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Old Folks Home Appeal

Throughout the world, medical science in effectively prolonging life, has presented social science with the problem of dealing increasingly with the aged.

A complete new branch of medical and social science concern . . . Geriatrics . . . has been created, devoted exclusively to problems of the aged.

Increasingly, the population age curve moves upward . . . and increasingly facilities for the aged must be provided where they do not exist, and increased where a start has been made.

Against this background it becomes evident that the Jewish Old Folks Home will become an institution offering substantially increased services to this community, and the West, as time goes on. And their current bid for public support to finance vitally required expansion is a direct local reflection of this situation.

We think a visit to the Jewish Old Folks Home should be made obligatory for every Winnipegger. Once the visit is made; once the congenial atmosphere of the social rooms has been observed; once the care, comradeship and comfort which the residents find there has been seen . . . little in the line of a direct appeal would be required to raise the funds necessary.

"Al tashlichaynu b'yam zikna" . . . "cast us not off in our old age," are words every Jew is familiar with from his liturgy. How better turn these prayers into a concrete reality for others, than by generously responding to the Jewish Old Folks Home call.

Hillel Production

Hillel's dramatic talents have given a fine account of themselves in the past, operating occasionally with material that was something short of first calibre. For this reason, there should be widespread satisfaction at their choice of Clifford Odets' "Awake And Sing," for their forthcoming February 10 drama offering.

Odets has long been hailed as one of the small number of American playwrights who brook comparison with the important contemporary novelists and poets.

"Awake And Sing" is his most typical (and incidentally most lauded) work and shows him most effectively to be, in the words of critic Harold Clurman, "a tender singer of the American middle class troubled by the contradictions of our civilization."

Clurman writes, "The protagonist of Odets' plays is not so much the 'proletariat,' but that universal conscience that seeks for dignity in life, for freedom and completeness, for faith, comradeship, for security not alone of economic stability but of values tested by time in the crucible of man's total experience."

What critics have long commented on, and what will make "Awake and Sing" a deeply moving experience to all who see it here, are Odets' peculiar gift for vivid dialogue, his success in presenting sharp characters, a fascinating originality in the statement of short dramatic bits of action, and a daring and earnest conviction in the choice of contemporary themes.

"Awake And Sing," with its setting of depression years, New York "Tenement" Jewish middle class life, should have wide appeal among all age groups of the Jewish community.

Lynn Lake In The Galil Leduc In The Negev

One frequently hears a condemnation of a party or organization on the Israel political scene prefaced with the remarks "How can you expect people to invest money in Israel when XYZ party is in control, or ABC interests demand a 51 per cent investment share?"

Yet people have invested in Israel. Kaiser-Frazer, Akron Rubber Tire, and other large enterprises which are used to large scale capital outlays for long-term investments at reasonable rates of profit . . . they have not found Israel's social patterns or political system a deterrent to investment.

The very fact of their investment in Israel must stand as a tribute to the prevailing system there that has managed to make Israel attractive for foreign capital in the face of her obvious shortcomings.

It would obviously help if Israel had a Lynn Lake in the Galil or a Leduc in the Negev, but even without these she is not doing too badly.

On the subject of difficulties in attracting foreign investments, read what Toronto's influential business weekly, "Saturday Night," has to say not about Israel, but about Canada herself!

"In his presidential address at the annual meeting of the Bank of Toronto this week, B. S. Vanstone said this:

"Rich as Canada is in natural resources, these in themselves are not sufficient to induce capital investment; there must be a reasonable degree of safety and profit. Canada fits all these requirements. She has made marvelous strides during the past half century and there is the greatest confidence in her future. Foreign bankers and businessmen speak in glowing terms of Canada; our stable government, good-type and industrious citizens, sound economy, good banking system, balanced budget, and wonderful natural resources — minerals, oil and gas, forests, water power, productive land — and above all, our freedom."

"In a few words Mr. Vanstone has cut right through to the heart of this vital matter. Capital investment, and particularly capital from other countries is extremely sensitive. It will only go where it feels safe, where it can grow and work. If we are to keep it flowing into Canada's development it is of the utmost importance that we continue to maintain a favorable and healthy climate."

Tel Aviv (JTA) — Owing to a severe shortage of newsprint all Israeli daily newspapers have been reduced to one sheet on weekdays. The week-end editions, published on Fridays, will be limited to four pages.

Edgar Cooke

Edgar Cooke, shop foreman of our printing department, who passed away last Friday, had been with *The Jewish Post* since 1932, longer than any other member of the newspaper's staff. He brought with him from England a competence in his craft, an attitude towards work, and a sense of loyalty which are difficult to find today. Although there were times in recent years when he took more than a mere typographical interest in our editorial columns, and stoutly took issue with our comments on Britain's Palestine policy, the disagreement itself merely served to reveal his strong feeling for honest opinion openly expressed. Whatever bouquets have been tossed at this paper through the years belonged to him to the degree that good taste in make-up and neatness and balance in the paper's appearance belonged to his domain.

The management, editorial and mechanical staffs extend their deep sympathy to Mrs. Cooke and family. May time assuage their grief, and his memory prove a pillar of strength to them in their bereavement.

New Israel 'Workshop' Replaces Hachsharah

By Yechiel Lander and Shimon Kaseidy

The authors, both native Winnipeggers and both former officers of Hahonim Movement of America, have spent time in Israel on Hahonim missions. Mr. Kaseidy is a University of Manitoba student. Mr. Lander is presently a staff member of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Winnipeg — The Editor.

One of the major factors contributing to the preservation of Jewish national and cultural identity has been the ability of the Jewish people to adapt itself to changing historical circumstances. This ability to re-examine and adapt its forms of expression without sacrificing basic and essential beliefs has also characterized the history of the Zionist movement. Today, most major Jewish organizations including the Zionist organizations, are confronted by the need to re-evaluate their past program and activities in the light of two major historical realities in Jewish life; the liquidation of the European Jewish community which served as the cultural reservoir for world Jewry and especially American Jewry, and the establishment of the State of Israel. The ability of these organizations to face these new realities and to chart new paths for the Jewish Community in America will measure the ability of this community to preserve and enrich its life and culture. At present the American Jewish Community finds itself in a state of confusion, with few new innovations and little direction.

Those problems affecting the adult community have also exacted the Jewish youth community. The Pioneering (Chalutz) Zionist Youth Movements are particularly confronted by these problems in having to approach a generation which Time Magazine recently characterized as "the silent generation." The passive attitude towards communal and world affairs which has taken hold of the majority of the youth community is aggravated in the Jewish community by an unfortunate lack of direction and poor Jewish preparation. Jewish youth it seems rather than share the confusion of many of their elders are simply ignoring them.

The Chalutz Youth movements attempt to educate their members to a full sense of identification with Jewish life. In Hahonim, the Labor Zionist Youth Movement, the first part of this process of identification is achieved by providing its members with a knowledge and instilling in them an appreciation of Jewish tradition. The second part of the educational process is to indicate to the member that fullest realization and expression of Jewish life can only be achieved through aliyah to Israel and personal participation in the rebuilding of the Jewish State. The climax of the educational process in the Youth Movement consists of the personal preparation of the individual for life in Israel. This process was usually concluded by a year spent on one of the Hachshara (preparation) Farms in the United States or Canada. This period of a year was to be the culmination period of the physical, cultural and social preparation for collective life in Israel. This experience was also to indicate the fitness of the individual for pioneering life in Israel. The farms aside from the central aims of preparing people for life in Israel, were also to serve as centres or rallying points for the youth movements and as symbols to the general Jewish community of Chalutzim and Israel. The farms did assume particular significance in these fields when contact with the Jewish community in Palestine was broken during the Second World War and prior to the establishment of the State.

For some time now Hahonim has been re-examining and re-evaluating its entire educational program and seeking new methods and approaches to the Jewish youth community. One predominant feeling in these evaluations was that the hachshara farms were not adequately fulfilling the needs of the chalutzim. It was felt that aside from the inadequacies in training ability, on all levels, these farms could not possibly reflect the

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Edmonton Launches Histadrut Drive Feb. 10; Rytov Speaks



I. GARFIN
campaign chairman.

Western Canada Histadrut campaigns, set to open this Sunday in Saskatoon, will hear Israel Rytov, leading Israeli Histadrut chief and head of the Histadrut's cooperative sector. In Saskatoon, Frank Miller will chair the drive.

A mass meeting of Edmonton Jewry, convening Sunday, Feb. 10, at 8.30 p.m., at the Talmud Torah hall, will launch their drive, with Israel Rytov delivering the keynote address, and N. Witman of Winnipeg representing to join in the program.

Edmonton's campaign executive includes the following: I. Garfin, chairman; B. Margolis and L. Dolgoy, vice-chairmen; A. Hansen, sec-



ISRAEL RYTOV
launches campaign.

retary; M. Goelman, financial secretary; S. Dlin, treasurer; Dr. M. Dolgoy, J. Kaliger and Chaver Pressman, Histadrut Youth Group; Mrs. H. Sirokin and Mrs. M. Goelman, chairmen of Senior Pioneer Women club; Mrs. P. Hoffer and Mrs. L. Peikis, Chanita chapter, Pioneer Women.

Canvassers' committee—L. Milner, M. Dlin, L. Katzman, B. Margolis, A. Shnitka, S. Loeb, S. Dlin, L. Kutichik, J. Garfin, L. Dolgoy, J. Grossman, N. Segal, S. Shtabsky, B. Gurevich, M. Goelman, S. Shapira, M. Feldman, A. Averbach, Dr. M. Dolgoy, Eddy Ziperstein, E. Hanson.

On Wednesday, Feb. 13, the Beth Jacob synagogue will be the scene of Regina's Histadrut opening affair. Spearheading the Regina effort



E. HANSON
campaign secretary.

will be Ben Shapiro, president; C. Freedman, campaign chairman; W. Simon, treasurer, and a strong committee consisting of N. Freedman, H. Fages, J. Weinberg, S. Karby, S. Shragge, M. Malt, Z. Bendel, J. Beiser, M. Lifshitz, H. Kolinski and I. Berenbaum, Sr.

Other campaigns slated are: Vancouver, Sunday, Feb. 17—a banquet at 6.30 p.m., at the Schara Tzedek synagogue; and Calgary, Wednesday, Feb. 20.

Chaver Rytov is a member of the World Executive of Mafap; a member of the World Zionist Actions committee; editor of the Israeli magazine "Shituf," and served as co-chairman of mobilization for Palestine Jewry during World War II.

Workshop In Israel Replaces Farm Training Here For Chalutzim

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true realities of life in Israel. It was also felt that they were a poor criteria for life in Israel and the ability of the individual to adjust to that life. The establishment of the State makes it unnecessary to establish synthetic symbols. Hahonim, believing that the State itself could be a very positive and powerful educational influence in Jewish life today, began to search for methods of utilizing this powerful force in the general educational pattern of Hahonim, and particularly in the preparation of its chalutzim for life in Israel. The accessibility of the State also opened new paths which were soon embarked on. What better influence could there be for Zionism and for Judaism than a meaningful personal contact with life in the Jewish State? Shortly after the establishment of the State Hahonim sent a leadership class of 24 people to Israel for a nine-month course and soon followed up this group with a second of nine people sent with a course sponsored by the Jewish Agency. A third class was sent in 1950 consisting of 25 people.

The effects on these young people schooled by personal experience in Israel rather than through the poor choice of second hand accounts, is beginning to show. These people have acted as a spearhead in em-



GOLDA MYERSON ADDRESSES HAHONIM YOUTH WORKSHOP IN ISRAEL — (left to right) Harry Urman, Toronto; David Breslau, Bet Berl Katznelson Institute; David Wessley, Detroit; Dov Horowitz, New York; Golda Myerson.

phasizing Hebrew in Hahonim. As an evidence of this three Hebrew centred camps were opened last year. Their educational influence and effectiveness is also greatly enhanced. Another very obvious effect on the people themselves is that they see themselves much clearer in the totality of Israel and are proceeding with their own personal preparation and group preparation in a much clearer and sounder fashion. These effects indicated to Hahonim part of

a new pattern which they have recently adopted for hachshara. The cornerstone of the new pattern of preparation is the Youth Workshop, in Israel. The Youth Workshop is an institution which aims at bringing large numbers of young people, just graduated from high school or juniors in college, to Israel for nine months. The Workshop is not restricted to the membership of youth movements but open

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Calgary Hears Klein

City Mourns Passing Of Mrs. A. Rusoff



MRS. ANNIE MARIAM RUSOFF
Hundreds of Winnipeggers whose lives she had touched through her philanthropic activities, bright spirit, and organizational work paid last respects Tuesday at the Chesed Shel Emes chapel to Mrs. Annie Mariam Rusoff. Struck by a car Sunday, she succumbed immediately. Officiating at the services were Rabbi Milton Aron. Burial was made in the Shaaray Zedek cemetery.

At 74, the deceased was still actively engaged in full round of activities. She had recently returned from an air trip visiting with her son and family in St. Paul, Minn.; had cheerfully complied with a request of a family friend who wanted to paint her portrait and was regularly fitting for the artist, and a few weeks ago helped organize a Miz-rachi project to ship food and clothing to Israel. A little over a year ago she appeared in the "Mazel Tov" production. Death came as she crossed Main street from a Makar-iver Ladies' Auxiliary tea at Miz-rachi headquarters to attend a funeral at the Chesed Shel Emes.

Arriving in Winnipeg from Pavo-litch in 1910, she took an early and abiding interest in all aspects of Jewish life and service. A founding member of the Winnipeg Hadassah, she was also active in Mizrachi Women's activities, and the Jewish Welfare Fund. She founded the Pavolitch Aid Ladies' society, helped organize the Pavolitch synagogue (later named 'Beth Sholem' in tribute to her husband) and started the fund for the daughter of the Mikar-iver rebbe.

Her sparkling humor, sympathetic nature and independent spirit endeared her to all with whom she came into contact. Her husband predeceased her in 1932.

Surviving Mrs. Rusoff are six daughters: Mrs. H. Sokolov, Mrs. D. Brownstone, Mrs. G. Sures, all of Winnipeg; Mrs. A. Wexler, Mrs. S. Arkoof, of Los Angeles.

There are also three sons: Morris, Winnipeg; Saul, St. Paul; Louis, Los Angeles.

There are 19 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

London—Sharet will address House of Commons, House of Lords, Feb. 19.



A. M. KLEIN

A. M. Klein, author of the recently published novel "The Second Scroll" and winner of the Governor General's Medal for poetry, will be the guest speaker at the campaign dinner of the Calgary Jewish Welfare fund, in the Calgary Jewish Community Centre on Sunday, Feb. 10.

A \$60,000 objective has been set for 1952. Among the leading beneficiaries are the Calgary Talmud Torah and Peretz school which together will receive approximately 50 per cent of the quota, and the Canadian Jewish Congress - United Jewish Relief Agencies will get an allocation of about 25 per cent of the total quota. Other institutions receiving grants from the Calgary Jewish Welfare Fund are the Community Centre, the Calgary Jewish Relief, various Yeshivot and Meshu-jochim as well as a special allocation for the services of a Shoichet and Mohel.

Cooperating with Dr. M. D. Mitchell, the campaign chairman, are N. I. Zemans, president of the Welfare Fund; Saul Lipkind, publicity chairman; Abe Pearlman, Ben Pearlman, L. M. Frandkin, K.C.

Mrs. Earl Miner President New Chapter B'nai B'rith

Mrs. Earl Miner was installed president of the newly organized Manitoba Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women, at the Marlborough hotel last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Benjamin Salute, president of the Manitoba-Wisconsin Council of B'nai B'rith Women, conducted installation ceremonies.

Other officers installed are: vice-president, Mrs. David Baker; Mrs. Daniel Gutkin; recording secretary, Mrs. Leon Breen; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Irving Katz; financial treasurer, Mrs. Jack Katz; treasurer, Mrs. Michael Doctoroff; monitor, Mrs. Jack Shatz; sentinel, Mrs. Irving Charach; guide, Mrs. Nathan Stoffman.

Mrs. Salute spoke briefly on the Leo N. Levi Hospital in Hot Springs, Arkansas, a hospital for arthritic patients; the National Jewish Hospital in Denver, Colo., a hospital for paraplegics, and of the Bellfare Children's Home in Rochester, Minn. All are B.B. supported.

The meeting was held under the sponsorship of the Manitoba Lodge 1616. Dr. Roy Brown was chairman. Herbert Nittkman introduced the speaker and Mrs. Max Stear thanked her.