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PISTOLS AND PRAYER go together near the Korean front, where Pfc. Robert Rose, left, of Baltimore, a .45 caliber pistol strapped to his side, holds a Torah during the chanting of the Kol Nidre at Yom Kippur services. Chaplain (Capt.) Herbert Brichto, right, New York City, conducted the services, while Pvt. Saul Rubinstein, center, of Brooklyn, was the cantor. (U. S. Army Photo)

Death of GI Son Spurred Art Works of Clockmaker

The clockmaker's art has been utilized to the advancement of brotherhood by Selig Fishman of New Haven, who has built close to 150 clocks during the past six years. Two of the clocks, which are gold-plated and have figures about their bases, are destined for special fates.

One has been sent to the Pope and one to the president of Israel.

The clocks, built as a hobby by Mr. Fishman, were started back in World War II when his young son, Sgt. Stanley Fishman, was killed in action after winning a Silver Star in France. It was then that Selig started to try to live again, and turned his attention to clocks to occupy his spare time.

Died For All People

"My son died for all the people," he told reporters at that time. "I thought I'd do a little thing and make a clock for the Pope. And after all, I'm a Jew, so I made a clock for the president of Israel, too."

Mr. Fishman found that working on his clocks has curative value. In his opinion, work is the best medicine for sick people,

and especially the sick at heart.

Mr. Seligman favors French movements for his clocks. "French movements go forever," he says. "They use bronze and good steel, and the shafts are like needle points. They never wear out. Other clocks have too big shafts and they wear. However, the English make the best grandfather clocks."

St. Peter Shown

The figures on the clock to go to the Pope include a representation of St. Peter on one side and an archangel with the young Mary on the other side. The clock for Israel has the lion of Judah, the Ten Commandments, and the Star of David.

The clockmaking hobby started for Mr. Fishman simply by his collecting clocks, after which he started tinkering with them to repair them, and then he went all out by building clocks of his own design.

Mr. Fishman indicated recently that Selig has had some ideas about a clock for the next President. At that time, however, the election had not yet been consummated, so Mr. Fishman's ideas were not for publication.

Ask Changes In M-W Law

The National Community Relations Advisory Council and a number of other Jewish groups called for an end "to the national origins quota system and the other unjust and discriminatory provisions of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Law, enacted by the last Congress over President Truman's veto.

The NCRAC, pointing out that the McCarran-Walter Act has been denounced as racist by representatives of both major parties, said that the next (83rd) Congress has a clear mandate to revise the law.

Joining in the statement were the American Jewish Congress, Jewish Labor Committee, Jewish War Veterans, Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the 28 Jewish community councils which make up the NCRAC. Other organizations which concurred were the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS), the National Council of Jewish Women, and the Synagogue Council of America.

Give QM a Break

Jewish War Veterans members are reminded that dues for 1953 should be remitted as soon as possible. We ask the cooperation of every member to insure the success of our 100 per cent re-enrollment campaign.

NCRAC Admits Two New Groups

The United Synagogue of America and the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Camden County, New Jersey, were admitted to membership in the National Community Relations Advisory Council, it was announced by the NCRAC executive committee recently.

The United Synagogue of America, representing the Conservative movement in American Judaism, in the organization of 432 congregations in North America. The Reform movement already is represented in the NCRAC by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

JWV Greets 'Ike'

National Commander Jesse Moss has congratulated General Dwight D. Eisenhower upon his election as President of the United States.

In a wire to the President-Elect, Commander Moss said: "On behalf of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States I want to extend to you our sincere congratulations upon your election as President and our best wishes for your administration. We will take pride in serving under your leadership in peace as we did in war."

Sen. Lehman to Receive Award

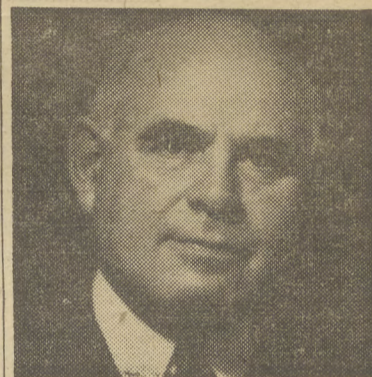
Senator Herbert H. Lehman has been awarded the 1952 Gold Medal of Merit of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States, it has been announced by National Commander Jesse Moss.

The National Commander said that Colonel Harry D. Henshel, vice-president of the Bulova Watch Co., has accepted the chairmanship of a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria December 28, when Senator Lehman is presented with the JWV award.

The New York Senator is to be honored for "exceptional contributions to the welfare and security of the United States and the advancement of mankind's struggle for freedom."

Proceeds of the 1952 dinner will go towards support of the JWV service program for veterans and their dependents. Last year the program aided more than 110,000 ex-servicemen and dependents of all faiths to obtain more than \$8 millions due them in government benefits under existing Federal laws.

Last year the Gold Medal of



SENATOR HERBERT LEHMAN To Receive JWV Medal

Merit went to Secretary of State Dean Acheson. Previous recipients have been General of the Army Omar Bradley, General Joseph T. McNarney and Dr. James B. Conant.

The National Dinner Committee will communicate directly with the posts regarding purchase of tickets by JWV members.

Commander Moss' Memo To NEC On JWV Program

Martin Freyer, Editor The Jewish Veteran

Dear Marty:

Through the pages of the JEWISH VETERAN I should like the membership to know of the program being considered by the National Executive Committee as the vehicle through which JWV will address itself this year to the major issues with which our organization is concerned. The memorandum that follows has been transmitted to the NEC. Its publication in this issue of the JEWISH VETERAN is designed to keep our membership informed on the most current basis possible of our plans and program for the coming year.

Jesse Moss, National Commander

MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FROM JESSE MOSS, NATIONAL COMMANDER

I have been working on a number of matters with respect to both program and administration which will be brought up at our next policy committee and national executive committee meeting. I would like to discuss them with you briefly in this memorandum in order to give you the opportunity to do some thinking about them in advance of the actual meetings.

1. We have been contemplating the establishment of a commission on civil rights to work closely with our already established commission against the Communist danger. The theory which we propose to present to the American public, is that there

are two great menaces to civil liberties in the United States today — Communism on the one hand, and the extreme Right on the other — and that a fight must be made against both as equally dangerous enemies of this republic. We feel that a vigorous anti-Communist campaign will improve the position from which we speak out in defense of civil rights, and conversely, a strong civil rights program will improve the position from which we speak out against Communism. We want to carry to the American people this year a call for the middle way.

German Threat

2. Recent reports of events in Germany with respect to the re-emergence or threatened re-emergence of major control many require a re-examination and re-definition of our policy on Germany. I am requesting our Foreign Affairs Committee to be presented with some background material and recommendation for our meeting.

3. The American Legion has announced a policy with respect to Korea to the effect that an ultimatum be given to the Communist forces indicating that if an armistice is not achieved by a certain date an all-out drive should be undertaken by the United Nations. I am also requesting a Foreign Affairs Committee to present material for presentation to the NEC on this in view of the fact that, as a great national veterans organization, JWV has a right and a duty to express its views on this subject and the policy should be formulated.

4. Recent newspaper stories (Continued on Page 7)