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PITTSBURGH BY NIGHT



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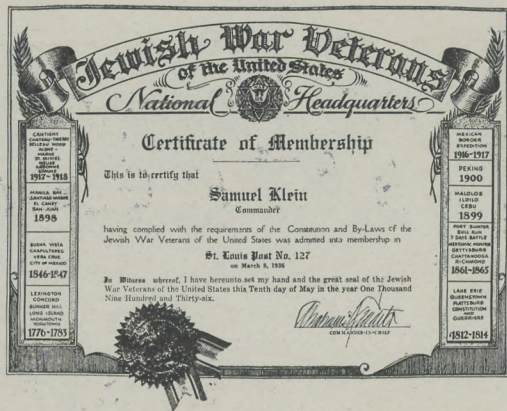
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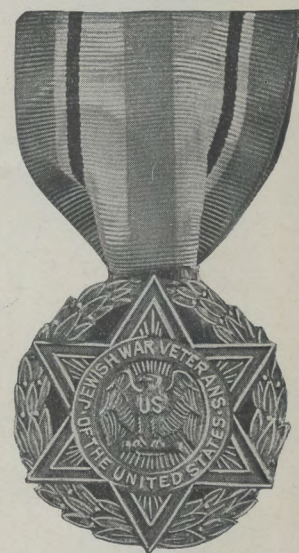
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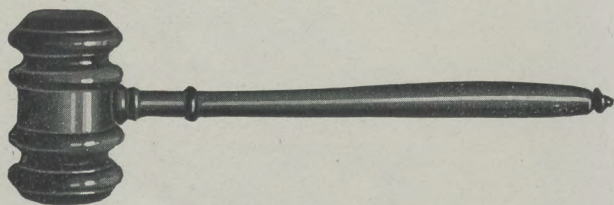
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World Jewish Veterans Call For United Action

VIENNA, July 3.—The second World Congress of Jewish War Veterans, opened here last Saturday, ended its sessions today after adopting a number of resolutions dealing with the general situation of the Jews, the treat-



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ment accorded them in Nazi Germany and elsewhere and the question of Jewish colonization. At the Congress were delegates from seventeen countries, including the United States, representing 400,000 Jews who served in the World War. Jewish War Veterans of the United States was represented by Abraham Kraditor, Commander-in-Chief; William Berman, Past Commander-in-Chief; Sidney Z. Davidson, Chief of Staff of the Department of New York.

One of the resolutions adopted set forth that many Jews were being deprived of equal rights and said it was necessary for Jewry to establish defense fronts in all countries, without regard to political parties. It declared religious education of Jewish youth was necessary, with due consideration of the ideal of a Jewish homeland. To foster unity of thought among Jews, it was decided to promote 'exchanges' of young people among countries.

To Issue Monthly Bulletin

The Congress in future will have a permanent committee with headquarters here and will issue monthly bul-

World Congress at Vienna Adopts Plea for Boycott of Anti-Semitic Nations

Favor Youth Education

Arms Training in Palestine Asked as Sessions End

By HENRY A. DIEZ

By Wireless to the Herald-Tribune

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letins. Unanimous approval was given to a proposal by the delegates from the United States that a conservatory of music be created in Palestine in honor of Jewish war dead.



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To check persecution of the Jews, the congress urged special legislation in countries where no such laws at present exist. It urged the outlawing, as against the public interest, of anti-Semitic groups and attempts to destroy the Jews economically. It was declared the duty of Jewish veterans to give preference to the goods of those countries in which Jews have entire equality in the political and economic fields. Continuance of the Jewish boycott of German goods was favored.

Military Training Urged

Anti-Jewish outbreaks in Palestine could not occur, it was declared, if the Jewish Legion there were permitted,

under British command, to defend the lives and property of Jews. The Congress therefore asked the British government to give the legion the right to afford such defense. Military instruction of the Jews in Palestine was held to be necessary for the security of the country, and it was declared that immigration of Jewish War Veterans into Palestine should be encouraged.

The veterans also demanded proportionate representation in the Jewish Agency for Palestine and declared that it was necessary to colonize Jews in other places as well as in Palestine.

In honor of the 12,000 Jews who died while serving in the German armies in the World War the Congress voted to establish a "Village of the 12,000" in Palestine to be inhabited by Jewish War Veterans of all nations and their descendants.

Past Commander-in-Chief William Berman arrived in New York July 13th on the "S.S. Normandie," accompanied by Mrs. Berman, Commander Sidney Z. Davidson of David J. Kauffman Post No. 41, Rochester, New York and Miss Xenia Gould.

Commander-in-Chief Kraditor returns July 29th and his report of the proceedings at the conference in Vienna will appear in the next issue.

Benjamin M. Brodie Honored

In testimony of the Distinguished Services rendered by Benjamin M. Brodie to Atlanta Post No. 112, Jewish War Veterans. A surprise banquet was recently given in his honor at the home of Dr. M. Klausman. This affair was secretly planned by a committee composed of Dr. M. Klausman, Chairman; assisted by Comrades Robert Spector, E. Spiegelman, Chas. Drucker and Louis B. Ostrow. Dr. Klausman conducted himself ably as master of ceremonies. Testimonial speeches were delivered by Comrades Louis Vrono, Robert Spector and Morris Flax. Commander Ralph L. Willner presented to Comrade Brodie a beautiful placque with the emblem of the Jewish War Veterans of the U. S. and the following inscription in bronze "presented to Comrade Benjamin M. Brodie for his distinguished service to Atlanta Post No. 112, Jewish War Veterans of the U. S." Comrade Brodie accepted this placque with the deepest emotion. After the ceremony card games were enjoyed by all.

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TIMELY TOPICS IN AN EDITORIAL NUTSHELL

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United States Constitution

National Headquarters is in receipt of a letter from Congressman Sol Bloom, an Honorary Member of this Organization, and Director General of the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, asking that this organization adopt the following resolution. It will be presented for consideration at the next meeting of the National Executive Council which will be held in New York on August 9th, the text of which is as follows:

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has established a Commission known as the "United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission" to arrange a fitting nation-wide observance of the 150th anniversary of the formation of the Constitution of the United States, and

WHEREAS, The United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission is authorized to prepare plans and programs for the adequate celebration of the sesquicentennial anniversary; to give due and proper consideration to any plan or plans which may be submitted to it; and to take such steps as may be necessary in the coordination and correlation of plans prepared by the various State Commissions, or by bodies created under appointment by the Governors of the respective States, and by representative civic bodies, and

WHEREAS, The United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, desiring the full cooperation of the people of the United States, has extended a most cordial and urgent invitation to our organization to participate in the celebration, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Jewish War Veterans of the United States does hereby endorse the program of observance of the 150th anniversary of the formation of the Constitution of the United States to be observed beginning 1937; accept with appreciation the invitation of the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission; appoint a special

committee; pledge this organization to extend cooperation to the United States Commission in all possible ways so that our members may acquire a knowledge of the history of the Constitution of the United States; and unite our efforts with those of other organizations for the enlightenment of the whole nation.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be incorporated in the official proceeding of this meeting, and that a copy thereof be transmitted to the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, Washington, D. C.

New Palestinian Film Shown

"This Is The Land," the first Palestinian made talking film, had its premiere on Wednesday, July 8, at the Cameo Theatre, New York. A historical film dealing with the progress made during the last fifty years in the rebuilding of Palestine, "This Is Our Land" is the first feature film to include the original authentic scenes of the marshaling of the Jewish Legion under Allenby outside the walls of Jerusalem, the arrival of Sir Herbert Samuel as first High Commissioner, the scene of Lord Balfour at the opening of the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus and the Jubilee Festival at Rishon Le Zion.

This picture, produced by Aga Film in Tel Aviv and spoken in Hebrew is important not only because it is Palestine's first contribution to the art of motion pictures but also as an enduring record of the heroic efforts of the pioneers in the reconstruction of an ancient nation. It is a genuine expression of courage and hope by those now faced with the difficulties of dissension with the Arabs.

—Renew your acquaintance with your Buddies at Pittsburgh—

Sam Rose Represents General Hines

Samuel Rose of Washington Post No. 58, National Radio Officer, has been designated by General Frank T. Hines, Administrator, Veterans Administration, to represent him at our National Encampment. Comrade Rose will be on hand and available at all times to answer any problems concerning veterans.

Decalogue of Patriotism

Rabbi Eichler gives the following "Ten Commandments of Patriotism."

1. Love thy country, which has redeemed thee from tyranny and bondage.
2. Thou shalt not worship any political idols, nor bow down to them, nor serve them; for their iniquity will be visited upon thee and thy children until the third and fourth generation.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of patriotism in vain, nor use it to hide thy selfish motives.
4. Remember the day of election, to keep it holy.

—The Best Encampment will be held in Pittsburgh September 4-7. Will See You There—

5. Honor the sanctity of the ballot, that the days of the Republic may be prolonged.
6. Thou shalt not kill the spirit of freedom by neglecting to exercise the prerogative of a freeman.
7. Thou shalt not adulterate the purity of civic life by entering politics for gain.
8. Thou shalt not encourage public servants to steal by thy indifference.
9. Thou shalt not let greed for political reward bear false witness against the spirit of patriotism.
10. Thou shalt not covet a public office which thou art not fit to fill.

The original Decalogue speaks of "the land which the Lord by God giveth thee." It thus sanctifies patriotism. Teachers and students of patriotism and good citizenship need not hesitate to relate their lesson to the deepest and most reverent faith of the human heart. Under such a conception, duties performed conscientiously toward the nation are a part of service to God.

These Commandments were used by United States Judge Franklin Kennamer of Tulose, Okla., in July 1934, when he swore in a naturalization class of new citizens. He used the Commandments verbatim in presenting the duties and obligations of the new citizens.

SONS OF JEWISH WAR VETERANS

By CHARLES C. EISENSTEIN, Honorary Commander Outpost 34, Sons of J. W. V.

Back in my childhood days, Newark, N. J., introduced into its summer school curriculum, a course in practical truck farming. Lots close by were leased and apportioned each child. I do not recall the name of our instructoress, but I shall never forget her words when she held up a package of seeds and said, "From these little seeds, we shall grow big wonderful plants."

As I grew older, the memory of that childhood garden grew dimmer, and I became interested in the growth of the human flower of boyhood. I saw a concerted effort on the part of those interested in juveniles to conserve the American Youth. There was the Boy Scout movement, with the purpose of teaching Young America ideals of courtesy and character; the Lone Star Rangers of N. Y., militaristic in character and tending to teach discipline; and here in New Jersey the Forest Rangers which is a combination of the two former in its endeavors to develop the boy. I looked in vain for any organization that had for its main object the conservation of the American Jewish Youth, and the perpetuation of Jewish ideals and traditions.

On Flag Day, June 14, 1936, I sat in the YMHA in Jersey City, and listened to David Brown of Detroit plead with the American Jew to cease encouraging anti-Semitism by a course of careless conduct. I sat in rapt attention and drank in the words of Harvey Rothberg as he traced the glorious part Jews played as true soldiers and patriots in the history and growth of our country. I deplored the fact that not every young American Jew was there to listen to those inspiring events and characters presented by Comrade Rothberg.

I sat in deep thought on the ride back to Newark. A panorama of thoughts passed before my mind's eye;—David Brown, Hitlerism, Persecution, anti-semitism, Harvey Rothberg, and the part Jews have played in American History. I questioned why the Jew was looked upon as an interloper on American soil. Who, of all the people on this continent, has a better right to demand respect and admiration than the Jew, who through all these 160 years has been willing, and often had, to sacrifice his life and fortune so that this country would continue to exist. How can we overcome this ignorant and bigoted attitude against the Jew?

I sought an answer to this riddle.

The answer came to me a few days later, when Commander Albert Siegel, Newark Post 34, J.W.V., announced the authorization of a Junior Auxiliary, to be known as Outpost 34, Sons of Jewish War Veterans of the U.S. and to consist of boys between the ages of 8 to 16.

Here was the answer to Hitlerism and Anti-semitism. Here was the antidote for the poison of bigotry and ignorance. Here was the answer to David Brown's problem and the Conservation of the American Jew. And on my shoulders was placed the responsibility of organizing, supervising, and planning a constructive program for the Junior Auxiliary, Outpost 34, Sons of Jewish War Veterans.

I soon discovered that I had accepted no sinecure. It was a grave responsibility and a gigantic task, even a dangerous experiment to bring together week after week young boys, unless we could offer them a truly constructive program and could follow a definite line of procedure. I made a study of the various boy organizations of my city. I found them full of flaws. Some were one hundred percent militaristic, others devoted all their energies to building up the body of the boy. None devoted any thought to the mental development of the boy. I wanted to go a step further than all these organizations ever thought of going, and that was to teach my boys to be able to meet people, to develop in them the ability to stand on two feet and think clearly and intelligently, to build up in them character, ideals of manhood, pride and love of our Jewish ideals and traditions.

Since the boys under my supervision range in age from 8 to 12 years, it was necessary for me to work out a complete program that would be within the comprehension of these boys. That I succeeded beyond expectations is proven by the fact that after each meeting, the boys look forward eagerly to the next meeting. The boys are self governed, but supervised by me.

At our meetings, we follow a simplified parliamentary procedure, copying in some respects the forms used by the parent post. To satisfy the love of the military in the minds of the boys, we make use of military titles, military salutes, and simplified military ceremonies. Each meeting is opened by a Flag Salute and an "Oath of Allegiance." This is followed by a prayer, composed by me and within the com-

prehension of these juveniles. Towards the middle of the meeting, under Good and Welfare, two members of the Outpost, appointed or volunteer, deliver a little talk on any subject of interest to them. If they would rather recite, tell an original story, sing or play an instrumental number, it is permitted. The boys are exceedingly interested in this angle of the meeting, and the poise, ability to face an audience and think clearly, and the feeling of self reliance that is developed by this cannot be rated high enough. This period is then followed by a play period of about fifteen or twenty minutes, in which the boys enjoy various games that all can take part in, such as Lotto, Bean Bag, Checkers, etc. Before the end of the meeting I present clearly and simply to them a few facts carefully prepared, on the History of the American Jew, his achievements, his sacrifices and his patriotism. Occasionally I vary this period with a talk on the ethics of conduct, hygiene, or any subject of interest to all of them. I encourage the boys to come to me with their problems, whether mental, medical or scholastic. I try to be a Big Brother to all of them.

Every other week during the summer, the boys meet for a day's outing to the nearby Orange Mountains. On these outings the boys are drilled in simple commands and marching maneuver, play baseball, etc. Later in the day we gather around a small camp fire, discuss items of interest or plan future events. All meetings and outings are wound up by singing the Star Spangled Banner, or My Country Tis of Thee.

The interest and enthusiasm of our Jewish youths in this project is great. JWV has never tackled a greater and more worthwhile thing in all its history, that of Conservation of the Young American Jewish Boy. It is in these boys that the future, not only of JWV, but of all Israel, lays. It is in the Sons of JWV, that we comrades pin our hopes to carry on the ideals and traditions of J.W.V. It is up to every member of JWV to encourage this movement. It is up to us to devote all our energies in building up this auxiliary, for it is only by such work that we shall be able to overcome anti-semitism in America, and place the Jew in his proper niche in the respect and admiration of the American Nation. For truly, to paraphrase my old instructoress, "From little Acorns, Great Oaks grow."