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Graduates from a counselor-in-training course given for the first time in St. Louis take a swim at the YMHA pool. Ed Downey, Camp Hawthorn waterfront director (outside the pool) talks to (near gutter left to right) Henry Stolar, Gene Pomerantz, David Goldenberg, Toby Paster, Ed Zeigelman, Phyllis Wishnuff, Burton Fendelman, Lewis Bockner, Camp Hawthorn director, Joyce Weinstein, Denny Kesler and (in pool left to right) Gloria Becker, Rosalind Farris,

different teen groups, met for five weekly sessions from November 21 to December 21. The session included discussion and practice in Folk Singing at Camp, Cook-outs, Nature, Waterfront, and Health

Reform Judaism To Honor Local Temples

and B'nai El, St. Louis, Mo., will be

part of the convention's observance of the American Jewish Tercentenary. According to Dr. Maurice Director and advisor to JYO, or-N. Eisendrath, the honors will ganized the course. The Jewish demonstrate how deep are the Youth Organization is sponsored roots of Jewish religious life in the by the Jewish Community Centers

Twenty-four boys and girls completed a J.Y.O. Counselor-In Training Course on Dec. 19, given for the first time in the city.

The trainees, members of eleven included Rex Conyers, Ed Downey, Miss Peggy Thompson, Darwin Miss Peggy Thompson, Darwin Portman, Dr. Alfred Sherman, and William Budd.

Course was given. Some of the teenagers who weren't able to be observation tower affording a limin the course recommended that ited view of the Old City. On holy such a course be tried in the city days, orthodox Jews compete with such a course be tried in the city and with the approval of the J.Y.O. days, orthodox Jews compete with one another for the choice position Delegates the course was given. Trainees used improvised camp conditions where possible to create The United Hebrew Congregation the proper camp environment for each of the sessions.

and B'nai El, St. Louis, Mo., will be among the sixty-five temples, one hundred years and older, which will be honored at the Forty-third Biennial Assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, it was announced by Laurie T. Simonsky, chairman of the program committee for the biennial convention of the nation's Reform congregations. The Assembly will take place Feb. 13 to 16 at Los Angeles.

The bestowal of special awards upon temple centenarians will be among the sixty-five temples, one among the sixty-five temples, one thur Simon, Hershey Moss, Henry Stolar, Rae Shapiro, Roz Rothman, Gloria Becker, Milton Goldenberg, Denny Kessler, David Goldenberg, Occupant of the biennial convention of the nation's Reform congregations. The Assembly will take place

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Association of St. Louis.

24 Graduate From Novel Jewish Organizations Commend J. Y. O. Training Course Velde Report As Warning Of Dangers From Extreme Right

"The American Jewish Committee fully approves the congressional committee's finding," declared Mr. Engel, "that such individuals and organizations are 'unscrupulously exploiting the menace of Communism to promote other activities equally subversive and equally un-

(The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith urged that the House

only preliminary, it reveals how clearly the subversive quality of their activity."

Mr. Engel recalled that little more

Committee Issues Report

The report on neo-fascist and beta groups issued by the House hate groups, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, was called by Irving M. Engel, president of the American Jewish Committee "in the defense of American The President's state-wholesale charge of subversive activity against Protestant clergy. Committee, "an eloquent, timely, and instructive warning to the American people of the dangers

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Though the report is described invited the National Catholic Welfare Conference, the National County of the National County by the House Committee itself as fare Conference, the National Council of Churches of Christ in the these groups weaken America's U.S.A. and the American Jew-fight against Communism by ish Committee to offer assistance spreading suspicion and disunity. in order that the work of the House Ample documentation from the literature of these groups and state-ments of their leaders demonstrate they might offer. Shortly thereafter, representatives of the three organizations met with the House Committee.

A Commendable Start

"The House Committee has made a most commendable start into the complex subterranean reaches of the extreme right," Mr. Engel con-tinued. "The two groups which are

Uni-last streets of Mea Shearin—what medi-fore, as observed by the report it and well-like atmosphere! Little boys and peed men with curls, long black coats, self, more readily recognized. Other self, more readily recognized. Other individuals and organizations have men with curls, long black coats, Cossack-like headgear. With joy, zeal they pray . . A boy in a Hasidic synagoguge sitting between two tireless, aged devotees; the boy yawns. Remarkable that a little one that can roll off pages of like that can roll off pages of sitting debates and into a wide like that can roll off pages of fect the technique of injecting into prayer by heart. Watching, one political debates and into a wide variety of controversial questions subtle attacks against the loyalty of certain religious and ethnic groups. They seek to brand as subversive those who disagree with their own

"Today, as the American people cope with the world-wide threat of Communism and endeavor to while praying, as though prepared strengthen democratic forces, it is against the eventuality of some uplifted Cossack paw, poised to strike against malicious movements striv-

In and out of Yemenite, European, Hasidic synagogues we went, learning of the differences in prayers,

SYNAGOGUES

Jerusalem. "The Enemy Is Watching You," reads a sign before the steps lead-During the J.Y.O. Camping session at Camp Hawthorn this past summer a Counselor-In-Training a guide is speaking in a respectful ghettoes, religious schools. On the ghettoes, religious schools. On the floor Yemenites sit; other sects retone to some tourists. There is an observation tower affording a limmove their shoes within the synagogue. Spanish Jews sing in an apon this tower, which is in one of anxious bodies twist from one side

its extreme corners, the place closest to the Wailing Wall, below and beyond. Muted children's voices from the Old City. Children heard

Miss Suzanne Gordon, H. G. Gilden Engagement Announced At Party

The engagement of Miss Suzanne Myrna Gordon to Herbert Gene Gilden was announced at a Thanksgiving dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel J. Gordon, 1970 Semple avenue. The wedding will take place next

Miss Gordon, a former Washington University student, was crowned Queen Esther last March at the Purim Ball, and in 1952 was chosen first maid of honor at the Alpha Zeta Alpha fraternity ball.

Mr. Gilden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilden, 7515 Buckinham drive, and Missouri University.

pealing, war-like chant. Hasidim reactionary standards. clap, bow, stomp, shout. Nervous, "Today, as the Ame to the other, restlessly glance about

STAR NEWS

COTTON IS NEW CROP FOR ISRAEL

NEW YORK-A year-old experimental cotton plantation in Israel has produced a world record-breaking crop and has provided incentive for five new units to be set up throughout the country. According to a United Israel Appeal report the crop yield reached a harvest average of 2,640 pounds of cotton to each acre which exceeds even United States

NEW FILM TELLS STORY OF OLD JEWISH SETTLEMENT NEW YORK—The story of one of the oldest Jewish communities in the Western Hemisphere—The Jews of Curacao, Dutch West Indies is being told for the first time in a new exciting film being distributed by Yeshiva University's Audi-Visual Service. This 18-minute, 16 mm. film can be rented for \$5 from the Yeshiva University, Amsterdam and 186th Street, New York 33, N. Y.

B'NAI B'RITH TO SUPPORT MARCH OF DIMES

WASHINGTON, D. C.—B'nai B'rith has agreed to join with community service organizations in every American city to collect funds
for the 1955 March of Dimes, it was announced last week. The annual Chayton High School. He later drive, sponsored by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, studied at Washington University starts on January 3 and continues until January 31.

Hadassah Choir At Rally



The Hadassah choir, under the direction of Mrs. Rose Kalodney, sang at the 4th Histadrut campaign rally on Dec. 16. Seated at table from left to right: Nathan Shever, Ben Zion Ilan, Jack Mitchell, J. M. Braun, Morris Jick, Abraham Simon, Jacob Kiem.

Sixteen Major Jewish **Groups Join In National** Conference On Israel

Plans for a conference in Washington of representatives of the American Jewish community for the purposet of "reviewing Israel problems of interest to American Jewry, including issues of American-Israel relations," were announced by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. In composition and scope, this will be the first conference of its kind in this country.

The presidents of the following organizations are co-sponsors of the conference: American Jewish Congress; American Trade Union Council for Labor Israel; American Zionist Council; B'nai B'rith; Hadassah, tral Shekel and Election Board in ist Council; B'nai B'rith; Hadassan, the Women's Zionist Organization of America; Jewish Agency for Palestine; Jewish Labor Committee; Jewish War Veterans of the United States; Labor Zionist Organization of America; Mizrachi at \$1. The \$1 shekel will cover the Shekel in the United States is set at \$1. The \$1 shekel will cover the four-year period from the lest Zionist Council. Organization of America; National four-year period from the last Zion-Community Relations Advisory ist Congress in 1951 till the next

Mizrachi Women Elect New Slate Of Officers

Rabbitzens Eichenstein and Klibansky were elected honorary presidents of the St. Louis Chapter, Mizrachi Women's Organization of America for 1955 at their meeting early in December. Other officers elected are: Mrs. Sarah Sachar, Mrs. S. Schimmel, honorary presidents; Mrs. Rose Goldman, life president; Mrs. Louis Raskas, Mrs. Edna Heller, Mrs. Sophie Roodman, Mrs. Anna Corman, vice-presidents; Mrs. Ben Yatkeman, treasurer; Mrs. G. Apell, financial and social secretary; Mrs. Dave Weiner, recording and corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. Ehrlich, chaplain.

The regular meeting will be deld' on January 5, 1 p. m. at the Tpheris Israel Congregation, 6912 Delmar. A report will be given on the installation. Queen For the Day will be held. Refreshments will be served.

Compose Cantata In Honor Of American Jewish Tercentenary

Harold Shapero, noted American Jewish composer and faculty member of Brandies University, is now completing a cantata in honor of the tercentenary, entitled, "Until Day and Night Shall Cease," based on a text by Jehuda Halevi, Harry C. Oppenheimer, chairman of the National Tercentenary Music Committee, announced yesterday.

The work, commissioned jointly

by the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee and the United Temple Chorus of Long Island, N. Y., in consultation with the National Jewish Welfare Board's Jewish Music Council, will be ready for the performance next year. The United Temple Chorus which is financing the work, is composed of 150 women, headed by Mrs. Robert Hirsch and Mrs. Leonard Holland, and is under the direction of Dr.

"Until Day and Night Shall Cease" is being written for mixed chorus, soloists and symphony or-chestra and will be available in both Hebrew and English texts. Seven themes are incorporated in the cantata: "Morning Hymn,"
"Beside an Apple Tree," "Rarest
Beauty," "The Heritage of the
Lord," "Stars of the World," "A
Servant of God" and "Until Day and Night Shall Cease."

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RABBI EICHENSTEIN TO ADDRESS MORRIS SHAPIRO MEMORIAL MEETING

Shekel Campaign In The United States To Start In February

NEW YORK (ZINS)—The Shekel Campaign for the 24th Zionist Congress will most likely start throughout the United States by February 1. Preparations for the opening of the campaign have been started by the office of the United States Cen-

Community Relations Advisory Council; Union of American Hebrew Congregations; Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations; United Synagogue of America; Zionist Organization, only persons who will have paid up their shekel for this period of four years, at 25 cents per year, will be entitled to vote in the election of delegates to the Roard to attend by Hyman Flaks, executive secretary of the Vaad Hoeir.

Zionist Organization of America, is chairman of the United States Shekel Board, Miss Claire J. Okonowitz, who directed the shekel campaign for the previous Congress, scheduled to take place in the fall of 1955. According to the Constitution of the World Zionist Organization of America, is chairman of the United States Shekel Board, Miss Claire J. Okonowitz, who directed the shekel campaign for the previous Congress, and the Roard's Every Lawrence of the Congress of the C Zionist Congress.

Charles Ress, representing the tive Director.

the principal speaker at the Me-morial Meeting for Morris Shapiro

at the Chesed Shel Emeth Con-gregation Sunday, Jan. 2, at 2 p. m. All Rabbis asso-ciated with the Vaad Hoeir will eulogize the late Morris Shapiro died, following a cerebral hemorrhage. He was 70 years old. He had

Morris Shapiro of the Vaad Hoeir been the president for the past sixteen years and grand secretary of the Progressive Order of the West for the past forty-three years.

All organizations in which Morris Shapiro had been active were

has designated the Board's Execu-

Stock Exchange Trades 250,000 Israel Oil Shares



Executives of Pan-Israel Oil Company, Inc., and Israel-Mediterranean Petro-Executives of Pan-Israel Oil Company, Inc., and Israel-Mediterranean Petroleum, Inc., study areas in Israel where intensive drilling for oil will begin shortly. Both companies hold licenses for oil exploration on 800,000 acres in various parts of the country. First issue of 250,000 shares of each company, which are traded on the American Stock Exchange, were fully subscribed, and a new issue is expected in September. Above (l. to r.) are James Buckley, Israel B. Brodie, and Benjamin W. Heath. Palestine Economic Corporation is participating in this palestic. is participating in this undertaking.

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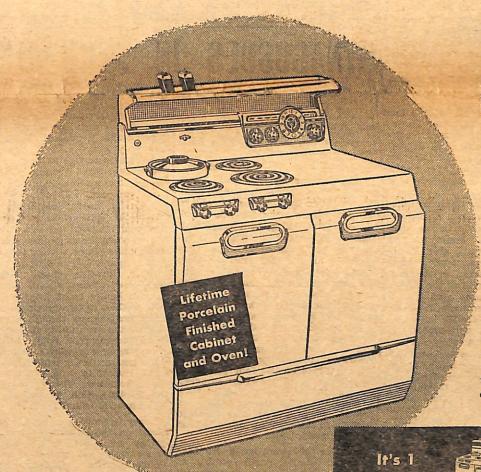
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The Year in Washington THE HEBREW COMMONWEALTH AND THE

By MILTON FRIEDMAN

Those concerned with human

Court issued its historic order ending racial segregation in public which schools although Jewish children were not the victims of that sort of discrimation in this country. The Supreme Court decision was seen a step towards the fulfillment of the highest American ideals, a move that would extend the blessings of freedom.

Just as the Supreme Court decision was hailed as a triumph for justice, the Administration's retreat from its solemn pledge to revise the biased McCarran-Walter Immigration Act was seen as a defeat. The White House took a forthright position in following through with anti-segregation measures begun during the Truman Administration. Federal Contracts Compliance Commission was appointed to pursue the work previously undertaken. But Jewish organizations were tragically disappointed by the retreat of the White House on the McCarran-Walter issue.

In 1952, as a Presidential candidate, Mr. Eisenhower made his opposition to the McCarran-Walter Act crystal clear. Consistent with his promises, he took the occasion of the 1953 State of the Union Address to urge Congress to revise the act. Later in 1953 he listed specific complaints involving McCarran-Walter inequities drawn to his attention. He sent the list to Chairman Arthur V. Watkins of the Senate Immigration Subcommittee with a request for action.

The Watkins reply rejected the President's request. Sen. Watkins

ROOS DONATES \$100,000 TO IFWISH HOSPITAL

A donation of \$100,000 has been A donation of \$100,000 has been clima shops and said the Secretary the children of Israel under Moses received by the Jewish Hospital of State had sent him no commendation. The President of State had sent him no commendation of State had sent him no commendation. The President apparently forgot that the White House had carefully listed numerous complaints against the act in a Presidential letter to Sen. will be known as the Selma K. Roos Fund for Research, Richard K. Weil, president of the hospital

"The fund will be used for research projects undertaken by members of the medical staff," Weil said. "The principal will remain intact for 50 years with the income to be used currently. The fund can be increased by contributions from others," he said.

Roos is a former president of the Jewish Sanitorium and for many years was a member of the Jewish Hospital Board of Directors. He has two sons, Lawrence K. and John J. Roos, and a daughter, Mrs. Michael R. Freund, all of St. Louis.

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rights and civil liberties have noted heartening gains as well as painful setbacks in the last year.

Jewish organizations rejoiced and applauded when the Supreme Walter injustices but actually emulated the content of the immigration issue owing to the passage of a compromise version of a 1953 emergency refugee act. The emergency act, however, not only affiled to revise McCarran-Walter injustices but actually emulated the content of the bodied the same concepts in a form which some considered even worse than the McCarran-Walter act it-

It is true that the new act provided for the admission of 214,000 refugees from Communism and others in excess of regular quotas. But so many restrictions were added that only four refugees were able to get in during the first six months the act was in force. The act was nevertheless described by the White House as one of the ten greatest legislative achievements of the new administration. Meanwhile, McCarran - Walter revision was sidetracked.

Everyone waited for the air to clear. They felt the president would not abandon his stand for McCarran-Walter revision, Eagerly, the Jewish organizations looked forward to President Eisenhower's January, 1954, State of the Union message. They looked in vain. He failed to mention the act.

On March 17, the President announced that he had no intention busy with their own affairs, and of becoming "a bull in a China shop" as far as McCarran-Walter rangeious hands upon them they revision is concerned. He explained to a press conference that as we move in the general direction of the principles of the Founding Fathers McCarran-Walter problem.

Another disappointment was sustained by Jewish organizations when the United States failed to join in United Nations agreements on human rights and genocide. Ultra rightwing elements attacked these U. N. undertaking as "sub-versive."

REAFFIRMATION OF ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO PASS SUEZ SOUGHT

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (ISI) -Israel requested the Security Council's reaffirmation of its resolution of September 1951 calling upon Egypt to terminate restrictions against Israel-bound shipping passing through the Suez Canal and the unconditional release of the Israel ship the S. S. Bat Galim seized by the Egyptians on September 28 while it was exercising through the Suez Canal at the Security Council meeting of December 7. Ambassador Abba S. Eban, permanent representative of Israel to the United Nations, emphasized that the integrity of the Israel-Egyptian armistice agreement and the entire armistice system as well as the integrity of the Security Council itself are the issues now facing the council.

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used the pretext that the Republican Party was in a strong position GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

By OSCAR S. STRAUS (First in a Series of Twelve Installments)

Oscar S. Straus (1850-1926), who served as Minister Plenipotentiary to Turkey under Presidents Grover Cleveland and William McKinley, wrote a small but vitally important book on "The Origin of Republican nukah. Form of Government." Out of print and now difficult to get, it was first published by G. P. Putnam's Sons of New York in 1885. In honor of the American Jewish Tercentenary, the publishers have given the AJP the rights to republish the most important parts of the book. These reveal that the Founding Fathers received their inspiration in the founding of the American Republic from precedents of government by and for the people as established ages ago by the ancient Hebrews under Moses, Joshua and the Judges.

In his brilliant essays, Mr. Straus makes it clear that the Republic established by Moses constituted a perfect pattern for the form of government instituted by the Continental Congress. He reveals that the Republic of Moses had its (1) Chief Executive in the Judge or shophet; (2) an elected Senate of seventy elders, usually referred to as the Sanhedrin, and (3), an Assembly or "Congregation" as distinct from "all ernment in all its essential characters." The Democratic spirit of the Mosaic Republic, he shows, is teristics, and expressly modeled borne out by the fact that the people themselves "selected" or "appointed" their leaders. The Levites, however, were separated from the other set up over the twelve tribes under tribes, thus keeping the priesthood apart from the State Government.

This publication is happy to present to our readers the first of a continued this Theocracy for a peseries of twelve articles from Mr. Straus' work.-EDITOR.

Early Americans And The Old Testament

The social, religious, and political upheavals that kept the governments of England and the Continent in constant change and commotion, had as yet little effect in the colonies. The people here were rapacious hands upon them, they prospered all the more by reason of this neglect. Beliefs that had lost much of their vigor in Europe retained all their ancient force in the we might be closer to solving the colonies. The inestimable privilege of worshipping God in accordance Mr. Eisenhower remarks were in with their own conscience was reply to a question posed by a re- denied to the first settlers of New porter. The reporter quoted Vice- England in the mother country, and President Nixon as saying that they came to the wilds of America "every act of racial discrimination to enjoy that boon. The Bible was or prejudice in the United States to them not only their guide in hurts America as much as an espio- religions, but their text-book in nage agent who turns over a weap-on to a foreign enemy." The Pres-ident was asked if he thought dis-crimination contained in the Mc-that no people, excepting only the Carran - Walter act damages our Jews, and perhaps the Scotch, had foreign relations and whether he ever exemplified, for they seemed was doing anything about liberaliz- to recognize a striking similarity ing the act. It was then that he between their own hardships, hisdisassociated himself from bulls in tory, and condition and those of China shops and said the Secretary the children of Israel under Moses

Social Notes

A shipment of hundreds of gifts and cartons of holiday food has been sent to servicemen in Alaska by the St. Louis Serve-a-Committee of the Women's Organization Divi-sion of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

The gifts will provide holiday spirit to servicemen of the Jewish faith at the time of Chanukah. The St. Louis Committee is head-

ed by Mrs. Julius Schweich, 7336 Maryland Ave., University City.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hutnick, 7257 Balson, University Ctiy on the birth of their son Neil Brian on Dec. 1.

Dr. Robert Simon, who was the first dental intern at the Jewish Hospital, has opened his offices at 7603 Forsythe in Clayton.

"Egytian Bondage," James I. they offer the New England Confederacy, styled "Pharach," the ocean whose "This confederacy of the four New styled "Pharaoh," the ocean whose "This confederacy of the four New dangers and hardships their ances- England Colonies," says Pitkin, tors were driven to encounter they spoke of as the "Red Sea." They

Give Chanukah Presents

Fifty boxes, decorated to resemble dreidels, and filled with candy and cookies, were given to patients at the Jewish Hospital, by the Shoshana group of Bnei Akiva, Sunday, December 19.

likened their own numbers to that of the children of Israel, "three millions souls," America in whose wilds they had come was their "Wilder-ness," and in after days Washing-ton and Adams were frequently referred to as their Moses and Joshua.

America-A New Canaan

Their first conception of the form of an American Union was a Theocracy, the same form of govthereafter, as the children of Israel their great lawgiver Moses. They riod of forty-one years, from 1643 to 1684, and under it they organized "served as the basis of the great (Centinued on Page 6)

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Expose Or Kill By Silence?

The House Committee on Un-American Activities is investigating a neo-fascist group called the National Renaissance Party, a hate publication, "Common Sense," edited by the notorious Conde McGinley in Union, N. J., and other groups of the extreme right. The American Jewish Committee, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and other Jewish groups wholeheartedly endorse this

Some parties contend that the accompanying free publicity makes these hate groups a rallying point for like-minded persons; that silence and not publicity will kill these groups. On the other others, a political mentor; still othhand, many agree with Irving M. Engel, president of the A. J. C., who feels that this investigation does serve "as an eloquent, timely, image. and instructive warning to the American people."

The hope to stop a movement by silence is not only at odds with a freely functioning press but also permits such groups to operate without challenge or public ostracism. Most important, 1894, as their "brilliant, noble, publicity will warn the innocent who believe that such groups promising son") who journeys to are the most effective means against Communism.

A Happy New Year To Everyone

TODAY, DECEMBER 27

ACHAD HA'AM OHEL BENJAMIN MISHKIN ISRAEL HEBREW SCHOOL LADIES' AUXILIARY-Meeting at 5631 Wells, 1:00 p. m. RABBI H. F. EPSTEIN HEBREW ACADEMY, LADIES' AUXILIARY -Meeting at Tpheris Israel Congregation, 6912 Delmar, 1:30 p. m.

MIRIAM HEBREW SCHOOL-Chanukah all games party, refreshments, no admission charge. Everyone invited, 5722 Waterman, 1:30 p. m.

JCCA-Meeting at the YMHA, 8:00 p. m.

EBN EZRA BOARD MEETING-University City Library.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF ST. LOUIS-Chanukah all games party, Tpheris Israel Auditorium, 8:00 p. m. Attendance prizes. Guests for the evening will be senior Young Judaeans of St. Louis. All zionist and general public invited.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

NOSHIM BIKUR CHOLIAM SOCIETY-Luncheon and Package Party at the YMHA, 12:30. Surprise entertainment. Everyone welcome. Board meeting at 10:30 a, m.

MIRIAM LODGE 17-U.O.T.S .- Meeting at Shaare Emeth Temple,

PIONEER WOMEN, ST. LOUIS COUNCIL-8:00 p. m.

8:00 p. m.

MIZRACHI ORGANIZATION OF ST. LOUIS-Meeting at the home of Richard Greenwald; 714 Interdrive at 8:00 p. m.

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TV SCHEDULE

KWK-TV (Channel 4) Rabbinical Association Services 9:30 to 10:00 a. m.

Book Review FOR ZION'S SAKE

By NORMAN BENTWICH

Reviewed By Carl Herman Voss (A biography of Judah L. Magnes. The Jewish Publication Society of America, 1954. 343 pages and 20 illustrations. \$4.00).

Dr. Voss is Minister of the Flatbush Unitarian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; member of the faculty of the New School For Social Re-search in New York City; and chairman of the executive council of the American Christian Palestine Committee. He is the author of The Universal God, an interfaith anthology, and The Palestine Problem Today-Editor.

Norman Bentwich, British-born citizen of the new State of Israel and former Attorney-General of the Mandatory Government of Palestine, has written a perceptive, informative, and often touching biography of Judah Magnes. FOR ZION'S SAKE is a labor of love in memory of a great and good man whom many, Jew and non-Jew, admired and respected greatly.

When Dr. Magnes died in New York City in 1948, he had only recently returned to his native America after a quarter century of distinctive and distinguished service in Palestine. He was mourned by tens of thousands, some of whom had found in him a spiritual guide: ers, an intellectual stimulus; and many another, a veritable Father-

In the pleasantly-flowing prose of these engrossing pages, Magnes lives again. Here is the handsome youth of Oakland, California (de-Cincinnati for six happy, productive years at the University and the Hebrew Union College, and then goes abroad for two more years of enjoyable graduate study at Berlin and Heidelberg. Here are the beginnings of an always controversial, and yet consistently creative, career—first as rabbi, in the years from 1904 to 1911, of Temple Israel in Brooklyn, Temple Emanu-El and Congregation B'nai Jeshurun in Manhattan; then, in the next decade, as organizer and chairman of the Kehillah, that well-intended but ill-fated effort to organize the Jews of New York, and of other cities as well, into a "community." Here are the several pilgrimages to Palestine, on the last of which, in 1922, he stayed as the Chancellor-later, as President-of the newfounded Hebrew University on Mount Scopus and as chairman of the Emergency Committee of Hadassah.

From his youngest days, he had been a Zionist, one of the first to hail Herzl and the vision of an Old-New Land restored. Now he could help in the task. During the 1920s, '30s, and '40s, difficult and Mount Scopus and in Rehavia, as succeeded to remarkable degree;

Letters To The Public

... the community speaks"

CRITICIZES ST. LOUIS **JEWRY FOR BEING** TOO FORMAL, RESERVED

Editor, Jewish Star:

I read with inteerst your editorial, "The Jewish Paradox." It brought to mind another form of "Anti-Semitism" common among Jews. That is the lack of friendliness shown to new-comers at social functions.

I have been a member of various Jewish organizations in St. Louis, and without exception, I observe the same practice in each group; the old-time members confined their attention to their friends and completely forgot their obligation as hosts. The result was groups of close little "cliques" with the visitors left on the sidelines. I have heard others express the same com-

Most organizations carry on big campaigns each year to attract new members, but the individual members don't know how to make the vistors feel welcome after they come, so that they will want to

This, it seems to me, is paradoxical because of the Jewish status which you mentioned in your column. The problems that we face as Jews should draw us together. But Jews in St. Louis feel no such bonds.

I say "in St. Louis" because my experience while attending school in a college town showed me that Jewish people can be warm and friendly. I went alone to my first Hillel dance there; several members near the door, apparently a welcoming committee introduced youth and others in Israel by supthemselves and others to me, and each member acted like a welcom-

ing committee of one. All were informal and sincere. When the had known those people for years. I don't know if anything can be

done about the situation here, but I think it's a shame that Jews must be so formal and reserved with other Jews, especially since it hurts the things we are trying to achieve, because the same reserve exists in practically all Jewish groups, whether Zionist, cultural, or social.

sitivity to social ills, his deep-seated aversion to the sleek religiosity of the well-born and the well-to-do,

Those who visited with him on painful years of Israel's rebirth, he did I in 1947, will find him, in these sought to be a mediator. Often he pages, walking again the streets of his beloved Jerusalem, radiating as but passions ran too high, and Mag-nes found to his disappointment rarely found in today's world. One that Jew, Arab and Briton in the might be tempted to question Bent-PIONEER WOMEN, ST. LOUIS COUNCIL—8:00 p. m.

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Holy Land were not destined to lie wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the distribution of the wich's sweeping statement that better the down as the lion and the lamb. Nor was magnes himself to dwell in amity with his friends in Zion. Amity with his friends in Zion.

Men might disagree with Magnes; but, as opponents, they honored him for his scholarly gifts as well as his administrative ability, for his basic integrity and his spiritual resources. They could not help but be grateful for his sen—and immortal.

amity with his friends in Zion.

Men might disagree with Magnes her immediately one things of a number of others; but there is no doubt that Judah Magnes left a mark on American life and Israeli life that is indelible and beneficent—and immortal.

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Editor, Jewish Star:

We are a group of 25 women hold meetings every month at or another's homes. We get you paper at our homes and after read ing of the fine work Mrs. Sylvis Boonshaft is doing we decided to donate \$25.00 to the cause,

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In behalf of the Sunshine Club. Mrs. Rose Kitsis. 6170 Waterman

(The Dec. 13 issue of the Jewish Star carried a story on Mrs. Boonshaft's work at the St. Louis State Hospital.—Editor.)

Editor, Jewish Star:

Rumors circulated in your neighborhood that Stanley Slotkin, owner of Abbey Rents of Los Angeles is not Jewish, that his company anti-Semitic and that his company will not hire Jews, are baseless, slanderous and libelous. And that Mr. Slotkin does nothing for his people is just one outrageous lie! This I know from personal experience with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Slotkin for more than a quarter of a century.

Mr. Slotkin has in addition to many other activities for Israel and youth and others in Israel by sup-plying the cost of shipping of thou-sands of bicycles to Israel. Mrs. Slotkin, former president of the Beverly Hills Chapter of Hadassah, is exceptionally active in the United Jewish Welfare Fund, as official of the Women's Division and in other capacities, and for Bonds for Israel Government in similar ca-

Anything you may do to dispel this libel on the Abbey Rents or Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Slotkin will be greatly appreciated by

David Weissman, Editor, B'Nai B'rith Messenger, Los Angeles (17), Cal.

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THE JEWISH ATTITUDE TOWARD MISSIONARIES

(Second and Final Installment)
By ROBERT GORDIS

(Dr. Gordis, Professor of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary, (Dr. Gordis, Professor of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary, Adjunct Professor of Religion, Columbia University; and Rabbi of Current debate on the question of whether or not to seek proselytes for Judaism, the following article will be of interest, Editor.)

dom of priests and a holy nation. He was led to ever deeper studies until he finally decided to accept Judaism for himself. At this point he was strongly dissuaded from doing so by his spiritual mentor, the

The uncompromising faith in the unity of God who was the source of righteousness, gave birth to a nobler code of morality, which stood in sharpest contrast to the surrounding ne their respective creeds but the king and his household followed by the practices of the surrounding nations. It was natural that as accepted Judgiem For solved and intelligent was accepted Judgiem For solved and imprisoned Rumor had sensitive and intelligent men and women in the pagan world came turies until the Chazars were overturies until the Chazars were overit that he had died a martyr's women in the pagan world came turies until the Chazars were over- it that he had died a martyr beauty contact with Judaism, many turies until the Chazars were over- it that he had died a martyr death. Fortunately, as it was later reported. Palliere managed to sur-

there were large communities of vailed in the Jewish Chazar king- Accepting the Jewish religion means Many of them were former pagans who had surrendered the myths and practices in which they had been reared and seeking a true faith, have been drawn to Judaism. These proselytes came from every stratum of society, from the slave classes to the very palaces of the emperor of Rome. So extensive was this trend that the great New Testament scholar Adolf Harnack estimated that at the beginning of the Christian era, fully ten per cent of the population of the western world, four out of forty millions, professed the Jewish religion.

The rise of Christianity had a drastic effect upon Jewish missionary activity. This new religion accepted in large measure the basic monotheistic ideal of Judaism and most of its ethical attitudes but modified them along directions which were more familiar and hence more easily acceptable to the Gentiles of the day. Hence the incentives for non-Jews to accept Judaism were sharply reduced.
When Christianity became the official religion of the old empire, Jews were forbidden to carry on mission-

Some Jewish Proselytes of The Middle Ages And Later

In spite of these conditions, however, accession to Jewish ranks continued, even in the darkest days of the Middle Ages. Among them was a crusader who had gone to Palestine with Geoffrey of Bouillon. Adopting the Hebrew name Oba-diah, he wrote his autobiography in excellent Hebrew, The great French
Talmudists include one called Rabbi
Abraham the Proselyte. Bodo, a
former Bishop of the Catholic
Church who had served as confessor of Louis the Pious of France adopted Judaism in the ninth cen-tury. In the 16th century, Catharine Malcerova Weigel, wife of the Mayor of Cracow, Poland, died as a martyr to her new faith, as did Alexander Boznitzyn, a Russian naval officer of the eighteenth century. Many hundreds more important proselytes could be mentioned. The most beloved was a 17th century Polish count, Valentine Potocki, who paid with his life on the stake for accepting the Jewish faith.

Mass conversions to Judaism, which have been common in ancient days, did not exist in the Middle Ages, but there was one striking and dramatic exception. In southeast Russia there was a large and powerful Tartar kingdom called

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of them would be attracted to its world-faith and way of life. As a result, a world-wide movement toward Judaism took place during the Roman period.

Jewish state in Europe. It is particularly noteworthy that in sharpest contrast to the rest of medieval Europe, complete religious tolerance and equality for Christians.

shawl and not merely the officiat-ing cantor. Palliere saw in this (Continued on Page 8)

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practice a vivid symbol of the democratic spirit of the Jewish religion. Here each individual spoke directly to God and was equal to his fellows as a member of "a king-Chazars. In the eighth century the saintly Rabbi Elia Benamozegh of The uncompromising faith in the paganism in which they had been persisted in his desire and was

In the days of the Second Temple Mohammedan and Jew alike, pre- as in philosophical considerations. Perhaps the best-known prose- and taking upon oneself all the lyte of our generation is the late liabilities and discriminations under Aime Palliere, who has written the deeply moving story of his life in where. Moreover, becoming an ad-"The Unknown Sanctuary." Pal-herent to Judaism means more liere was a French student for the than accepting a new theological priesthood who was first impressed creed. It represents a thoroughgoby Judaism through an apparent ing transformation of one's life, inminor incident. One day he chanced cluding the adoption of an elabupon a synagogue on a back street orate regimen of practices and obin his native town while the congregation was at worship. He noticed that every member of the con- and difficulties the Rabbi is engregation wore a talith or prayer joined by Jewish tradition to em-

Hadassah Tea To Be Held At U. H. Temple

St. Louis Chapter Hadassah is having its annual Membership Tea to honor its paid-up members at United Hebrew Temple, 225 S. Skinker, Monday, Jan. 3, at 1 p. m.

Hadassah will present "Dial 'B' for Bargain Center," a musical with songs and dance starring Hadassah's cast, written by Miss Carol Frankenthal, Mrs. Max Salnicker and Mrs. Milton Scharff. Maggi Speer, director of Community Players, will direct "Dial 'B."

The cast includes Mrs. Morris Klibansky, Mrs. Dave Rosenberg, Mrs. Martin Colodney, Mrs. Fred Marx, Mrs. Sam Chaloff, Mrs. Benard, Mrs. Sam Cherrick and Mr. Sam Schneider. The dancers consist of Mrs. M. D. Marcus, Mrs. Nathan Coppersmith, Mrs. Robert Roodman, Mrs. Daniel Markman, Mrs. Samuel Schenberg and Mrs. Samuel Lerman. Stage director is Mrs. Sam Schneider. The dance director is Mrs. M. D. Marcus; pianist is Mrs. Norman Mistachkin.

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Symphony Orchestra Presents "Pop" Concert

Miss Border will sing the aria, "Dich Theure Halle," from Richard Wagner's "Tannhauser"; the Bach-Gounod "Ave Maria"; Edvard wilderness they had endured. The wilderness they had conquered by the Things You Are," from the Language of the Congress of the Con Jerome Kern-Oscar Hammerstein II show, "Very Warm for May." Eschen and Toenjes will be featured in Kleinsinger's "Tuby The Tuba." Rounding out the program will be the Scherzo: "Queen Mab," from Hector Berlioz's "Romeo and Juliet"; The Story of the Kalandar Prince from the Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov suite, "Scheherazade"; the Scherzo from Paul Dukas' "Sorcerer's Apprentice"; the Overture to Glinka's "Russlan and Lud-milla," and Georges Enesco's "Rou-manian Rhapsody" No. 1.

Suzanne Gordon And Herbert Gilden Engaged

The engagement of Miss Suzanne Myrna Gordon to Herbert Gene Gilden was announced at a Thanksgiving dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel J. Gordon, 1970 Semple Ave. The wed-

7515 Buckingham Dr., Clayton, at- by those of the Hebrew prophets tended John Burroughs School and was graduated from Clayton High

THE HEBREW COMMONWEALTH

(Continued From Page 3)

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—In a holiday musical program designed for the entire family, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra will present its second "pop" concert of the season Sunday afternoon, January 2, at 3 o'clock, in the Opera House of Kiel Auditorium here.

Harry Farbman, the orchestra's assistant conductor will again be on the podium. Soloists will be Jean Border, soprano; Frank Esthen, narrator, and Karl Toenjes, Miss Border will sing the aria.

Confederacy afterwards between the thirteen States of America." An excloses a similarity not only in name, but in principles. The Puritans, estocially the New England Puritans, old Testament than perhaps they secutions they had suffered in the or disbanding them, had transformed them from what at first together by the strongest ties of the Old Testament, and here was the radical error of their social error of their social error of their social error of their social from the reductions.

"God Alone Is King"

The question suggests itself: Why could not the social laws and religious regulations of the Hebrews be adopted by the people of New England with the same propriety, justice, and applicability as their form of government? The answer is plain. The former were framed upon the central idea of exclusiveunion with spirits rendered more end beyond peradventure.

Mosaic Code The Guide

The Mosaic laws were framed under divine sanction to accomplish a similar end. To these laws they turned as a guide, not taking into account that more than thirty centuries had rolled by, and that the social regulations of those times were not better fitted for the then times than the vestments of that clime would suffice as a proper protection against the New England winter. They did not seem to understand that however severe the Mosaic code was, it was mild in comparison with the laws that preceded it, and that the social rela-Gordon, 1970 Semple Ave. The wedding will take place next spring.

Miss Gordon was a former Washington University student. Gilden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilden, the names of Christian saints but the names of the Hybray problets.

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St. Louis Silents	2	3
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determined by the severity of the hardships they had endured. The wilderness they had endured. The ple. Social and religious regulaple. Social and religious regulations were made with this chief ing as a garden interspersed within growing villages and populous towns. Their first and only concern was to preserve this new Canaan for themselves and to establish for themselves, and to establish such laws and regulations for their government as might secure this equal, that God alone is king; which were as true when the Declaration of Independence was adopted as in the times of Moses and Joshua, and as true in New England as they were in Canaan.

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Javits Calls For Inclusion Of Israel In NATO

NEW YORK. - Representative Jacob K. Javits, Attorney General-elect of the State of New York, this week called for the active utilization of the defense capability of Israel for the security of the Middle East, and the inclusion of Israel together with the Arab states in a regional defense organization for the area within the framework of the U. N. "Unless Israel is invited into this Near East defense organization Israel should be invited to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) either directly or by an alliance with Greece and Turkey which are now members," he further urged.

Javits further warned that the shipment of arms to the Arab states endangers the present whole U. S. policy "by grave unbalance in the Near East,"

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Diabs who were previously tied for Schucardt got 15 for the losers.

Hank Morris

Close games were the rule last Sunday afternoon in the YMHA Basketball League's Division No. 1. The Atoms No. 1 victory string surversein 10 for Mo. Lodge.

The Rangers' overtime victory rious threat of the season while the Rangers topped the Atom No. 2 81 to 71 in a game Rangers high-scoring center, after that went into being held to 6 points in the first overtime. In Division No. 2 the intermission to spark the win-the Seahawks ning drive. Willy Wilansky contook over sole tributed 12 and Al Holtzman and possession of first Jerry Bader 10 each to the winning place with a 62 to 41 walloping of the St. Louis Silents as the Silents as the Caracter St. Louis Silents and Al Holtzman a

Diabs who were previously tied for the top position, were absorbing a 50 ot 32 defeat at the hands of Pi Lambda Phi. The Rebels drubbed the Achims 67 to 52 in the other Division No. 2 game.

The Atoms No 1 had to overcome a one point deficit in the last quarter in order to maintain their unbeaten status. Their margin of victory came from the foul line as they were outscored from the field 20-19. They converted 24 out of 34

Schucardt got 15 for the losers.

Joe Zelson, the Seahawk's high scoring guard, hit for 35 points to lead his team to their third straight win. Showing that the new "1 and 1" foul rule is not necessary for high scores, Zelson amassed his total on 16 field goals and only 3 foul shots. Irv Roselman tallied 13 points for the winners while Paul Tester was high man for the Silents with 17.

Pi Lamda Phi moved into a

20-19. They converted 24 out of 34 foul attempts while Mo. Lodge could hit on only 20 out of 32. Big Shep Smith again led the Atoms getting 22 points. Bob Loddeke added 17 and Harvey Brown 14. Tobin adding 10 more. Sid Kleg was the only Diab to reach double figures getting an even 10 points.

figures getting an even 10 points.

The Rebels featured their win over the Achims with an impressive team foul shooting exhibition They cashed in on 23 out of 28 charity tosses. Joe Hupert topped the winners with 22 tallies. Stan Yorke scored 15, Aaron Katzman 14 and Mickey Sirkus 10 for the Rebels. Len Saxon and Arnie Levin collected 14 points each for the

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arly and too quickly lead to conearly and too quickly lead to conown powerful flict. Catastrophic defeat of the feelings of disgust and revulsion. adult in the conflict is conventional. Children are then confused and But even if the adult comes out on top and the child is "trained" in less than 18 months, scars of the battle will remain. The signs are "accidents" for years to come, and undercurrents of crabbiness and resentment which flare up for little or no provocation. Such a "victory" is of dubious value.

As the child is able to sit up, and crawl, clothing cannot be as tightly retaining. Diapers work loose. Their contents become more easily accessible. The child, after all, does not have experience by which to discriminate among the hundreds of environmental objects he investigates with all his six senses. The parents by virtue of constant, patient supervision and guidance conditions the child into discriminating between objects he may or may not touch, taste, smell Bonita are her grandparents. or see. But where toilet habits are concerned, by and large, more harm than good can be done by attempting to indoctrinate infants in the do's and don'ts before they have learned to walk. They do not have criticism, or disapproval of their interest in the products of elimination. Punishment in the form of Melbourne, Australia. scolding or slapping is positively destructive. Until the child learns

to walk, you may just as well forget the idea of toilet training, if you ever entertain it. Any "trouble" you may have on that account is infinitely more desirable, than the real anguish you are storing up for yourself and the future of your child by starting too soon. The extra months of diapers, and constant care, supervision and cleansing will be more than compensated for by a comfortably trained child, day and night, at two or three years of age.

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FRANCES BIXHORN

heim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto M Oppenheim, 5549 Pershing Ave., December 25 at a family gather-

Miss Bixhorn is presently a sophomore at Washington University, majoring in the physical sciences. Her sister is Sandra Bixhorn and her brother is Herbert Bixhorn. Mr. and Mrs. A. Berger, 6477A San

Oppenheim has his bachelor's degree from Washington University and is now doing graduate work in psychology there. He is a member of the Delta Phi Alpha Honorary. Prior to doing his gradthe capacity to understand adult uate work, he served two years with the armed forces in Tokyo.

Miss Nancy Kinberg And Stanley Weinman To Be Wed In Spring

Miss Nancy Mae Kinberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kinberg, 761 Heman ave., University City, is engaged to Stanley Weinman who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Weinman, 6220 Page blvd. A spring wedding is planned

OBITUARIES

PLATZELMAN, BERTHA, December 23, 1954, wife of Morris Platzelman, mother of Mrs. Sylvia Kohn of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Bella Wolff of Cairo, Ill., Mrs. Rosaline Wishnuff and Max Platzelman. Funeral from Berger Me-

AACH, FRANCES, December 19, 1954, wife of Joseph Aach, mother of Harold Aach. Services at Mayer

BLUMBERG, IDA, December 20, 1954, at Denver, Colo., wife of the late Saul Blumberg, mother of Louis Blumberg, Mrs. Louis Cohen and the late Clifford Blumberg, Fu-neral from the Rindskopf Chapel.

BOBROFF, LEAH, December 19, 1954, widow of the late Jacob Bobroff, mother of Goldie Koplowitz of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mrs. Sadie Schorr, Mrs. Rose Greenberg and Harry Bobroff. Funeral from Berger Memorial.

TEPPER, SAM, December 20, 1954, husband of Lena Tepper, father of Hyman Rose, Nathan, Abe and Jack Tepper. Funeral from Berger Memorial.

1954, husband of Minnie Prince Sabor. Funeral from the Rindskopf

Miss Fischer Plans February Wedding To Lt. M. D. Maremont

Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Fischer, 7220 Pershing Ave., University City, of the engagement and forth-coming February wedding of their daughter, Miss Jill Fischer, to Army Lt. Michael David Maremont.

Miss Fischer is a student at the University of Illinois. Mr. Maremont is the son of Mrs. Hurd, 657 Craig Road, Kirkwood, and Arnold H. Maremont of Winnetka, Ill. The bridegroom - to - be, now attending artillery school at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla., was graduated from the University of Missouri with an A.B. in economics. His fraternity is Sigma Alpha Mu.

Sylvia Glickstein To Be Spring Bride Of R. M. Merkadeau

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Glickstein of Kansas City, Mo., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Sylvia Glickstein, to Ronald M. Merkadeau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Merkadeau, 7470 Delmar Boulevard, University City. A spring wedding is planned.

Miss Glickstein will receive her degree next month from Washington University. She is a past president of her sorority, Sigma Delta Tau, and a member of Kappa Delta Tau, education honorary organiza-

Mr. Merkadeau is an alumnus of Washington University's School of Architecture and a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity. Mr. Merkadeau will depart next month for Naval Officers' Candidate School, Newport, R. I.

Alice Kramer And Lt. Kurt Wolfsberg To Wed In Summer

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Kramer, 7257 Amherst, University City, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Alice Jean Kramer, to Air Force Lt. Kurt Wolfsberg. The future bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Gustav Wolfsberg, 5933 Kingsbury Avenue, and the late Mr. Wolfsberg. The wedding will take place next summer.

Called Kitty by her college friends, the bride-elect is an alumna of University City High School. She attended the University of Missouri for two years as a recipient of a four-year Greater St. Louis Science Fair Scholarship to the University.

Lt. Wolfsberg is a magna cum laude graduate of St. Louis University which he attended entirely on scholarships. He majored in chemistry, mathematics and philosophy. At present he is working toward his master's degree in radio chemistry at Washington University under the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Shirley Stein Wed To Lawrence Pallas

Miss Shirley Reva Stein and Lawrence Pallas were married Sunday afternoon Nov. 28, in the ballroom of the Forest Park Hotel. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stein, 6036 Washington Boulevard.

The bridegroom, who parents are Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Pallas of New York, received his A.B. degree SABOR, MARTIN, December 21, at Brooklyn College, and will continue his studies at George Warren Brown School of Social Work of Washington University.

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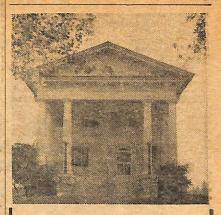
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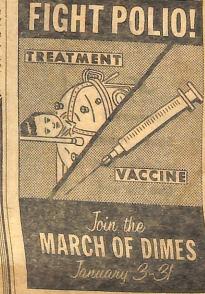
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In A Moscow Synagogue Jewish Star Page be Monday, December 27, 1954

By DAVID GOLDBERG

(The following article was written dush was made over the cherryby a medical student of Glasgow, and was made over the cherry-red contents of an ancient decanter who was a member of a Scottish ter—home-made wine, because the delegation to the ninth Council of state co-operative groceries do not the International Union of Students sell kosher wine, and every grocery in Moscow. Goldberg describes a shop in the Soviet Union is a state recent visit to the only remaining co-operative. We said farewell to synagogue in the Soviet Capital.) -Editor.

One Friday night last August a black, streamlined Zis automobile joined our waiting interpreter who young Jews of Russia, aye, where descended one of the narrow, tortuous hills which lead from the center of Moscow to a poorer residental quarter of the city, and pulled up outside the somber facade of the old Armenian synagogue. There same Zis automobile descended the emerged six people—three Israelis, same tortuous hill, and the same an English Jew and myself, followed after a respectable interval by two interpreters, made their by an interpreter.

We were ushered up the broad stone steps whose surface must bear the footprints of many of Jewry's greatest sons, through the absent the previous evening. As narrow vestibule, into the great hall the glass doors opened to permit of the synagogue itself, looking in design much like any other synagogue anywhere else in the world, the choir posted in the balcony and but in appearance desolate, un- accompanying the Cantor. kempt and dingy. A handful of people were in attendance and were lost in the vast and gloomy space of this once impressive hall of prayer.

The service was in essence much the same as a Friday night service in Glasgow or any other city of the Western world, but this Kid-

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the Rabbi, informing him that we hoped to attend the Sabbath service the following morning, and rewas pacing the vestibule like a sentry on duty, every now and then throwing a look-half curious, half watchful-through the glass doors.

On the following morning the five individuals, followed this time exit. As we ascended the steps and drew into the vestibule, a new sound greeted us-the clear golden tones of the Cantor who had been our entry, our ears detected the steady flow of melody issuing from

The nearest member of the congregation sat at a distance of fully six yards from us. The shammos disappeared for a few moments into a side chamber and reappeared armed with a collection of Talesim which he proceeded to distribute to us. We accepted them with some degree of reluctance. They were home-made garments constructed from sheets of flannel to the corners of which a few woolen threads had been attached. Prayerbooks had already been set out on the seats, old tattered volumes with many pages missing.

After a brief initial period durwe gave some attention to our sur- of years lying between them and roundings. The interior itself had the grave grew visibly larger. The not changed one whit since the pre- strain became intolerable. A few ceding evening. It looked just as choked, staccato sobs issued from dingy and just as uncared for. Plaster and paint were cracking and gave way to many, until a heart-pleaded the chazan, "a life of bless black Zis automobile and ascended as a second a peeling everywhere, unheeded, and rending chorus of weeping and sobfluttering through the air to lie bing broke out above our heads. in little collections on the ground. I looked at Yebuda. He continued through the woodwork was dying and rotting for lack of attention and the sadness and desolation of the place cried out for compassion. But the content of the compassion. But the congregation! Yesterday's handful a shining track across his features. The frantic gestures of the intertier, the fresh ar streaming through the word was lively and the congregation to the place cried out for compassion. But the congregation! Yesterday's handful a shining track across his features. The frantic gestures of the intertier, the fresh ar streaming through the place of the intertier, the fresh ar streaming through the percentage of the intertier. The frantic gestures of the intertier, the fresh ar streaming through the place of the open windows was lively and the call the content of the place of through the glass doors suddenly invigorating. We relaxed gently and the call the content of the place of the open windows was lively and the place o had swollen to a mighty assembly occupying every inch of space on the ground floor and every seat in the balcony, and those who had no seats were content to stand.

Attired in archaic garments, shabby and untidy, whiskered and bearded, collectively they seemed R. Fischer of 1216 McMorrow, Richto have aged a hundred years overnight, and like so many Rip Van Winkles, had awakened from their sleep of a century's duration just in time for the Sabbath service.

Not one youth could be discerned in that vast sea of old age. I asked myself, "where are the are they?" And remembering that all education in the Soviet Union is state-controlled, and organized religious education prohibited, it became clear why the Rabbi had smiled sadly and looked the other way when the Israelis had asked whether there were any chadorim in Moscow.

One of our number, Yehuda Zvi Blum, an Israeli student, was summoned to the bimah to recite the Haftorah. At once the hum of vanished altogether. After disposing of the preliminary blessings he turned his attention to the haftorah itself.

As the first words of Yehuda's modern Ivrit reached their ears, the Congregation rose to their feet en masse and stood to attention. The silence became unbearable. It was not a negative silence, entailing only the absence of sound, it was a positive silence incorporating as much thought and action as speech itself-an act of faith and solidarity. Standing erect, with perfect composure and great dignity, in his youth and attire looking so con-spicuously out of place, Yehuda prophet of that forbidden and unpronounceable new Judaism-Zionism. The sea of faces slowly began to light up under the glare of

Page 8 Four Generations Celebrate Anniversary

A surprise 40th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. mond Heights, was held at the Sheraton Hotel Saturday night. The immediate family of the couple, Fischer).

The presence of Mrs. R. Fischer's four-generation get-together.

I put my hand to my own cheek. It was damp.

The haftorah reached its termination and the Cantor resumed his position on the Bimah. The atmosphere was becoming less charged; those of the congregation who had seats were once again seated and the terrible chorus had dropped. The Cantor and the distant choir conversation receded until it had had already struck up a happier combination and seemed intent on dispelling the preceding gloom, when they were interrupted by a noise and bustle at the rear of the synagogue.

In walked two American students, led by the shamos, who made preparations to seat them beside us at the aron kodesh. American Jews in a Moscow synagogue! The hum of conversation leaped to a crescendo.

The Musaph service continued, notwithstanding the brief interrup- siderably behind schedule. But to tion. The prayer for the Government was reached and was executed normal value. We had just come by the Cantor in the Russian lan- from a world where time did not guage. Russian is not one of those exist or rather was working in relanguages which I speak fluently verse. must have appeared to them as the and the exact nature and composition of the prayer were uncomprehended by me with one exceptionthe words "Georgi Malenkov," which were expressed with a detecting which we offered up a prayer, this spiritual fire and the number able quantity of feeling. There was had just dealt the final blow of no prayer for the Jewish State. Instead this curt recitation was followed by the blessing of the month, looking as dubious and as skeptiing, a life of material prosperity."

The frantic gestures of the inter- ter. The fresh air streaming through

Rev. Chasen President Of Mizrachi Organization

Rev. Israel Chasen was elected president of the Mizrachi Organization of St. Louis at their annual election meeting December 19. Other officers elected were Sam dinner party, for members of the Becker, first vice-president; Hyman Flaks, second vice-president; Richwas given by their children, Mr. ard Greenwald, financial secretary; and Mrs. Edwin H. Fischer and Mr. Hyman Zuckerman, recording secand Mrs. Harold Garden (Estelle retary, and Harry Silberman, treasurer.

An installation committee conparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mermelstein, made the occasion one of a Flaks, R. Greenwald, S. Becker and H. Silberman were appointed. They plan a big installation in the near future.

> an outing arranged for the afternoon and did not wish to inconvenience our Soviet hosts any more than was strictly essential. Leaving our newly-found American friends behind us, we collected our belongings, said farewell to the Rabbi and proceeded in orderly procession down the steps and along the aisle towards the exit. As we did so, the congregation rose, as if drawn by an unseen force and stood immobile as we passed. We seemed to be threading our way through a hall of statues, impersonal beings who refused to acknowledge our presence in their midst. A mummified community-that was what we had just seen.

Outside, in the street, we were admonished by the interpreters to make haste; we were already conus, time had ceased to possess its

"So you see how our great Soviet Government looks after the religious welfare of all her people,' said one of the interpreters with a certain air of triumph, as if he conviction at a dubious skeptic. "Yes," we replied, monosyllabically,

the hill on our way to the city cen-

The Jewish Attitude Toward Missionaries

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into Judaism.

Thes psychological and practical have molded the attitude of modern characteristic of Judaism that the fervent and enlightened loyalty to-Judaism toward missionary activemphasis is upon action rather than ward their ancestral religion. For ities. Even more significant for our day is the emergence of a new conception of religion in traditional rence, as the criter Judaism. None of the other tradi- Ritual Cannot Be tional faiths have yet attained to this recognition that God's salvation is not limited to themselves. The prophet Malachi had sensed this truth twenty-five centuries ago and seek to strengthen their ideals when he declared that God's worship was not restricted to Israel, for wherever men sacrificed to other flects the varied experience and gods, they were seeking, however imperfectly, to reach the Divine. For from the rising of the sun It is not necessary that Frenchmen until its setting, My Name is great surrender the observance of Bastile upon the nations and insence is of-fered to My Name." surrender the observance of Ba Day on July 14th or that Ameri

A Revolutionary Doctrine

In the Talmud a new and revolutionary doctrine came to flower, the theory of the Laws of the Sons of Noah. According to Jewish teaching, the Torah consists of six hundred and thirteen commandments which are binding upon every Jew. This, however, does not consign the non-Jew to outer darkness. On the non-Jew to outer.

contrary, there are seven fundamental religious and moral principles binding upon all human belies the right to think differently. In our day emphasis upon conformity is all powerful and this democratic attitude in religion as upon as in government seems weak avoidance of blasphemy and cruelty to animals, and the establishment of a government based on law and order. When these principles, upon which all civilized society depends, are observed, the non-Jew has become worthy of salvation on a par with a Jew and observes the entire law and he is not required to accept the Jewish faith. The more executed of the required the required to accept the Jewish faith. The more executed the required to accept the Jewish faith. The more executed the required to accept tensive system of precept and prac- created. tice incumbent upon the Jewis is natural in view of the function of there is burning need of mission-Israel must discharge in proclaim- aries today. Our generation requires

law to the world.

If he persists, he is then received is extremely interesting from sev- to the Christians. The task of such eral points of view. It represents in consecrated spirits must be to win essence a theory of universal refactors are not the only ones that ligion binding upon all men. It is merely by accident of birth to a upon mere belief, upon ethical living rather than upon general adherence, as the criterion for salvation.

Uniform For All Men

Moreover, this conception recog-nizes that the rites and ceremonies by which men express their faith cannot and need not be uniform for all men. For ritual necessarily rebackground of the different groups that constitute the human family. cease to celebrate Independence Day on July 4th. What is essential is that both Frenchmen and Americans cherish the freedom to which these great days are dedicated.

Thus, the absence of Jewish missionary activity has a tangible historical basis. It does not stem from indifference to the spiritual welfare of men, but, quite the contrary, out of respect for the infinte color well as in government seems weak and vacillating as against uncompromising authoritarian systems. Ultimately, however, freedom must prevail if religion is to be worthy of its role and men are truly human. For there is no real religion unless men worship God freely out of the fullness of their love for Him edge of the world that He has

It cannot bedenied, however, that ing the unity of God and His moral Jewish missionaries to the Jews and as many thoughtful Christians have This doctrine of the laws of Noah recognized, Christian missionaries

those who are Jews or Christians, ward their ancestral religion. For like everything else that is worth while, true religion must begin at

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