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## **PUBLISH N. Y. ROSTER OF JEWISH CLUBS**

"The Club Roster of New York," containing a list of thirty-four Jewish city and country clubs in the metropolitan district, their officers, and the names and addresses of their membership constituting a volume of 475 pages, has been published by the Club Roster Book Company of New York. It was pointed out that the "Social Register" and the present Club Membership Book do not contain Jewish clubs. It was to fill this gap that a number of men sponsored the publication of the present volume.

The club members are located alphabetically, giving the names and addresses, the name of the business firm, all club affiliations as well as the business or profession.

The Jewish clubs listed are the following: Beach Point, Broadmore Country, Centertown, Century Country, City Athletic, Columbia Club of New York, Criterion, Elmsford Country, Fairview Country, Fenimore Country, Fresh Meadow Country, Glen Oaks Golf and Country, Grove Harmonie, Hollywood Golf, Inwood Country, Metropolis, Metropolis Country, Millburn Country, Monmouth Polo, Mt. Vernon Country, Mountain Ridge Country, N. Y. Bridge Whist, North Shore Country, Norwood Golf and Country, Ridge Golf and Country, Progress (New York), Progress Country, Progress (Newark), Quaker Ridge Golf, Sunningdale Country, Unity, Westchester Beach and Yacht, Woodmere.

Rabbi Harold Reinhart of Sacramento, California, has been elected senior minister of the West London Synagogue, Berkeley Street, London, England.

Rabbi Reinhart was born in Portland, Oregon, and was prepared for the Hebrew Union College by Rabbi Jonah B. Wise. He was graduated from the college as one of its outstanding students.

## **UNITED JEWISH CAMPAIGN RECEIPTS AMOUNT TO SUM OF \$13,000,000 Statement Shows Collections Lag Behind Needs**

The cash receipts of the United Jewish Campaign, the fund raising agency of the Joint Distribution Committee, amounted to \$13,000,000 as of November 20, according to a statement issued by the national headquarters of the committee. The major part of the last, the thirteenth million, was received during the past several weeks, with the beginning of the new collection activities.

The thirteen million dollars collected under the chairmanship of David A. Brown represent only partial payment of the pledges made by American Jews to meet the budget of the Joint Distribution Committee in Russia and other European countries. Although the sum raised is one of considerable proportions, it is, none the less, smaller than the estimated budget for the current work of the Joint Distribution Committee for the period.

An effort to collect the additional funds is now being made, in order to enable the committee to meet its commitments. David A. Brown will undertake another nationwide tour, being the sixth such tour made by the national chairman since the beginning of the campaign.

## **4 PROMINENT EUROPEAN RABBIS ARRIVE IN N. Y.**

Four prominent European rabbis arrived in New York on the steamer Olympic. Immediately on their landing, a reception in their honor was given at the Broadway Central Hotel under the auspices of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis.

The guests of the American Orthodox rabinate are Rabbi Simon Shkop, dean of the Yeshiva of Grodno, Poland; Rabbi Isaac Schuster, of Sokol; Rabbi Rottberg of Lunin and Rabbi Reuben Katz of Staviski.

Rabbi Shkop and Rabbi Rottberg came to the United States to seek financial support for the Yeshiva of Grodno, Shaarei Torah, which is in financial difficulties. Rabbi Shkop who is now over 70 is a famous Talmudic scholar. It is stated that more than a thousand rabbis have graduated from the Talmudic academies under his direction during the past forty years.

The seventh annual convention of the Mirazchi Hatzair of America will take place November 24th and 25th at Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City. Delegates from various cities are expected.

The convention will open with the annual message by the president, Harry Karp, and will be addressed by Gedaliah Buldak, president of the Mirazchi Organization of America, and Rabbi Wolf Gold, vice-president; Rabbi Aaron Teitelbaum, member executive of the World Mirazchi Organization, Reuben Weinschenker, representative of the World Union of the Mirazchi Youth of Palestine, and Isidore Epstein, vice-president of the Mirazchi Hatzair.

## **SALONICA JEWS PROTEST AGAINST THE SEPARATE ELECTORAL COLLEGE**

**Delegation Presses Demand for December Senate Elections**

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

Salonica, Nov. 6.—The question of Jewish representation in the next Greek Senate, elections to which are to take place in the first fortnight of December, has again been agitating the Jewish population of Salonica, because the Government bill submitted to the Chamber of Deputies by the Minister of the Interior, M. Zavitanos, to regulate the elections to the Senate, retains among its other provisions, the principle of the separate electoral college for the Jews of Salonica, giving them the right to elect one Senator in proportion to their numbers.

The Salonica Jewish Community and the Jewish organizations here, which have been strenuously objecting to this segregation of the Jewish voters, and obtained a promise from M. Venizelos, before the last Parliamentary elections, that the separate Jewish electoral college would be abolished, sent a delegation to Athens consisting of Deputies Matalon and Bessantchi, and Messrs, Asher Mallach and David Florentin, members of the Salonica Jewish Community Council, to demand the repeal of this segregating measure.

M. Zavitanos, in receiving the delegation, declared that he was a great friend of the Jews. He told them that his father had published in Corfu, in Greek and Italian, a work directed against the blood libel. He explained that M. Venizelos intended, by retaining the separate Jewish electoral college, to guarantee the representation of the Salonica Jews in the Senate, and if the Jews were opposed to it, he was prepared to reconsider the question.

As a result of the interview, the delegation has telegraphed to the Salonica Jewish Community and the other Jewish organizations associated with the movement for the abolition of the separate Jewish electoral college, advising them to instruct the Jewish Deputies to present in the Chamber, during the debate on the bill for the establishment of the Senate, a series of amendments already presented, which would be referred to the Government, which will approve them, so that they will be certain of obtaining a majority, and may even be passed unanimously.

Dr. Leo J. Frachtenberg, formerly Director of the Southern Region of the United Palestine Appeal, has been transferred to Chicago, where he is Director of the Midwest Region, consisting of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, and Nebraska, according to an announcement made by the National Office of the United Palestine Appeal, New York City.

A drive for \$10,000 for the Hebrew Institute in Mamaronck, N. Y., was officially launched under the leadership of Morris Stern. The money will be used to add a school and gymnasium to the present building in Mamaronck and to make improvements to the interior of the building.

# **RABBI SEARCHED BY CUSTOMS MEN UPON ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK**

## **Agents Offer Apologies, Reception Delegation Indignant**

Rabbi Judah Leib Twersky, Chassidic Rabbi of Horostopol, was subjected to a minute search of his person and baggage at the hands of customs officials when he arrived in New York Wednesday on the steamer Olympic. A delegation of Orthodox rabbis who waited at the pier to greet Rabbi Twersky expressed indignation at the treatment accorded the rabbi who is 65 years old.

Members of the Custom Diamond Squad, learning that Rabbi Twersky came to the United States by way of Antwerp, ordered the Rabbi to be taken back to his cabin to be searched for smuggled diamonds. The activity of the squad was in connection with the recent discovered diamond smuggling ring.

When nothing of a contraband nature was found, the special agents offered their apologies and permitted Rabbi Twersky to rejoin his friends on the pier.

Orthodox leaders said they will make a formal protest to the Treasury Department in Washington.

# **AVERT DUELS OF LEADERS IN WARSAW AND LEMBERG**

## **(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)**

Lemberg, Nov. 22—The threatened duel between the president of the Lemberg Kehillah, Allerhand, and his Zionist rival for the post, Goglewski, was averted by the intervention of friends.

Declarations of apology exchanged between the two ended the conflict.

Warsaw, Nov. 22—The duel between Engineer Koerner, member of the Polish Senate, a Zionist, of the radical Al Hamishmar group, and Dr. M. Hines, Zionist of the Eth Livnoth group, will not be held.

Deputy Isaac Gruenbaum, chosen second by Dr. Hines, succeeded in persuading them to settle their differences in a court of honor.

# **ANOTHER JEWISH CEMETERY DESECRATED IN GERMANY**

## **(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)**

Berlin, Nov. 22—The war against the Jewish dead is being continued even in such communities where there are no living Jews.

The Jewish cemetery of Borgenreich, Westphalia, where there are no Jewish residents at present, was desecrated last night. Several tombstones were overthrown. This is the sixty-fifth case in the past two years.

The Junior Councils of the National Council of Jewish Women, have been urged to enter upon local campaigns to increase their national membership to 10,000, by October 1929, according to a statement made by Hazel Simon of Nashville, Tennessee, National President of the Council Juniors. The announcement was also made that the next biennial conference of the Juniors will be held in Cleveland in 1929, on October 27-30.

# **J. D. B. NEWS LETTER**

## **Romantic Chapter in Pennsylvania's History**

By Our Philadelphia Correspondent

Philadelphia, Nov. 22.—There is a little village called Aaronsburg, in the exact geographical centre of Pennsylvania, which is today a memorial to the vision of a Jew who was 150 years ahead of his times.

This village is in historic Penn's valley, Centre County, was laid out by its founder, Aaron Levy, to be the capital of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Today its wide boulevard is deserted except for tourists. Not even a railroad enters its confines, and it is a curious if ironical fact that over this sleepy village, apparently forgotten by the world, and over the main cross street which this early American Jew called Rachel's Way, in memory of his wife, there now roars the New York-Chicago air mail.

Levy came to Penn's Valley in 1779 from Northumberland, Pa., with a reputation as a land speculator. He purchased what was then called the Alexander Grant warrant, but it was not until 1786 that he founded and laid out the town. As a speculator the situation of the town appealed to him, but his dreams overwhelmed his business sagacity, and visualizing a great capital city which should bear his name, he laid out the town on a mile square plot, the centre of which is the exact geographical centre of the state.

While he named the town Aaronsburg, in honor of his own name, early settlers of the region called his village "Jewstown."

Other persons in the state did not share Levy's idea of such a capital city, and he was doomed to see his dream go unrealized. Levy did, however, establish a claim for fame in two things. First, he laid out one of the most unusual towns in the nation, the first one projected with wide streets, that only today are becoming recognized as a necessity, and he was the only Jew, so far as records reveal, to lay out a town in this or any other state of the Union.

With his idea of a city beautiful, he planned the main street, which he named Aaron's Square, at a width of 150 feet. Ninety feet of the 150 were for vehicular and horse traffic, and 30 feet on each side of the 90-foot area were allotted for public purposes and grass plots. The main cross street, named for his wife, was about 60 feet wide.

Wooden poles were erected at regular intervals, bearing oil-burning lamps to illuminate the thoroughfare. These have now been replaced by modern electric street lights. At each corner of its mile square area Levy placed a stone marker, but these have long since fallen a prey to vandals and erosion.

From a series of four or five springs in the mountain at the north side of Aaronsburg, wooden pipes were laid to carry water by gravity to the wooden

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# **CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR DISCUSSES ISSUE OF WAILING WALL**

## **Says Britain's Presence in Palestine Needed**

The controversy between Moslems and Jews in Palestine over the right of access to the Western Wall of the Temple shows the continued need of the presence of the British Government in Palestine, is the view of the "Christian Science Monitor."

"There could scarcely be a more striking illustration of the difficulties attendant upon the administration of mandated government for peoples widely divergent in race, religion and tradition than the recent incident at the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem. At this location the Jews for many centuries have been accustomed to grieve over the departed glory of their Holy City and to lament the control of their sacred places by what they regard as an alien race.

"It appears that the removal by the British of a partition which in accordance with an ancient ritual was designed to separate the men from the women deeply stirred the Jews, especially as the removal was made during one of their most sacred seasons. The claim of the Moslems under whose urgency the Government acted is that, since the Wailing Wall adjoins the temple area now included in the Moslem quarter of Jerusalem, it is under their exclusive control, and that, since the structure in question was attached to the wall, it was a part of it. Hence their contention that, as it had not been erected by their authority, it should be removed.

"The incident, on its face trivial, is far-reaching in its import, where certain old antagonisms between Moslem and Jew are considered. It will be remembered that when Britain took over the government of Palestine, a statement was issued that the status quo ante regarding the religious interests of the various groups should be strictly maintained; and it may be said that this policy has been lived up to both in letter and in spirit. The lesson to be derived from the incident is that the strong hand of Great Britain is still needed to maintain a reasonable degree of peace in Palestine with its diversity of races. While much has been done to prepare the inhabitants for self-government, much more remains to be accomplished before mandated government could be safely abandoned. Yet the signs are encouraging, and there are many evidences of the lessening of the animosity which formerly so widely separated the Moslem and the Jew."

# **ST. LOUIS FEDERATION RECEIVES GIFTS OF \$188,000**

## **(Jewish Daily Bulletin)**

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 22—Preliminary gifts amounting to \$188,000 have been announced by the Jewish Federation in its \$500,000 campaign which opens December 2nd. Mark C. Steinberg is chairman and Charles M. Rice and Frank Dubinsky, associate chairmen.

The St. Louis Federation includes all Jewish organizations in the city.

## ARMAND SCHMOLL OF ICA DIRECTORATE, DIES (J. T. A. Mail Service)

Paris, Nov. 5.—The funeral of the late Armand Schmoll, a member of the Directorate of the Jewish Colonization Association, who died on Saturday, was held here today. Professor Netter, of the Academy of Medicine, spoke at the funeral on behalf of the Administrative Council of the Ica, and in the absence of M. Louis Oungre, the Director-General, Edouard Oungre, for many years a colleague of M. Schmoll, spoke on behalf of the Ica Directorate and staff.

M. Schmoll had been ill for some time but did not interrupt his duties in the Ica, and continued his work until the last day. He was a member of the Association for over twenty-six years. Before the war, M. Schmoll made regular inspection tours in Russia and Poland. His last visit to Russia was made in 1920, at the delivery of a report to the Council on the new colonization and credit activities which were being carried on there at that time.

The Jewish Community Center of Yonkers, the cornerstone of which was laid on Sunday last, will, according to present plans be completed the early part of March. This announcement was made by Jacob Williamson, chairman of the Jewish Community Center Committee.

The cost of the building when completed will be practically a half million dollars. It contains facilities for every kind of social and communal activity, gymnasium, swimming pool, lodge rooms, classrooms, dormitories, shower baths, hand ball courts, billiard room, game rooms and many others. In general the building is so arranged that it may meet the demands of all activities that may be used therein.

Members of Zionist districts throughout Greater New York have been called to a conference on Sunday afternoon, November 25, at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, for the purpose of formulating plans for a city-wide membership campaign, according to a statement issued by David Freiberg, Chairman of the Organization Committee of the Zionist Organization of America.

The Conference is part of the membership drive that is being conducted throughout the country, as a result of the decision of the Administrative Committee of the Zionist Organization to designate the period from Nov. 15 to January 1 for a large membership enrollment effort.

An increase in the appropriation for building the Jewish Home for Aged in Portland, Me., has been authorized by the directors but the sum of \$30,000 will be devoted to that purpose. Contracts for the construction of the building are to be closed within a few days. Plans are under way for a dinner to be held soon to launch a drive for funds for the Home.

The new \$2,000,000 building being erected as an extension to the Bronx Hospital at Fulton Avenue and 160th Street, New York, will be completed soon, Alexander Selken, president, declared. The new building, which occupies the corner-site was laid a year ago, will have 310 beds.

The \$2,000,000 fund for the new building is being raised by directors and personal subscription of the directors of the Bronx Hospital. The amount of \$1,000,000 thus already been raised. The Board of Directors of the Bronx Hospital is making plans for the final drive to raise \$1,000,000 still needed.

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plugs set at intervals of approximately 100 feet along Aaron's Square. In these plugs was a wooden snout with a wooden peg for a stopper. The upright part of the plugs was a hollow triangular piece of wood closed at the top. These plugs and pipes were carved from trees by hand.

When one desired water, the wooden stopper was removed and replaced when a sufficient quantity had been drawn off. Cisterns were placed at the bottom of these plugs, under the ground, to catch the overflow and hold it for an emergency reservoir for fire-fighting purposes.

It was in this way that Levy provided his town with one of the first, if crude, running water systems in America. The village boasted an old-fashioned hand-manned pump which required the services of four men at each handle. The reservoirs were necessary as the wooden pipes, when drained, required a long time for refilling from the springs. Now these wooden pipes and plugs have been replaced by modern piping and fire plugs. A reservoir has been placed on the mountain above the town and just below the springs.

The first residents in Aaronsburg were given a grant of land from Levy for the erection of schools, burial ground and a church. The grant of land was made in 1793, and in 1851 a brick church was erected. This building still stands.

An academy known as Aaronsburg Academy was established in 1834, and this has now been replaced by a modern building which houses a grade school.

In 1802 Aaronsburg had a population of 32. Today it has 250 residents. Local residents point out with pride that had Levy realized his dream of a capomunicipality, that municipality would rival Washington for wide boulevards, well-planned development of streets, and its natural setting for a beautiful city.

Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach, the well-known Philadelphia art and book collector, is a grand nephew of Aaron Levy.

## DOUBTS REPORT ON DUCU

(Communication to the Editor)

Sir:

A despatch from Bucharest, which you published on the date of Nov. 19th, states that Octavian Goga, Rumanian Minister of the Interior, and John Duce, also Minister of the Interior, are "now taking extensive steps to organize anti-Semitic riots, etc.," this report being given in the name of the Rumanian newspaper "Kvintul."

Knowing as I do M. Duce's record of real liberal and high-mindedness, as well as his freedom from bigotry and intolerance, I can not bring myself to give credence to a statement which links him with the efforts of the anti-Semite Goga. The Rumanian newspaper which is named being presumably of a progressive character, may either have been misinformed or may have its own purposes for merging these two names, but the facts of history would tend to contradict the report of any such association.

It is to be hoped that no such plans of organizing anti-Semitic student demonstrations will be tolerated by the Government.

Respectfully,

H. SPEIER.

New York, Nov. 21, 1928.

## MOVE TO COMBAT INTER- MARRIAGE IN GERMANY (J. T. A. Mail Service)

Berlin, Nov. 4.—An organization which will act as a Jewish matrimonial agency in Germany, in order to combat the growing tendency toward intermarriage, has been established in Frankfurt. The organization, which will have branches throughout the country, is intended only for social and welfare purposes, and the funds, which will be raised by donations, bequests, and endowments, will be used to provide dowries for poor Jewish brides.

Organizations are eligible for membership as well as individuals. A number of Jewish communities and the German Grand Lodge of the B'nai B'rith have already made grants to the funds of the organization.

Col. Herbert H. Lehman, Lieutenant-Governor-elect of the State of New York, will speak on "A Social Program for New York State," at the joint dinner of the "Better Times" Magazine and the New York City Conference of Social Work at the Hotel Astor on December 6.

Col. Henry Aaron Guinzburg, merchant and philanthropist, left most of his several million dollar estate to a son, Harold K. Guinzburg, and a daughter, Miss Janet Guinzburg, Central Park West, by the terms of his will filed for probate. Col. Guinzburg died Nov. 16. A bequest of \$15,000 to the Federation for the Support of Philanthropic Societies, of which Mr. Guinzburg was treasurer, and \$10,000 to the Recreation Rooms and Settlement, were contained in the will. An explanation of these small bequests, according to Louis Marshall, Guinzburg's attorney, is that Col. Guinzburg, was the large amounts the philanthropist had given to charities of all kinds during his lifetime. The bequest to the Recreation Rooms and Settlement is to be used for scholarships in memory of Col. Guinzburg's father and mother.

About \$60,000, the value of the residuary estate of the late Mrs. Josie Guttmann, widow of Jacques Guttmann, will eventually go to the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, according to the terms of her will. Mrs. Guttmann, who resided at the Hotel Gotham, died November 2, leaving an estate valued at about \$75,000.

The Hebrew Infant Asylum, University Avenue and Kingsbridge Road, The Bronx, is bequeathed \$100,000 outright in the will. The remainder of the trust funds for five other relatives, and held by the Federation.

Dedication of the new community center building in Woodbine, N. Y., was held last Sunday. The building, modernly equipped for sports and study, was constructed at a cost of \$30,000 from funds supplied by the Baron De Hirsch Foundation, which founded the community in 1891.

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