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ROUMANIAN COURT REJECTS APPEAL OF JEWISH STUDENTS FOR AMNESTY

Were Involved in Protest Against Un-
fair Examination; Events Led
to Falik Murder

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Mar. 1.—The Court of Appeals at Suceava rejected the appeal of twenty Jewish high school pupils who were involved in the events which occurred in November 1926, leading to the murder, by an anti-Semitic student, of the Jewish student David Falik, in a Czernowitz court.

The pupils were arrested for participating in a demonstration arranged by pupils of the national minorities in protest against the alleged unfair methods used in the baccalaureate examinations, when a great number of minority pupils, including Jews, were flogged.

The pupils were punished in the following manner: Those who had not completed their studies in the high schools were expelled for two years, and those who had completed their course lost the right to enter Roumanian universities for a considerable period. It was during the trial of the twenty Jewish pupils that David Falik, a Jewish student, who appeared as a witness, was shot by Nicolai Totu, Hakenkreuzler student.

Considerable disappointment over the outcome of the proceedings in the Court of Appeals was voiced in Jewish circles in view of the fact that during the last national elections the National Peasant Party made promises to the effect that these pupils would receive amnesty.

STRANGE ARE THE NATURALIZATION LAWS IN PALESTINE

Jewish Immigrant Invokes Court; Decision Against Him As Wife's Abroad

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 1.—An immigrant whose wife resides abroad cannot obtain naturalization in Palestine under the present laws of the country, according to a ruling by the High Court.

The ruling was given in the case of Mr. Palevitch, a Jewish immigrant of Haifa, who sought action by the court to compel the government of Palestine to grant him citizenship. The authorities had declined on the ground that Mr. Palevitch's wife has been a resident abroad for over two years and if he is naturalized, she automatically becomes a Palestine citizen. This is against the present regulations.

The suit which is the first of its kind in Palestine courts has been conducted with the aid of counsel under the auspices of Sechutenu, a recently organized society for the protection of Jewish rights in Palestine.

NEW ATTACKS ON JEWISH STUDENTS IN BUDAPEST COLLEGE

Four Jewish Students Severely Beaten
and Injured

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Budapest, Mar. 1.—Four Jewish students were severely beaten and injured during new anti-Semitic disturbances which occurred yesterday at the Budapest Veterinary Institute.

Dean Huttyra stated to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent that he believed that the attack was not perpetrated by Hungarians but by foreign students.

PALESTINE JEWRY CONVEYS GREETINGS TO IRAQ NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER

Sir Gilbert Clayton Was Former Civil
Secretary of Palestine Government

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 1.—The greetings of Palestine Jewry to Sir Gilbert Clayton, formerly Civil Secretary of the Palestine government, who is here on his way to Bagdad, where he will assume his post as the new High Commissioner of Iraq, were conveyed by a delegation representing the National Council of Palestine Jewry.

The delegation, which called on Sir Gilbert at the Government House, congratulated him on his appointment to the High Commissionership of the neighboring country to Palestine. The delegation expressed its hope that with Sir Gilbert at Bagdad, and with Col. George S. Symes, also a former Civil Secretary of the Palestine government, now British Resident at Aden, a better Arab-Jewish understanding will be promoted.

Sir Gilbert Clayton is a friend of the Zionist effort in Palestine. In press interviews the new Iraq High Commissioner stated that he was sure the interests of Great Britain and Iraq coincide. The Turkish Petroleum Company, which will operate the Mosul oil fields, is now conducting a survey from a commercial point of view as to the practicability of laying the Mosul oil pipe lines to Haifa. When the survey will be completed, the final decision on the route will be reached.

The new High Commissioner of Iraq also commented on the security of the frontier regions in connection with the attitude of the Wahabis. Sir Gilbert, who came into prominence by his negotiations with Ibn Saud, the Sultan of the Wahabis, declared that the ruler of Nejd and Mecca wants peace but is not able to impose his will on all the Wahabi tribes, which explains the recent raids on the part of Wahabi tribesmen.

BERNARD KAHN DENIES RUMOR THAT HE HAS BEEN OFFERED PALESTINE POST

Would Consider Offer High Honor;
Has Been Interested in Palestine
Since Youth

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 1.—The rumor which spread among Polish Zionists that Dr. Bernard Kahn, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee, has been offered a Palestine post under the enlarged Jewish Agency, was denied by him in an interview with the correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here.

His forthcoming trip to Palestine will be of a purely private nature, Dr. Kahn said. He has not received any offer on the part of those interested in the extended Jewish Agency, but, he added, if he were to receive such an offer, he would consider it a high honor, particularly since the reconstruction of Palestine has been dear to him since his youth.

Commenting upon the situation in Poland, Dr. Kahn stated that he found the economic situation of Polish Jewry in an extraordinary depression, but he expressed the hope that the vitality and energy of the Jews in Poland will overcome the difficulties under which they labor.

ROUMANIAN GOVERNMENT SEEKS CONSTRUCTION LOAN TO AID BESSARABIA VICTIMS

Will Be Used to Provide Employment
for Large Numbers

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Mar. 1.—A special construction loan in the amount of two milliard lei will be sought by the Roumanian government for the purpose of relieving the situation in the famine belt of Bessarabia, it was announced today.

The loan will be used to undertake public works, particularly construction of railways, which is expected to provide employment for a large number of men. This method is resorted to the distribution of doles. The Jewish population will be indirectly helped by the return to more normal conditions.

SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS FOR ANTI-SEMITIC ACTS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Mar. 1.—A sentence of five years solitary imprisonment and exile from White Russia was imposed upon the Russian worker Volinetz. Volinetz was found guilty of anti-Semitic persecutions.

For persecuting the Jewish family Shur, the Russian artist Federov and his wife received a suspended sentence of one month. Complaint against the light verdict was voiced by the "Comsomolskaya Pravda," Communist youth organ.

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550 PER CAPITA AMERICAN JEWS' CONTRIBUTION TO PHILANTHROPY IN 1928

Survey on Basis of Jewish Daily Bulletin Data Shows Jews Lead in Generosity in U. S.

American Jews spent \$235,735,855 in 1928 for both sectarian and non-sectarian philanthropies, according to a survey by Uriah Z. Engelmann, conducted on the basis of reports in the "Jewish Daily Bulletin" and the Anglo-Jewish weeklies. The results of the survey are contained in an article by Mr. Engelmann in the current issue of "The Jewish Tribune." Information was also furnished Mr. Engelmann by the Bureau of Jewish Social Research and the American Jewish Committee.

The Jewish per capita contribution to charity, religious, arts and sciences was three times as large as that of the rest of the population, the survey discloses. On the basis of a 4,000,000 Jewish population in the country, the figures show an average contribution of \$59.

"The comparative newness of a large part of Jewish institutional life in America," Mr. Engelmann writes, "has resulted in an impetus to building activities, as related to community centres and synagogues, necessitating a great outlay of funds. The aggravated economic situation of the Jews abroad since the war and the Palestine project have added to the pressure for money."

The figures, according to Mr. Engelmann, are more impressive when it is realized that Jews do not count among their groups the Mellons, the Whitneys, the du Ponts, the Fords and the Rockefellers." Outside of a few outstanding contributions, of which the largest was \$5,000,000, the huge philanthropic budget was made up of minor gifts.

The total, Mr. Engelmann pointed out, (Continued on Page 4)

AMERICAN COMMITTEE REPORTS ON WORK FOR HEBREW UNIVERSITY

New Donations Received by Library of the University

The South African Young Israel Federation will establish one or more scholarships at the Hebrew University, and is now engaged in raising the sum of \$300 for this purpose. The Women's League for Jewish Education, in Milwaukee, Wis. has also established a scholarship for the purpose of assisting students who may want to go to the Hebrew University for further study, states an announcement by the American Advisory Committee of the Hebrew University, of which Felix M. Warburg is chairman.

The Students Organization at the University has requested admission to the Council of the World Federation of Jewish Students as one of its constituent members. The Students Organization has been active in arranging for evening lectures in English and an Esperanto circle has been organized. A. Z. Melamed, one of the students, will give lessons in Esperanto once a week during the next two months.

As part of the extension work planned by the Hebrew University, six lectures starting Dec. 8, will be given in Haifa in the Hall of the Technicum. Prof. Fred. Head of the Department of Biochemistry, gave the first lecture entitled "Old and New in the Milieu of Life." Professor Julian J. Obermann, now on Sabbatical leave from the Jewish Institute of Religion, New York, will deliver a series of lectures at the Hebrew University on "Religious and Historical Development of Judaism."

Among the recent contributions received by the Hebrew University Library is a shipment of books containing the bequest of the late Rabbi Louis Grossman. During his lifetime Dr. Goldman collected one of the finest private libraries in America in pedagogy, sociology and ethics. The collection which Dr. Grossman bequeathed to the University library comprises about 5000 books on pedagogy and related subjects. The collection contains almost the entire pedagogical literature in German published during the past thirty years. Through this bequest the pedagogical department of the library is now one of the best equipped.

Emanuel Hertz of New York City has supplemented his former gifts to the Library by a donation of a collection including a set of Greek and Roman Classics in about 200 volumes, files of important English periodicals, and a collection of books on coins. Among the many old books in this collection are included Bacon's Opera omnia (1665), Raderi, Chronicon Alexandrium (1625), Tacitus, Opera (1668), the "Savoyard (1658). Included also is the "Histoire Universelle Paris," 1780-91, in 125 volumes.

In connection with the collection of books and periodicals for the English section of the Library, which are to be donated by the English Society of Friends of the Hebrew University, a number of English publishing firms

COL. LIT. MERGHANT AND PHILANTHROPIST, DIES IN PHILADELPHIA

Funeral Services Sunday; Active in Welfare Work for 40 Years

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Philadelphia, Mar. 1.—Funeral services for the late Col. Samuel D. Lit, chairman of the board of directors of Lit Brothers' department store and outstanding leader in welfare undertakings, who died here on Thursday, will be held on Sunday. Col. Lit was 68 years old.

For the past forty years Col. Lit had been active in welfare work in Philadelphia, both within the Jewish community and in general undertakings. He headed several campaigns of the Philadelphia Federation of Jewish Charities of which he was a director and was a member of the boards of the Jewish and Mount Sinai Hospitals, Gratz College and the Family Society of Philadelphia. During the war he served as chief of supplies of the American Red Cross, Southeastern Pennsylvania division, which he headed for some time. He was a member of the Delaware River Bridge Commission and the Board of City Trusts. He served on the military staffs of Governors John K. Tener and Martin G. Brumbaugh.

Born in Philadelphia, Samuel D. Lit began his career as a plumbing apprentice. For fourteen years he was a book salesman. With his brother Jacob Lit he founded a store out of which grew the present Lit Brothers' department store of which he was president until last October. He became the chairman of the board when the business passed into the hands of the City Stores Company and the Bankers Securities Corporation which paid more than \$10,000,000 for a controlling majority of the stock.

have offered to present copies of new publications bearing on subjects of study and research at the University. The Society of Friends of the Hebrew University in Warsaw has also collected books for the Library. Among its gifts are the manuscripts of unpublished Hebrew poems written in his youth by I. L. Peretz.

Details of the recent finds of the Hebrew University field expedition at Beth Alpha were made public by the American Committee. The southern portion of the synagogue at Beth Alpha was cleared entirely.

A new portion of the mosaic was cleared south of the Zodiac. It revealed the picture of an Ark flanked by seven-branched candlesticks, lulabim, etrogim, lions. On the edge of the roof of the Ark a suspended lamp is to be seen. Near the steps leading up to the Ark are depicted, within a frame of geometric ornaments, clusters of grapes with vine-leaves and branches, quail, chicken, a fish. Two more genii, symbolizing seasons of the year, were discovered. They were characterized by inscriptions, "The Season of Tebeth" (Winter) and "The Season of Tamuz" (Summer). All the pictures are in good state of preservation.

WARBURG TAKES TO TASK THOSE WHO HESITATE TO HELP IN PALESTINE WORK

Tells of Inspiration of Holy Land; Feted at Dinner Prior to Departure

A dinner was tendered on Thursday evening to Felix M. Warburg, on the occasion of his forthcoming departure to spend the Passover holidays in Palestine. The dinner was held at the Union Club, Brooklyn, under the auspices of the Union Temple and Temple Shaare Zedek, both affiliated with the Reform wing of Jewry. Besides the guest of honor, the speakers were Justice Mitchell May, honorary chairman of the Brooklyn Division of the United Palestine Appeal, and Dr. Louis D. Gross, rabbi of Union Temple and chairman of the Eastern Parkway Division of the United Palestine Appeal, who presided. A film of Palestine life was shown.

Mr. Warburg in his address sharply arraigned those who refuse to participate in Palestine endeavor. They are dooming themselves and their children to spiritual poverty, he stated. Palestine offers the richest inspiration to Jewry, he said. He affirmed his confidence in the men at the Zionist helm, mentioning Dr. Weizmann and Colonel Kisch. He took to task the critics of the work already accomplished in Palestine for their unwillingness to take into consideration the meagreness of the resources and the difficulties of the undertaking. He pointed to Palestine as the land which can fructify the dry spots in other countries where Jews live.

"Upstairs," he declared, "you probably have the flower of your flock playing poker or something equally unimportant. Is there nothing more in the world than auto riding, golf clubs and bad scores? Is there nothing more important than buying a new masher or a new hat? Life can be so rich. If I have done anything, I have not done it by sitting at home playing bridge. People to me are the most beautiful flowers in the world. Life in Palestine is three times as rich and healthful as it is in New York. Life there is rich but it is also hard."

Addressing himself to those "who ride in automobiles and go to Atlantic City in mink coats," he declared: "Palestine can be made self-supporting and it is self-respecting. There are no 'schnorrers' in Palestine and there are no snobs."

As an illustration of the democracy existing there, he pointed to the intimate friendship between a chauffeur in Jerusalem and the son of Sir Herbert Samuel. Both were members of the Jewish Legion.

Taking to task those who refuse to lend support to Palestine, Mr. Warburg declared: "The Reform element thinks itself smart when it says, 'How can we Americans take an interest in Palestine?' It is nonsense. Palestine is a place where the Jews can live. With the Jews outnumbered by the Arabs, 700,000 to 160,000, there is no overwhelming danger of the immediate of a Jewish state. There is no

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J. D. B. NEWS LETTER

Bill to Prevent Racial or Religious Incitement by Public Posters Reported to House

By J.T.A. Correspondents

Washington, Feb. 28—The Committee on the District of Columbia reported favorably to the House of Representatives the bill recently introduced by Congressman Samuel Dickstein of New York, to provide a fine and penalty upon any person or persons liable to excite a breach of public peace by exhibiting posters, notices or signs in the District of Columbia referring to any religion, creed or race.

The Bill amends Section 857 of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia by adding thereto another section reading as follows:

"Sec. 857a. Any person who shall exhibit or display in any public place any sign, poster, or notice containing matter which, because of reference to any religion, creed, or race, is liable to incite a breach of the peace, shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$500 or by imprisonment for not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

The Committee's report states:

"The enactment of this bill into law is of vital importance to the District of Columbia which has a cosmopolitan population, in that it shall add to the Code a statute that will prevent any individual or group of individuals from displaying publicly any poster or sign tending to create dissension or bitterness of feeling among citizens and residents of the community by holding to ridicule racial or religious traits or characteristics, or tending to cast aspersions thereon.

"The desirability of the enactment of the bill (H.R. 16723) is emphasized by an episode of recent occurrence in the District of Columbia, wherein a proprietor of a small department store conspicuously and publicly displayed a sign tending to cast reflection upon a particular race. (The sign read: 'This is not a Jewish store.') The sign attracted considerable attention and resulted in bitterness of feeling and a flood of protests. It plainly indicated that the proprietor did not possess certain particular traits supposedly attributed to said race, and that, therefore, in the conduct of his business he should not be interrogated in that respect.

"Enactment of the bill would result in all persons within the jurisdiction of the District of Columbia being entitled to full and equal accommodation, advantages, facilities and privileges of any place of public utility or accommodation, subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable to all persons alike. It would further prevent any person who is an owner, proprietor, lessee, manager, superintendent, agent or employee of such a place of public accommodation or utility, from directly

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SENATE PASSES COPELAND NATURALIZATION BILL; NOW GOES TO HOUSE Expect Fight Against Measure in the House

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Mar. 1—The Senate passed the Copeland Naturalization Bill on Thursday, as amended by the House and Senate joint conference. This bill will enable aliens who entered America illegally prior to June 3, 1921, to legalize their status and obtain naturalization as American citizens upon registering after July 1, 1929, when the law will go into effect if passed by the House. Under the bill as passed by the Senate, legislation will be allowed as of the date of the alien's entry, so that the five years residence required as prerequisite for naturalization will start as of that date. If no declaration of intention to become a citizen has previously been taken out, it will be necessary to make such declaration upon registration and two years must elapse before naturalization, as under the law, a two year period is required between declaration of intention and the issuance of citizenship.

Up to late Thursday the House had not voted on the Copeland bill, although the conference report on the bill was filed by Chairman Johnson of the House Immigration Committee on Thursday. It is expected that the vote will not be taken before Saturday. The bill, if passed as expected, will go to the President for signature this week.

Two developments may create trouble for the bill in the House. A vigorous activity against the bill is being conducted by Congressman Box of Texas, who is opposed to legalization of any kind. It is understood that he is canvassing many members of the House in an effort against the bill. It is also rumored that Congressman Sabath, though he has not made a definite statement, may decide to oppose the bill on the floor of the House for the same reason that he refused to sign the conference report—the change of date from 1924 to 1921 and the introduction of the voluntary registration feature for those who derive citizenship through parents or husbands. Congressman Sabath is said to be of the opinion that if this bill is defeated at this session, a more favorable bill, restoring the 1924 provision can be put through at the next session of Congress.

After a conference between Congressmen Dickstein, Sabath and La Guardia, Dickstein announced he will vote for the bill, though he intends to criticize the amendments on the floor of the House. Congressman La Guardia indicated his intention to vote for the bill on the theory that "half a loaf is better than none."

JEWISH SECONDARY SCHOOL. 1st IN JUGOSLAVIA. APPROVED (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Belgrade, Mar. 1—The first Jewish secondary school in Jugoslavia will be opened in Sarajevo. Minister of Education Alaupovic has approved the statutes and teaching plan for the new school.

WARBURG TAKES TO TASK THOSE WHO HESITATE TO HELP IN PALESTINE WORK

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danger lurking to the 12½% Americans who say they cannot give because they cannot jeopardize the Americanism of their children. What you don't put into children's lives, you cannot take out," he warned. "It is foolishness for the reform element to think they can give anything to their children if they do not get any ideology into themselves. They are poor things, doomed to go through life in poverty and their children will be worse."

The men at the Zionist helm are worthy of trust, he stated. They have given themselves ungrudgingly for the good of their people. "Dr. Weissmann," he said, "is no fool. He has a marvelous brain. He and his immediate entourage are held in the highest regard by the English government."

"There is too, a young prosperous lawyer, Louis Marshall. And he is no fool either. He resisted Zionism for a long while. But when we could meet on a common platform, we joined readily. I wish you could hear Marshall talk on Palestine."

"You hear criticism of the things already done in Palestine. It is very easy to criticize. I ask the critics what they would have done if they did not know where the money for the next step was to come from. Surrounded by doubters and enemies with small means at their disposal, despite great obstacles, marked progress has been made in Palestine."

"Primarily I am interested in the reaction of the Jews in America and elsewhere to Palestine. I felt an inspiration in Palestine which cannot be duplicated elsewhere. I want to assure you that I have taken more from Palestine than I have contributed or shall ever be able to. I am convinced that there is no country with as many possibilities for fracturing the dry spots in other lands as has Palestine."

\$60 PER CAPITA AMERICAN JEWS' CONTRIBUTION TO PHILANTHROPY IN 1928

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is conservative, as the sources of information were necessarily incomplete, no record being available of unpublished contributions.

Hospitals, asylums and homes spent \$2,081,774 in the year, or 2½ per cent of the total. For religious purposes 2½ per cent, or \$52,825,970 was given. Of that sum \$29,436,500 was spent in twenty-four States for synagogues and temples.

Associations for the support of Jewish charities disbursed \$15,510,456. American Jews, the survey further shows, spent \$77,227,957 on education. The sum of \$5,465,500 went for medical research and toward upkeep and extension of medical schools. The cost of new Jewish community center buildings was \$16,557,000. Reconstruction work in Palestine and Russia by various organizations exacted a total of \$22,000,000.

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or indirectly refusing, withholding, or denying to any person any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities or privileges thereof, or directly or indirectly publishing, circulating, issuing, displaying or posting any written or printed notice or advertisement to the effect that any of the accommodations, utilities, advantages, facilities and privileges of any such place shall be refused, withheld from or denied to any person because of racial or religious aspersions.

"Where persons are denied these privileges, accommodations, and utilities by reason of publicly posting, exhibiting or displaying any sign, poster, or notice containing matter, because of reference to, or casting reflections upon, any religious creed or race, it undoubtedly results in bitterness of feeling and is conducive of disturbance of the public peace."

"The enactment of a law, such as provided by H.R. 16723, would lead generally to the creation of greater harmony and in time the total elimination of certain prejudices now in existence."

It is uncertain whether the Dickstein bill will be voted upon before adjournment.

Campaigns Under Way in Montreal

Montreal, Feb. 28.—Several organizations have launched their appeals to Montreal Jewry for funds. The Laurentian Fresh Air Camp, which was organized a few years ago and which provides for summer holidays for indigent mothers and their young children, has launched a building fund campaign for \$25,000. It plans to build a permanent modern summer rest home in the Laurentian mountains which will be ready for this spring. The camp has the support and cooperation of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies in Montreal, which has long been in need of such an institution, but due to its limited budget has been unable to realize this object.

March 24th will see the inauguration in Montreal of the Dominion-wide United Palestine Appeal campaign by the Zionist Organization of Canada, with Colonel Frederick H. Kisch as the guest speaker. Rabbi Dr. Herman Abramowitz, of the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, has been appointed Montreal chairman for the U. P. A. campaign here.

David Pinski, the well-known dramatist, will open the local campaign for Jewish Labor in Palestine, under the auspices of the Poale Zion Organization, on March 6th.

At the recent election of officers of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith, Mount Royal Lodge, No. 729, the following were elected for the year 1929: Edward Barkoff, president; Philip Meyerowitz, 1st vice-president; Lyon S. Scream, 2nd vice-president; Jacob Cohen, treasurer; L. S. Edinger, secretary; Lionel J. Corviensky, monitor;

Harry Bronfman, Joseph Guttman and Harry H. Tarshis, trustees; Harry H. Livinson, assistant monitor; C. I. Finckstein, warden, and Max S. Toker, guardian. Samuel L. Caplan is the executive secretary for this year and the general committee consists of J. E. Becker, J. E. Kindestun, S. W. Decker, Sol. Vineberg and Harry Rosenbaum.

Announcement has been made that Harvey Golden, who has been on the staff of lecturers at the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue College for Jewish Studies, has been appointed as Educational Director of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, which will shortly take up its headquarters in the new building made possible by a gift of the late Sir Mortimer B. Davis.

Clarence Michaels was elected chairman of the Business Men's Council of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of Montreal at their annual meeting held at the Montefiore Club.

Issachar Greenberg, retiring chairman, in presenting his annual report for the year, stated that the annual drive resulted in a surplus of \$23,835 over the \$260,000 objective.

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