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Hadassah, 1941.

Stuck
1) To-night we kindle - growing popularity - ① Dranghts & concourse -
Nation rose - Beat back - Recaptured - Resumed role
No very many - heart-warming - In these darkening
war glow - esp. welcome ; in Black-out - Keep their
faithful vigil : "The miracle will yet happen again"
Sanctum - "many in hands, few" - Small crew of oil

2) utter appropriateness - Personal recovery - Far become Near
Elemental struggle for day - forecast - amazing detail - 2c.
Stage - Issues - motives - significance
For shadowed all was for - Amertar - liberation

① Against Totalitarianism - coordinate index - vast fabric
of a circumambient - pagan empire - Rome - Easy ^(No page can ever do)
Jews did not want to be Romanized - another Levantine
Apprenticed - altered - Higher Rel. Code - Missionary
- The one dissident, non-conforming people. "that all
should be one people - & every one should have his laws"
- Persecutors - "liquidated" - "Jupiter Olympus" - chapels -
Death - desolated -
- many fell away - even before - "a covenant with the
heathen"
- The Few! - scattered - price - "Underground movement"
Unusual struggle - Caves - guerrilla - outposts
Apollonius & Samarra ; Sermon , Synag , Synod
at Emmaus -
- Fear is not the method

And they were! Spirit triumphant over Fate - Saved Ghetto

3). Is any, this antagonized? or is as truly as Pearl Harbor? Is Empire-building - Total - Glückschick - Underdog Tyranny - a thing of the past? ^(what is our country) And who better? Maccabees

4). - Everywhere when Jews are fighting & suffering - heirs of Moses.
- Exp in Poland - to a very real sense - in their own land -
holding an outpost - Paradise! 10,000 - Legion - Yishuv.
Civilian Defense - Libya - Stupid - "Affirmation"
- Being hardened in war - to claim their rights or take them - "Freedom is taken, not given!"

- What is important - do our duty - faithful ally -

5). A J. homeland in P. - is inevitable - only solutions - no peace - Phettos
- We must solve - hermeneutics - was an abst. not bee. great nations are wounded -
If P. in 1917 - how much men to war? - was > Dark Days
After the war?

- Santo Domingo? 60 years - Incorruptible Territor. -
Crime - Brown thief in

Faith in logic & cause - inevitability.

6). Build under fire! A. new colony - 237 - like in olden days
in spite - hardness of spirit - hardness of hearts of men -
Destroying? Here we build!

7). To whom belongs the victory? Candle! To those ① few
② suffer for things - mark the worth of suffering. ③ stationed watch - remains
life noble - death heroic, when passed a great man's step - then this

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"Every Jewish Woman Has a Place in Hadassah"

KISLEV—DECEMBER, 1941

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER WILL ADDRESS DONOR

SUNDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 14th — 8:30 P. M. — HOTEL CLEVELAND



CELIA ADLER

The first lady of the Yiddish Theatre will this year make a concert tour of the United States. The creator of the leading roles in such Yiddish plays as "Green Fields," "Idle Inn," "Kiddush Hashem," "Stempeniu," "The Blacksmith's Daughters," Miss Adler is also one of the founders of the Yiddish Art Theater in New York City. Her concert recital includes a varied group of character studies in both English and Yiddish.

OUR NEW NATIONAL BOARD MEMBER

Most of the sessions at the convention were long, the presentations heated. Even after meetings adjourned, delegates still debated and argued. But there was one session that all the delegates from Cleveland left in the same frame of mind. That was the one on Sunday, when the nominating committee brought in its report. We all rejoiced when Mrs. Abraham Strauss, our own past president, was elected to the National Board. We know that she genuinely deserves this honor! We also know that she will continue to serve the Cleveland Chapter and the general cause of Zionism in greater measure than ever before! We congratulate her and we congratulate ourselves!

THE ANSWER IS YES!

Repeatedly during the Donor Campaign we workers are asked; "Does the money really get to Palestine?" We answer unequivocally; "Yes!" It is held in trust and cabled when needed. We can go further than this and declare that not only does the money reach there but all the supplies, too. It is an interesting fact that in 26 years only one shipment of supplies has been lost—the one that went down with the S.S. Zam Zam, and for this Hadassah was insured.

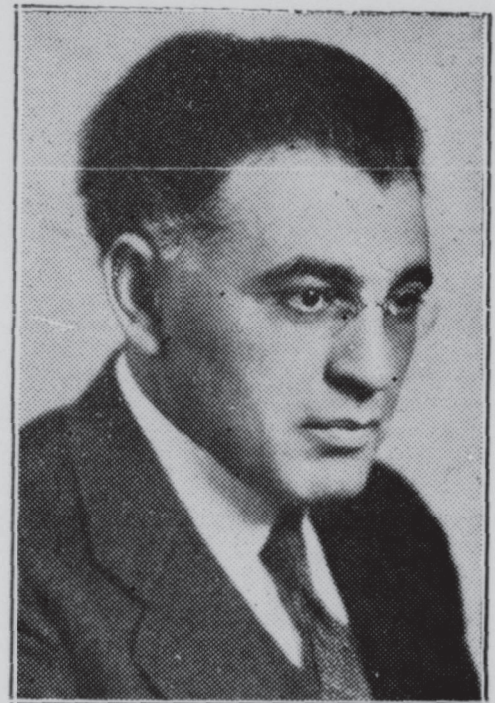
Then the next question is: "Is there really any use pouring all these dollars into such a danger spot?" And again our answer is "Yes!" Why? Because it is a danger spot, and our people must be and remain prepared; because what we have built in Palestine must be maintained and developed. We are still supporting all the projects and agencies we have supported in the past: the hospitals with their war emergency expansions; Child Welfare with its 25,000 children to be fed daily; the Palestine Supplies Department with its increased need for hospital supplies and material; and Youth Aliyah which despite the ever widening war theater received 1250 Aliyah children and 500 Palestinian youth for training this year, among which latter group were 150 from the ill-fated S.S. Patria.

Far from reducing our activities we are taking on more responsibility. We are making a grant to the Anti-tuberculosis League for extra beds in Haifa and Jerusalem. We are including in our budget this year a commitment to the Hebrew University for a Pharmaceutical Department. And we are establishing a trade school for girls in the name of Alice Seligsberg. Thus we do our share to help th Yishuv develop, conserve and organize its strength.

They are building—the Jews of Palestine—and will continue to build, not for today alone, but, for the long future. They may be embattled. They have been bombed, and more bombs may fall. But there are 10,000 of our men in the English army, and we would gladly put 10 times 10,000 into service, for they will fight with the last vestige of their strength for their homeland which is not only their homeland but the very survival of the Jewish people.

"Can we buy more land?" "Yes! We are limited only by limited funds. We not only can but must buy land so that there will be room for the millions who will trek there after the war."

Can we live peacefully with the Arabs? We have so demonstrated in the past, as well as of late. Since German and Italian propaganda has virtually ceased, so have the riots. And, post war, if England lives up to her promises, there will be peace in Palestine. As a matter of fact, the Palestinian Arab has suffered from the Arab terrorists even more than the Jew. They have benefitted physically economically and culturally by the Jews's re-



RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

We are fortunate to have in Cleveland a figure of national and international importance, Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. He is now starting his 25th year in Cleveland—years of outstanding service as a rabbi, lecturer and civic leader. In addition to these many tasks, he still finds time to write, and the press has this year released his latest book, entitled, "World Crisis and Jewish Survival" which has had favorable reviews. Some of his other publications are "Religion in a Changing World" and a profound volume, especially prepared for the rabbinate, called "Messianic Speculations in Israel."

The subject of Rabbi Silver's talk at our Donor will be "Embattled Palestine."

turn to Palestine, and they are fully aware of their benefits.

Now is the time for us to do our annual share toward the present and future of our people. The Donor Project is in full swing. Contributions are being accepted in the Hadassah office, and Mrs. Ben Schwartz will be there as Treasurer of Donor to record your money, instead of Mrs. Harry Polster, who, due to unforeseen circumstances, had to give up that post. Funds are coming in well. But we cannot be satisfied until every member—every Jewish woman has done her share.

Mrs. Abraham Strauss,
(Chairman of Donor)

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONVENTION

In her opening words at the Twenty-seventh Annual Convention of Hadassah in Pittsburgh, our national president, Mrs. David De Sola Pool, outlined the 1941-1942 policy, to strengthen and expand Hadassah's projects in Palestine, and to participate on the American scene in Zionist political activities as well as in American affairs;—"No longer can we take our Americanism for granted and leave the defense of democracy to specialists. Every individual, every group, every organization must make its contribution to the continuance of our way of life. That is the true essence of our American Affairs program."

"Hadassah takes its place in Zionist inter-relations and public relations with earnestness, forthrightness, and determination. We are going to study world problems, keep in touch with bodies and groups devoted to the study of peace and post war settlement, help mobilize to the utmost of our power American public opinion in support of our cause, for without that support any attempt at a solution of the Jewish problem may well end in despair or defeat To be a part of a stream of thought, energy and devotion, to be dedicated to the creation of such a pattern of peace, is the aim and purpose of Hadassah's political activity, as a Zionist body, as a group of free Americans, as heirs of the Jewish moral tradition."

In a session devoted exclusively to political affairs, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, representative to the League of Nations for the Jewish Agency for Palestine, emphasized, "There is a desire today among the statesmen of the world to think in terms of a radical solution of the Jewish problem. Our job is to see that this desire is canalized into the channels of Zionism and that no illusions of other radical solutions, outside of Palestine, are permitted to crystallize."

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, of the Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs, dealing with the same problem, stated that the final security of Palestine could only come through the addition of several hundred thousand settlers immediately at the close of the war. He favored Youth Aliyah on a gigantic scale. "These carefully chosen young people, between the ages of 17 and 25, should be brought in at one stroke en masse, housed in tents and cantonments, organized as work camps, and then integrated into the economic life of the country with the concomitant expansion of agriculture and industry."

Dr. L. M. Birkhead, national director of Friends of Democracy, Inc., made an impassioned plea for action, "We must face the fact that our system of government is threatened by a wealthy, organized, intelligent enemy We confront the greatest crisis in our history. We must not permit ourselves to be bewildered and confused by the anti-democratic propaganda. We must support loyally and enthusiastically the program of our government. We must defend democracy on all fronts, anywhere in the world!"

Climaxing the discussion, the delegates at the convention unanimously adopted a resolution, a copy of which went to President Roosevelt, pledging the hearty support of Hadassah, and the active participation of its members in established organizations for the defense of democracy."

Mrs. Alvin Mellman, President

CALENDAR

- December 1—Donor Rally—2:30 at home of Mrs. Abraham Strauss, 2961 North Park Blvd.
- 1—Marionette Class at 1:15—Hadassah office—meets every Monday.
- 5—Bring a new member party—1:30—Hotel Cleveland.
- 5—B. and P. Shabbos Tea—8:30 P. M. home of Mrs. Nettie Fertel, 3011 Ludlow Road.
- 6—Writers Group—1:30 P. M.—Mrs. A. Shulman, 3790 Washington Blvd.
- 7—2:30 P. M.—B. and P. Mah Jong and Card Party — Vagabond Room, 10542 Euclid Avenue.
- 10—Book Review—10:15 — Hadassah office Mrs. Harry Yetra will review "Brandeis" by Alfred Lief.
- 13—Drama Group—2:00 P. M.—home of Mrs. M. Payner, 1642 Coventry Road.
- 14—Donor—8:30 P. M.—Hotel Cleveland.
- 17—B. and P. open meeting.

DO YOU KNOW THAT:

AMERICAN JEWISH
ARCHIVES

The bulk of this year's orange crop in PALESTINE has been purchased by the British Army?

The HAIFA Technical Institute is being called upon to repair vital military instruments and motors for the British Army?

Of the first 100 survivors of the PATRIA, 82 at once volunteered for service in the British forces?

To date, over \$5,500,000 has been invested in dairy animals and over \$15,000,000 in building and irrigation systems on dairy farms in PALESTINE?

Two refugee Jewish physicians, working in ENGLAND, invented a new and improved method of producing anesthesia?

Military orders placed and executed in PALESTINIAN factories during the first 4 months of 1941 totalled one million pounds?

After nearly two years of war, TEL AVIV has 15 miles of NEW roads, a NEW Central Market wing, development of NEW beach areas with a NEW promenade.

The validity of ALL outstanding immigration certificates (unused because of the difficulty of war travel) has been extended, and 750 new certificates have been issued?

In the past 12 months, THIRTY-ONE shipments of supplies have been sent to Palestine by Hadassah; only one has been lost (that on the Zam Zam) and that was covered by insurance?

The first book in Hebrew on Prime Minister Winston Churchill was recently published in Tel Aviv?

A shipment of 220 tons of Palestinian bananas was sent to Russia this season by the "Tnuvah," Central Marketing Cooperative Association of Palestine?

THE ORCHID OF THE MONTH

To the Zionist Study Group goes the orchid of this month. This little body in Hadassah works quietly and conscientiously. In the fall box collection just ended, this group cleared \$500 toward Hadassah's goal.

BOOK REVIEW

On Wednesday, December 10th, at 10:15 A. M., Mrs. Harry Yetra will present the third book review of this season. She will speak on the life and accomplishments of Louis Dembitz Brandeis. Mrs. Yetra is a popular local lecturer. She is Chairman of International Relations of the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations. Her particular interest and leadership in the political and economic life of the community makes her especially equipped for her topic. Come prepared for discussion by reading "Brandeis" by Alfred Lief, 1936.

ART CLASSES

A fascinating course in sketching and poster work is now being formed. The marionette and clay work classes have proven to be unusually interesting—and this new class is expected to be more so.

For information call Mrs. Harry Jacobson, at LO. 2127.

LIBRARY

Do you need books or research material for one of Hadassah's many study groups? Our library is equipped for just such needs. The committee will gladly assist you.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

Fall Box Collection just ended, reached a new high—\$2038.84 is Hadassah's share, surpassing last spring's clearance by almost \$200. We are grateful to our efficient collection chairmen and their staff of willing workers for this success. If your box has not been cleared to date, please report this to the Hadassah office.

"CAN YOU SING?"

Do you enjoy music? Then certainly Jewish music with its beautiful melodies will satisfy your every mood.

If you are exuberant, we have Chassidic music.

If you are melancholy, we have Yemenite music.

Join the choral group! Remember you need not be an operatic star to join. Come if you like to sing.

YOUNG JUDEA

Young Judaea, the youngest member of our Zionist Family, has planned an ambitious program this year.

Consolidation of the existing twelve clubs and careful planning for future expansion is receiving attention from the Zionist Council for Youth, of which Hadassah is an important constituent.

The season opened with a fall outing, Friday, October 24th.

Installation of all the club officers took place at the Rally, Sunday, November 16th. Hadassah repeated the puppet show prepared for Children's Day—spirited singing, hora dancing and refreshments concluded the program.

Mr. Eleazar Goelman, Director, announced plans for a city wide convention scheduled December 27th.

Other activities in the offing include participation in a Zionist Youth Winter Camp Seminar, a Bazaar, a Carnival and a Spring Picnic.

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MEMBERSHIP

Many facts and ideals became crystal-clear in the enthusiasm and inspiration of our national convention. The fate of all the remaining Jews in the world depends on the world order that will be evolved after this war is ended. We know now that only through our own efforts and our own determination will our people be granted those opportunities which are the rights of every group and every individual. We are the only Jews whose can speak in firm, strong tones. In order to secure from the peace table a status for Palestine as the true Jewish National Home, ready to absorb as many of our homeless people as the country can support, we must appear before the spokesmen of America as a strong united force. For this we must have members enrolled in organizations—Jewish men and women, representing all shades of belief, who have united to declare their allegiance to the idea and ideals of a Jewish National Home through registered membership!

To make that tone loud and clear, National Hadassah set a goal of 20,000 new members. Our Cleveland Chapter closed its membership campaign last month with over 300 new members. We reopen that campaign now, knowing that although we have already done a good job, we can do still better.

The membership committee extends its heartiest congratulations and thanks to the many workers and captains who made our drive a real success.

This is an emergency! Each one do your part! Get your new member today!

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CONVENTION NEWS

Convention trends and decisions as usual set the tone and pace for our work of the year to come. The emphasis, the supreme stress, fell upon Zionist Youth Education. Its importance for a well orientated American Youth and for the future of Zionism. Money is needed for such a program and subtle techniques that will intrigue the practical imagination of young Americans and offer it to them, in forms, and among groups that please them.

There was heavy stress on co-operation on the American scene which culminated in a Resolution to President Roosevelt offering our strength in behalf of democracy.

But even greater stress was laid on the political aspect of Zionism in relation to probable eventual settlements with the implication that it is up to the Zionists to develop, change, and unify Jewish opinion, so that there shall be an unbroken front at the peace table.

Quotas were high, but relatively little higher than last year. Nearly \$2,000,000 went to Palestine from National Hadassah this year.

The quota for Hadassah Medical Organization will again be \$535,000. Child Welfare is boosted considerably because of the influx of refugees whose needs are desperate.

New grants were made for Hadassah's share in the new Pharmaceutical Institute and for The New Trade School for Girls.

The quota for Youth Aliyah went from \$250,000 last year to \$300,000 because all the funds held here in escrow have been used up in the transfer and training of the 1250 who entered Palestine this year under the aegis of Youth Aliyah. And in as much as children from other groups than the Youth Aliyah are receiving this training—500 this year—extra monies will be needed.

Of course the cry of more land! more land! was loud. And we accepted a quota of \$200,000 for Jewish National Fund which we must all help to fulfill.

DRAMA

The Dramatic Group in Hadassah from a small unimportant little factor, has emerged as a strong vital body. Under Mrs. Annan's direction, the group has met regularly and faithfully. They have written skits for and about Hadassah, and many amusing acts about themselves, which have been given to the hilarious amusement of the group. The next meeting and tea will take place on Dec. 13, at 2:00 P. M., at the home of Mrs. M. Payner, 1642 Coventry Road.

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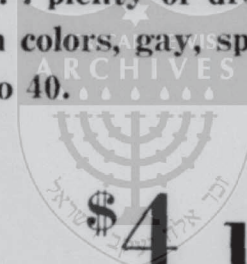
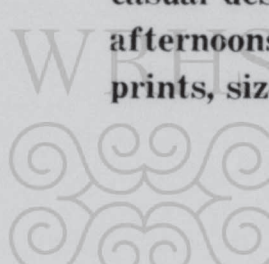
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