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'FROM THE HEART'
of
Jack Entratter
President
Temple Beth Sholom

Our annual membership meeting for 1967 is now history.

I want to tell you how nice it was to sit as your President and look at the members assembled in our social hall. One hundred and twenty-six members turned out to vote for the four new Board members, hear the annual reports by committee chairmen, and participate in the discussion regarding the proposed Fair Share Dues Plan. Yes, it was a pleasant sight, but yet disappointing as well. Disappointing because I had expected at least twice that many people to be present.

The turnout represented approximately 23% of our total membership, and it is my sincere feeling that in a community such as ours, there should have been at least 50% of our membership present. The items on the agenda, which were mentioned in the notice of meeting sent to everyone, were important enough to merit a better attendance.

I fully realize that a good portion of our members simply cannot attend meetings even though they would like to. Circumstances are such that we are not always able to do things we'd like to do. That goes for attending meetings, Friday night services or social events sponsored by the Temple, Mens Club or Sisterhood. Still I

cannot help but feel that an additional 100 members should have attended the annual meeting and didn't.

I hate to think that our members just don't care. I rather believe that the average member has complete faith in the Temple Board, and knows that the Temple operations are in good hands. The Board does only what, in its estimation, is best for the membership and for the future welfare of the Temple.

My congratulations and best wishes to the four members who were elected to the Temple Board for the first time. They were Senator Chic Hecht, who had previously served on the board as an appointee to fill an unexpired term; Irwin Kishner, Paul Eisenberg and Dr. Jack Hirsh. These are four good men. Each dedicated in his own way and eager to help.

Two other nominees did not make it, since only four seats were available. Our past president, Jerry Mack, expressed a beautiful thought just prior to the election. He stated that it was certain that two nominees could not be elected and he wanted these two men to know they should be justly proud of the fact that they were nominated and that unfortunately someone had to lose in the balloting. I am certain that the continued devotion and personal interest of these two candidates will remain unswerving.

BUDAPEST (WNS) The trial of nineteen Hungarian quislings accused of participating in the murder of 250 Jews and Communists during the war concluded with the imposition of death sentences on three of the defendants and prison terms ranging from eight to fourteen years on the rest. The convicted men were all leaders of the pro-Nazi and anti-Semitic Arrow Cross Party in Hungary.

Annual Installation Of Hadassah May 28



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By Lily Phillips

On Sunday May 28, 1967, at 6:30 P.M. the Las Vegas Chapter Of Hadassah will



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hold its annual Installation Of Officers, at the Sands (Continued on Page 2)

Israel Comes of Age

ISRAEL - THE "CHILD PRODIGY" GROWS UP
(from State of Israel Bonds)

The child prodigy among the new nations is growing up. This becomes quite obvious when we realize that the State of Israel is now celebrating its nineteenth anniversary.

As Israel moves out of the category of the teen-ager, the first and natural question that arises is whether it has been able to maintain the brilliant performance of its earlier years. In other words, has Israel succeeded in sustaining its talent for development and miraculous progress in transforming an unpromising land into a Land of Promise in more than the Biblical sense? Even a cursory examination of what has been happening in Israel since it proclaimed its independence in 1948 must produce an unhesitating and unequivocal "yes".

No nation in modern history has been confronted with the problems which faced Israel on the day of its independence. At the termination of the British Mandate over Palestine, the institutions, bureaucracy and infrastructure necessary for the basic functions of any state simply did not exist. No banking institution, no legal system, no civil service, no municipal organization, no communications and so forth. The economic system of the country was completely disrupted as farmers left their plows to take up the weapons of war to secure the State. Pitched battles were being fought at widely scattered points throughout the country, as well-equipped Arab armies from five surrounding states crossed the borders into Israel. And to add to the difficulties, the largest immigration in history was in process with refugees pouring into the country at the

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Soviet Jewish Outlook Dark

NEW YORK (WNS) An American interfaith study mission sponsored by the Appeal of Conscience Foundation has ostensibly been given to understand in Moscow that the Soviet Union may order deletion of the word Jew from Soviet identity documents, it was indicated here at a press conference by the foundation's fact-finding group, which simultaneously reported that it believed "the outlook for the religious survival of the Soviet Jews was dark."

Rabbi Arthur Schneier, a member of the returning mission and president of the foundation, told a press conference that "because of the lack of teachers and rabbis and, especially the lack of educational facilities to train such religious leaders, Judaism as a religion is pathetically weak and growing weaker," adding "we get some notion of the depth of despair in which they operate when we realize that the lay members of the synagogue councils are resigned to the fact that they will have to learn to operate under lay leadership unless some arrangements can be worked out for the training of rabbis." At the same time, he disclosed that there are only three rabbis in the areas of concentration of the 3-

000,000 Jews in the Soviet Union, in Moscow, Leningrad and Odessa, and that two of the rabbis are elderly people, one of them 86 years old and the other 74. Some cities, such as Kiev, with a Jewish population of 200,000, Riga with 40,000 and Vilna with 10,000, have no rabbi.

At the same time, the mission was reported to have been assured by the Soviet official that the new prayer books which had been promised for years would be available in time for the High Holy Days. The mission, which included Dr. Harold A. Bosley, Minister of Christ Church, Methodist, Father Daniel Flaherty, executive editor of America, Jesuit weekly, and former congressman Francis E. Dorn, also reported that monuments on mass graves of Nazi victims still did not include the identification Jews.

MADRID (WNS) Last February's joint Jewish-Catholic service in Madrid's Catholic Church of Santa Rica has apparently triggered a split in Spanish Jewry. The service, described as a prayer, was attended by Jewish and Catholic dignitaries in the spirit of the new ecumenism, marking the first time that Jews had been so received since 1492.

BOAC Bows to Arab Boycott

The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations reported to its 21 national member agencies this week that the British Overseas Airways Corporation had "Bowed to Arab boycott pressure" in cancelling two of its weekly flights to the Far East via Lod Airport, Israel.

The Presidents Conference said it was "deeply dis-

tressed" by the action undertaken -- according to a BOAC spokesman in London when Pakistan prohibited flights over its territory on aircraft en route to and from Israel.

In its statement, the Presidents Conference charged that BOAC's action was "a challenge to every country" that pledged its cooperation to the United Nations in making the 1967 International Tourist Year a great "world effort to stimulate international understanding through the medium of tourism." "BOAC's compliant acceptance" of the Pakistani prohibition, the statement declared, "represents a disturbing surrender to Arab boycott pressures."

LONDON (WNS) President Atassi of Syria has called upon all Arab nations to join in the forming of a "popular army" of farmers, workers and peasants to join in a "war of liberation" against Israel, it was disclosed here in a report from Beirut that said Syria was ready to launch war on Israel "at any moment."

JCSC FAMILY PICNIC

The Jewish Center Social Club is planning its 3rd Annual Family Picnic for Sunday, May 21, 1967. It will be held at Paradise Park on East Tropicana and Harrison with the fun beginning at 11 A.M. There will be no admission charge, and free soft drinks and watermelon will be supplied by the Club. Games and activities for children and adults will be scheduled throughout the day. Please pack your picnic basket and join us for a fun-filled afternoon. We'd love to see some new faces! For further information about this event, call Irmalee Ross at 870-2702 or Adrienne Blatt at 870-3688.

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Friday May 19, 1967
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