

## ACTIVITIES OF THE N. E. BUREAU FOR JEWISH WAR RELIEF SPRINGFIELD

The Springfield Jewish Relief Committee was organized at a mass meeting held in Liberty Hall, Sunday, March 9th. Speakers included Harris L. Selig, executive director of the New England Bureau; David A. Lourie, vice-president and Judge Jacob Asher of Worcester, members of the executive committee. A. Adaskin presided. The following officers were elected: Nathan Goldstein, president; J. W. Gelfman, vice-president; H. Lasker, treasurer; Mrs. Nathan Goldstein, financial secretary, and F. Silver, recording secretary.

A nominating committee of fifteen was chosen. Its business is to suggest the names of fifteen to compose an executive committee and to see that each Jewish organization of Springfield elects a representative to co-operate with this committee in planning for the launching of a campaign for funds soon. Mr. Lasker stated that the sum of \$42,000 was raised for Jewish war relief in Springfield last year.

### REVERE

At the last meeting of Branch 29 of the Independent Workmens' Circle, following an appeal made by Phillip Potash, assistant director of the New England Bureau, a committee of seven was elected to resume the relief work which has been neglected of late. During the campaign in March 1918, nearly \$2,000 in pledges was secured. Unfortunately, only an insignificant part of the pledges has been collected so far and this committee, which will also enlist the co-operation of members of the two Synagogues, hopes to be able to collect the balance of the outstanding pledges within the next month or two.

### MAINE

The State of Maine Jewish War Relief Committee has invited Mr. Selig to tour the State and address meetings in Gardiner, Lewiston, Waterville, Bangor, Bath, and Biddeford.

In the campaign of August, 1918, \$100,000 in cash and pledges were secured. The payments were very regular until last month, but lately some of the cities have neglected the collections and it is expected that this tour will help to strengthen the Committees in the different towns, thereby helping to collect all the outstanding pledges.