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The Israelite Press

Winnipeg, Friday February 12, 1926.

Leave Well Enough Alone!

Just as we, Winnipeg Citizens, were congratulating ourselves we were sufficiently removed from such reaction-infested ...ers as New York and Montreal, not to be contaminated by wave of clericalism which seems to be sweeping over them, were rudely shocked to find that, the distance notwithstanding the wave has reached us and that we may be called upon wage a stubborn battle to resist the attempt which is being ...de to innoculate the germ of religious strife in our healthy ...c organism.

At the last meeting of the Winnipeg School Board, a petition presented, signed by Twenty-five parents of children attending the Grosvenor School, asking that religion be taught in that ...ool between the hours of 3.30 and 4 o'clock, "according to the ...ool Act."

This petition was, no doubt, inspired by some Ministers ...have "caught" the spirit of their New York brethren. These have a few weeks ago renewed the movement for the introduction of religious teaching in the public schools; but they have ...n more subtle than their Winnipeg emulators since they are, ...te "innocently," advocating merely the reading of the Decalo...; hoping that this would be considered ultra-denominational therfore acceptable to all parties.

Nevertheless, the Executive Committee of the Jewish Council of Greater New York, as well as several other public bodies prominent individuals have raised a storm of protest, on ground that:

"Such procedure would constitute a dangerous precedent that would pave the way for further attempts by one religious sect or another to foster religious training in the public schools and thus lead to regretable divisions and strife in our community."

In Montreal, just last week, the Supreme Court has rendered decision on a number of "questions" submitted to it by the ...ebec Government, arising out of the unfortunate antiquated ...rochial" school system prevailing there. The decision being ...t under the present laws, based on the B. N. A. Act, Jewish ...ldren can be admitted to the public schools merely as of ...ace," not as "of right"; that Jewish parents can have no say the matter of educating their children, that the public schools, ...ich in the case of Quebec means only "Protestant or Catholic ...ools" have a perfect right to discriminate against Jewish ...chers, and all other degrading disadvantages arising out of ...h hybrid semi-public, quasy religious school system.

Here in Winnipeg, as every where else in the West, we have ...n, lately, happily free from such humiliating discriminatory ...d strife-engendering entanglements. By making the Provincial ...d City Government directly and solely responsible for the whole ...ucational system; enjoining them to provide "a school for every ...ild" and making it compulsory "for every child to be at school," would rightfully claim, nay boast, that we have as modern and ...vanced a system of education, as there is anywhere, and that were producing a type of citizenship equal to the best, in ...aracter and accomplishments.

True, the framers of the Manitoba School Act, in their desire make it as elastic and liberal as possible have provided that ...erever and whenever the parents of children in a given district ...e preponderantly of a given denomination, that they should ...ve the privelege to ask that their religion be taught within ...tain limitation in their District School. But we maintain that, paraphrase the resolution of the Jewish Council mentioned ...ove:

"The public schools are the training ground for our future Canadian Citizens of all religions and their usefullness could not but be impaired were they to become involved in religious controversy and conflict............ While recognizing the necessity for thorough religious training for children, we are of the opinion that such training is a matter that should be the concern of the parents, the home and the religious school."

The petitioning parents of the Grosvenor school children, are ...parently wholy within their rights in asking that religious ...struction be given their children; nevertheless, in the interest ...civic well-being generally, they ought to forego their privilege ...d withdraw their petition and leave well enough alone. In any ...ent the School Board ought to resist any attempt to bring ...out religious strife in the community.

Rabbi Samuel's Letters to Hadassah

What is the Best Book of Jewish History?

What is the best text book of Jewish History? This is a question that I am frequently being asked. And it is not easy to find a satisfactory answer. Jewish history covers a period of close upon four thousand years active years crowded with important events. In fact it is a collection of histories. There are so many streams of absorbing interest that are separate histories in themselves. One needs a whole encyclopedia of history. Whole libraries have been written about the events of a century. Besides, Jewish history cannot be properly appreciated without a knowledge of world history. We might almost call it the history of humanity. The history of the Jews in in any one country is practically the history of that country. And what country of historic interest is there to which the Jews have not contributed a chapter?

Let me try and understand your question. What kind of a history do you want? I think you want a book that you will have time to read, a book to which you can turn when you are tired and inclined to be sleepy. The book you are looking for is one that will give you recreation at the end of the day when your mind is not over fresh. After the long and exhausting day is over, the housework completed, the children in bed or at their lessons, the mending done and the lord of creation dozing in his chair, you are not in the mood for heavy study. But you would welcome a Jewish history for tired people. Most historians are students who write for students, or, what is worse, they are partizans writing to put forth their special ideas. You get hold of what you are told in an excellent work—and very likely it is an excellent work—but you are not interested. You want to get your tired mind away from problems. You want to be able to lose yourself and to dream your own dreams.

I would recommend you to get a copy of Lady Magnus' "Outlines of Jewish History." It is by far the best of the short histories. It is cheap. The Jewish War Memorial in England published a reprint which ought not to cost you more than 75 cents. The T. Eaton Company had it in stock for my Sunday School. It is beautifully written in an easy style. I am inclined to think that you will find it so interesting that you will stay up late, just to read a little more. And I believe that you will be writing to me asking where you can get more information about some of the events and characters. Let me tell you my own experience with Lady Magnus' "Outlines." It was given to me as a Sunday School Prize when I was about twelve years old. I still remember the delight I had in reading it. When I was old enough to teach, I used it for my pupils in England. Just recently, in Montreal, I met a young man who was a pupil of mine twenty-seven years ago. He told me that he still remembered Lady Magnus and wanted to get a copy for his children. In Winnipeg I introduced it as a Class Book. I planned it for a year's work setting so many pages a week. I told the class that I was afraid that they would not keep to the programme. They thought I meant that they would not do the reading I set them. But what happened was, as I expected, they did not stop at the twenty or so pages, but went right on, Not everyone was like that, for some told me that they had no chance to read it. The usual excuse? No, the excuse was that mother or father had picked it up and was so interested in it that Sarah or Max could not get a look at it. I am using it in my classes in Montreal with the same results.

Lady Magnus' book is easy reading. She has a wonderful story to tell, and she tells it well. She has caught the poetry and the charm of Jewish history. She is in love with our heroes and heroines, and she introduces them to you in such a fascinating way that you become the best of friends immediately. The Hadassah circle that will take up the reading and discussion of Lady Magnus' "Outlines of Jewish History" will have some enjoyable meetings. Of course there are other good books, but my favorite is Lady Magnus. It is the best book for tired and busy people. The Winnipeg Hadassahs ought to confine in the purchase of a number of copies. Those who read it will be glad to pay an amusement tax for the pleasure they have enjoyed.

(Editor's Note—Rabbi Samuel has kindly consented to reply to any such questions, write care Editor, Israelite Press).

Local Events

Talmud Torah to Raise $10,000

At a well attended meeting of representatives of the most prominent Synagogues and organizations, held last Tuesday, at the Talmud Torah, the decision of the Board of Directors to initiate a campaign to raise $10,000 to cover the years deficit, was unanimously agreed upon and Mr. N. J. Weidman was enthusiastically elected chairman of the Campaign and Rabbi S. Wohlgelernter, director.

The other members of the special Campaign Committee are: Dr. Manly Finkelstein; I. D. Rusen; (Hon.-Secretary); S. Shore; N. Kerman; Norman Zimmerman; N. B. Zimmerman. N. Tessler, M. Tessler, R. Kestner; Messrs. H. L. Weidman, A. Skaletar, Davis and J. Niles, represent the Board on this committee.

The campaign will start on February 28th.

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First Anniversary of 31st Girl Guide Company

Tuesday February 2nd was the scene of an enjoyable social evening at the No. 3 Aberdeen School, when the 31st Talmud Torah Girl Guides celebrated their First Anniversary.

The evening began with the regulation "Horseshoe" formation, repeating the Girl Prayer and Laws. Patrol Leader Clara Alperstein, in her capacity of Chairman of the Social Committee, then took charge. First on the programme was a story by Captain Pearl Rabinovitch, dealing with the life of Elijah, the Prophet. This was followed by the Patrols, each in turn, acting the various Guide Laws as interpreted in every-day life. Very pleasing musical numbers were rendered during the intermissions: A vocal duet by Leader Rose Rosenbaum and Second Sylvia Spigleman. A recitation by Rose Gilbert, and a piano solo by Jennie Lakstanoff, which were greatly appreciated. A reading by Lieutenant Florence Lauer, followed by refreshments, Patrol Yells, the singing of "Hatikvah" and "Taps," closed a most entertaining and interesting evening.

Much credit for the success of the entertainment is due to the splendid co-operation on the part of Leaders Clara Alperstein, Shirley Saultman, Pearl Chapman, Eva Goodman, Rose Rosenbaum and the Guides.

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Rev. Dr. G. Perry to Give Illustrated Lecture

Rev. Dr. G. Perry of Manitoba University, on February 12th, at 8 p.m., in Grace Church Lecture Room, will give his "Popular Illustrated Lecture on Palestine," under the auspices of the W. M. S.

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MONTEFIORE CLUB NOTES

Evolution and Religion" at Montefiore Club

Rev. Laughton of the Central Congregational Church will address the Montefior Club, 546 Main Street, on Tuesday evening, February 16th, at 8.30 p.m. sharp, on the subject "Evolution and Religion." Visitors, ladies as well as gentlemen, are most cordially invited. Vocal solos by H. Rufus Isaacs.

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Invitations and tickets for the Montefiore Club Cabaret Supper Dance at the Royal Alexandra Hotel on Tuesday, February 23, 1926, are already mailed out.

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Farmer-Women Organize "Hadassah"

(Special telegram to Israelite Press by Mrs. Jacob Goodman)

Feb. 10.—The first "Hadassah" whose members are exclusively farmer-Women, has been established in Sonenfeld, yesterday, under the name of "Ekorah" (peasant women). The elected officers are: Mrs. L. Shenback, President, Mrs. Bedler, Vice President, Mrs. P. Feur ,Secretary, Mrs. Wiseman Treasurer. A "Hadassah" entertainment was held under the auspices of Mrs. I. Hoffer $60.00 being the sum collected. Rev. S. Mintz addressed the meeting. Two Dunam Land of the National Fund was purchased.

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FOREIGN NEWS

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

25,000 Chassidim Attend Funeral of Rabbi

Dramatic Scene When 14-Year Old Son, Heir to "Throne," Weds At Father's Grave

Prague.—A unique event in the history of the reigning families of the Chassidic movement in Eastern Europe was witnessed by thousands of followers of the movement in Nagy-Karoly, Carpatho Russia, recently.

Twenty-five thousand Chassidim, all in mourning, from Hungary, Roumania and Czecho-Slavakia, came by special train to Nagy Karoly to attend the burial of Rabbi Chaim Hirsch Teitlebaum, famous Chassidic rabbi of Mormorasz Sziget, Transylvania, formerly a part of Hungary and now a part of Roumania. Simultaneously, Zalmen Leib, the 14-year old son of the late Rabbi Chaim Hirsch, was proclaimed successor to his father's "throne" and leader of the Chassidim.

A dramatic touch was added to the situation when, in conformity with Chassidic East European tradition, the young rabbi was wed to his selected bride at the open grave of his father.

Sixty-four rabbis from various countries were present at the services.

Rabbi Chaim Hirsch Teitlebaum was on a tour of Hungary when he died. His body was brought to Nagy Karoly for burial. He was a scion of the Teitlebaum family, one of the distinguished Chassidic rabbinic families. He was one of the most influential rabbis in Hungary.

A council of three rabbis was appointed to instruct the young rabbi and to guard his interests until he attains his maturity.

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Lloyd George Explains Criticism of Sir Alfred Mond

Has Always Been Protagonist of Jewish Race, He Declares

Lond.—"No one respects the Jewish race more than I do," declared David Lloyd George, former British Prime Minister and leader of the Liberal Party, in an address during which he offered an explanation of his statement concerning Sir Alfred Mond's leaving the Liberal Party.

Replying to a vote of thanks proposed by the former member of Parliament, Joseph Sunlight, a local Jewish Liberal leader, at a meeting in Shrewsbury, Lloyd George touched upon the criticism voiced against him for his statement regarding Sir Alfred Mond.

"Whatever comments I may have made upon certain specimens—and there are speciments in every race and I criticize them all— I have always been a great protagonist of his race. No one has resented more strongly than I, the attacks made upon that race," he declared.

Although Lloyd George did not mention the name of Sir Alfred Mond during his address, he obviously alluded to him. "Nothing fills me with greater contempt than to see newspapers which are drenched with anti-Semitism trying to make political capital from the criticism which I passed upon a certain member of that race. That is all I wish to say about this matter," he concluded.

When the announcement by Sir Alfred Mond of his resignation from the Liberal Party and his intention to join the Conservative Party was made recently, Lloyd George stated:

"The real reason is given in that part of Sir Alfred Mond's letter to Lord Asquith where he reveals his conviction that the Liberal Party offered poor prospects for an ambitious man. Like other notorious members of his race, he has gone to his own place."

The remark of Mr. Lloyd George, in using the expression, "gone to his own place" referred to the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles where a description is given of how the Apostles chose a successor to Judas Iscariot, who, the Acts say, "by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place."

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A Heartrending Appeal from the Distressed Jews of Poland

For many months now, reports have been coming to us of the terrible condition of our brethren in Poland since economic ruin befell them. They have lost all sources of earning a livelihood through trade and labor, and whatever they had from former days, has been devoured by exorbitant taxes, leaving tens of thousands of them absolutely helpless.

They have neither food nor clothing—they have no fuel to keep themselves warm—no medical supplies for their sick. Unemployment has reached tremendous proportions among them, for they have nothing to work at. Credit is denied them, and there is no way of securing loans, so that they are literally starving. Their fate is indescribably relentless, cruel and pitiable.

This dreadful situation exists in Warsaw, in the largest Jewish community in Europe; in Lodz, once the greatest trade center in Poland, in Bialyztok, Wilno, Lemberg, Lubin, in Cracow, Stanslaw Sioedlec and Przemysl and likewise in every town and city in Poland where there is a Jewish community.

From all these places a pitiful cry comes to us: Help us! Succor us in this terrible hour of our great misery! Save us from extermination!

Fellow Jews! Organize at once, and elect committees to communicate with us. Do not delay, for every minute increases the numbers of sufferers among our brothers in Poland.

May the Jewish spirit of mercy inspire and awaken you! More power to the hands that will aid us in this holy work!

The Relief Committee of the Federation of Polish Jews of America.

Ha'koach, Jewish Football Team Here to Play American Teams

New York.—Dr. Julius Kraus, Manager of the Jewish football team, Ha'koach, of Vienna, and Dr. Albert Mazur, one of the organizers of the team, arrived on the Olympic to arrange matches with professional football teams in the United States. Fourteen matches are planned. Twenty-four of the best players will arrive. The Ha'koach was victorious in games played in Austria, Germany, Poland and England.

מיטשעל-קאפ פייער סייל

מענערשער 15 דזשועל זייגער. רעג. פרייז $10. — פייער סייל פרייז $4.95	פראכטפולער דיימאנד, וועגט איין קאראט מיט א אכטעל. רעגולאר פרייז $500.00 — פייער סייל פרייז $285.00
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