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FAMOUS CHASSIDIC RABBI WHO FASTED FORTY YEARS, PASSES AWAY IN POLAND

Asstic Scholar Who Acquired Wide Fame Dies at 74

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 12.—Rabbi Meir Yechiel, ascetic and scholar, known as the Ostrovtzer Rebbe, Rabbi of Ostrovtz, one of the most unique figures in Polish Jewry, died yesterday at the age of 74.

Born in Skierniewice, the son of a baker, Rabbi Meir Yechiel established an independent school of ascetic Chasidism, gaining a large number of followers among the Jewish population in Congress Poland. A mathematician and Talmudic scholar of unusual depth, Rabbi Meir Yechiel also ministered to his Chasidic followers by counsel and prayer. He declined, however, to accept remuneration, as is the usage among the Chasidic leaders. A part of his salary which he received as the rabbi of the community, he sent to Palestine for charities there.

Embracing the theory that life on this earth was given, not to be enjoyed, the ascetic scholar took it upon him-

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ADOLPH OCHS FELICITATED BY JEWISH LEADERS ON HIS SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY

Greetings on the occasion of the seventieth birthday of Adolph S. Ochs, chairman of the Five Million Dollar Endowment Fund of the Hebrew Union College, were extended yesterday by Alfred M. Cohen, chairman of the Board of Governors of the College, and Dr. Julian Morgenstern, president of the Faculty of the institution.

Mr. Ochs' activities in behalf of American Judaism were commended in both messages.

"The career of Adolph S. Ochs is a romance in real life," Mr. Cohen declared. "In no other age and in no other land than ours would it have gotten farther than in a novel. From newboy to the responsible headship of the greatest newspaper in the world, and all accomplished without aid save that which he gained through his own ever expanding genius—a spark from the divine fire, is a tale as captivating as was ever told by the most imaginative writer of stories for boys, and as it to add to its thrill, it is the life story

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Urgent Need, He Declares at Dropsie College Founders' Day

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Philadelphia, Mar. 12.—"Nothing is so chilling to the ardor of a scholar than to have labored for years upon a piece of work and then find that he has no means to give it to the world and no established institution to aid him to that end," Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning, declared last night at the celebration of Founders' Day of the college.

Deploring the lack of funds available for the encouragement of higher Jewish learning in this country, Dr. Adler said: "I have frequently pointed out and cannot reiterate it too often that this college is in need of a considerable, not a very large, publication fund. This would make possible the prompt publication of these works. This is at the moment our most urgent need."

"While the Jews of America have up to the present time made their impress through a few individuals, through our economic independence and through really notable acts of philanthropy, these are achievements that any body of people can attain, given the encouragement, intelligence and good heartedness we have. I feel it to be incumbent upon us to make an effort

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SYNAGOGUE AND CEMETERY IN HUNGARY TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION FOR \$140 CLAIM

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Mar. 12.—The synagogue and the Jewish cemetery of the Orthodox community of Nyirbato will be sold at auction to meet the claim of 800 pengoes (approximately \$140) according to an official announcement in the city gazette.

The claim was presented by a local builder, a Christian, who constructed a ritual bath for the Orthodox community in 1925. Unable to meet the bill, a judgment against the synagogue and cemetery, the real property of the community, was granted. The cemetery is to be sold for at least 200 pengoes and the synagogue for 600 pengoes, according to the order for the auction sale.

TWO JEWS ARE ELECTED TO SENATE IN POLAND, EARLY RETURNS SHOW

Heavy Street Fighting Accompanies Balloting, Many Injured

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 12.—Early returns of the Senate elections which took place on Sunday, March 11, indicate that one Jewish senator, a Zionist, was elected from Warsaw on the ticket of the national minorities bloc. The Orthodox Agudath Israel and other Jewish groups, which contested in the Senate elections in Warsaw, were defeated.

The pro-government list was victorious, polling 96,405 votes and electing two senators; the anti-Semitic National Democratic Party obtained 65,159 votes, giving them one seat in the Senate; the national minorities bloc obtained 36,435 votes, thus electing Moses Koerner, Zionist; the Communists polled 27,334 votes which does not entitle them to a seat in the Senate; the Polish Socialist Party (P.P.S.) 25,084, without a seat, and the Agudath 14,298.

The voting was accompanied by heavy street fights between the Communists and the Polish Socialists. Many were injured in the fray, including ten Jews.

The Sunday morning issue of the "Nasz Przegląd," Polish Jewish newspaper supporting the national minorities list, was confiscated by the authorities.

Lemberg, Mar. 12.—Dr. David Schriber, Zionist, was elected to the Polish Senate in Lemberg, early returns show.

Jacob Bernheim, 24, campaigner for the Jewish labor party, Bund, died as a result of a nervous breakdown because of his party's defeat in the elections.

FATHER, SON SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR POGROM ACTIVITY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 12.—A father and son, named Bondarenko, who took a leading part in the anti-Jewish pogrom at Schepetow, Ukraine, were sentenced to death by the Soviet court.

The Bondarenkos were the leaders of a Petlura band in 1919.

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SOVIET SUPPORTS WAHABI WARFARE, RIGA REPORTS SAY.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Mar. 12.—That the Wahabi warfare against Transjordan, Iraq and Kuwait has the support of the Soviet Government, is charged in reports published in the press here.

According to these reports, many Communist propagandists were despatched from Tiflis to Arabia to work among the Wahabis.

A report in the Stockholm newspaper, "Tidningen," states that the Soviet Government offered aeroplanes, arms and money to Ibn Saud.

London, Mar. 12. — Eighteen thousand Wahabis are threatening Maan and Akaba, a report published in the "London Morning Post," states.

OSCAR SLATER CASE BEFORE SCOTCH STATE SECRETARY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Glasgow, Mar. 12.—A petition for a review of the verdict against Oscar Slater, was submitted to the Scotch Secretary of State. A date for the hearing has not been fixed.

Oscar Slater was released from Peterhead prison, after he had served eighteen years on the charge of having murdered an aged Glasgow woman. His release was obtained upon a report of a Committee of the House of Commons to the effect that in their judgment Slater was unjustly convicted. An appeal has been authorized in an effort to secure the setting aside of the verdict of conviction and the ordering of a new trial to establish his innocence.

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of one who has never tried to hide the fact that he is a Jew.

"As Adolph S. Ochs has climbed, rung by rung, the ladder of fame and fortune, his love for his fellowmen has increased more and more. No human concern is alien to his thoughts.

"Unlike so many of co-religionists in his profession, with added years his zeal for the perpetuation of Judaism liberated from the dross of mediaevalism and adapted to the environment in which the Jew is the equal, in the eye of the law, of his non-Jewish fellow-citizen, has heightened so that we find him on his seventieth birthday the leader of a movement to endow the Hebrew Union College to the extent of five million dollars, and he and his fine wife heading the list of contributors with a gift of one-twenty-fifth of the goal.

"There is something really touching in his deep interest in the Hebrew Union College, bearing in mind that he is the son-in-law of its unforgettable founder, Dr. Isaac M. Wise. Sons of rabbis sometimes follow in the footsteps of their fathers, but rare indeed are instances of sons by marriage who are zealous followers of the religion of the father.

"If, from the academy on high, is given the beloved and immortal founder of the Hebrew Union College the privilege of witnessing the growth and development of the creation nearest his heart while on earth, great must be his satisfaction in beholding the part assumed by this noble son in making possible that growth and development.

"The memorial in the form of a temple and temple center building for his own parents in their old home in Chattanooga, which is being dedicated almost simultaneously with the attainment of his seventieth birthday, is added testimony to his filial devotion and Jewish loyalty.

"There are few men playing a larger part in world-wide affairs than Adolph S. Ochs. His newspaper conforms with his own clean and useful life. It has set a high standard in

journalism which happily many are emulating.

"Would that there were more Jews like him. Would that there were more men like him.

"On his seventieth anniversary every Jew and Jewess in the United States and elsewhere join the people of all creeds and nations everywhere in greetings and congratulations, and wishing that his fine career may be prolonged for at least another score of years," Mr. Cohen concluded.

In his tribute, Dr. Morgenstern said: "Mr. Adolph S. Ochs must be recognized by all as one of the foremost Jews of the present generation not only in America but throughout the world. Through high ideals, indefatigable efforts and uncommon wisdom and business ability he has unquestionably made his paper the most influential journal in the world. Through it he has set the very highest standard of journalistic ethics. Through the columns of his paper and through his contacts with statesmen and leaders of America and other lands he has exerted a world-wide influence which has helped to shape the policies of nations. He has contributed liberally of his wealth and even more of his valuable time to innumerable worthy causes making for human welfare and progress and the promotion of knowledge and right living. He has borne himself ever as a Jew, with loyalty and with dignity. He has never denied his Judaism nor qualified it in any way. Neither has he obtruded it unduly nor brought it into light esteem. But he has never failed to let it be felt that Judaism is a potent influence in his life, that it has helped to shape his beliefs and motivate his deeds that its interpretation of life is his interpretation, and he has even striven to live in accordance with these principles. Through all this he has brought honor to Judaism and to Israel. The authorities of the Hebrew Union College are particularly grateful to him for his fine, generous and well-conceived service of raising an Endowment Fund for it of five million dollars. This is with him a labor of love prompted not only by his affectionate regard for the memory of his illustrious father-in-law, Rev. Dr. Isaac M. Wise, founder of the Hebrew Union College, but also and even more by his devotion to Judaism and his conviction as to the role which the Hebrew Union College must play in the upbuilding of a living and inspiring Judaism in America.

"It is a privilege to pay tribute to him upon his seventieth birthday as one of the most devoted friends which the Hebrew Union College has, as a faithful son of Israel and as a noble man. May God prosper him in all his labors and grant to him length of days in which he may reap in happiness the harvest his hands have sowed."

100 FAMILIES REGISTER FOR BUREYA PIONEERING

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 12. — One hundred Jewish families of Odessa have volunteered to proceed to the Bureya region, Siberia, to settle there in accordance with the plan of the Comzet, the governmental department for settling Jews on the land. This announcement was made by the director of the Odessa branch of the Comzet.

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to increase our share in the work of research by which all the buried treasures of our literature and of our history should be brought to light and made available to all men who would read them. Nothing short of this would seem to be our duty."

Dr. Adler related the story of a scholar who came to see him recently and told him he had been engaged for eleven years on a piece of work and now that it was finished, he was undecided whether to burn it or throw it away. Important as this work was, Dr. Adler was unable to give the scholar any assistance due to lack of funds.

Dr. Solomon Grayzel, a graduate of the college who recently returned from a tour through Europe, narrated his impressions of the libraries of Europe which he visited.

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy was conferred upon the following at the exercises last night: Zvi Cohen, graduate of the Lodz Gymnasium; Abraham Handelman who holds the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Drake University; Joseph Levitsky, B. S. of Temple University; Albert Akiba Rudin, M. A. Harvard; Pincus Schub, M. A. Clark University, and Baruch Weitzel, graduate of the Lida Gymnasium.

\$100,000 CHARITY FUND IS ESTABLISHED IN BOSTON

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Boston, Mar. 12.—By the will of the late Oscar Grosberg, recently filed for probate in Suffolk County, the Grosberg family charity fund has been started with a sum of \$100,000. The will provides that the trustees shall manage the property of the trust, invest and reinvest, with power to convert real estate into personal property and personal property into real estate and the net income to be expended or applied either directly or through other charitable, educational, or benevolent organizations, associations, or individuals for charitable or educational purposes.

Celia Grosberg, widow of Mr. Grosberg, his son, Casper H. Grosberg, and Myer I. Lourie of Boston, are named trustees under the will, and as such will manage the fund.

The Texas Zionist Organization held its twenty-second session at Galveston, Texas, on April 15th and 16th. The Hadassah Texas Federation Seniors, the Hadassah Texas Federation Juniors and the Young Judea Texas Federation will hold their convention at the same time. An extra day, the 17th of April, is designated for two sessions of representation of Texas Hebrew Schools. Thirteen schools will be represented.

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HUNGARIAN DELEGATION FOR KOSSUTH MEMORIAL ARRIVES HERE TODAY

Untermyer Criticized for Serving as Member of Reception Committee

Passive resistance on the part of the Liberal Hungarians and Jews, in New York and other cities of the United States, will mark the arrival on the Olympic today of the delegation of 572 Hungarians who come to participate in the unveiling of the monument to Louis Kossuth, Hungarian patriot, at Riverside Drive and 113th Street, next Thursday afternoon. The Olympic is scheduled to dock between six and seven tonight.

Since the mass meeting of the Hatvany Defense Committee in the Hungarian Literary Society building, No. 323 East 29th Street, last Friday night, the boycott declared on the monument unveiling exercises has spread and the Liberals have pledged to absent themselves from the event.

A delegation from the Hatvany Defense Committee called on Mayor Walker yesterday to say they are in no way connected with any Hungarian body that has threatened a hostile demonstration during the four-day stay of the delegation in New York.

They also presented a letter in which the Liberal Hungarians of the United States ask the Mayor to urge upon the leaders of the delegation the liberation of Baron Ludwig von Hatvany, who was recently sentenced to seven years imprisonment for his newspaper attacks on the Horthy regime. They pointed out that Hatvany is a disciple of Kossuth and that his motives were the same as those which actuated Kossuth—the freedom of Hungary.

The Kossuth delegation will be met down the bay by the Macon.

Samuel Untermyer, who is a member of the reception committee, is strongly criticized in "The Day," for his reply to the Anti-Horthy League, urging him to withdraw from the committee.

Mr. Untermyer is reported to have declared he will not withdraw from the committee since he believes that "the attitude toward anti-Semitism in Hungary and elsewhere has nothing to do with the acceptance of an invitation to serve on a committee to welcome the delegation which comes to unveil a monument to such a great liberal as Louis Kossuth."

Commenting upon this reply "The Day" declares: "It is strange how men who usually possess a great deal of courage and common sense lose both when they are called upon to act on a question of Jewish interest. Samuel Untermyer is one of these men. Mr. Untermyer's reply is nothing more than the evasion of a clever lawyer who wants to get out of a bad case."

"What does it mean that the invitation to welcome the delegation has nothing to do with the character and political

N. J. ADOPTS \$250,000 QUOTA IN U.P.A.; SENATOR KING AND MORRIS ROTHENBERG SPEAK

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Newark, Mar. 12.—A quota of \$250,000 for this year's United Palestine Appeal in the State of New Jersey was adopted at the New Jersey Annual Conference on Palestine held here yesterday. Newark's share was set at \$110,000.

More than 1,000 persons attended a mass meeting held Sunday afternoon at Temple B'nai Abraham and listened to the addresses of Senator King of Utah and Morris Rothenberg, vice-president of the Zionist organization. Senator King in his address scored non-Zionists who claim they owe allegiance only to America. "I distrust the patriotism of men who call themselves one hundred percent Americans and yet do not take a warm interest in the homelands of their ancestors," he declared. Rabbi Julius Silberfeld, Michael Hollander and Supreme Court Justice Samuel Kalisch addressed the gathering. Messages were read from Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Nathan Straus and Sir Esme Howard.

Aaron Levinstone, State Chairman of the U. P. A. presided at the sessions of the conference held in the Y. M. and Y. W. H. A. building, which was attended by 200 delegates, from all over the State. Upon Mr. Levinstone's declining renomination for State Chairman, Philip J. Schotland, was elected to succeed him. Michael Hollander was re-elected honorary chairman and the honorary vice-chairmen elected were Harry Goldowsky of Jersey City, Judge William Newcorn of Plainfield and Mr. Levinstone.

Several thousand people from Manhattan, Bronx, and Brooklyn, attended the annual Purim Ball of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith, sponsored by the Metropolitan Conference, District No. 1, of the Order.

Rabbi Abraham Bernstein pronounced the invocation. He was followed by Meyer Plotz, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee.

L. E. Schlechter is Chairman of the Metropolitan Conference. Theodore Radman was Chairman of Committee on Arrangements. The proceeds of the Purim Ball will go to the campaign of the Wider Scope Committee of the order.

The problem of Jewish education will feature the program of the New York State Branch Convention of the United Synagogue of America, which was made public by Rabbi Samuel M. Chen, Executive Secretary. The Convention will be held next Sunday in the new Anshe Chesed temple, 100th Street and West End Avenue, New York City.

career of those who are to be welcomed? It has a great deal to do with it. Common sense would dictate that when one goes to welcome a man it is proof that one thinks greatly of him, that one is ready to give him a great measure of recognition and that one is willing to honor him.

"The purpose of the Horthy delegation to the United States is, indeed, to create

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self when he was thirty to spend his days and nights in study and prayer and to abstain from eating, every day except Saturdays, when it is a religious commandment to eat. For over forty years he continued these six day fasts each week, although physicians warned him against this practice. At night, he went to bed in his clothes in order not to enjoy his sleep.

Although a recognized authority on Jewish law, whose opinion and advice were invoked by the leading rabbis, Rabbi Meir Yechiel was very reticent in his modesty, and although he was the author of numerous works on Talmudic law, the Cabala and Chassidic subjects, he prohibited his friends to publish his works during his lifetime.

Rabbi Meir is survived by a son Ezekiel, who is rabbi in Nasielsk, and who will succeed him in his Chassidic post. Thousands of the followers of the Ostrovitzer Rebbe from all parts of Poland came to Ostrowiec to pay tribute to their leader at his funeral which took place yesterday. The scholar had many friends and admirers among non-Jews.

Ten thousand persons, among whom were fifty rabbis, attended the funeral of the Ostrovitzer Rebbe at Ostrowiec yesterday.

The board of the Ostrowiec Kehillah voted a life pension to the widow. She will receive 400 Zlotys monthly.

The announcement that the Center Academy is planning expansion of the school with the ultimate aim of developing a high school and college was made by Dr. Tannenbaum, chairman of the Committee on Hebrew and General Education of the Brooklyn Jewish Center, under whose auspices the Academy is functioning.

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a friendly, warm attitude toward the Horthy regime in Hungary. To the Horthy regime the unveiling of the Kosuth monument in New York is nothing but a pretext. The connection between the present reactionary Horthy regime and the Hungarian champion of liberty is so remote that, because of this alone, the delegation which is sent and supported by Horthy would not find it worth while to incur the expenses of a trip to America.

"In every similar case, Mr. Untermyer's strongly developed political sense would have told him not to allow anybody to exploit him for low political purposes. Here, perhaps because the case has some connection with Jews, Mr. Untermyer failed. He permits his name and his prestige to be used to connect the present Horthy regime with the Hungarian champion of liberty, Kosuth, in the consciousness of the American people, thus giving a bill of health to the anti-Semitic, dark reaction which now reigns in Hungary.

"It is to be regretted. Had Mr. Untermyer given to the consideration of this semi-Jewish matter one part of the gigantic intellectual energy which he displays in his fight against the Interborough, he would never have been placed in such a false position," the paper declares.

The receipts of the United Jewish Campaign total more than \$5,000,000, or over 75 per cent of the aggregate pledged; it was announced by David M. Bressler, Acting chairman of the New York campaign. More than \$5,500,000 was pledged to the campaign in May, 1926, to be paid in three instalments.

The original New York quota was set at \$4,000,000, but William Fox, before accepting the local chairmanship, insisted on increasing the quota to \$6,000,000, and the pledges exceeded that amount.

Brooklyn, in a separate campaign under the chairmanship of Judge Grover H. Moscovitz, with Hugh Grant Straus as treasurer, raised \$1,000,000 as a part of the entire sum pledged. The Far Rockaway region, under the chairmanship of Leon Lauterstein, with Charles A. Jacobs as treasurer, also conducted its own campaign, raising \$235,954, as against a quota of \$150,000.

The second annual convention of the Texas Rabbis Association was opened on Monday in Beaumont, Texas, and will continue for three days. Rabbi Abraham Schechter of Houston is the founder and president, Rabbi David Lefkowitz of Dallas, vice president, and Rabbi Samuel Rosinger of Beaumont, secretary.

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