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## ROTBERG WRITES

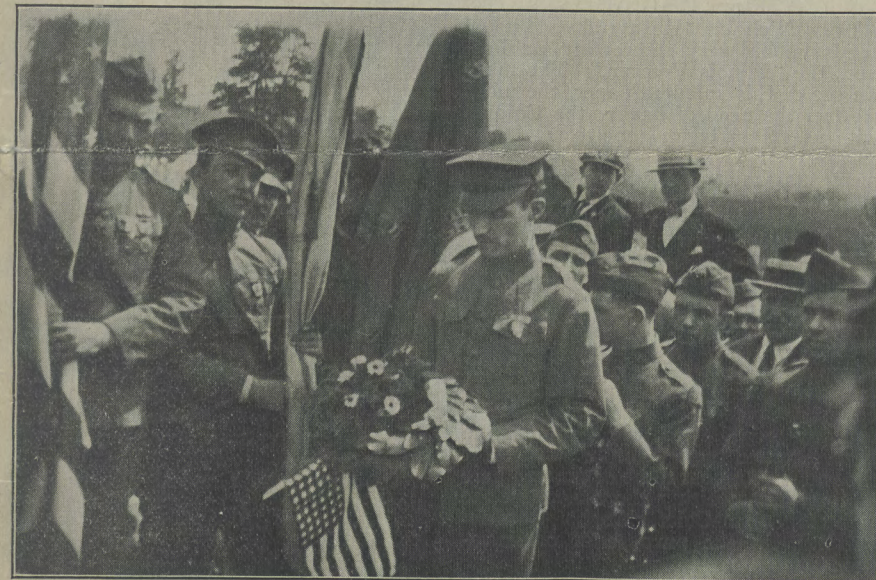
Dear Chief—I trust our comrades digest this article. It is a legitimate cause for pride. Observe!—that were it not for our "own," they could never have financed the trip to this country or found their way across. Who's the foreigner? Suppressed laughter now ensues.  
—I. B. R.

## JEW PART IN U. S. HISTORY IS SHOWN

Sesqui Exhibit Also Cites Contribution to Military Victories in America—Statistics are Given

Striking evidence of the part played by Jews in the founding and upbuilding of this country is presented in the ex-

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Commander I. B. Rotberg and comrades of Philadelphia Post decorating a deceased comrade's grave on Memorial day.

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Jewry's first contribution to the foundations of the American republic were made, the thoughtfully assembled exhibit brings out, before the sailing of Columbus' galleons. It was Louis de Santangel Gabriel Sanchez, a Spanish Jew, who advanced to Queen Isabella the money to finance Columbus' voyage of discovery. The maps which guided him across the Atlantic were designed by another Jew, Abraham Zacuto, a professor at Salamanca University, and there were five Jews on his flagship, the "Santa Maria," when he set sail. One

of them was interpreter, one a physician, one a sailor, one a surgeon and one an inspector.  
When the struggle to win our independence from England began many Jews won the right to be counted among American patriots. Haym Saloman, a Polish Jew, to whom a memorial was erected in New York last year, loaned the Government his personal fortune of \$200,000. Nine Jews were among the signers in 1765 of the non-importation resolution, the adoption of which played an important part in precipitating the Revolutionary War. And when that war was over, Judah Touro, a Jew born at Newport in 1775, helped make possible the erection of the Bunker Hill monument at Boston by a gift of \$10,000.

Jews have been no less active in fighting the battles of the United States in recent years than they were in Revolutionary days. One statistical panel in the exhibit, illustrating the part American Jews played in the World War, shows how well represented they were in Uncle Sam's army. There were more than 58 Jewish soldiers for every 1,000 of the entire Jewish population of the country, although the number of soldiers for every 1,000 of the total population of the country was less than 50. Expressed in another way this means that out of every 1,000 persons in the United States, 35.78 were Jews, while for every 1,000 soldiers in the Army, 41.87 were Jews. Of the 200,000

Jewish soldiers in the American Army 40,000 were volunteers. Fifteen thousand of this number were wounded and 3,000 of them killed. Citations for valor were given to 1,100 Jews; 150 were awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and 3 won the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The part played by Jews in public affairs and in the Government administration is emphasized in one part of the exhibit, in the preparation of which Reform, Orthodox and Conservative Jews have all co-operated under the auspices of the Synagogue Council of America, recently formed to consolidate all branches of Jewish religious opinion. Four Jews succeeded one another, the exhibit shows, as United States ambassadors to Turkey and statesmen of the same race have served as ambassadors to Sweden, Persia and Czecho-Slovakia. One of the ambassadors to Turkey, Oscar S. Straus, was Secretary of Commerce and Labor in President Roosevelt's cabinet. One informative panel bears the statement that 10 Jews were seated in the 69th Congress, that 42 have served in the House of Representatives since 1841 and that 4 Jewish Senators have been seated since the Civil War. One of the latter, Judah P. Benjamin, was Secretary of State for the Confederacy.

The contribution of the Jew to contemporary American literature is illustrated in the exhibit by a display of the novels, short stories and plays of Shalom Aleichem, "the Jewish Mark Twain," whose pen name means "Peace be with you"; Sholom Ash, Yehoash and David Pinski, one of America's leading playwrights.

One item among the wealth of historical and statistical material crowded into the exhibit is a series of placards presenting concrete proof of the truth of the oft-heard comment that "the Jews care for their own. More than \$40,000,000 a year is spent by organized Jewish charities in the maintenance of 62 hospitals, 97 orphanages, 59 homes for the aged and 13,000 local relief organizations. In addition to this the Jews of America contributed more than \$63,000,000 between 1914 and 1924 to be sent overseas for relief work.

Of all the portraits of distinguished Jews which dot the walls of the exhibit, none perhaps attract more attention from visitors than those of Commodore Uriah P. Levy, born in Philadelphia in 1792, who fought in the War of 1812 and was later responsible for the abolition of corporeal punishment from the U. S. Navy; and of Rebecca, friend of Washington Irving, Sir Walter Scott, the original "Rebecca" of his famous novel.

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### EDITORIAL

Our organization is growing—we hope to double our membership before the Troy Encampment—and—Oh! what a struggle there will be for the 1928 Encampment!

Cleveland is already in the field. Our baby Post in Bayonne with eyes just opening, sets up a wall for the 1928 Encampment. Lynn, Mass., Washington, D. C., and Albany, N. Y., with Posts in embryo intimate a determination to put in their bids.

Brooklyn was an unsuccessful bidder last year. Perhaps—? Who can tell?

Aroused interest in J. V. W. R. is evidenced by the splendid spontaneous response to our appeal for subscriptions, renewals and dollars for New Year's greetings inserted without as much as a "by-your-leave." All is well with J. V. W. R., thank you.

### BAYONNE POST NO. 18

### OFFICERS DULY INSTALLED

Harry Rockmaker, the First Commander—S. Paul Epstein of 435 Avenue C, Adjutant—Sam Levy of 146 W. 29th Street, Quartermaster

On Sunday, October 4, the Commander-in-Chief accompanied by Quartermaster General Abraham Krador, inducted Bayonne Post, No. 18, into the ranks of J. V. W. R. and duly installed the officers.

The newest member of our Jewish Veteran family bids fair to take a leading part in the affairs of our organization at a very early date.

Starting with an initial membership of 45 live Jewish Veterans, they promise to have 100 members for the January installation, at which time they plan to invite all New York Comrades and their ladies to a festal occasion long to be remembered, so we anxiously await the time of installation.

Meanwhile we wish them God-speed in their noble undertaking.

wanted: of every man eligible in ranks. You send the names to the rest.

### JUDGE PANKEN TO SPEAK

Adjutant Reitzfeld of Manhattan Post writes: "The Hon. Jacob Panken, a prominent New York judge, has accepted an invitation to address the Comrades of Manhattan Post on Tuesday, October 26th, at 8:30 P. M.

"Comrades of Brooklyn, Bronx and Bayonne Posts are invited to attend this meeting and listen to this most interesting speaker."

From our personal knowledge we know that any message which Judge Panken has to deliver will be well worth receiving. We hope that a goodly number of Comrades will help greet this fine jurist.

Manhattan Post plans to have some prominent speaker at every meeting, which is not a bad idea at all, say we.

### JEANETTE M. FLAMM STATE COMMITTEEMAN

Speaking of women in politics, we find the name of Jeanette M. Flamm as that of a member of the State Committee from the regular Republican organization of the 4th Assembly District in Brooklyn. Unless we are greatly mistaken, this can be no other than the mother of our own Dr. George Flamm, our estimable Surgeon General.

### From CHICAGO

Col. Nicholas Korngold as usual sends us his very interesting publication, the "Illinois Veteran." The more we see of this splendid paper, the more we feel the need of having the Colonel with us. Shortly we hope to avail ourselves of his hospitable invitation to meet the Chicago Jewish Veterans at the 108th Engineers Veteran Club.

The following from the "Illinois Veteran" speaks for itself:

### JEWISH VETERANS OF THE WARS OF THE REPUBLIC

The organization of the Jewish Veterans of the Wars of the Republic, who are very strong in the East, have lately organized a post in Los Angeles, California and are now contemplating to conquer Chicago.

Many eligible to the organization have signified their willingness to enter the ranks of a post to be organized here and we are awaiting the arrival of the Commander-in-Chief, Morris J. Mendelsohn, for the purpose of organization.

As a matter of fact, he was expected to come here during the month of September.

From the knowledge of the activities of the organization in the East and also from our knowledge of the men as hustlers, we freely predict that the new organization in Chicago will surpass all other organizations when once started. (The Illinois Veteran will help all it can.)

### TA-RA-TA-TA-TA

You are just the man I want, if you can play any band instrument. The band which I am organizing will be limited in number, so speak up before you are too late. Apply at once. William Caplin, Bandmaster, National Headquarters J. V. W. R., 15 Park Row.

### U. S. LEGISLATION SOUGHT TO END MISUSE OF FLAG

Patriotic Societies Hope Finally to Obtain Passage of the Federal Law First Proposed in 1880

### COMMERCIAL USE IS CITED

All States Except Two Have Statutes on Subject, Commerce Department Shows

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The urgent need for national legislation to prohibit misuse of the United States flag is stressed in a compilation of individual state laws covering the subject and revealed by the Department of Commerce today.

The approval of this legislation, which has been proposed and debated sporadically in Congress since post Civil Wars days, is anticipated by a group of patriotic societies, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the American Legion, and the Jewish Veterans of the Wars of the Republic.

### RAPS THE GLOOMY DEAN

"Gloomy Dean Inge has even a gloomy idea of God," declared Lady Astor before sailing aboard the Aquitania. She added he ought to be ashamed of himself. Americans will love Queen Marie, due here soon, said Lady Astor.

But dear Lady Astor: Americans would love her more if she were to apply her wonderful talents towards stamping out the demon of bigotry and intolerance in her remarkable country, lavishly endowed with an abundance of natural resources.—Editor.

### A. K. vs. J. V. W. R.

Krador knows his numbers.

The New Year's Number of J. V. was about to go to press without any New Year Greetings from any of our Comrades.

To our Q. M. General this was almost less Majesty, so he took the liberty of inserting the greetings and billing the greeters.

As we go to press, the following have responded with words of appreciation for the thoughtfulness of the act:

M. Simmons, A. I. Hausman, I. B. Rotberg, L. Millowitz, S. A. Kott, Harry Raymond, Harry C. Appel, J. P. Rose, Pinkus Kurtz, J. David Delman, Morris Sookne, Samuel O. Kuhn, Nathan Lasdon, Henry Spector, Joseph Reich, William Goldenberg, Abraham Goldstein, Louis White, L. Gregor.

We asked Capt. N. Taylor Phillips to send us a renewal of his subscription, and while he was about it to include \$1.00 for a membership certificate. Return mail brought us a check for \$2.00.

As soon as our Adj. Gen. signs the membership certificate, it will be forwarded to our good Comrade, the Captain. Since then he has mailed us another check for New Year's greeting.

## DEDICATE NULTY SQUARE SUNDAY AFTERNOON

### Captured Gun Was Unveiled by the Gold Star Mothers

Dedication exercises were held last Sunday afternoon at Nulty Square, Driggs and Union Avenues, under the direction of Samuel Lipkin, Chairman of the Arrangement Committee of Nulty Post, V. F. W. Col. Robert Starr Allyn of the Reserve Officers Corps presided.

Mrs. Thomas Nulty, assisted by members of the Gold Star Mothers' Committee, unveiled a gun which was captured during the World War. The invocation was made by the Rev. S. Benedict, A. E. F. chaplain, who is pastor of the Cornerstone Methodist Episcopal Church. Park Commissioner James J. Browne accepted the captured gun. James J. Dempsey of the Marine Corps sang "My Dream of the Big Parade."

Among the speakers were the Rev. John J. Sullivan, chaplain of the V. F. W. of New York State; Morris J. Mendelsohn, National Commander in Chief of the Jewish Veterans of the Wars of the Republic; Frank Haley, Commander of the New York Department of Disabled American War Veterans; Rabbi Sigmund J. Rome, Alderman Peter J. McGuinness, Mrs. Mathilda Burling, national representative of the Gold Star Mothers' Association of America; Jean A. Brunner, Senior Vice Commander, New York State; Supreme Court Justice John MacCrate, Mayor Martin H. Meaney, Commander of the 2d Battalion of the 163d Infantry, and Thomas E. Willmott, International Federation of American Homing Pigeon Fanciers.

A large number of Jewish Veterans of the Wars of the Republic were present with their colors.

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: GREETINGS!

The Executive Council meets the third Tuesday of every month at National Headquarters. "All national officers above the rank of Aide and all Commanders of Posts are members of the Executive Council." This will be your only notice to attend the Executive Council meetings. If you are sufficiently interested in the work of the organization, you will need no other notice. If you are not interested, all the notices in the world won't get you to the meetings, and there you are.

We think Mrs. Jones has but a poor victory. We congratulate Mrs. J. G. Spitz, who proved that she is a true daughter of Israel.

### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At considerable expense to National Headquarters, we have printed a very fine Constitution and By-Laws.

The price is ten cents per copy. Keep posted on your organization. Get a copy from your Adjutant.

## WASHINGTON, D. C.

Comrade J. Orken, whose untiring efforts on behalf of the Maimed Veterans was the contributing factor in the pension increase for those unfortunate comrades, subscribes for the "Jewish Veteran" and promises a Post in the Capitol City.

He forwards the name of Comrade Charles Kohen as that of a capable organizer interested in Jewish affairs. Which proves to be the case.

### ECONOMY IN THE BUREAU

Keeping in step with the rest of the Administration, the Veterans' Bureau has "economy" for its slogan, according to persons familiar with the Bureau. Cases that used to be adjudicated satisfactorily in a short time now are being held up or rejected, it is charged. In fact we are told that in all cases of doubt the benefit is given the Government and not the veteran.

Such a policy is directly contrary to the spirit of the laws enacted by Congress. That spirit is generosity. In case of a doubt the veteran is entitled to the benefit in the eyes of the lawmakers who framed the legislation. This has been reiterated time after time on the floor of the House and the Senate. Yet, if we have not been misinformed, a few administrative officials take it upon themselves to void this spirit.

As we have often pointed out, the American people want economy but they do not want it at the expense of the disabled veterans and their dependents. The American people believe that everything possible should be done to lighten the burden of these men who suffered their disabilities as a result of their service for the country.

Instead of hunting up technicalities to reject claims, officials of the Bureau should make every effort to find a way to adjudicate them satisfactorily. If a man is entitled to compensation a mere shading of the law should not be permitted to deprive him of his just deserts.

From the National Tribune, whose editor, Comrade W. L. Mattocks writes us: "I agree with your organization that the fight should be continued for 'out-patient' treatment and you may be sure the National Tribune will aid as far as possible."

### WHO WINS?

### YOM KIPPUR COSTS HER CHANCE AT GOLF TITLE

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 19 (A. P.)—Mrs. Jean Jones of the Country Club of Virginia is the new woman's golf champion of Virginia, largely because yesterday was Yom Kippur.

Mrs. J. G. Spitz, her opponent in the finals, failed to show up for play, after having requested that the match be postponed because of the Jewish holiday. The committee refused to postpone the match and Mrs. Jones was declared champion.

(From the N. Y. World—caption is ours.)

## NEW LAW HITS SOLDIERS

### Ex-Service Men No Longer Secure in Jobs in New Jersey

Because of an amendment passed this year to a law of 1922, war veterans employed by any New Jersey Board of Education no longer are secure in their jobs.

Attention was directed to the amendment, which seems to have gone through the Legislature without appreciation of its real significance, by State Education Commissioner John H. Logan in dismissing the appeal of Alfred C. Miller for reinstatement as grade principal and athletic coach in the schools of Ocean City. Miller was discharged a few months ago.

The 1922 act provided that an honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine veteran of any war of the United States could not be removed from a public position, including school employment, unless good cause was shown. The amendment, which is Chapter 287 of the Laws of 1926, removes school employees from the protected list.

Miller served during the World War in the Medical Corps. In opposing the appeal, counsel for Ocean City advanced the novel argument that the Medical Corps was not a recognized branch of the military service.

Where was our good comrade Morris Barison, minority leader of the New Jersey Assembly, when this bill was passed?

### MORRIS BARISON

A very nice letter from ye Minority Leader of ye Jersey House of Assembly, who invites ye Scribe to sup with him. An we bring not a Post from Jersey, out upon it, but we shall deem ourselves slipping.

### TELEGRAM TO THE V. F. W. NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

September 21, 1926.

Comrade Fred Stover,  
c/o Veterans of Foreign Wars  
of the U. S.,  
Hotel Orndorff,  
El Paso, Texas.

Permit me to extend to you the greetings of your comrades of the Jewish Veterans of the Wars of the Republic and to express the hope for a successful encampment of your splendid organization of veterans. I strongly urge upon the Encampment the necessity for restoring to the Veteran Bureau Act the provisions for out-patient treatment of all veterans passed by the House and killed by the Senate.

MORRIS J. MENDELSON,  
Commander-in-Chief.

On October 13th a similar telegram was sent to John R. McQuigg, Commander-in-Chief of the American Legion at their convention in Sesqui-Centennial Auditorium, Philadelphia Pa.

A. I. Hausman of Cleveland like last issue, particularly as regards report of the Encampment pro-

*Organizer of Washington Post*  
*Charles Kohen - Bethay's*  
*Uncle*