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ACCENT ON NEWS

By BERNARD J. LOEBNER

HONOR FOR JUDGE ALSCHULER

Invitations have gone out for the banquet to be held at the Covenant Club on Saturday evening, May 23, in honor of JUDGE SAMUEL AL-SCHULER. A distinguished group of outstanding jurists will attend and take part in the program. JUDGE JOSEPH B. DAVID, the "anchor" of the bar, will act as toastmaster. He will be introduced by the President of the Club DR. S. S. HOLLENDER.

Judge Alscherler, for 21 years on the bench of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, will retire today, May 15. The jurist is 76. He announced his resignation last month after he had received a letter from President Roosevelt accepting his retirement decision.

In accepting the resignation President Roosevelt wrote:

"It is with extreme regret that I accede to your wishes. However, I can well understand the reasons for your decision to retire, and take this occasion to express my deep appreciation for your devotion to the best traditions of the judiciary during the many years you have been on the bench. It is my earnest hope that you may enjoy many years of health and happiness."

Judge Alscherler received his federal judgeship from President Wilson. Previously, he was a member of the Illinois house of representatives from 1896 to 1900, and a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor in 1908 and 1912.

Judge Alscherler was born in Chicago and educated in Aurora where he was admitted to the bar in 1881. He served in Congress from 1896 to 1900. During the war he was arbitrator of labor disputes in the stock yards and averaged some twelve classes.

Mrs. Alscherler is a prominent social worker and their home is at 5421 Cornell avenue.

Judge Alscherler has always been recognized as a great lawyer. He was engaged in many important cases, and in 1889 was associated with Judge David and other promising members of the Bar in the celebrated "Dynamite Trial" . . . growing out of the great Burlington Strike in 1888.

Judge Alscherler's splendid career has brought him an honored place in the history of the Federal judiciary. The entire community in those midst he was born, rejoices in the honor to be given to him at the Covenant Club.

MR. SLATTERY INAUGURATED

JAMES M. SLATTERY, new chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission, and BENJAMIN F. LINDHEIMER, retired chairman, were both given an ovation at the inauguration of Mr. Slattery, Monday. The ceremonies took place in the hearing room of the commission on the 26th floor of No. 1 North La Salle street.

A profusion of floral pieces, sent by admiring friends of Mr. Slattery, greeted him as he was introduced by MICHAEL L. IGUE, United States district attorney. Men prominent in public life, eulogized Mr. Slattery.

State's Attorney THOMAS J. COURTNEY, ALD. JACOB M. ARVEY, CLAYTON P. SMITH, president of the County Board; JOHN S. CLARK, Cook County Assessor, and others took turns telling the audience of several hundred what an able man Mr. Slattery is, and the high esteem in which they held him.

"I take off my hat to Jim Slattery," said Alderman Arvey, Mayor Kelly's head man in the city council. "He fought the primary battle like a fair and square fighter. He will make one of the finest efficient public officers. He is a man of courage. He demonstrated this very forcefully during the last four months and the fact that I was on the other side makes me all the more appreciative of this admirable quality."

Mr. Igue congratulated Arvey on his speech, saying that his attitude was highly commendable.

Mr. Slattery praised the regime of its predecessor, Benjamin F. Lindheimer, and promised to—"fairly discharge those responsibilities and embrace those op-

portunities in a manner which will reflect further credit upon the splendid administration of Governor Horner."

Among those who attended were Sheriff John Toman, Chief Justice John J. Stossleby of the Municipal Courts, Criminal Court Clerk Thomas Butler, Prothono. Court Clerk Mitchell C. Rubin, various District Trustees Dennis A. Hagan, Paul Colliani, James Whalen, George Seid and Joseph Friedman, Park Commissioner Harry Joseph, Master-in-Chancery Samuel B. Epstein, James T. Igoe, Public Administrator Martin J. O'Brien, Municipal Court Bailiff Albert Horan, County Commissioner Fred Fischer, Attorney Charles P. Schwartz, Master-in-Chancery Fred Bernstein, and Master-in-Chancery Sidney L. Pollack.

Mr. Lindheimer was the guest of honor Tuesday night at a farewell dinner given by the employees of the commission at the La Salle hotel. James M. Slattery, who succeeded Mr. Lindheimer, also was a guest.

Governor Horner was lauded for the excellent administration he has given the people of the state and for the wonderful race he made in the primary election. It was purely a love fest and politics was not on the program.

Mr. Lindheimer said it was with the deepest regret that he was compelled by press of private business to leave the many loyal friends and employees with whom he had worked the past three and a half years.

He spoke feelingly of the cooperation and loyalty of the employees throughout his administration. Mr. Lindheimer revealed that he never again expected to hold public office of any kind, but added with a smile that he would always be interested in politics.

"I find it difficult to speak; there is a lump in my throat," said Mr. Lindheimer as he looked about the crowded banquet hall. For a minute he could not proceed, but finally after a brief review of the work of the commerce commission, expressed his thanks and appreciation to the employees.

ULYSSES S. SCHWARTZ chairman of the fund.

MAX HIRSCH, foremost trainer of horseflesh in America, won the Kentucky Derby when BOLD VENTURE, owned by MORTON L. SCHWARTZ, galloped across the tape to beat BREVITY by a nose. MARY HIRSCH, his daughter, the only licensed woman trainer of horses in this country, aided him. IRA HANFORD, is being trained as a successor jockey to EARL SANDE. Hanford, of course, is also Jewish. "Daft koomin zu America zu vinnin an Derby!"

SIGMUND FREUD REACHES EIGHTY

DR. SIGMUND FREUD, world renowned psycho-analyst, attained his eightieth birthday this week. He has been the leader of many intellectuals for these many years and probably for generations to come. His most famous quip probably was, "If youth only knew and age only could."

BERLIN AND MORGENTHAU CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

IRVING BERLIN, Jewish "minstrel man" who has been composing songs for the past twenty-five years and HENRY MORGENTHAU, who watches the country's funds both celebrated their birthdays last Monday.

In addition to the feature picture, special novelties will be presented on the stage and screen. The arrangements committee is headed by Belle Allen and Miriam Booth. They are being assisted by Florence Blum, Gertrude Gans, Irma Hornstein, Rose Katz, Lillian Salk, and Bess and Sara Spiegelman.

The officers of the Austin Chapter of Junior Hadassah, which holds its meetings on every other Tuesday evening in the Congregation B'nai Israel of Austin, 5433 W. Jackson blvd., are: Zelda Goldman, president; Mae Greenwald Oppenheim, central vice-president; Sara Spiegelman, fund raising vice-president, and Rose Katz, membership vice-president.

JEWISH BIG SISTERS TO DANCE NEXT SUNDAY

The Jewish Big Sisters will have a dinner-dance next Sunday night in the grand ballroom of the Stevens hotel. Proceeds will go toward the Big Sisters' work among underprivileged girls. The dance will climax a fund raising campaign being sponsored by the organization. Mrs. Philip P. Sachs is president.

Mrs. Samuel S. Hollender is chairman of the frolic committee, and

"AWAKE AND SING" AT THE SELWYN!



Stella Adler and Luther Adler, talented daughter and son of the venerable Yiddish actor Jacob P. Adler are playing in Clifford Odets' drama "Awake and Sing" now presented at the Selwyn Theatre. "Awake and Sing" is the best play of 1935, the cast is marvelous—Go and see it!

COMMUNAL and SOCIAL NEWS

SIX THOUSAND CHILDREN TO PARTICIPATE IN WELFARE FUND DRIVE

In connection with the campaign for the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, the children of the schools that are affiliated with the Board of Jewish Education, will make their contribution at the Hag Habikurim ceremony which will take place on Sunday morning June 10th, at Garfield Park. The children under the guidance of teachers will prepare special baskets of food materials to be sent to the needy children in Poland and in Germany. In addition classes will make their money contributions for the United Palestine Appeal.

An elaborate program of pageantry and music will feature the Hag Habikurim. The program is being sponsored under the auspices of the Allied School Board of the Board of Jewish Education.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE KEHILLAH THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday May 17, is the day set aside for the annual conference of the Kehillah to be held at Kehillah Hall, 3244 Grenshaw st. The conference will consist of morning and afternoon sessions, commencing at 10 a.m. sharp, with an intermission during which luncheon will be served by members of the Orthodox Frauen Verband.

The conference will be opened by the president of the Kehillah, Abe Goldblatt, who will give a general survey of the various activities of the Kehillah during the past year and an outline of plans for the future.

Rabbi Menachem H. Sach, executive director, will announce the program of the day and give detailed reports on the work accomplished. Financial reports will be rendered by the treasurer and accounts of special activities by the chairman of the various committees.

The second session will be addressed by Rabbi Leonard C. Mishkin, educational director of the Vaad HaChinuch, who will speak on the educational problems of American Jewry.

This year's conference of the Kehillah will consider several questions of pressing importance to the Orthodox Jews of Chicago, and it is expected that all synagogues will be represented at the deliberations by their presidents and active workers.

The Orthodox Frauen Verband, of which Mrs. Morris L. Shapera is president, will have its annual conference in conjunction with that of the Kehillah.

AUSTIN HADASSAH TO HAVE THEATRE PARTY

Climaxing a year of varied activities in the West Side Jewish Community, the Austin Chapter of Chicago Junior Hadassah, Young Women's Zionist Organization, is sponsoring a gala Theater Party on Midnight of next Saturday, May 23rd, at the Lexington Theater, 715 S. Crawford avenue.

In addition to the feature picture, special novelties will be presented on the stage and screen. The arrangements committee is headed by Belle Allen and Miriam Booth. They are being assisted by Florence Blum, Gertrude Gans, Irma Hornstein, Rose Katz, Lillian Salk, and Bess and Sara Spiegelman.

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Dr. Louis L. Mann will preach at Sun Temple, 4609 South Parkway, on Sunday morning, May 17th, at 11 o'clock, on: "Should Religions Be Unified?" will reference to the "Christian Century" controversy.

The Junior Auxiliary of the Douglas Park Day and Night Nursery will have an Afternoon Social and Tea at the St. Claire hotel on Sunday, May 17, to which they invite all members who have paid their current dues and any who wish to become members on or before that date.

The Juvenile Auxiliary of the Douglas Park Day and Night Nursery will have a dinner-dance next Sunday night in the grand ballroom of the Stevens hotel. Proceeds will go toward the Big Sisters' work among underprivileged girls. The dance will climax a fund raising campaign being sponsored by the organization. Mrs. Philip P. Sachs is president.

Mrs. Samuel S. Hollender is chairman of the frolic committee, and

Mrs. David Jacker is chairman of a committee working in cooperation.

The Big Sisters give the girls they sponsor personal guidance, provide certain scholarships for them, train them in character and integration, and attempt to raise them to a higher economic level.

CELEBRATE 2ND ANNIVERSARY OF BIRO-BIDJAN

The closing exercises of the Sunday evening, May 17, at 7:30 p.m., Chicago Jewry will celebrate the second anniversary of the establishment of the Jewish Autonomous territory, Biro-Bidjan, in U. S. S. R. at the Washington Temple, Washington Blvd. and Karlov ave.

Misha Mishakoff, concert master of the Chicago Symphony orchestra, former soloist of the Moscow Bolshoi Theater Symphony, will appear in a program of violin solos of Jewish folk songs and compositions of the great masters. Helen Bartush, of the Chicago Opera Company, will sing new Russian songs.

Seymour Stetman, veteran Socialist, and Dr. George Halperin of the Northwestern University, will be among the speakers of the occasion.

The ICOR of Chicago, who sponsors this celebration, invites the people of all nationalities to participate in this historic event.

HISTADRUTH IRVIT TO DISCUSS EDUCATION

The annual meeting of the Histadruth Irvit, society for the advancement of Hebrew culture, will take place on Sunday evening, May 17, at 8 p.m., in the B'nai Mark on North Dearborn street. The meeting will be devoted to a symposium on the problems of Jewish education. The religious, social and cultural aspects of Jewish education will be treated by Judah A. Abramovitz, of B'nai Israel congregation, Dr. Leo L. Honer, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education, and Judah Pilch, instructor at the College of Jewish Studies. Rabbi Samuel M. Blumenthal, president of the organization, will preside.

The meeting will also be featured by the opening of the Hebrew book week and the election of officers. At the close of the meeting there will be a social hour and refreshments will be served. Mrs. R. Gore and Mrs. G. Sternfeld will act as hostesses.

Mrs. Sonia Starova, Chicago opera contralto, is to be married today to L. T. Feigold, well known furniture manufacturer and Zionist.

With final showings Sunday, May 17th, "The Land of Promise" will end an engagement of 23 days at McVicker's Theatre. Continuous performances are given daily starting at 12:30 noon, with the exception of Friday, when the theatre is closed from sundown to sundown Saturday on account of the Jewish Sabbath.

"The Land of Promise," which was produced in Palestine, is presented here under the auspices of the Jewish National Fund.

Rabbi Martin H. Weitz, director of the B'nai B'rith Foundation of Northwestern University, will occupy the pulpit of Temple Beth Israel on Friday evening, May 15th, at 8:15. Rabbi Weitz's topic will be "Four Questions Today."

The annual meeting of Temple Beth Israel will be held on Sunday evening, May 24th, eight o'clock.

President Samuel Prosterman will read his annual message and officers and directors for the ensuing term will be elected at this meeting.

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J. G. McDonald to Address Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign Workers, Sunday

James G. McDonald, former High Commissioner of the League of Nations in charge of refugees from Germany, will be the principal speaker at a complimentary dinner to be given workers of the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign next Sunday evening, May 17th, at the Standard Club, at 6:30 o'clock. Mr. McDonald's letter of resignation

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as follows:

"I am deeply grateful to the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign for this opportunity to hear Mr. McDonald speak. He is coming to Chicago especially for this meeting, his only appearance in the city.

Chicago Jewry already is responding generously to the Jewish Welfare Fund campaign for this community's quota of \$750,000, it was announced by Ulysses S. Schwartz, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

At the first official meeting held by the workers on Monday noon, May 11, at the Standard Club, Mr. Schwartz announced that \$454,615 had been raised. "Most of the workers, however, have hardly started in their work," Mr. U. S. Schwartz declared, "and I am sure that the rate of progress is coming in, it will only be a short time before we will have reached and exceeded our quota."

Among the divisions which

are

receiving honorable mention at the meeting was the Liquor Beverage, of which Louis E. Golian is chairman. "Originally the division," Mr. Schwartz continued, "had been given a quota of \$12,500, and voluntarily asked that it be doubled to \$25,000. Already this division has raised \$20,000 and it predicts that it will exceed its quota by several thousand dollars. This is truly an astounding achievement and, to me, it is a reflection of the zealousness with which our workers are carrying out our task, and, what is more, a reflection of the realization of Chicago Jewry of the crying need of our co-religionists overseas."



James G. McDonald

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DR. S. S. HOLLENDER INSTALLED
FOR SECOND TERM AS
PRESIDENT OF COVENANT
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In Sunday's meeting for his second term as president of the Covenant Club of Friends at the annual meeting of the members in the grand ballroom of the Club, 10 N. Dearborn street, Dr. S. S. Hollender is the youngest man to be elected head of this ex-

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clusives Jewish Club, which is the largest of its kind in the Country. The reelection also adds another chapter to the career of Dr. Hollender, who is only 35 years of age.

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The Yishuv Marches On

Mr. Viton, journalist and Oriental scholar, spent the last three years in Palestine, where he recovered the Near East for several publications, including The National Jewish Monthly. He has recently returned to this country.—Editor.

On April 19, Palestine, Jewish and Arab, "celebrated" a curious anniversary—the third anniversary of the Arab terror and rebellion; and on May 17 the Rt. Hon. Mr. Malcolm MacDonald issued in the name of the British government the White Paper to liquidate the Jewish National Home. There is an inner, logical connection between these two dates.

I will not stop to tell the story of the Arab rebellion, nor summarize and analyze the contents of the Statement of Policy, which has already been termed "Black Paper."

It is about other matters that I want to write, because they are more important. For I believe that Britain no longer controls the future of Palestine. The National Home has developed a momentum of its own. Its ultimate fate, in other words, depends primarily on the Yishuv (Jewish Palestine) and on the extent of support which it will receive from the Diaspora.

The first and perhaps most important factor in this connection is the cultural and sociological change which the Yishuv has undergone during the past three years. The blood and fire of innumerable battles have made a nation of the Yishuv.

It is best to tell the truth; and the truth is that before the disturbances Palestine Jewry, in spite of the efforts of idealistic individuals, was very far from being a nation. I will not try to describe how my poignant pain when I saw in 1935 that the workers were not workers, that most of the farmers were not farmers, that only a small percentage of the community performed

Steeded by Years of Struggle, Jewish Palestine Emerges Stronger Than Ever, While Britain Loses Its Grip On It

By ALBERT VITON

physically constructive work. Both workers and farmers were rich speculators hoping to get rich quickly; and they tended to look upon their professions as temporary stop gaps.

No less important was the peculiar cultural atmosphere which hovered about the Yishuv. I tried hard to look at the scene as optimistic as possible, but I could not escape the feeling that there was an air of unreality about it all. Haifa, Tel Aviv, much of Jerusalem, and the newer parts of the larger settlements impressed me as so many expositions—quicker along together than a nation born; and a fact of supreme importance—a nation in arms.

It is impossible to overemphasize the importance and magnitude of the change that came over the Yishuv after the first few months of the disturbances. It ceased acting like a kibbutz goliath, a horde of refugees, and took on the mentality and psychology of a nation at arms. It realized that it confronted not a frenzied outburst of savagery on the part of the Arabs, but a real, bitter, long-drawn struggle unto death. And it girded its loins.

It should be added that the Betarim set a very needed example. The Yishuv had become too materialistic, too selfish, too earth-bound; and the example of self-sacrifice, devotion, and vigor set by the Betar had a profound effect on wider circles. Oddly enough, the Revisionists, although an insignificant minority, had all along shown greater political realism than the other groups—the realism which is a natural outgrowth of national consciousness. Their attitude to non-retaliation was a clear expression of this national consciousness. Dreamers and phrasemongers can afford to turn-cheek; a nation, however, fights for its existence.

Finally, the last three years have witnessed the beginning of very important economic changes. It did not take me long after arriving in Palestine in 1935 to realize that the economic life of the Yishuv was precarious in the extreme. I found that it was producing very little, consuming altogether too much. Import figures showed it was eating up its capital instead of living on its earnings. It imported goods, mainly articles of consumption, for \$60-\$70,000,000 yearly, but exported less than one-third of that sum. The prosperity was a result of speculation. There was little agriculture; the little industry there was stood on shaky feet.

There were perfectly reasonable explanations for this state of affairs, of course. The overwhelming majority of the immigrants had never been producers in Diaspora; they brought with them their middle-class mentality. Palestine lived under a liberal economy—totally unsuited to a colonization country, and under extremely difficult circumstances at that. The government was controlled by a foreign Power with interests of its own; and the Mandate itself did not allow a sane policy. Last but not least, the Jewish Agency did not choose to exercise, for various reasons, even its limited control.

It took a war—that is what the last three years have been—a war upon the Yishuv—to develop a cer-

tain amount of realistic economic thinking and activity. To survive, the Yishuv suddenly discovered, it had to change its economic structure. As a result, it is now socially and economically far healthier than it had ever been.

First and most important, there was an upswing in land purchasing and in agricultural colonization. About 40 colonies have been established since April, 1936—nearly a colony per month! The crazy paying totally unreasonable prices for land. The National Fund, led by the relentless Ussishkin, swung into action...

Import of capital declined, but I think that a greater percentage of the capital which did come in went for constructive work than in previous years. According to a study by D. Horowitz, the best economist in the Jewish Agency, capital imports declined from 100 in 1935 to 56 in 1936, to 51 in 1937. But this steep decline, I am convinced, was not an unmitigated calamity.

The standard of living, which had been far too high, began to decline; a very good thing. Neither Jewish agriculture nor industry could have survived on the old basis. This meant that wages declined. Taking 1931 as 100, wages had increased to 131 in 1935, although there had been no real economic justification. By September, 1937, however, wages had declined to 120 and now stand, I suppose, in the neighborhood of 105, which is still a little too high.

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The Palestine Economic Corporation has issued its report for 1938, declaring that "in the emergency of the last three years, Jewish Palestine has been purged of its dross, stripped of its economic fat. What was narrowly speculative or flagrantly unsound has to a large degree vanished." This bears out most interestingly the conclusions reached by Mr. Viton.—Editor.

starvation, the Yishuv began to produce a greater percentage of its own food. The milk production of Jewish farms increased in 1938 by more than 33,000,000 litres, than a third more than in 1935. Production of eggs increased from 38 millions in the following year, and the production of vegetables increased by about 50 per cent in one year.

How precarious was the position of the Yishuv before these improvements were born out by statistics recently published by the Jewish Agency. During 1937 Jews produced only 16 per cent of their own consumption, 8 per cent of potatoes, 53 per cent of vegetables, 5 per cent of deciduous fruit, nine per cent of meat, 5 per cent of fish, 37 per cent of eggs used, and only 34 per cent of the dairy products consumed. These figures show that a great deal of work remains to be done, and that employment can still be found for thousands in the production of these foods which are now imported.

The depression of course slowed down industrial development. In-

now much more realistic thinking. All these changes have given the Yishuv the character of a nation—certainly more so than ever before. It has begun to think of itself as a nation. That is the important fact. It is no longer a weak community dependent on its life and security upon the good graces of England. And, having fought a successful war, the Yishuv is now conscious of its strength.

That is why the new Statement of Policy is no more than a ripple on the tide of history. Frankly, I do not think that Britain can now check the progress of the National Home. Initiative is no longer in the hands of the British officials. They can create difficulties and hardships—but stop the develop-

ment of the National Home they cannot. They could have done so in 1929, perhaps even in 1933; but those days are gone.

These facts determine the Yishuv's reply to the White Paper. In brief, it goes ahead with its usualness as if no such paper had been issued. Land is being purchased; new settlements are being established; agriculture is being improved; new industries are being established, and a stronger and more rational economic system will be introduced gradually; new factories are being opened; above all, immigration has not stopped and will not be stopped.

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FATHER COUGHLIN

HIS "FACTS" AND ARGUMENTS

During recent weeks there has been growing discussion pro and con as to whether Father Charles E. Coughlin is anti-Semitic or not. There have been charges made against the Detroit Priest and denials by him over the radio and in magazine articles.

To afford our readers a better opportunity to know ALL THE FACTS about this question we will reprint in its entirety the pamphlet known as "Father Coughlin—His 'Facts' and Argument", which was prepared by the General Jewish Council of New York, composed of The American Jewish Committee, the B'nai B'rith, the American Jewish Congress and the Jewish Labor Committee.

"Father Coughlin—His 'Facts' and Arguments" is a methodical, logical and persuasive analysis of Father Coughlin's radio talks regarding the Jews. It contains reproductions of the documents to which Father Coughlin has referred—they will be printed IN FULL.

In order to promote harmony and good will among religious creeds in this country, it is imperative that Father Coughlin be better understood—this series of articles will help you to know Father Coughlin—you will learn the source of the material used in his attacks upon the Jews—this is an article of vital importance to Gentile as well as Jew.

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Chapter Two

FALSE ACCUSATION THAT JEWISH BANKERS FINANCED COMMUNISM

One of Father Coughlin's main points is that communism in Russia was financed by Jewish bankers and particularly by American Jewish bankers. To prove this point, in his radio address of November 20, 1938, he said that he had in his possession a copy of an official British Government document naming certain Jewish bankers. His words were:

"In our possession, we have a copy of the official White Paper issued by the English War cabinet in 1919. This official paper prints the names of the Jewish bankers, Kuhn, Loeb & Company of New York, among those who helped to finance the Russian Revolution and Communism. Since then, both Jewish and Gentile financiers have been according financial comfort to the Soviet Republic. Perhaps this finan-

cial overture was made in innocence—perhaps not."

In his speech of November 27, his accuracy having been challenged, he shifted his position somewhat. He did not refer to the British government document as he did the previous week, but this time he said that these same Jewish bankers were named in an American Secret Service report. To quote Father Coughlin:

"The chief document, treating of the financing of the Russian Revolution, is one drawn up by the American Secret Service and transmitted by the French High Commissioner to his Government. It was published by the Documentation Catholique of Paris on March 6, 1920, and was preceded by the following remarks, namely: 'The authenticity of this document is guaranteed to us. With regard to its exactness, the exactness of the information which it contains, the American Secret Service takes responsibility.' Now, in Section One of this official report we read: 'It was found out that the following persons as well as the banking house mentioned were engaged in this work of destruction: Jacob Schiff, Guggenheim; Max Breitburg; Kuhn, Loeb & Co. of which the following are the directors: Jacob Schiff, Felix Warburg, Otto Kahn, Mortimer Schiff, S. H. Hansauer—all Jews. There can be no doubt that the Russian Revolution which broke out a year after the information given above had been received, was launched and fostered by distinctively Jewish influence.'

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Statement by Frank J. Wilson, Chief, United States Secret Service:

"We have had several inquiries by newspapermen about statements made by Father Coughlin in a radio address yesterday. Father Coughlin is reported to have read paragraphs which he said were taken from a book or article written by Denis Fahey, whom he described as a Professor of Philosophy at Blackrock Seminary, Dublin, Ireland. The extract attributed to Professor Fahey in turn purports to quote from a document published in 1920 by Documentation Catholique of Paris, which ascribes to 'The American Secret Service' responsibility for statements said to have been furnished to the French High Commissioner dealing with the financing of the Russian revolution of 1917.

"The only United States governmental agency having the name of 'Secret Service' is the United States Secret Service, which is a division of the Treasury Department. I have investigated our records and questioned members of the service who were on duty from 1916 to 1920, including my predecessor, William H. Moran, with respect to the statements made and quoted by Father Coughlin. They know of no such investigation or report as that which Father Coughlin discussed, and it is quite certain that no such report was ever made by the United States Secret Service."

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The statement appeared in the press on November 29, 1937 as follows:

"The firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.,

has never had financial relations or other relations, with any government in Russia, whether Czarist, Kerensky or Communist.

"The Kerensky government, established upon the fall of the Czarist government in 1917, was during its existence a military ally of the United States Government. The late Jacob H. Schiff, then senior partner in this firm, at one time offered an individual to subscribe to a so-called Liberty Loan of the Kerensky government, but did not in fact subscribe to such loan. He had no relations with any founders of the Bolshevik uprising which destroyed the Kerensky government being entirely out of sympathy with their methods and principles.

"During the great famine in Russia in 1921-22, the Congress of the United States appropriated large amounts for relief in Russia. These relief funds and contributions from private individuals were distributed to Russia by Mr. Herbert Hoover.

The late Felix M. Warburg, then a partner in this firm, as well as thousands of other Americans of all creeds and shades of opinion, contributed liberally as individuals to such Russian relief funds and to the establishment of farms settlements in Russia.

"A letter was recently addressed by one of the partners of this firm to Father Coughlin, following the first appearance of these charges in his magazine, calling his attention to their falsity. Father Coughlin has nevertheless elected to disregard the facts and has repeated his misstatements in his last two broad-

cates. The fact is that neither the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. nor any of its partners, past or present, resorted in any way to finance the Communist revolution in Russia or anywhere else."

TOMORROW
THE WHITE PAPER



AXIS AGENTS—Count Ciano, Italian foreign minister, left, rides with Nazi Minister von Ribbentrop at Salzburg, Germany, before talks with Hitler. Reports say Ciano won a promise from Hitler to delay seizure of Danzig, pending a-power parity.

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Jews in Sports

By MORRIS WEINER

Atoms of Death

Those atoms of death as the baby gas buggies are called by the fans who follow the midget auto-racers throughout the country have certainly caught the fancy of the speed-minded and thrill-conscious public. And these miniature juggernauts meet every specification of the sporting population who throng the tracks in search of hairbreadth escapes from death, wide-open throttles and dazzling speed.

That midget-auto racing had come into its own seemed a certainty when the A. A. A. sponsored the first National Midget Auto-Racing Championship over the twisting winding-weaving course of the Roosevelt Raceway on Long Island. But when 55,000 cash customers paid their dough on the line to watch these performers the "kiddy" car drivers do seem headed for the big dough.

Jewish Driver First Midget Champion

Morris (Babe) Bower, a gigantic youth who can barely squeeze his mammoth frame into the cockpit of his baby buggy, became the first national auto-racing champion when he reared to a spectacular finish over this dangerous pretzel-shaped Roosevelt track. "Babe," a Jewish youngster who hails from Philadelphia, earned his title after taking the lead in the latter part of the 150-mile race and hanging on determinedly to finish 11 seconds in front of the second racer in an thrilling, heart-stopping and breathtaking race as we can ever hope to see.

The Roosevelt track is only a half-mile course, but if you ever saw a track on a hilly the Long Island speedway is it. Naturally, because of the very sharp curves and the small straightaway, the very high speeds of the Indianapolis Speedway can't possibly be attained and if an average of 120 miles an hour for the 500-mile Memorial Day classic is considered top-notch performance, 100 miles an hour over the Westbury labyrinth is more than dazzling and certainly death-defying.

But the Babe from Quakertown lapped up the miles in a fashion that kept the crowd on its feet for more than an hour of the three-hour grind. And the crowd gave Morris Bower one of the greatest ovations we have ever heard at an automobile speedway. And Bower earned it.

For a moment in the race it did seem as if the fleet of ambulances stationed near every danger point of the track would be called into action, unfortunately none was called. And although this was the largest field ever to start in midget auto-race not a tire blew, nor did any car turn over, catch fire, leap the rails, sickeningly over the retaining walls; nor were any drivers killed—common incidents on the auto-speedways.

Babe Thrilling
The Jewish midget champion certainly earned his title. Perhaps you may have seen some of the highlights in the newsreels. In case you haven't, here's a short resume of that gripping race: It wasn't long after the start of the race that the faster cars began to pick up on the others and in less than five laps some of the slower machines had been lapped. The "Babe" was always well up and except for one pit stop never would have been out of the leading lap. But it was this short stop which made a race and which made for that spectacular finish.

After an hour and some minutes after the race had begun, the probable winner had been cut down to a field of three, "Swede" Hansen, "Dutch" Garson and "Babe" Bower. These three were zooming down the straightaway and cutting corners over curves that kept blood pressures all over the park mounting in apoplectic climbs. Near the 200th lap, Bower was forced to the pits for a brief stop. And stops in the repair grooves count. By the time Babe's white racer was wheeled onto the field again, Garson had lapped the field completely. But Bower went after Garson doggedly. Lap after lap he gained until he had his lost lap back and then steadily he closed in until, thirteen laps from the finish line, he came abreast of Garson. Both cars were hurtling down the straightaway in full view of the vast throng. The question the crowd wanted answered was who would be the man to take the lead over such dangerous curves. Likewise, it became apparent from our lofty perch in the press box that Garson's brakes weren't holding. Instead of slowing for the

turns, he coasted in and then slipped out of them, taking a close call in doing so. Naturally, Bower's buggy right alongside the Garson chariot couldn't feel the elation of the brakes at such a moment—even if the most meant death—for an application of brakes might mean the loss of the race. With wide open throttles both cars shot over the sharp curve at so great a clip that it seemed to us and to the crowd—as well as to the drivers of the ambulances—that both were headed for the drop over the retaining wall and sudden death. Miraculously, both cars made it and it was here that Bower forged ahead. He held his close lead until he was flagged home—a winner and new champion.

A Rose-Bower Combination
A Rose-Bower may be a really idyllic spot but to the racing fans of the country this combination means a duo of the fastest Jewish men on wheels. Mauri Rose, for

mer No. 1 driver of the American racemans, is the outstanding Jewish racing driver in the world.

Rose, a Chaplinesque figure, is small. Yet the way he handles those roaring juggernauts is well nigh incredible. Bower, on the other hand, is big, massive, the direct counterpart of diminutive Mauri Rose. But Bower likes to drive only the mid-size cars whereas Rose prefers the big buggies.

Incidentally, it was Rose's brilliant victory over the very same track some four years ago that earned him the No. 1 post with the American Automobile Association in 1936. At the Vanderbilt International Cup Race—the Roosevelt Raceways—inaugural—the Jewish driver from the Midwest was the first American driver to cross the finish line.

Bower is different from Rose in more than preferences for racing chariots and their physical size.

Rose is never affable when he meets a member of the press, Bower will talk. And, so far as we concerned, whether the champs drive kiddie cars or rumbling giants makes no difference to us; but whether the guy will talk to us does. So it's hats off to Bower—a new racing champion and a new bonhommes for Rose if he let up and talks.

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The contending viewpoints of Arab Nationalism and Zionism in the Holy Land as set forth at the Foreign Policy Association recently, must have left a great many listeners quite at loose ends. Both cases appeal strongly to the idealism of the American people. Both on the other hand have their elements in weakness.

Speaking for the Arabs, Emil Ghony based his case primarily on a principle familiar to Americans - the principle of self-determination of peoples. Palestine, like the rest of Arabia, he contended was promised to the Arab people when they were induced by Great Britain to enter the World War on the side of the Allies. More important, he pointed out that Palestine in 1918 was inhabited almost wholly by Arabs either Moslem or Christian.

Rabbi Brickner of Cleveland who did not make as persuasive a case for the Zionist Movement as surely could have been made, laid emphasis on the occupation of Palestine in Biblical times and on the joint action of 55 nations in affirming the right of the Jewish people to a homeland there. Probably neither of these arguments will interest neutral Americans as much as the constructive economy rehabilitation carried on by the Zionist immigrants which is making Palestine a far better land - for Arabs and Jews alike.

Thus it becomes a question of self-determination posed against the evident economic benefits of the Jewish immigration. But this latter has been the ostensible justification of every intrusion on a weak country by a strong one. The Arabs certainly are better off, in the mass, as a result of a people to determine its own destiny in its own land, regardless of the benefits accruing from the rule of a strong Western power.