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Community News

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Center Sisterhood to Elect Officers at September Meeting

The J. C. C. Sisterhood will hold its first meeting of the season on Monday, September 26. Election of officers and members of the Board, as presented by the nominating committee, will take place. The slate to be presented includes: Mesdames Dorothy Onstein, President; Hazel Goldsmith 1st Vice-President; Norma Berg, 2nd Vice-President; Doris Gass, Secretary; Ida Rolsky, Treasurer. Membership on the Board: Mesdames Norma Berg, Elsie Brickel, Diane Cutler, Pearl Feldman, Sylvia Friedman, Doris Gass, Rena Gass, Frances Glazier, Hazel Goldsmith, Sarah Goldsmith, Helen Honig, Ruth Gotlib, Belle Grodinsky, Esther Hoos, Doris Kaplan, Marion Laeger, Ethel Lezberg, Adelle Miller, Bobby Mogul, Debbie Morgenstern, Dorothy Ornstein, Ruth Raphaelson, Ida Rolsky, Elaine Rubin, Marilyn Segal, Fay Silvenman, Helen Stone, Bess Tabenken, Celia Viner, and Florence Witt-

Committee Chairmen: Elsie Brickel, kitchen; Rena Gass, membership; Marion Laeger, publicity; Sylvia Friedman and Elaine Rubin, program.

CENTER CONGRATULATES RECENT GRADUATES

The Jewish Community Council extends congratulations and best wishes to its many young men and women who graduated this year from High School and College.

Our best wishes, as well as those of the community, go to you as you continue your education or embark upon your life's work.

Subject Matter of Hebrew Schools To Be Studied

"Courses of study prevailing in Jewish religious schools are geared to the bygone conditions of the pre-industrial age and not to the conditions of 20th Century modernity," so said Dr. Judah Pilch, newly appointed director of the National Curriculum Research Institute. Dr. Pilch's remarks were delivered at the opening session of the Annual Meeting of the Governing Board of the American Association for Jewish Education at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Atlantic City.

Center Teens Honored At B. H. Graduation

The Center is bursting with pride over the achievements of our recent graduates from Bangor High School. We congratulate these young people on their scholastic achievements.

BRUCE D. ALPERT, French Essay Medal, National Honor Society, Graduation Speaker, Finalist Merit Scholarship, semi-finalist General Motors.

MARCIA BERSON, Four Year Scholarship Boston University School of Nursing.

NORMAN KOMINSKY, Finalist, Maine Teachers Association Academic Recognition.

MORTON H. SCLAIR, Finalist National Merit Scholarship, National Honor Society, Scholarship Award to University of Maine.

MAMEVE STERN, French Essay Medal, Mary L. Webster Scholarship, National Honor Society, Graduation speaker.

SHEILA D. STRIAR, Alternate Bangor Teachers Association Scholarship.

Mrs. Jacob Zitaner thanks her many friends for their expression of sympathy during her recent bereavement.

During the exercises appointing him to office, Dr. Pilch called attention to the many problems concerning Jewish religious education today. "By and large," Dr. Pilch said, "the content of Jewish studies has been repeated, generation after generation, with little changes these thousand years. Most Jewish schools provide instruction in the literature of a remote past; they teach little regarding the world in which the Jewish child is presently growing up in to struggle for his existence as a Jew.

"The fact is that, as the National Study of Jewish Education implies, there is considerable resistance to change among the people responsible for the conduct of Jewish education, and that this resistance weakens the power of the Jewish school to do the

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Youth Assembly Elects Jeffrey Gass

Center Youth Groups have closed the season with the election of new officers for 1960-61. Our Youth Assembly, at a meeting held prior to school vacation, elected Jeffrey Gass as president. Serving with Jeff are Toby Slep, vice-president; Gail Kaprow, recording secretary; Bonnie Silver, corresponding secretary; Eileen Grossman, treasurer; Steven Alpert, delegate to State Assembly; Bernice Braveman and Steven Miller, representatives on the Youth Activities Committee; Ann Dresner and Joel Alpert, delegates to the Council Board.

Officers of the Centers for the coming year are: Gail Kaprow, president; Toby Slep, vice-president; Eileen Grossman, secretary; Karen Levine, treasurer; Bernice Braveman, historian; Sandra Shiro, pledge supervisor.

Mu Sigma have elected the following: Stephen Alpert, president; James Brickel, vice-president; Jeffrey Gass, treasurer; Harvey Alpert and Norman Braveman, secretary; Steven Miller, pledge master.

Bangor Chapter A. Z. A. will hold their elections in September to be followed by a formal installation.

HEBREW SCHOOL CLASS SCHEDULE

1960 1961

SUNDAY 8:30 - 10:25 a.m. Grades: One, Three, Four SUNDAY 10:35 - 12:30 p. m. Grades: Two, Five, Six MONDAY 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Grades: One, Three, Four TUESDAY 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Grades: Two, Five, Six WEDNESDAY 3:30 - 5:30 p. m. Grades: One, Three, Four THURSDAY 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Grades: Two, Five, Six

Council Committee Appointments Made By President

Albert H. Friedman, Council president, announced today the appointment of the following committees:

ADULT ACTIVITIES: Morris Rubin, chairman; Dr. Herbert Bass, Mrs. Howard Berg, Edward Cohen, Michael Cohen, Mrs. Lawrence Cutler, Mrs. Milton Lincoln, David Miller, Mrs. Jules Mogul, Dr. Arnold Raphaelson, James Segal, Morris Slep, David Wittner, Dr. Jack Morgenstern, Milton Lown, Dr. Irving Paul.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES: Mrs. Harold Grodinsky, chairman; Mrs. Julius Gass, Mrs. Henry Miller, Mrs. Harold Chason, Mrs. Edward Cohen, Mrs. Arthur Lieberman, Mrs. Leonard Minsky, Mrs. Martin Schneider, Mrs. Morris Slep, Mrs. Louis Striar, Mrs. Leo Viner, Mrs. Louis Rolsky, Mrs. Elsie Brickel, Mrs. Albert Friedman

FINANCE-FUND RAISING: Dr. Joseph Ornstein, chairman; Milford Cohen, Joseph Emple, Sidney Epstein, Gerald Rudman, Julius Stone, Max Striar, Leo Viner, Albert Friedman, Irving Kagan, Irving Broder, Dr. Howard Kominsky.

HEBREW SCHOOL: Max Striar, chairman; Edward Allen, Mrs. Lawrence Cutler, Herbert Freedman, Max Gass, Dr. Arthur Lieberman, Dr. Jack Morgenstern, Mrs. Joseph Ornstein, Morris Pilot, Samuel Rudman, Martin Schneider, Benjamin Sclair, Henry Segal, Dr. James Siegel, Julius Stone, Rabbi A. H. Freedman, Ben Zion Wilner.

HOUSE COMMITTEE: Julius Gass, chairman; Hayden Bayer, Seymour Chamoff, Mr. and Mrs. Max Rapaport, Philip Grossman, Max Gass, Julius Stone, David Cutler, Max Kominsky.

PERSONNEL: Leo Viner, chairman; Howard Honig, Irving Kagan, Leo Kupsenel, Maxwell Rapaport, Morris Rubin, Max Striar, Albert H. Friedman, Dr. Howard Kominsky, Henry Segal.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Mr. and Mrs. Max Gass, co-chairmen; Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Alpert, Maurice Alpert, Mrs. Benjamin Braveman, Mrs. Elsie Brickel, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Glazier, Mrs. Gilbert Michelson, Mrs. Maxwell Rapaport, Dr. and Mrs. James Siegel, Mrs. Morris Tabenken, Mrs. Alfred Todtman, Mrs. Simon Nisenbaum, Mrs. David Wittner, Mrs. Harold Baron.

Center To Publish New Year's Greetings

We are planning to publish in the coming New Year's Bulletin, a personal greeting from all those whose names were listed in last year's bulletin.

Anyone wishing to have his name omitted from or added to the 1960 personal greeting list is asked to notify the Center office before August 19.

The personal greeting charge will be the same as last year—\$2.00 per family.



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CALL TO JEWISH PARENTS

The American Association for Jewish Education calls your attention to the fact that the period of May 26-June 26 marks the annual observance of Jewish Education Month. It is not only the period in which the school year comes to an end, but the time when intelligent planning of the education of our children requires our decision as to their enrollment and reenrollment in the schools of our choice.

Such planning involves both the parent and the school. If the school is to insure its needs properly it must know how many children it is expected to serve. If the child is to be educated properly, he must be enrolled at the earliest possible age and the earliest possible time, and remain in school for as long a period as possible.

As a parent you owe it to yourself and your children to think in long-range terms concerning their education. Plan that education as a complete experience from childhood through the adolescent years. Do not fritter away their time nor undermine their wholesome attitude towards Jewish life by exposing them briefly or inadequately to the Jewish classroom experience. Register your children now! Re-enroll them now! In this way you will help them to understand that the Jewish school, like the public school, is an integral part of their learning life.

Needless to say, you owe it to yourself to become acquainted with the school which trains your children. Join in the school's activities. Assist in the improvement of its facilities, its standards and its personnel. Help advance the cause of Jewish education in your community. The net result of your greater interest will be the enhancement not only of this major institution of Jewish life, but of the knowledge which your children possess, and the sense of security and dignity through which they and you identify with the Jewish community.

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ROSH HASHONAH begins Wednesday evening, September 21 and ends Friday evening, September 23.

YOM KIPPUR begins Friday evening, September 30 and ends Saturday evening, October 1.

SUCCOTH begins Wednesday evening, October 5 and ends Friday evening, October 7.

SHEMINI ATZERETH and SIMCHATH TORAH begins Wednesday evening, October 12 and ends Friday evening, October 14.

CHANUKAH begins Tuesday evening, December 13 and ends Wednesday evening, December 21.

PURIM begins Wednesday evening, March 1 and ends Thursday evening, March 2.

FIRST TWO DAYS OF PASSOVER begins Friday evening, March 31 and ends Sunday evening, April 2.

LAST TWO DAYS OF PASSOVER begins Thursday evening, April 6 and ends Saturday evening, April 8.

SHEVUOTH begins Saturday evening, May 20 and ends Monday evening, May 22.

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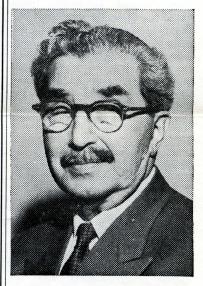
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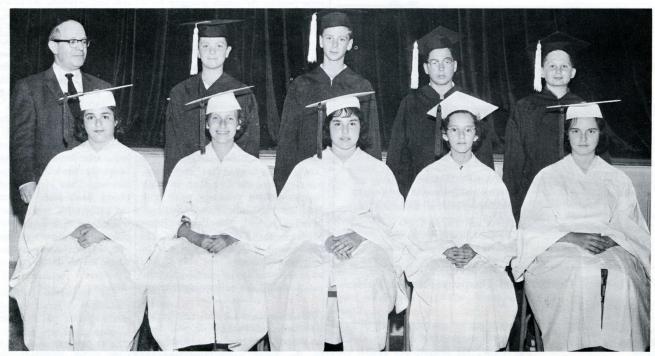
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Dear Friends:

The effectiveness of the work of your Jewish Community Council is determined by the success of our several committees.

Listed below are the committees which carry out the policies of our Board of Directors and the wishes of our community. You are invited to serve on any one of these committees. Please check your preference and mail back to our office.

Ш	House		Personnel
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	Adult Activities		Athletic
	Children's Activities		Nursery School
	Older Citizens Program		Social
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Seated, left to right: Jo-Ambra Cooper, Barbara Kominsky, Marilyn Ornstein, Esa Jane Rapaport, Carol Baron.
Standing: Mr. Ben Zion Wilner, Michael Rothschild, Richard Grossman, Jordan Kobritz, Paul Shapero. Absent when picture was taken. Steven Stern.

SUMMARY OF YEAR'S ACTIVITIES OF THE HEBREW SCHOOL

A year of fruitful activity and accomplishments by the pupils of our Hebrew School has just come to a close with the impressive and colorful graduation exercises on Tuesday, June 7, 1960.

The students in caps and gowns presented an unforgettable picture of bright, alert and handsome young men and pretty girls. Addresses were delivered by the graduates on such topics as: "Our Jewish Heritage" by Barbara Kominsky; "What Jewish History Means to Me" by Michael Rothschild; "What is a Jew" by Richard Grossman, Jo Ambra Cooper, Marilyn Ornstein and Carol Baron. "The Faith of Our Fathers" by Paul Shapero. "The Blessings of Our Fathers," in which the original Hebrew blessing by Isaac to Jacob was quoted, explained and commented upon by Esa Jane Rapaport.

The piece de resistance of the evening was the announcement that three of the graduates: Barbara Kominsky, Carol Baron and Jo Ambra Cooper, have decided on their own valition to continue their Hebrew education on a High School level. This announcement electrified the audience, as it indicated the love and appreciation felt by these students for Jewish learning and values. And the extent of the success of the teaching methods employed in their final year in the elementary Hebrew School.

Indeed, the overwhelming majority of the student body of the Hebrew School have received their Jewish education this year in a happy and receptive spirit. This was especially so in the First, Second and Sixth Grades, and was due to a large extent to the introduction of the Individual and group methods. These methods also helped and improved considerably the work of the other grades. But its greatest success was registered with the First, Second and Sixth grades. In these classes there never were problems of discipline or any wasted time. The full two hours of instruction were hours of intensive study and achievement up to the very last day of the term.

The Curriculum followed was a modified version of the Boston Curriculum. The principal feels that these modifications are pedogogically an improvement over the Boston Curriculum, which is based on the class method of instruction.

Film strips and other types of audio-visual media were successfully employed to teach Jewish holidays, songs, customs and ceremonies.

Public celebrations of all the holidays were successfully carried out. Particularly impressive was the brilliantly executed Model Seder, in celebration of Passover, on Sunday, April 10th. The songs, hymns and prayers as well as the various ritual performances were carried out in a superb manner by the children of all the classes who were present. Special credit is due to the group of ladies headed by Mrs. Gopan who prepared an enjoyable repast as the "Knaidlach" in between the Hagadah renditions.

Purim was celebrated by the children with special programs at the Beth Israel and the Beth Abraham Synagogues.

The Chanukah celebration was viewed by an overflowing audience who enjoyed the rich program presented by the children and consisting of recitations, songs and skits. It was crowned by the performance of "Chanukah Gelt" by Sholom Aleichem, which was translated for this occasion into English and beautifully performed by the children.

Other holidays celebrated were Tu-Bishevat, Israel Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day and Sukos.

The Junior Congregation was very well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by the children and the adult visitors.

This year, Sunday School taught by Mrs. Bass, was coordinated with the Hebrew School Curriculum as a Pre-Hebrew School class. This class will add to the quality and depth of the Hebrew School Curriculum.

All of the Bar Mitzvahs that were prepared by the teachers were very successfully performed to the satisfaction of the parents and the congregations.

Extra-Curricular activities consisted of Hebrew Courses for Adults and adolescents by Miss Kartagener.

An experiment in Summer Hebrew studies by the children was inaugurated by the principal, with the participation of the First and Second Grades in the hope that the Summer months will add to the children's knowledge as well as their physical well being.

A number of children requiring special attention or aid in certain subjects were given instruction during the week of June 12-16.

Wishing all a happy and healthy summer,

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GLEANINGS FROM JEWISH LIFE

schedule—the original purpose of her five-week visit to the United Statesto take a hand in l'Affaire Eichmann. During the week, she met in New York with Argentina's U. N. delegation chairman, Dr. Mario Amadeoand the two agreed to disagree on the latter's request and Israel's refusal concerning the return of Eichmann to Argentine jurisdiction. Later, she flew to the U. N. again to talk over the matter with Hammarskjold. Meanwhile, Israel's permanent representative at the U. N., Michael S. Comay, saw not only Hammarskjold but every one of the 11 Security Council representatives. With Comay was his deputy, Arieh Eshel, an Israeli diplo- the Jewish people." Israel's criminal

Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign | mat who is an expert on Latin Ameri-Minister, cut into her tight lecture can relations, having served last as Israel's Ambassador to Uruguay.

In Israel, steps were being carried forward toward bringing Eichmann to justice in an Israeli court. The specialist in the Nazi extermination of 6,000,000 Jews was to be brought before an Israeli magistrate, Sunday, for his third hearing. Under Israeli law, he must be formally charged with a crime after detention, following a maximum of three hearings. He is still being interrogated. It was certain that the police would be given the court's permission to keep questioning him for at least two weeks or a month longer. After that period, he will be charged-with "crimes against

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code permits the death sentence for a person convicted of such crimes.

All the color, splendor and pomp of which France is capable was "laid on" for the Ben-Gurion visit. There were parades, processions, guards of honor, outriders-and luncheons, dinners, receptions, ceremonies, with virtually every member of the French Cabinet, all of the leading representatives of French Jewry, many of the country's top intellectuals and scientists participating. Not overlooked. however, was the fact that, in addition to talking privately twice with President de Gaulle, Ben-Gurion conferred also with the French Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, the Minister of the Armed Forces. The visit was, obviously, not only a gala affair-it was one of profound political, probably also military significance.

West Germany's Bundesrat, the upper house of Parliament, this week approved a bill, previously adopted by the lower house, amending the penal code to make possible sentences of up to three months' imprisonment, or fines against persons convicted of defaming "part of the population, or making parts of the population contemptuous." Jewish organizations in Germany support the measure. The Central Council of Jews in Germany this week demanded an investigation into charges that the Bavarian State police failed to intervene when neo-Nazis recently paraded at Windsheim, singing the old, Nazi-period SS song which proclaims: "We are the guard whom the Fuehrer loves." At Bamberg, Georg Schlosser, 46, a policeman under the Nazi regime, went on trial this week on charges of having killed Jews in the ghetto at Czestochowa, Poland, during the war.

The number of Jews requiring the assistance of the Joint Distribution Committee was larger in 1959 than in the previous year, even though 1959 was "a year of no great crisis and no terrible emergencies," the IDC reported this week. More than 214,000 Jews, including 105,000 who live in Moslem countries-principally in North Africa and Iran-received JDC aid during last year. The total spent by JDC last year in 25 countries aggregated \$28,111,600.

Approval by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of a long-pending, multi-million dollar loan to Israel was virtually assured this week. The World Bank's president, Eugene R. Black, was in Israel last Spring, after a Bank study mis-

sion had surveyed the Israeli economy. Black then called upon Austin J. Tobin, executive director of the Port of New York Authority, to go to Israel to see whether an overall Israel Port Authority would be feasible. One of Israel's aims is to obtain from the Bank a loan of between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000 to help expand its port facilities at Haifa, the new harbor of Ashdod, and Eilat. Tobin returned this week. He announced he found the Israel Port Authority was "urgently needed," recommended its creation. That virtually clinched the World Bank loan-at last as far as the project for port expansion-costing a total of \$64,000,000—was concerned. The Bank's directors will decide on the loan application as a whole before the end of this month.

The Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel signed a contract this week for the construction of 62 housing units for American settlers. The \$1,000,000 project, which will be built by the Tel Aviv Construction Company, will be erected in a new fashionable development area near the Valley of the Cross, in Jerusalem. Funds for the construction loan and for mortgages are being provided by Hadassah, the Zionist Organization of America, the Canadian Zionist Organization, the Jewish Agency, and the Israel Ministry of Labor.

An agreement for the construction by an American firm of a \$5,000,000 plant for the manufacture of polyethylene in Haifa was signed in Jerusalem this week. The signers were Pinhas Sapir, Israel Minister for Commerce and Industry, and Virgil Stark, president of the North American Services Construction Company. Stark at the same time signed an agreement with the Haifa oil refineries to supply the new plant with ethylene. A \$4,000,000 plant to produce ethylene will be built by the Haifa refineries.

HEBREW SCHOOLS

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job it must do if Jewishness and our decisions to live on as a vital component of our American cultural and religious life."

Dr. Pilch proposed that "a new orientation toward the Jewish educational endeavors is needed and a correlative construction of a program of studies which will keep Jewish education relevant to the new unprecedented conditions of the Jew's existance as Jew in this atomic age."