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For financial reasons the Zionist Organization of America discontinued the Zionist Information Service. A group of Zionist leaders has, therefore, taken it upon themselves to reactivate the Zionist Information Service, which will function independently for the purpose of disseminating news and information of Jewish interest, particularly concerning Israel, Zionism and General Zionism.

It gives me great pleasure to list below the names of officers and members of the Board of Directors, under whose supervision the ZINS will carry on its work in the field of Zionist Public Relations.

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Abraham Goodman
President
Zionist Information Service

ZINS NEWS BULLETIN

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Leading Position of Z.O.A. in Keren-Hayesod Again Threatened

NEW YORK (ZINS) - A renewed attempt is being made to further reduce the leading position of the Z.O.A. in the Zionist fund-raising institutions in America. The occasion for this effort is the projected re-organization of the United Palestine Appeal, in accordance with the decision of the Zionist Congress involving the withdrawal of the Jewish National Fund as a partner in the UPA. Although the Congress decision implies no change in the composition of the American Keren-Hayesod, the Poale-Zion and Hadassah have put forward a joint demand for reconstituting its board according to the "party key", thereby cutting down the Z.O.A. representation by 50%, with a corresponding increase in the representation of the other parties.

It is reported that the Z.O.A. Inner Committee and Benjamin G. Browdy, its President, have decided to oppose the plan as unfair, since the other groups devote their efforts mainly to the Histadruth and Hadassah campaigns. Resentment is rising against what is regarded as another unwarranted attempt to dislodge the Z.O.A. from its traditional positions in the Keren-Hayesod. It is feared that if the Poale-Zion and Hadassah press their demands it may precipitate public controversy over Zionist fund-raising in America.

Israeli Progressives Attack Government Set-up, Condemn Mapai Tactics

TEL AVIV (ZINS) - In a series of public meetings held in various cities, leaders of the Progressive Party have been voicing sharp criticism of Mapai for denying the State the benefit of a wide Coalition in a moment of grave national emergency. Speaking in Haifa, Yizhar Harrari, prominent Progressive spokesman, roundly denounced Mapai's behavior toward the General Zionist Party declaring that "elementary decency and fairness must be observed even with one's political adversaries." He explained the refusal of the Progressives to join the Government without the General Zionists. In his closing remarks, Mr. B. Singer, chairman of the meeting declared: "The rank and file Progressives want the Party to help bring about the early fall of the present Government." Other Progressive spokesmen have warned Mapai not to entertain the illusion that they would soon alter their position and join the Government.

Private Enterprise Fostered by General Zionist Mayor of Natanya

NATANYA (ZINS) - Gratification is being expressed over the rapid development of Natanya as an industrial center due to the efforts of its dynamic mayor and founder Oved Ben-Ami, General Zionist leader, who has recently dedicated new factory buildings in the town's industrial quarter. He announced that 300 additional industrial enterprises will be established there in the near future, many of them due to the personal efforts of Mr. Ben-Ami who founded Natanya twenty-five years ago, naming it in honor of the American Zionist leader and philanthropist, Nathan Strauss. The

expansion of Natanya's industrial facilities have enabled it to absorb many thousands of newly arrived immigrants.

Neumann Calls for Professional and Technical Aliyah from America

PHILADELPHIA (ZINS) - "A few foolish and tactless speeches at the Zionist Congress must not be allowed to drive American Zionists into anti-Zionist attitudes," declared Dr. Emanuel Neumann, member of the Jewish Agency, addressing an Executive meeting of the Zionist Organization of Philadelphia.

Dr. Neumann said: "While neither they nor we should expect any large scale emigration from here, it would be shameful for American Zionism to turn its back on the problem and especially Israel's desperate need for trained professional and technicians from America. We can and must fill this need which is hardly less urgent than the need for hard currency." Dr. Neumann concluded by stating that the violent reaction in the United States against certain statements made by Israeli spokesmen at the Zionist Congress on Halutzit and Aliyah from America has gone too far.

Dr. Shmorak Receives 30 Thousand Greetings

JERUSALEM (ZINS) - 30 thousand New Year greetings were received on the eve of Rosh Hashana by Dr. Emil Shmorak, head of the Control Chamber of the Jewish Agency, whose report of improprieties in the Jewish Agency Administration raised stormy debates at the last Zionist Congress in Jerusalem. The greetings came as an expression of confidence and tribute to Dr. Shmorak by the people of Israel for his courageous stand at the Congress, according to a report in "Haboker".

Goldie Myerson Admits Failure of Government's Economic Policy

JERUSALEM (ZINS) - "Even a million policemen and inspectors will not help to eradicate the black market," declared Goldie Myerson, Labor Minister of Israel, in an address delivered in the "Orion" cinema in Jerusalem, where she came to explain the reasons why Mapai joined in a Coalition with the Religious groups instead of with the General Zionists. The meeting was frequently interrupted by hecklers. Mrs. Myerson attacked the Israel press for criticizing the Government, but had to admit the Israel Government's failure in its economic policy. She justified this failure by the big immigration and low productivity of industry.

Pinchas Rosen and Dr. Israel Goldstein Candidates for Presidency of Hebrew University

JERUSALEM (ZINS) - Dr. Pinchas Rosen, former Minister of Justice in the Israeli Cabinet, and Dr. Israel Goldstein of New York are candidates for the office of President of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem to succeed Prof. Selig Brodetzky, who will probably retire due to poor health, reports the Jerusalem correspondent of "Haboker". According to the same report, Dr. Rosen did not give his final reply to suggestions made to him. Dr. Israel Goldstein allegedly consented to accept the office, if and when it is offered to him.

Turkish Military Mission to Israel, Moscow Reports

JERUSALEM (ZINS) - A Turkish military mission is due in Israel very soon, according to a radio broadcast from the Soviet controlled radio in Berlin. According to the broadcast, the visit of the Turkish military mission is one of the steps taken by the Western Allies to draw Israel into the Middle East Defense Command. The broadcast has been repeated by almost all radio stations of the Communist Eastern European countries.

Mapai Leadership Under Fire - Admit Torpedoing Coalition Negotiations with General Zionists

TEL AVIV (ZINS) - The Mapai leadership and Ben-Gurion personally, are under heavy fire for their failure to combine with the Liberal Center: the General Zionists, which would have given the country a strong, stable regime. The moderate elements of Mapai are bitter over a decision forced by party-die-hards by a narrow majority. An apologetic speech by Mapai's spokesman in the Knesseth, Argov, before a party meeting in Tel Aviv, was frequently interrupted by hecklers.

Argov admitted that his colleagues deliberately sought to torpedo the negotiations with the General Zionists, which they finally did. He justified the return to the old combination with the Religious Bloc by saying that the high price paid in ministerial posts was a guarantee that the Religious Bloc would not repeat "their blackmailing tactics" and that the new Government was in fact a "Mapai Government." These remarks which elicited sharp protests in the Mizrahi press, with veiled threats of new crises to come. The non-partisan press continues to reflect widespread discontent with the unpopular Coalition, which it is claimed, does not command the confidence of the majority of the Electorate though it commands a bare majority in the Knesseth with the help of five Arab deputies.



IS THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT BANKRUPT?

By Abraham Goodman

President, Zionist Information Service

NEW YORK (ZINS) - I am writing these lines on the train to New York after attending the U.J.A. Conference in Atlantic City. My memories of the Conference and of the conversations I had with the different people that I met there, are still fresh in my mind. I am therefore safe in saying that the recent outburst in the Knesset by Mr. Ben-Gurion against American Zionists hung like a pall over the Conference. Everybody feared discussing it directly. Only oblique references to it were made either on the platform or in the corridors. People were afraid to touch it, just as one is afraid to touch an explosive fuse. But nobody had a single word of approval. The most charitable comments that reached my ear belonged to the class of apologia, "Perhaps the Prime-Minister did not mean exactly what he said - "Maybe he said these things for home consumption only." Behind these feelings of consternation and puzzlement, there was a sense of bitterness about the timing of Mr. Ben-Gurion's remarks. I could almost hear them wonder: "Why did he have to say these things on the eve of the National U.J.A. Conference? Doesn't he know that the primary purpose of the Conference is to generate renewed enthusiasm and determination in the hearts of the volunteer workers who will have to carry the burden of the 1952 campaign?"

At this moment, nobody can measure in dollars and cents the damage done to the 1952 campaign by the wet blanket thrown over it by the Prime Minister's much publicized statement. We can only hope that before long it will be relegated to the limbo of oblivion.

Time for American Zionists to Speak Up

But, as an old Zionist, my purpose in writing these lines extends beyond the speculation about the effect the Prime-Minister's words will have on the 1952 U.J.A. campaign. I feel that the time has come for like-minded American Zionists to give public expression to their long suppressed feelings about the incessant shower of abuse that has been heaped upon them for so long a time. I feel that the thoughts I am about to express echo the thinking of thousands of other like-minded Zionists here and abroad.

Writing articles for public dissemination has not been my habit and is not my forte. Even now I should have preferred to keep in the background, if officially, the Z.O.A. against which the shafts of Ben-Gurion's attack were primarily directed, had seen fit to speak out promptly and courageously. To be sure, the press did belatedly carry quotations from a statement by the Z.O.A. President. While I agree wholeheartedly with Mr. Browdy's statement as quoted, I feel that he left a great deal unsaid and that the basic issues were left untouched.

Those of us who have been close to the Z.O.A. scene in recent years and who played a part in its trials and tribulations, are convinced that the latest attack by Mr. Ben-Gurion on American Zionists is not an isolated act of impetuosity on the part of a distraught and over-burdened leader of a troubled State. It would be so soothing to our frayed nerves to think otherwise and we would be so happy once again to forgive and forget. Haven't we, as a matter of fact, been doing just that ever so long, suppressing again and again, justly aroused anger and hoping for the dawn of a day of peace and understanding? I feel that the time has come when we must come to grips with reality and begin to fight back.

Attack Designed to Undermine Z.O.A.

By this time it should be crystal-clear to all concerned, that the recent attack is merely the latest link in a long chain of attacks, all designed to weaken and destroy the Z.O.A. as an effective Zionist body, because it is a potential threat to the complete domination by Mapai of life in Israel and Zionist activity outside of Israel. Once this plain truth is recognized and every link in the chain of attacks is identified as an important part of a method and a planned pattern, then one understands why men like Dr. Silver and Dr. Neumann were so incessantly abused and harassed until their position as leaders in the World Zionist Organization became utterly untenable. Then one understands why the glorious contribution of these two leaders towards the establishment of the State of Israel was so assiduously toned down and minimized by the powers in Israel as well as by their stooges abroad. Then one knows why the part played by American Zionism in arousing the American people and the American Government towards sympathy, understanding and affirmative action on behalf of Israel, has been so deliberately ignored and glossed over. American Jewry itself was only lately made aware of its important role through the recently published Memoirs of Mr. Forrestal, who bemoaned his failure in fighting against Jewish national aspirations and ascribed it to the strong and concerted influence of American Zionists. Then one understands why some three years ago the Z.O.A. was made the victim of fake and vicious accusations and was forced to give up its leading position in the set-up of the U.P.A.. This act will forever remain as a blot on the record of the leadership in Israel and as an attempt to create division and distrust between Zionists and non-Zionists in this country, at a time when these differences had all but disappeared.

More recently, the strong position of the Z.O.A. in the Keren-Hayesod was reduced to an ineffectual minority role. Then one understands why Mr. Ben-Gurion has in recent times persistently ignored the Zionist Movement in America, and even failed to mention it by name in his last visit to the United States, and why he has been directing his pontifical pronouncements on Jewish problems to leaders outside of the Zionist fold. Then it becomes understandable why the Z.O.A. Delegation was so coldly treated in Jerusalem at the last Zionist Congress, and why the statesmanlike and conciliatory speech by Dr. Silver (although he had every reason to express scorn and bitterness) was immediately countered with a personal attack and abuse by Golda Meyerson. Then it becomes crystal-clear why the red herring of interference was invented and subtly used against us, and why the normal and natural desire of the Z.O.A. to see a strong and united General Zionist Movement in Israel, able to fight effectively for General Zionist principles was distorted into an alleged attempt to infringe on the autonomous rights of the people of Israel.

Mapai Leadership Responsible

Once we understand the motives behind these facts, then we begin to realize that the blame for the decline and moral frustration that prevails in Zionist ranks today is not due to bankruptcy on the part of Zionist leadership. The blame for this catastrophe should be laid at the doorstep of Mapai leadership, which has by ruthless methods assassinated any will to live and grow, that may still be lurking within the movement in America. The wonder is not that the strength and prestige of the Z.O.A. has fallen, but that it possesses so much stamina and vitality to be able to stay afloat and to retain the breath of life.

It is now high time for all true Zionists and well-wishers of Israel to speak up against this record of a party, which, although representing only a minority of the Jewish population in Israel or elsewhere, has resorted to every means in its possession to dominate every phase of the World Zionist Movement and every part of Jewish life in Israel. It now completely dominates the funds here in America and it dominates the application and use of these funds in Israel. It has been able to do so through many devices and stratagems. Through the abuse of the shekel system

which was originally intended to serve as a democratic means of Zionist expression. It has fostered a false alliance with our sister-organization, "Haddassah", in spite of the fact that there isn't an iota of ideological affinity between them. It has utilized its enormous powers to lure away many of our Zionist forces and has kept our ranks in constant turmoil through false propaganda as well as through the bait of favoritism and opportunism.

We Shall Fight Back

What shall we do about this intolerable situation? Shall we continue a policy of silence and acquiescence? Shall we continue to swallow insults and turn the other cheek on the false promise that otherwise it will hurt the cause of Israel? We have been doing just that for ever so long and it has served only to accelerate the tempo and sharpen the severity of the attacks. This policy served only to strengthen the domination of the party in power, to whet its appetite for more power and to stifle all resistance to it. In this process Israel was not well-served. It has become a State dominated by one party which denies to the growing General Zionist Movement in Israel, second only to the leading party, any opportunity to serve its people and to unite with others in this hour of stress. The moral climate for attracting American initiative, American know-how, American investment and American technical chalutzith was never developed and concessions were made in niggardly fashion. The answer is obvious, and there is only one answer. The Zionist movement and particularly the Z.O.A., must put up a fight for the opportunity to assume its historic role to lead world Jewry in its task to establish a State of Israel on sound economic and moral foundations. In this effort the Zionist Movement must regain its status as a full and equal partner with Israel. It must be left alone and encouraged to do its work in freedom, with dignity and in a harmonious climate. American Zionists are proud of their past record; and this record cannot be spoiled by the bad marks given it by Ben-Gurion. We American Zionists and we alone, are potentially capable of starting a wave of technical chalutzith which Israel needs today even more than dollars. This will not be done by scare slogans of "It can happen here". Our chemists, engineers and technicians will come to Israel not because they are unable to find employment in America, but only through a changed climate in Israel, of harmony and understanding.

Equal Partners in Israel's Upbuilding

We never did and never wanted to interfere in the day-to-day life of Israel and its sovereign rights. But as an equal partner in Israel's upbuilding we are vitally interested in its welfare - economic, moral and spiritual - and we refuse to stand by merely as idle onlookers. Israel belongs to the Jewish people and not to Mr. Ben-Gurion alone. Since we will share equal blame with Israel for its failures, we must therefore also share with it the responsibilities.

I close with a demand and a plea: Give us a fair chance and we will not fail!

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IS THE EXISTENCE OF THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY JUSTIFIED?

General Zionists and Progressives not in
 Government Coalition - No basic differences -
 Propaganda of the Left - Little men and workers
 comprise General Zionist Party - Continued
 existence of the Progressive Party considered
 absurdity

By Dr. Menachem Dolan
 (Tel Aviv)

TEL AVIV (ZINS) - Since the Progressives refused to join the present Government Coalition and thus placed themselves in a position similar to that of the General Zionists, the question has been again raised as to what actually prevents them from returning into the fold of the General Zionist Party? This question is being asked not only by outsiders but even by many members of the Progressive Party, who hoped that with the new political developments the Progressives would finally unite with the General Zionists. How great, however, was their disappointment when they noticed that instead of doing so, the Progressives have emphasized everything that divides between them and the General Zionists and thus destroyed the last hope for an early merger.

A neutral observer finds it extremely difficult to comprehend what actually justifies the continued existence of the Progressive Party as a separate political unit. He cannot discover any fundamental differences either in the programs of the two parties or in the social composition of their membership. One who takes upon himself to do a little research must come to the conclusion that basically the reasons for the cessation of the Progressives from the General Zionists are of a purely local and incidental nature which cannot be defined by any of the accepted political terms. One can, of course, come across old, outdated differences of the pre-State period that hold due to the power of inertia; one can find personal sympathies and animosities and an unfounded fear of certain circles in General Zionism, all elements which lost their logical meaning long ago. On the other hand, the Progressives by taking advantage of different situations managed to occupy a number of key positions in the movement which are out of any proportion to their real strength and influence, but which stimulate constantly the party's appetite for power. But all this together combined cannot be accepted as a basis for a serious political consideration.

A neutral student of the situation cannot escape the impression that the leaders of the Progressive Party have been largely influenced by the public relations machine of the Left in Israel which for many years has been trying to make the public believe that the General Zionists are a backward, reactionary group. What is even more surprising is that there are apparently within the Progressive ranks naive people who believe in the existence of this Frankenstein which the Socialists in Israel invented as a means of propaganda against the General Zionists. It is, therefore, the duty of those in the Progressive Party who are acquainted with the situation and know the true facts to see to it that their group as a whole is not misled by this kind of propaganda and that mistakes committed should be rectified in time.

Among the epithets which the Israeli Left Wing is applying to the General Zionists one can find the following: the General Zionists represent the big bourgeoisie and the great capital; they are enemies of labor and of the little man; they are anti-liberals and anti-democrats; they are black reactionaries and a narrow class group, etc., etc. When comparing all these insinuations with the record no honest political observer will be able to find any single word of truth in any of them. The main argument in use by the leftists in Israel against the General Zionists, on which some Progressive elements are "sold", is that certain General Zionists who happened to be orange-growers had in the past employed Arab labor. Besides the fact that the whole question of Arab labor does not exist any more in the State of Israel, it is worthwhile to point out that even a man like Yehazkiel Kaufman who devoted a serious paper to the question of "Avodah Ivrit", based on comprehensive research, found many serious points in the arguments of both sides.

All other accusations directed against the General Zionists are a product of fantasy and even their opponents do not take them too seriously in a non-election year. Every one knows that in Israel there is no such group which can be compared with the big bourgeoisie of Europe or even of the United States. Regrettably enough, however, the fight of the Israeli Left wing against the "dangerous aggressive capitalism of the big bourgeoisie" reminds one of the petty fights carried on in the little Jewish towns of the pre-war Eastern European Diaspora where Jewish Socialists used all their bitterness and hatred and the old arsenal of Marxist phraseology in their fight against the poor Jewish storekeeper whose whole possessions consisted of a few bags of potatoes and a barrel of herring and who worked twelve hours a day to make a living. In a country like Israel, where there are no great landowners, whose economy is small and limited in scope, even the most successful among those who deal in private enterprise can be considered men of the middle class. If one wants to look more closely into the matter, he can easily find out that the only capital which might potentially endanger the economy of the country, as understood by the Marxian concepts of political economy, is concentrated in the enterprises of the Mapai controlled Histadruth.

But even if there were in the General Zionist ranks elements which could be considered bourgeois and which would have liked to impose their line of thinking upon the Party, they would have never succeeded against the pronounced views of the little man, whom sociologically the great majority of the General Zionist Party membership in Israel consists of. One should also bear in mind that the Israeli General Zionist Party counts in its ranks many workers whose number is increasing daily. In these circumstances it is ridiculous to speak of the General Zionists as of a Party of reactionaries opposed to liberalism and democracy. Even the Party die-hards in opposing political camps admit that the liberty of the individual has been always the "credo" of the Israeli General Zionists.

What then actually divides the Progressives from the General Zionists? During the election campaign the Progressives themselves proclaimed that they were "opposed even to moderate Socialism." The General Zionists, on the other hand, are known to be opposed to the concept of classical capitalism of the 19th century. One can say that there are some psychological differences in the approach of the two groups to some problems of the State, but do such psychological differences justify the existence of an independent political party? One should also take into account that the Progressive Party is small, that it lost its appeal to the masses and has hardly any chance for further development? Differences in emphasis and temperament one finds among leaders of almost every single political group, big or small. Everyone knows that the gap between a Democrat of Louisiana and a Democrat of Massachusetts is far wider

than the divergences of opinion between the extremists among the Progressives and those of the General Zionists. Still this was no reason for a split within the Democratic Party of the United States. That is why the General Zionists abroad consider the Progressives' stubbornness and persistence a complete absurdity. This abnormal existence of an independent Progressive Party in Israel affords ample opportunity to any oppositionists or otherwise dissatisfied elements in the General Zionist organizations abroad to appear under the name of "Progressives" even if there is no ideological affinity between them and thus constantly endanger the unity of the movement.

The political development of Israel and the parliamentary processes of the last three years demand the earliest possible elimination of the numerous small groups and parties and the strengthening of the one large liberal General Zionist Party which could check the growing wave of totalitarian tendencies. It would only be natural for the leaders of the Progressive Party whose only chance lies in doubtful parliamentary combinations and in constant dependence upon the party in power to find their place within the General Zionist Party in order to develop within its ranks their organizational and intellectual capacities?

The temporary truce achieved in the World Confederation of General Zionists will not last long if it is not followed up by a complete unification in Israel. Our situation is too serious to permit that small differences divide us from one another. The leading men in the Progressive Party should take this into consideration and should give a hand to the consolidation of the General Zionist camp which stands for social justice and liberty of the individual and which is supported in its cause by the great majority of Jews the world over.

ZINS NEWS BULLETIN

Browdy Rebuked for Involving ZOA in U.S. Democratic Party Politics

NEW YORK (ZINS) - "Having read in the newspapers and heard over the radio, about the visit Mr. Benjamin Browdy, President of the ZOA, paid President Truman, and how Mr. Browdy utilized this visit, one must ask a question whether the Zionist Organization of America did not become a kind of 'branch' of the Democratic Party," says an editorial in the Jewish Day.

It continues: "After having visited President Truman, Mr. Browdy declared that he was convinced Mr. Truman would again be a candidate..."

"We are not interested whether Mr. Browdy interpreted correctly or falsely the President's words. What concerns us is the fact that Mr. Browdy left the impression that the Zionist Organization of America, of which he is President, harnessed itself to the wagon of the Democratic Party. By the way, this is not the first time that Mr. Browdy leaves such an impression. Mr. Browdy is a Democrat and a faithful servant of the Democratic party, to which he is fully entitled. But, as the President of the Zionist Organization, he has no right to involve the Organization in the politics of the Democratic party just as no responsible Zionist leader who is a Republican, has any right to connect the Zionist Organization with Republican politics.

"This should be the correct approach: Neither the Zionist Organization nor anyone of its leaders has the right to become a tool in the hands of any of the political parties or to utilize the Organization for his own political ambitions. The Zionist Organization always was and should remain non-partisan in its policy....."

"Mr. Benjamin Browdy, President of the Zionist Organization regrettably forgot about it. He told President Truman that while travelling around the country he found out that the country supported him. He, Mr. Browdy, in his capacity as President of the Zionist Organization made pro-Truman propaganda.

"We think that Mr. Browdy has thereby violated the principles of the Zionist Organization and harmed the Zionist Movement," concludes The Day.

Zionist Leaders Throughout Country Join in Tribute to Dr. Silver; Support for Miller Growing

NEW YORK (ZINS) -

300 Zionist leaders who recently held a Conference where Rabbi Irving Miller was selected as candidate for the presidency of the ZOA, were joined by other ZOA leaders from all parts of the U.S. in paying tribute to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. Messages expressing solidarity with the resolutions adopted at the Conference, continue to flow into the office of the Zionist Information Service, sponsor of the Conference. The full text of the Silver resolution, adopted at the Conference, reads as follows:

"This meeting of representative Zionists, called to consider the problems of the Z.O.A. and the future of the Movement, sends its warmest greetings to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, whose brilliant talents nobly served the Zionist Cause during the most critical period of its history; and whose temporary absence from the official leadership has caused regret and concern throughout the Jewish world. We will con-

REPORT Coalition Talks Not Serious

JERUSALEM (ZINS) - "Leaders of the General Zionists, Mapam, as well as the Progressives do not see in the attempt of Mr. Shapiro any serious effort to pave the way for negotiations in widening the Coalition. The same opinion prevails in the Hapoal Hamizrachi circles", according to a report of the parliamentary correspondent of Haaretz. This report has it: "There is a consensus of opinion that Mr. Shapiro is continuing his efforts with Premier Ben-Gurion's knowledge. At the same time however, it is assumed that Mr. Ben-Gurion did not initiate any contacts and took the position of a 'side-line observer', without expressing any opinion of his own."

An editorial in Haaretz calls on Mapai to abandon its old political customs and to widen the present Government Coalition, transforming it into the same national coalition that ruled the country in 1948-49. The newspaper points out that the grave economic situation of Israel demands the immediate formation of such a coalition.

We Don't Believe in a Utopia; Existence of Israel is our Main Concern, says Bernstein

REHOVOT (ZINS) - "We believe in Zionism and in its realization, but not in a Utopia. We distrust any social and economic methods which can save all mankind. We believe, however, that with appropriate means, one can establish a large measure of justice in public as well as in private life. But our immediate concern is the existence of the State and nothing else," declared Dr. Peretz Bernstein at the opening session of the National Conference of General Zionist Party leaders, held in Rehovot.

Representatives of General Zionist branches from all parts of the country, as well as members of the Knesseth and delegations of students and young General Zionist groups participated in the Conference.

Dr. Bernstein pointed out that the General Zionist Party should pay special attention to the furtherance of friendly relations among the various national communities in order to secure a lasting peace between all the inhabitants of Israel. He called on the delegates to open a campaign with the aim of raising the morale of the country, which is an important weapon of the State of Israel and its future existence in the Middle East.

Joseph Saphir addressed the Conference on the economic problems of Israel. Mayor Rokach reported on the activities of the 23 General Zionist Deputies in the Knesseth. Knesseth Member, Major Zysman presided.

4000 Children in Kindergartens of General Zionist Women's Assn. in Israel

TEL-AVIV (ZINS) - 4000 children of new immigrants receive their education and are under the care of the Israeli General Zionist Women's Association which maintains a network of over 70 kindergartens and nurseries throughout the country. The General Zionist women also opened a special school for kindergarten teachers. 150 immigrant girls were graduated from the school during the past two years. The Association also offers courses in knitting, sewing, typing, etc., for new immigrants from the Oriental countries.

French Zionists Call on Silver to Return to Leadership

PARIS (ZINS) - A resolution calling Dr. Abba Hillel Silver to leadership of the American and World Zionist Movement was adopted unanimously at the session of the Central Committee of the Zionist Organization of France. The same resolution paid tribute to the General Zionists in America and criticized the statements recently made by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion and other Israeli leaders against the Zionist Movement in the United States.

Dultzin, Mexican Zionist Leader Opens Israel Campaign in Guatemala

MEXICO CITY (ZINS) - Leon Dultzin, prominent General Zionist leader of Mexico, and Member of the Zionist Actions Committee left for Guatemala, where he was invited by the head office of the Keren-Hayesod in Jerusalem, to open the drive for the United Israel Appeal in 1952.

American Student-House To Be Constructed by "Bnai-Zion" in Jerusalem

NEW YORK (ZINS) - Receipts of the last Bnai Zion Dinner in honor of Representative Emanuel Celler, will go to the Jewish National Fund and the American Student-House to be constructed by the Bnai Zion in Jerusalem. This Dinner was attended by 1400 delegates representing the chapters throughout the country of Bnai Zion Order.

Z.O.C. Representatives Appointed to the United Zionist Council in Canada

MONTREAL (ZINS) - The Executive Board of the Zionist Org. of Canada appointed its following representatives to the United Zionist Council of Canada in which all Zionist parties participated: E.E. Gelber, S.J. Zacks, R.H. Soren, D.E. Newman, A.B. Bennett and J.D. Pearlstein, of Toronto; S.E. Schwisberg, H. Grover, J.N. Frank, L. Levin, N. Gaisin, of Montreal; and Mrs. D. P. Gotlieb of Winnipeg. A number of Zionist leaders was co-opted to the newly elected Executive Board of the Z.O.C.

Keren-Hayesod Campaign Proclaimed in Italy

ROME (ZINS) - The Keren-Hayesod Campaign in Italy was inaugurated at a special meeting of representatives of all the Jewish communities and Zionist organization in Italy held in Florence under the chairmanship of Dr. Carlo Alberto Viterbo, President of the Zionist Federation in Italy and General Zionist leader. Eliezer Halevi, counselor of the Israel Legation greeted the Conference in behalf of the Israel Minister in Rome.

Poale-Zion Block Establishment of Zionist Federation in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (ZINS) - Idel Epstein, a General Zionist, was elected President of the Inter-party Zionist Federation in Mexico. The office of General Secretary of the Federation went to a representative of the Zionist Revisionists. As a result of this decision, the Poale-Zion blocked the re-organization of the Federation's Executive in opposition to the election of the Revisionists. The re-organization of the Mexican Zionist Federation is being carried out on the instruction of the Organization Department of the World Zionist Executive.

Correction to News Bulletin #38-B-52

The last paragraph of item 3 in last week's News Bulletin, headlined "Economic Crisis in Israel Worries Jewish Public Opinion in America", in which we quoted, a report to "Haaretz" by Arie Gelblum, the newspaper's correspondent in New York, was erroneously inserted into the above mentioned item. This paragraph which read as follows: "At the same time public opinion and the American Jewish Press demand the inclusion of the General Zionists into the Government and placing them in charge of the Economic Departments", belonged to the first news item of page 1 of said Bulletin.

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REFORMS THE STATE OF ISRAEL NEEDS

Timely Warning of a Prominent Zionist Leader

By Israel Dunsky

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A Word of Introduction

JOHANNESBURG (ZINS) - Israel is in the melting pot and it is difficult to forecast what will emerge. It is clear, however, that this is the formative period of the Jewish State and that the next few years will have a vital bearing upon its future development. This period may even determine the whole pattern of life in Israel, since new values are imperceptibly being created every day. These values will harden, become traditions and strike deep roots in the heart and soul of the reborn nation.

In view of their great influence upon the trend of events in Israel, it is timely and important to discuss some of the basic problems of the Jewish State. In my humble opinion these are of profound interest even to mere Zionists who dwell in "Chutz La-aretz", though some hands may be raised in horror at the thought of such un-neutral conduct by "foreigners", who may be generous - or charitable, providing they remain distant, frigid and completely detached from the new life that is developing for an important segment of the Jewish people. As civilised people brought up in the democratic tradition, we may even discuss the problems of Persia, Greece, Ireland or Iceland - but not Israel. Alas, I am an unregenerate sinner and belong to the school of thought that sees no contradiction between my citizen loyalty to the country where I live and my deep interest in Israel. Moreover, my mind has an uncontrollable way of straying to that sacred spot in the Middle East - without, I assure you, wishing to dictate to the Government of Israel. I must hasten to add, however, that I draw a clear distinction between "dictating" and offering constructive criticism.

As I see it, Israel has made extraordinary progress in the last three years. Its main problems are due to objective factors such as immigration and security. These are bound to cause great hardship to the Israeli population in the initial period. Time, Jewish courage, ingenuity and perseverance will ease this burden. But there are other problems that may make or mar the State, requiring the most careful consideration and foresight - particularly since they may be relegated to the background in the mistaken belief that they are inevitable or that they are not so important. Certain tendencies must be uprooted now, while they will still yield to courageous treatment.

The democratic character of Israel is assured. But the spirit of its democracy has not yet attained that depth and mellowness which is essential for the happiness and moral stature of a people. That does not come easily and without effort, and depends upon many factors, not the least of which is the political climate of a country.

Change of Electoral System

The present electoral system of Israel is based upon proportional representation, which is fair in theory but not good in practice. Even in an old and great country like France this system has resulted in weak and unstable Governments that are in a

permanent state of collapse. Their short, ephemeral lives are complicated by endless maneuvers of numerous advantage-seeking little parties. Every party is always in danger of developing splinter groups as soon as the slightest disagreement arises. The shade of an almost invisible difference of opinion - or a personal quarrel cloaked in high principle, is quite sufficient to produce a new fragment of a party. It is to be hoped that in Israel the good sense of the public will compel the fragments to unite or disappear, since they plague and divide the nation unnecessarily and are a source of weakness to the whole country. However, the only radical solution is to adapt the British system, which has withstood the test of time, to Israeli requirements.

Elimination of Excessive Partisanship

Here we are confronted with a very serious obstacle - the abnormal and unhealthy relationship between different parties and their members in Israel, the excessive partisanship and the deep-rooted prejudices and suspicions. The essence of Democracy is tolerance and respect for another point of view. When it goes as far as breaking up old-established settlements because people belonging to different parties can no longer - after so many years of neighborly friendship - live together, then it is a clear sign that we are reverting to primitive standards. The fanatical dislike for the unlike robs us of the little humanity that we have acquired and destroys the very spirit of Democracy. It makes very little difference whether this group hatred is based on race, religion or party. The next step is to break heads instead of counting them, and to impose uniformity by force.

Parties exist in all Democratic countries and have their spheres of influence in which they are useful and creative. If they exceed their boundaries they can become a positive danger to Democracy - which cannot function without parties. Parliamentary Government is based upon and sustained by parties. The civil service, the armed forces, the educational system of a country, sport, culture and art are ruined by the intrusion of party politics. There are no contradictions or paradoxes here - baffling as this may seem on the surface. It requires real wisdom, good judgment and balance to find the royal road to Democracy - and human happiness.

Civil Service Must be Divorced from Politics

The civil service is one of the most important factors in the Government of Israel. A minor official may cause more harm than can be repaired by a Prime-Minister, because his influence on the life of the individual citizen is intimate, personal and visible. He can irritate daily and continuously, or he can lighten the burdens of countless individuals by little acts of courtesy and consideration. His efficiency is oil in the wheels of State, and his inefficiency - grit.

Israel still lacks an experienced and polished civil service. Time will repair that - providing certain essential reforms are introduced. The civil service should be completely divorced from politics. Personal merit, efficiency and devotion to duty must replace the party-key. There is, of course, another factor - the general policy of the Government. If that produces an involved system, control-ridden and wrapped in miles of red-tape, then great improvement cannot be expected, and the relationship between the public and the civil service will continue to deteriorate at the expense of the progress of the State.

Abolition of Unnecessary Controls

The question of controls is a problem in itself. No state can exist without controls of some kind, and no one in his sober senses would suggest their complete abolition. But one cannot escape the impression that the tendency in Israel is to solve every problem by means of controls. This predilection for heavy-handed government may be

due to the background of so many influential people in Israel. Whatever the reason, the result is most unfortunate.

Red-tape and a superabundance of controls have between them, sapped the energy and destroyed the strength of enterprising newcomers, who came to create and produce, and whose minds should have been free to concentrate on production and export. Twenty-eight officials had to be interviewed - at their convenience - in connection with one single matter. A lifetime is required to fill in all the forms without which one cannot move in any direction. And who can remember all the rules and regulations hemming in the citizen on all sides? All this does not create an atmosphere in which initiative thrives, nor breed contentment nor inspire a national team spirit.

Curb on Monopolies

There is yet one other noticeable feature in Israel that is very disturbing - the monopoly mentality, the desire to prosper not by skill and enterprise but by preventing others from operating in the same field. A couple of people, comfortably seated in an office, most unencumbered with business experience, arm themselves with a map of Israel and a ruler, and decide how many enterprises of a particular kind can exist in the Jewish State. One can imagine their thumbs describing an arc in the air as they work out an abstract mathematical formula that has not the remotest connection with practical life. Not infrequently they are helped by vested interests to make up their minds. This is, of course, a manifestation of "planned economy", and is backed by arguments that often sound good in theory. But the practical effect on the economy of Israel is disastrous.

The monopoly mentality is by no means the exclusive prerogative of the Histadruth industrial and business enterprises, though they have a greater influence on the situation than anyone else. Some private people in Israel seem also to be reluctant to face competition, which would compel them to manage their affairs with greater skill, to keep their prices down, and to give real service to the public in order to win support. Entrenched monopolies have undoubtedly contributed towards a decline in productivity as well as in standards, and they have driven away many prospective investors from abroad.

All this does not detract one iota from the great miracle and the essential merits of the Jewish State, nor shake my confidence in its future. Israel will win the peace as it won the war. But the prophetic vision of Zionism has always aspired to greater things - not just another State in the world. There is much that can and should be done in furtherance of that lofty ideal. No effort should be spared to avoid the agony of muddling through. In all this we have an important part to play, since our task is still incomplete. On the one hand we must give the fullest support to Israel in every direction, without qualification and without condition. On the other hand, we must exercise the privilege - maybe the duty - of a friend to utter words of timely warning.

RABBI IRVING MILLER UNANIMOUSLY PROPOSED FOR ZOA PRESIDENCYConference of 300 ZOA Leaders from throughout Country Urges
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Z. O. A.Goodman, in Keynote Address, Calls for Change in ZOA Leadership

NEW YORK (ZINS) - Rabbi Irving Miller was catapulted into the front-running position for the Presidency of the Zionist Organization of America today when three hundred Zionist leaders from every major section of the country unanimously called upon him to assume the leadership of their organization by allowing his name to be presented at the forthcoming ZOA national convention.

In an impressive demonstration of powerful grass-root support for the dynamic Zionist leader who has been President of the American Jewish Congress and a top Zionist personality during the past two decades, ZOA leaders from throughout the country came out in his support and unanimously endorsed him as most fitted for the task of revitalizing the weakened organization which only a few years ago was the most potent organized Jewish force in the world. Among them were the presidents of eight of the ZOA's seventeen Regions, representing the bulk of the body's membership, and including the presidents of all five Regions in the Greater New York area.

Presiding over the session sponsored by the Zionist Information Service was Abraham Goodman of New York and Miami, influential ZOA Vice-President and staunch supporter of the policies of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Dr. Emanuel Neumann. Goodman, along with Dr. Neumann, and ZOA Vice-President Jacques Torczyner of New York; Dr. Harris J. Levine of New York, President of the Jewish National Fund; and Benjamin Dof, prominent Long Island Zionist leader, are the moving spirits, organizers and principal officers of the Zionist Information Service, an American General Zionist news agency, serving the United States and forty-three other countries.

Silver Leadership is Reaffirmed

The meeting unanimously passed a resolution, introduced by Philip Rasnikov, President of the Zionist Organization of Philadelphia, which affirmed once again the continued position of leadership of Dr. Silver with whose policy and program those present at

the meeting have been closely associated. It expressed concern over his "temporary absence from official leadership" and pledged "to look to him for guidance and inspiration in the days to come."

Neumann, Back from Israel, Urges Strong Zionist-Israel Link

Dr. Neumann, just returned from Israel where, as the new head of the Jewish Agency's Economic Department, he laid the groundwork for important new activity in this field and negotiated with Israel Government leaders on the vital question of official status for the World Zionist Organization, delivered the opening address. "The process of adjustment," he said, "between the Zionist Movement and the State of Israel is in its early stages," and cautioned that even when such a formula is found and adopted, "its practical implementation may require a further period of adjustment." "American Zionists he declared, "have been deeply offended by injudicious and intemperate remarks by Israeli spokesmen", but cautioned against letting this resentment affect Zionist policies or destroy its judgment.

In a significant passage, he pointed out that the "special and unique relationship" which Zionists claim with Israel, must be "sealed and sanctified" by American settlement in Israel - "a contribution which may in the end outweigh in importance all our financial contributions". But before such idealistic settlers can make their important contribution, he emphasized, both Israel and the Zionist Movement must create the necessary conditions and facilities.

In Israel he found increasing popular realization of the fundamental nature of the current economic crisis - the need for increasing agricultural and industrial output to close the dangerous gap between imports and exports. The people, he said, are becoming more and more aware of the need to assure Israel's economic independence, which can be brought about in the long run only through permanent private investment, consistently espoused by the General Zionists.

Miller Makes Impassioned Plea for "Character, Program and Leadership" in ZOA

In the principal address of the afternoon, which crystallized the overwhelming sentiment of the meeting for drastic steps to revitalize the ZOA, Rabbi Miller said: "It is only a few years ago that Zionism enjoyed on the American scene, unsurpassed prestige and achieved its greatest victories. What were the sources of its strength? The answer, I believe, will be found in several directions. The Movement had character! It was easily identifiable in terms of ideology and principles. Zionism was more than refugeeism, certainly more than philanthropy; it was national revival. Flowing out of this essential character of the Movement was a program of political, educational and economic activities boldly projected and imaginatively implemented. Both the character and the program of the Movement were admirably served by a leadership which articulated them superbly and executed them courageously.

"It is the watering down of the character of the Movement - the corresponding lack of a vigorous and dynamic program which are responsible for the present apathetic state of the Zionist Organization. The situation, of course, is not helped by a leadership which does not apparently command prestige in the larger communities, both on the national and local levels. Yet every objective observer of both the Israeli as well as the American scene attests to the pressing and urgent need for the revitalization of the Zionist Movement and the consolidation of its forces.

"The Zionist Organization must re-examine the part that it again must play in meeting the growing anti-Israel propaganda that is rising in many circles in this country. The Organization must plan for an investment program in Israel which will integrate the rank and file of Zionists in the economic upbuilding and development of the land and will bring American Zionists closer together with the General Zionists of Israel.

Leadership in the Bond Drive and in the UJA must again be assumed on local as well as national levels by Zionist leaders, and the rank and file mobilized to lend the maximum of support to these essential forces of Israel's financial requirements. And here on the American scene there must be manifested a determination to again re-capture the intellectual leadership of the Jewish community through publications, forum, a youth program, which will reflect the character of the Movement and spell out the conditions under which the American Jewish community may go forward to creative Jewish living."

Miller Resolution Unanimously Passed

The resolution calling upon Rabbi Miller to assume the presidency of the ZOA, introduced by Judah Hellman, president of the Long Island Region, was swept through by a unanimous rising vote. The resolution reads in part:

"Having heard the views expressed at this meeting by Rabbi Irving Miller, concerning the future role of the Z.O.A., the position of General Zionism as well as the relationship of American Jewry to Israel; and deeply concerned with the revitalization of the Zionist Organization of America as a dynamic and vigorous force in mobilizing American Jewish aid to Israel as well as insuring creative Jewish survival on the American scene, Calls upon Rabbi Irving Miller to assume the leadership of the Zionist Organization of America by allowing his name to be presented at the forthcoming National Convention of the Organization for the office of the President, and pledges to him its wholehearted support."

The meeting closed with the passage of a resolution introduced by Jacques Torczyner which authorized the Chairman to establish a Committee for Zionist Action "representing all sections of the country to be charged with implementation of the purposes of the conference", and to take the necessary organizational steps pending the establishment of the steering committee. The following participated in the discussion: Rabbi Joseph Sternstein, Dayton, Ohio; Rabbi Usher Kirshblum, Flushing, N.Y.; Judge Joseph Klau, Hartford, Conn.; Dr. Joseph Dunner, N.Y. City; Jacob Richman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Abraham S. Karff, Boston, Mass., and others.

Nationwide Cross-Section Expresses Support for Miller

The following eight Regional ZOA Presidents already announced their support for Rabbi Miller: Judah Hellman, Long Island Region, Irving Liebman of Westchester, Louis Dince of Manhattan, Harry Cohen, Bronx; Thomas Cohen, Brooklyn; Isaac Abramson of the Southwest Region, Morris M. Jacobs, Michigan; D. Harrison, Ohio Valley.

Jack Fisher, President of the Mount Eden District #62, Bronx, N.Y. and Philip Beer, President of District #60, Bronx, N.Y. were among the first to present resolutions adopted at their District meetings endorsing Rabbi Miller.

Among the numerous messages of support for Rabbi Miller were those from Dr. Marcus Levinson, Houston, Tex., vice-president of the ZOA; I.S. Turover, Washington, D.C. and Paul J. Gaiser, Dayton, Ohio; Jack Verdi, San-Francisco, president of the San-Francisco Zionist District; Shoolem Ettinger, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Present at the meeting, among others, were many well-known ZOA leaders such as: Benjamin E. Gordon, Teaneck, N.J.; Joseph W. Greenleaf, Mt. Vernon; Edmund A. Koblenz, Albany, N.Y.; Philip Lassar, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Moses Torczyner, N.Y.; Charles Wolf, N.Y.;

THE STRANGE INTERLUDE

(The American Zionist Scene)

By Jacques Torczyner

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NEW YORK (ZINS) - When we left Jerusalem last August, at the close of a dismal and dispirited Zionist Congress, most of us knew that the Zionist Movement, only a few short years after its greatest triumph, reached its lowest ebb. Now, six months later, we have even less reason to hope for a change unless we ourselves do something to force it.

Silver Removed from Leadership

Yes, the party in power in Israel, the party which uses the Israel Government as its mouthpiece, in three short years, has almost achieved its goal - the elimination of Zionism as a force in Jewish life. It was in the cards for all to see, beginning first with the pointed chorus of denunciation initiated by the Dobkins, Myersons, etc., and ending with the now-famous "bankruptcy" charge by Ben-Gurion himself. It has been a relentless and unceasing war by Mapai against a body it became convinced it couldn't dominate. Dogma calls for destruction, once infiltration and indirect control become ineffective.

With the ink hardly dry on Israel's Declaration of Independence, it was deemed safe at last, by the party hierarchy to eliminate the imposing figure of Abba Hillel Silver from leadership of the Movement. Such a figure, commanding as he did, such widespread popular support and affection, had to go, if Mapai's plans for the future were to succeed. Mapai was right. Without Silver, the World Zionist Organization was ripe for plucking. A more amenable leadership was installed to assure delivery of the body.

UJA - Bond Conflict Continuation of Fight Against ZOA

But evidently delivery of the body was delayed because the new leadership could not be brought completely under thumb, and from time to time threatened to kick over the traces. That is the real significance of the present fight between the UJA and the leadership of the Israel Bond Drive. It is nothing less than a continuation of the Silver-Montor battle, or more accurately the Silver-Mapai fight. Only this time Dr. Goldmann and Mrs. Halprin, who were used three years ago to topple Silver, are now ready for the axe. For the World Zionist Organization, the Jewish Agency, and the United Jewish Appeal, all under their influence to varying degree, did not collapse as quickly as was expected. In fact, the UJA, now headed by a capable team, brought to the fore ironically, by Montor himself, before he went over to the Bond Drive, is doing better than ever before, and refuses to take orders from Mapai, as had been fondly believed, once the Zionists, led by Silver were removed.

Dr. Goldmann, now pushed to the forefront in the unpopular negotiations with the Germans, has been shrewdly placed in an utterly exposed position by the manipulators in Israel. If the negotiations succeed, Mapai gets the credit. If they fail, Goldmann will be the scapegoat for those who induced him to start this unsavory chapter in Jewish history.

Israel's Enemies Sharpen Knives

Meanwhile, the old implacable enemies of the Jewish State - the Arabs and their friends in the State Department and other foreign chancellories, in the oil companies, certain church missionaries, and other anti-Zionist circles - are coming out to take advantage of the chaos in the Jewish house. They are sharpening their knives on the Arab "refugee" problem, the Russian threat to the Middle East, the need for Arabian oil, and the dynamite-laden Middle East Defense Command, which could easily become an Arab vehicle for renewed attack on Israel.

Principles Traded for Positions

And here is the ZOA, the once-proud Organization which spearheaded the entire World Zionist Movement in winning the Jewish State, in defeating the enemies of Zionism and the Jewish people, absurdly weak and apologetic. Just because partisan elements in Israel willed it, there was no need for it to roll over and die. But a succession of administrations piously singing of "neutrality", "unity", "unconditional support", has instead been intoning the swan-song of the Organization. In abject surrender, the ZOA, under this lack of leadership, principle and direction, abdicated one after another of its leading positions in Jewish life: in the UPA, the Jewish Agency, the UJA, the Bond Drive, even the JNF and the Keren-Hayesod.

And with its influence, declined its membership, despite optimistic statements to the contrary - not for lack of interest in the communities, - but because of lack of a program and policy.

With Israel staggering under its tremendous economic burden, with the UJA and the Bond Drive undermining each other's efforts, a strong ZOA could have filled the breach, working inside the funds and raising substantial sums for genuine constructive work of its own in Israel. It could have once again put its public relations and education program into high gear against the newly-massed forces facing Israel. It could have been sending to Israel the men and ideas and machines it so desperately needs to promote economic and political stability in a country being devoured by a partisan machine in control of the Government.

Instead, we have not "neutrality", but sterility. The ZOA representative in the Agency and the few on the other over-all bodies trade principles for positions, mostly minor, while the string-pullers give top leadership over to the enemies or rivals of the ZOA. The last Zionist Congress only helped confirm in the minds of those who had doomed the ZOA to extinction, that they were losing nothing.

Our Fight for New Leadership

A few weeks ago, a long-awaited movement was launched to bring the ZOA back from limbo, to give it the leadership it needs and deserves. Leaders from all over the country came to a packed conference in the Hotel Astor in New York, to unanimously endorse Rabbi Irving Miller for the presidency of the ZOA. Most important, they endorsed not only an exceptional candidate, but a principle, program and policy of character and dignity befitting the former prestige of our Organization, both in

America and Israel. It will use the approach of dealing from strength, since only through strength can you get what you deserve, from your friends as well as enemies.

This new leadership must demonstrate clearly, at home and abroad, just what we stand for, just what we can do. If there are certain General Zionist ideals which motivate us, let us back those ideals with constructive action in Israel, for no one can brush away an outstretched hand offering genuine aid and support. If we wish to be recognized in this country as the principal channel of material and moral support for Israel, then we must act like it, especially at a time when Israel never needed more desperately such comfort and support.

More than ever our country is the leader of the Free World. As such, our country's decisions will profoundly affect the future of Israel. And if it was once proved that our government reacts most strongly to the demands of the people of the United States, in the case of the United Nations deliberations on Palestine, the recognition of Israel by the United States, then again we must take Israel's case, and our case to the people of this country, before it is too late.

If by saving our Organization, we can help Israel and the Jewish people, our mission will have been fulfilled. If, by bringing back to life the ZOA, we can revive our Jewish pride, our Jewish consciousness and our link with Israel, this trying period will not have been in vain.



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Rabbi Miller Elected ZOA President By Overwhelming Majority of 654-371;
General Zionist Resolution Carried by Unprecedented Vote of 594-354;
Spectacular Victory of Silver-Neumann-Miller Forces at 55th ZOA Convention;
Mortimer May-Chairman Administrative Council; William Sylk-Chairman National Executive;
Albert Schiff-National Treasurer
Complete Defeat of Redelheim-Progressive "Coalition"

NEW YORK (ZINS) - Rabbi Irving Miller of Woodmere, L.I., was elected President of the Zionist Organization of America at its 55th annual National Convention in the Manhattan Center, by an overwhelming majority of 654-371 in the first presidential contest in twelve years. Rabbi Miller's election is an unprecedented victory for the Silver-Neumann forces at the Convention, which carried the Resolution on General Zionism by a vote of 594-354. This rendered a crushing blow to the artificial Browdy-Redelheim-Progressive "Coalition".

The New York Times, in its morning edition, commented on the Convention stating that "in effect the passage of the Resolution was a reaffirmation of the position taken by the Zionist Organization of America at its Convention in Atlantic City last year, when the delegates, by a majority vote, pledged the continuation of our fraternal relations with the Organization of General Zionists in Israel'."

At the same Convention session the full Miller slate of ZOA officers was overwhelmingly elected. Mortimer May, well-known Zionist leader of Nashville, Tennessee, was elected Chairman of the National Administrative Council; William Sylk of Philadelphia, Chairman of the National Executive Committee; and Albert Schiff of New York, National Treasurer.

Abraham Goodman, Chairman of the National Committee for Zionist Action Within the ZOA that carried the Miller campaign to final victory, issued a statement in which he said: "I attach far greater importance to our victory on the General Zionist Resolution than even to the election of our slate. I believe that this victory will have far-reaching effects not only in the United States, but in Canada, Latin-America and other parts of the world, as well as in Israel. The most significant aspect of the victory is the fact that it was won primarily by the grass-roots, though I am not minimizing the splendid contributions of the newly-elected President and Dr. Emanuel Neumann. The day is short and the tasks ahead, enormous. We must all now gird our loins and work together to bring about the realization of the objectives that animated us in our battle for victory."

"The ZOA Convention fully vindicated our position on General Zionism as expressed in the Resolution adopted yesterday," declared Dr. Emanuel Neumann, one of the architects of the Miller group victory. "It was a great day for American Zionism and for the General Zionist Movement," said Dr. Neumann, "and I am sure that our victory will reverberate throughout the Jewish world and especially in Israel, where our friends will be greatly encouraged by what happened here. I am very happy at the election of my old friend, Rabbi Irving Miller and I am sure that his presidential term will open a new glorious chapter in the history of the Zionist Organization of America."

Jacques Torczyner, Vice-President of the ZOA and one of the outstanding leaders of the Miller Campaign, stated: "In spite of the predictions of our opponents from the Redelheim-Progressive camp, the Convention, which is the highest legislative body of the ZOA, approved our position and reaffirmed our line on General Zionism in accordance with the Atlantic City Resolution of last year. General Zionists the world over, and Israel in particular, will be greatly heartened by this event. Our overwhelming victory will strengthen Rabbi Miller's Administration. I am sure he will make a great President of our great Organization."

Neumann, Goldmann, Lipsky, Miller, participate in dramatic Ideological Debate on General Zionism

NEW YORK (ZINS) - The adoption of the Resolution on General Zionism by the ZOA Convention was preceded by a dramatic three-hour debate between Dr. Emanuel Neumann and Rabbi Irving Miller, supporting the Resolution - and Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Louis Lipsky, who defended the Redelheim-Progressive Resolution aimed at repudiating the Resolution adopted in Atlantic City last year.

It is significant that Abraham Redelheim, the candidate of the Browdy-Progressive group did not personally participate in the debate, leaving the defense of his plank to the two Progressive spokesmen.

In his address, Dr. Neumann clarified the situation on Zionism and the General Zionist Movement and analyzed the developments that brought the Movement to its present-day position. He argued that ideological identification between the ZOA and General Zionist groups both in the Diaspora and Israel did not mean either affiliation with them or intervention in the political life of Israel; and that the defeat of such a resolution at the Convention would be a repudiation of our ideological position and a slap in the face to our comrades in Israel.

Rabbi Miller, who was the last speaker in the debate, stated that the ZOA as envisaged by his Progressive opponents, would be colorless, if emptied of any real ideological content. He stated that his Resolution in no way calls for the organizational affiliation of the ZOA with any political party in Israel, nor does it qualify our economic support for Israel.

In his brilliant address that raised the Convention to new heights, Rabbi Miller rejected all the accusations and insinuations levelled against him and his group as enemies of the Government of Israel or of the State of Israel. He pointed out that criticizing the American Government does not necessarily make one an enemy of America, just as criticism of the Government of Israel does not imply being an enemy of the State of Israel.

As a result of the debate, the Resolution on General Zionism as presented to the Convention by Mortimer May, of the Miller forces, was adopted by a majority of 594-354 votes. The most important part of the adopted resolution is contained in paragraph 3 which states: "The organic structure of the World Zionist Organization is based upon ideological groupings and recognizes diversity of outlook and opinion, subject always to the overriding authority of the Zionist Congress. Accordingly, we reaffirm our adherence to the World Confederation of General Zionists and the ideological and moral kinship which exists between us and like-minded sister-organizations of General Zionists, both in the Diaspora and in Israel; and we extend to them once more an expression of our cordial friendship and fraternal relations."

Another part of the Resolution states that the ZOA has never been and is not now affiliated party-wise with any Zionist Party. It also emphasizes that the highest in-

terest of General Zionism impells it to renew the plea for the unification between the General Zionist Party and the Progressives in the State of Israel.

The defeated Resolution, as presented by Dr. S. Margoshes for the Redelheim-Progressive group stated that: "The ZOA shall adhere strictly to the principle of non-identification and non-affiliation with any political party in Israel. It shall pursue its independent policies as determined from time to time by its constitutional authorities. This 55th Convention of the ZOA declares that the ZOA resolution on identification adopted last year at Atlantic City does not reflect the present views of the Organization, and the Convention hereby accepts the agreement on non-identification reached at the sessions of the World Confederation of General Zionists held at Jerusalem in August 1951. "

In the Committee of Policy and Scope of the Convention, presided over by its Chairman, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, the Miller group did not intend to introduce any new Resolution on General Zionism. The debate on the Convention floor, however, was imposed by the Redelheim-Progressive group, which in pressing for the adoption of its Resolution, aimed at repudiating the Resolution on General Zionism adopted in Atlantic City and forcing the issue to a vote - which ended in their defeat.

General Zionists in Israel Jubilant

TEL-AVIV (ZINS) - Cable reports of the Israeli correspondents in New York on the adoption of the Resolution on General Zionism and the election of Rabbi Irving Miller, were enthusiastically greeted by General Zionists all over Israel. The daily Israeli press prominently featured the dramatic outcome of the ZOA Convention in N.Y.. Spokesmen for the General Zionist Party in Israel and neutral observers termed it the most significant event in the Zionist world for the past year. The adoption of the Resolution, it was pointed out, proves once again that the Zionist Organization of America, in its overwhelming majority adheres to the ideological principles that bind General Zionists in Israel with their comrades in the Diaspora.

Joseph Serlin, General Zionist Vice-Speaker of the Knesseth Arrived in New York

NEW YORK (ZINS) - "The Resolution on General Zionism adopted by the ZOA Convention proves once again that the ZOA is a General Zionist Organization par excellence and that it will follow the General Zionist line in accordance with the Resolution adopted at its 54th Convention in Atlantic City last year," said Joseph Serlin, Deputy Speaker of the Knesseth and leader of the Israeli General Zionist Party, upon his arrival in New York.

The election of Rabbi Irving Miller to the presidency will open the way for Dr. Abba Hillel Silver to return to active participation in Zionist affairs. I am happy about Rabbi Miller's election and I am sure that his assumption of the highest office in the Organization will once more bring back dynamic and vigorous leadership to the largest General Zionist Organization in the world. The General Zionists of Israel look upon Dr. Neumann, Rabbi Miller and Dr. Silver as the real leaders of our Movement in the United States. This Convention has once again proved the insignificant influence the Progressives exert in ZOA ranks."

Key General Zionist Leaders Elected to ZOA Offices

NEW YORK (ZINS) - Among those elected to key offices in the new ZOA Administration are a large number of well-known ZOA leaders like Dr. Harris J. Levine, Dr. Leon Feuer, Abraham Goldstein, Charles Ress - all Honorary ZOA Vice-Presidents.

Among the elected Vice-Presidents are : I.S. Turover, Jacques Torczyner, Judge Joseph Klau, Benjamin Gordon, Abraham Goodman, Judge Henry Ellenbogen, Dr. Marcus Levinson, Benjamin R. Winick, Louis Bleecker and others.

Benjamin J. Doft, Samuel Goldstock and Dr. Hyman D. Silver were elected Vice-Chairmen of the Administrative Council; Michael Egnol as Secretary of this Council; and Philip Lassar, Associate Treasurer.

1,031 Delegates Cast their Election-ballots at ZOA Convention; Closed Ballot Proof of true Zionist Democracy

NEW YORK (ZINS) - 1,031 Delegates cast their ballots during the elections for the main four officers, at the ZOA Convention held in Manhattan Center yesterday; the President, the Chairman of the Administrative Council, Chairman of the National Executive and the National Treasurer. The balance of officers as well as members of the National Executive Committee were elected during the second part of the session.

The balloting proceeded in very orderly fashion. Delegates marked their choice of officers on printed ballots which they cast into ballot-boxes, under the supervision of tellers and watchers assigned by both contesting groups at the Convention. It was the first time in twenty years that a closed ballot was taken at a ZOA Convention. The count of the vote over the General Zionist Resolution was carried through by a show of hands and delegates' credential cards. In order to avoid errors, every five rows of delegates, sitting in the Convention floor were counted separately. The count, carried out by tellers appointed by both the Miller and Redelheim groups, was unanimously approved by both sides. Neutral observers and press-correspondents covering the ZOA Convention admitted that this was one of the best performances of Zionist democracy ever seen.

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ZOA CONVENTION ISSUESMR. BROWDY VS. MR. BROWDYZOA Administration Repudiates its own Position on General Zionism

By Observer

NEW YORK (ZINS) - Speaking at the dedication of the ZOA House in Tel-Aviv, Mr. Benjamin G. Browdy declared that the ZOA was not associated or identified with any group in Israel. In his report to the National Executive Committee on May 21 in New York, he announced that he would call upon the ZOA Convention to endorse his stand, which he restated in even more sweeping terms: "without ties, alliances or identification with any other group of Zionists, either in the United States or in Israel". He has made it unmistakably clear that his Administration is scuttling the ZOA official stand on General Zionism which had been arrived at democratically, - that the Administration has bowed to the dictates of Mapai and the wishes of the "Progressive" minority.

When astonishment was expressed in the Israeli press over Mr. Browdy's attempt to nullify a decision arrived at by all the governing bodies of the ZOA, including the last National Convention, he blandly replied that he was exercising his presidential prerogative. He added that he had never favored the identification resolution, overwhelmingly approved by the Atlantic City Convention - and that he had opposed it at the time.

One does not like to accuse Mr. Browdy of deliberately concealing or distorting the truth. We prefer to assume that his memory has played him false. Let us refresh his failing memory.

Mr. Browdy's presidential report to the last ZOA Convention, printed and distributed to all the delegates, contained the following significant words:

"We are no isolationists. We do not believe that we can do our job either on the American scene or in the World Zionist Movement without aid or without consultation with others. For years the Zionist Organization of America has been cooperating with the General Zionist groups throughout the world in an effort to maintain a joint General Zionist line. This time-honored procedure has been followed under the present administration. We have been in constant contact with our sister organizations in many countries in all parts of the world - in Canada, Latin-America, South-Africa, Europe and Israel, where, for obvious reasons, special significance attaches to the role and work of our comrades. Cognizant of the division that exists in the ranks of General Zionism in Israel and the great hurt that it has brought to the General Zionist Movement, we have repeatedly appealed for peace and understanding, which would heal the breach and reconstitute the General Zionist Party in Israel as one great fighting and constructive unit in the State of Israel...However, pending the success of our efforts to bring about unity, where today there is only strife and discord, we found that we could not, without doing violence to our own convictions and damage to the whole General Zionist Movement, turn our backs on the General Zionist Party in Israel, with which bonds of friendship and solidarity have tied us

for these many years. After a long, open and fair debate, the Executive Committee of the ZOA adopted a resolution outlining our relationship to the General Zionist Party in Israel, affirming, in effect, our old connection with our sister organization in Israel. To this position, which we have taken after a great deal of deliberation, we shall continue to adhere".

Is it, then, true that Mr. Browdy had opposed the "identification" stand - as he now claims - or that he had endorsed it in the clearest and most emphatic terms?

How will the Browdy Administration - and its candidate - justify this amazing reversal of its own policy? Who authorized the Administration to speak and act in direct opposition to the letter and spirit of the resolutions adopted by the ZOA's National Convention and Executive Committee? What deliberative body decided that the organization has changed its official policy on General Zionism?

Clearly, Mr. Browdy's action was not only inconsistent with his own previous stand, but undemocratic. We are not impressed by the lame excuse which is being circulated: that the Administration's reversal is in accordance with the "non-identification" agreement arrived at last summer in the World Confederation of General Zionists. That agreement was reached between the General Zionists and Progressives of Israel. It was to the effect that neither group would, in the future, solicit further declarations of identification from Zionist organizations in the Diaspora. It was explicitly understood that this agreement did not affect action previously taken by the ZOA or by Zionist groups in other countries. In any case, only the ZOA itself, acting through its own democratic institutions, can enunciate policies for its membership.

What Mr. Browdy does to his own reputation for veracity or consistency, concerns us less than what he has done to the dignity and self-respect of the great Organization he heads.

In the hope of saving the group now in control from the certain defeat which faces them in a fortnight - in the hope of continuing in control of the ZOA - Mr. Browdy has chosen to seize upon the issue of "identification". But he has raised another, more fundamental issue which will interest the delegates even more:

Is it admissible that persons elected to office by the democratic vote of the Convention shall treat its resolutions like scraps of paper? Are they entitled to nullify its decisions, make a mockery of the democratic process and expose our Organization to scorn and ridicule?

What motivated the Administration's unwarranted about-face? Why did Mr. Browdy feel that he must make his declaration in Israel even though Mr. Ben-Gurion had just launched the most violent of his tirades against the General Zionists? Was Mr. Browdy's statement the price the ZOA had to pay in order to secure Mr. Ben-Gurion's attendance at the ZOA House banquet in Tel-Aviv? And if so, was the price worth paying? Was this why Mr. Browdy's speech in Israel made it appear as if Mr. Ben-Gurion alone was responsible for the Jewish State, and why the names of Abba Hillel Silver, or of Emanuel Neumann, or the role of American Zionism in general, were not even mentioned by him? Is the Mapai henceforth to determine what the ZOA shall do, think or say on all questions of policy?

The membership of the Zionist Organization of America should have honest answers to these questions.

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20 Zionist Leaders Wire Browdy; Request Convening ZOA National Executive; Same Request Made by Mortimer May April 10; Violation of Constitution Cited

NEW YORK (ZINS) - In accordance with a resolution passed at the plenary meeting of the National Committee for Zionist Action Within the ZOA which is supporting Rabbi Irving Miller for the Presidency of the Organization, 20 members of the ZOA National Executive Committee wired ZOA President Browdy to convene an Executive meeting by May 1st, in order to establish rules for the election of delegates to the forthcoming National Convention, in accordance with the provision of the ZOA Constitution.

At the same time it was revealed that Mr. Mortimer May, chairman of the ZOA National Executive Committee wired and wrote to Mr. Browdy as far back as April 10 requesting that a meeting of the Executive be called for the same purpose. No action however, was taken by the ZOA Administration at that time.

Bowing to the demand of the powerful group of 20 ZOA National Executive members, the ZOA Administration immediately announced that a meeting of the National Executive and of the Administrative Council will be held in New York on May 17 and 18, which however, will leave only three weeks until the Convention scheduled for June 13-15 in New York. The ZOA Constitution provides that the governing legislative bodies of the Organization should convene at least six weeks prior to the Convention in order to ensure proper safeguards for fair elections of delegates.

Northern Virginia Zionist District Endorses Rabbi Miller

ARLINGTON, VA. (ZINS) - The Northern Virginia Zionist District, one of the most important ZOA units in the Seaboard Region, has endorsed Rabbi Irving Miller for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America, according to an announcement made by Morris Amchan, Northern Virginia District President.

President Amchan explained that the Northern Virginia membership feels practically unanimously, that Rabbi Miller would furnish the ZOA with the best leadership available. His wide experience gained as President of the American Jewish Congress and his thorough familiarity with Zionist affairs, make him highly qualified for the high office.

Israeli General Zionists Call on Silver to Return to Leadership

TEL-AVIV (ZINS) - A resolution of greetings to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver was cabled to him by the General Zionist Party of Israel in accordance with a resolution passed by the last National Conference of the Party, held recently in Ramat Gan. The cable reads as follows: "The Conference of the General Zionist party of Israel sends its very cordial greetings to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, the great leader of Zionism in the Diaspora for his noble, political struggle and outstanding efforts to mobilize financial support for the State of Israel and calls on him to return to active service on behalf of General Zionism".

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Bernstein Re-elected President Israeli General Zionists; New National Executive Elected; Conference Hails Dr. Silver

RAMAT Gan (ZINS) - Dr. Peretz Bernstein was unanimously re-elected President of the General Zionist Party of Israel at the closing session of the Party's National Conference here. A new National Executive Committee of 104 members, including the General Zionist Deputies in the Knesseth, was elected at the same session. The Executive will elect from among its members, a 25-man Administrative Committee.

The Conference hailed Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and read a cable from him in which he expressed the hope "that the General Zionists will continue their march forward and that their sound program for the upbuilding of Israel will be accepted and implemented."

Tribute was also paid to Dr. Emil Schmorak, former Controller of the Jewish Agency, whose Report submitted to the 23rd Zionist Congress in Jerusalem resulted in an investigation of the Agency's activities.

Among the most important resolutions adopted by the Conference are: Resolution providing for the organization of all General Zionist Workers into a separate group within the Histadruth. This group will include both General Zionist workers who are members of the Histadruth as well as General Zionist non-Histadruth members employed in various trades.

The main political resolution states that "the immediate and major aim of the General Zionist Party is to bring about a change of regime." It calls upon the Party to become the alternative political power in Israel. Further resolutions call for the continuation of the fight for one national school system and for full equality of all citizens in the political and economic life of the country.

The Conference authorized the new Executive Committee to look into the matter of organizing a special group of religious elements within the Party. Special resolutions also deal with the relationship between the World Zionist Movement and the State of Israel. The occasion was used to pay tribute to the accomplishments of the General Zionist Women's Association and entrusted the new Executive with the task of re-organizing and expanding the Youth Department; and of cooperation between the General Zionist Party and the Maccabi.

Dictatorship A Menace to the State, Declares Bernstein; Rokaah and Neumann Address General Zionist Conference

RAMAT-Gan (ZINS) - "Any form of dictatorship is a great menace to the State of Israel," declared Dr. Peretz Bernstein in his opening address to the General Zionist Party Conference. Dr. Bernstein made these remarks when analyzing the position of Israel in the world conflict between the East and West and emphasized that the General Zionist political program points to a clear pro-Western orientation.

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SPECIALNATIONAL COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF MILLER ANNOUNCEDZOA Leaders From Throughout Country Join; Plenary
Meeting - April 20th

NEW YORK (ZINS) - 85 prominent Zionist leaders from all parts of the country, joined in a National Committee for Zionist Action Within the ZOA to support Rabbi Irving Miller for the presidency of the Organization, according to an announcement by Abraham Goodman, ZOA Vice-President and Chairman of the Committee.

Among those listed as members of the Committee, are ZOA vice-presidents, national officers, regional presidents, numerous members of the National Executive Committee and leaders of young Zionist districts, representing a cross-section of ZOA leadership from coast to coast.

In announcing the formation of the Committee, Mr. Goodman pointed out that "by joining the National Committee for Zionist Action, its members expressed their determination to revitalize the ZOA under a new dynamic administration, whose objective will be to regain for it those basic rights it enjoyed for half a century in the past and to preserve the integrity of the World Zionist Movement at a moment of crisis".

Mr. Goodman announced that the first plenary meeting of the Committee will convene at a full-day session in New York City on Sunday, April 20, when both the programmatic as well as organizational issues will be discussed and acted upon.

The list of the Committee (in formation) is as follows:

1. Isaac Abramson, Shreveport, La.
2. Philip April, Keyport, N.J.
3. Leo Auerbach, New York, N.Y.
4. Dr. Moses Barron, Minneapolis, Minn.
5. Sam Baskind, Pittsburgh, Pa.
6. Dr. Samuel W. Boorstein, Bronx, N.Y.
7. Leo Brown, Jamaica, N.Y.
8. Dr. Irving Burton, Bronx, N.Y.
9. George H. Cohen, Bronx, N.Y.
10. Harry Cohen, Bronx, N.Y.
11. Paul Cohen, Bronx, N.Y.
12. Rabbi Seymour J. Cohen, Pittsburgh, Pa.
13. Sol Cohen, Richmond Hill, N.Y.
14. Thomas Cohen, Brooklyn, N.Y.
15. Louis Dince, New York, N.Y.
16. Jacob M. Dinnes, Kew Gardens, N.Y.

17. Benjamin Doft, Lawrence, L.I., N.Y.
18. William K. Dorfman, Forest Hills, N.Y.
19. Dr. Joseph Dunner, New York, N.Y.
20. Michael H. Egnal, Philadelphia, Pa.
21. Shoolen Ettinger, Indianapolis, Ind.
22. Dr. Leon I. Feuer, Toledo, Ohio
23. Jack Fisher, Bronx, N.Y.
24. Benj. M. Friedman, Richmond Hill, N.Y.
25. David Gaiser, Columbus, Ohio
26. Paul J. Gaiser, Dayton, Ohio
27. Marvin Gerstman, Buffalo, N.Y.
28. Abraham Goldstein, Hartford, Conn.
29. Gustave L. Goldstein, Los Angeles, Cal.
30. Samuel Goldstock, Pittsburgh, Pa.
31. Abraham Goodman, New York, N.Y.
32. Ellis Goodman, Camden, N.J.
33. Jacob Goodman, Brooklyn, N.Y.
34. Samuel Greenblatt, New York, N.Y.
35. Judge Emanuel Greenberg, Brooklyn, N.Y.
36. Joseph W. Greenleaf, Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
37. Judge Philip Halpern, Buffalo, N.Y.
38. Daniel Harrison, Columbus, Ohio
39. Judah B. Hellman, Jamaica , N.Y.
40. Morris M. Jacobs, Detroit, Mich.
41. Leon Kay, Detroit, Mich.
42. Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum, Flushing, N.Y.
43. Judge Joseph E. Klau, Hartford, Conn.
44. Alfred H. Kleiman, New York, N.Y.
45. Edmund A. Koblenz, Albany, N.Y.
46. Leon E. Kohn, New York, N.Y.
47. Dr. Alvin Kruger-Colin, Bronx, N.Y.
48. Morris Kupietz, Bronx, N.Y.
49. Carl Lampner, Brooklyn, N.Y.
50. Philip Lassar, Brooklyn, N.Y.
51. Arthur Levenson, Bronx, N.Y.
52. Naftalie Lefkowitz, St. Louis, Mo.
53. Dr. Marcus Levinson, Houston, Texas
54. Julius Livingston, Tulsa, Oklahoma
55. Milton Lukashok, New York, N.Y.
56. Jacob Lukashok, New Rochelle, N.Y.
57. A.M. Luntz, Cleveland, Ohio
58. Dr. Emanuel Neumann, New York, N.Y.
60. Dr. Jacob Reichert, Pheonix, Arizona
61. Philip S. Resnikov, Philadelphia, Pa.
62. Charles Ress, New York, N.Y.
63. Jacob S. Richman, Philadelphia, Pa.
64. Henry Rosenbaum, Plainfield, N.J.
65. J. Bernard Rosenfeld, Brooklyn, N.Y.
66. Albert Schiff, New York, N.Y.
67. Daniel Schulman, Bronx, N.Y.
68. William Schwarzberger, Bronx, N.Y.
69. Dr. David Sheitlis, New York, N.Y.
70. Dr. Hyman D. Silver, Bronx, N.Y.

71. David Spiegel, Brooklyn, N.Y.
72. Rabbi Joseph Sternstein, Dayton, Ohio
73. William H. Sylk, Philadelphia, Pa.
74. Milton S. Taylor, New York, N.Y.
75. Harry Torczyner, New York, N.Y.
76. Jacques Torczyner, New York, N.Y.
77. Moses Torczyner, New York, N.Y.
78. Sidney Trumpeter, Bronx, N.Y.
79. I.S. Turover, Bethesda, Maryland
80. Jack Verdi, San Francisco, Cal.
81. Morris Weinberg, New York, N.Y.
82. Herman Weisman, Scarsdale, N.Y.
83. Samuel Wigder, Bronx, N.Y.
84. Charles Wolf, New York, N.Y.
85. Hyman Zimak, New York, N.Y.

(Additional names will be published from time to time)

