

By GEORGE JOEL

In the Realm of Authors and Literature

POST-WAR FUTILITY

PRELUDE TO THE PAST, by Felix Grafenberg, published by William Morrow and Company, 575 pages, \$3.00.

In an exceedingly frank book, "Prelude to the Past," "T. G." has written her own autobiography, that of the Weimar republic and of the generation which fought the World War and proved itself utterly incapable of fighting the "peace."

The author, a German Jewish woman, was born into a rich banking family in Mannheim and reached adolescence just as the years of plenty were coming to an end. She lived through the War untouched in the main, but disliking it for the chaos it brought into German life. At nineteen she set out for Munich to study and brushed the skirts of the Revolution in the Bohemian atmosphere of the city. She then studied at Heidelberg, graduated with high honors, went to Berlin to study dance and there married a noted Jewish physician.

Divorce, Remarriage, Disaster

Within a year after her marriage she had her first love in what she explains was her "only" sensual affair. Then came divorce, travel, at least two more lovers of whom she tells and marriage with the elderly Dr. Franz Ullstein, head of the famous German Jewish publishing company. She married Dr. Ullstein, according to her own explanation, that she might retain her hold on her love.

But the marriage ended in disaster. For the House of Ullstein was crumbling and the family was set into warring factions, each striving for mastery. Junior members of the Ullstein family went to Paris and returned with a dossier alleging that she had acted as a spy for France. The Ullsteins were patriotic and even when they set out to frame an enemy they did so, to the tune of the Wilhelm Reichstag.

After a wearying trial which

was watched attentively by the entire continent, she was acquitted of the charge, but for her it was too late. Although Dr. Franz had stood by her nobly, the end of the case brought about their divorce. To add to her misery she also lost her lover. So R. G. resumed her career as journalist and, according to the blurb on the jacket of the book, is roaming about the world writing on everything from the Massie case in Honolulu to Senatorial hearings in Washington.

Written in a personal, intimate vein and with a freedom and frankness that is reminiscent of the great and revealing self-biographies, the book is none the less a complete picture of post-war Europe and, in particular, answers Joseph Weyrich's query "Was Europe a Success?"

Frustration and Futility

Bankers, Statesmen, lawyers, merchants, Nationalists, Socialists, left wing radicals, diplomats, writers and professors, pass through these pages in bewildering succession. R. G. has met them all and writes of them all.

But the sum total of the picture is frustration and futility, personal and political, national and international.

—M. I.

Music Notes

Yehudi Menuhin goes on the air for the first time this season on the General Motors Symphony Orchestra over an NBC network Sunday night. He will play the Adagio and Allegro Energico of the Bruch Concerto in G Minor and the Cello, Basque and Habanera of Sarasate.

Ruth Possett, twenty-one-year-old American violinist, who played with leading orchestras in Europe, arrives from Europe this month for her first American concert tour.

The Philharmonic - Symphony program Sunday afternoon will be divided between Mozart and Beethoven. The Magic Flute and the Symphonies in G Minor from the former composer and the Eroica Symphony from the latter will be heard. Bruno Walter will wield the baton.

The Maganini Chamber Symphony, under the direction of Quinto Maganini, will present the first of two concerts at Town Hall Sunday evening.

Joseph Brinkman, pianist, will make his New York recital debut at Town Hall Tuesday afternoon. He has appeared several times as solo artist with the Chicago Symphony.

Bunice Norton, pianist, was to appear in a recital at Town Hall Saturday evening. Bach, Chopin, Schumann and Liszt were among the composers whose works she was to play.

Fanny Berlin Kaufman graduated last year from the University of Bern as doctor of law summa cum laude in the 1870's.

Adolph Prossauer was a major in the Confederate Army and served one term in the Alabama legislature.

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EDMOND FLEG

The noted French Jewish author of "The Life of Moses" has written a new story, "Jesus," published last week by Dutton, which is bound to attract much attention in the next few weeks.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Reported by the

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

Chicago

What was said to be the world premiere in Yiddish of "Drif," the Galsworthy play, was scheduled for this Saturday at the Jewish People's Institute, with follow-up performances slated for Sunday and Monday.

Dr. Paul Hutchinson, managing editor of the Christian Century, will speak Thursday at the Congress Hotel on the coming Nazi peril. He recently returned from his visit to the territory.

Dr. Benjamin Feltenstein, 67, obstetrician, is dead. Heart disease was the cause of death. A widow, a son and two daughters survive.

A hand-printed book containing Lincoln's Gettysburg Address was presented to Governor Henry Horner by Mayor Edward J. Kelly and other friends at a dinner at the Chicago Athletic Association. The book will be added to his library, which contains 6,000 Lincoln volumes.

Cleveland

Three lectures on Maimonides will be given at the Jewish Center this month in connection with the 800th anniversary of the birth of the philosopher.

Rochester

Charles Levinson of Hamilton, Ont., president of the all-Canadian B'nai B'rith Conference, will head delegations from Canada expected here to attend the annual banquet and dance of Zerubbabel Lodge 13.

Toronto

A testimonial expressing Toronto's gratitude to Rabbi Samuel Sachs of Goe Tzedek Synagogue for his cooperation "toward the success of Toronto's centennial celebrations" was given to the rabbi by Mayor Stewart.

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Among the Literati

A Little Venom

For sheer illiteracy and paucity of phrasing read an article on Charles Dillingham, the theatrical producer, in the current issue of Liberty magazine. . . . For misguided zeal and unfair journalism, note the series of editorials appearing in the Heart papers in which Illinois is defended and Communism viciously attacked. . . . For tops in bad taste, note must be taken of a recent broadcast in the middle of which one of the older chatter writers broke into the microphone to announce the sudden death of a movie star. Why she didn't wait until the end of the program nobody has yet been able to figure out. . . . For outright stupidity, the price should go to an editorial appearing in a New York tabloid wherein the public utilities companies' demand for higher rates was defended on the grounds that New York City had raised its rates. . . . For misnomen was made of the fact that the city is not run for profit and that the water it sells at least goes to the public in an unadulterated form and not as watered stock. . . . For repetition, an award should go to the afternoon paper that published verbatim all the testimony taken at the Hauptmann trial on the opening day. Every question and answer was printed and all of them concerned the shooting of prospective jurymen and this despite the fact that each juror was asked practically the same set of questions. . . . For callousness, the Wall Street broker-house should be given a high score. The partners, who never have taken a cut in salary, hired an entire new staff after the old

staff, many of whom had worked for the concern for many years and had trained the new workers, were fired. The total saving was \$300 a week. There were five partners. . . . For gall the publishing house which after cutting its employees twenty per cent, was very angry because its employees refused to contribute to a fund to help the unemployed. . . .

Gorfine to Direct Maryland Assembly

Young Baltimore Democrat Is Elected Speaker of Lower House

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 4.—Delegate Emanuel Gorfine, Democrat, of the Fourth Baltimore district, was unanimously elected Speaker of the House of Delegates of the Maryland General Assembly.

Mr. Gorfine has been a member of the House since 1930. He has a record of having answered every roll call and was outstanding in the sessions of 1931 and 1933.

He is 33 years old, a graduate of the University of Maryland Law School, and is a member of several fraternal organizations, being active in the affairs of the Shalom Zion Congregation.

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CAPITOL CONCERN

BY NATHAN KOENIG

WASHINGTON. Another year has rolled around—1935. And so has another session of Congress. The Seventy-fourth Congress is now in action. The boys and girls are just getting started. So the things on the capitol hill will be going full blast. This session promises to be an extremely interesting one.

Very few indeed are the new faces on Capitol Hill. The last election, it will be recalled, was a Democratic landslide with but few changes. The Seventy-fourth Congress has almost all Jewish members. These are Representatives Adolph J. Sabath, of Illinois; Florence P. Kahn, of California; Herman P. Koppelman, of Connecticut; William M. Citron, of Connecticut; William I. Sirovich, of New York; Emanuel Celler, of New York; Samuel Dickstein, of New York; Isaac Bacharach, of New Jersey; Henry Ellenbogen, of Pennsylvania; Sol Bloom, of New York; and Theodore A. Poyser, of New York.

Of all the Jewish members of Congress, Representative Citron is a newcomer. He is serving as representative-at-large from Connecticut. His interest is along lines of social legislation, saving old-age pensions and unemployment insurance.

Representative Sabath is dean of the House, having served for twenty-eight consecutive years. He was a candidate for majority leader of the House, received the unanimous support of the Illinois delegation and a few other votes, but was defeated for the post by Representative Bankhead, of Alabama. Sabath enjoyed the distinctive honor, however, of serving in the office of Speaker, Representative Joe Byrnes, of Tennessee. The honor went to him by virtue of his long service as a House member.

A total of 138 days elapsed from the adjournment of the Seventy-third Congress on June 15 to the assembling of the Seventy-fourth Congress on January 3. During this interval the Federal Government held the spotlight through its drive for economic recovery and social security.

Congressional investigations received their share of public attention, however. The Senate munitions inquiry on September 6 disclosed documentary charges that Germany had honeycombed small German nations with camouflaged plants to maintain Germany's position as a submarine power, in spite of the Versailles Treaty. Eleven days later, the committee obtained evidence that Germany was proceeding to build up a military air force and increase home production of planes in spite of treaty restrictions. Engines and airplane equipment had been bought by Germany "for commercial purposes" from the United States and other countries, the inquiry revealed.

The McCormack committee investigating un-American activities uncovered various "plots" which sought the overthrow of this country's form of government. The committee's investigation delved into the activities of Nazis, Communists, Fascists and other groups. A considerable amount of the propaganda disseminated by these bodies is of foreign origin, the investigation revealed.

The State Department was quite occupied in handling delicate situations. A large number of the State Department's activities concerned relationships with the German government.

Secretary of State Hull, in a note to the German government on June 28, blamed Nazi policies for Germany's financial plight which culminated in suspension of foreign debt service on July 1. Another communication on July 16 demanded that the German government give American holders of

Palestine Haven For Children

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rades. The physical work, often very heavy, the collection of materials, the use of free time soon enable those in authority to form a pretty accurate opinion as to the character and fitness of each child. It is sometimes difficult enough to come to a just decision. The fact that the boys and girls are fully aware of the observation, and act accordingly, often tends to increase the difficulties of an intricate task. But seven, eight hours' toil in the fields soon reveals apparent the failings and shortcomings of many a newcomer and enable the leaders to judge the real character of the candidate. The social qualities are brought to light all the more as the camp designfully offers very little comfort.

Has School in Berlin

The Jugend Aliyah also maintains a school in Berlin where a group is given a six-months' course in handicrafts. Here the program consists of half a day at the work table and half a day in cultural training. During winter, Hebrew is taught and instruction in Palestine is given. The school is in its embryonic stage and great prospects are held in its expansion.

Only a small proportion of the children are supported by their parents, the rest being contributed by the Jugend Aliyah. After the proper certificates are received the children, that is, those who are finally selected, are sent to Palestine, accompanied by their teachers.

Miss Sould Places Them

In Palestine the task of placing the new immigrants is in the hands of Miss Henrietta Sould, head of the juvenile section of the

Damage Claim Sets Problem In Reich Court

Physician's Fight Against Discharge May Cause a Precedent

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

BERLIN, Jan. 3.—The Labor Court here is dealing with a complaint which will set a precedent on the application of official laws to physicians employed in hospitals.

A Jewish physician who worked in a city hospital until the end of March, 1933, is contesting his dismissal and demands his salary for the three-month period immediately following his discharge.

The Berlin City Council, the defendant in the case, contends it was compelled to dismiss him for food and sufficient reason. It acts forth that it had to close the station at which the plaintiff worked to prevent danger of infection, although plans had long since been made for his discharge.

Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews.

The village of Ben-Shemen, especially founded for the settlement of youth, has, particularly during the first rush of German immigration, opened its gate in an extraordinary generous manner to these children, of whom some 3000 have already been accommodated. Other establishments which have opened their doors to these immigrants are Ain Chod, Tel-Jo-Haifa, the Girls' Training Farm School Taploth, Rodges, Domestic school, Children's Home Ahavah in Training School, "Zvat Hone" and Mishmar Haemek.

made to rebuild it; that it was unable to place him in any other station; and that in those days there was strong feeling in the hospital and among the general population against the large number of Jewish doctors.

Ordered to Pay Damages

On the day of his dismissal the physician was removed from the hospital by storm troops. Under these circumstances, the defending City Council claims, it could not assume responsibility for further employment of the plaintiff.

On December 7 the Berlin Labor Court ordered the City Council to pay the amount claimed. The verdict handed down by the court says that according to legislation in force, responsibility for preventing disturbances in the building rests with that party in whose jurisdiction the disturbance arises.

It rules further that before the station was closed down, although it had long been planned to shut it, the plaintiff should have been given other employment, or at least proper notice.

Removal of the plaintiff from the hospital by storm troops and the feeling among the public at that time did not constitute adequate grounds for his dismissal, the court holds. If the City Council believed it was forced to oust the physician because he was Jewish, it should first have informed itself on the provisions of the official laws, which provide for notice, the judiciary body decrees.

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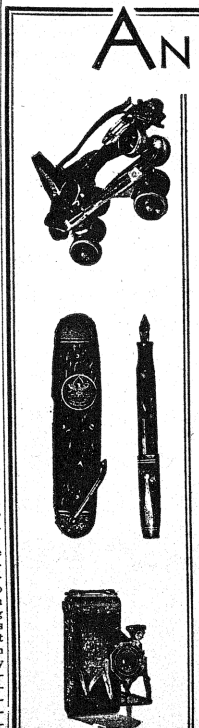
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Service Bodies To Hold Annual Detroit Parleys

11 Agencies Set Dates for Meetings Prior to Get-Together

(Special to the J.D.B.)
DETROIT, Jan. 4.—Eleven Jewish educational, recreational and social service agencies affiliated with the Jewish Welfare Federation of Detroit will hold their annual meetings during the coming week. These sessions will be preliminary to the Federation's annual get-together supper, scheduled for February 10.

A joint annual meeting will be held Sunday evening by the Jewish Children's Home, the Jewish Child Placement Bureau, the Jewish Social Service Bureau and the Jewish Unemployment Emergency Council, whose respective presidents—Herman Cohen, Abraham J. Levin, Theodore Levin and Isaac Himelchok—will make their annual reports. Judge D. E. Levy, Jr. of Wayne County Probate Court will speak on "The Child Care Situation in Detroit."

Next Wednesday evening, at a similar session, the presidents of the following organizations will submit annual reports: David S. Kohn, president of the Jewish Education Association; Isaac Rosenthal, House of Shelter; Judge Charles Rubiner, Jewish Community Center; and Aaron M. Frazgon, United Hebrew Schools. Simon Shetzer will speak.

On the evening of January 13 officials of the French Air Society, the Jewish Old Folks Home and the North End Clinic will meet. They will hear Dr. A. Max Kohn in an address on "The Growth and Development of the North End Clinic."

At the Federation's February 10 supper "The Masked Parade," a musical comedy by Mrs. Rose Kohn, will be presented.

Jewish Youth Talks On Palestine Topics Scheduled for Today

A movement to interest Jewish youth in public discussions of current Jewish problems will get underway at the first of a series of symposia this Sunday evening at the clubhouse of the Grand Street Boys' Association, 106 West Fifty-fifth street. The meeting will be under the auspices of Manda and the New York unit of Junior Hadassah.

Subjects under discussion will be "Political Parties in Zionism," "The Arab-Jewish Question in Palestine" and "Capital and Labor." Speakers will be the Misses Lila Levy, Rose Kohn, Rose Nussbaum and Pae Welner of Junior Hadassah; and R. Kisch of Masada. Rabbi William Margolis of Temple Ohab Zedek will be the chairman.

Central Savings Bank Notes 1934 Progress

The Central Savings Bank made rapid progress during 1934. August Zinsser, president of the bank, announced Friday. The number of depositors increased 12,825 during the year, reaching a total of 221,479—the highest figure in the bank's seventy-six years' history. Deposits increased \$3,372,135, bringing the total to \$187,444,525. The number of accounts also increased thirty-eight per cent, while the number of accounts closed decreased three per cent. over 1933. The Central Savings Bank distributed \$5,121,833.49 in quarterly dividends to its depositors last year.

Plan Celebration For Beth Moses

Dinner to Mark Brooklyn Hospital's Twentieth Anniversary

The twentieth anniversary of the founding of Beth Moses Hospital, Hart street and Stuyvesant avenue, Brooklyn, will be observed with a dinner at the Hotel St. George, February 17, it was announced yesterday by Morris Walzer, president of the institution.

Several hundred leaders in Brooklyn philanthropic and communal life expected to attend. Mr. Walzer is chairman of the dinner committee. Honorary chairmen are Justices Mitchell May and Edward Laskusky, Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive director of the Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, and Samuel Salzman, former president of the Federation. Beth Moses Hospital was founded in 1914 as a non-sectarian institution. It is regarded as the foremost hospital in the Williamsburg section. Last year 5,000 patients received attendance there.

Temple Installation

New officers of Temple Sinai, Arlington avenue and Bradford street, will be celebrating half a century of existence, are to be installed Sunday evening. Philip I. Carthage has been elected president.

Temple Youth Bodies to Meet Next Week-End

Annual Convention of Junior Groups in Brooklyn

The New York State Federation of Young Folks' Temple Leagues will hold its annual convention at Temple Beth Elohim, Eighth avenue and Garfield place, Brooklyn, January 12 and 13.

This organization is sponsored by the Northeast Religious Union and has members in every reform congregation in New York State. The convention will open with religious services at Temple Beth Elohim, at which George Kossoy, president of the Young Folks' League of that congregation, will deliver a sermon on "Youth Takes the Helm."

As a prelude to the convention, services in New York State temples January 11 will be dedicated to the youth movement, it was announced yesterday.

A symposium to be led by Frank Gluck, youth leader, and a dance are also on the program. Among those who will be present at the convention are Mrs. Albert J. May, president of the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; Mrs. Nathaniel Levy, state chairman of Young Folks' Temple

Morris Plan Celebrates Its 20th Anniversary

On the twentieth anniversary of its organization, the Morris Plan Industrial Bank of New York, made a loan which brings the total up to 1,541,136 loans. It was announced yesterday. During this period, the bank issued \$402,732,054 in loans.

At the same time, the forty-seventh consecutive interest payment was made to depositors bringing the total of interest paid to the public to \$12,800,000.

No single span of the nation's history could have imposed such a severe strain on a new banking system than the one just past, Arthur J. Morris, president of the bank and founder of the nationwide method of banking bearing his name, declared in reviewing the history of the institution.

Dr. Cadman Testimonial

A testimonial luncheon to Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, who celebrated his seventieth birthday anniversary last month, will be given on January 17 at the Prospect Park Branch Y. M. C. A., 357 Ninth street, Brooklyn, by the Interfaith League.

Leagues, and Rabbi Gustave Falk, representing the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Ivan Stern is president of the Federation and Stanley Krieger of Temple Beth Elohim is leader of the Brooklyn division.

11 Jews on N. Y. U. Staff

Eleven Jews are among sixty-one new members of the New York University instructional staff, Harry Woodburn Chase, university chancellor, announced Friday.

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- 2.—Prizes will be awarded each week to those writing the best 250-word article on what they consider the **SUREST WAY TO WIN OF THE PRECEDING WEEK**. The articles MUST tell WHAT is the biggest Jewish news of the week and WHY.
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- 5.—For Non-student—
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- 6.—In case of the equal prize will be awarded.
- 7.—There shall be a term prize for high school seniors. The prize will be a trophy to be held by the winning school for one semester—e. g. January 1, 1935.
- 8.—For College—For Best Articles of the Week:
First Prize earns 100 points for his school
Second Prize earns 70 points for his school
Third Prize earns 50 points for his school
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The term prize will be a trophy to be held by the winning school for one semester—e. g. January 1, 1935.
- 9.—The news shall cover all items from SUNDAY to FRIDAY inclusive.
- 10.—Manuscripts must be not more than 250 words. Manuscripts of more than 250 words will be returned. All must be legibly written in ink on one hand and on one side of the paper. Full name, apt. address, school, on all sheets in the left hand corner.
- 11.—In order to enter contest for one week six copies of the J.D.B. must be secured and a complete Coupon appear only in J.D.B. and a full set is needed to enter.
- 12.—Winner of winners for first week of contest will be published on Friday, November 23, and receive prize Friday thereafter.
- 13.—THE EDITORIAL BOARD OF THE J.D.B. SHALL BE THE SOLE JUDGE IN THE CONTEST AND ITS DECISION SHALL BE FINAL.

YOUR reporter made an appointment to meet David Mondshen, the twenty-one year old Junior at Columbia University, who was awarded the blue ribbon prize of twenty-five dollars in the Bulletin's Seventh Big News contest. They were to meet in front of Alma Mater, the much maligned station on the Morningside Campus.

Dave Mondshen was waiting at the spot with a copy of the Bulletin in his pocket. "You see," he greeted us, "I'm all set for your ninth contest. Winning the twenty-five dollars last week was the luckiest thing that has ever happened to me with the exception of the scholarship I received here. It was a grand break for me."

How long was he a Bulletin reader?

"I was a daily reader of the paper when it first appeared. But after a month or two I read it only casually. I started getting it at my newstand regularly about October. I'm sorry I missed all the papers in between. The Bulletin hits the spot. Its only publication of its kind and it does a fine job. I'm convinced that in a year or so it will become the most powerful and salient weapon the Jews in America have had."

"I became interested in this contest some three weeks ago. My third letter went and what it is more it placed first. I've got my fraternity dues to pay. I'll get a couple of books, see a few shows and even up my debt. Twenty-five bucks. Is a gift from the gods."

Mondshen was the second Columbia student to win a first prize in the Biggest Jewish News of the Week contest. Leo Messner, of Brooklyn, was awarded a first place for his excellent letter in the second current news competition.

Twenty-one college men and women have shared in the \$700 cash prizes that have been distributed among the winners of the Bulletin's Biggest News contest. Of this number only one college man has repeated his first victory and won a second time. He is Zevi Harris, a student at Yeshiva College, and a resident of Brooklyn.

The new contest begins today. The rules are simple. The competition is open to all.

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This Entry Blank, together with the five other blanks that appeared in the Jewish Daily Bulletin during the week ending January 11th, must be mailed or brought to the Bulletin not later than Monday, January 14th, Midnight. Only one manuscript may accompany each set of blanks.

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