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British Foment Pogroms, Council Told

B'nai B'rith Women to Give Donor Dinner Dec. 4



(Photo by Mashek & Ziegler.)

LEW KING (center) gets some preliminary instruction in fancy new dance steps from Eileen Cione, Phoenix dance mentor, in preparation for the annual donor dinner dance of B'nai B'rith Women Dec. 4. King will be master of ceremonies and Eileen and Jack Cione will demonstrate dance routines. Others in the picture are Mrs. Albert Speaker (left), who is in charge of arrangements for the event; Jack Cione (second from right), and Mrs. Arthur Kaufman.

Five from Phoenix Named to Western Committee of JDC

Five Phoenixians were elected to the executive committee of the Western States region of the Joint Distribution Committee at its third annual meeting Nov. 13 in Los Angeles.

They are Rabbi A. L. Krohn, Saul Mintz, Allen L. Rosenberg, Harry Rosenzweig and Albert I. Whitefield.

JDC, meeting in conjunction with the United Service for New Americans, heard Joseph E. Beck, executive director of USNA, call upon the "American Jewish community of some 4 1/2 to 5 million people to provide homes, temporary economic support, life and cultural activities for 60,000 fellow Jews."

After June 30, 1950, cut-off date of the DP act of June, 1948, the flow of emigres into the U.S. will be practically finished, he warned, adding, "Either we get people out now or possibly never."

Jewish Groups Attack Admission of Ex-Nazis

NEW YORK, (JTA)—Current visa regulations under which ex-Nazis may be admitted to the United States were criticized by a number of Jewish organizations as "a severe setback to our democratic way of life" in a memorandum submitted to the state department by six Jewish organizations.

The memorandum pointed out that under existing law, all former members of the Nazi Party may be excluded. It maintained that to do otherwise is in effect to give preference in admissions to ex-Nazis at the expense of anti-Nazis, underground fighters against Hitler, and others who were our allies and sympathizers during the war.

Screw Arithmetic

In the first eight months of 1948, the United Jewish Appeal received IN CASH \$122,540,516. During this period 52,000 immigrants arrived in Israel.

In the first eight months of 1949, the UJA received IN CASH \$84,189,698. During this period 180,000 immigrants arrived in Israel.

Thirty-one per cent less cash; more than three times as many immigrants.

Payments to Phoenix's Welfare Fund campaign are lagging woefully this year, too. This is precisely the reason for the "tent cities," the "new DP camps" of Israel.

There's only one way to get this lopsided arithmetic straightened out. Pay your pledge today!

Dancing Also Is Scheduled

The third annual Donor Dinner Dance of the Phoenix chapter of B'nai B'rith Women will be held in the Fiesta Room of the Hotel Westward Ho on Sunday, Dec. 4, at 6:30 p.m.

Heading the various committees arranging the event is Mrs. Albert Speaker, assisted by Mrs. Arthur Kaufman, ways and means chairman. The following are the chairmen in charge of the different committees: Mmes. Max Strom, ad book; Benjamin Becker, rummage sales; Harry Berger, raffle books; Israel Duckstein, tablecloths; Lester Deutsch, program and Harold Levy, publicity.

An elaborate program has been planned for the evening's entertainment. Lew King will be the master of ceremonies. Lester Galst will present a few numbers in his unusual dance repertoire. Jack and Eileen Cione, who were the first to introduce the mambo in Phoenix, will give an exhibition of this dance and then organize an audience participation of the rumba, samba and mambo. Lou Hackmeier's orchestra will play for dancing.

Welcome Slated

Mrs. Abe Feldstein, chapter president, will welcome guests and the invocation and benediction will be offered by Rabbis A. L. Krohn and Harry Z. Schechtman, respectively.

B'nai B'rith was created primarily as an agency for the unification and cultural development of the American Jewish community. There are chapters all over the world. B'nai B'rith has taken an active part in the various community projects here in Phoenix, such as assisting in all community drives, entertaining the war veterans at the hospital, presenting inter-faith programs in the schools, etc. The donor dance is the means whereby members raise necessary funds for the projects that B'nai B'rith undertakes.

Jewish Groups Assailed

BUCHAREST, (JTA)—Seven Jewish organizations which refused to participate in the Congress of the Partisans of Peace held in Paris "unmasked themselves as tools of warmongering Anglo-American imperialism," the official organ of the Jewish Democratic Committee—"Unirea"—declared recently.

Fascist Thugs Sought

LONDON, (JTA)—The London police are understood to be investigating an attack by a fascist gang on a Jewish couple following a meeting of Sir Oswald Mosley and his followers at Bethnal Green, in London's East End. The Jewish couple were attacked about 50 yards from their home by eight fascists who struck them with leather blackjacks.

Member of Knesseth To Speak Dec. 7 At Beth El Auditorium

Meir Grabowsky, member of the Israeli Knesseth (Parliament), will speak at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, at Beth El Auditorium, 3rd Ave. and McDowell, under auspices of the Phoenix Jewish Community Council and the Phoenix Histadruth Committee.

Purpose of the meeting will be to acquaint the Jewish community with the work of the Histadruth, a beneficiary of the United Jewish Welfare Fund.

Grabowsky, who is chairman of the Government Coalition Conference, is an outstanding labor leader in Israel and served on the original commission to organize the

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provisional government of Israel at the time of the United Nations partition agreement.

Fought in Italy

A volunteer in the famed Jewish Brigade, he saw military action in Italy and became secretary and chairman of the committee which directed the non-military activities of the brigade. In this connection he was instrumental in creating the "illegal" movement which brought 20,000 refugees to Italy from Belgium, Holland, Germany and France for trans-shipment to Israel.

On May 15, 1948, Grabowsky was one of the signers of the Israeli Declaration of Independence. Later, when the permanent government was formed, he won a seat in the Knesseth on the Mapai ticket. The meeting is open to the public at no admission charge. There will be no solicitations. A new movie depicting Histadruth activities will be shown.

Israel Mental Health Problem Is Studied

NEW YORK, (JTA)—Israel has not only the mental health problems common to all countries, but, in addition, is confronted with problems of adjustment induced by the mass immigration of 300,000 people in one year, including 50,000 orphaned children "into a new and war-torn country," according to a statement issued by the Mental Health Mission to Israel, whose members returned recently on the Queen Elizabeth.

The statement pointed out that the mental health problem has not overwhelmed the Israel Government because of the efforts of its Health Department and other agencies both in and outside the country. A long range mental health program has been evolved with the cooperation of the Mission, starting with a two-year emergency training program to provide personnel for preventive medicine and education.

Pastor Says Collapse Of Israel Sought

Rev. John Stanley Grauel, handsome young Unitarian minister who served aboard the famous Jewish refugee ship, Exodus 1947, charged Wednesday night that the British are fomenting pogroms in Arab nations neighboring Israel.

Their intent, he declared at the annual meeting of the Phoenix Jewish Community Council at Temple Beth Israel, is to force Jews out of these Arab countries and into Israel "by the thousands." He said the British know that Israel is already staggering under its heavy economic burdens and they hope the additional immigration will "break" the infant Jewish state.

Mr. Grauel and Madame Paulette Oppert, a French Jewess who saved hundreds of Jewish children from the Nazis as an underground worker in the war, addressed ardent appeals for continued financial aid to Israel.

Silverman Re-Elected

Nat G. Silverman was elected for a third term as Council president. Dr. Joseph Bank was re-elected 1st vice president, Albert Whitefield 2nd vice president and Saul Mintz treasurer. The only new officer chosen was Mrs. Edward Friedman, secretary.

The council also re-elected six members of the board of directors for three-year terms and elected four new members. The incumbents are Harold Alpert, Ben Ellis, Philip Friedlander, M. B. Goldman, Jr., Joseph Gross and Archie Krolloff. The new members are Arnold Abelson, Martin Horwitz, Philip Newmark and Jarvis Weiss. In his report on the past year's activities, Silverman lashed back at "scoffers" who have derided the fact that Phoenix's United Jewish Welfare Fund drive fell short of the 1948 mark. Many other communities showed greater decreases than Phoenix, he said.

"No one can convince me that you didn't do a job last year—a worthwhile job," said Silverman.

Apathy Scored

Madame Oppert said she returned from Israel to find a "complete lack of enthusiasm" among U. S. Jews for the continuing struggle over there. She continued:

"People say, 'Why do we have to carry on the UJA? They have their state. When do we get off?'"

"I don't know. I'm ready to keep on the rest of my life. You haven't really sacrificed so far. Now might be the first time you have to sacrifice."

Following Mr. Grauel's talk, Doctor Bank, who is the 1949 UJWF chairman, presented him with an \$8,000 check for UJA, representing paid-up Phoenix pledges.

Rabbi Schechtman Formally Installed In Synagogue Rites

Beth El's new rabbi, Harry Z. Schechtman, was formally installed in ceremonies held last Saturday evening at the synagogue.

The installing officer was Rabbi Marcus Breger of the Anshei Israel Synagogue in Tucson. Rabbi Schechtman, Rabbi Philip Jaffa and the Beth El choir participated in the religious ceremony.

Morris Meckler, president of the congregation, welcomed the new rabbi. Greetings were extended by Rabbi A. L. Krohn of Temple Beth Israel, Hirsh Kaplan, executive director of the Phoenix Jewish Community Council, and Charles Korrick, president of Temple Beth Israel. Jerry Smith was chairman of the program committee.

Mrs. Schechtman was introduced. The Sisterhood and Men's Club were represented by their presidents.

'Pioneer Community'

Rabbi Schechtman said in his formal address that Phoenix is not the first community in which he has served but "this is the first time I have served in a pioneer community." He acknowledged the "deep responsibility" implicit in his acceptance of the Beth El pulpit.

Rabbi Schechtman came to Phoenix recently from South Bend, Ind., to succeed Rabbi Nathan A. Barack, who has assumed a post in Sheboygan, Wis.

National Parley Spurs Hadassah Work for Israel

By Bertha Goldman

(President, Phoenix Hadassah)

The 35th national convention of Hadassah, the women's Zionist organization of America, ended its convention in San Francisco last week.

For eight Phoenix women, members of the Phoenix chapter, it was four days of exciting, stimulating and tiring activity. One can easily see why the Hadassah worker is known for her imperishable ability to accomplish—workshop sessions started at 8:30 a.m. and ended at 11 p.m.

Then the parties started, each region and each big chapter the host. These were the fun sessions in which we listened to ourselves, our leaders and our convention harpooned in rhyme, song and skit.

Mrs. Halprin Talks

Among the most colorful evenings was the formal opening at the San Francisco Opera House. The panoply of United Nations flags across the stage and the full national board seated in formal dress made a fascinating picture. The dynamic, pint-sized national president, Mrs. Samuel Halprin of New York, delivered the finest address of the convention and caught my fancy for her beauty, her regal bearing and her brilliant approach to the entire subject of Zionist life and Jewish life in the world.

Newly-appointed Secretary of Interior Oscar Chapman represented President Truman.

To say Eddie Cantor made a sensation afternoon during the Youth Aliyah workshop is a foregone conclusion. The beloved comedian raised \$275,000 in one year recently and all Hadassah loves him for his devotion.

100 Beds In 24 Hours

Martha Sharp, wife of a Unitarian minister and head of the Christian movement, Children to Palestine, ended the session with a talk.

Most impressive to me were the medical sessions, so packed full of information that I felt these alone were worth traveling 2,000 miles to hear. Dr. Eli Davis, administrative head of all Hadassah Medical Organization work in Israel, brought to light our medical work with such stories as the 24-hour creation of a 100-bed hospital in one of the camps at the urgent request of the Israel government. His astounding figures of hospital care costs in Hadassah hospitals as less than one-half the cost of comparative American hospital care were a revelation to all.

Mrs. Bank Honored

The eight women who attended from Phoenix include Mrs. Joseph Bank, Mrs. Sophie Dickman, Mrs. Joseph Gross, Mrs. Harry Horstein, Mrs. Norman Mendelsohn, Mrs. Jacob Reichert and Mrs. Morris Sundell.

We are singularly honored in the Phoenix community as Mrs. Bank, past Southern Pacific regional president, was selected to serve on the national service committee—one of 15 women in the country so honored.

Parley on Civil Rights Slated

The Phoenix Jewish Community Council is taking a leading role in preparations for the Conference on Human Relations to be held Dec. 7 at the Y.W.C.A.

Hirsh Kaplan, executive director of the council, and Leonard Goldman, chairman of the community relations committee, are aiding the project, which is being sponsored by the Arizona Council of Civic Unity.

The conference will bring together leaders in civic and welfare work to discuss problems of discrimination in housing, employment, education, law enforcement and recreation. Sessions will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. They are open to the public and there is no charge. J. N. Smelser of Phoenix College is president of the local chapter of the Civic Unity council.

Histadrut Cuts Wages

TEL AVIV, (JTA)—The Histadrut executive, by a 43-15 vote, has adopted a resolution cutting two pounds and 370 mils from the monthly cost of living allowances granted workers in Israel. The action followed announcement of a 21-point drop in the cost of living index in the past three months.

AZA-BBG Hold Meet In Phoenix

The sixth semi-annual joint regional convention of Aleph Zadik Aleph and B'nai B'rith Girls was in progress this weekend in Phoenix, with chapters from Tucson and Phoenix participating.

Rochelle Chalip, B'nai B'rith youth organization staff member from Los Angeles, gave the welcoming address Thursday evening at Beth El Auditorium. Then the cantata, "What Is Torah?", was presented.

Friday's events began with a basketball game between the Tucson AZA and the Stephen S. Wise chapter of Phoenix at the Phoenix College gymnasium. The winner goes to the district playoffs at Oakland, Calif.

Bolin, Udall Speak

A civic luncheon was held Friday at Beth El, with Secretary of State Wesley Bolin and Mayor Nicholas Udall as speakers. Special guests included Eli Schlossberg, president of B'nai B'rith in Phoenix; Mrs. Bess Feldstein, president of B'nai B'rith Women; Herman Lewkowicz, past president of Grand Lodge No. 4; Hirsh Kaplan, executive director of the Phoenix Jewish Community Council; Nat

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Silverman, Council president; Rabbis A. L. Krohn and Harry Z. Schechtman, Meyer Baum, youth director of the Jewish Community Council, Rev. L. B. Nelson, Phoenix minister, and Miss Chalip.

Members of AZA and BBG conducted Friday night services at Beth El. Judae Schwartz, chaplain for the mountain region, gave the sermon. Joel Goor acted as cantor.

Debate Staged

Mr. Nelson headed up a seminar conducted Saturday at the old Temple Beth Israel. Then there was a debate between the Tucson and Phoenix AZA chapters.

Another seminar on the subject, "The Future Is Ours," was held Saturday afternoon under the leadership of Rabbi Krohn. Then the girls held a tea, with Miss Chalip leading the discussion, and the boys were addressed by Eli Schlossberg on "AZA and Its Relation to B'nai B'rith Men." Following this, there was a story-telling contest presented by girls of the Tucson and Phoenix BBG.

The convention was climaxed with a banquet at the Hotel Westward Ho Saturday night, with Justice Levi S. Udall of the Arizona supreme court as speaker.

Officers Elected

Sunday's schedule includes committee meetings, a softball game between the Tucson and Phoenix BBG chapters at Kenilworth School and a box lunch at the old Temple. The convention ends with an election of officers and a business session.

Members of the planning committee include Louis Cohen, regional president; Barbara Goor, Joel Goor, Buddy Eisenstein and Bernice Eisenstein, presidents of the four Phoenix chapters, and Bobbie Tauber and Deanne Leverant, publicity chairmen.

Humphrey Commended

NEW YORK, (JTA)—U. S. Senator Hubert H. Humphrey was awarded a citation last week in behalf of his efforts for passage of civil rights legislation by the Metropolitan Council of B'nai B'rith. Sen. Humphrey, addressing a luncheon meeting at the Hotel Astor, predicted Congressional enactment in the near future of bills designed to liberalize the Displaced Persons Act of 1948 and to set up a fair employment practices commission.

Anti-Semitism Feared

TORONTO, (JTA)—A warning that a "new poison of international anti-Semitism is growing in Europe which would be led, financed and spread from an unregenerate Nazi Germany" was made by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, addressing the eighth plenary session of the Canadian Jewish Congress here.

Community Calendar

Dec. 4—Donor Dinner, B'nai B'rith Women, Hotel Westward Ho, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 7—Meeting of Jewish Community Council and Histadruth Committee, Beth El Auditorium, 8 p.m.
Dec. 10—Card Party, Cleveland Social Club, Beth El Auditorium, 8 p.m.
Dec. 11—Installation, Beth El Men's Club, Beth El Auditorium, 8 p.m.
Dec. 11—Joint meeting and membership party, Beth El Sisterhood and Brotherhood, Arizona Manor, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 14—Dance, Ladies Bikur Cholim, place unannounced, 8:30 p.m.
Dec. 15—Latke party, Beth El Sisterhood, Beth El Auditorium, 8 p.m.
Dec. 20—Chanukah party, Poale Zion, place unannounced, 8 p.m.
Dec. 21—Membership party, Pioneer Women, place unannounced, 8 p.m.
Dec. 26—Youth desert session, Young Adult Council.
Dec. 28—Dance and banquet, Young Adult Council, Beth El Auditorium.
Dec. 31—New Year's Party, Hebrew Men's Club, Hotel Westward Ho.