowing for the possibility that perhaps half of these services were duplicates given people who needed more than one type of aid, the assumption may be drawn that about 17,000 separate Jewish individuals—nearly one-third the total Jewish population in this area—received benefits of the Jewish social program here.

compiled some very interesting statistics for the first semester. Out of 212 students who were attending classes at the end of the semester, 114 were high school graduates who were unable to attend college; 71 were college or professional school graduates or both and 12 are still attending a local college or university. Only 15 have had merely a grammar school training. A large number of high school graduates attending the classes substantiates the claim of the Educational Committee that there is a real need in Pittsburgh for the kind of school being conducted at the "Y."

It is also interesting to note that the Center has among its student body a remarkably diversified group of occupations represented. Office and clerical workers lead the list, with teachers second; housewives

and students are next. There is also a goodly number of clerks and sales people. Social workers, attorneys, real estate and insurance brokers, librarians, artists, merchants, musicians, accountants and various other occupations are also represented.

The Isaac Seder Educational Center has established itself as one of the outstanding adult education schools in this territory. The faculty is recognized as one of the best in the city and the classes are conducted along the lines of the best educational procedure.

The second semester will begin January 14th with registration starting on January 7th. All who are interested in taking courses should apply to Milton Susman, registrar, at the "Y."

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EDITORIALS

The office of the AMERICAN JEWISH OUTLOOK this week has seemed more like a reception hall than a business office. By personal visits, telephone, telegraph, and letter the reading public has greeted this new publication with enthusiasm. Constructive criticisms and suggestions have poured in and many readers will note in subsequent issues that their advice has been acted upon.

We are delighted that the public looks upon this paper as their own. We ask their continued support as long as we merit their confidence by living up to the fundamental statement of faith contained in our opening number. Never before in the history of Jewry has there been a greater need for courageous leadership, sympathetic understanding, and a reversion to the fundamental ethical ideals of Judaism. We dedicate ourselves to the humble part that we can play.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF AMERICAN JEWRY

In all our wanderings we Jews have always looked to the countries of our birth for religious guidance, for decisions in matter of observance, and for our supply of Rabbanim, Chazanim, and Schochtim (Rabbis, Cantors, and those highly-educated leaders versed in the slaughter of animals according to Jewish law). After the Babylonian Exile, Jewry still looked to Judea even though the Babylonian Jew was rich and well-learned. When Babylonia declined and the center of Jewry moved to Europe the same attitude was maintained towards Babylonia. And when the Jews moved eastward, they leaned on the countries of Spain and France.

Fortunately Babylonia had developed the great Jewish civilization around its schools of Sora and Pumpeditha and when the sole responsibility of Jewish survival was forced on Babylonian Jewry, it was prepared to carry on.

Fortunately Spain, France, and western Europe, in turn, were prepared when the responsibility was forced on them. And now American Jewry which up until the present has looked to Europe for religious inspiration and guidance, must stand on its own feet and take up the load of Jewish survival. All that we need is confidence in ourselves.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH JUNIORS

One of the finest types of service that any organization can render is that of enabling students to continue their education. The Pittsburgh Section of the Council of Jewish Juniors has been carrying on a unique activity. Through its High School Scholarship Maintenance Fund, it has been supplying needy Jewish boys and girls attending high school with money for carefare, lunches, and clothing.

The public of Pittsburgh is to be given a real opportunity to help in this work and at the same time enjoy a first-run moving picture performance at the Fulton Theatre. Full information is to be found in the news section of this paper.

EIGHT HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY MAIMONIDES

World Jewry which has so much to separate it into factions welcomes the splendid occasion for a united celebration under the leadership of the Spanish Government this coming March. Eight hundred years ago, on March 30, 1135, Maimonides was born in Cordova, Spain. Maimonides was one of the great men of all time. Although he wandered over the face of Europe, Asia, and Africa with his father and brother, seeking religious tolerance, he was able to prove himself a good jeweler, a great philosopher, an influential author, and a physician so great that both Saladin and Richard the Lion-hearted wanted him as a personal physician.

JEWISH CALENDAR

Rosh Chodesh Shebat	Saturday, Jan. 5
Chamisha Osor B'Shabat	Saturday, Jan. 19
Rosh Chodesh Adar I	{ Sunday, Feb. 3
	{ Monday, Feb. 4
Rosh Chodesh Adar II	{ Tuesday, March 5
	{ Wednesday, March 6
Fast of Esther	Monday, March 18
Purim	Tuesday, March 19



FARMING IN PALESTINE

THE OUTLOOK'S OPEN FORUM

In keeping with our announced policy of inviting the exchange of viewpoint on questions of importance to the Jewish community, we offer space on this page for letters and comments from our readers. It is understood that this paper accepts no responsibility for the viewpoints expressed. Only signed communications will be printed.

The American Jewish Outlook,
Union Bank Bldg.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Gentlemen:

Not so long ago there was issued a periodical titled "Menace," which breathed hatred and intolerance toward a certain group of Americans.

Later, the Ku Klux Klan brought out an issue which breathed more intolerance and more hatred toward more groups of Americans, including those of the Jewish faith.

We Jews were loud in our cries for tolerance among religious groups toward each other. We espoused the cause of tolerance on the streets, we preached it from our pulpits. We decried these venomous un-American thrusts towards peoples who wanted to live decently and with respect among each other.

We Jews as a people, have endeavored to walk with such dignity and be bound by such ethics as to inspire the respect and confidence of our fellow Americans of other creeds.

However, from among our own group, there is a periodical which is broadcast in large numbers, directing accusations toward institutions which we of the Pittsburgh Jewry have long honored as among the finest and most constructive elements of our group.

How are our Gentile neighbors to honor and trust us if they are led to believe that we, as a people, not only mistrust each other, but those institutions which represent some of the most important factors of our Jewish life?

It is regrettable but true, that our past history proves that only too

often are our good intentions misunderstood, and a wrong light shed thereon.

These utterances are fraught with peril, in so far as the possible consequences are concerned with our non-Jewish neighbors, and I believe that there is in them more potential danger to us than there was in any of the other class papers inspired by other groups.

I believe that an examination of the people who represent us on the Boards of our various Jewish institutions will prove that they are, for the most part, a group who have a good record of accomplishment behind them in their personal as well as public affairs, and if there are grievances, whether imaginary or real, it is hardly for the best interests of the Jewish community as a whole, that these grievances be aired on the public thoroughfare.

We should remember that the Jew has always been on trial in the eyes of other groups and many will be quick to grasp at utterances publicly made by our group, to be used against us; particularly in this day when we, as a race, have a very serious problem, and a much more serious problem in this country than many of us realize.

Let us all be big enough to subjugate our personal desires for the common good of all.

Very truly yours,
Herbert Hoehstetter.

THE WEEK'S BEST EDITORIAL

In order to bring to our readers the best thought of other Jewish newspapers, we offer as a unique column each week the editorial that impresses us most.—The Editor.

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MRS. KOHUT'S CHALLENGE

The spirit and problems of the time were admirably defined by Mrs. Rebekah Kohut in her recent membership drive appeal for the National Council of Jewish Women. The time has passed when the individual could claim to be master of his own destiny. In this complex civilization of ours it is all too easy to be caught in the web of war and economic distress. The individual's only safeguard, as Mrs. Kohut pointed out, is in organization. What the individual can not do himself, he can nevertheless achieve by group action, organization.

In the National Council of Jewish Women, which she helped create 41 years ago, Mrs. Kohut sees an instrument which the Jewish women of America can use to make their voice heard, an instrument to shape their own destinies. It must be remembered that Jewish groups in isolated cities and towns cannot affect the destiny of the Jews of America, or of the world, unless they are joined together by a common purpose and a common ideal. This has been most dramatically illustrated by the assistance given by the whole Jewish community in the relief of German Jewry.

Nor could much be accomplished without such organizations as the Council of Jewish Women. The career of the Council has been one of commendable performance and progress. There have been welded together in it the intelligence, enthusiasm, energy and idealism of thousands of American Jewish women of all shades of Jewish faith, whose work has gained distinction on both sides of the Atlantic. It will not be easy for the Council to double its membership of 40,000—the goal set—but it will undoubtedly go a long way toward the achievement of that goal before its triennial convention in New Orleans from March 10 to 15. Certainly Mrs. Kohut's plea will not go unheeded.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS

The claim of the Arabs to land on Mount Canaan based on an alleged five hundred year old title has just been denied. Five hundred years is a long time in the history of most nations, but a good title much older than this can be offered by the Jews.

From Warsaw comes word that one of the oldest Jewish inhabitants died at the age of 108. Among other things he attributed his long life to fasting every Thursday. In the case of a young person this would be a fad; but even a fad wins respect if carried on long enough.

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In Washington, a Jewish educator informed an audience of fellow-Jewish educators that we ought not teach anything about the Creator to children because "We have no right to stuff the children's minds with what we ourselves do not believe." And he referred to the "primitive" notions frequently given to children. Advocating agnostic and even atheistic Bible-teaching suggests that someone is primitive-minded—but not the children.

PETER FREUCHEN: JEWISH ESKIMO

By
Michel Kraike

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Imagine a man eight feet tall, weighing close to 330 pounds, with a head like a grizzly bear's and a thick, square red beard, with a booming voice too savage for his twinkling gray-blue eyes and shrewd nose; a man who lumbers through New York's winter streets hatless and coatless...and you have pictured to yourself Peter Freuchen, the Danish explorer, trader among the Eskimos, formerly Resident Governor of Thule Colony, Greenland; international lecturer, and author. This man, who epitomizes everything we associate with the Vikings, is a Jew, perhaps the most unique Jew alive.

His fame is but recent; despite a lifetime of exploration and adventure among the Eskimos in the Arctic, Captain Freuchen was for long known chiefly to explorers, adventurers, scientists, anthropologists and others interested in Arctic study. Then he came to America for a brief lecture engagement and managed to arouse interest in his book, "Eskimo," which had already appeared in several foreign languages. The book was translated and published, but did not



Peter Freuchen, Danish explorer, former resident governor of a Greenland colony, has lived in the far north so many years that he is truly a "Jewish Eskimo."

create a stir; although a novel, it was considered too ethnographical for popular consumption. And then some Hollywood genius awoke with the inspiration to do a motion picture about the Eskimos. Freuchen's book was bought, and he was sent with the MGM expedition to Alaska where the picture was to be filmed.

Up to this time Freuchen had no idea he was an actor. But after he had chosen genuine Eskimos for various roles, he could not find an actor who would look like the trader in his book—so he played the villain's role himself! His all-around achievement is motion picture history.

A queer, unconventional man is Freuchen, as I discovered to my discomfort when I met him here in New York. I was making arrangements to collaborate with him in his English writings, (a partnership which has proven signally profitable and pleasant since). We were at the time walking through a miniature blizzard on Sixth Avenue, when he suddenly turned to me, roared a few choice cuss-words at the Germans, and said half his income was gone because his books were banned there.

"Your books?" I asked, astonished. "What then?" he shot back, towering over me like a snow-man. "I'm a Yehudi."

That was the first inkling I had, that we were racial brothers. At subsequent meetings he told me, piecemeal, something about himself.

Growing up in Denmark he might never have known he was a Jew had it not been for his mother. Certainly his father was not typically Jewish—all his life a seaman and South American merchant, whose comings and goings were great events in the idyl-

licious Peter's life. The boy stuck to school until he was almost through college, anxious to obey his mother and become a lawyer or a good business man, but adventure beckoned. One morning his mother found his bed unoccupied. He had run off during the night, become a sailor, and shipped to Greenland on a whaler. Already a giant, Peter held his own with men twice his age, and learned to hurl the harpoon unerringly, to trim sail in a storm, and to laugh in the teeth of death.

Returning home after going as meteorologist on the Mylius Ericsen expedition among the smaller Arctic islands, Peter found his father waiting for him. The old man was stern and emphatic; he wanted his son to resume his studies. So Peter went back to college to study medicine, hoping thus to be sent among the Eskimos, whose way of life intrigued him, but who needed hygienic instruction. Alas, he proved such a bad medical student that his dean politely advised his parents to turn their son's ambitions in another direction. This was all the incentive Peter needed. He jumped his bonds again and sailed for London, where he undertook the study of surveying, having read in books of exploration how vitally necessary surveyors were in trackless lands.

In 1910 Peter justified his choice of a career. He was chosen to go together with Knud Rasmussen up to the extreme north of Greenland, there to found the station of Thule. It was from there that Peary had left the year before to discover the North Pole, and the two Danish explorers found that Peary had already done much to improve the conditions of the aborigines.

A Gifted Linguist

Freuchen, who is a gifted linguist and speaks almost every European tongue, including English, had no trouble learning the Eskimo dialect; and soon he was looked upon as an anagok, a medicine man in touch with the divine spirits, so that his influence over the natives was great. Recognizing this, the Danish government appointed him Resident Governor of Thule Colony in 1913, a post he held for seven years. During the years of the World War, the sea blockade prevented ships from coming up and Freuchen had to resort to the ways of the Eskimos for survival, since he could get no supplies. Across the Greenland Ice-cape, and to distant Ellesmere land he went foraging for food; hunting, fishing, traveling with the ever-happy Eskimos, he discovered a new philosophy of life that went far beyond the white man's in providing a life of contentment.

Until 1924 Freuchen continued to accompany Rasmussen on expedi-

tions into the remote north of Canada, learned all the Eskimo dialects, learned to love them.

No wonder then, that he married a Canadian Eskimo girl, Navaranna, "the finest human being I have ever met," who bore him two children, a girl, Pipaluk, and a boy, Staq, who are both living in the farthest north because their wise father assured them they were far happier as Eskimos than they would be as whites. Freuchen's wife is dead, but he still speaks of her with glowing affection, and every book and story he writes has another variation of her for a heroine.

Captain Freuchen is just fifty years old, but his naivete, learned among the Eskimos, protects him as a child is protected from the hardness, from the hypocrisy of the white world he visits. For instance, when he first met the wife of his great friend, Rockwell Kent, she exclaimed: "What a wonderful beard!"

"You like it?"—and he cut off a great piece and gave it to her. That's the man!

In 1928 he gave up his various interests, including his extensive farm in Denmark, to lend his lore and experience to the search for Roald Amundsen who was lost in the Noble flight beyond Arctic Russia. Among Russia's Eskimos he found remarkable change, development, progress—and was delighted to see the sympathetic Russian approach to these strange, outlandish members of the Soviet family. To me he said: "That bit of me which is unadulterated Jewish always cried out at sight of Eskimos practicing their odd family customs. In some places girl babies were killed lest they endure privations. In other places I saw mothers kill their young to save them from hunger. That's why I did all in my power, as trader and governor and missionary, to get them to soften the ferocity of their family love. They were puzzled to see me living with one wife until she died; because they are used to exchanging and replacing wives frequently. I think, though, the Eskimos thought I wanted to save expenses."

A World Tour

Between 1924 and the present day, Captain Freuchen has lectured around the world on the subject he knows best: the Eskimo. Such men as Roy Chapman Andrews, Willhaljmar Stevenson, and equally famous explorers, speak of him as one of God's noblemen. And this I found him to be; a man of mellowed idea, a man of immense understanding and tolerance and love of humanity. He has starved among Canadian Indians, frozen a leg off among the gold-seekers of the Klondike (he has a wooden leg today), and throughout all—even his picture making—he has remained a poor man. "I don't need money, because you see, I'm poor." That is his way of laughing off his lacking acquisitiveness.

We saw him off on the ship bound

for Denmark, not so very long ago. He was returning to his second wife and his farm for a while. Laughingly he told us:

"A long time ago, when I was a young man, I went to the north; way up to Greenland, the northernmost country in the world. After three weeks I knew everything about it—people, nature, and what not. But at that time I knew everything about life, too. After I had remained there ten years I began to realize that there were things about the natives I could not quite understand. Now, I have been dealing with Eskimos

for twenty-seven years closely; now I admit that I do not know anything about them. But, alas, I do not know anything about anything else, either. Perhaps I grow wiser as I grow older..."

Three weeks later I learned by cable that he had been temporarily arrested in Germany, his manuscripts and papers confiscated, his journey interrupted as he was passing across from home to the Balkans on a lecture engagement. His cable ended:

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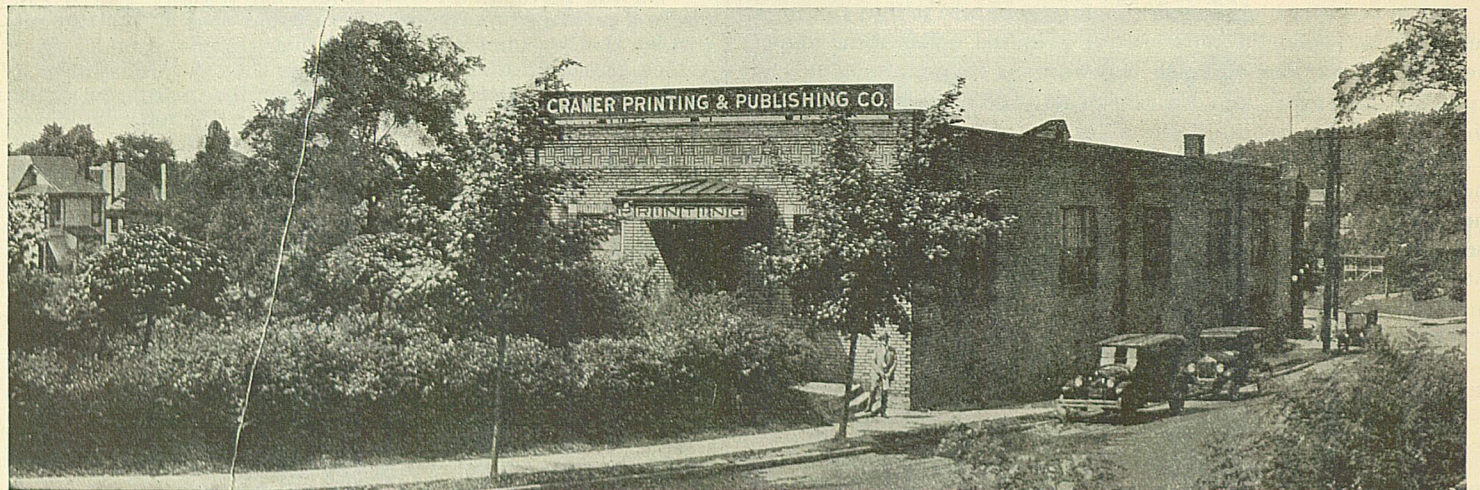
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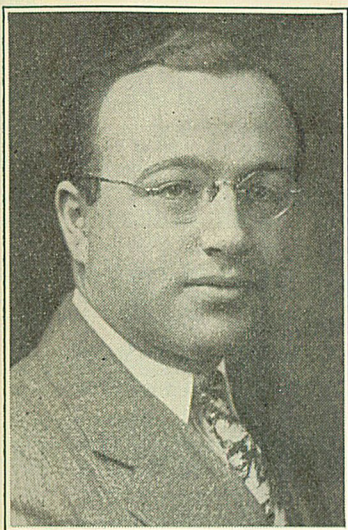
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POLITICAL USES OF THE RACE DOGMA

By
Nathan Miller

In the welter of economic, social, and political movements now sweeping the world, one must not underestimate the popular pull of the race credo. Even in the United States, the classic "melting pot" of the modern world, there is latent an imponderable explosive element of unknown proportions in the racial hatreds which can be evoked under the proper stimulus. And the stimulus is now making itself felt as a result of the prolonged economic depression under which we have been suffering for over five years. Historically, racialism experiences its greatest revivals in the midst of social upheavals which are in turn consequences of economic misery. When people seek a way out of their plight and the ambitious politician or demagogue seeks a "way in" to power, nothing seems more appropriate to these designs than to stir the embers of popular lore, to burnish up the tawdry pseudo-science of the dogma of race.

Curiously enough, the modern forms of racialism are the products of academic or pseudo-intellectual attempts at sociological analysis. Although popular fear and suspicion of



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the outsider or stranger is a commonplace of history among all peoples, never has this sentiment been built up to the dignity of a specious theory with all its scientific trappings until the whole idea was taken in hand in the nineteenth century by a coterie of presumably learned professors and publicists. It is another example of that "treason of the clerics" which Julien Benda has described so trenchantly in Europe. It is, in other words, another witness of that type of fawning, irresponsible intellectualism of the educated class which is always at the beck and call of dominant classes. One may assert definitely that the abominations which pass in the name of "racial purity" would probably never have reached the proportions they are now taking throughout the world if the idea had been left entirely without the intervention of this corrupt doctrinal leadership.

This theory of race as lately expounded runs true to the general idea that there are unbridgeable abysses which separate species of men by birth alone, and according to the tenets of this idea these abysses cannot be seen by the eye alone; they are more subtle and evanescent, requiring all the delicate instruments and insights of pundits and scholars. The common experience of ordinary men would probably be apt to resolve all mankind into one mould if left to itself. But it is interested parties and groups that resurrect racial arrogance and antagonism to rationalize social control and discrimination as then existing, or, as in the contemporary case of Nazi Germany, to wrest power up for themselves.

Count Gobineau, a French aristocrat, is to be held largely responsible for the popularization of racialism in the middle of the nineteenth century. Distressed and aroused over the series of revolutionary disturbances in France beginning in 1789, this dilettante resurrected various fabulous ideas of older reactionaries, for the purpose of combatting the continuous threat of social revolution such as was expressed in France in 1830 and 1848. In his case it was avowedly the threat to the perquisites of his class which impelled him to concoct a racial interpretation of the revolutionary disturbances as the rising of inferior Celts against the Germanic nobility. These latter citizens, of an "Aryan" stock supposedly, belonged to a racial aristocracy by blood. The bourgeoisie apparently threatened by an upsurge of the proletariat could now wrap itself in the ineffable garments of mystic purity—as a prop to power. Gobineau's influence, however, was never very profound in France, or elsewhere for that matter, until the rise of nationalism in Europe.

The last decade of the nineteenth century witnessed the great rise of German nationalism, and with it a remarkable growth of racial pride, or pan-Germanism. Strangely enough, the intellectual pabulum to support these doctrines was supplied chiefly by the Frenchman, Gobineau, and the Englishman, H. S. Chamberlain. The latter perpetrated literary abomination of confused, half-baked lore and pseudo-science entitled "Foundations of the Nineteenth Century," which for wilful bragadaccio, conceit and mendacity can be matched only by the modern opus of Adolf Hitler himself. Chamberlain became the apostle of Teuton racial pride, its anti-Semitism and its boisterous "Aryan" creed. Kaiser Wilhelm II himself became an intense propagandist for Chamberlain, read the work of his sons and had copies of it distributed to officers of his army and throughout the libraries of his land.

Chamberlain's Work

Analysis of Chamberlain's work reveals a contempt of the scientific, factual, and historical approach to the intricate tale of human intermixing. With an aplomb worthy of the seer, "pure science" is dismissed as a plaything and replaced by intuitive, obscurantist mental processes and a prior reasoning. Which reminds one distinctly of the official Nazi pronouncements against science and reversions to "blood" as the new and exuberant determination of human values. Nowhere in the work of Chamberlain is the abstraction "race" reduced to a positive, certainly not, quantitative basis; with a baffling assurance, all historical retrogression is related to "mixture" of races or the defilement of an original and factitious "pure" race.

In more recent times a school of more dignified but also more pedantic anthropologists has sought to supply a more secure underpinning to these vaporings and vagaries. Scientific terminology and statistical technique cannot hide the essential vapidity, however, and the wishful thinking of such typical writers of this school as Eugen Fischer, the recently-in-

stalled director of the University of Berlin. The gist of these theories is to the effect that the Nordic (or Aryan) race is the heroic, the intellectual, progressive and culture-bearing type, by the side of which the "Alpine" and "Mediterranean" stocks of Europe and of course the "colored" races are eclipsed in all respects. Moreover,—and what is really more pertinent,—the diminution in influence of the aristocratic, militaristic, and virile stocks is seriously threatened by the strident, spawning rabble who are inspired by false democratic, equalitarian and industrial movements. The ideality of Naziism finds its genesis here.

Criteria of Race

What are, after all, the supposed "unalterable" criteria of race? Most of the evidence accumulated painstakingly by reputable biologists, anthropologists and historians points unmistakably to the unity of mankind. It is, therefore, an extremely baffling problem to try to extricate definitive physical race criteria out of contemporary mankind, itself the end result of millennia of intermixture and interbreeding. Modern science abhors generally the doctrine of leaps or hiatuses in life phenomena. If "race" physically considered really means anything, it is only as a statistical average, or mode or generalization. In the light of any of the differentia or stigmata used, such as skin color, brain weight, height or eye-color, the distribution of type runs along the general line that would be true of almost any human fact. But most absurd of all is the contention solemnly advanced that certain mental or subtle intellectual characteristics, such as love of truth, literary ability, honesty, etc., is a function of skin color or color of the eyes. Temperament is a highly indistinct and complex phenomenon which is also regularly attributed by "racialists" to such things as physique or contour of the nose.

Race hatred is also supposed to be inborn but generally most cases of such antipathy may be ascribed to more valid social or economic causes. In Brazil, for instance, there is very little drawing of the so-called "color line" whereas in the United States it is a definite sociological characteristic, the reason being that with us the negro arrived in a condition of subjection and has been kept in the lower economic status since, whereas in Brazil he has always been given his economic freedom. History records numerous cases of antipathy between peoples on different economic stages as between herders and agriculturists and just as many cases of friendliness between peoples of different skin color but with congruent social systems. Some of the bitterest wars have been fought between peoples closely related by "race" as between the Scotch and the English, the Swedes and the Danes.

The "Aryan" concept is born of the imagination of a disordered or ignorant mind because as Max Muller, the great philologist and Orientalist avers, the term is a designation to differentiate language-forms rather than peoples. It is much more

exact to refer to an Aryan dictionary than it is to refer to an Aryan people. Besides, it is extremely difficult to say that modern culture springs from a definite "Aryan" source because the so-called "Aryans" of today are an extremely mixed amalgamation of many strains. The same is true, of course, of the Jews who have served so often as the butt of racial arrogance in the hands of ambitious political groups. The familiar caricature of the Jew, when scientifically examined, is shown to be a lying concoction and slander. That the Jews on the average display certain characteristics is a foregone result of their economic position true of modern times only. Originally these or their forebears were warlike, nomadic people—a far cry from the intellectualistic, urban folk living by trade and finance. Statistical study has shown the utter nonsense behind the supposed "Semitic nose" and other popular differentia of the so-called Jewish type.

Genius certainly does not altogether coincide with the racial stereotype. Goethe, for instance, from contemporary evidence, had "black hair, brown eyes, yellowish in later life, a distinctly dark complexion, oblique yellow teeth, and a slightly crooked nose." Beethoven was short and corpulent; he had coal-black hair, dark eyes and skin. In fact, it is easy to trace in his face slightly negroid characters. The latter fact is true of Pushkin and Dumas as well.

Apocryphal is also the claim that

civilizations, like Rome and Greece, declined because of excessive race-mixing, and the deterioration of the "pure" strain of the original rulers. The great powers of modern times, especially the empires, like Rome or Great Britain, have been notably tolerant of race and have been cosmopolitan in all that the word signifies. The deteriorated cultures are typically ingrown; the examples of the "purest" types are in the inaccessible mountains or deserts of the world, and always have been. Such people are notoriously backward in the civilizing qualities, in literature and the arts. At least they easily become stultified and culturally exhausted which is the probable fate of modern Germany and the other Fascist countries with their modern policy of "autarchy."

Robertson, the great student of Semitic civilization, once remarked: "Some of the manifestations of the sentiment of race by bodies of grown men are so absolutely on the level with the doings of schoolboys and some are so absolutely on a level with the doings of barbarians, that they almost seem to negate the notion of political evolution." Yet what an enormous popularity the racial concept assumes to distressed peoples, largely because it is the glib explanation of a baffling situation in which they find themselves. Race theories are little else, therefore, then the ideological disguises of the interests of exploiting economic, political and social classes.

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Peggy Perlman has returned from Smith; Bernice Steinberg and Edna Simon arrived Friday from Wellesley; Arthur Fischer has returned from the University of Florida; from Cornell came Ann Sunstein, Norine Fischer, Jack Freund and Thomas Frank. Jane Anathan arrived from the Baldwin School in Bryn Mawr; Alice Cohen from Bryn Mawr College; Betty Kraus from Simmons; Esther Grafman from the McDowell School of Costume Design, New York, and many others are on their way.

The Concordia Club's Collegiate Junior Cotillon will be held December 29th at 9 o'clock. It will be one of the smartest affairs of the season and a surprise from beginning to end. The committee promises a good time to all.

"The Paul Jones"

The undergraduate chapter of the Phi Delta Epsilon Fraternity, national medical fraternity, held their annual winter dance at the Hotel Schenley, Wednesday evening, December 19. Gilmore Sanes was the chairman of the affair.

Dinner was served in the Continental Dining Room and the music was furnished by Will Ryshane's orchestra. A large crowd attended the affair.

MEN'S CHRISTMAS STAG AND DANCE: Many women will be "poker widows" Christmas night when their husbands attend the annual Stag at the Concordia Club, their yearly "night out."

The Concordia Club announces the EPIC idea—Enjoy Parties in Concordia—and many people are adopting the suggestion. Mr. Maurice Falk celebrated his 68th birthday with an informal dinner to a small group of intimates there on Saturday, Dec. 15th; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kann and Mrs. Felix Weil entertained a few friends at dinner Monday night, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Strauss on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Feuchtwanger are giving a series of informal dinners at their home on Ferree Street.

"The Wedding March"

Mrs. B. Zeider, of Denniston Street, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Beatrice, to Mr. Milton Goldman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Goldman, of Niagara Street. The wedding took place December 12th in New York.

The Jewish Home for the Aged will be the scene of an interesting wedding on December 25th. Miss Sarah Zeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Zeman, of Landleiss Street, and Mr. Louis Unatin, of Donora, Pa., will be married at three o'clock, in the Chapel, with only members of

Home From School



Jane Anathan

the family present. There will be a reception afterwards. Following the reception the bridal couple will leave for a trip to New York where they will attend the Delta Phi Epsilon Convention. Upon their return they will make their home in Donora.

Among the out of town guests here for the wedding will be Mr. and Mrs. Unatin, of Beaver Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Turk, of East Liverpool; Mr. and Mrs. Browarsky, of Oakdale; Mr. and Mrs. Corman and Mrs. Leitz, of Canton, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Abner, of Steubenville.

Many parties have been given in honor of Miss Zeman's approaching marriage, among them a shower given by Mrs. Max Blank, at her home; a bridge party by Miss Ethel Engelman. The Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority entertained November 28th at a party at the home of Miss Virginia Raskin.

"Lucky Number Dance"

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph J. Egerman of Tilbury Street have announced the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn, to Paul L. Friedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Friedman, of East End. They plan an early summer wedding. Mr. Friedman is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh.

"Intermission"

Mrs. Edwin C. Rauh of Baltimore and New York and her daughter, Aimee, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Leo Weil, Jr., over the week-end.

Mrs. A. Blumenthal entertained them at dinner Saturday night and Mrs. Irwin Wolf on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Weil had a small dinner Monday evening at their home before the departure of their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Greenfield of McKeesport celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding on Sunday evening, December 16th. A large group of friends gathered at their home in honor of the occasion.

Two anniversaries and two engagements were the occasions for celebration at a party given at the William Penn Hotel Monday, December 17th. Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Gold and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sherman were celebrating their wedding anniversaries, and the engaged couples were Miss Wray Gold and Maurice A. Wheeler, and Miss Bertha Perin and Albert L. Zimmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard D. Levaur, who were married in November, have returned from a wedding trip to Miami and Ha-



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vana and are now at home in the New Wendover Apartments, on Hobart Street.

Mrs. Joseph Wender bid her many friends goodbye at a tea given by her mother, Mrs. Joel Spear, last Saturday. Mrs. Wender's sister, Mrs. Leo Levy, and her aunt, Mrs. Maurice W. Spear, poured. The table was decorated with large bouquets of white and yellow Chrysanthemums. Mrs. Wender wore a gown of silver lame; Mrs. Spear black satin.

Many of our friends are fortunate in being able to leave the

cold and fog for sunnier climes. Mrs. Irvin Lehman and her son, David, left sometime ago for Florida; Mrs. A. H. Speyer and her family left Thursday for their Southern home; Mrs. Samuel Weinhaus and Mrs. A. M. Hast plan to leave for California sometime in January, as do Mrs. Nettie Goodhart and Mrs. Morris Kaufmann. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Falk are leaving for Florida early in January.

"The New Steps"

The Children's Pot Pourri party will be given at the Concordia Club, Thursday, December 27th. A luncheon at 1 P. M. will be followed by an afternoon of wonderful entertainment—movies—magician—games of all kinds.

"The Prizes"

To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Friedman—a son, Thursday, December 13th, at the Montefiore Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eli E. Reich—a son, Joseph H. Reich, II, Sunday, December 16th, at the West Penn Hospital.

PI LAMBDA PHI MOTHERS ORGANIZE CLUB

At a Mother's Tea held last Sunday at the Pi Lambda Phi fraternity house, 225 N. Dithridge Street, the mothers present decided to organize a Mother's Club. Mrs. Saul Lavine was appointed temporary chairman, and a mother, representing each class, was made part of the temporary committee.

The mothers are Mrs. Charles Reizenstein, senior mother; Mrs. Grace Ehrman, junior mother; Mrs. Harry Berlin, sophomore mother, and Mrs. Saul Lavine, freshman mother.

Dr. Lotte Lohstoeter, associate professor of Modern Languages, at the University of Pittsburgh, spoke on the importance of fraternities for young men, and Dr. B. A. Goldmann, president of the Pi Lambda Phi Alumni Association of Western Pennsylvania, and instructor in the dermatology division of the University of Pittsburgh medical division, spoke on "The Mother's Place in Fraternity Life."

The first official meeting of the newly-formed Mother's Club is scheduled shortly after the holiday season.

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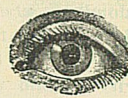
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Sabbath morning services begin at 9:15 o'clock. The rabbi preaches on the "Portion of the Week."

TREE OF LIFE LIBRARY

Several recent publications of great interest have been added to the "Tree of Life Library." Members and friends are invited to make use of the many books available for circulation, and the library is open at all times.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL MID-WINTER VACATION

The mid-winter vacation in the Religious School will begin Monday, December 24, and will be concluded on Tuesday, January 1.

WESTERN PENNA. BRANCH OF UNITED SYNAGOGUE

The Western Pennsylvania Branch of the United Synagogue of America is calling a conference of Jewish organizations to meet Sunday, January 6, in the Tree of Life Synagogue; the sessions beginning at 11 a. m. A special guest for the day will be Rabbi Samuel M. Cohen, Executive Director of the United Synagogue of America. There has been a warm and enthusiastic response to this Conference on the part of many of the surrounding communities.

The Sisterhoods of Beth Shalom, B'nai Israel, Beth-El of Beechview and Tree of Life Congregations are holding a joint public meeting on Wednesday afternoon, January 9 at the Beth Shalom Synagogue. Mrs. Samuel Spiegel, President of the National Women's League, will be the speaker.

BETH-EL CONGREGATION

SERVICES

Friday evening services begin at 4:30. Late services begin at 8:30. Rabbi Nathan M. Hurvitz will preach, and the choir will assist in the services. The hostesses last Friday evening, December 14, were Mrs. M. Miller, Mrs. H. Cammins and Mrs. N. M. Hurvitz.

Saturday morning services begin at 9:00 Chevra Torah meets with the Rabbi every Saturday at 3:00.

ACTIVITIES

Hebrew school meets daily at 4:00 p. m. Religious school meets every Sunday morning at 10:00. Report cards will be given to the children soon after the first of the year.

The Junior Sisterhood will hold its regular meeting Sunday, January 6, at 2:30 p. m.

The Bethel-El Alumni Group will meet on Saturday evening, December 29.

The Beth-El Alumni Group will meet Monday evening at 7:30 with Mr. Leonard Breakstone.

The Beth-El Judeans meet every Sunday at 1:30 p. m., with Mr. Abe Butler and Mr. Norman Groudine as leaders. The gym floor of the Fallowfield School will be used by the boys one night a week for basketball practice. Mr. Groudine will coach the teams.

The girls sorority will be re-organized with the Rabbi's assistance. A meeting will be held on Sunday, December 23, at 3:00 p. m.

The Shoshanoh group meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. A portion of last week's meeting was given over to sewing.

WELCOME

The congregations congratulates and welcomes Mr. Ben Weiss of the Embassy Apartments as a new member.

RODEF SHALOM CONGREGATION

SERVICES

The regular Sabbath Service will be held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Rabbi Kagan will preach.

Sunday services will be held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Dr. Freehof will speak on "Science Makes Peace with Religion," which is the third and final address of a series entitled "Three Unexpected Partnerships."

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS Mid-Winter Vacation

Classes in the Religious School will be held as usual Saturday December 22, and Sunday, December 23. The winter vacation includes Saturday, December 29, and Sunday, December 30.

Classes Resumed This Sunday

Classes will be resumed this Sunday. Mr. Lester Strauss will take charge of his class and Rabbi Kagan will conduct the discussion in his class.

Informal Dance to be Held Saturday, December 22

The Eighth Annual Informal Dance will be held this Saturday evening, December 22, at the Urban Room of the William Penn Hotel. Members can secure tickets from the chairman of the committee, Arnold Lange.

MEN'S SOCIETY BRIEF

Preparations are being made for a campaign which has for its purpose a substantial increase in the membership of the Men's Society. With added numbers the organization will be able to enlarge its program, and to be of more value to its members and to the congregation. Any male member of the congregation or any male person over the age of eighteen years whose family is affiliated with the Temple is eligible for membership. Shortly after the beginning of the new year the drive for new members will begin under the chairmanship of Mr. Harry S. Fleishman, financial secretary. If in the meantime, anyone who is eligible wishes to join, his application will be cordially received.

TEMPLE B'NAI ISRAEL McKEESPORT, PA.

Sabbath services are held on Friday evenings at 8 o'clock and Saturday mornings at 10:30 o'clock.

Plans are in progress for the New Year's Eve Dinner Dance sponsored by the Brotherhood of the Temple. This affair will be held in Byerly Crest, Lincoln Highway, from 11 p. m. to 6 a. m. Here is what is in store for all who attend: a delicious steak dinner, floor show, favors, gingerale and ice and a good orchestra. The assessment is \$6 a couple. Make reservations now with S. H. Hirshberg—McKeesport 5191 or Leo Seigle—McKeesport 4787; reservations are limited to 100 couples only.

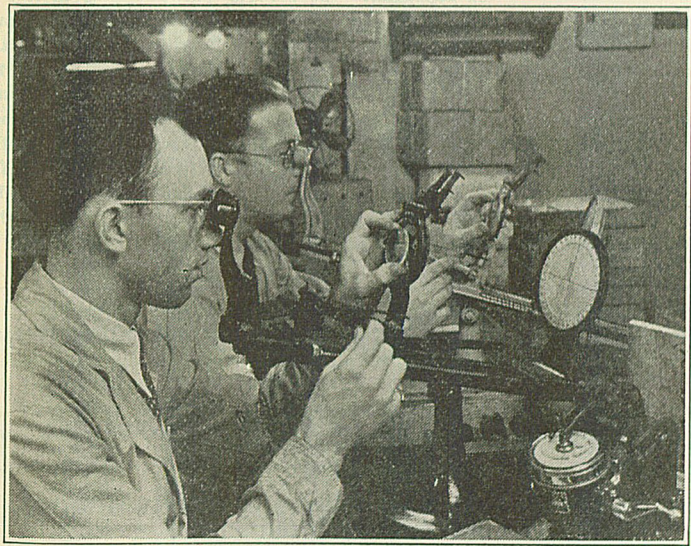
The services Friday evening, January 11, will be dedicated to the Sisterhood. Dr. Solomon B. Freehof, rabbi of the Rodef Shalom Temple, Pittsburgh, will deliver the sermon, the topic of which is "Our Place in the Modern World."

POALE ZEDECK PLAN NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Plans for a most enjoyable New Year's Eve party are being formulated by the Men's Club of the Poale Zedeck congregation. Dance music by a fine orchestra will begin at 10 o'clock, Monday evening, December 31, and will continue to 5 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The committee, under the chairmanship of Jerome Edlis, guarantees a good time, with tams and noisemakers aplenty. The auditorium will be attractively decorated.

A delicious breakfast will be served sometime during the small morning hours. Assessments for the dance and refreshments will be \$3.00 per couple, and tickets will be on sale at the door of the auditorium, corner Shady and Phillips Avenues, commencing Monday evening, December 31, at 9 o'clock.



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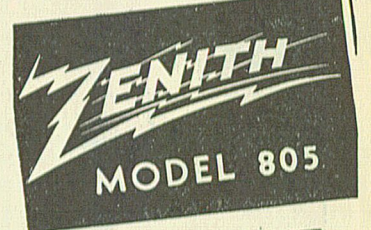
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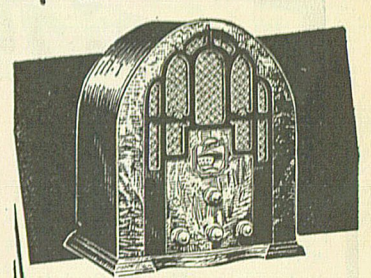
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**WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
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At the regular December meeting of the Women's Auxiliary Pittsburgh Lodge No. 44 B'nai B'rith the following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Simon Davis, honorary president; Mrs. I. A. Melnick, president; Mrs. M. J. Josephson, first vice-president; Mrs. Jerome Solomon, second vice-president; Mrs. Albert Martin, third vice-president; Mrs. A. Lichter, treasurer; Mrs. M. Golomb, recording secretary; Mrs. Bernard J. Tracht, financial secretary; Mrs. A. Schulberg, assistant financial secretary; Mrs. Samuel Wolf, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Nathan Wasserman, assistant corresponding secretary; Mrs. Sadie Berer, sentinel; Mrs. H. Schuman, Auditor; Mrs. Jack Melnick, guide; Mrs. Celia Martin, guardian; Mrs. Phillip Loevner, Mrs. I. S. Grossman, Mrs. Max Unger, Mrs. Nathan Goldstein, trustees.

Honorary board members are: Mrs. C. Steinberger, Mrs. Baer Horvitz, Mrs. H. Tolochko, Mrs. M. Zeisel, Mrs. Dora Sulzbacher. Board members are as follows: Mrs. M. Neiman, Mrs. N. Oshrey, Mrs. Charles Greenwald, Mrs. R. Davidson, Mrs. D. Richman, Mrs. Meyer Coleman, Mrs.

M. P. Meyers, Mrs. Louis Arenson, Mrs. S. Adler, Mrs. S. Block, Mrs. A. B. Montroll, Mrs. A. Gardner, Mrs. A. Tenenbaum, Mrs. M. H. Fivars, Mrs. I. Albert, Mrs. M. Weinberg, Mrs. S. Deaktor, Mrs. D. Himelblau, Mrs. N. H. Goldstein, Mrs. M. J. Rubel, Mrs. N. Schulman, Mrs. Dave Hill, Mrs. Charles Speer, Mrs. S. Newman and Mrs. M. A. Robbins.

Plans are being made for installation of officers to be held jointly with the men's lodge at a future date.

**BETH-EL SISTEROOD OF
BEECHVIEW**

The New Year's Eve party to be held in the auditorium of the synagogue promises to be an affair worth remembering. A well-known orchestra will furnish the music, which will begin at 10 o'clock and play all night. A full-course chicken dinner will be served at midnight.

Reservations are coming in fast, and the committee in charge urges that those who wish to attend make their reservations early. Only a limited number will be accommodated, and preference will be shown to those whose reservations come in first.

Mrs. A. Ballon, Lehigh 7552-J, is taking reservations. The assessments for the evening is \$3.50 per couple.

**PITTSBURGH SECTION,
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
JEWISH WOMEN**

**JUNIOR COUNCIL GIVES BUNDLE
BRIDGE**

Arrangements have been completed for the bundle bridge that the Council of Jewish Juniors will give on Sunday, December 23, at 2:00 p. m., at the Hotel Schenley as a benefit for Service Shop. Members of Pittsburgh Section, National Council of Jewish Women, and their friends are invited, the only price of admission being the presentation of a bundle of clothing, toys, household items, etc. A most enjoyable afternoon, including refreshments and surprise entertainment, is promised.

**RECREATION BUREAU ENTER-
TAINS LIP-READING CLASS**

Every year, during the holiday season, the lip-reading class of the League of Hard of Hearing is given an entertainment. This year, the Recreation Bureau of the Council of Jewish Women, has been requested to give the program which necessarily must be visual. It will be given on Saturday morning, December 22, in the Methodist Building, Antonia Mascara, with a Hindu assistant, will perform and refreshments will be served.

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAMED
FOR NATIONAL TRIENNIAL
CONVENTION**

Mrs. Joseph M. Welt, of Detroit, has been named chairman of the program committee for the Triennial Convention of the National Council of Jewish Women, to be held in New Orleans, March 10 to 15.

Policies of the Council on social service, religious education, social legislation, the peace movement, and immigration work, especially in regard to German refugees will be outlined at the convention, with special stress on the program of adult Jewish education and work for refugees.

CLUB CALENDAR

December 27—Service for Foreign-Born, 10:00 a. m., Y. M. & W. H. A., Mrs. A. Lincoln Cohen, chairman.

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**RODEF SHALOM SISTERHOOD
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The flowers on the pulpit this week are the gift of Mrs. Isaac Seder in memory of her husband.

**MODERN LITERATURE CLASS TO
HAVE RECESS**

There will be no sessions of the Modern Literature Class on December 26 or January 2. The class, however will be resumed under the leadership of Dr. Freehof on Wednesday morning, January 9, at 10:15 o'clock in the Temple Auditorium. Dr. Freehof will continue the discussion of significant modern literature. All are welcome to attend.

ART CALENDARS

There are still a number of Sisterhood Art Calendars for sale. The calendars are designed for convenience this year since they are prepared in the form of a desk memorandum pad. Anyone desiring a calendar may secure it at the Temple office at any time.

UNIONGRAMS

The best method of sending a note to a friend is by means of a Uniongram, for not only is there a convenient blank upon which to write the message but there is also the satisfaction of knowing that one is aiding the Sisterhood to maintain its J. Leonard Levy Scholarship at the Hebrew Union College. Members are urged to purchase a supply of Uniongrams today from Mrs. Julius Baer, chairman, Schenley 2233, 5616 Marlboro Road.

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**PITTSBURGH SECTION,
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
JEWISH JUNIORS**

Pittsburgh Section, National Council of Jewish Juniors will sponsor a benefit movie on Sunday evening, January 6, 1935 at the Fulton Theater. The proceeds will go to the High School Scholarship Maintenance Fund, which has been created to give assistance to needy Jewish boys and girls of high school age.

At this time a first-run movie will be shown, and will not appear in the city until several weeks after this date. There will be two performances, the first at 7 o'clock and the second at 9 o'clock. Admission is 50 cents per person.

There are many high school students in the city who are unable to afford the cost of carfare, lunches and other school necessities. By means of the assistance given by the organization, five students at present are finding it possible to continue their courses in high school. The scholarships are awarded on a basis of merit and need, and any Jewish student is free to make application.

Bertha Berman is general chairman and has named Mrs. Alexander Silverman as honorary chairman. Assisting in the plans are: Dorothy Rubenstein, vice-chairman; Mrs. Nathan Balmuth, treasurer; Helen Sachs, tickets; Flora Koch, Esther Frank and Madeline Oppenheimer, patrons; Violet Ziff, arrangements; Elma Leiblich, ushers; Adeline Lippard, tele-

phone, and Sara Josselson, publicity. The following is a partial list of patrons and patronesses for the benefit: Mrs. A. M. Hast, Mrs. Leo L. Half, Mrs. Sigmund Hahn, Mrs. Albert Hanauer, Mrs. Karl Kaufmann, Mrs. Stanley Kann, Mrs. William B. Klee, Mr. Benjamin Kraus, Mr. Leo Lehman, Mr. A. C. Lehman, Mrs. Edgar Lewin, Mrs. Meyer Harrison, Mrs. Charles Stewart and Mrs. Maurice Davis.

Please send money for tickets to Helen Sachs, 1436 Inverness Street, and enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope, or call her at Schenley 3126.

Attention is also called to the Bundle Bridge to be given by the Pittsburgh Section, National Council of Jewish Juniors, a very important event in its calendar, on Sunday, December 23, at 2:00 o'clock, in the Hotel Schenley. The admission fee is one bundle of anything that is saleable—clothing, books, toys, bric-a-brac, etc. The purpose of the bridge is to fill the shelves of the Senior Council Service Shop. There will be bridge prizes for every table, as well as a door prize. Refreshments will be served. The public is invited to attend. Miss Lee Bowytz, chairman of the event with Mrs. Abe Keizler as vice-chairman are assisted by the following chairmen: arrangements, Miss Edith Schwartz; reservations, Miss Sarah Stein; publicity, Miss Julia Miller; invitations, Miss Marie Schlesinger; hostesses, Miss Tillie Cooper; and telephone, Miss Esther Plittman.

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IRENE KAUFMANN SETTLEMENT INVITES OLD TIMERS TO ATTEND REUNION

The biggest crowd in the history of the Irene Kaufmann Settlement is expected on Sunday evening, January 2, when there will be a reception and tea marking the fortieth anniversary of this nationally known institution, which started in a small way as the Columbian School and Settlement in 1895.

1500 NEW MEMBERS JOIN!

The records show that during the past year, about fifteen hundred new members joined the Irene Kaufmann Settlement. With these, and the former members continuing their affiliation, and many "old-timers" joining again, as well as hundreds of new members, the Irene Kaufmann Settlement expects to have the largest membership in its history next year. The 1935 cards go on sale Sunday, December 30, and to mark the fortieth anniversary, a special reduction of 10 percent will be given on all cards bought and paid for in full before January 15.

SECOND PRODUCTION MARKS PROGRESS OF CHILDREN'S THEATER OF THE IRENE KAUFMANN SETTLEMENT

On Sunday, December 30, in the Theresa L. Kaufmann Auditorium, the Children's Theater of the Irene Kaufmann Settlement will present "Mr. Dooley Jr.," a comedy in three acts, written by Rose Franken and Jane Lewin. Midget, Junior, and Secondary Members will be admitted only to the special matinee performance which will begin at 1:30 p. m.; a small charge of 5 cents a member for refreshments will be made. Intermediate, Senior, and Adult Members are invited to the presentation in the evening, which is scheduled to begin at 8:15 p. m.

The following members of the Settlement compose the cast: Bernard Levy, Albert Love, Freda Gerson, Ethel Gerson, Esther Weisberg, Louis Sparvere, Evelyn Gertz, Herman Weisberg, Gloria Goldblum and Jerome Denenberg.

LADIES NIGHT, TWO OUTSTANDING GAMES, AND SOCIAL DANCE FEATURES AT IRENE KAUFMANN SETTLEMENT

On Friday evening, December 28, at 8 o'clock, a record attendance will witness two important and outstanding basketball games in the Irene Kaufmann Settlement Gymnasium.

The "Pioneers," who are the league's leading team, will face the strong and agile quintet, the "Farbs," who are trailing the title contenders. In a second fray, the "Beacons" will face the "Windsblows," in what promises to be an interesting match, because of the intense rivalry between the two teams.

This evening is also designated as "Ladies Night," which means a "free" game for both Girls and Women. After the game, a Social Dance will be held in the large Settlement Gymnasium; a five piece orchestra will furnish the music.

"AUTO" COME SOCIAL, ANNUAL AFFAIR PLANNED FOR INTERMEDIATES

An "auto" come social is being planned for all members of the Intermediate Club Council, and will take place in the Dance Studio of the Irene Kaufmann Settlement on Wednesday evening, December 26 at 8:30 p. m.

A unique program has been arranged by the members of the Social Committee, consisting of Ruthman Richman, Yetta Pearlman and Simon Gersen.

Every intermediate club member "auto" come, he "auto" have a good time, and everybody "auto" have a nice time at the "auto" social.

In addition to this novel attraction, dancing and refreshments will comprise the evenings entertainment. Each member of the Intermediate Club Council may invite a non-member friend.

SWIM PARTIES PROVE POPULAR AT IRENE KAUFMANN SETTLEMENT

Every Saturday evening at 8:30 to 10:00 p. m., swimming parties are held in the Irene Kaufmann Adult Members; non-members are invited to attend this party for which there is a small fee charged of ten cents. On alternate Saturdays, Intermediate Members may join in the water sports program with the Seniors and Adults; one will be held on Saturday evening, December 22.

"TAPS," AND TURNS HOLD ATTENTION OF IRENE KAUFMANN SETTLEMENT MEMBERS

A Radio Club is being organized for Secondary and Intermediate male members of the Irene Kaufmann Settlement. The fundamentals of radio and its intricacies will be taught to each member in the Settlement Workshop, which possesses a well supplied "fix it" room and which beckons to all those eager to grasp these opportunities.

This club will convene on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 p. m. You are invited to visit as well as attend.

DANCE AND CARD PARTY AT JEWISH HOME FOR AGED

Sunday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, the Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Jewish Home for the Aged, will sponsor an informal dance and card party at the Home on Brown's Hill.

Al Howard's orchestra, one of Pittsburgh's best known musical organizations, will furnish music for the dance. Many entertainers are scheduled to appear. A late lunch will be served, and a good time is assured.

Mrs. A. E. Rosenfield and her co-chairmen are working indefatigably toward the success of this affair. The co-chairmen are Mrs. Ruben Balter, cards; Mrs. Max Moses, hospitality; Mrs. Max Spann, dance; and Mrs. B. Halpern, tickets.

POALE ZEDECK SISTERHOOD

ELECTIONS

The regular meeting of the Sisterhood was held in the auditorium of the synagogue on Wednesday afternoon, December 19. Mrs. Norbert Stern and Mrs. E. Moskowitz were hostesses of the afternoon. Reports were read by Mesdames Robert Colnes, Sam Schoenberger, S. S. Hausman, Jr., I. Klein, B. Klein, J. Weinberger, Norbert Stern, Morris Schwartz, Sam Jacobson, Mrs. D. A. Mendoza, J. Winer, S. Horowitz, Mrs. A. Freeman and Mrs. David Lawrence. Mrs. B. Marcus, campaign chairman, and her committee are in charge of the Red Cross Seal Sale at Kaufmann's and members are urged to co-operate with the sale.

Election of officers took place and the following were elected: president, Mrs. Charles J. Weinberger; first vice-president, Mrs. Sam Edlis; second vice-president, Mrs. Norbert Stern; third vice president, Mrs. Robert Colnes; recording secretary, Mrs. S. S. Hausman, Jr., financial treasurer, Mrs. Morris Schwartz; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Jerome Edlis.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Members and friends of Poale Zedeck should reserve Monday evening, December 31 for the gala New Year's Party, sponsored by the Men's Club, which will be held in the audi-

torium of the synagogue. Dancing to the tune of a noted orchestra, an elaborate floor show and a delicious breakfast will be some of the features of the party. At a nominal fee of \$1.50 per person, members and their friends should hasten to make early table reservations by calling Mr. Jerome Edlis, Emerson 0488.

McKEES ROCKS SECTION OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH JUNIORS PLAN BREAKFAST DANCE

The McKees Rocks Section, National Council of Jewish Juniors, will hold a Breakfast Dance, February 6, at the Hotel Schenley. Ruth Sopolisky is chairman of the affair, the proceeds of which will be used for social service work.

On December 6, Attorney I. A. Swiss reviewed "The Golem," written by David Frishman. Dora C. Weiss, State President of the National Council of Jewish Juniors, spoke at a membership meeting on December 12; her subject was "The Origin of the National Council." Other speakers were Max Azen, Abe Fischler and Leonard Persky.

A paid-up Membership Party will be given sometime in January by the group.

JEWISH HOME FOR BABIES AND CHILDREN

You are no doubt aware that it was decided by mutual consent of the Federation and the Jewish Home for Babies and Children to abandon all plans for the amalgamation of the Jewish Home for Babies and Children with the Gusky Orphanage and Jewish Children's Bureau.

This decision was reached after due consideration by all concerned in order to avoid any friction in our Jewish Community at a time when Jewry should stand united.

How does this affect the status of the Jewish Home for Babies and Children? Never before has there been such a need for the combined support and interest of all Jewish elements to subscribe to the future maintenance of the Home.

Regardless of any differences of opinion, it remains the duty and responsibility of our Jewish Community to stand by the children in our charge.

The December monthly meeting will be held Sunday afternoon, December 23, at the Y. M. & W. H. A., Bellefield Avenue at 2 o'clock.

This meeting is to be in the form of a rally for the general public and is of vital importance to the Jewish Home for Babies and Children and the Jewish community at large.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Home gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following contributions for the week of December 9 to 15, from Mrs. Mollie Seltzer, Phillips Avenue; Glassport Hebrew Ladies Aid Society; Mrs. Lipman, Elsinore Square; Mr. J. Benkovitz, Murray Avenue; Mr. H. Steinberg, Murray Avenue; Mrs. W. Weitz, Tilbury Street; Congregation Anshe Lebovitz, Erin Street; Mrs. B. Goldbitz, Margaretta Street, Mrs. L. Yuspach, Highview Street; Mrs. Slovkin, Mrs. M. Eisenstat, Dawson Street; Mrs. L. Kitman, Wylie Avenue, Mrs. K. Lipsky, Center Avenue; Mrs. R. Szobel, Amber Street, and Mrs. Sam Alpern, Burchfield Street.

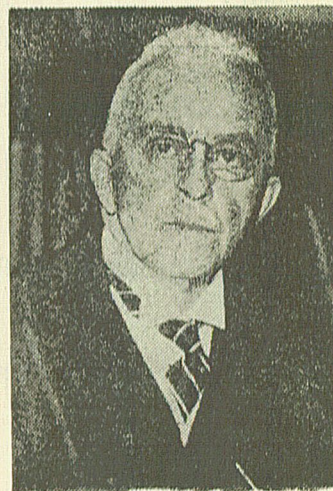
Elizabethan Authors Treated Jews Badly, Says Gov. Cross

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

HARTFORD, Conn.—Governor Wilbur L. Cross, former dean of the Graduate School of Yale University, scored the treatment of the Jews in the literature of the middle ages and Elizabethan era in an address before the Literary Society of Emanuel Synagogue.

Connecticut's scholar-governor referred with special scorn to Marlowe's handling of the Jew in his "The Jew of Malta," and said Shakespeare outdid other Elizabethan playwrights in championing the Jew.

Governor Cross recalled a paper



Governor Wilbur L. Cross of Connecticut, a former Yale dean, in an address stated that Elizabethan dramatists, notably Marlowe, treated the Jews badly. The most sympathetic Jewish character ever created by a Gentle, the Governor stated, was George Eliot's Daniel Deronda.

which he wrote fifty years ago, as a student, in which he declared:

"The only gentleman in "The Merchant of Venice" is Shylock, and in the end Shylock is the only real character."

The speaker said that Disraeli might have been as great a figure in literature as Thackeray or Dickens if the Victorian Prime Minister "hadn't gone into politics."

"Politics are always fatal to literature," the governor assured.

He credited George Eliot with writing the most sympathetic book by a Gentle about the Jews in "Daniel Deronda."

Reference to a recent meeting with Professor Albert Einstein, Governor Cross said the scientist has "the modesty of the truly great."

Detroit Board Appointee

DETROIT—Joseph Hershey was appointed a member of the Board of Water Commissioners by Mayor Frank Couzens and will become automatically president of the Board. His term will expire March 1, 1935.

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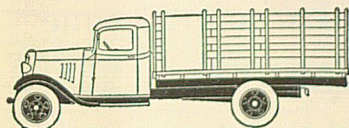
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by

Leonard E. Mendlowitz

Jottings

"Valley Forge," the Theater Guild play, which received a lukewarm-to-cold reception from the Pittsburgh critics, opened up on Broadway this week to superlative press notices... maybe metropolitan critics are less discerning than our own reporters... Professor Albert Einstein, who is coming to Pittsburgh next week, went back stage in



L. E. Mendlowitz

Princeton, New Jersey, to congratulate Ina Claire upon her performance in a new play, which had its premiere in the college town recently... Al Greenwald, local composer, heard his new march, "The Iron Master," played for the first time on the air last Sunday by the Armco Band... Leon Arno, who does those clever arrangements for the talented Fred Waring organization, is a Jewish boy who played for three years with the Paris Symphony Orchestra... incidentally, what has happened to Arthur Tracy, the Street Singer, who has one of the finest voices we have ever heard on the air?

Local News Reel

The film version of Sinclair Lewis'

"Babbitt," which opened at the Warner yesterday, is in its present form a pleasant comedy instead of the biting satire that it was in book form... since satire is always a dangerous business for the screen, Warners probably did the logical thing in removing the sting, and emphasizing the comedy talents of Guy Kibbee and Aline MacMahon as Mr. and Mrs. Babbitt... if you have wondered what has happened to Benny Rubin, the comedian, who used to be M.C. at the old Aldine, he is now playing in the new Jolson-Keeler picture, "Go into your Dance"... Benny also has a writing contract with Warners... most of the Jerome Kern music has been retained in the film version of "Sweet Adeline," which follows Katharine Hepburn's "Little Minister" in the near future at the Stanley... Mark Hellinger's "Broadway Bill," with the direction of Frank Capra, an assurance of good entertainment, is also an early Stanley booking.

Reinhardt and Shakespeare

After considerable delay, the screen production of "A Midsummer's Night Dream" is definitely set for early January. Only one Shakespeare play has been screened before, "The Taming of the Shrew," and the less said about that "masterpiece" the better; it was a slapstick comedy, that made all of the Bard's scholars rise up in protest. We still recall the credit line, "Taming of the Shrew"



Laurel and Hardy and William Burrell in "Babes in Toyland"

Victor Herbert's immortal "March of the Toys" and "Castle in Spain," as well as the delightful fantasy and story book figures of childhood, have been brought to the screen in a film that should prove a joy and revelation to children and grown-ups.

The picture is the Hal Roach-M-G-M production, "Babes in Toyland," a new feature-length vehicle starring Laurel and Hardy, and open-

ing Monday at the Fulton Theatre for Christmas week.

Fantastic Settings

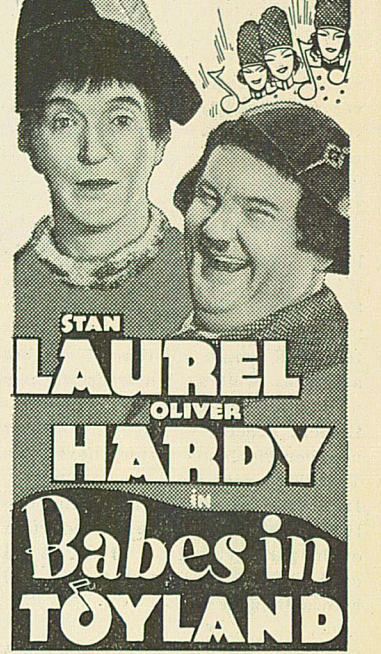
The combination of Laurel and Hardy's rollicking comedy with Victor Herbert's pulsating music, added to gorgeously fantastic sets and superb singing, makes a picture that can be enjoyed by anybody, young or old, rich or poor, Indian chief or candlestick maker.

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not only the atmosphere of the play itself but also that of the "Music Hall" of that period. Seated at tables sipping cool beer, coffee or punch and nibbling at pretzels or sandwiches was a distinct feature to which theatre-goers of those days looked forward. The management feels certain that Pittsburghers will enjoy such an atmosphere at the P. T. Barnum Music Hall, Hotel Fort Pitt.

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MAX REINHARDT

Max Reinhardt, the celebrated Jewish director-genius, who is now in Hollywood directing the screen version of his stage spectacle, Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream."

by William Shakespeare, with additional dialogue by Sam Taylor. The "additional dialogue" proved that you can't improve upon the original.

To insure the box-office reception of "A Midsummer's Night Dream," Warner's hope to remove the so-called public fear of classical Shakespeare by using an all star cast. Some of the names already listed are James Cagney, Joe E. Brown, Dick Powell (we hope he doesn't sing in this one), Jean Muir, Hugh Herbert, Frank McHugh and Victor Jory.

Bronislava Nijinska, sister of the famed Vaslav Nijinsky, will stage the ballet dances for the Reinhardt opus, and William Dieterle, a former student of Reinhardt, will assist Reinhardt in the filming of his stage spectacle. The picture will be filmed mostly in technicolor, and the woodland glade scenes should be the last word in beauty and artistry.

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COLLEGIANA

by **Barnetta Davis**

JOTS

Vacation is in the air, and so am I!—trying to find out about the goings and comings of all the college students home-ward bound. By the time you read this, (if you do) many Pittsburgh girls will be home for the winter vacation. Winnie Wilkoff and Bernice (Bunny) Harris, freshman at Goucher; Bernice Steinberg and Edna Simon, from Wellesley; Norine Fisher from Cornell; Janet Neiman from Ann Arbor; Mildred Seder from Northwestern; Peggy Perlman from Smith; and Fedora Goodman from New College, Columbia, will participate in the social functions during the holiday season. Ruth Loeb, a sophomore of Tech Music School, left for a trip to New York last Wednesday, in order to visit New College where she spent her freshman year. (We wonder if that's her main reason for going?) Incidentally, it's not only members of the so-called gentler sex who are returning from various and sundry colleges. Bill Adelman, "Harvard representative of the Adelman Lumber Co." and Sylvester Bagran, both students at Harvard, are back. Murray Klein from Penn, and Irving Levitt and Howard Levine of Michigan, have returned. Among the Pitt boys who have returned to their parental hearth are Walter Taussig, Oscar Schlossberg, Al Franks, Sidney Gladstone, Izzy Weinstock, Al Ziff, and Charles Holstein, (who, by the way, is an associate editor of the Pitt News.) A few of those from Tech are Leon Siegal, Jerry Kappell and Bob Aaron, all prominent on the campus.



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Felix Does Not Pull Trump

Mrs. Morganstern's neuralgia bothered her last Sunday. In fact her pains were so acute and the weather was so damp that she decided to stay in bed. However, the usual Sunday afternoon battle between the Morgansterns and the Hamburgs went on just the same; Felix Morganstern, the Morganstern's only child, took his



Leonard Seder

mother's place. Felix is a pleasant chap. He can go down 4,000 points and still smile. Once he was defeated one trick at a game contract in Spades after losing four finesses, and he didn't even whimper. Besides being a good loser, he is a very capable bridge-player.

The following hand, in which Felix was the final declarer at five clubs, was the turning point of the match. The Hamburg's lead had dwindled from 1,200 to a mere 200 points. Mrs. Morganstern had just phoned "Louie" to tell him to be sure and be home in time for dinner. Felix forgot that he was hungry when he picked up this strong South hand.

Felix and father, vulnerable
Mrs. Hamburg, dealer

Mr. Morganstern
S 42
H A 75
D J 9642
C K 98

Mrs. Hamburg
S 876
H K Q J 10 9 4
D 8
C J 7 2

Mr. Hamburg
S Q J 10 9
H 8 6
D K Q 10 7 3
C 4 3

Felix

S A K 5 3
H 3 2
D A 5
C A Q 10 6 5

The Bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1C
1H	2C(1)	2D	2S
Pass	3C(2)	Pass	5C(3)

(1) Mr. Morganstern could have bid one notrump; but since his side was vulnerable, he decided to use the safer bid of 2 clubs.

(2) Showing a preference for clubs.

(3) Felix was optimistic.

Felix took East's opening lead of the King of hearts in dummy with the Ace. A lot of players at this point would immediately draw the opponent's trumps. But Felix knew too much about bridge to do this. The only chance he had of making the contract was to trump his two losing spades in dummy. With this thought in mind, he led a low spade and took the next two tricks with the Ace and King of spades.

He trumped his three of spades with dummy's nine of clubs, returned to his own hand with the Ace of diamonds and trumped his five-spot of spades with his partner's nine of clubs. The King of clubs took the seventh trick; the four hands at this point were as follows:

S —	N	S —
H 7 5	W E	H 8
D J 9 6 4	S	D K Q 10 7
C —		C 4

S —	S —
H Q J 10 9	H 8
D —	D K Q 10 7
C J 7	C 4

S —	S —
H 3	H 8
D 5	D K Q 10 7
C A Q 10 6	C 4

Felix did not make the mistake of playing diamonds and letting East win the trick and return a diamond to defeat the contract. He remembered that since East had bid diamonds, West was certainly short-suited in diamonds. Very cleverly, Felix put Mrs. Hamburg in the lead with a heart. Now the five club contract was safe no matter which card West may lead. Actually, West returned a heart, and South overtrumped East's four of clubs. Felix then played his Ace, Queen and ten of clubs, and surrendered the last trick to East's King of Diamonds.

As a result of Felix's fine play, the Morganstern's won the rubber, took the lead again and were on time for dinner. The official score of this match which has been going on since last August is now Morgansterns 126,240 points, Hamburgs 125,480.

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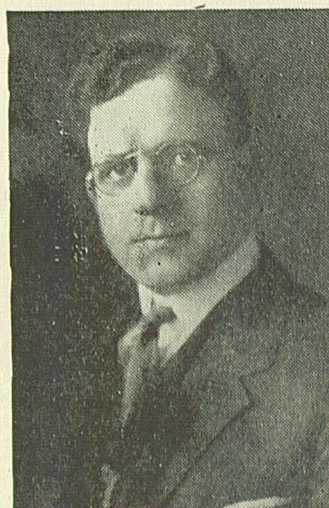
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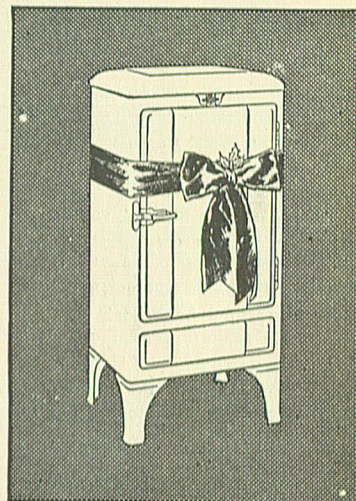
Rabbi Charles Bloom

Rabbi Charles Bloom, of Boston, who will give a series of lectures in behalf of the American Headquarters of the UNITED GALLIL AID SOCIETY.

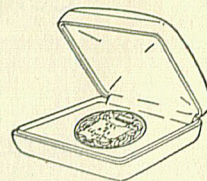
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TOO MUCH PROPINQUITY

A SHORT STORY

By
Nina Kaye

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

"Love," someone said on the boarding house porch, "is nine-tenths propinquity."

Helen Conheim, who rarely listened to the rocking chair gossips, raised her fine head and a tender light crept into her brown eyes.

"What's this, an old woman asked, 'what's this propinquity business?'"

The girls on the top step of the porch rocked with laughter. "Mrs. Meyer, at your age to be interested in love!"

The old woman was insistent. "I just want to know, what is this propinquity? I never heard propinquity before."

"Propinquity," one of the knowing young college girls explained, "is just being together. Mrs. Weiss meant that most marriages come about just because two people are thrown together frequently."

Helen smiled into the darkness, wondered if she ought to tell them her story. Slowly her mind went back over the years to the time when she was a girl, a stenographer for the law firm of Conheim and Breen.

Vividly she remembered the night she was discovered, pretending to be busy at her desk in the empty outer office. Discovered by Harry Breen, Paul's senior partner.

Harry Breen came up to her desk. "Waiting long?" he asked.

Helen's eyes flew to the hand of the clock creeping toward seven. "Oh, no," she denied huskily.

"Three years, isn't it?" he asked. "Why, why—?" she stammered.

"That is long enough to wait for any man!" he said firmly. Plenty of men, here in this office, too, would be only too glad to take out a pretty girl like you. Want to marry you, too, if you would only look at them!"

Helen remembered her blush, remembered asking herself, was it possible that Paul's own partner was speaking like this to her? Why he was twenty years older than Paul and a confirmed bachelor!

But her resentment against him died. He was right!

Oh, it was wonderful being near Paul every day, going out with him every night he wasn't working! But she wanted more than that. She wanted Paul's love! She wanted a home of her own. She wanted children. But she would never have admitted that to anyone.

Aloud she said, "Oh Paul and I have grand times together. I don't think I'd care to go out with any of the other men in the office."

Paul came out of his office just then. And Mr. Breen mumbled a hasty "Goodnight" and went out.

"I'm cruel, keeping you waiting like this," Paul apologized, smiling down at her fondly.

Helen flashed her sunny smile at him, his presence dispelling all her doubts.

"Perhaps, tonight," she murmured to herself as she had for nearly a thousand nights already, "perhaps tonight, he'll say something!"

They dined gaily and went to the movies and walked through the soft summer night. But at the door of her rooming house, Paul merely tilted her chin, smiled down into her face. "Goodnight, Helen, I'll be seeing you in the morning."

In the morning, Helen was summoned by the buzzer into Harry Breen's private office. He waived away her notebook.

"I've a friend in Wilmington, Helen," he said, "who's been wanting a good stenographer. I was thinking as you have no family, it wouldn't be hard for you to take the job."

Helen stared at him, stunned. Go away! Away from Paul!

"You know how slow it is here in the summer," Harry Breen went on. "I was thinking it would be wise of you to accept Mr. Stern's offer."

In other words, she was fired if she didn't want the Wilmington job.

"I'll let you know," Helen managed to stammer as she stumbled from his office.

Of course she had to accept. She couldn't be out of a job. She had no one to look after her! Unless—wonderful thought! Maybe now, faced with seeing her go off, Paul would propose to her!

But Paul saw only the advantages for her. A wonderful man like Mr. Stern to work for! Out of the cramped little room which was her home to her!

By the end of the first week, Helen was so lonesome for Paul she was determined to give up the job and go back to New York. And then Paul called her! His eager voice on the telephone, saying he would be out to spend the week-end with the Sterns.

Life for two swift days was glorious! If only he didn't have to go back! If only he hadn't tilted her chin, outside the cottage where she roomed, smiled down at her and said

lightly, "Good night. I won't be seeing you in the morning!"

He didn't come the next week-end. Nor the next. The very sun ceased shining. The very stars twinkled mockingly down on her.

When she saw him, standing on the porch of the cottage three weeks later, she thought she was only seeing the embodiment of her dreams.

"Helen," he said, "Harry kept me tied up in town these past weeks. I couldn't get away. But I've missed you so, Helen. I had to come today. I had to know if you'd give up this job and come back to New York!"

"But I couldn't get another job in the summer!" she murmured.

"Foolish!" he laughed. "I don't mean back to work! Although, it will be work, looking after a husband like me"

Harry Breen, as Paul's partner, was their first dinner guest in their new apartment. While Paul was in the kitchen chopping ice, Harry asked Helen, "Happy?"

Helen flung her dark head back. "Terribly so!" Then she could not resist saying, "You see, it didn't make any difference your sending me all the way to Wilmington!"

Harry Breen burst out laughing. "Didn't make any difference? Why, I found that place for you with Stern on purpose. I wanted to make it hard for Paul to see you! I kept him busy a couple of week-ends because I wanted him to miss you! Miss you so much he would wake up and propose to you! I didn't want him to go on being blind, the way I did, years ago, until it was too late—"

"And I thought!" Helen gasped, broke off quickly. "How can I ever, ever thank you."

"Call the first after me!" he answered.

Watching her own Harry come out of the boarding house and take his place, white-flannelled and handsome, among the young ones on the

steps, Helen decided not to tell her story.

They were still all saying that love and marriage depended almost entirely on propinquity!

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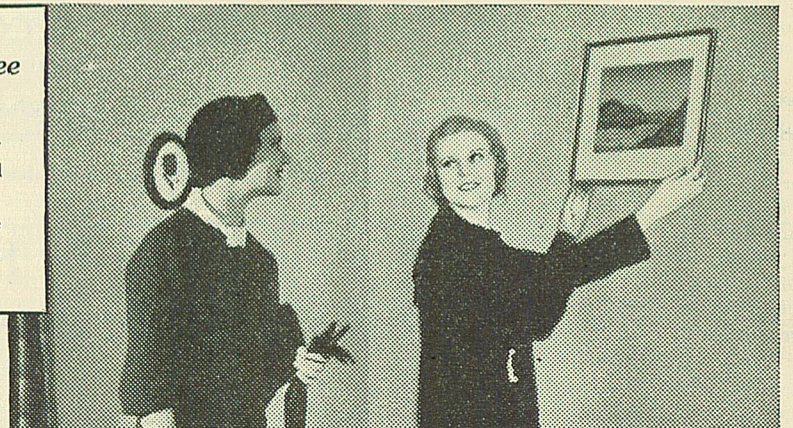
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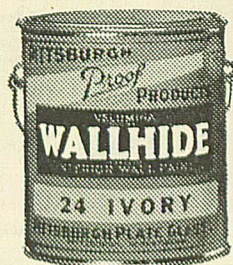
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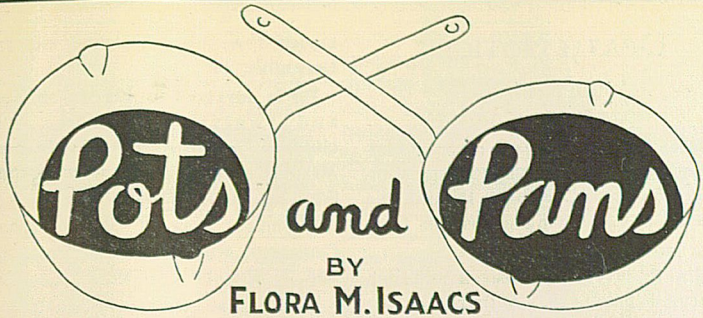
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Children's Corner THE SABBATH STORY HOUR

By
THERESA L. CERF

Theresa L. Cerf whose page for children will appear each week was born in Pittsburgh and educated in the public schools. She then attended the School of Education of the University of Michigan from which college she holds the Bachelor of Science degree. For the past eight years, Mrs. Cerf has been on the faculty of the Rodef Shalom Religious School. —THE EDITOR.

A bride who recently returned from her honeymoon happened to read that there is not so much to the art of getting a husband as there is to the art of keeping one. The bride was told that if she would become a good cook, there would be no marital difficulties. Accordingly she planned the next meal very carefully and decided on the following menu:

Honeymoon fruit cup
Chicken and rice
Coleslaw
Cranberry jelly
Lemon meringue pie
Tea

She made a list of the articles needed and went shopping. Finally all that remained on the list was the chicken. She proceeded to the butcher shop where she waited her turn while the butcher "kibitzed" and prepared the meat for a phone order. When he said, "Next!" the bride explained she wanted a young chicken and a tender one. "Do you want a pullet?" he asked. "No you fresh thing, wrap it up. I want to carry it."

Printed below you will find the recipes with which the bride held her husband.

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HONEYMOON FRUIT CUP

1 grapefruit
1 orange
1 slice of pineapple (fresh or canned)
½ cup grape juice

Peel grapefruit and orange. Break segments apart and remove pulp. Add the pineapple which has been cut into small pieces. Mix in the grape juice. Then chill the mixture.

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CHICKEN AND RICE

1 small chicken
1 potato
½ cup uncooked rice
2 pieces of celery
1 small onion
salt and paprika

Cut in small pieces the potato, celery, and onion. Add washed rice. Scald, clean, and cut chicken in quarters. Place in center of roasting pan. Arrange rice mixture around the chicken. Cover with cold water. Sprinkle with salt and paprika. Bake in a moderate oven for several hours or until the chicken is done.

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COLESLAW

1 small head of cabbage, shredded
juice of one lemon
1 tablespoon of Heinz salad dressing
1 tablespoon of sugar
1 teaspoon of salt

Soak shredded cabbage in salt water for about fifteen minutes. Then drain. Add lemon juice, sugar, salt, and salad dressing. Mix thoroughly. Chill and serve on lettuce leaves.

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CRANBERRY JELLY

1 pound of cranberries
2 cups of boiling water
2 cups granulated sugar

Wash cranberries. Add water and boil for twenty minutes. Mash through a strainer. Add sugar and cook for five minutes, stirring constantly. Pour into a tall, straight glass. Then chill. When ready to serve, run a knife around the inside of the glass. Slice jelly as it slides out of the glass.

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LEMON MERINGUE PIE

THE CRUST

1½ cups of flour
½ teaspoon of baking powder
½ teaspoon of salt
½ cup of Crisco or Creamtex
½ cup of ice water (about)

Sift the flour, baking powder, and salt. Cut in the shortening with a pastry blender (very useful in making pie crust). Add water slowly until mixture holds together. Work lightly with hands until smooth. Roll. Place on the outside of a 9-inch pie plate. Prick with a fork. Bake in a hot oven about ten minutes.

THE FILLING

3 tablespoons of corn starch
3 tablespoons of pastry flour
1 cup of sugar
¼ teaspoon of salt
2 cups of boiling water
Grated rind of 1 lemon
6 tablespoons of lemon juice
3 egg yolks

Mix corn starch, flour, sugar, and salt. Add boiling water slowly stirring constantly. Cook over hot water for twenty minutes. Add lemon juice, rind, and slightly beaten yolks. Cook a few minutes longer. Pour into baked shell and cover with the following:

THE MERINGUE

3 egg whites
6 tablespoons of sugar
1 teaspoon of lemon juice

Beat whites until stiff. Add sugar and lemon gradually. Spread over the filling. Bake in a moderate oven until a golden brown.

My dear children, this week I am going to introduce to you one of the happiest families I know. I hope you will grow as fond of them as I have. You see they are going to let us peep in at their Friday nite Sabbath service and enjoy with them the interesting stories their father has to tell.

First of all, I want to introduce to you Mr. Israel whom we shall come to know as Father Joe. He is a fine, big, handsome man and with the grandest sense of humor. Then there is Mother Alice who loves and watches over her children and is responsible for all the goodies on Friday nite. And now our dear friends, Joan, a sweet little blonde child of ten years, who thinks that her brother Bobby is awfully nice—but why oh why do boys have to be so noisy. And last but not least, I want you to meet Bobby who is just seven—a real boy and you know what I mean by that.

And now being properly introduced, the Israels are going to be happy to have us as their silent but watchful visitors at the Sabbath Service.

Bobby as usual has appeared at the table with dirty hands and has been sent to wash them. Joan remarks, "Why can't Bobby ever remember that our great forefathers would never sit down to eat without making sure their hands were clean. Oh dear, it just seems as tho' boys don't want to learn."

"Now dear," interrupts Mother, don't be too harsh, we made allowances when you were only seven." Bobby finally slides into his chair, and Father says the blessing over the wine, "Praised art Thou O Lord our King of the World who created the fruit of the vine."

"Please, Father," Bobby interrupts, "Let me have the first sip of wine?" So Bobby, being a fairly good boy that day, is allowed the first sip and reluctantly passes it to Mother.

"Well if Bobby takes the wine first, please Father let me break the bread," says Joan.

"No, dear," replies Father, "I must say the blessing, don't you remember?"

"Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our God, King of the world, Who brings forth bread from the earth."

When the dinner is almost finished, Joan reminds her Father that last week he had promised to tell her a story about Solomon Ibn Gabirol whom they had talked about in class the week before.

"Oh, yes," says Father, "I will tell you one of the finest stories I have ever heard. My father told it to me when I was a little boy and I have

never forgotten it and I am glad of that. It's a story from the great Rabbis called 'The Tale of the Fig Tree.'

"Many years ago, the land of Spain was called the happy land for all peoples. It was long before the time of religious strife between peoples of the same land. Every man was allowed to worship as he wished. Of course, children, this was all before the time of the Spanish Inquisition, which I'll tell you about some time again. The Jews in this beautiful land worshipped in peace, sat under their shady fig trees, and sang praises to the wonderful, bounteous God of Israel. And from this peaceful land many great philosophers, poets, and artists came into being—many of them we talk about today. For example, Maimonides, Abarbanel, Ezra, and others. These men held high offices, being favored by princes, kings, and courtiers and the common people rejoiced in having such wise men among them. Because of these learned men, there was scarcely a town that didn't have a school of instruction.

"And now, dear children, it was in this peaceful, beautiful land that we first came to know of the poet, Solomon Ibn Gabirol. He was strong and handsome, with a noble heart and all who knew Solomon loved him. His poems appealed to everyone for they contained a mixture of humor and pathos. These poems were repeated by the young for they contained words of hope and understanding, and to the old they brought back the days of their vanished youth. And so naturally the fame of Solomon's poetry spread all over the land. All were anxious to please and honor him, the wealthy heaped riches and favors upon him and great men sought his friendship."

"Gee Father," interrupted Bobby, "I bet he was stuck up."

"Oh no," Father replied quickly, "On the contrary, Solomon was proud of his humble descent and of his people and at all time remained righteous and modest."

"And so it is hard to believe that such a fine man could be disliked by anyone, but there are always some who have a jealous and mean disposition. Unfortunately just such a person lived near Solomon, a Moor by the name of Hascham. He envied the poet's fame and also hated him for having received the love of a Moorish maiden whom he had coveted for himself. This fair maiden's name was Zulaima. Naturally Zulaima delighted in Solomon's poems and persuaded Hascham to introduce her to the poet. Scarcely had she seen him when she fell in love, but Solomon did not return her affections."

"But why, Father, why," begged Joan.

"Well, don't you see," answered Father, "she was a Moor, and Solomon didn't want to love anyone outside his faith. But Zulaima was determined to make Solomon love her and one day she confessed her adoration and begged Solomon to marry her. Solomon answered that he could not love her as she was of a different race, to which she replied, 'Has love anything to do with worship? Your wish will be my command, and thy God shall be my God, and as thou prayest, I will pray.'

"With such a plea, the poet could not resist the charm of this lovely maiden. He kissed her and their troth was sealed.

"Hascham watched all this with a jealous and envious eye. When he saw what had come to pass between Zulaima and Solomon he resolved that at all costs their marriage

should not take place. Not quite sure of what course to take he won the poet's friendship and faith by continual praise of his works. On the surface he became one of Solomon's greatest admirers, and a few months later mapped out his course of action. He resolved to murder the poet.

"We see now that the noble poet trusted his friend completely and was only too happy to accept his invitation to spend the day at his lovely villa. He hadn't the slightest suspicion of Hascham's evil intent, and when he found that there were no others in the house the host answered, 'They will come, meantime, we will walk through the garden.'

"And now Joan and Bobby, you will have to wait 'til next Friday nite to learn what happened to Solomon," says Father. "It's getting late and you have Sabbath School work to prepare."

(To be continued)

THE CAULDRON OF CURRENT EVENTS

At the Roxy theater at 10 o'clock this Sunday morning under auspices of the Federation for the support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, an elaborate pageant and mass lesson in philanthropy will be participated in by 6000 children of Jewish religious schools. The pageant will depict the history of Jewish Charity in the United States from the times of Peter Styvesant to the present day. Scenes will show the birth of Jewish philanthropy in America, Jewish Charity in the Civil War period and the origin of the Federation.

American Jewish women can be well proud of Dina Melicov, a fine Jewish Sculptress and painter. She won her laurels early in life but refused to rest on them. She became a teacher and taught pupils the anatomy of the horse which she loved to create in all its power, strength, and grace of movement. She received the Jean D'arc Medal from the Society of American Sculptors and the Bishop of Rhode Island commissioned her to create for his private chapel the Fourteen Stations of Christ in wood.

"I brought to this commission my own Jewish interpretation," says Miss Melicov. "Christ, his disciples, his Mother, the women who followed Him and mourned Him, I saw as Jews. It was the invader of Palestine, the Roman who persecuted and tortured the gentle Jewish teacher who would not assimilate himself to an alien, a Roman civilization."

For this interpretation, Miss Melicov was honored and had many honors heaped upon her.

COMPETITION COLUMN

You all like competitions don't you? Now here's a chance to prove your ability. The names of those sending in the correct names will appear in the next issue. Address all mail to "The Sabbath Hour," American Jewish Outlook, Union Bank Building.

Here are the jumbled Biblical names:

1. Oif.
2. Heracl.
3. Limsahe.
4. Shopej.
5. Arano.
6. Bojac.

THREE PITTSBURGH WOMEN WIN PRIZES IN CAMAY SOAP CONTEST

In a recent Camay "Dreams Come True" contest, sponsored by the Proctor and Gamble Company, manufacturers of Camay Soap, three women living in Pittsburgh were included among the lucky winners.

Mrs. Mary Sniderman, 5416 Plainfield Street, Pittsburgh won \$100 cash, and Miss Judith Siegel, 5547 Pocusset Street, and Miss Sonia Silverman, 5855 Maeburn Road, each were awarded \$10 cash prizes.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

The Board of Directors and Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hebrew Institute, Wiley Avenue, McKeesport are co-sponsoring the second annual New Year's eve party at the Institute, Monday evening, December 31.

Chairman for this affair are Mr. and Mrs. I. Klein, and Mr. and Mrs. Max Spiegel.

The well-known Balog's Hungarian Gypsy orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for the all-night dancing, and a full course dinner will be served at 11 p. m.

Reservations are now being accepted by Mrs. I. Klein, 1609 Library Avenue, and Mrs. Max Spiegel, 1411 Library Avenue.

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COUNCIL OF CLUBS DANCE

Monday evening, December 24, will find the dance floor of the Hebrew Institute occupied by dancers, in an affair sponsored by the Council of Clubs of the Hebrew Institute. In addition to the orchestra music, a complete floor show will be presented.

Reservations may be placed with Miss Minnie Abrams, 1040 Market Street, McKeesport 2-5037. Admission is \$1.25 per couple, and this price includes beer and pretzels, or ginger ale and ice.

Committees for the dance include Mildred Moldovan and Beatrice Berger, co-chairman; tickets, William Moldovan and Mildred Moldovan; publicity, Minnie Abrams; refreshments, Frances Guttman.

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B'NAI B'RITH OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

At a well-attended meeting of McKeesport Lodge, No. 573, B'Nai B'rith, last Sunday morning, officers were elected for the coming term. All of the present incumbents were re-elected. They are:

President, Leo Seigle; vice-president, Ralph Kaminsky; auditor, Robert Samuels; treasurer, David Caslov; recording secretary, Max D. Greenfield; financial secretary, I. Brown; assistant monitor, Dr. Sidney L. Farkas; warden, Andrew H. Spitz; guardian, Sam Rubenstein; trustees, M. Shrader, Z. L. Weiss, Joseph Spiegel; delegates to W. Pa. Committee, Attorney Arthur Rack, Dr. B. Berger; alternate, Attorney Maurice L. Kessler.

Mr. A. J. Perlow delivered an interesting talk on "Why We Are That Way;" Max Lebowitz reported the acquisition of eight new members, and Attorney Maurice L. Kessler reported on the A.Z.A.—B'Nai B'rith dance held at the Flower Garden last week.

New members will be initiated on Sunday evening, December 30, at the Hebrew Institute on Wiley Avenue. Dr. Abraham L. Sachar of the University of Illinois, one of the outstanding B'Nai B'rith leaders in the country, and National Director of the Hillel Foundation will be the main speaker. Another feature will be the presence of a degree team from Hazelton, Pa.

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HADASSAH STUDY GROUP ORGANIZED

A newly organized study group of the McKeesport chapter of Hadassah will trace the part of the Jew in American history from the discovery of America by Columbus to modern times. The first episode of this series was discussed at a meeting held last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Robert Kaplan, 621 Madison Avenue.

Mrs. David Israel, chairman of the study group, was co-chairman of last Thursday's meeting with Mrs. Kaplan. Mrs. Kaplan gave an interesting talk on current events, and after Mrs. Israel's paper on the evening's subject, a social hour followed.

The next group discussion will take place at the home of Mrs. Samuel Pollack, Flagler Street, but no definite date has been decided upon as yet.

CONGREGATIONAL DIRECTORY

ADATH JESHURUN Congregation, 5643 Margaretta Street, Rabbi M. Levin. Daily, 7:00 A. M. and 8 A. M.; Saturday morning, 8:30, afternoon, 4:00 o'clock.

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B'NAI ISRAEL Congregation, 327 N. Negley Avenue, Rabbi Benjamin Lichter. Daily, 7:45 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.; Friday at 4:30 P. M.; Saturday, 9:00 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.

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NEW LIGHT Congregation, 79 Roberts Street, Rabbi Samuel Siegel. Daily, 7:30 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.; Friday, 5:00 P. M.; Saturday, 8:00 A. M.

POALE ZEDECK Congregation, Shady Avenue, Rabbi Joseph Shapiro. Daily, 7:00 and 8:00 A. M., 4:30 P. M.; Friday, 4:30 P. M.; Saturday, 8:30 A. M.

RODEF SHALOM Congregation, 4905 Fifth Avenue, Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof. Saturday, 11 A. M.; Sunday, 11 A. M.

TIPHERETH ISRAEL Congregation, 137 Fullerton Street, Rabbi E. W. Kochin. Daily, 8:00 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.; Friday, 4:30 P. M.; Saturday, 8:30 A. M.

TREE OF LIFE Congregation, 218 Craft Avenue, Rabbi Herman Hailprin. Friday, 8:15 P. M.; Saturday, 9:15 A. M.

DEATH NOTICES

MRS. SCHIFRA LIPMAN

Mrs. Schifra Lipman, of 3205 Elsinore Square died at her home Monday afternoon, December 17, and was buried the following afternoon from her late home.

She is survived by seven children, Harry Lipman, 2622 Tilbury Street; Joseph, McDonald, Pa.; William, Greensburg, Pa.; John, Sheridan, Wyoming; Mrs. Rebecca Bliss, at home; Mrs. Belle Goluboff, Swissvale; Mrs. Leah Raskin, Coraopolis, Pa.

LEONARD H. LEVY

Leonard H. Levy, 526 Vickroy Street, died Saturday, December 15, and was buried from his late home, December 17. Interment took place in Beth Hamedrash Hagodol Cemetery in McKees Rocks.

BENJAMIN NEAMAN

Benjamin Neaman, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bessie Garfinkel, 138 Howard Street in Millvale, Friday, December 14, and was

buried from his late home, Sunday, December 16.

He is survived by his six children and twelve grandchildren. The children are Abraham Neaman, Mrs. E. Fink, Mrs. Rose Stone, Sadwick, and Mrs. Rae Weiss.

Interment was at Beth Shalom Cemetery, with Rabbis H. Hailperin and J. Shapiro officiating.

MRS. NELL S. KAUFMAN

Mrs. Nell Strausburger Kaufman, widow of the late Sydney Kaufman, died Monday, December 17, at her home, 5878 Darlington Road.

Mrs. Kaufman, who was a life-long resident of this city, was a member of the Rodef Shalom Congregation, Council of Jewish Women, the board of the Woman's International League for Peace, and a former member of the legislative committee of the League of Women's Clubs.

The deceased is survived by a son, Sydney L. Kaufman, Jr., and a daughter, Pauline Kaufman.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon from her late residence, and interment was made in West View Cemetery.

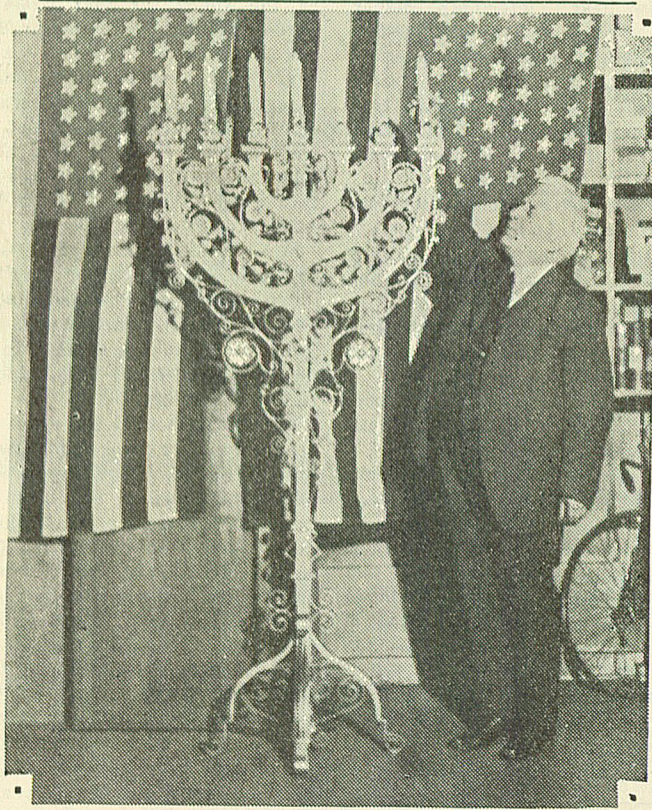
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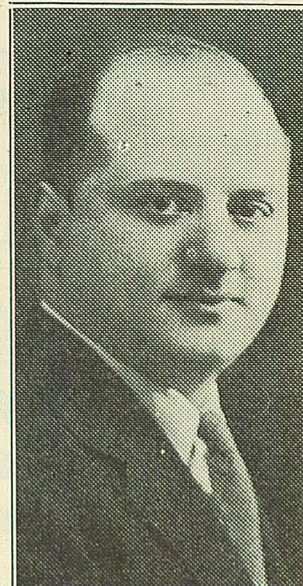
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JEWISH CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

The Jewish Children's Aid Society is happy to announce a new project this season. Heretofore, the work of this organization was chiefly financial and social. At present with the increase of members, there is a demand for a Cultural Department. Mrs. Jack Berman, who will head this interesting phase of work, presented her plan to the society at an enthusiastic meeting held Sunday, December 16. This was met with approval, and it was decided to hold sessions on "Child Guidance" with noted speakers once a month.

Mrs. Louis Michaels reports great success for her State in raising

funds. She is assisted by her lieutenant-governor, Mrs. H. Pittler, and the following aides: Mrs. S. M. Frishman, Mrs. W. R. Finn, Miss Sara Goldstein, Mrs. Sam Gilbert, Mrs. L. E. Kramer, Mrs. Al Plung, Miss I. Schonfield and Mrs. M. Wax. Each member of this group will make \$5.00 by the end of the month.

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ENOCH RAUH CLUB

At the last regular meeting, the New Year Party committee announced that every arrangement had been completed for the gala Enoch Rauh New Year Party on December 31, at the "Willows" in Oakmont.

A night of joy and hilarity is the theme or keynote of the party and the beautifully appointed and comfortable "Willows" lends itself particularly to this end. Dancing will be continuous from the evening hour of 10 'till the dawning hour of 6. Entertainment is to be furnished by a number of the highest class night club acts; and celebrities will provide a pleasant and enjoyable interlude during the course of the evening. Novelties and Noisemakers for all the guests, and table entertainment are among the features of the party.

The music and rhythmic dance tunes of Hal Kay and his broadcasting orchestra will be augmented by Alois Hraback's String Ensemble and Rhumba Band, playing the popular "Rhumba" dance tunes. A delicious eight course dinner will be served when desired by the guests during the entire evening. Four bottles of the highest quality ginger ale per couple and ice during the entire evening, absolutely no "corkage" charges, and other features insure uninterrupted gaiety. The charge of \$3.75 per person includes everything on the Enoch Rauh Club Menu of Joy.

Requests for reservations should be made as early as possible in order to insure the acceptance of same, as the reservations will be filled only to the extent of the comfortable capacity of the "Willows." Requests for reservations should be made with M. A. Wheeler, 1139 Wightman street, phones Mayflower 9126 or Court 4704.



ETZI COVATO LEAVES PLAZA CAFE FOR MIAMI ENGAGEMENT

Etzi Covato, one of Pittsburgh's most popular orchestra leaders, is leaving the Plaza Cafe for an extended engagement at the Club Frolics, Miami, Florida. The Club Frolics is one of the major night club spots below the Mason-Dixon line.

Covato leaves for the Southern trip Sunday December 23. During his absence, Al Marsico and his orchestra will entertain Plaza Cafe customers. Mr. Marsico was formerly head of the Enright Stage Orchestra, and was associated with Dick Powell for many years at the East Liberty theater.

OPEN BIRO-BIDJAN
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Polish Jews to migrate to Russia. In the course of his conversation with the Polish Ambassador, Dr. Suritz pointed out that not less than 100,000 skilled Polish Jews who are only too willing to do any sort of work in Poland have no other recourse than to migrate to Biro-Bidjan because of the destitution of the Polish Jewish population. There are now more than a million Jews in Poland who would be too glad to migrate to any country in order to earn even the poorest livelihood, since this seems impossible for them in their own land.

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