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BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

10323 Superior Avenue



Cleveland, Ohio

לשכת החנוך דקליבלנד אוהיו

September 21, 1941

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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Ansel Road and E. 105 St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We thought that as a former President of the Bureau of Jewish Education and as Co-Chairman of the Jewish Welfare Fund, you would be interested in reading the enclosed copy of a letter which we sent to the Budget Committee of the Welfare Fund. The letter is self-explanatory.

We feel that you will appreciate our desire to eliminate the conditions which might lead to the incurring of future deficits by our constituent agencies.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year,

Sincerely yours,

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION
BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION
Monday, April 13th, 1942 - 8:30 P.M.
Bureau Conference Room

Present:

Ezra Z. Shapiro, Chairman
Mrs. Charles Auerbach
Nathan Brilliant
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OUTLINE OF ACTIVITIES OF THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION
Rendered in the Annual Reports at the Eighteenth Annual Meeting
Wednesday evening, April 22, 1942
Fenway Hall

Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees is now one hundred per cent representative. It is made up of designees of the constituent (communal schools) and affiliated (congregational and institutional) schools, plus one-fifth membership-at-large.

The Board is now studying a comprehensive list of recommendations for improving the quality and raising the standards of Jewish education.

Supervision and Guidance

The Director made over 75 supervisory visits in classes, most of them in the communal schools. He has been on call almost daily for consultation service and guidance.

At the request of the Board, he visited Lorain and Columbus who had invited him to help in advising and guiding their Hebrew School curricula, methods and administration

The Bureau Files and Text Book Exhibits have been consulted regularly by numerous teachers, principals, adult and youth organizations.

The Director has interviewed and recommended teachers to the Religious Schools during the course of the year.

The Office of the Council Religious Schools moved to the Bureau Offices in September, 1941, thereby bringing about a closer daily relationship between the Council Religious Schools and the other offices in the Bureau.

Service to Teachers

Published OBSERVATIONS, a monthly supervisory bulletin.

Furnished teachers with digests of materials on various Jewish school subjects, prepared by Mr. Elazar Goelman, a member of the staff.

Conducted two series of Demonstration Lessons for teachers and two Institutes during the year. Both were held in cooperation with the Ohio-Michigan-Indiana Religious School Teachers Association and were well attended. Teachers came in also from Lorain, Ashtabula, Indianapolis, Elyria, Akron and Warren.

Conducted an intensive six-week Seminar in Jewish Music, led by Mr. Erwin Jospe.

Training of Teachers

Carried on the Teachers' Training Institute 24 weeks during the year on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Have begun to graduate teachers qualified to teach in Religious Schools.

Planning to set up an intensive Summer Seminar to meet for four weeks, several hours per day, five days a week, to train Hebrew teachers to fill vacancies created by the war.

Inter-School Activities

Conducted Congregational Hebrew High School Class which was taught by Mrs. Shifra Rosen. The class consisted of twelve students who came from different congregational schools.

Organized an Inter-High School Council comprised of eight high school departments in the city.

Ran Inter-High School Rally, attended by 300 high school boys and girls.

Administered joint test for graduating classes of congregational Hebrew Schools in an endeavor to study the achievements of the students.

Placed 1543 subscriptions to WORLD-OVER on a joint subscription basis.

Communal and Public Relations

Initiated and carried on an extensive Jewish Book Week program in cooperation with the Jewish Community Council, Cleveland and Cleveland Heights Public Libraries.

Published special editions ^{of local newspapers} during Jewish Education Month in cooperation with the local Anglo-Jewish and Yiddish press, and conducted a series of Jewish Education Month activities.

Organized and conducted a successful conference of lay and professional leaders in Jewish Education in cooperation with the East Central States Region of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. This conference, held in November, was attended by leaders of fifteen communities.

Laid the ground work for the organization of an Inter-Faith Fellowship of Religious Educators in Northeastern Ohio in cooperation with the Schools Committee of the Jewish Community Council and the Cleveland Church Federation.

Prepared a battery of materials consisting of posterettes, workbook, quizzes, etc. in connection with the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign.

Cooperated fully with Jewish Vocational Service, Histadruth Ivrit, and many other adult and youth organizations in preparation of materials, programs, mimeographing service, etc.

The Director gave 24 addresses and lectures before teachers, parent groups and other bodies interested in Jewish Education.

Youth

Conducted the Young Judaea club program consisting of ten clubs with Mr. Elazar Goelman, the Director.

Cooperated with the Jewish Young Adult Bureau, with which our Jewish Youth League has merged this year, in planning Jewish cultural programs for youth.

Assisted the Zionist Youth Council and Zionist Youth Commission in the conduct of the fall and the winter week-end Seminars, conduct of study groups, etc.

Creation of Materials

Published twelve pedagogic bulletins for teachers and pupils during the year which have been used extensively in Cleveland and have been in demand elsewhere.

Studies and Experimentation

Experimenting with materials for teachers which will ultimately be published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Surveyed pupils' reactions to the illustrated current events paper entitled, WORLD-OVER.

Completed a survey of professional training and qualifications of the Jewish teachers in the city.

Surveying the attitudes of high school pupils to Judaism, Zionism, Jewish Education, etc.

Studied the shift of population in the community in determining the needs of the community as new neighborhoods open.

DIGEST OF AUDITOR'S REPORT

THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION
Cleveland, Ohio

For the Fiscal Year Ended February 28, 1942

Bank Balances - March 1, 1941 ----- \$ 756.51

Add - Receipts:

Jewish Welfare Fund	\$ 50,000.00	
Dividends - Interest - Donation	<u>418.04</u>	
Total Receipts	\$ 50,418.04	<u>50,418.04</u>
		\$ 51,174.55

Deduct - Disbursements:School Subsidies

Cleveland Hebrew Schools	\$ 33,000.00
Council Religious Schools	4,500.00
Jewish Teachers Institute	<u>171.91</u>
Total School Subsidies	\$ 37,671.91

Salaries - Bureau Staff	9,183.47
Extension Education (Youth League, Young Judaea, Library, Publications, Cong. Hebrew High School Class, etc.)	1,362.13
General Expense (Rent, Telephone, Supplies, Annual Meeting, other general office expense, postage, traveling, equipment)	<u>2,275.08</u>

Total Disbursements	\$ 50,492.59	<u>\$ 50,492.59</u>
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Bank Balances February 28, 1942 ----- \$ 681.96

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May 18, 1942

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LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH
YOUNG JUDAEA

Dear Board Member:

As scheduled early in the year, the May meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bureau of Jewish Education will be held the fourth Monday evening, May 25th, 8:30 P.M. sharp, in the Bureau Conference Room.

The chief item of business will be the first report of the Coordinating Committee. It will deal with recommendations for the setting of standards involving the lengthening of the school year, minimum attendance requirements, standards for Bar Mitzvah and Confirmation, etc.

Election of officers and rendering of school reports will constitute the rest of the agenda.

It is important that all members be present in view of the fact that the decisions with reference to the recommendations of the Coordinating Committee will affect the schools beginning with the forthcoming school year.

Looking forward to seeing you next Monday evening,

Sincerely yours,

Celia Auerbach

Mrs. Charles Auerbach
Secretary

Geo J. Klein

George J. Klein
President

P.S. We have prepared an outline summarizing the reports given at our Annual Meeting so "that a man may read it swiftly," (Habakkuk 2:2). We invite you to spend a few minutes of your time to go over it.

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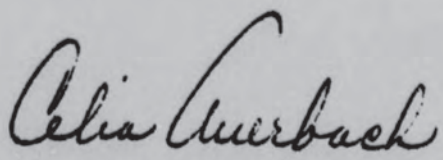
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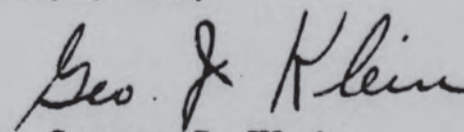
Because of the important and far-reaching significance and implications of the recommendations of the Coordinating Committee, the Board of Trustees at its last meeting decided that we send each member a copy of its report. Enclosed herewith you will find the first part of the report which we ask you to consider carefully before final action at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held as scheduled on Monday evening, June 15th. The Coordinating Committee will meet on June 9th to conclude its work and the final report will be sent to you on June 10th.

At the last meeting of the Bureau, the representative of one of our constituents, the Workmen's Circle Schools, invited us to be their guests at the Annual Children's Program on Sunday, June 7th, 8:00 P.M., at the Euclid Avenue Temple. Enclosed herewith you will find two complimentary tickets for your use. The program will include a concert of choir music by the pupils of the Workmen's Circle Schools, and a dramatization of two Yiddish classics written by Morris Rosenfeld and Sholom Aleichem. In addition, Menahem Rubin, formerly of Maurice Schwartz's Jewish Art Theatre, will render a program of songs and dramatic numbers. The program will be in Yiddish. You are most cordially invited to attend this annual event and become acquainted with the work of the Workmen's Circle Schools.

Sincerely yours,


Mrs. Charles Auerbach
Secretary


George J. Klein
President

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION
BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION
Wednesday, June 9, 1942 -- 8:30 P.M.,
Bureau Conference Room

PRESENT:

Myron Guren, Chairman
Rabbi Louis Engelberg
Suggs Garber
Max I. Kohrman
M. Medini
Mrs. Leo Reich
Rabbi Seymour Zambrowsky
Dr. Azriel Eisenberg

The report of the Sub-Committee of which Mr. Nathan Brilliant is Chairman was submitted: ON CONSOLIDATION OF THE COUNCIL RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS WITH THE CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOLS

The following recommendations were made:

1. The Coordination Committee accepts in principle the values to be derived from consolidating the Council Religious Schools with the Congregational Schools and recommends the appointment of a Committee to study further the possibilities and problems of this consolidation.
2. For the present, only the high schools of the Council can be merged with the Congregational Schools.
3. The pupils and parents concerned and the Congregations are to be contacted to ascertain their attitudes concerning this proposed merger.

The report of the Sub-Committee of which Mr. Max Kohrman is Chairman was then submitted: ON COORDINATION AND AMALGAMATION OF CERTAIN DAILY HEBREW SCHOOL UNITS WITH EXISTING CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOLS

The following recommendations were accepted unanimously:

1. That the Bureau set up a Committee for intensive schools to include the Talmud Torahs, Yeshivahs and Congregational Schools which meet four times a week. This Committee is to study problems of enrollment, turn-over, curriculum, methods, standards for teachers, uniform achievement tests, etc. Each school included within the purview of this program should have at least one representative on this Committee.
2. The Committee recommends further study of the possibilities of consolidation of certain schools which have an intensive Hebrew educational program.
3. Beginning with September 1943, boys who will become Bar Mitzvah in any of the Congregations affiliated with the Bureau of Jewish Education should be required to have attended at least one year in one of the Hebrew Schools represented on the Bureau. Beginning with September 1944, Bar Mitzvah boys should be required to have attended at least two years.

A special Bar Mitzvah Certificate issued by the Bureau should be awarded to all Bar Mitzvah boys who will have fulfilled these requirements.

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BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

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4. That the Weekday Congregational Hebrew Schools should open not later than a week following the opening of the Sunday Schools, and give not less than 125 hours of Hebrew instruction per year.
5. That the basic minimum for hours of attendance on Sundays should be $2\frac{1}{2}$.
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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION AS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION - June 17, 1942

FOR ONE DAY-A-WEEK SCHOOLS

1. It is recommended that Congregational one-day-a-week schools open the Sunday after Cleveland Public Schools open.
2. Whenever problems arise because of Jewish holidays, the Educational Directors' Council should meet in order to arrive at a uniform calendar for that particular year.
3. The minimum number of sessions for the Sunday School should be 35. When attendance is taken at a Holiday Service and/or Holiday School Celebration, it is to be considered as a session.
4. The minimum for hours of attendance on Sundays should be $2\frac{1}{2}$.
5. To be eligible for Confirmation or Graduation (as is the case in certain Orthodox Synagogues), a pupil should have covered a course of instruction of nine years, exclusive of kindergarten. In exceptional cases of children who enroll at a later age, they should not be confirmed unless they will have attended three years in a Congregational or Council Religious School. Transfers should be recognized.
6. An extra day of attendance per week should be required from both Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Classes. Exceptions should be made in the cases of those pupils who attend Hebrew School either in the Talmud Torahs or a Congregational Hebrew School. They should not be required to attend this extra day each week during the Pre-Confirmation year.
7. A knowledge of the reading of Hebrew should be required as a pre-requisite for Confirmation.
8. Attendance at Sabbath and Holiday Services should be required from Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation Classes.
9. The Board of Trustees of the Bureau of Jewish Education accepts in principle the values to be derived from consolidating the Council Religious Schools with the Congregational Schools and recommends the appointment of a Committee to study further the possibilities and problems of this consolidation.
10. For the present, only the high schools of the Council Religious Schools should be merged with the Congregational Schools.

FOR TWO OR THREE DAY-A-WEEK CONGREGATIONAL HEBREW SCHOOLS

11. The Congregational Hebrew Schools meeting two or three days a week should open not later than a week following the opening of the Sunday Schools, and give not less than 125 hours of Hebrew instruction per year.

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FOR FOUR TO SIX DAY-A-WEEK INTENSIVE SCHOOLS

12. It is recommended that the Bureau set up a Committee of representatives of intensive schools to include the Talmud Torahs, Yeshivahs and Congregational Schools which meet four times a week. This Committee is to study problems of enrollment, turn-over, curriculum, methods, standards for teachers, uniform achievement tests, etc. Each school included within the purview of this program should have at least one representative on this Committee.
13. Wherever possible certain school units which have an intensive Hebrew educational program should be asked to meet to study the possibilities of consolidation.
14. Beginning with September, 1943, boys who will become Bar Mitzvah in any of the Congregations affiliated with the Bureau of Jewish Education should be required to have attended at least one year, or its equivalent, in one of the Hebrew Schools represented on the Bureau. Beginning with September, 1944, Bar Mitzvah boys should be required to have attended at least two years or its equivalent.

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YOUNG JUDAEA

Dear Board Member:

In accordance with a decision of the Board of Trustees, we are sending you herewith a digest of the minutes of our last meeting of the Board, on June 17th.

The main item of business was the discussion of the report of the Coordinating Committee. The report enclosed herewith was unanimously adopted by the Board. Please bring this report up for careful consideration by your School Committee. There are several points in it that need your immediate attention, notably 1, 6, 10, 14.

With reference to item #10, it is essential that we know the decision of your committee as soon as possible, so that the Council Religious Schools can make its plans accordingly. Briefly, the facts are as follows: There are some 60 pupils in the High School Department of the Council Religious Schools now. There may be an added 40 or more next year. If the Congregations are ready to accept these pupils, we shall ask them to choose the schools they wish to attend. A committee of all concerned will be set up to study the various problems which will arise, such as finances, etc.

Reports were rendered of the:

1. Four Week Summer Seminar - Twenty-eight students enrolled. Ten study Bible, Hebrew Literature, Hebrew Pedagogy 15 hours a week, and eighteen, 4-5 hours a week, exclusive of home work. This last group is studying elementary and intermediate Hebrew.
2. The Hebrew High School for Congregational Students ended the year with an enrollment of twelve students (the same number that began). Ten of them did very well. The attendance and progress were satisfactory. The deficit was \$156.19. The anticipated deficit was \$200.00.
3. Ten of our young people are going to the National Young Judaea Camp at Amherst, New Hampshire for a period of three to nine weeks. Seven of them are being sent on a scholarship basis arranged by the Zionist Youth Commission which is working closely with us. This is the second summer that we are sending a group of ten young people to this camp. These young people act as leaders and workers in our Zionist youth movements.

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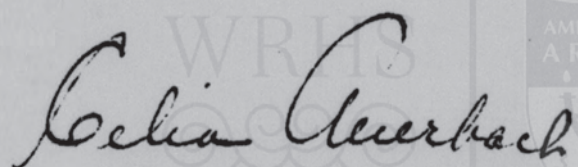
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On motion which was passed unanimously, Dr. Eisenberg was re-engaged for a period of two years at a salary of not less than what he is now receiving.

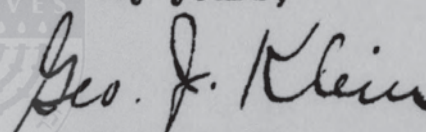
A Finance and Budget Committee consisting of thirteen members was appointed by the President with authority to act. This Committee, headed by Mr. James Miller, will meet on June 30th to make final allocation of the budget.

Although the next meeting of the Board will be held in September, several Committees will be meeting regularly during the next two months.

Wishing you a pleasant summer, we remain,


Mrs. Charles Auerbach
Secretary

Sincerely yours,


George J. Klein
President

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

Monday evening, December 21st, 1942 - Heights Temple

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 by the President, George J. Klein. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

CORRECTION IN ENROLLMENT PICTURE

The Director reported that the increase in enrollment reported at the last meeting was not accurate. The enrollment as of November 1, 1942 is as follows: Weekday schools - 2119; Elementary Sunday Schools - 3886; High School and College - 489. Generally speaking, except in the High School and College Departments (where it is lower), the enrollment is about the same as last year, not better as reported previously.

SCHOOL REPORTS

The reports of the Talmud Torahs, Council Religious Schools and Workman's Circle were read and approved. (See Highlights of Reports of Constituents) The Board voted unanimously to congratulate Mrs. Reich on her fifteenth anniversary as Supervisor of the Council Religious Schools.

By unanimous vote, the request made in the report of the Workmen's Circle was referred to the Educational Directors' Council for consideration.

CORRESPONDENCE

In reply to the annual communication from the Jewish Community Council, Dr. Eisenberg was elected unanimously to serve as the representative of the Bureau on the Council.

A letter from Mildred Gandal, former secretary of the Bureau, was read in which she announced her forthcoming marriage to Dr. Israel M. Goldman of Providence, Rhode Island. The Board was very happy to hear this news, and by unanimous vote decided to send her a gift as a token of its felicitations.

REPORT OF BUREAU - C.E.A. COMMITTEE

Mrs. Polster reported for the above committee which recommended the following:

- (1) A limited experiment should be organized where children would be scheduled to attend one portion of the afternoon in Hebrew School and a part of the afternoon in a club run by the Council Educational Alliance.
- (2) Information concerning the number of children in the C.E.A. who receive and who do not receive formal Jewish education and the numbers of pupils in the Jewish schools attending clubs at the C.E.A., and those who do not attend, etc. should be compiled before attempting the experiment. The wishes of those parents who would like their children to engage in a rounded-out program of formal and recreational educational should be ascertained.
- (3) A small committee for each organization concerned should be set up to work together toward above ends.
- (4) Since both the C.E.A. and the Cleveland Hebrew Schools have buildings at Kinsman-E. 135th Street and at Columbia-E. 105th Street, the experiment might be carried out most conveniently in these areas.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried, that this report be received and filed until the data mentioned in (2) above are gathered and studied.

BUILDING

The resolution concerning the Building as presented at the Board meeting in January, 1941, and the excerpt in the minutes of the meeting on February 17, 1941 were read. Mr. Klein reported that a committee headed by Mr. Sam Rosenthal and Mr. Alfred H. Sachs was appointed. This committee looked for a suitable location for almost two years. During the past summer an offer was made to the MacGregor Estates, owning the building at 10501 East Boulevard. A month ago (November) the offer of the Bureau was accepted. A check for \$500, advanced by several members of the committee as individuals, secured a firm option on the purchase of the building for 120 days, or until March 15, 1943. Subsequently, a meeting of the Executive and Building Committees was held at the home of Samuel Roseenthal. The minutes of this meeting were read (Exhibit A). The Committees' recommendations and findings follow:

1. The Bureau conduct a campaign which shall have a goal not exceeding \$35,000.
2. The agency buying this building will be the Bureau of Jewish Education.
3. The maintenance of the building should not exceed present maintenance costs.
4. The purposes of the building are: to house the Hebrew Teachers Institute, Hebrew High School, Jewish Teachers Institute, higher Hebrew classes, the offices of the Bureau of Jewish Education, Cleveland Hebrew Schools, Council Religious Schools, Young Judaea, and other constituent agencies of the Bureau, as well as to provide meeting facilities for teachers' seminars, youth groups, etc. This building will unite under one roof activities which are at the present time dispersed in different centers.

The Board was also informed that following this meeting the committee proceeded to carry out the instructions of the Board in its resolution of January, 1941 and a letter was sent to the Jewish Welfare Fund Committee which approved the plan unanimously, with the recommendation that the campaign be conducted immediately and completed as soon as possible so that ample time elapse between the closing of the Bureau campaign and the annual Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign.

The report rendered by the Executive and Building Committees was then approved unanimously. The members were urged to carry out the instructions of the Jewish Welfare Fund and proceed with the work in order to complete the task very quickly. The Board was informed that up to December 21, about \$12,000 had been pledged. An appeal was made to the Board, requesting that each member share in this fund-raising effort.

A letter from Mr. Henry Rocker, President of the Cleveland Jewish Center, addressed to Mr. Klein was then read (Exhibit B).

A motion was made, seconded, and carried that 1) the letter from Mr. Rocker be filed; 2) the President confer with Mr. Rocker in person to solicit the cooperation of the members of the Jewish Center in our effort; and 3) assurance be given to the Board of the Center that the Bureau will cooperate with the Center in the campaign for its Park School project.

In regard to the campaign these suggestions were made:

1. A dinner or luncheon meeting be held to which all campaign workers and additional prospective workers should be invited.
2. A women's committee be organized to help in soliciting funds and in furnishing the building.
3. Cards with the names of prospective contributors were distributed to members of the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35.

HIGHLIGHTS OF REPORTS OF CONSTITUENTS

CLEVELAND HEBREW SCHOOLS

Enrollment -- Average enrollment as of December 10th, 1942 -- 714

Horim Morim -- The second issue of this Parent Teachers Bulletin was issued and sent to 750 readers.

Educational Dinner -- Plans for the Twelfth Annual Educational Dinner, to be held on February 28, 1943, are being made by a committee headed by Mr. Jerome Silberman.

Tuition -- The tuition income for November 1942 was \$798.55, an increase of \$144.00 over October 1942; 75% of the 200 parents contacted during November agreed to an increase averaging 75¢ per month.

COUNCIL RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

The enrollment at date is 643.

This year is Mrs. Reich's 15th anniversary as supervisor of the Council Religious Schools. The Board noted the progress made during this period as follows: stabilization of attendance, purchase of textbooks for all pupils, establishment of libraries, introduction of tuition fee system. Other changes which took place this year are the closing of two schools and opening of one new one, the introduction of Hebrew reading in the 7th and 8th grades, and the extension of the time of instruction from 1½ to 2½ hours in the 7th, 8th, and 9th grades, and the transfer of 60 high school students to the five large congregations.

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE

Enrollment -- 127 children are enrolled in the schools.

Jewish Book Week -- The Workmen's Circle Schools helped to popularize Jewish Book Week.

Cultural Campaign -- The schools are engaged in a fund-raising campaign among its members.

School Concert -- The annual children's concert is scheduled for March 14, 1943, at the Euclid Avenue Temple.

Course for Adults -- A course in Yiddish for adults is conducted at the Workmen's Circle School on East 105th and Pasadena Avenue, every Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Reading Groups -- The teachers, with the cooperation of the school boards, conduct Yiddish reading circles.

Memorial and Protest Meeting -- A memorial and protest meeting against the ruthless extermination of the famous Medem Sanatorium in Poland was held on Friday, December 11th. Children of the schools also participated in this meeting. The Workmen's Circle Schools recommend that special gatherings be arranged to acquaint the children of all the Jewish schools in the city with the Nazi atrocities and to petition President Roosevelt to rescue the refugee children by admitting them into neutral countries.

BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

November 1 - 30, 1942 (One Month)

October 31, 1942 Bank Balance ----- \$ 2,274.76

ADD - RECEIPTS

Subsidy - Jewish Welfare Fund	\$4,166.00	
Refund - Mimeograph Ink	10.00	
Refund - Library Material	3.75	
Sale of Bureau Materials	<u>42.67</u>	
	\$ 4,222.42	<u>4,222.42</u>
		\$6,497.18

DEDUCT - DISBURSEMENTS

Subsidy - Cleveland Hebrew Schools	2,660.00	
" - Council Religious Schools	700.00	
Expense - Jewish Teachers Institute	<u>12.65</u>	
	\$ 3,372.65	

General, Administrative, and Extension:

Salaries	777.70	
Young Judaea	31.36	
Library	8.99	
Paper and Mimeograph Supplies	29.00	
Publication Expense	5.30	
Hebrew High School Class	50.25	
Stationery, Office Supplies & Printing	18.02	
Rent	52.50	
Telephone and Telegram	35.46	
Light	5.00	
Janitorial Service and Supplies	10.00	
Postage	8.88	
Equipment and Repair	10.79	
Jewish Education Month	1.00	
Extension Postage & Miscellaneous	<u>3.92</u>	
		<u>1,048.17</u>
	\$ 4,420.82	<u>4,420.82</u>

BANK BALANCE NOVEMBER 30th, 1942 ----- \$ 2,076.36

LOUIS D. BEAUMONT TRUST FUND BALANCE ----- \$ 407.82

BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

10323 Superior Avenue



Cleveland, Ohio

לשכת החנוך דקליבלנד אודיו

December 24, 1942

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CONSTITUENT SCHOOLS

CLEVELAND HEBREW SCHOOLS
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YESHIVATH ADATH B'NAI ISRAEL

AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

BELLEFAIRE
CLEVELAND JEWISH CENTER
COMMUNITY TEMPLE
EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE
HEIGHTS JEWISH CENTER
KINSMAN JEWISH CENTER
N'VAI ZEDEK
OER CHODOSH ANSHE S'FARD
OHEB ZEDEK
ORTHODOX JEWISH ORPHAN HOME
TEMPLE ON THE HEIGHTS
THE TEMPLE



JEWISH TEACHERS INSTITUTE
YOUNG JUDAEA

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

For many years the Bureau of Jewish Education has felt urgently the need for a permanent home to house the Hebrew Teachers Institute which trains Hebrew teachers, Hebrew High School, Jewish Teachers Institute which trains Sunday School teachers, higher Hebrew classes, as well as to house the offices of the Bureau of Jewish Education, Cleveland Hebrew Schools, Council Religious Schools, Young Judaea, and to afford meeting facilities for teachers' seminars, youth groups, and adult groups furthering Jewish educational efforts. These activities have been scattered in different localities in the community. With their centralization under one roof, we are certain that the Jewish educational program of the community will be greatly benefited and improved.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bureau of Jewish Education, it was unanimously voted to purchase the building at 10501 East Boulevard. This building contains sixteen rooms and will meet all the needs listed above. The location of the building is splendid for our purpose. It is centrally located on the East 105th Street car line, near the Wade Park and Hough Avenue bus lines, and is at the end of University Circle. It is easily accessible to high school and Western Reserve University students.

The project including the purchase price, adequate renovation and proper equipment will not exceed \$35,000. The Jewish Welfare Fund Committee has approved and endorsed our campaign. Maintenance costs will not exceed those expended at the present time in rental fees for the activities mentioned above.

As you know the Bureau is the central agency for the training of Hebrew and Sunday School teachers. Furthermore, it carries on an

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intensive, varied, and all-year-around program for raising the standards of Jewish schools in the community. In view of these activities, your school has benefited and will benefit directly from its work. We feel, therefore, that The Temple should be interested in cooperating with us in a two-fold manner:

1. By contributing to our campaign.
2. By appointing a committee who will solicit members of your congregation on our behalf.

We shall very much appreciate this act of cooperation and assistance in our work.

Looking forward to an early and favorable reply to this request, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

Azriel Eisenberg
Azriel Eisenberg
Director

Geo. J. Klein
George J. Klein
President



Ps. Dear Rabbi Silver,
I have endeavored to see you for some time regarding the above and two other matters. Mr. Klein informed me of your very busy and crowded schedule. I do hope I shall have the privilege of meeting with you soon.

A. Eisenberg

BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1 - 31, 1943 (One Month)

December 31st, 1942 Bank Balance ----- \$ 1,911.19

ADD - RECEIPTS

Subsidy - Jewish Welfare Fund	\$ 4,166.00	
Richman Shares Dividends	68.00	
Tuition - Congregational Hebrew High School	12.00	
Sale of Bureau Materials	46.96	
Refund - Paper and Mimeograph Supplies	3.30	
	\$ 4,296.26	\$ 4,296.26
		\$ 6,207.45

DEDUCT - DISBURSEMENTS

Subsidy - Cleveland Hebrew Schools	\$ 2,660.00	
" - Council Religious Schools	700.00	
	\$ 3,360.00	

General, Administrative, and Extension:

Salaries	788.25	
Owing for Victory Tax	29.70	
	758.55	
Young Judeaea	32.30	
Library	21.55	
Paper and Mimeograph Supplies	76.57	
Publication Expense	35.58	
Hebrew High School Class	50.00	
Hebrew Readers Clubs (Hakoreh Hatzair)	12.50	
Stationery, Office Supplies, and Printing	15.81	
Rent	52.50	
Telephone and Telegram	36.81	
Light	5.00	
Janitorial Service and Supplies	10.00	
Postage	3.98	
Independent Towel Supply Co.	1.05	
Dues - Jewish Community Council	3.00	
Miscellaneous	9.20	
	\$ 1,124.40	\$ 4,484.40

BANK BALANCE JANUARY 31st, 1943 ----- \$ 1,723.05

LOUIS D. BEAUMONT TRUST FUND BALANCE \$ 409.48

HIGHLIGHTS OF REPORTS OF CONSTITUENTS

CLEVELAND HEBREW SCHOOLS

Tuition - Collections in January were \$829.00, an increase of \$226.00 over the same month last year.

Horim-Morim - Five hundred copies of the February issue of this bulletin were distributed to parents.

Jewish National Fund Tree Campaign - The Talmud Torahs raised about \$320 for the Tree Campaign. This is \$100 more than was raised last year.

School Examinations - The Director has given oral examinations to pupils of several classes.

Educational Dinner - Six hundred reservations have been secured for the Twelfth Annual Educational Dinner.

COUNCIL RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Tuition - To date, \$841.41 in tuition fees has been paid. Of the 615 children enrolled, 199 are fully paid and 194 partially paid.

Jewish National Fund Tree Campaign - The pupils of the Council Religious Schools turned over \$208.27 to the Jewish National Fund for the purchase of trees. This is the largest amount the Council Religious Schools children have ever contributed to the Tree Fund.

Confirmation Class - In March, the Confirmation Class, numbering 62 pupils, will resume their midweek instruction with Rabbi Reuben Slonim, who replaces Rabbi Goldfarb.

Purim Celebrations - It was decided that this year each branch celebrate the holiday in its own school, instead of the mass program arranged in former years.

YOUNG JUDAEA

Membership - New clubs are being organized, but the problem still is to find leaders.

Jewish National Fund Tree Rally - Young Judaea presented the pageant, "The Parade of the Trees" by Brilliant and Braverman, at the Jewish National Fund Tree Rally sponsored by the Zionist Youth Council. A total of 74 trees have been sold, the largest amount sold by any of the four cooperating organizations.

Winter Seminar - Young Judaea participated in the Annual Winter Seminar sponsored by the Zionist Youth Council.

Leaders' Party - Twenty leaders attended the party on February 6th, a very successful affair, abounding in true Zionist spirit.

Future Activities - The following activities are planned: Purim Celebrations, Bond and Stamp Drive, Essay, Oratorical, and Art Contests, Leaders' Oneg Shabbat.

YESHIVATH ADATH BNAI ISRAEL - No report.

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE SCHOOLS - No report.

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION
Monday, February 15th, 1943 - Temple on the Heights

The meeting was opened at 8:40 P. M. by the President, George J. Klein. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as mailed.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from James H. Miller, Chairman of the Jewish Welfare Federation Travelogue, was read, expressing appreciation to the members of the Bureau who assisted in the arranging of the Bureau exhibit at the Travelogue. Mr. Klein thanked Mrs. Auerbach and Mr. Guren for the fine manner in which they presented the Exhibit.

A letter of thanks from Rabbi Harold Goldfarb was read.

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Miller reported for the Finance and Budget Committee on the recommended allocation of funds for the year, March 1, 1943 - February 29, 1944. The recommended allocations to the several agencies are as follows:

	<u>1943-44</u>	<u>1942-43</u>
Bureau Administrative, General, and Extension	\$ 12,838.00	\$ 12,862.00
Cleveland Hebrew Schools	36,318.70	31,300.00
Council Religious Schools	5,216.94	5,588.00
Jewish Teachers Institute	250.00	250.00
Zionist Youth Commission	1,020.00	
Yeshivath Adath Bnai Israel	6,000.00	4,800.00
Workmen's Circle Schools	<u>2,200.00</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>
	\$ 63,843.64	\$ 56,600.00

These figures do not constitute the total budgets of the Cleveland Hebrew Schools, Council Religious Schools, Zionist Youth Commission, Yeshivah, and Workmen's Circle Schools, as they receive income from other sources besides the Jewish Welfare Fund, such as tuition fees, fund raising projects, etc.

The Committee recommended that the Zionist Youth Commission be included as a constituent agency of the Bureau and that the Bureau recommend to the Welfare Fund an allocation in the sum of \$1,020 for the conduct of its program.

Mr. Guren moved that the report of the Finance and Budget Committee be accepted. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

WELCOME TO RABBI SLONIM

Rabbi Reuben Slonim who is taking Rabbi Goldfarb's place at the Community Temple was welcomed as a member of the Bureau Board of Trustees.

BUILDING FUND REPORT

Mr. James Miller reported for the Building Fund Committee as follows: To date, 182 contributors have pledged \$25,265.01 and paid \$19,647.51 in cash. Five have pledged \$1000, twelve \$500, three \$300, fourteen \$250, nine \$200, five \$150, forty-six \$100, three \$75, twenty-seven \$50, etc. Members were urged to see their prospects very soon so that the campaign can be culminated successfully as quickly as possible.

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PROTEST DEMONSTRATION

Dr. Eisenberg reported on the plans for the Children's Protest Demonstration against Nazi atrocities. This Demonstration is being planned by the Educational Directors' Council. At the last Board meeting the suggestion was made that the cooperation of the Jewish Community Council be requested. The Director met with Mr. Philip Bernstein, who in turn conferred with the officers of the Jewish Community Council. They recommended stressing the inter-faith rather than the specific Jewish aspect. This recommendation was then referred back to the Educational Directors, who, with one exception, opposed it. They were in favor of going through with the original plan of arranging a fifteen-minute radio broadcast on a Sunday morning protesting the Nazi atrocities, including a musical program and prayer, and concluding with the signing of a petition to be sent to President Roosevelt. The plan also called for an invitation to be extended to the Cleveland Church Federation to urge their Sunday Schools to listen to the program and to participate in signing the petition. The motion was made and seconded that the report of the Educational Directors Council be approved by the Board. The motion was carried after a thorough discussion. On the one hand, it was pointed out that an activity involving the use of the radio ought to be referred to the Public Relations Committee of the Community Council. On the other hand, it was underscored that since this is a project of an educational nature related to the Jewish schools, and since the Bureau of Jewish Education is the all-embracing educational agency of the community, it should be completely and solely responsible for this program.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Eisenberg then presented his monthly report as follows:

Inter-High School Rally - The Second Annual Inter-High School Rally will be held this year at The Temple, on March 7th. The first part of the program will include a radio dramatization and singing. The group will then break up into round tables to discuss the following topics: Vocational Guidance in the Present War, Jews in the Post-War World, What is the Most Favorable Social Order for a Full and Creative Jewish Life?, Palestine in the Present War, and Relationships between Jewish and Gentile Youth. The conference will conclude with a second assembly where reports of the round tables will be given. Some 350-400 students are expected.

Hebrew Readers' Groups (Hakoreh Hatzair) - Thus far eight schools are participating in this project. In the next few weeks several more are expected to join. In these schools groups of children read voluntarily during their leisure time. Materials, including graded lists, forms, records, and certificates have been prepared by the Bureau for the use of these groups. The numbers participating thus far are: Cleveland Hebrew Schools 114, Euclid Avenue Temple - 75, Jewish Center - 48, The Temple - 40, Heights Temple - 26.

Jewish National Fund Tree Campaign - This campaign was especially successful this year. (See Highlights.)

Victory Gardens - The Office of Civilian Defense has asked the Bureau to initiate Victory Gardens in the schools wherever possible. The possibilities of this idea are being investigated.

Since the hour was late, the school reports were not read. Excerpts of these reports containing the most important items are enclosed herewith.

The Financial Report for January was approved and is also included herewith.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P. M.

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOLS

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(See Map on Reverse Side)

C - CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOLS

C1 - Euclid Avenue Temple *
8206 Euclid Avenue
7th, 8th, 9th grades meet one additional day during the week - Hebrew School meets Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

C2 - Community Temple *#
9801 Euclid Avenue
Hebrew School meets two days in the mid-week plus Saturday or Sunday

C3 - The Temple *
Ansel Road & E. 105th Street
8th and 9th grades meet one additional day during the week - Hebrew School meets one day in the mid-week plus Sat. or Sun.

C4 - Jewish Center *
1117 East 105th Street
9th and 10th grades meet one additional day during the week - Hebrew School meets two days in the mid-week plus Sunday

C10 - Jewish Center Hts. Branch, 1635 Lee Rd.

C5 - Oheb Zedek *#
Parkwood Drive and Morrison
Hebrew School meets four days in the mid-week plus Sunday

C6 - Heights Jewish Center *#
14274 Superior Road
Hebrew School meets four days in the mid-week plus Sunday

C7 - Temple on the Heights*
3130 Mayfield Road
8th and 9th grades meet one additional day during the week - Hebrew School meets two days in the mid-week plus Sunday

C8 - N'vai Zedek *#
East 119th and Union

C9 - Kinsman Jewish Center *#
14623 Kinsman Road
Hebrew School meets four days in the mid-week plus Sunday

W - WORKMEN'S CIRCLE SCHOOLS (YIDDISH) Five-Day-a-Week Schools (Sun. - Thurs.)

W1 - 10511 Pasadena Avenue
W2 - 3335 East 118th Street
W3 - 3467 East 147th Street

T - TALMUD TORAHS

Four Day-a-Week Schools (Mon. - Thurs.)

T1 - Jewish Center Branch
1117 East 105th Street

T2 - Hebrew High School & Teachers' Seminary
10507 Grantwood Avenue

T3 - Columbia Branch
10417 Columbia Avenue

T4 - Lakeview Branch
891 Lakeview Road

T5 - Kinsman Branch
13409 Kinsman Road

T6 - Rickoff Branch
3500 East 147th Street

T7 - Hazeldell Branch
654 East 124th Street

S - COUNCIL RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

One-Day-a-Week Schools - Two High School Branches

S1 - Lakeview Branch #
891 Lakeview Road

S2 - Columbia Branch #
10417 Columbia Branch

S3 - Mount Pleasant Branch #
13512 Kinsman Road

Y - YESHIVATH ADATH B'NAI ISRAEL Five-Day-a-Week Schools (Sun. - Thurs.)

Y1 - 10417 Westchester Avenue
Y2 - Lakeview & Durant (Young Israel Bldg.)

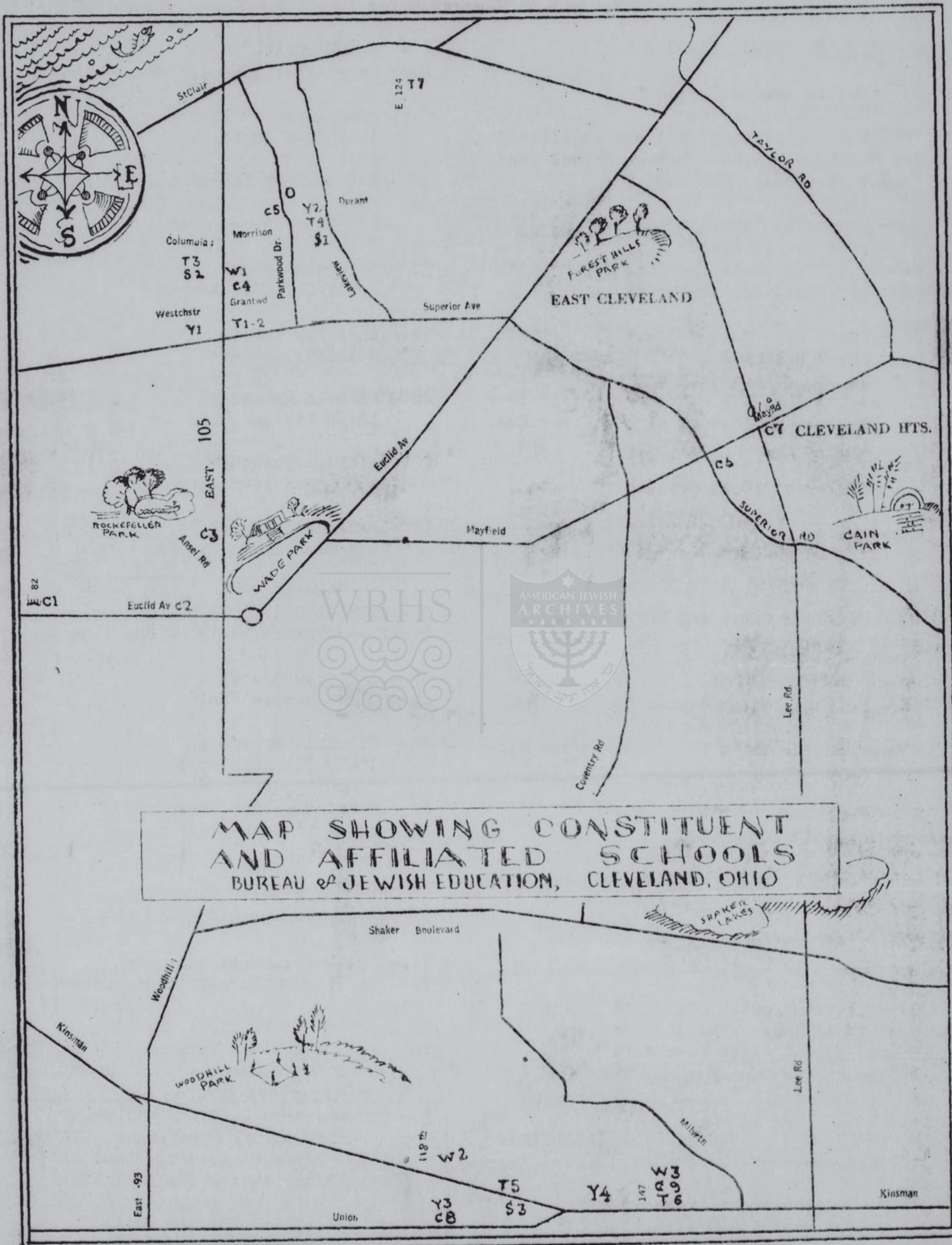
Y3 - Union and E. 119th Street

Y4 - East 140th and Kinsman

O - Orthodox Orphan Home, 879 Parkwood
Five-Day-a-Week School

- * - One-Day-a-Week School including High School Department
- # - Ninth grade classes meet one additional day during the week

Note: Bellefaire and the Cedar-Central and West Side Branches of the Council Religious Schools are not shown on the map.



ADAPTED FROM MAP OF COMMERCIAL SURVEY COMPANY
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HIGHLIGHTS OF REPORTS OF CONSTITUENTS

CLEVELAND HEBREW SCHOOLS

Enrollment - Enrollment for December 1942 was 716. ✓

Tuition - Tuition income for the month of December 1942 was \$775.15, which is an increase of \$195.00 over December 1941.

Educational Dinner - Rabbi Simon Greenberg of Philadelphia will be the guest speaker at the Educational Dinner which will be held on February 28th, at the Jewish Center. In order to reach the same income as last year, Mr. Jerome Silberman, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, is making every effort to secure patrons, advertisements, donations, and reservations.

COUNCIL RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Teachers - Three more teachers have joined the armed forces and left the schools.

Purim Celebration - It may be necessary to abandon the mass Purim celebration this year because of transportation difficulties. If it is not held as an inter-school project, there will be Purim programs in each school.

Enrollment - Enrollment as of January 17th was 633 pupils in 30 classes.

Tuition - To date \$721.78 has been collected.

YOUNG JUDAEA

Membership - Since the new director, William Lakritz, took office in October 1942, there have been six additional clubs organized besides the eight in the congregations. There are now 130 registered Young Judaeans in fifteen clubs besides 85 in the Heights Temple Young Judaea Clubs. In all there are 215 Young Judaea members in Cleveland.

Leaders' Council - There are now 25 members in the Leaders' Council besides the six teachers who lead clubs at the Heights Temple.

Activities - The aim has been to hold a city-wide gathering once a month. Thus far, the following have been conducted: Balfour Day Celebration, Chanukah Oneg Shabbat, City Convention, Paid-Up Theater Party. The next function scheduled is a Jewish National Fund Tree Rally on January 31 at the Mount Pleasant Council Educational Alliance.

Cleveland has made considerable progress in the last few months in Young Judaeans activity; however, there are still many problems, the most pressing of which is the scarcity of capable leaders, particularly, male leaders.

Special mention was made of the fine job that William Lakritz is doing as director of Cleveland Young Judaea.

YESHIVATH ADATH B'NAI ISRAEL

Dr. Eisenberg reported for the Yeshivath Adath B'nai Israel, which held its annual banquet on January 24th. The program book of the dinner brought in \$1600 and there was an attendance of 250-300 people.

The Yeshivah has not been submitting its monthly reports.

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE SCHOOLS

No report.

BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

December 1 - 31, 1942 (One Month)

November 30, 1942 Bank Balance ----- \$ 2,076.36

ADD - RECEIPTS

Subsidy - Jewish Welfare Fund	\$ 4,166.00	
Tuition - Congregational Heb. High School	58.50	
Sale of Bureau Materials	57.01	
	<u>\$ 4,281.51</u>	<u>4,281.51</u>
		6,357.87

DEDUCT - DISBURSEMENTS

Subsidy - Cleveland Hebrew Schools	\$ 2,660.00
" - Council Religious Schools	700.00
Expense - Jewish Teachers Institute	7.00
	<u>\$ 3,367.00</u>

General, Administrative, and Extension:

Salaries	780.95	
Young Judaea	37.33	
Library	19.91	
Paper and Mimeograph Supplies	6.40	
Publication Expense	2.65	
Hebrew High School Class	50.24	
Hebrew Readers Clubs	17.47	
Stationery, Office Supplies, and Printing	3.97	
Rent	52.50	
Telephone and Telegram	34.39	
Light	5.00	
Janitorial Service and Supplies	10.00	
Postage	1.47	
Traveling Expenses	20.00	
Independent Towel Supply Co.	3.15	
Jewish Education Month	13.00	
Extension Postage and Miscellaneous	5.00	
Miscellaneous	16.25	
	<u>\$ 1,079.68</u>	
	\$ 4,446.68	<u>\$ 4,446.68</u>

BANK BALANCE DECEMBER 31st, 1942 ----- \$ 1,911.19

LOUIS D. BEAUMONT TRUST FUND BALANCE ----- \$ 407.82

With trembling heart we follow the heroic struggle waged by humanity against the mobilized forces of evil. We pray ^{that} right and justice will ultimately prevail in the present world crisis.

While, however, gravely concerned with the tragic plight of our people overseas, we must also give thought to our own problems. For in America, too, we are carrying on a war for the future and destiny of our people. Our enemy here is "Am Haaratzut," Jewish illiteracy, the appalling ignorance and indifference to Jewish culture and aspirations that exists among our youth. Jewish parents lavish the utmost care on their children. Their children flock to higher institutions of learning. They aspire to enter the higher professions. They excel in musical and artistic attainment. It is rather strange, therefore, to see the utter unconcern many of our parents display toward the intensive Jewish education of their children.

The challenge that has been flung to the Jewish people may be answered only in one way: By strengthening the Jewish spirit! Only an intensified Jewish education can safeguard the Jewish future.

An intensive Jewish education can be had only in the week-day religious schools. There, Jewish children acquire Jewish faith and traditions. There they learn the Hebrew culture in the original. There they can more truly appreciate the ideals of their people and acquire a pride in their ancient and honorable lineage.

Jewish parents, are you concerned with your children's self-respect? For their wholesome attitude to their people? For the integrity of their character and culture?

Then pay the debt you owe them! Give them an intensive Jewish education! Enroll them in a week-day religious school!

Cleveland, Ohio

CLEVELAND BUREAU of JEWISH EDUCATION



BUILDING FUND

AN IMPERATIVE NEED

Cleveland Jewry has been in urgent need of a permanent home to house

- (1) its Hebrew Teachers Institute which trains teachers for the Cleveland Hebrew schools and Hebrew departments of congregational schools,
- (2) its Jewish Teachers Institute which trains teachers for congregational and communal one-day-a-week schools,
- (3) its Hebrew High School which affords a higher Hebrew education to graduates of communal and congregational schools,
- (4) a Jewish educational library,
- (5) facilities for teachers' seminars and youth groups,
- (6) as well as to provide suitable offices for the Bureau of Jewish Education and all its direct constituent agencies including the Cleveland Hebrew Schools and Council Religious Schools.

MEETING THE NEED: A BUILDING

For the past two years the Board of Trustees has considered the purchase of a building at 10501 East Boulevard, which it now has under firm option. This building contains sixteen large rooms and other useful facilities which will meet these needs. The location of the building is splendid for the purposes listed above. It is centrally located on the East 105th Street car line, a block away from the Wade Park and Hough Avenue bus lines. It is easily accessible to high school and Western Reserve students. Its location in the Wade Allotment, at the end of University Circle, insures the value and appropriate dignity of the site.

THE GOAL

The total expenditure including the purchase price of the building plus renovizing and equipping it for the purposes outlined will approximate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000). The plan is to finance the entire project in cash.

AUSPICES AND MAINTENANCE

The building is being purchased by the Bureau of Jewish Education and will be under the control and supervision of its Board of Trustees, which includes representatives of practically all the Jewish schools of the city — orthodox, conservative, reform, Hebraic and Yiddish. This proposed center will unite under one roof activities which are at the present time scattered in different localities throughout the city. Maintenance costs will, therefore, not exceed the amounts expended at present in rental fees for these facilities since they are now in the budgets of the Bureau of Jewish Education and its constituent and affiliated organizations.

A CALL TO FRIENDS OF JEWISH EDUCATION

The Jewish Welfare Fund of Cleveland has approved and endorsed this project. Friends of Jewish education are urgently invited to share in the furthering and enhancement of the cause of Jewish education in Cleveland by filling out the enclosed pledge card. Checks should be made payable to the Bureau of Jewish Education Building Fund, 10323 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

CLEVELAND BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION,

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