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Tagore, Indian Poet, Expresses Sympathy for Aims of Zionism

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Sept. 27—Deep sympathy with the aims and aspirations of Zionism was expressed by Rabindranath Tagore, world-famous Indian poet and winner of the Nobel Prize for literature in 1913, in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today. Tagore, who is on his way from Moscow to Berlin, was accidentally encountered by the correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency who was en route to the World Congress for Palestine Workers.

Tagore recalled that two years ago he had received an invitation to come to Palestine. Ill-health, he said, had prevented his acceptance. He hoped that his next journey would be to Palestine. He is tentatively planning his Palestine trip for next year in order to see for himself the Jewish National Home. When the train on which Tagore was travelling reached Warsaw he was accorded an unexpected and entirely spontaneous ovation by a crowd at the station.

May Search for Remains of Pontremoli, Jewish Explorer

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Rome, Sept. 27—Premier Mussolini is reported to have received a telegram from Dr. Stubbendorff, leader of the Isbjorn expedition which has recovered the remains of the Andree Polar expedition, telling him that it would not be difficult to find the remains of the young Italian-Jewish scientist, Aldo Pontremoli and his five companions who were lost in the ill-fated polar expedition of the Italian dirigible Italia under the command of General Nobile in 1928.

Dr. Stubbendorff has promised to place all the survey material and data he has collected at the disposal of the Italian government. Dr. Pontremoli, who was a professor at the Milan Polytechnic Institute, was a grandson of Luigi Luzzati, Italy's former Jewish premier.

Hochberg, Jewish Theatrical Director, Dies in Rio de Janeiro

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Buenos Aires (By Mail)—Mordecai Hochberg, well-known Yiddish theatrical composer and director, is dead as a result of an automobile accident in Rio de Janeiro, where he had gone with a group of local Yiddish actors for guest performances. Hochberg, who came to the Argentine from Vilna four years ago, was active on the Yiddish stage for the past quarter of a century. He was very popular among Yiddish theatre-goers and actors in this and other countries.

Anti-Jewish Demonstrations in Prague Suppressed But Fascist Papers Continue Agitation

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Prague, Sept. 27—Swords and bayonets were required by the police and the gendarmier here in order to establish peace and order in the streets of Prague which has been in an uproar as a result of the anti-German and anti-Semitic demonstration growing out of nationalist protests against the showing of German talking pictures in the Prague theatres. A score or more of people were arrested today and several injured. The total now under arrest as a result of the street riots is over a hundred.

Inspired by Ex-General

It is now revealed that the disturbances, which were led by the Czech nationalists and Fascists, were inspired by ex-General Gadjia, who was dismissed from the Czecho-Slovakian army in 1926 for alleged treasonable connections with the Bolsheviks, the reprimanded ex-ambassador Pergler and the nationalist deputy Stribny.

While the authorities are doing their utmost to maintain peace it is generally believed that a large part of the population approves of the anti-German and anti-Semitic outburst as a demonstration of national virility. Thus far only two papers have openly con-

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Jewish Labor Leaders Hopeful of Arab-Jewish Understanding

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Sept. 27—Optimistic hopes for an Arab-Jewish understanding in Palestine were expressed by Morris Shipiloff, American Socialist leader and chairman of the People's Tool Campaign, at a press conference here today prior to the opening of the first World Congress for Palestine Workers. Mr. Shipiloff is a member of the American delegation to the Congress. The delegation recently arrived here from Palestine where they made a tour of the country. He also delivered an inspiring report on the Palestine situation.

Morris Feinstone, another member of the American delegation, expressed the sympathies of the Jewish workers in America and delivered the greetings of William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor. Salm Rubashov, Jewish labor leader from Palestine, pointed out that the aim of the Congress was to establish a world league for Palestine workers above parties and politics, to work for the enlightenment of the Arab workers and to define the attitude of Jewish labor in Palestine in connection with the latest developments at Geneva.

Roumanian Official Promises Protection Against Agitators

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Bucharest, Sept. 27—M. Ciobanu, chief government procurator, today informed a representative of the Jewish population of Balti that Balti Jewry may rest assured regarding peace because he has taken the most energetic measures to preserve order and to enforce the law against disturbers. He also said that he had called the leaders of the Cuzists into conference and informed them that he was determined to maintain order at any cost. M. Ciobanu declared that he would imprison all rioters and agitators at the slightest sign of trouble.

M. Ciobanu's assurances came shortly after Serge Dimitru, Liberal leader and former prefect of Balti, had charged that the situation in Balti and Soroca was disquieting because the dissatisfaction of the peasants was being exploited by anti-Semitic agitators.

Australian Jewry Excited at Rabbi Mark's Plans to Form Liberal Jewish Organization

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Melbourne, Sept. 27—Considerable excitement has been created in Australian Jewish circles by the activities of Rabbi Jerome Mark from the United States who is here to establish and organize Liberal Judaism in Australia. Under Rabbi Mark's leadership the first Liberal Rosh Hashanah services ever held in Australia were conducted here. Large crowds were attracted to the services.

The Jewish clergy, with one exception, refused Rabbi Mark's invitation to participate in a reception which prompted him to issue a statement to the Jewish and general press saying that he had not come to Australia to fight or to stir up trouble but simply to assist those who were not receiving spiritual satisfaction from the existing synagogues. Rabbi Mark voiced the

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Attack on Minorities May Cost Turkish Cabinet Office Post

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Constantinople, Sept. 27—A violent attack on the minorities of Turkey may cost Mahmud Essad Bey, Minister of Justice in the cabinet of Ismet Pasha, his post because the cabinet does not fully share his views. Speaking at a public meeting, Essad Bey said that "the lords of the country are the Turks. The others are merely slaves." Subsequently he explained that he had not referred to foreign citizens resident in Turkey but to those who are Turks under the constitution but "at the same time claim allegiance to a foreign nation."

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New Italian Laws Discriminate Against Non-Catholic Religions Despite Concordat's Provisions

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Rome, Sept. 27—Though the Concordat which has been signed by the Vatican and the Fascist government of Italy provides for equal treatment of all religions, nevertheless laws have recently been passed which discriminate in favor of Catholicism, which according to the Concordat is now the Italian state religion, and which do not afford sufficient protection to other faiths.

The new legislation does not provide for compulsory religious instruction for non-Catholics and does not give sufficient sanction to non-Catholic marriages. Worse still are the laws which provide penalties for insults to religions. According to the new legislation one can be punished for insulting the Catholic faith, but not for insulting other faiths. Only for insulting the ministers or religious objects of non-Catholic faiths may one be punished.

Several legal bodies have protested against this discriminatory legislation and the Consistory of the Jewish Communities of Italy has sent the Minister of the Interior a memorandum on this subject. The Italian government and the parliament haven't as yet said their last word on this legislation, which is being temporarily enforced by the Ministry of Justice.

Prof. Mario Falco, well-known Jewish professor of canonical law at the University of Milan, is not optimistic over the prospects of repealing this discriminatory legislation. When a question of justice is to be solved in accordance with political expediency, he says, those who speak in the name of justice are no longer consulted.

Isadore Bookstein Nominated for Attorney-General of N. Y.

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Albany, Sept. 27—Isadore Bookstein, prominent Albany Jewish lawyer is the Republican nominee for attorney-general. Although just past 39, Mr. Bookstein has had a distinguished political career in addition to having taken an active part in Jewish communal affairs. A member of the bar since 1913 he was named assistant district attorney of Albany County in 1923. Former Governor Nathan Miller a year later appointed him county judge in which office he served until 1921. He was defeated for county judge in 1922.

After years of private practice he resumed his interest in politics early this year when he became chairman of the Republican committee of Albany County. Mr. Bookstein is vice-president of the Albany Jewish Community Centre, a trustee of the Albany Jewish Home Society and a past president of the Gideon Lodge of the B'nai B'rith.

The nomination of Mr. Bookstein recalls the fact that in 1924 and in 1926 the Republican nominee for attorney-general was Albert Ottinger, who was twice elected despite a Democratic landslide.

Dispensary Building of Beth Moses Hospital Dedicated

The new, model out-patient dispensary building of the Beth Moses Hospital, Brooklyn, one of the member institutions of the United Hospital Fund, was dedicated yesterday afternoon. The ceremonies, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the hospital, were held in the auditorium of the new building. An opportunity was given to members and friends to informally inspect the recently completed building. Mrs. Harry Schlein, president of the Auxiliary, presided. Harry L. Hopkins, director of the New York Tuberculosis and Health Association, and Dr. Samuel J. Levinson, Rabbi of Temple Beth-Eneth, Flatbush were the speakers.

The new building was constructed to meet the rapidly growing needs of the locality. Between 1919 and 1921 the attendance at the out-patient department of the hospital increased 300 per cent. In 1921 the average daily attendance was ten patients. Now it has been increased to 175, and last year there was an aggregate attendance of more than 43,000 patients.

Bloom to Represent Indiana at Recreational Congress

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Indianapolis, Sept. 27—Allan Bloom, general secretary of the Jewish Community Center Association of this city, has just been appointed one of a committee of five, by Governor Harry G. Leslie of Indiana, to represent Indiana at the National Recreation Congress convening at Atlantic City, October 6th to 10th.

The Jewish Community Center Association of Indianapolis operates the Kirshbaum Center, and the Communal Building.

Plan Public Drive to Save Jewish Community Centre of Union City from Foreclosure

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Union City, N. J., Sept. 27—A public drive to raise \$25,000 to prevent foreclosure on the North Hudson Jewish Community Centre will start shortly after Yom Kippur. While the Colonial Life Insurance Company, holder of the \$100,000 first mortgage, has made application for foreclosure, Chancery Court is withholding the granting of a foreclosure order until after the holidays. The second mortgage is \$45,000.

In order to save the building, which was erected in 1926 at a cost of \$225,000, after a public subscription campaign, Ezra Lodge of the Masons, composed of Jewish members, has offered to buy its lodge rooms on the fifth floor of the Centre for \$25,000. An additional \$25,000 has been pledged by 25 leading Jews. These sums together with a new mortgage of \$25,000 and the \$25,000 expected to be raised in a public drive will be lumped and used to prevent foreclosure.

The North Hudson Jewish Community Centre has been in financial difficulties almost from its inception, the threat of foreclosure having hung over the institution for several years. Differences of opinion between the directors and the younger element in the Jewish community are said to be responsible for the crisis. If the new financial arrangements work out the younger element in the community is expected to have more to say about the management of the Centre.

12,000,000 Bibles Sold by British Society in Year

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Sept. 27—Twelve new versions of the Scriptures have been printed during the last year, two for Asiatic, two for Oceanic and eight for African peoples, the annual report of the British and Foreign Bible Society declares. The Society's list of versions now totals 630. The number of copies of the Bible disseminated during the year broke all previous records, the total being 12,175,292.

Of this number over a million were complete Bibles, 1,125,000 complete New Testaments and 9,795,000 copies of portions of the Bible. The increase in the total compared with the figure for 1928-1929 is 775,000. The Egyptian agency, which serves part of Asia, as well as Northeastern Africa, sent out almost 150,000 books in 92 languages. In Palestine and Syria the Scriptures were purchased by Christians, Jews and Moslems alike.

Russia, which remains closed to the Bible, is the one grim exception that throws into relief the encouragement which the Society derives from its work on the Continent. In the Baltic Republics, among a population of less than 9,000,000, the Society is now selling nearly a third of the number of books sold in Russia before the Revolution.

News-Letter on Hebrew University Work Is Made Public by Felix Warburg

Felix M. Warburg, Chairman of the American Advisory Committee, made public today a News-Letter received from Dr. Judah L. Magnes, Chancellor of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Mr. Warburg stated that plans are under way for opening the fall semester of the University with additions to the faculty in the Department of Hygiene which will continue its work in control of malaria, under the grant authorized by the League of Nations Malaria Commission at the University Experiment Station at Rosh Pina. Professor Israel Kligler, Head of the Department of Hygiene at the University attended the Second International Malaria Congress in Algeria, and the First International Congress of Microbiology in Paris during the past summer. He also took part in the meetings of the Malaria Commission of the League.

The Palestine Government Department of Forestry is cooperating with the Botanical Department of the Hebrew University, with a view to jointly arranging proposals for a law on protection of wild plants in Palestine, according to the News-Letter. The Botanical Department, Mr. Warburg said, has just completed the first "Centuria" of Palestine plants ever made, representing 100 plants in picture and description. Such sets are to be sent to Botanical Institutions throughout the World. During the last months, Dr. Magnes stated in the report, Christian scholars, especially those connected with Convents in Jerusalem, have frequently consulted the University's Section of Biblical Botany with respect to questions of determination of plant names in the Scripture.

Beginning with the new year Mr. Warburg stated that German language courses will be established for students in order to enable them to make use of the large scientific literature written in that language. Efforts are being made to make possible courses in other languages. The lectures in History and Appreciation of Music given by Professor David Schorr proved to be such a success last year that they will again be repeated. These lectures, made possible largely through the gift of Ossip Gabrilowitsch, are given in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, and in the Jewish colonies in the Valley of the Emek. The lectures, illustrated by lantern slides are open to the public, and were attended in large numbers.

Announcement was made in the News-Letter by Dr. Magnes of a scholarship of \$150 to be awarded by the Canadian Young Judaea. Dr. Magnes stated that the scholarship which will be increased from year to year until the goal of a capital fund of \$5,000 is reached by Young Judaea, is to be awarded to a student of Talmud in the Institute of Jewish Studies through competitive examination during the coming year.

World Wide Appeals Urge HIAS to Continue Work

The Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society of America (HIAS), continues to be in receipt of messages from Jewish leaders in Europe as well as in South American countries urging it not to curtail its work, which possibility is threatened by reason of the fact that it has a deficit of \$150,000 and is in urgent need of funds to wipe out this as well as to raise \$400,000 for its current work, according to an announcement by Abraham Herman, the president.

J. Rosenblatt, president of the Jewish Community of Uruguay, in his message says: "The Jewish community of Uruguay is deeply shocked at news that Hias is suspending its contribution thanks to which Jewish immigration to Uruguay has developed during the past years. Our Republic offers good opportunities to thousands of unfortunate Jewish families. Without the help of Hias we are unable to aid these immigrants to establish themselves. We plead with American Jewry to support Hias enabling us to save thousands of more Jewish families who can make peaceful honest livings in our country."

"The Ezra Society of Antwerp cables: 'Our situation is critical. Cannot help emigrants unless Hias continues support.'"

From Rotterdam, the Montefiore Society says: "Greatly moved by critical situation of your Society. Work of our organization is threatened."

The Jews of Transylvania, Bukovina and other parts of Roumania, through Dr. Gutherz, president of the Czernowitz community, the United Jewish Communities, Jewish Sephardic Community, Jewish National Alliance, Zionist Organization, Mizrahi Organization, Jewish Workers' Alliance, Orthodox Jewish Women's Alliance, Relief Committee for the Warsaw Sufferers, the Economic Council of Bukovina Jews through President Klinger and Dr. Mark Ben Zion Katz and the Chief Rabbi of Czernowitz, have cabled to the effect that the cessation of Hias work would be catastrophic and urging Jews of America to support the appeal issued by the Society for funds.

Hias rendered immigrant aid service to 35,000 Jewish immigrants from Eastern Europe who were settled in Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Australia, South Africa, Cuba and France.

Responds to Federal Church Council's New Year Message

The Synagogue Council of America "deeply appreciates the greetings of friendship and goodwill" sent by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ to the Jews of America on the occasion of Rosh Hashanah. In a letter which the Synagogue Council has sent to Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, chairman of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ, it expresses the hope that understanding among various groups may be furthered during the coming year. Elias L. Solomon is chairman and J. B. Pollak is secretary of the Synagogue Council of America.

Hungarian Jews Decide to Make Peace with the Rest of Jewry

(By Our Budapest Correspondent)

Budapest, Sept. 27.—With regard to Jewishness Hungary it seems, will remain a land of remarkable contrasts. On the one hand there is to be found fanatical Jewish piety on the part of an Orthodox, which has no peers even in Orthodox Frankfurt-am-Main, and on the other hand there are extremely assimilated Magyar Jews, to whom changing Judaism for Christianity comes as easily and as suddenly as change of clothes or of a seat in the theatre comes to most people.

Sometimes one hears from them the theory that only Hungarian Jewry stood at Mount Sinai and that they alone are the real heirs of ancient Jewry and of the Jewish religion, while the other Jews are only unbelievers or Jewish nationalists and Zionists whose very existence is in direct contradiction to true Judaism, which denotes only a religious grouping but not a nation. But at other times one gets from Budapest a decidedly different ethnology, a reverse belief with regard to the origin of Hungarian Jewry.

Descendants of Chazars

This is the belief that they are the descendants of the Chazars, the South Russian tribe which in mediaeval times accepted Judaism. Therefore, it is claimed, Hungarian Jews, being descended from pure Slavs, haven't and needn't have any connection with Jewish nationalism or Zionism. Since their ancestors were never in Palestine, so they argue, they can have no special feeling for the country.

Of course such theories are historically valueless. The reality of their Jewishness was felt very well by Hungarian Jews until a short time ago. It is not so long since the barbaric anti-Semitism, which had been raging in Hungary for many years after the war, ceased. And this time Hungarian Jewry will not forget so quickly and so easily the deep sufferings which it had to endure just because it was considered a part of world Jewry, and not because of religious prejudice alone. More modern, atheistic, assimilated Hungarian Jews suffered from anti-Semitic persecutions as did pious, Orthodox Jews. In an economic and moral sense all suffered. Neither religious separatism nor extreme assimilation could save them. At home they pretended to protest against intervention on their behalf by the Jewish organizations abroad. But deep in their hearts they are convinced today that these foreign Jewish organizations deserve a great deal of credit for the halt that was finally called to anti-Semitism in Hungary and for the fact that the Hungarian Jews are slowly being granted equal rights throughout the country.

Hungarian Jewish Union

These newly aroused sentiments among Hungarian Jews found expression recently in a decision to create a "Hungarian Jewish Union," which unites all Jewish factions in Hungary, to resume relations with foreign Jewry, (Continued on Page 4)

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demned the disorderers as a disgrace to the Czechoslovak Republic.

In the meantime the Fascist press is continuing pogrom agitation against Germans and Jews, going so far as to proclaim a special slogan, namely, "Clean Prague of any German and Jewish Schweinerei." This is to be done before the state celebration of October 28, the birthday of the Republic. The papers also urge that the German-Czech coalition be broken.

Inciting Press Confiscated

The police have confiscated a large number of the inciting papers. The Fascists, however, are now extending their opposition to American, English and French films which they demand should be destroyed. They also ask the establishment of one Republic from Erz to the Tatra Mountains which would be a pure Slavic state.

Any attempts at a renewal of the demonstrations will be energetically suppressed by the police. The only demonstrators against the Fascists are members of Dr. Eduard Benes' party who are displaying banners saying "We do not need Hitlerites here." At a meeting of the Prague city council today, Mayor Baxa, replying to a question from Dr. Ludwig Singer, Jewish member of parliament, declared that he would permit no further disturbances, but admitted that he had himself recently intervened with the authorities against the expansion of the German elements in Prague.

The Jewish populace finds the anti-Jewish agitation especially surprising in view of the fact that the Jews are partly Czechish and assimilated and partly Jewish nationalists. The Jews here have no connections at all with any German parties. On the other hand, some believe that the victory of the Fascists in Germany encouraged the Czech Fascists to attack the Jews.

Harry Snell to Open Brooklyn Jewish Center Forum

The weekly Forum of the Brooklyn Jewish Center will open its tenth session on Wednesday evening, October 22, with an address by the Hon. Harry Snell, chairman of the Labor Party in the House of Commons. This will be the only Brooklyn address to be delivered by Mr. Snell during his brief stay in this country as the guest of the American Jewish Congress. The Forum lectures will be continued thereafter on Monday evening, as usual.

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to become again a part of "Klal Yisrael," and take up again ties that had been severed sixteen years ago at the outbreak of the World War.

But if this change of sentiment isn't startling enough, there occurred only the other day a conflict between Jewish lawyers and the Hungarian courts, which shows Hungarian Jewry in a very complimentary light. The Jewish lawyers have refused to come to the courts on Jewish holidays. The Hungarian courts were willing to recognize as a holiday only the first day of Rosh Hashanah, but not the second day. The conflict assumed the character of a fight for principles, of a struggle for the equality of the Jewish religion and of Jewish holidays with the Christian sects and holidays. Most of the Jewish lawyers are certainly not religious, but they demanded respect for Jewish holidays. They therefore not only refused to come to court even on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, but are carrying their fight into the highest judicial instance, demanding that court cases be postponed to other days and that the summoning of Jewish lawyers to trials on Jewish holidays be officially recalled, even when both parties to a case are Christians.

Character Changing

Thus, fortunately there is slowly disappearing the specific character of Hungarian Jewry who may now become a very valuable asset to world Jewry. They have a great number of fine qualities, human and Jewish, which lie buried under a thick layer of assimilation. During the past few years there has been noted a certain process of regeneration among them. Gradually a more Jewishly-conscious youth is growing up in Hungary. It is only a question how long it will take before there will arise a new and spiritually more emancipated Jewish generation in Hungary which will not have to proclaim the resumption of diplomatic relations with World Israel.

Rabbi Samuel Gup Speaks at Unitarian League Conference

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Lenox, Mass., Sept. 27—Rabbi Samuel M. Gup, spiritual leader of Temple Beth El, Providence, Rhode Island, was one of the principal speakers at the opening session of the Unitarian Layman's League's three-day convention here. Rabbi Gup's first Jew ever to occupy a place on the program of the Unitarian Layman's League. The convention, which will deal principally with the problem of the unchurched, was addressed by Rabbi Gup on the "Unchurched from the Jewish Standpoint."

Funeral of Morris Fatman Held

Funeral services were held yesterday morning at Temple Emanu-El for Morris Fatman, brother-in-law of Lieutenant-Governor Herbert Lehman. Mr. Fatman died Friday at the Hotel Ambassador, Atlantic City.

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hope that it would be possible for him to collaborate with the other Jewish ministers, but if cooperation was denied he would proceed with his commission.

Rabbi Mark, a graduate of the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati and formerly rabbi of a Reform congregation in Selma, Alabama, was delegated by the World Union for Progressive Judaism to engage in extension work in Melbourne. The material needed for the organization of Reform Judaism in Melbourne was rushed there by the Liberal Synagogue of London.

Pioneer Jewish Settler in the Argentine Dead at 71

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Buenos Aires (By Mail)—Joel Rosenblit, one of the first Jewish settlers in the Argentine and founder of the first Yiddish paper in this country, is dead at the age of 71. Rosenblit came to the Argentine in 1889 with the first group of Jewish immigrants who were sent by Baron de Hirsch as colonists and who were the founders of Moseville, the first Jewish village of the Argentine.

In 1898 Rosenblit settled in Buenos Aires where he founded the first Yiddish paper in the country, Der Viderkol (The Echo). During the past few years Rosenblit had been leading a secluded life, unknown to the younger generation of Jewish immigrants and forgotten by the older generation.

Rabbi Risikoff to Head Aitz Chaim Congregation

Rabbi Leon J. Risikoff has been engaged as leader of the Congregation Talmud Torah Aitz Chaim in Brooklyn by unanimous vote of the members at a recent meeting. Rabbi Risikoff was leader of the Congregation Ohev Sholem of Williamsburg from 1925 to 1930. He has been active in many Jewish national and local organizations, being president of the Jewish Recreation Home Society, a director of the Brooklyn Jewish Volunteer Relief Committee and organizer of the Free Kosher Kitchen.

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