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## Nahum Sokolow Denies Story That Balfour Declaration Was War-Time Measure

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Varsaw, Dec. 31.—The Balfour Declaration and the Palestine Mandate have been accepted by all members of the League of Nations after the World War, declared Nahum Sokolow, veteran Zionist leader now visiting here, denying at a press conference of Jewish and foreign newspapermen reports current in certain quarters that the Balfour Declaration was only a war product.

Discussing the recent Palestine Inquiry Commission, Mr. Sokolow declared himself convinced that good would result from it because he believed in the victory of truth. "While the Palestine Inquiry Commission was empowered to inquire into the immediate causes of the disturbances, advice will be of importance for the general upbuilding of the Jewish National Home. The Arab question will be settled internationally by independent Arab lands which is more than the Arabs dreamt of, but this has nothing common with Palestine."

## Mandates Body Ignores Iraq Protest on Balfour Document

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bagdad, Dec. 31.—The League of Nations' Mandates Commission's refusal to consider the telegram of the Iraqi parliament protesting against the Balfour Declaration, because the Commission's chairman held that the resolution contained in the telegram conflicts with the Palestine Mandate, was debated today in the Iraqi parliament, at the motion of the Nationalist Party leaders to print the Commission's refusal was defeated by a large majority.

## Find New Evidence in Noted Halsmann Case

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Dec. 31.—The noted Halsmann case has taken a new turn as the result of new evidence reported to have been found by Viennese lawyers at the Tyrol Mountains, where Philip Halsmann's father was found murdered, according to the Innsbruck papers. The lawyers are preparing their new material for submission to the highest court as the basis for a demand for a new trial.

## Strike of Jewish Clerks

### In Vilna Continues

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vilna, Dec. 31.—The strike of Jewish clerks in local stores and offices continues. The strikers have appealed to the Warsaw Jewish Clerks Union for solidarity in their strike.

## Says Judas Iscariot Hoped to Make Jesus King of Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Paris, Dec. 31.—Judas Iscariot, by a daring bit of strategy, attempted to have Jesus crowned King of the Jews, and did not betray Him for thirty pieces of silver as the New Testament would have us believe, declares H. E. von Kalinowski, prominent German authority on the Bible, in his new book, "Judas Iscariot." According to this work, Judas was not avaricious, and Herr Kalinowski declares that Judas is the most misunderstood man in history. Pointing to the ardor of Judas, Herr Kalinowski insists that Judas turned Jesus over to the Romans in the hope that Jesus would perform a miracle.

## Arab Orange Shippers Break Space Agreement with Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31.—Arab orange shippers of Jaffa have broken an arrangement with Jewish shippers by which 70 percent of the space in the boats had been allocated to the Arabs and 30 percent to the Jews. The Jews now have only 25 percent of the space.

Jewish shippers, however, are entitled to 80 percent of the space in the boats at Haifa, from which point 200 trucks yesterday carried 60,000 boxes of oranges to Egypt for transshipment to Europe.

## JEWISH JUDGE CRITICIZED FOR CHARGING THAT JEWS HAVE PRODUCED MORE THAN THEIR SHARE OF CRIMINALS IN U.S.

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Dec. 31.—Judge Nathan Cayton of the Municipal Court who was appointed by President Coolidge several years ago has brought down upon his head a wave of local Jewish indignation as a result of an address which he delivered Friday night at Adath Israel Synagogue charging the existence of a "Jewish crime wave" and alleging that Jews of America have produced far more than their share of criminals and that "during the past decade we have definitely failed to perform our duty as Jews and Americans."

On Saturday morning Washington Jews read extensive accounts of the speech in newspapers with dismay and astonishment scarcely believing that a Jewish judge could have made such statements although it is understood that Judge Cayton released his speech to the press in advance.

The Jewish community was especially perturbed because of the prominence given to the address in this, the seat of government where numerous

## Agency Commission Members and Vaad Leumi Discuss Changes in Government

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31.—Before his departure for London, Harry Sacher, chairman of the Palestine Zionist Executive, invited the resident members of the Agency Commission and also the executive committee of the Vaad Leumi to a discussion of the political situation here and of political prospects in view of the completion of the Commission's inquiry. The meeting was attended by Harzfeld, Remez, Ben-Gurion, Mereminsky, Arlosoroff, Ben-Zvi and Rubashov of the labor group, Suprasky, Mossinsohn, M. Dzingoff, former mayor of Tel Aviv; Dr. Moses Glicksman, editor of the "Ha-Aretz," and M. M. Ussishkin, head of the Jewish National Fund.

Miss Henrietta Szold reported on conditions in America and England. The meeting, at which all of the above debated constitutional changes in the Palestine government, the agenda of the Jewish Agency's administrative committee meeting in New York February 1, and emergency fund problems, was presided over by I. Sprinzak.

According to a cable received by "The Day," the meeting discussed rumors that the British Labor government was considering the establishment of a parliament for Palestine. From the discussion, it appeared that most of the members of the Zionist Executive are opposed to a Palestine parliament.

Legislators, foreign diplomats and other officials must have noticed and received an erroneous impression from the report of the speech.

Vigorous replies to Cayton have already been published in the press by Louis E. Siegler, president of the Washington Zionist District and Rabbi Gedaliah Silverstone. Both of them denied the existence of a Jewish crime wave. Siegler said "Judge Cayton's charges have no basis in fact. There is no Jewish crime wave, although of course the number of Jewish criminals has increased proportionately to the general increase in crime. Neither is there any basis for the statement that Jews have failed in their duty as Americans." Statistics of the accomplishments of Jews during the past ten years show that they have done their part as citizens in every field."

Rabbi Silverstone insisted that charges of an increase in crime among American Jews were erroneous and far

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## Start \$250,000 Emergency Fund Campaign for Yeshiva College

A conference of the directors to discuss the present critical financial situation of the Yeshiva College was held Sunday at the College, and several thousand dollars were raised among the directors to cover the immediate financial obligations of the Yeshiva, such as payment of salaries due teachers, etc., and it was decided to start a \$250,000 Emergency Fund Membership Campaign to put the Yeshiva on a solid financial basis in the future. The annual budget of the Yeshiva is \$400,000, \$150,000 of which the directors will raise among themselves.

Among those who contributed \$5,000 each at Sunday's conference were: Commissioner of Education Samuel Levy, Louis Gold, Harry Fischel and Meyer Wesel; \$3,000, Joseph Folstein; \$2,000, Bernard London; \$1,000, Isaac Folstein and Mendel Gottesman.

An appeal to orthodox Jews throughout the United States and Canada to become contributing members to the Yeshiva College has been issued by the Alumni organization of the institution.

## Economic Foundations of Palestine Unshaken

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31—The economic foundations of the Jewish community in Palestine are unshaken, declared Sigfried Hoofen, president of the Chamber of Commerce of the Jaffa district, at a meeting of the Chamber. Individuals have suffered and some have been ruined, he declared, "but even a conquering army sustains casualties. Trade and industry require tranquility but the Jews have shown in the last four months an ability to carry on under war-like conditions."

Representatives of the Arab Chamber of Commerce were invited to the meeting but begged off because their own meeting was held at the same time.

## German Zionists' Convention Declines to Censure Official Organ, "Juedische Rundschau"

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jena, Dec. 31—The German Zionist Convention in session here rejected by a vote of 94 to 47 a resolution of non-confidence in the "Juedische Rundschau," the organ of the Zionists in Germany, after a statement from Kurt Blumenfeld, president of the German Zionists, that such action would be construed as non-confidence in the Executive. This resolution, proposed by the Revisionists, as well as a milder one offered by the Mizrachists and Dr. Kollenscher, leader of the Zionist opposition, was voted down.

Another resolution, offered by Kurt Blumenfeld, according to which the future policy of the German Zionists should be to aim for a Jewish National Home, in accordance with the Palestine Mandate, was adopted. His resolution further demanded that the Palestine Government render more active support to the work of the Jewish building up of the country, that the Zionists be more active by increasing immigration of chalutzim, and regarding relations with Arabs to act in accordance with the resolution adopted at the 12th Zionist Congress.

The Convention elected a new executive, with Blumenfeld as president, and two left center men, two laborites, three Mizrachis. The National Executive of 53 also consists of Revisionists, radicals and members of the Kollenscher group.

## Independent Jewish Tourists Barred from Mosque Area

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31—Although tourist agents have overcome the Grand Mufti's alleged order excluding Jewish tourists from the Mosque area and Jewish passengers on tours arranged by the Canadian Pacific Railway have experienced no difficulty, independent Jewish tourists were barred yesterday.

## Hebrew Paper Regrets Anglo-Soviet Agreement Doesn't Hold in Palestine

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31—"It is a pity that the recent Anglo-Soviet understanding over propaganda, which also applies to the British dominions, evidently does not include Mandated territories," says the Hebrew paper "Ha'Aretz," "or we might have been rid of at least a part of the Communist and pro-Arab propaganda by Moscow agents whose Palestine confederates include leading Arabs and young Jewish Communists on the blacklist."

## FIND FOR SEDITION

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Beirut, Dec. 31—For the publication of seditious articles against the French regime, a military court here has sentenced the editors of two papers to fines of 11,000 francs each, and in addition one was sentenced to three months in prison.

## Jassy University Officials Order Christian Students' League to Dissolve

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Washington, Dec. 31—The following communique has been received by the Rumanian Legation here from Bucharest with regard to the recent student disturbances at the University of Jassy:

"The authorities of the University of Jassy convened on Christmas Eve and passed the following sentences in the cases of the Christian students found guilty of the recent outbreaks: two students, among whom was the vice-president of the Christian Students' League, were expelled from the University for having organized anti-Semitic demonstrations as well as another demonstration against the University's dean; two others were expelled for one year for having beaten several Bessarabian students who disobeyed the orders of the student strike leaders.

"Regarding the incidents which occurred at the Institute of Chemistry, University authorities will take the necessary steps after the committee of inquiry of the Institute will have sent in its final report.

"The same authorities have examined the memorandum presented by the Christian Students League and decided to cancel the authorization to function of the said League, owing to disturbances caused by some of its members, and to take new steps for the preservation of order in the University. The University authorities refused to discuss the students' request regarding the adoption of the numerous clause and will convene again on January 7 for the reopening of the classes."

## Landau Said Nothing About Craiova Excesses in Letter

As the result of a mutilated cable received December 30 with regard to Deputy Michael Landau's open letter to the Rumanian Foreign Minister Mironescu in the "Unzer Zeit," and published in the Jewish Daily Bulletin of December 31, Deputy Landau was erroneously made to say that he requested a denial of the recent communique issued from the Rumanian Legation in Washington which declared reports of excesses at Craiova during the Students' Congress there as exaggerated.

Deputy Landau merely asked that the government deny that part of the communique in which he was reported to have demanded that the government should not have permitted the Students' Congress to be held. He declares that he only protested against the government sending greetings to the Congress which adopted resolutions demanding numerus clausus, "something which affects a million Jewish citizens who loyally fulfill their duties to the state."

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## New Robberies and Attacks Focus Attention on Matter of Security in Palestine (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31—The departure of the Inquiry Commission has again focused public attention on the matter of the security of life and property. In the last 24 hours, the newspapers reported assaults and robberies from all parts of the country, bold hold-ups of police in northern Palestine and the way-laying of a car carrying the "Doar Hayom" and the "Palestine Bulletin" to Tel Aviv.

An armed band of brigands attacked the police post at Faradiah, between Acre and Safed. Of the seven policemen stationed there, four escaped, while the brigands disarmed the others. British police are aiding in the search for the brigands. An equally spectacular raid was made on the office of the excise collector in the village of Dalta, near Safed, where the villagers were levying a ransom on the tax collectors and proposed to disarm his police escort. This was prevented by an escaped prisoner, Ahmed Taposh, who had been sentenced for the murder of Isaac Mamaan of Safed. The prisoner ordered the villagers to restore the firearms because the police were his townsmen and he did not want them disgraced.

No attempt was made by the police to rearrest the escaped murderer, who was accidentally discovered. Recent robberies in Jerusalem include the house of Mayor Nashashibi; president of the district court Baker; the manager of Barclay's Bank, Clark; several British officials, including the Director of Agriculture, Sawyer, and the Mufti's cousin, the editor of the "Jamael Arabia."

Masked armed bandits, mistaking the car carrying newspapers for a mail car, forced the chauffeur to descend, and the robbers, driving ahead for three kilometers, opened and scattered the bundles of papers and wrecked the car.

## HOOGLIGANS DESECRATE GERMAN JEWISH CEMETERY (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Dec. 31—Hooligans again desecrated a Jewish cemetery, this time at Gunzenhausen near Ansbach, where 18 tombstones were destroyed. The unidentified vandals escaped, despite an offer of 500 marks by the police for their capture.

## Kriegel Named Director of Plainfield Jewish Center (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Plainfield, N. J., Dec. 31—Maxwell E. Kriegel of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been named the new director of the local Jewish Community Center. Mr. Kriegel was formerly connected with the Williamsburg Young Men's Hebrew Association.

## Form Teachers License Board for Jewish Religious Schools

At a meeting held Friday at the Jewish Club, and attended by the members of the Executive Committee of the Jewish Education Association, leaders of Jewish teachers' organizations and laymen representing other organizations interested in Jewish religious education, Bernard Semel, honorary secretary of the Jewish Education Association reported that a Board of License has been organized for the purpose of issuing certificates of qualification to candidates for the position of teacher in the Jewish religious schools. Mr. Semel reported that the step was taken on the initiative of the Jewish Education Association and the organization of Principals of Jewish Religious Schools of New York and Vicinity.

The Board of License, it was further reported, has already established the qualifications for teachers and appointed a Board of Examiners.

## Claims Assimilation Is No Solution to Jewish Problem

Neither assimilation nor partial assimilation can solve the Jewish problem, Dr. Samuel H. Goldenson, rabbi of Rodef Shalom Congregation, Pittsburgh, told one thousand members of the Metropolitan Conference of Temple Brotherhoods at their third annual Chanukah banquet held Sunday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor. The Jewish problem, above all, is a spiritual problem, he declared, dating from Biblical times, and it can be solved only in a spiritual way.

Lieutenant Governor Herbert H. Lehman, the other principal speaker, characterizing the prison situation as a serious social problem deserving the interest of members of the brotherhood, outlined the policy of prison reform he believed necessary. The Governor of the State will recommend to the Legislature the abolition of the present Parole Board and the creation of a new lay court of three members to handle paroles, and additional appropriations for road camps and new penitentiaries, he declared.

Brief speeches were also made by Charles P. Kramer, Chairman of the Metropolitan Conference, Joshua Kantrowitz, Ben Altheimer, of Temple Emanu-El, and Mrs. Jean Wise May, of the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

## Vilna Philanthropist Dead (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vilna, Dec. 31—Israel Bunimowitz, 83 years old, founder of the oldest Jewish bank in Vilna, and well-known philanthropist, died here yesterday.

## Jewish Youth Stabbed (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Dec. 31—The twenty-year old Jew, Isaac Naji from Bagdad, was stabbed last night here by an unknown assailant. Naji is in a serious condition in the hospital here.

## Mrs. Lindheim Tells Junior Hadassah Conference of Her Recent Visit to Palestine

Mrs. Irma L. Lindheim, former national president of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, and Dr. Shalom Spiegel, educator and writer, were the principal speakers at the annual mid-winter conference of Junior Hadassah, held at the Free Synagogue House, New York City, last Saturday evening, and all day Sunday.

Mrs. Lindheim gave a graphic account of her recent sojourn in Palestine. She arrived there a few weeks after the cessation of the riots. She described some of the sights that still remained of the terrible events that had occurred—ruins in Hebron, the wounded in the Hadassah hospitals. Mrs. Lindheim said that the amity between Arabs and Jews in Palestine is a fundamental need. She pointed to Hadassah's principle of non-sectarianism in treating Arabs as well as Jews in all its institutions, which on the whole, in spite of setbacks, has helped toward a closer relationship between Arabs and Jews. The Jews of Palestine, Mrs. Lindheim said, have recovered their spirits and support.

Dr. Spiegel spoke of Palestine as a source of cultural inspiration to the Jews of the world. He urged the learning of Hebrew as a foundation for real appreciation of the cultural values emanating from Palestine.

Much discussion centered about the Cultural Fellowship, a society that is in the process of formation for qualified Junior Hadassah members. Mrs. Frieda S. Ullian, vice-president of Senior Hadassah, spoke on its possibilities.

## Asks Temple Brotherhoods to Combat Brutal Theory of American Materialism (Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Dec. 31—That the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, of which he is president, must "combat the corrosive, brutal theory of materialism" in America, was suggested by Roger W. Straus at Sunday night's fference of Temple Brotherhoods.

"Leaders of American public opinion are combatting this condition, and I believe they are making headway in correcting the situation. The National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods was formed to aid the solidification and growth of the spiritual awakening amongst Jewish laymen throughout the country.

"It is many centuries since your forefathers, under the leadership of the Maccabees, successfully defended the ideal of religious liberty and the belief in the one God which have been keystones in the arch of civilization. It is now in your hands in the new, less dramatic but equally difficult, warfare, that of the spirit and intellect, to combat the corrosive, brutal theory of materialism, and thereby to again serve our religion, our country and humanity."

## Eight Years of Campaigning for Enlarged and Better Jewish Education Revealed in Jewish Education Association's Report

A wide-spread campaign for Jewish education by every means at its disposal, the granting of scholarships to a large number of children whose parents are unable to pay the modest tuition fees of the Talmud Torah, the bettering of school buildings through loans, mortgage assistance and repair subsidies, the raising of pupils' standards by the distribution of prizes, the raising of the status of the Jewish teacher and enlisting the cooperation of the Jewish mother as an important factor in the religious education of children, are revealed as the achievements of the Jewish Education Association in a report of its work during the eight years of its existence, made public by Israel Unterberg, president of the organization.

Mr. Unterberg summarized his report as follows:

"Eight years ago the Jewish Education Association was organized by a group of men who, after an experience extending over many years with the problem of religious education in Greater New York, came to the conclusion that such education must be regarded as an obligation of the Jewish community. Since then the Association has conducted its ever-widening program of activities on the basis of this principle of collective responsibility.

"One of these essential activities is to rouse the thousands of Jewish parents, who neglect to give their children a Jewish education, out of their indifference. The figures gathered by the Jewish Education Association reveal the fact that only about 28 per cent of Jewish children of school age in Greater New York are receiving some sort of Jewish instruction.

"The Jewish Education Association endeavors to meet this problem by conducting an incessant campaign of 'Education for Jewish Education' by every means at its disposal; through the newspapers, Jewish and English; through the radio; through special literature; through the spoken word, etc. The figures further reveal that for the period that the Jewish Education Association has been in existence there has been an absolute increase in the number of Jewish children receiving a Jewish education of 25,000.

"From the beginning of its career, the Jewish Education Association has made the granting of scholarships to such children one of its major activities. Out of its funds, a special Scholarship Fund has been set aside for the purpose of paying free tuition. Since the beginning of its operation, the Scholarship Fund has made allotments totalling approximately \$350,000 to 100 institutions nearly all of them Talmud Torahs of the Orthodox type. About 15,000 scholarships, total and partial, have been granted.

"Soon after its formation, the Jewish Education Association found that many of the existing school buildings were badly in need of alterations and

repairs, and that new buildings were an essential necessity, particularly in those neighborhoods which have recently received an influx of Jewish residents. The Association has been laboring to meet both needs, the first, through its committee on buildings and repairs; the second, through the Jewish Education Association Mortgage Service, Inc.

"The Committee on Building and Repairs has in many cases granted subsidies to schools that require repairs, on condition that the major part of the necessary funds be furnished by the institution itself. As a result, with grants totalling about \$15,000, the institutions concerned have made repairs amounting to about \$200,000.

"The Jewish Education Association Mortgage Service, Inc., has been in operation for about four years. During this period it has extended 17 mortgage loans amounting to \$253,000. These loans aided in the construction of 15 school buildings with total value of approximately \$2,000,000."

## Works of Maimonides to Be Published by the Academy for Jewish Research

Plans for a complete edition of the works of Maimonides, the greatest Jewish mind of the Middle Ages, to be published in 1935, in commemoration of the 800th anniversary of his birth in 1135, were announced Monday at the annual meeting of the American Academy for Jewish Research, by Prof. D. S. Blondheim of Johns Hopkins University. The meeting was held at the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Papers were read at the evening session on mediaeval Hebrew poetry in the nineteenth century by Professor Israel Davidson of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and by Professor Isaac Husik of the University of Pennsylvania, on "Joseph Albo, last of the mediaeval Jewish philosophers."

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year at the afternoon session: Prof. Louis Ginzburg of the Jewish Theological Seminary, president; Prof. Alexander Marx, Jewish Theological Seminary, vice-president; Rev. Dr. Leo Jung, Rabbi of the Jewish Center, recording secretary; Prof. D. S. Blondheim, corresponding secretary; Prof. J. Z. Lauterbach, of the Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, O., treasurer; the executive committee includes: Dr. Solomon Solis-Cohen, of Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. Dr. Solomon B. Freehof, of Chicago, Ill., Prof. Isaac Husik, of the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. George A. Kohut, of New York City.

Prof. George Foote Moore of Harvard University and Rev. Dr. Henry J. Enlow, Rabbi of Temple Emanuel of New York City, were elected honorary members of the Academy.

## Jewish Judge Criticized for Charge that "Jewish Crime Wave Exists in the U. S."

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from accurate. The fact of the matter is, he pointed out, an increasing number of Jews each year are winning high places in industry and the professions.

The rabbi asserted there were no figures to prove that criminal tendencies are more pronounced among Jews and cited the names of great leaders of the race, who, he said, were winning respect and renown for Jews everywhere.

"For this contention and for his assertion that 'a Jewish crime wave of considerable proportions exists over the country, Judge Cayton owes an apology to the Jews of Washington and to those of America' Rabbi George Silverman assured an audience last night in the Tifereth Israel Synagogue.

Cayton's remarks which have evoked so much excitement were made after a reference to the problems that beset the Jews during the days of Maccabees.

"A situation no less serious and demanding no less courage faces us today," he said. "Our trouble is our own making. I refer to the Jewish crime wave."

"There was a time when a Jewish gunman was unheard of and Jewish citizenship was synonymous with good American citizenship.

"But almost overnight we have produced far more than our share of criminals. The Jewish crime wave is an actual, shameful, awful reality."

Judge Cayton blamed the wave on lack of training in the home and synagogue. He said:

"I believe that during the past decade, we have definitely failed to perform our duty as Jews and Americans."

## Minnesota U. Menorah Society Awarded 1929 Lehman Trophy

The University of Minnesota chapter of the Intercollegiate Menorah Society was awarded the Irving Lehman Trophy for its accomplishments during 1929, at the four-day national convention of the Menorah Society held at the Jewish Club which ended Sunday night.

Theodore Gordon, of the Jewish Theological Seminary, was elected president of the Intercollegiate Menorah for the coming year. Herzl Friedlander, of Northwestern University, was chosen vice-president, as were L. A. Abramovich, University of Manitoba, Dorothy C. Adelson, Barnard College, and Lewis H. Weinstein, Harvard University.

Professor Morris R. Cohen, of the College of the City of New York, and President of the American Philosophical Association; Professor Arthur W. Marget of the University of Minnesota; Shmarya Levin, Henry Hurwitz, editor of the "Menorah Journal"; David Pinski, Abraham W. Binder, Director of the Free Synagogue Choir, and Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan were among those who spoke.