



Entertaining Israeli Airmen



During the last two months of 1949 a group of Israeli air force men were stationed in Hartford, Conn., taking courses at the Pratt, Whitney Aircraft and Hamilton Standard Propeller Co. There was little or no publicity given to the presence of these men for reasons of security. The Department of Connecticut, however, adopted these men and took care of their social program. Shown here are the airmen with some of their JWV hosts. (Standing, L. to R.): Ted Darien, New London Post 160; Rabbi Kreitman, Past National Association chaplain; Department Commander Reubin Kaminsky; Ralph Bernstein, Commander, New London Post; M. Federman, New London Post. (Seated on couch, L. to R.): David Klein, Daniel Stiller, Lew Bigon, Joseph Edelson and Zvei Falik, members of the Israeli air force. (Seated on floor, L. to R.): Department Junior Vice-Commander Hyman Wilensky, Menachim Sulizianu and Israel Palgi of the Israeli air force.

JWV And Affiliated Organizations Concerned With Problems In Germany

Concerned with the resurgence of German nationalism JWV and other Jewish organizations affiliated with the National Community Relations Advisory Council have undertaken a program of action. The program, and a statement of principles adopted by the Co-ordinating Council for a Democratic Germany, a group made up of Jewish and non-Jewish organizations and individuals concerned with the German problem, is intended to serve as a guide to action by all JWV units. (The text of the statement follows this article.)

In addition all JWV Commanders will be guided by the organization's policy on Germany and the resolution on this question as adopted at the last National Encampment (printed in full in the November issue of the JEWISH VETERAN).

Post, County and Department Commanders have been directed by National Headquarters to set up the necessary committees to put the following program into action:

1. All units are urged to avail themselves of the Army film "The Nuremberg Trials" for showings in all communities before invited audiences. (Many posts have already taken the lead in this matter by having either exhibited the film or scheduled it for the future). Every effort should be made to obtain the attendance of leaders of other veterans groups and Jewish and non-Jewish community leaders in the area. Wherever

possible efforts should be made to supplement the showing of the film with a talk by someone who is well informed on the German problem.

2. Audiences should be acquainted with the JWV policy on Germany (as well as the statement which follows) and efforts should be made to obtain either the indorsement of other groups or the development of resolutions expressing the same principles. This is of particular importance insofar as other veteran groups are concerned since this is the field in which the Jewish community as a whole expects JWV to be most effective.

3. A difference exists among Jewish organizations on the advisability of a Congressional study of U. S. German policy as opposed to a presidential inquiry. Although JWV is on record in favor of a Congressional investigation this should not be deemed the only approach to the German problem. The important objective of the program being to gain community-wide acceptance of the principle of a review of the German occupation policy.

4. Every JWV meeting on the German problem should be given maximum publicity in the local press. Wherever possible, efforts (Continued on Page 7)

Calif. Unit Earns Praise For "Give A Gift" Project

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. . . . "Give a gift to a Yank who gave" became more than a slogan to the membership of JWV's Kern County Post No. 602 of Bakersfield, California. No effort was too great for the JWVers who had become wrapped up in the campaign to insure a merry Christmas for the veteran patients at Sawtelle Hospital in Los Angeles.

The cooperation of local merchants and civic authorities was obtained and the entire community was pressed into the spirit of the occasion. Full page newspaper ads were taken in the local press to alert the public to this important job, and the Mayor of Bakersfield, Jake Vanderlei, issued a proclamation, calling on each and every citizen to support this JWV sponsored program.

"Help share Christmas with some unknown soldier" was the slogan post commander Harry Rubin applied to the campaign. All residents of Bakersfield were urged to buy gifts, have them wrapped and marked as to content and deposited at outlets in vari-

ous stores throughout the city, manned by JWVers and members of the auxiliary.

The packages were collected by post representatives and delivered to the patients at Sawtelle on Christmas Day.

Excerpts from the following column by Jim Day in the Bakersfield Californian of Dec. 12, 1949, following an interview with the posts, Adjutant Harry Kornbloom illustrated the effect this worth-

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To Receive Award At April Dinner



LOUIS B. MAYER, head of Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios will be presented with JWV's medal of merit in New York at a dinner marking the organization's fifty-fifth anniversary in April, 1950. Mr. Mayer was cited for his "contributions of more than a quarter of a century to the dissemination of American principles and ideas throughout the world through the medium of the American motion picture.

Interview Gives Insight Into JWV Program, Policy

Boston Post readers, who comprise one of the largest circulations in New England, were given an insight into JWV and its present commander in a New Year's Day story written by Lawrence R. Goldberg, one of the paper's top feature writers. The article which was based on an interview with National Commander Jackson J. Holtz conveyed a descriptive picture of JWV program and policy to the readers of the Post.

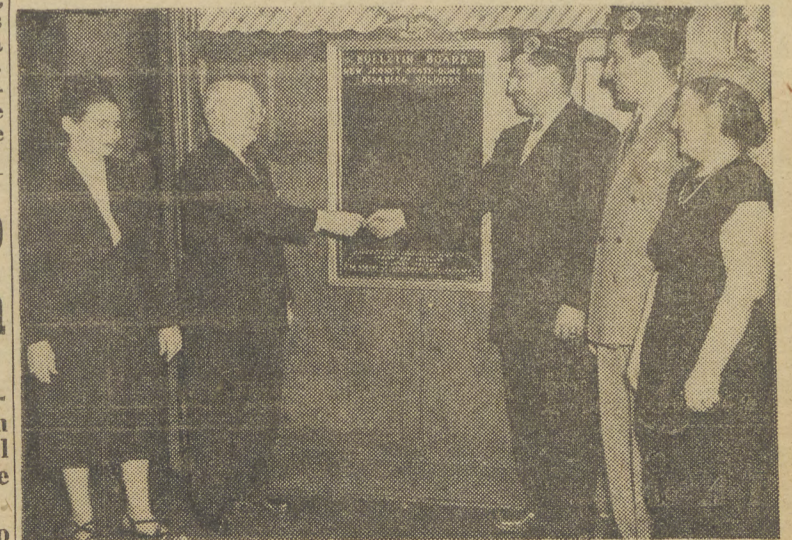
"Communism and similar forms of totalitarianism arouse in Commander Holtz a blue flame of hatred," the reporter stated. "The principal need of which JWV was organized 54 years ago was that of an organization whose membership would be of a nature to confront anti-Semites and allied bigots with a living refutation of slanders against the patriotism of their targets.

The United States are opposed to Communism not only because it represents the number one threat to the preservation of the United States but because Communism is an enemy of Judaism. A man cannot be a good Jew and a Communist," the quote continues,

"The Jewish War Veterans of

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In Memory of a Departed Comrade



Members of the New Brunswick, N. J., Post No. 133 recently honored the memory of Lt. Saul Kolodner, local veteran who was killed in action in flight over Japan, by presenting a bronze bulletin board in his name to the New Jersey Home for Disabled Soldiers, at Menlo Park, N. J. On hand for the presentation were, (L. to R.) Mrs. Rose Kolodner, mother of Lt. Kolodner; William Thompson, superintendent of the home; Post junior vice-commander Harry Fish, hospital chairman; Post Commander Herbert Tanzman and Auxiliary hospital chairman Mrs. Herman J. Rose. The ceremonies were followed by a party for the patients at which time gifts were distributed and refreshments served.

Hasn't Lost His Touch

PNC Myer Dorfman, vacationing in South America, has apparently decided that all play and no work can cause a man to lose touch with JWV. Somehow, he has managed to obtain an American typewriter and letters exhorting the National Headquarters staff to keep him informed of current developments in JWV have been reaching New York at the rate of two a week.

Among other requests, he has regularly asked that his greetings be extended to the membership. The VETERAN being the best medium for complying with that request, here it is:

Warmest regards to you from Myer Dorfman.

Committee Appointees To Aid Success of JWV Program

Encouraged by reports received at National Headquarters and responses to requests for individual cooperation and participation in the organization's program, National Commander Jackson J. Holtz observed that "the day of the do-nothing cap-wearer is nearing an end in JWV activity.

A number of committees and assignments, designed to cover every conceivable phase of JWV activity, have been formulated and staffed with members who are eager to participate. There are, however, still openings for those comrades who want to assume the responsibility of assuring the success of all JWV ventures. A coupon containing information necessary for the administration of these committees is included for the benefit of all who are desirous of seeking appointment to any of the posts listed.

The coupon is to be filled out and deposited with the post commander of the individual who is seeking appointment. The post commander will in turn forward (Continued on Page 8)