

SOME WEEKS AGO, BEFORE the invitation to prepare this review was forthcoming, the writer received an autographed and affectionately inscribed copy of "Vision and Victory." It is for many personal reasons one of his most cherished books. The opportunity to discuss it for *The New Palestine* is therefore a very welcome assignment, especially for one who, as a close associate of Dr. Silver, enjoyed the exciting privilege of listening to most of the addresses contained in the volume and of participating in the momentous events to which they are related.

On reading and re-reading the 19 addresses which make up this collection, it is striking, especially in retrospect, to note how clearly they reveal the qualities and talents which made Dr. Silver the leader of the hour of the Zionist Movement. Our period of world conflict produced remarkable types of orator statesmen, men like Roosevelt and Churchill, who were not only able to present the issues of struggle to their peoples in clear and clarion language, but to mobilize and to lead them surely and swiftly to victorious conclusions. It is intriguing to reflect that Dr. Silver not only parallels, in many ways, the attributes of these war leaders, but that he was also in a sense their opponent, compelling them again and again, often against their desire, to focus attention upon the smaller but equally significant struggle which he was leading for justice to the Jewish people.

Stamina as Leader

The collection begins appropriately with the trenchant and courageously candid address, "The Conspiracy of Silence," delivered before a conference of the United Palestine Appeal in the spring of 1943. It reaches its climax of persuasive power in the historic statements before the

today cannot be solved by chiefs of governments or prominent officials sending us *Koah Ha Shana's greetings.*" It is perhaps the greatest tribute to his stamina as a leader that in this, as in most of the succeeding utterances, he was not content to criticize the British, which for an American required no great amount of bravery, but that in the midst of a war he did not hesitate to castigate the policies of our own government.

Political Rights First

An analysis of the content of these addresses will produce a lucid outline of the principles and methods upon the basis of which was waged the American Zionist campaign, which proved to be the greatest single factor in enlisting first American and then United Nations support for the establishment of a Jewish State. These can be reduced to a few simple and inexorably logical principles which, looking backward as we now can with the help of these speeches, seem always to have been clearly envisaged in the mind of the speaker. He understood that a clear recognition of

Jewish political rights and aspirations had to precede immigration demands, that without such clarification, neither the British nor the Arabs would be cajoled or fooled into yielding substantial immigration increases. On this question Dr. Silver was very much in the minority against those who believed that the fight should be waged against the White Paper instead of for the Jewish Commonwealth. This opposition both within and without the Zionist Movement had to be overcome. It was a long, bitter effort leaving in its wake personal animosities, but it was crucial to the final outcome.

Because he was convinced that without the Jewish State there would be little or no immigration into Palestine, Dr. Silver took his stand foursquare on the platform of classic political Zionism and made of it a militant program with whose basic concepts there could be no compromise. He thus became the foremost spokesman of our age for Herzlian Zionism against Achad Ha Am-ism and other deviations. Sections of these speeches are incomparable expositions of political Zionism, par-

ticularly those passages which draw the cogent distinctions between refugeism and Zionism. Finally, he was convinced that garnering American support was the sine qua non of victory and that an appeal to American post-war interest in the Near East could and would be successful. This was the goal toward which he set the compass of his strategy.

Out in the Open

In the area of strategy and tactics, Dr. Silver followed undeviatingly his conviction, so well phrased by Emanuel Neumann in his superb foreword to this volume, that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points. He first aimed to break the bottleneck of official silence, moving the Palestine question into the arena of public discussion by the introduction of a resolution into Congress. Then he utilized to the full the democratic method of mass education and organization in order to create that favorable climate of public opinion of which officials and legislators would soon become aware. He insisted upon adhering

strictly to the non-partisan rule of enlisting bi-partisan support instead of leaning for support upon one party or one leader. It is now quite apparent that he gauged American reaction to such an approach far more shrewdly than did his opponents.

Dr. Silver insisted that we must state continuously and honestly that our goal was the establishment of the Jewish State, nothing more nor less. In his amazingly comprehensive political report to the ZOA in October 1944, "A Year's Advance," he exclaimed, "Don't compromise on basic Jewish rights, for the sake of expediency, for the sake of a spurious unity! Demand what our people is historically entitled to demand, all of it; insist on it, work for it and wait!" This in a sense became the keynote of his thinking and of his conduct of Zionist affairs. As he indicated in his address to the Congress in Basle, 1946, he believed that the essence of sound tactics is to stand firmly by a just position, to let others make proposals, not to lose one's nerve or perspective. That is why he bitterly opposed the partition offer of the Executive and unconditional participation in the London Conference of January 1947. The methods which he outlined and faithfully followed eventuated in the proclamation of independence for Israel. The methods advocated by others would have given us the Grady-Morrison plan or possibly worse.

Masterpiece of Summation

Public speeches are usually an evanescent and highly unreliable literary form in which to entrust the reputation of a leader. But of this Dr. Silver need have little fear. His speeches will prove to be durable, because most of them are actually, in whole or in part, state papers and historic documents. They suffer, of course, from the inevitable restrictions



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Dr. Silver's forensic style features sharp, penetrating phrases and striking figures of speech, yet never overdone. The thesaurus

is nowhere in evidence, yet he is a master of vocabulary. The total impression is of prose flowing smoothly, uninterrupted, like a broad, majestic river. When the occasion demands, he can rise to impassioned heights of eloquence, protest and indignation. Yet on the whole these are calm, coolly reasoned, thoroughly documented statements. This is especially characteristic of the UN addresses. A keen sense of irony, entirely in character, with his sense of humor, seasons the speeches at rare but crucial spots.

"If I agree with certain people, that is unity. If I ask them to agree with me, that's disunity." Arab protests against American support of the Zionist cause he called their sole contribution toward the winning of the war. The Zionist propensity for devising clever formulas which never worked with the opposition he characterized as carrying on "unilateral negotiations with ourselves." There is also an uncanny, almost fearful, ability to ferret out pertinent facts and quotations and use them with devastating results. Thus the exposé of the use in its propaganda by the American Council for Judaism of anti-Semitic sources like the King-Crane Report.

Service to History

The American public, both Jewish and non-Jewish, is indebted to the ZOA for the publication of "Vision and Victory." A permanent contribution to Zionist literature has been preferred. A distinct service to history has been rendered. A word of commendation must be added for the editor, Harold

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writer ever since he heard it uttered: "The land of Israel will be small, made smaller by partition, but the people of Israel will make it great. The monumental contributions to civilization have been made by great peoples which inhabited little countries. Mind and creative endeavor will compensate for what our people have been forced reluctantly to relinquish. Generations to come, living in that land of challenge and renewal, will speak great words and do great deeds and in the magnitude of their upsoaring, there will tower the majesty of that little land of revelation which, like some precious, jeweled clasp, draws three continents together on the shore of the Western Sea. Not in opulence but in eminence will their destiny be fulfilled, and the elixir of their pride will be distilled not out of dominion or far-

and the Israelis, like millions of Americans, will be drinking that drink which "hits the spot" and whose advertising jingles have nearly driven a huge nation to distraction.

Cultural Integration

In an English-language periodical published in Jerusalem, this passage, from an article by

The Tel Aviv Municipality has sent two monkeys from the Tel Aviv Zoo as a gift to the Rumanian Government. The monkeys will be used for scientific research on poliomyelitis.

A branch of the world society "Dante Alighieri" has been founded in Jerusalem for the propagation of Italian culture and music.

discovered. An olive mill press was found, as was a mosaic floor on which grape pickers used to tread the grapes.

Near Tel Aviv ruins of ancient cities have been found, cities that go back to the 12th century B. C. E., the time of the earliest Israel infiltration into the country and the beginning of the Philistine settlement of the coast.



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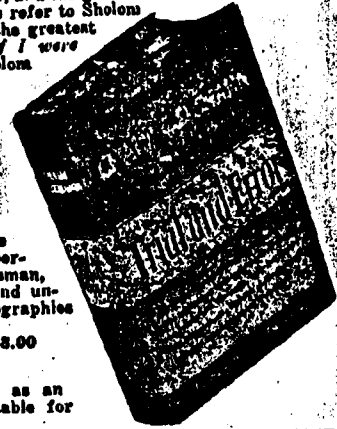
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Inside the News

By HAROLD U. RIBALOW

For those who have been wondering about the kind of appeal the Hollywood version of the Palestine war ("Sword in the Desert") has been doing at the box-office, a quick look at *Variety* offers a highly satisfactory answer. The first week was a smash week, with a gross of \$50,000 and the largest crowds in the history of the Criterion Theatre. The second week the picture drew \$40,000—so, thus far, in one movie theatre, the film has grossed nearly \$100,000. Perhaps this will teach some of the major movie minds that a Jewish theme, even when Hollywoodized, can make money.

Israel, which has so many wonderful blessings, will soon be blessed again—when a \$250,000 Pepsi-Cola plant will be built.



Israel Schen, deserves thought and contemplation. It concerns the problem of Hebrew within an Anglo-Saxon kibbutz:

"The question of Hebrew speech is relatively simple to solve, even though it may entail time and effort. A far more complicated issue is that of culture. Even if all the members of the group converse fluently in Hebrew about their work and other every-day matters, they will be no nearer than before to attaining Hebrew culture; for their thinking and intellectual interests will remain American. But if that were to happen, it would defeat their purpose, which is to establish a national Jewish settlement that just happens to be composed of Americans. Language, after all, is merely a vehicle; and to speak Hebrew does not mean that the speaker feels like a Jew, any more than an English-speaking Indian feels like an Englishman. Somehow the members . . . must find the road that will lead them into the domain of Hebrew culture and that may be no easy task."

There is no better symbol of the permanence of a state than the functioning of its governmental and daily machinery to the extent that the most unusual matters become prosaic events, scarcely worth more than a line of type. Nevertheless, to an outside observer, many every day details of Israeli living indicate most clearly the extraordinary

A lecture on "The Spirit of Far Eastern Art" was given by Professor W. Y. Tonn, a well-known scholar and expert on Chinese literature at the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem.

The 150th anniversary of the birthday of the Polish national poet, Adam Mickiewicz, a friend of the Jews and a supporter of Jewish nationalism, was commemorated in Jerusalem.

Miss Gertrude Kornfeld, the Israel women's tennis champion, beat the Austrian champion in the finals of the Wengen, Switzerland, tournament. She also won the women's title at Bordeaux.

Because of the sacred nature of practically all of Israel, it was more or less inevitable that archaeological discoveries pop into the headlines with a great deal of frequency. Here are some of the projects and discoveries in recent weeks.

A \$100,000 expedition is being planned in Jerusalem to investigate the mass suicide at Masada, when 960 Jews killed themselves during a rebellion against Rome rather than give themselves up.

Near Latrun, archaeological diggings uncovered two mosaic floors, built one upon the other and belonging to a Samaritan synagogue of the fourth and fifth century A. D. This is considered the first archaeological discovery of modern times concerning the Samaritans and sheds new light on a cult about which little is known.

Ancient Ruins

At Ramat Gan, the remains of

Israel Government Information Head Pledges Cooperation to ZOA House

Geruben Agren (Agronsky), head of the Press Department and Information Service of the Israeli Government, in a cable to Daniel Frisch, hailed the projected establishment of the ZOA House in Israel which is to serve as an information center for prospective American investors, tourists, visiting scholars, both Jewish and Gentile, as well as for citizens of Israel who desire to obtain information about American and Jewish life in the United States. In his cable, the Israeli Government press chief pledged the cooperation of the Israeli Government Information Services in carrying out the objectives of the American Zionist Information Service.

Simultaneously with the establishment of the ZOA House in Israel, there is also being established in the United States, under the Frisch program approved by the National Administrative Council, a ZOA Israel Information Service, which will bring full information on every phase of life in the Jewish State to American Jews.

Name Keren, Witkon To Embassy Posts

Two new appointees to the Israel Embassy in Washington have recently arrived from Tel Aviv, according to an announcement by the Israel Office of Information. They are Dr. Moshe Keren, Counselor, and Dr. Moshe Erwin Witkon, Economic Counselor.

Dr. Keren, born and educated in Germany, arrived in Palestine in 1934. He served in the British Army from 1941 to 1945, when he was discharged with the rank

of captain. In 1946 he joined the staff of *Haaretz*. Since the establishment of the state, he has served the Israel Government in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and as head of the Bureau of Information.

Dr. Witkon, also German by birth, settled in Palestine in 1936 and joined the Jewish Agency's Department for Trade and Industry. He was Deputy Controller of Light Industries under the Palestine Government and from 1945 until his present appointment was a vice president of the Palestine Corp., Ltd.

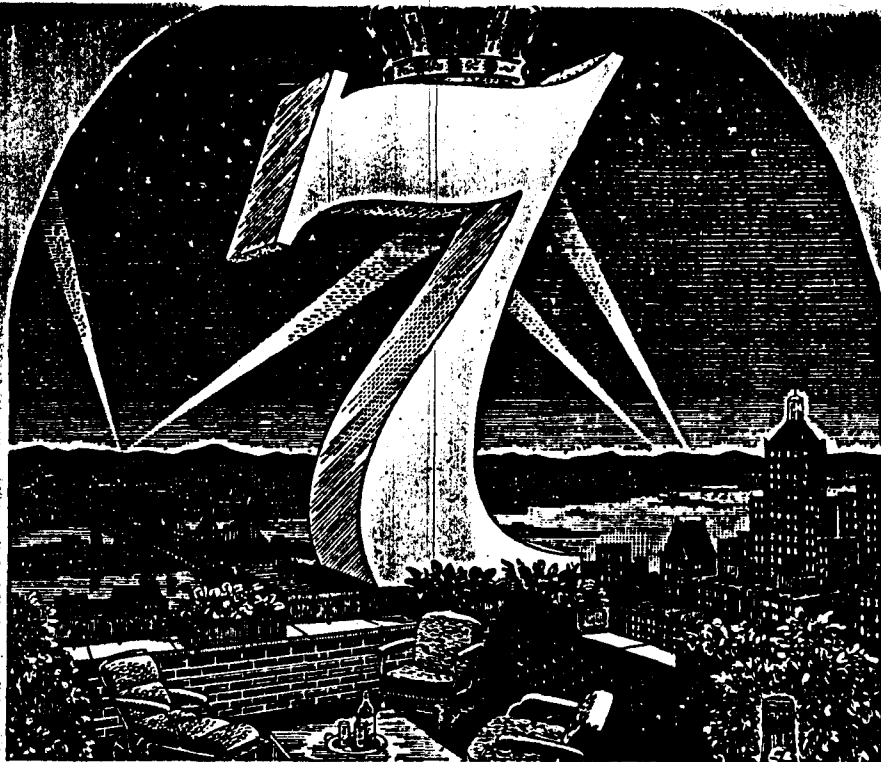
Six of the cities dated back to before the eras of David and Solomon.

Many "finds" of 6,000 to 1,300 year old pottery, locks and keys, brass razors, oil lamps,

earthen coffins, fragments of buildings and other articles have been found during recent archaeological expeditions.

The American Technion Society at 154 Nassau Street, New York, has begun to issue a newsletter, which highlights technical equipment needed in Israel and a "Men Available" and "Help Wanted in Israel" section.





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By DAVID SCHWARTZ

Some time ago, there came the story from Israel of a refugee woman riding in a bus when it was suddenly fired upon by Arabs. The driver called out in Hebrew for all to fall on the floor. Look at him, exclaimed the woman, "Man schisst und er redt loashen kodesh!" (They are shooting and he talks Hebrew!)

This refugee lady had a complaint on the score of language. I can sympathize with her difficulty. It is estimated that

some 40 different tongues are presently spoken in Israel by those who haven't yet learned all of the Hebrew conjugations. We're really a United Nations in Israel and it occupies not one building, but a whole country.

I recall an experience of my own that occurred some years ago. I had just arrived in Palestine and, entering a wine store, I asked, in my halting Hebrew, for a glass of wine.

The old Jewish woman storekeeper became impatient, waiting for my dragging sentence to complete its course and blurted out "Was willst du?"

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was full of admiration for her. Suppose, I said to myself, the situation were reversed and someone would come in and say to me:

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My Hebrew must have sounded something like that to her. How much patience would I have with her. Isn't it enough that the people in Israel have to contend with Egyptians and Bevin and a housing shortage. Must they also be required to contend with Americans speaking bad Hebrew. It's too much.

I recall another occasion. I had to visit some government bureau. In front of me was an elderly, long-bearded Jew in a *kapote*. The government clerk was also very noticeably Jewish. The elderly Jew began to talk to the government clerk in very broken English.

"Kein ander sprach vie English kennt ihr nischt?" blurted out the Jewish clerk.

It was kind of rude, but it seems to me there was something healthy about it.

Town Meeting on Wheels

The *Palestine Post* recently indulged in some self-criticism featuring an article by a woman staff writer who wrote of a scene she had witnessed of a girl rider of a bus refusing to budge from the entrance of the bus, although directed to do so by the driver. There was no disposition, complained the writer,

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to yield to the voice of authority, as is customary in other countries. Instead, all of the passengers on the bus began to take sides and the bus became a kind of town meeting. I cannot say that I feel as concerned about such a thing as this writer. I like town meetings. Thomas Jefferson once said we could never have enough of them. And all of the town meetings need not be in the town hall.

To be sure, there is such a thing as discipline, and it is better sometimes to yield on non-essentials for the sake of a disciplined army. I have no qualms about them in this respect.

Any new country is perhaps, a little raw. If you look back in American history, you will find that visitors were always complaining about our hotels, about our manners, about our democracy, about everything.

Complaints

Charles Dickens filed a whole bill of complaints against us—the unsanitary conditions of our hotels; our tempests of tobacco expectorations and so on, and so forth. Not only did visitors complain, but Americans did too. A New Englander, stopping at a Pennsylvania inn, tossed a dollar bill to the proprietor upon leaving. He said the bugs at the hotel must have been very hungry by the way they went at him. The dollar was for the owner to buy them some meat. One visitor from *Foreign Affairs* complained of the

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BOOKS — Old and New

By CARL ALPERT

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENTS from the publishers indicate that a considerable number of new books of interest to the Jewish reader will be issued this fall. There still lie on the reviewer's desk, however, many interesting volumes published during the past season, which have not been given the attention they deserve. Before the deluge of new works, it might be well to call attention to some of these, which deserve more than the brief mention here given.

A most comprehensive history and review of American relations with the Holy Land is contained in Frank E. Manuel's "The Realities of American-Palestine Relations" (Public Affairs Press, \$5.00). Dr. Manuel makes free use of official State Department records and does not hesitate to add his own pungent appraisals of American policy, especially in the latter period. The book covers infinitely more ground than a previous study by Cyrus Adler and A. M. Margalith but still leaves some gaps in the early period. There is no mention, for example, of at least two American naval expeditions which landed forces in Palestine, one in 1848 and another in 1854.

There should be an appreciative public for "Travels of Benjamin III," by Mendels Mocher Seforim, (Schocken, \$1.50) which, as a classic, reads as well today as it did 60 years ago. This humorous story of a would-be traveller who never got very far from his little village is supposed to be a satire on what then seemed to be the utopianism of early Russian Zionists. The book is No. 18 in the priceless Schocken Library which goes right on, month after month, adding to the rich store of Jewish literature available in English.

"The Ethics of Israel," by Israel H. Weisfeld. (Bloch, \$2.75) contains not only a fine collection of excerpts and quotations from traditional Jewish sources but also the author's comments, observations and questions for discussion, which make it clear that Jewish ethics are neither archaic nor exotic. On the contrary, they constitute the basis of what we choose to call a modern way of life.

Among the best of the picture books of the past year is "Palestine," text by Daniel Brick; photos by Anna Riwkin-Brick (World Publishing, \$3.50). The book was printed in Sweden, where it was originally published, and is a tribute to the printing and engraving arts of that country. It is unfortunate, from the point of view of timeliness, that no space is given to the birth of Israel but many readers will doubtless be attracted by the pictures of the quaint, the artistic and the beautiful aspects of the country, without respect to its politics.

panorama of Jewish history as reflected in the Zionist Movement and the great fulfillment in our own day. Magnificent in conception, which seeks to place the birth of Israel in its proper relationship to all of Jewish life, the book falls short in execution, with many lapses in literary style and organization which could have been avoided with a little more care and attention. Nevertheless it is the only book, as yet, which looks at Israel from the perspective of history and without the emotionalism of the tourist or the journalist.

Continuing the scholarly standards set in the first volume, "The Jewish People—Past and Present. Vol. II" (Jewish Encyclopedia Handbooks, \$10) presents a number of brilliant studies in the fields of Jewish demography, sociology, economics, education and social philosophy. Each of the almost 30 articles in this beautiful volume is a valuable and permanent addition to the library of knowledge of the Jewish people, though one continues to be perplexed at the peculiar lack of organization which makes this series neither an encyclopedia nor an integrated, cohesive study.

Books of general interest often contain material or sections of particular interest to the Jew. Thus, "European Ideologies," by Feliks Gross (Philosophical Library, \$12) devotes some 60 pages to Zionism and Anti-Semitism. Perhaps some will find special significance in the fact that the chapters on

own preference for Labor Zionism.

Nuggets of Delight

"Sholom Aleichem Panorama," by Melech Grafstein. (Bloch, \$10.00), might well be called a Sholom Aleichem omnibus. The author has thrown into the pot everything he could find on his hero. All the biographical and appreciative essays he could find, 26 translated short stories, three one-act plays, some 15 songs, an amazing collection of photographs, including pictures of people who are included because they once met Sholom Aleichem or, like Paul Muni, because they came from Second Avenue, where many of Sholom Aleichem's plays were performed, are all there. It is a motley, confused, unesthetic hodge-podge of material but among these pages will be found many nug-

gets which will delight the Sholom Aleichem fan and every lover of Yiddish literature.

"Teardrops and Dew," by Lillian Resnick Ott (Exposition Press, \$2.50), is a collection of unusual poems written by an unusual woman. She ranges freely from flaming lines, written in Maccabean rage, to the tenderest of sentiments ever voiced by a mother. Mrs. Ott is at her best when she soars into free verse, unshackled by literary conventions. She should avoid more formal poetry, in which rhythm and rhyme merely serve to confine and constrict her, sometimes with awkward results. The true poet was never meant to be so confined and Mrs. Ott has the soul of a great poet.

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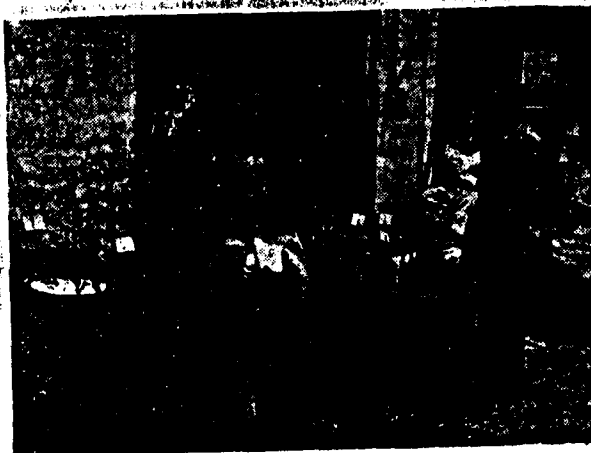
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curiosity. The Yankee pried you for details about yourself as though they were Broadway columnists. Woodrow Wilson used to tell the story about the Easterner who went West and, stopping at some third rate hotel, he pulled down the shades of his room in order to wash up. He had no sooner pulled them down, then someone from the outside jerked them up. The man wanted to see, as he explained, what could be so private there!

Analogies

The pioneer is not a very great believer in privacy. He

sees himself as a partner in a great social project and he sees everything from the standpoint of this greater whole. In the pioneer life of western America, we had many house raisings, "bees," and what not in which people gathered together to help each other in their labors. The celebrations in Israel, marking the completion of a home, partake of much of the same sort of thing as the house raising parties.

But this tendency to jerk the shades up is a violation of manners and the early visitors to America always complained accordingly about our American



An open air fish store in Tel Aviv's Carmel market. Herrings, which are cheap, are very popular in Tel Aviv.

bad manners. Frances Trollope, mother of two novellists who lived in Cincinnati a century ago, wrote a book lambasting American manners.

I heard one Jew who recently returned from Israel say that he missed Coca Cola there. He may

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Editor, *The New Palestine*:

Among other articles that I enjoyed reading in the August 20 issue, I liked "Israel Laughs." But Paul Stainer, in telling of the American tanks, evidently only got the "echo" of the actual fact as to how the army of Israel built up its armored divisions.

The war was still on when I last visited Israel. The decisive battle of the Negrev was yet to be fought. I went up to western Galilee, where I was the guest of the military commander of that area, the Canadian hero of World War II, Col. Benjamin Dunkelmann. Upon my return from the Lebanese front, I was driven to where the armored battalion was located and there met its commander, Major Moshe Friedman. The first thing that struck me about the division was the various types of tanks it included, for I saw there all sorts of shapes and makes. I remarked about it to Major Friedman. "Oh, that!" the Major observed. "I will explain. You see, those rather delicate and small tanks, they are of French make. We captured them from the Syrians. Those over there"—he pointed to another group of more stalwart construction—"they are British. These we captured from the Iraqis. And the other, the largest of the group, they are American. We captured these from the Jordan Legion who got them from the British via the U. S. lend-lease" concluded the commander of the Israeli armored battalion. Each theatre of

war, were shattered, if not razed. But the thing the British depended upon most for crippling the country and paralyzing its economy were oil and gas. With that in view, they saw to it that the country was drained of every gallon of oil. Particularly was that true of the large oil tanks located in the Haifa Bay area, from which every gallon of oil was pumped. With the departure of the British Military Command, it was expected that all oil-driven machinery would come to a stop, that not a wheel would turn, that not an automobile would move. And these wishes and expectations would undoubtedly have come true but for a *ness*. Now, those who know something about tanks, know that you cannot pump a tank completely dry. A certain amount, whatever the liquid, must remain in the bottom beyond the reach of the pumps. Those who know something about oil and water also know that when you pour water into an oil container, the oil will rise above the water. It therefore happened that as soon as the British left the shores of Israel, the Israelis who had been employed in the Haifa oil refineries poured sufficient water into each tank for the oil in each tank to come within the reach of the pumps. The *ness* made available sufficient gas and oil to keep the economy of Israel functioning without a break and above all, made possible the prosecution of the war for independence—an occurrence beyond all calculations in this day when military movement is so dependent on vehicular equipment.

MORRIS MARGULIES

of the ZOA. It is high time that we General Zionists woke up and started to do something for ourselves, for our own party and in accordance with our own ideology.

For a number of decades, we played the role of general collectors for every Zionist party—but not for our own.

The Poale Zion, Mizrahi and Hadassah are always devoting most of their time and energy for their party funds, leaving the burden of collecting the hundreds of millions of dollars for UJA to us General Zionists, without our ever receiving any recognition whatsoever for our unselfish hard labor and devotion. This is proven by the results of the elections in Israel where the General Zionists received an insignificant number of mandates to the Knesset and

also by the sad occurrences which transpired in the well known Morgenthau-Montor controversy, which is still fresh in every Zionist's mind.

Therefore, I wholeheartedly support the idea of starting at once a campaign for a General Zionist Fund of three million dollars of which two-thirds are to be dedicated to the realization of the program presented by president Frisch for General Zionist institutions in Israel proper and one-third to carry out the educational and organizational program of the Zionist Organization on the American-Jewish scene, of which the learning and spreading of the Hebrew language and literature is to be among the first and most important projects.

It is a good and righteous beginning for president Frisch and his new administration and I hope that they will go from strength to strength for the sake of Israel and General Zionism.

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Technion Role

Editor, *The New Palestine*:

Your correspondent, E. J., must have been busily studying his outmoded copy of Baedeker when he passed through the famous port city of Haifa, else how could he have missed seeing and hearing about Israel's beloved Institute of Technology, the Technion, situated on Hadar Hacarmel overlooking beautiful Haifa Bay. Founded in 1912, the Technion recently graduated its 25th class of engineers, architects, chemists and other technicians, not to mention thousands of mechanics, craftsmen, sailors and marine officers who are alumni of its affiliated Technical High and Nautical Schools. These graduates have been absorbed into the economy of the new Jewish State and are now taking leading roles in the direction of the Israel Army, Navy, Air Force, government and industry.

In the recent Arab war, the Technion served as both the West Point and Annapolis of Israel. The institution's influence and usefulness is well known and widely heralded in every city, colony and home of Israel.

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DR. WEISS-ROSMARIN

ter Lecture Bureau and the ZOA Speakers Bureau. During her stay in Israel, Dr. Weiss-Rosmarin is studying cultural and literary developments and is collecting additional material for her forthcoming "The *Zionist Anthology*," a 900-page treasury of Zionist literature and documents. Another book by Dr. Weiss-Rosmarin, "Jewish Survival," will be published by the Philosophical Library in November.

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**Hannah Stein,
Zionist Youth Leader,
Returning From Israel**

After a lengthy stay in Israel, Hannah Stein, noted General Zionist youth leader from England and journalist, will return to this country on October 15 for a country-wide tour under ZOA auspices.

Widely travelled, having attended many important international gatherings, including meetings of the UN General Assembly, the World Zionist Congresses and the Palestine Conference in London, Miss Stein is well versed in all political developments affecting the Jewish State. She visited Israel three times in the past two years and at the last

annual convention of the English Zionist Federation she was elected a member of its executive. In July 1947, on one of her trips to Palestine, she established a settlement there and served as a special liaison between the youth in England and Palestine.

Prior to her recent departure for Israel, Miss Stein spent many months in the United States and Canada where she addressed numerous Zionist meetings. She is a journalist of note, her articles having been published in many papers. She is a member of the Foreign Press Association.

Fresh from another lengthy stay in Israel, Miss Stein will, on her return, bring to the general public in America a new and deep insight in all the latest developments in the Jewish State.



HANNAH STEIN

ZOA groups and districts interested in scheduling her as a speaker should immediately communicate with the ZOA Speakers Bureau, 41 East 42 Street, for available dates.

**N. E. Pledges Support
To ZOA Projects**

The Administrative Committee of the New England Zionist Region, meeting last week in Boston, in a resolution adopted by the New England Zionist leadership, pledged "our united support to the Zionist Organization of America and the Government of Israel in the implementation of the new major American Zionist projects in Israel." Cooperation was also pledged to Daniel Frisch, president of the ZOA, in the fulfillment and achievement of the new program of action initiated by Mr. Frisch during his visit to Israel this past summer and adopted by the national administration.

Plans for the year's ZOA program in New England, announced by Dr. Michael Lucacer, Regional president, will include expanded activities in membership, education, youth, Hebrew arts, economic affairs and other projects.

It was reported that 500 new members had enrolled within the Zionist ranks during the summer months and that appeals in the synagogues during the High Holidays will stress the vital importance of a strong, vigorous Zionist Organization of America.

**Sonneborn to Speak
At New Haven Fete**

Rudolf G. Sonneborn, chairman of the ZOA National Administrative Council, will be the main speaker at a testimonial dinner to be tendered by the New Haven ZOA District to its past president, Alexander Winnick, on October 23. Mr. Sonneborn recently spoke at the installation dinner of the New Orleans District.

**Fete Henry Goodman
On 90th Birthday**

Henry Goodman, Zionist and Jewish leader of Brooklyn, celebrated his 90th birthday this week at a dinner tendered to him by a large host of family and friends at the East Midwood Jewish Center. Mr. Goodman, a lifelong Zionist in his own right, is the father of Abe Goodman, a vice presi-



HENRY GOODMAN

dent of the ZOA, Jack Goodman, member of the ZOA National Executive, Morris Goodman and Mrs. Essie Kruskowsky.

Tributes to Mr. Goodman's devoted service to his people were highlighted by the presentation by his children of a certificate of inscription in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund, a Life Membership in the ZOA and the planting of 90 trees in Israel.

We add our own good wishes to Mr. Goodman and his family on this unique simcha.

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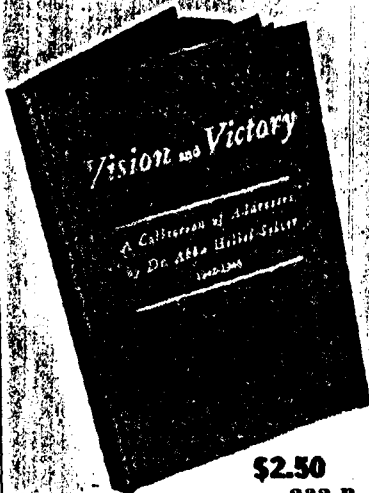
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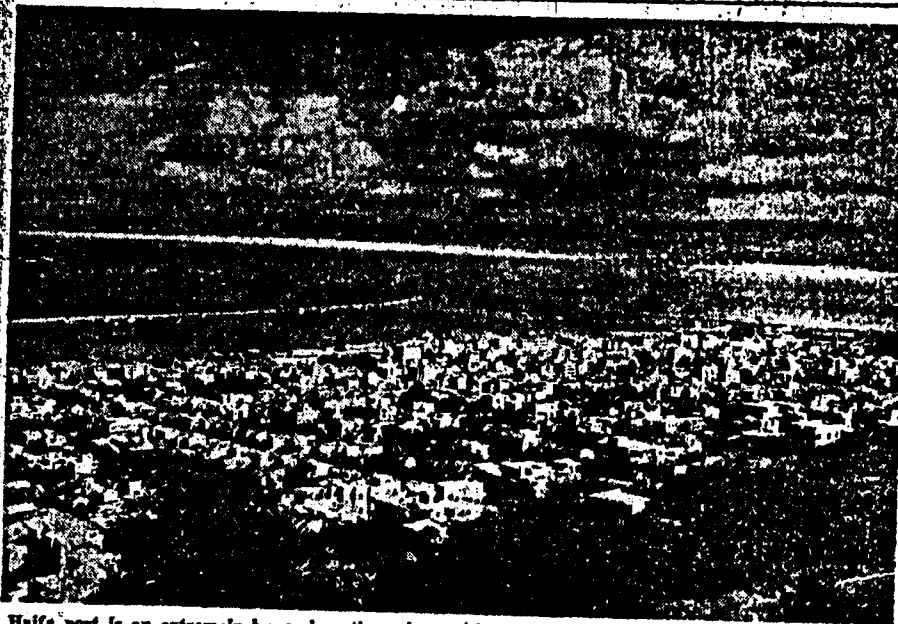
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Nardi Honored In Boro Park

Dr. Noah Nardi, educator, who is leaving for Israel to become Deputy Minister of Education, was honored by the Hebraists and Zionists in Boro Park last week at a Kiddush in the Beth Haknesseth Ivri.

Shmuel Fishman presided and the assembly included the spiritual leaders of the important congregations of Boro Park, Rabbis Shore, Silverstein and Silman, the president of Boro Park Zionist District, Isaac Carmel and the president of the Shlamith School for girls, Louis Cohen.



LEON ILUTOVICH

Ilutovich to Address West Side Group

CIO Leader Reports On Labor in Israel To Manhattan Region

Louis Hollander, president of the New York CIO State Council and general manager of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, recently addressed a luncheon session of the Manhattan Zionist Region on the subject "Labor Leader Visits Israel."

Jacques Torczyner, president of the Region, introduced Mr. Hollander at this first of bi-monthly regional luncheons at which prominent leaders on the American and Israeli scenes will discuss some phase of the situation in Israel.

Rabbi Leo Shubow Returns From Tour of Israel

Rabbis Asked To Speak On Jerusalem

The American Zionist Council appealed to all rabbis to speak on the Jerusalem question in their sermons during the Roah Hashana services.

Members of all congregations are also asked to wire the White House as well as their Senators and Congressmen protesting in the strongest terms against the proposed exclusion of Jerusalem from the Jewish State.



MAURICE A. SMOLER

Noted Chicago Zionist who is serving as co-chairman of the Committee for the ZOA House in Tel Aviv. Fred Monasson is chairman of the Committee and William H. Syll is treasurer.

Quell Named Membership Chairman in Philadelphia

Albert Quell has been named chairman for this year's membership campaign of the Philadelphia Zionist Organization, it has been announced by president Michael H. Egnal. Herbert S. Levin will serve as associate chairman of the drive.



ALBERT QUELL

Grael, of Exodus Fame, Addresses Worcester

The Worcester (Mass.) Zionist District initiated its Fall season of activities with a public cultural meeting held in the main ballroom of the Beth Israel Synagogue. Main speaker was the Rev. John Stanley Grael, Christian minister noted for his courageous stand in connection with the refugee ship Exodus 1947, who has just returned from another trip to Israel.

A second speaker was Attorney Joseph Talamo, who has likewise just returned from the Jewish State.

Joseph Goldberg, president of the Worcester Zionist District, presided. Oscar Swartz was chairman of the Program Committee.

Greetings for the New Year

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