

PALESTINE GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKES TO REPAIR RACHEL'S TOMB

Jews Protest Because Work Is Intrusted to Arabs; Say It Is Violation of Holy Sites Regulations; Sir Moses Montefiore Said To Have Secured Key to Tomb for Jews in 1841

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 7.—The repair of what is traditionally known as Rachel's tomb, located four miles from Jerusalem, was undertaken by the Palestine government, it was learned here today.

The news that these repairs were intrusted to an Arab contractor and carried out by Arab workers without the knowledge of the Jewish community caused much agitation here. The Chief Rabbinate of Palestine and the Jewish Community Council of Jerusalem submitted a protest today to the Governor of Jerusalem, declaring that Rachel's Tomb is one of the Jewish Holy Sites in Palestine and according to the provisions of the Palestine mandate the care of this site is to be left to the Jewish community.

The crusaders erected upon it a building some 24 feet square which was formed by four columns bound each to each by arches 12 feet wide and 20 feet high. The whole was crowned by a cupola. Since then the monument has been repeatedly restored. In 1841 Sir Moses Montefiore secured the key of the tomb for the use of the Jews and added a square vestibule with a Mihrab or praying place for Moslems. The tomb is alike revered by Moslems, Christians and Jews and is much visited by pilgrims.

SEMIOM PETLURA LEAGUE IS FORMED IN LEMBERG To Join Anti-Schwartzbard Forces of Paris Ukrainians

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Lemberg, Oct. 7.—The Ruthenians of Eastern Galicia are to be drawn into the Ukrainian propaganda in connection with the Schwartzbard trial by the Semion Petlura League which was founded here for that purpose.

The league announced its intention to collect documents for the Schwartzbard trial and to raise funds for the expenses of the trial. It will also maintain Petlura's family and plans to erect a monument on Petlura's grave. The League states it will also publish Petlura's biography and found schools and libraries and establish scholarships in Petlura's name.

Cook's travel handbook of Jerusalem and Judea describes Rachel's Tomb in the following manner:

Four miles from Jerusalem on the road to Bethlehem is the Tomb of Rachel, a small modern building surmounted by a dome. This tomb has been an object of veneration to the Jews for over three thousand years.

OMAHA PUBLIC STIRRED OVER READING OF BIBLE IN SCHOOLS AS CLASSIC

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 7.—A request made by the Council Bluffs, Iowa, chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to have the Bible used in the public schools of that city "for literary and not religious study," created much discussion among Jews and non-Jews in Omaha and Council Bluffs.

The request, made in a letter to the Bluffs school board read: "We propose to have the reading of the Bible in the public schools, without sectarian comment, at the opening of school in the morning. We have seen the Catholic priest and talked to Rabbi Cohn and both say that it will be agreeable to them and to their people to read, especially from the Psalter." Many students have never heard of God except as used in profanity, the letter states.

Rabbi Frederick Cohn of Omaha stated "it would not be safe to study the Bible in the public schools and I would strongly oppose such a move, but I was informed that it was not to be the study of the entire Bible, but just certain psalms." Harry H. Lapidus, president of the Jewish Community

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MAJOR MILLS DENIES REPORT THAT 600 NEW YORK RABBIS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED

Distinction Between "Members" and "Worshippers" on Wine Permits Is Subject of Argument

The report in the metropolitan press that an investigation of 600 rabbis in New York City is being conducted for the Federal Grand Jury regarding sacramental wine abuses was denied by Major Mills, New York Prohibition Administrator, when interviewed yesterday by the representative of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

"Our office has no intention of prosecuting any of the rabbis who distribute wine for sacramental purposes," Major Mills stated. "We did not make out an affidavit against these rabbis as the newspapers reported. I never stated to any press representative that I intend to investigate the activities of six hundred rabbis.

"The truth of the matter is that I have started a fight against a ring of sacramental wine swindlers which conducts its activity in New York and endeavors to obtain wine under false pretenses. Three of such swindlers were detected and I hope to locate the rest of the ring shortly. This, however, has nothing to do with the real rabbis who are entitled under the law to obtain wine permits. I am ready to assist these rabbis at any time if they will submit to the prohibition office a list of the members of their congregations and if these lists will be certified by the president of the respective congregations," he stated.

As an indication that the prohibition office intends no reprisals against rabbis, Major Mills referred to the fact (Continued on Page 4)

VILNA CITY AUTHORITIES GIVE OFFICIAL STATUS TO YIDDISH LANGUAGE

Municipal Ordinances to Be Published in Lithuanian and Yiddish; Concession Coincides with Anxiety Over Lithuanian-Russian Pact

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vilna, Oct. 7.—The municipal government of Vilna, the city whose possession is disputed by Poland and Lithuania, will issue its ordinances in Polish and Yiddish from today on. This decision was taken by the city government.

The decision of the city government, equal to a recognition of Yiddish as an official language in Vilna, comes at a time when anxiety is displayed in various Polish circles over the conclusion of the Soviet Russia and Lithuanian agreement of nonaggression, in which the Vilna question was not mentioned. The Polish press emphasized that this agreement between Russia and Lithuania is directed against Poland and the fact that the Vilna question was not mentioned in the treaty was interpreted

to mean that Lithuania has secured the consent of Soviet Russia to its claim on Vilna.

MAJOR MILLS DENIES REPORT FIND IN PALESTINE VILLAGE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 7.—An important archaeological find was reported in Pekin, a Gallician village where a small community of native Jews, whose ancestors never left the country, live.

During the repair of the ancient synagogue at Pekin a stone was dug up on which there were pictures of a Menorah (seven branched candle stick) an esrog (lime) and a shofar (Ram's horn). The stone, it is surmised, is a fragment of an ancient synagogue.

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PALESTINE GOVERNMENT TO ABOLISH IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT, REPORT SAYS

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Jerusalem, Oct. 7.—An important change will shortly be made by the Palestine government in the regulation of immigration to the country, it was learned today.

The Colonial Office has approved, according to the report, the proposal of the Palestine government to abolish the permit section and to transfer all matters concerning immigration to the jurisdiction of the police department.

The proposal was motivated by a desire for economy.

Leaders of the Jewish population here feel, however, that the curtailment of the immigration department may affect the immigration situation as the police would not be in a position to handle the problem adequately.

ORT CONFERENCE TO HEAR REPORT ON COLONIZATION

An exhaustive study of colonization activities in Russia will be presented at the national conference of the Ort which will be held at the Hotel Pennsylvania on October 24 by the American delegation which attended the Ort Congress in Berlin during August.

The delegation will also report on the Ort technical and trade schools in Poland and agricultural conditions in Roumania.

PALESTINE FRONTIER FORCE MOVED TO TRANSJORDANIA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Oct. 7.—The entire frontier force which is known as the Palestine-Transjordanian Frontier Force, was transferred to Transjordan. Only twenty-seven Jewish members of the force were left at Sarafand. Another 200 Arabs were recruited for the frontier force which will shortly be stationed at Sarafand.

SEMINAR ON PHILANTHROPY BEGINS NEW YORK FEDERATION'S DRIVE FOR \$472,000

Interesting Experiment Provides Training for Fund Raisers

More than a hundred of New York's leading department store owners, merchants and manufacturers attended a seminar on philanthropy at a special dinner meeting at Hotel Plaza, Wednesday night under the chairmanship of Percy S. Straus, vice-president of R. H. Macy & Co., and chairman of the Business Men's Council of the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, which will conduct a campaign for \$472,000 this year.

While the representatives of business and the professions sat at small dinner tables, a spotlight was directed on a table in the center of the room, where ten workers for philanthropy, especially trained in the art of money-raising, enacted the details of a trade committee meeting from beginning to end. The session was featured by a composite picture of the outstanding developments at meetings in previous years and was intended to bring to the attention of the leading figures in the various trades the best method of trades organization for charity. Through the trades organization method, the Business Men's Council of the Federation has raised \$35,000,000 for philanthropy and the same means will be employed by the New York Jewish community in its efforts to secure the \$472,000 this year.

Under the spotlight, taking part in the model meeting, were Joseph Gutman, of the Pacific Novelty Division of the Dupont Viscoloid Co.; Jonah J. Goldstein, attorney; Ralph E. Samuel, of the Samuel Stores; Herman W. Block, of S. Stein and Co.; Joseph Frankel, of the Fox, Frankel Realty Co.; Dudley D. Sicher, of the D. E. Sicher; William Neugass, retired children's and infants' wear manufacturer; Ira M. Younker, retired department store manager and now general manager of the Federation campaign; Solomon Lowenstein, executive director of the Federation; and Joseph Willen, director of the Business Men's Council of the Federation.

Following the model meeting, the meeting was converted into a seminar and all of the councillors and division heads of the Business Men's Council contributed suggestions based on their experience in organizing trade groups in previous campaigns. The outstanding worker in every trade and profession presented his ideas on the subject and mimeographed copies of an ideal meeting then were distributed.

Among those who attended the seminar were Felix M. Warburg, Frederick Brown, Arthur Lehman, Solomon Lowenstein, Sol M. Stroock and Samuel J. Bloomingdale.

Simon Bamberger, 79 years old, whose term of office began in 1917 and was completed in 1920, died in Salt Lake City today.

Mr. Bamberger enjoyed the distinction of being Utah's first Democratic Governor, as well as the first non-Mormon Governor of the State.

Until recently he was President of the Salt Lake & Denver Railroad Company.

Simon Bamberger was born at Darmstadt, Germany, in 1847 and came to this country with his parents when 14 years old.

DIGEST OF PUBLIC OPINION ON JEWISH MATTERS

[The purpose of the Digest is informative. Preference is given to papers not generally accessible to our readers. Quotation does not indicate approval.—Editor.]

An Appeal for Peace

An appeal for conciliation between the Zionists and the Joint Distribution Committee on the question of Palestine reconstruction and Jewish colonization in Russia, is made in the "Day" of Oct. 7, by Joseph Baroness. Mr. Baroness, who was responsible for the resolution which brought about the compromise and peace at the Philadelphia conference of a year ago, writes under the Hebrew caption "Sinna's Chinom" (Unjustified Hate). He declares, in part:

"Within my humble powers and influence I endeavored at the last conference in Philadelphia to bring about peace, and it did seem then that the peace which we Jews need so much in our present calamitous condition, had indeed been arrived at; but no, the spirit of controversy intruded again and once more our ranks are broken, our weak forces shattered through our old curse of 'sinna's chinom' . . .

"Of course both sides have their complaints against each other. There are just complaints and unjust ones. But regardless of who is right and who is wrong, who will lose and who will emerge the victor in this brother-strife, one thing is certain and that is, that Palestine and our unfortunate brothers and sisters in Eastern Europe will be the losers thereby."

The Passing of America's Yiddish Humorist

The death of Israel J. Zevin, Yiddish humorist, who was better known by his pen name of Tashrak, is lamented by the Jewish press. Mr. Zevin was perhaps the most picturesque figure produced by American Jewry in the field of literature. Arriving here as a young man he was a peddler for several years and it was in that period that he observed and studied at first hand the life and types among the immigrants which he later described. His humorous depictions of middle class Jewish life in America, of such characters as Chaim the Customer Peddler, Thomas Barlay Tchaprinsky, Flossie, Reverend Hotzmach, etc., won him a wide and appreciative following among the Yiddish reading public.

"Israel Zevin had the vision to see the new world in its making, the new types being developed under the new conditions in America," observes the "Jewish Daily News," of which Mr. Zevin was a constant contributor for over 30 years. "He had the eye to observe the life among the Jewish immigrants on the Jewish street of America, and the young peddler, who like most newcomers at that time sold small articles and trinkets on the street, became a writer describing the new Jewish life of America.

"For some thirty-four years" the paper continues, "Mr. Zevin followed

CONFERENCE OF UNITED JEWISH CAMPAIGN OPENS IN CHICAGO TOMORROW

1,000 Delegates Expected at National Gathering; New York Delegation Leaves Today

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Oct. 8.—The national conference of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Jewish Campaign will open here tomorrow night at the Standard Club. The conference will be in session all day Sunday. About a thousand delegates from all parts of the country are expected to attend.

One purpose of the conference is to take stock of what has already been accomplished toward raising the \$25,000,000 of the United Jewish Campaign. Another purpose is to hear reports of what has been done in the way of alleviating the distress in Poland, Roumania, Galicia, Bessarabia, Hungary and other Eastern and Central European countries, and also the progress and prospects of the Jewish agricultural colonization work fostered in Russia by the Agro-Joint.

The delegates to the conference will hear a report on all countries outside of Russia from Dr. Bernhard Kahn, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee. They will hear reports on Russia from Dr. Joseph A. Rosen, head of the Agro-Joint and from Dr. A. E. Grower, its legal advisor who drafted the agreement with the Russian government giving the Agro-Joint complete autonomy.

They will hear reports from a number of American Jewish social workers who have visited the countries where relief work is being carried on, including Jacob Bilikopik, executive director of the Philadelphia Federation of Jewish Charities; Dr. Maurice Hexter, executive director of the Boston Federation of Jewish Charities; Dr. Ludwig Bernstein, Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Federation of Jewish Charities; Mrs. Rebekah Kohut, honorary president of the Council of Jewish Women and Miss Irma May and Miss Hortense Breckler.

The conference will hear a report from Felix M. Warburg, detailing what the Joint Distribution Committee has already done and plans to do in the near future for the reconstruction of the life of East European Jewry; from James N. Rosenberg, vice-president of the Joint Distribution Committee, on his observations in Russia, and from David A. Brown, on the campaign. Mr. Louis Marshall is scheduled to deliver the keynote address.

The delegates will be entertained by

the vicissitudes of Jewish life in America in all its phases. He watched the progress of our peddlars as they became wealthy store owners and manufacturers, as they became Americanized, as their children grew up and became school teachers, lawyers and doctors, as they emerged from the East Side and settled in the new Jewish sections (Blotetowns), as they were transferred from 'Chaims' into 'Charlies' and from 'Ites' into 'Henriettas.'"

a local committee of 250 headed by Mr. Julius Rosenwald.

Two special cars on the Twentieth Century Limited leaving New York to day will convey the New York delegation to the Conference.

Included in the delegations from New York are William Fox, chairman; David M. Bressler, acting-chairman, and Jonah J. Goldstein, Herbert H. Lehman, Paul Baerwald, Harry Fischel, Alexander Kahn, Hon. Julian W. Mack, Rev. Dr. Nathan Krass, Herman Bernstein, Rev. Dr. Isaac Landman, Rev. Samuel Eisenberg, Bernard Edelherz, David M. Moseshohn, Herman Edelherz, Dr. Lee K. Frankel, Mr. Jonah J. Goldstein, Capt. Frank Connes, Morris Engelman, B. C. Vlader, Peter Wiernick, Meyer Gillis, S. C. Lampert, Jos. Schlossberg, Henry J. Dix, William Morris Dr. Henry Moskowitz, Max Pine, B. Titman, Emil Zolla and Walter N. Rothschild.

The New York State delegation will be headed by Bernard B. Given, of Syracuse and Samuel Hesserberg, Rabbi Marins Kansom and William Hesserberg of Albany. Also, Samuel Harris of Buffalo, Samuel Reichler of Utica and Louis S. Silverberg of Niagara Falls.

The Ohio delegation includes the following from Cleveland: Eugene S. Halle, Mrs. S. Herzog, E. M. Baker, Samuel Goldhammer, and Umler from Cincinnati. Hirsch Manischewitz, Max Manischewitz, Dr. David Philipson, Oscar Berman, Sidney J. Freiberg, Maurice J. Freiberg, Hon. Alfred M. Cohen, Dr. Boris D. Bogen and Samuel Achi. Youngstown will be represented by Julius Kahn and Rabbi I. E. Philo. Others from Ohio are Sam L. Segal of Chillicothe.

The Pennsylvania delegation will be headed by Albert H. Rosen, chairman, of the Eastern Zone and Albert C. Lehman, chairman of the Western Zone. The delegation from Philadelphia includes Dr. Cyrus Adler, Albert M. Greenfield, Louis Friedman, William Hirsch, Jules Mastbaum, Dr. J. M. Rubinow, Hon. Horace Stern and Morris Wolf from Pittsburgh Irwin Lehman, A. Leo Weil, Rev. Dr. Samuel J. Goldensohn, Hon. Marcus Aaron, Charles D. Waldman, Dr. Morris Joseph Oppenheimer, Marcus Rauh, Nathaniel Spear and A. J. Sunstein.

Chairman Fred M. Butzel will head the Michigan delegation which includes Bernard Ginsburg, Jacob M. Golis, Milford Stern, Dr. Maurice D. Waldman, Milton M. Alexander and Harry Z. Brown of Detroit.

The Missouri delegation includes the State Chairman Edwin B. Meissner and Dr. A. Kaufman of St. Louis, E. S. Michelson, S. Zarfand and B. M. Achtenberg of Kansas City.

The Illinois delegation, led by Arthur Lehmann of Peoria, includes Dr. Rudolph Farber of Waukegan, Maurice J. Kellner and B. A. Lange of Springfield, Benjamin J. Fisher, Charles D. S. Friedman of Peoria, Emanuel Rosenberg of Decatur, Charles Shanhouse of Rockford, Ben A. Stewart of Rock Island and M. N. Wien of Woodstock.

The Chicago delegation is made up in part of the following: Julius Rosenwald, Max Adler, James H. Becker, L. Benenson, Louis E. Berlin, David Blum, Gen. Abel David, James Davis, Samuel Deutsch, M. E. Feiwel, Jos. Feuchtwanger, Hon. Harry M. Fisher, Joseph B. Frechot, M. Ph. Ginzburg, Samuel Ginsburg, Dr. Jos. Gollin, B. K. Goodman, Max M. Grossman, Leon Hanneck, G. Hochstadter, William A. Hirsch, B. Horowitz, Morris Joseph, Robert S. Katz, Jacob Kepess, Sol. Kline, Morris Kurtzow, Victor Levenson, Dr. Gerson B. Levi, Jerome M. Levie, Dr. Felix A. Levy, Jacob M. Loeb, Z. B. Leubner, Dr. A. Lowy, Dr. Louis L. Manti, Elias Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mayer, H. L. Meites, A. W. Meyer, F. S. Pathman, Samuel S. Phillipson, Dr. H. M. Pomerantz, T. Regensteiner, John Robinson, S. R. Rabinowitz, Dr. Tobias Aaron Shapiro, Louis Schafer, Dr. Rubins Schenker, Philip L. Seman, Jacob Siegel, Sigmund Silberman, Morris Siskind, Peter Sissman, A. Sternberg, Rabbi Louis Stolz, Louis Strauss, William Sultan, L. Sulzberger, El-

BARON GUINZBOURG DEPICTS REFUGEES' FLIGHT IN LETTER TO NEW YORK MERCHANT

The plight of ten thousand Jewish refugees in France was presented by Baron Alfred de Guinzbourg, president of the Societe de Secours aux Juifs Russes, Paris, in a letter to Morris Asinof of New York, made known here yesterday.

"The number of helpless foreign Jews now in this city must be about 10,000. Most of them come from countries which formerly were provinces of the Russian Empire (Poland, Ukraine, Lithuania, Bucovina, Bessarabia or greater Russia)," Baron Guinzbourg wrote. "They have been driven from their homes by pogroms, persecutions or otherwise unbearable moral and material conditions. They cannot proceed to countries such as the United States, Canada, Brazil, Argentina or even Palestine where they could eventually make a living, owing to the drastic regulations which limit the influx of pauper aliens in most of those countries. They cannot go back to their own country and they have the greatest difficulty in finding work in France. Much has been done in this latter respect and, with considerable effort, we have succeeded and still are succeeding in finding work for hundreds of them. But this branch of relief touches only a limited class of the refugees. All the old, the sick, the children, all those who are incapable of hard physical labor are left to our care or rather to what our care ought to be, had we the means of extending it to them according to their wants. Their misery is so appalling and our means so scarce that we consider ourselves happy if we are able to give them provisional help. The dwelling question is simply shocking. Only French people are given accommodations in the cheap dwelling buildings which from time to time spring up in the Paris area, while our Russian co-religionists are left to find lodgings wherever and however they can. Disease stricken aliens, not sick enough to be taken into hospitals, are abandoned to their fate, preference being given to natives in the very few sanatoriums and preventorium now existing in France. We are often confronted with cases where a few dollars could save a human life, but unfortunately it is only exceptionally that we have enough cash to cope with such cases," he declared.

Mr. Asinof, who contributed to the relief fund of the Societe, was elected an honorary member.

kan C. Voorsanger, Harvey E. Wessel, John Wineberg and Leo F. Wormster. On the Iowa delegation are Morris Mandelbaum, State Chairman and Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer both of Des Moines, Rabbi Isaacore Isaacson, of Sioux City and E. P. Adler of Davenport.

Large delegations are expected from other states in most cases headed by their chairman.

A complete telegraphic report of the proceedings of the conference will appear in the Tuesday morning issue of the "Jewish Daily Bulletin." The conference will be covered for the "Jewish Daily Bulletin" and the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by the editor, William Z. Spiegelman.

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that eighty rabbis in New York City have appeared in the prohibition office and submitted lists of their congregation members. These rabbis received during September permits for 4,821 gallons of wine for sacramental purposes, he stated.

"The rabbis will have to appear before me. They need not be afraid of having an inadequate knowledge of English because we have able interpreters here," Major Mills stated.

The "Jewish Daily News," the Orthodox Yiddish daily, charges that the reports circulated through the metropolitan press concerning the investigation of 600 rabbis is "nothing but a publicity stunt for the prohibition director or an attempt on the part of the prohibition office to throw the suspicion of bootlegging on the New York rabbinate. The report that the prohibition office has investigated a congregation and found that the rabbi issued more wine permits than the number of members in his congregation has for its purpose a confusion of the issue. As the rabbis declared, the permit which the prohibition office issues, distinctly includes both "members" and "worshippers," the latter meaning those who come to the synagogue to pray although they are not permanent members of the congregation. That fact is that in all synagogues the membership is small and the non-members who attend are in the majority.

"The indicted persons are not rabbis but so-called 'reverends' and even they were released without bail," the paper states.

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Center here, said: "There is absolutely no question that we should be opposed to it. The Bible should not be introduced into the public school. Prejudice and bad feeling would spring up among the children."

The Rev. Peter Gannon, editor of "The True Voice," the official Catholic paper here, said: "I do not believe the study of the Bible should be permitted in the public schools. It would create friction and should be kept out of the schools. No minister or educator here favored the study of the entire Bible, as planned, but many suggested the study of portions of the Bible if printed as a book of classics."

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\$5,000,000 CAMPAIGN FOR NATIONAL FARM SCHOOL

A luncheon to start the \$5,000,000 campaign of the National Farm School will be held today at the Hotel White. An appeal for "businesslike" support of The National Farm School Expansion Project will be made by Adam L. Gimbel, chairman of the Business Men's Council of the project, which is composed of Abraham Erlanger, Samuel A. Vauclain, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works; Manny Strauss, Business Consultant, and Ex-Governor Sproul of Pennsylvania.

Among those who are supporting the project are Herman Bernie, business manager of Ben Bernie's Orchestra; Walter Hart Blumenthal, publisher; Maxwell Copeloff, manufacturer of coats and suits; Harry E. Cowan, fur; Miss June Crofut, dresses; L. F. Dannenbaum, silks; Gaston de Clairville, millinery; Samuel S. Dworkin, drugs; S. M. Edelstein, textiles; S. S. Epstein, underwear; Joseph Frankel, men's clothing; Dr. H. A. Goldberg; Harry Golden, export and imports; Herbert S. Cohen, woolen goods; Mrs. H. B. L. Goldstein, Samuel H. Grossberg, men's clothing; H. Gutman, art goods; Miss Cornelia M. Harris, underwear; Louis Kahn, threads and yarns; Maj. William Kennelly, real estate; David H. Knott, hotels and restaurants; J. Norman Levene, underwear.

Marie Trommer, writer on art and Jewish artists, has been awarded the 1926-27 competitive scholarship in painting by the Master Institute of United Arts. The scholarship provides for a year's tuition at the school.

MEYER W. WEISGAL RETURNS FROM PALESTINE

Meyer W. Weisgal, managing editor of the "New Palestine" and secretary of the Zionist Organization of America, returned from Palestine following a trip of several months, during which he visited Poland and Palestine.

"It is difficult for an affiliated Zionist to grow enthusiastic over Palestine. He would immediately be suspected of generating organization enthusiasm. The fact of the matter is, however, that Palestine suffers from a string of 'conventional lies' which make the proper understanding of its significance and of the situation there more and more difficult," Mr. Weisgal stated.

"I believe that to properly understand the situation in Palestine even with the present unemployment, a previous visit to Poland and other East European countries is necessary. Such a visit would give each observer the proper perspective and appreciation of the difference between temporary relief values and the permanency of Palestine reconstruction," he said.

Every boy whose father is a member of the Independent Order B'nai Shalom will hereafter receive a book of Jewish interest on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah celebration, according to an announcement made by Martin O. Levy, Grand Secretary of the Order.

"How I Was Converted"

(Confessions of a "Bulletin" reader)

To the Editor of the
JEWISH DAILY BULLETIN.

Sir:

Months ago my good friend and brother-in-law Isaac Asofsky, the General Manager of Hias, began talking JEWISH BULLETIN to me. Often as we met he urged, he schemed, he pounded his urgings—"read—read—read it and see what a fine contact it will give you with Jews all over the world."

But I am a human being whose inertia is as limitless as the yawning seas. Tomorrow. Tomorrow. And so went the days, the weeks, the months.

But this persistent urger was not to be denied. Lo and behold in my mail one morning came a copy. Frankly, the temptation was great, to put it with that mountain of matter which comes to an editor. Yet those urgings—"read"—"read"—they dinned and they commanded.

And now I write you and to him for all the world to hear that I was a bouncer to have denied myself the pleasures for so long a time, which now I get and feel.

Why this little messenger has wormed himself into my heart and he lives there and commands there an interest and affection which it is not even well to admit. This little fellow has become my friend. Fifteen minutes he takes each morning—but they are like a journey which is unforgettable. So complete and yet so brief, so well written and so timely, so useful and so friendly. . . .

I tell you it has made me a blood brother again to Israel with a warmth and a force which I shout from the housetops. . . .

Perhaps there are others who are as I was. Let them take heed. A friend waits—and once he comes they will learn to wait for him, even as I do now. . . .

Sincerely yours,
GABRIEL HEATER.

Oct. 7, 1926.

148 Liberty Street, New York City.