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DISCRIMINATION AGAINST JEWS IN AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGES

Discrimination, on a large scale, is being practiced against Jewish students who desire to enter medical colleges in the United States. This is true particularly in the Medical Colleges of New York.

Many American Jews are turning to other lands. Almost all of the 600 Americans who applied recently for admission to the Edinburgh University Medical School were Jews.

During the past year it was three times as hard for a Jewish student in New York to be admitted into a medical school than for a non-Jewish student. Jewish graduates of New York Colleges desiring to enter medicine have applied sometimes to as many as forty colleges throughout the country before securing admission.

The following is the report of one New York College concerning Jewish students who have applied for the course in medicine in the last five years:

<i>Applications</i>	<i>Acceptances</i>
43	1
62	3
170	15
153	7
115	16

The foregoing facts and figures are contained in a report submitted recently, not by a Jew but by a non-Jew, Professor Frank Gavin of the General

Theological Seminary at a recent meeting of the Federal Council of Churches' Committee on Good Will. According to Professor Gavin, a subtle method, difficult to detect is used to cover the practice of discrimination. It is none other than the so-called "personality test." If the Jewish student passes from a scholastic point of view then he is subjected to a "personal interview" which in most cases results in an unfavorable verdict.

The five medical colleges in New York require the applicant to state on his application form what his religion is. One would think that he was making application for admission to a divinity school instead of a school of medicine. Such a religious test is a violation of the finest traditions of America and contrary to the spirit of the Constitution of the United States.

It is amazing to think that in the country of Roger Williams we find such bigotry, prejudice and intolerance existing among certain members of the Admissions Committees of the colleges who are guilty of being traitors to the American principle of justice. To think that in America, in a field of science, we witness an attitude that belongs to the darkest ages of civilization.

This situation is not compatible with the best interests of our country and smacks more of Ku Kluxism and other vile disturbers of our American life.

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During the year ended May 31, 1929, there were treated in hospitals 99,448 disabled veterans. Of this number 57,206 were service-connected cases and 41,242 non-service connected cases, or 41% of the total.

The prevalence of such a large number of non-service connected cases serves to bring home the importance of liberalizing our laws dealing with compensation of disabled veterans, particularly that part dealing with proving war service connection.

We, as veterans, know that many of these non-service connected cases had a war origin and believe that justice requires more liberal treatment of our Comrades who were unfortunate enough to be unable to technically prove war service origin.

The trend in veteran disability cases is revealed in startling fashion by the number and kind of patients treated in hospitals on May 1, 1929. Of a total of 28,431 cases, 6,805 or 24% were Tubercular; 13,820 or 49% were

Neuro-psychiatric, and 7,806 or 27% were general and surgical.

The Tubercular and Neuro-psychiatric classifications total 73% of all the veterans in hospitals. Most of the new disabled veteran cases come under the latter classification, and usually find themselves in the non-service connected class without compensation.

These facts also emphasize the need of liberalizing compensation laws.

February 12 and 22 are indelibly inscribed in the heart of America.

Washington and Lincoln. Two men who gave America much of its heart and soul.

How much do we live up to their great teachings?

Let us reconsecrate ourselves to that for which they performed their noble labors, humanity.

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As Professor Gavin says, "Successive restrictions of the opportunity to study medicine will produce—as they have already tended to do—a very iniquitous situation for liberty-loving Americans, namely, the shutting-off of the possibility for Jewish students to study medicine and the presenting of such disproportionate obstacles as to create and maintain a resentment and bitterness which, if ever, might be justified in this instance."

By this report, Professor Gavin has demonstrated that he is a true Christian, which cannot be said of those un-American individuals who are responsible for discrimination against Jewish students. Evidently, they do not know what it means to be a Christian.

The Jewish War Veterans of the United States condemn this most vicious discriminatory practice as being inimical to the welfare of our great liberty-loving, free United States.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT AT PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Rhode Island Post No. 23 has made an excellent start in preparing for the Ninth Annual Encampment of our organization on July 3, 4, 5, 6, 1930.

A live Committee is functioning under Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles M. Hoffman as general Chairman, with Samuel P. Lazarus, Treasurer, Harry A. Hoffman, Secretary, Commander Abram Halpert and the following Chairmen of sub-committees: Housing, Herman M. Davis; Publicity and Program, Paul J. Robin; Patrons, Dr. Samuel I. Kennison; Liaison (Auxiliaries), Leo Lewis; Liaison (Posts), Max Cohen; Transportation, Maurice Mellion; Souvenir Program, Irving D. Paster; Banquet, John J. Rouslin; Decorations, Aaron Cohen; Membership, Bert C. Israel; Invitations, Samuel Mistowsky; Badges, Simon Greenberg; Uniforms, Benjamin D. Tcath; Prizes, Aaron Bromson; Reception, Henry Goldblatt.

A splendid list of names is contained in the Patrons Committee, headed by the Hon. Peter G. Gerry as Honorary Chairman, and includes the following outstanding citizens: Hon. Norman S. Case, Governor of Rhode Island; Hon. James E. Dunne, Mayor of Providence; Hon. Richard S. Aldrich, Pres. Clarence A. Barbour, Brown University; Hon. Sol S. Bronson, Hon. Clark Burdick, William H. P. Faunce, Rabbi Israel M. Goldman, Max L. Grant, Hon. J. Jerome Hahn, Hon. Felix Hebert, Bishop William A. Hickey, Hon. Philip C. Joslin, Hon. Ira Lloyd Letts, Hon. Jesse H. Metcalf, Samuel M. Nicholson, Hon. Jeremiah E. O'Connell, Frederick S. Peck, Hon. Maurice Rob-

inson, Rabbi Jacob Sonderling and Hon. Mortimer A. Sullivan.

Comrade Paul J. Robin is to be commended for the splendid and live manner in which he has started the publicity for the Encampment.

The elaborate preparations that are under way promises one of the greatest treats in the history of the Jewish War Veterans to all Comrades, their families, Ladies' Auxiliaries and their friends. All Posts are urged to establish Committees whose function it will be to organize large delegations for the trip to Providence in July. Only in this manner can we fully show our appreciation of the splendid efforts being made by one of our youngest Posts, yet at the same time, one of our livest, largest and most dynamic.

ON TO PROVIDENCE!

LEON GREENBAUM

For years, Comrade Greenbaum has labored to produce revenue to carry on our noble work.

Quiet, unassuming, but with his whole heart and soul he has been a tower of strength in carrying on the arduous task of raising funds.

His last achievement in conducting profitably the recent national headquarters boxing bouts in New York City is but a small part of the work he has always done. However, it meant much to us.

The national organization is indeed most grateful to this splendid Comrade.

PROVIDENCE—1930

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Manhattan Post and Auxiliary

The officers of Manhattan Post No. 1 were installed by Commander-in-Chief, Hon. Julius S. Berg, on January 8th, at the Laurel Gardens, East 116th Street, New York City.

The following National Officers accompanied the Chief: Adjutant General Edward M. Rodin, Quartermaster General Abraham Kraditor, Surgeon General Dr. Herman Ballen, Honorary Chaplain-in-Chief Rabbi Edward Lissman.

The following officers were installed: Commander, Harry Raymond; Senior Vice-Commander, Thomas Goldstein; Junior Vice-Commander, Charles Vogel; Chaplain, Samuel Frankel; Officer of the Day, Louis Cohen; Officer of the Guard, Harry Panetz; Quartermaster, Jacob Reitzfeld; Adjutant, Saul Adelman; Surgeon, Dr. L. Grimberg; Trustees, Morris Floria, David Kurtz and J. David Delman.

The Ladies' Auxiliary was installed by Past Commander Reitzfeld of Manhattan Post.

Refreshments and entertainment were provided, which were enjoyed by all.

Cutler Post and Auxiliary

Commander-in-Chief Julius S. Berg installed the officers of the Col. Harry Cutler Post No. 3 on January 11, 1930, in the quarters of the Pvt. Charles Cramers Post, V.F.W., at 163rd Street and So. Boulevard, Bronx, N. Y.

The following National Officers accompanied the Commander-in-Chief: Adjutant General Edward M. Rodin, Quartermaster General Abraham Kraditor and Honorary Chaplain-in-

Chief Rabbi Edward Lissman, as well as Commander Harry Raymond of Manhattan Post and Commander Irving Alkow of Brooklyn Post. Past Commanders Jacob Reitzfeld and David Kurtz of Manhattan Post and Morris Greenberg and Joseph Faircl of Cutler Post were also among those present. There were also present large delegations from the various Auxiliaries and Posts.

The following officers were installed: Commander, Morris Baumfeld; Senior Vice-Commander, Irving Yoels; Junior Vice-Commander, Dr. Maurice Archer; Chaplain, Eli Ruderman; Officer of the Day, Leo Goldstein; Officer of the Guard, Benjamin Micalowsky; Quartermaster, Marty L. Freehof; Historian, Samuel Rosenfeld; Surgeon, Dr. Herman L. Ballen; and Trustee for one year, Edward Rodin.

Quartermaster General Abraham Kraditor acted as Installing Officer for the Cutler Post Auxiliary.

Then on with the dance and refreshments at Pollack's Pastry Shop.

Brooklyn Post

Past Commander-in-Chief Morris J. Mendelsohn was the Installing Officer on Monday evening, December 30th. A splendid cast of officers were installed as follows: Commander, Irving Alkow; Senior Vice-Commander, Harry Gertler; Junior Vice-Commander, Arthur Weiss; Officer of the Day, Hyman Margulies; Chaplain, Morris J. Mendelsohn; Surgeon, Dr. William Blumenthal; Officer of the Guard, Dr. G. H. Forman; Quartermaster, Leon Greenbaum; Adjutant, Abraham Kraditor; Trustees, Sidney Weiss, Hyman Epstein and Louis Silverman; Judge Advocate, Hon. Joseph Reich.

9th Annual Encampment
JULY 3, 4, 5, 6, 1930

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Brooklyn Auxiliary

On Wednesday, January 29th, Mrs. Henrietta L. Kraditor, Junior Vice-President of the National Ladies' Auxiliary, installed the officers of the Brooklyn Auxiliary.

The ceremonies were impressive and the crowded meeting room contained delegations from the entire Metropolitan area. The following officers were installed: President, Rose M. Heckelman; Senior Vice-President, Hattie Cahn; Junior Vice-President, H. Ray Rubinoff; Chaplain, Ray Smith; Treasurer, Pauline Lipschitz; Recording Secretary, Esther Kraditor; Corresponding Secretary, Erna Trier; Guard, Minnie Alkow; 3-year Trustee Anna Goldstaub.

Entertainment followed and refreshments at the Selma Tea Room on Livingston Street, Brooklyn.

Hon. Joseph Reich, Alderman and newly selected Judge Advocate, presented six beautiful silk American Flags.

National Headquarters sent a large delegation headed by Adjutant General Edward M. Rodin and included Honorary Chaplain-in-Chief, Rabbi Edward Lissman who delivered a beautiful address.

Dr. Louis D. Gross spoke favorably upon the objects of our organization and received a hearty welcome.

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Buffalo Post

The following officers were installed for the year 1930: Commander, Harry E. Ellison; Senior Vice-Commander, Henry Hoffman; Junior Vice-Commander, Philip Shapiro; Chaplain, Albert Lebauer; Officer of the Guard, William Mittleman; Officer of the Day, Louis Finkelstein; Post Advocate, A. D. Conn; Post Surgeon, Dr. I. S. Rubens; Quartermaster, Max Rosing; and Adjutant, Louis B. Ostrow.

Bayonne Post

Adjutant General Edward M. Rodin was the Installing Officer on January 28th of Bayonne Post Officers for the year 1930.

The Adjutant General was accompanied by Commander Harry Raymond of Manhattan Post, Commander Irving Alkow of Brooklyn Post, Commander Morris Baumfeld of Cutler Post, Past Commander Morris Greenberg of Cutler Post and Officer of the Day Louis Cohen of Manhattan Post, as well as Miss Rose M. Heckelman, President of the Brooklyn Auxiliary and Mrs. Edward Rodin of the Cutler Auxiliary.

Past Surgeon General Dr. David D. Feinberg immediately made the Adjutant and his entourage at home. After the Banquet, the Installation ceremonies took place and the following officers were installed: Commander, Dr. Irving L. Herman; Senior Vice-Commander, Jack Weisberg; Junior Vice-Commander, Aaron Kotzen; Post Advocate, Past Commander Benjamin M. A. Kline; Quartermaster, Past Commander S. Paul Epstein; Chaplain, Samuel Belinkoff; Surgeon, Dr. Philip Kresch; Adjutant, Dr. David D. Feinberg; Officer of the Day, Meyer Melzer; Officer of the Guard, George Goff.

Among the speakers were Adjutant General Rodin, Commander Raymond, Commander Alkow and President Heckelman. Past Commander Kline made a stirring report of the Jewish War Veterans activities. The final speaker of the evening was Past Commander S. Paul Epstein. The Toastmaster, Samuel Belinkoff introduced several prominent people in Bayonne, N. J.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

BOSTON POST

The Third Annual Installation of Officers of Boston Post No. 22 and its Ladies' Auxiliary, Jewish War Veterans of the United States, was held at the Wellington Auditorium, Dorchester, Mass., on the evening of January 16, 1930. A special guest on this occasion was Past Commander-in-Chief Colonel Maurice J. Mendelsohn, who, by special permission of National Headquarters, acted as installing officer of the evening.

An attendance of over 500 thoroughly enjoyed the installation ceremonies which were both joyous and impressive. After the ceremony refreshments were served and dancing continued until one o'clock in the morning.

A delegation of over 40 comrades and their friends from the Providence Post No. 23, attended the installation en masse and a delegation was also present from the Newport, R. I., Post of the Jewish War Veterans, headed by the Adjutant of the Post, Alfred Bernstein.

Amongst distinguished guests present that evening were the following: Major John W. Reth, Soldiers' Relief Commissioner of the City of Boston, representing the American Legion Department of Mass.; Richard R. Flynn, Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, and a lifelong friend of Maurice Mendelsohn, Major E. D. Hatch, representing the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, Commander Spellman of the Herbert Wolff Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Commander Alpert of Providence Post No. 23, and National Chief of Staff Charles Hoffman of Providence.

The following officers were installed for the Post:

Albert V. Meltzer, Commander
Abraham N. Simons, Sr. Vice-Commander

Samuel J. Kogos, Jr. Vice-Commander

William Berman, Adjutant
Benjamin Barkan, Quartermaster
Maxwell Cohen, P. C., Officer of the Day

Benjamin G. Leve, Judge-Advocate
Dr. A. Shubow, P. C., and Benjamin Goldstein, Trustees

On January 17, 1930, Past Commander-in-Chief Maurice Mendelsohn, was tendered a luncheon at the Boston City Club and addresses were made by the following: Major John W. Reth, Richard R. Flynn, Colonel Gihon, Deputy Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, Rev. Wallace Hayes, National Chaplain of the V. F. W., Louis H. Sawyer, Esq., representing the Attorney General of the Commonwealth, to which addresses the guest of the occasion responded with an eloquent plea for co-operation among the ex-service men's organizations, and thanked the representatives of the various organizations for honoring him by their presence at that time.

During Colonel Mendelsohn's two days' stay in Boston he was given a genuine Massachusetts welcome, and by his sincerity and desire of good for the organization he endeared himself to every comrade and friend of the Boston Post.

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Philadelphia Post

The following officers were installed for 1930: Commander, Louis Waitz; Senior Vice-Commander, Harry C. Appel; Junior Vice-Commander, Harry Coopersmith; Adjutant, Charles D. Zoole; Quartermaster, I. Werner; Custodian, Abraham Nitzberg; Chaplain, William Aronberg; Officer of the Day, Harry Lipshutz; Officer of the Guard, Keve Bernstein.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Boston Auxiliary

The Installation of Officers of the Boston Post Auxiliary was held at the Wellington Auditorium, Dorchester, Mass., on Thursday, January 16th. The following officers were installed: President, Harriett Shulman; Senior Vice-President, Esther Silverstein; Junior Vice-President, Mary Meltzer; Secretary, Sara E. Stone; Treasurer, Betty Stoler; Chaplain, Florence Rossman; Conductress, Katherine Harris; Patriotic Instructor, Anna Cohen Coleman; Historian, Emma Dressler; Trustees, Eva Cohen and Caroline Grossman; and Guard, Evelyn Kögös.

The Installing ceremonies were conducted by National President Mrs. Fannie P. Davis who was greeted with thunderous applause by the entire audience. She was assisted by Ida Umans of the Boston Auxiliary who acted as Installing Conductress. President Davis was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses. Mrs. Umans also received a presentation.

More than five hundred guests were present. All Veteran organizations were represented as were the City and State, as well as delegations from Newport and Providence. The affair was one of the most impressive of its kind in Boston.

Past President Charlotte Shubow welcomed the guests and gave an interesting account of the past year's events, thanking the Auxiliary for their cooperation, especially the Chairmen of her Committees and the Officers. Mrs. Shubow was presented with a beautiful green modernistic toilet set as a token of love and esteem by the sisters of the Auxiliary. Mrs. Shubow presented to Betty Stoler, Treasurer for 1929, and re-elected for 1930, an electric percolator. She was commended for her splendid work as

Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. Mrs. Sara Stone who is serving her third term was presented with a gift of gold, and the new President Harriett Shulman was presented with a beautiful floral bouquet with the assurance of the hearty cooperation of the Past President.

Mrs. Shulman was commended for the wonderful results achieved by her and her Committee on the Second Annual Bridge held recently. It is worth while noting that Mrs. Shulman was unanimously elected President after having been a member of the Auxiliary only for a short time. Mrs. Shulman expressed her thanks to the Auxiliary and assured the Comrades of the Post that the Auxiliary would at all times cooperate with them in all things pertaining to the welfare of the Post and its work.

After the Installation ceremonies, refreshments were served by the Ladies and then it was on with the dance.

RABBI EDWARD LISSMAN

Honorary Chaplain-in-chief Edward Lissman has been designated Chaplain of the New York Fire Department.

We are happy to hear that this additional honor has been conferred upon the good Rabbi who has so unselfishly served whenever and wherever called upon.

Abraham I. Hausman, our Past Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief has been appointed Assistant Prosecutor of Cleveland, Ohio.

We know that his city will be well served.

Congratulations.