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Obituaries

Charles M. Blumberg

Charles M. Blumberg, 84, former president of a corporation which operated the old Unity Dress shop, 109 E. Wisconsin ave., died Friday, Jan. 9 at a hospital in Tallahassee, Fla.

The business was founded as a women's tailoring shop in 1907 by a brother, Reuben, who now lives in Minneapolis. Mr. Blumberg took over the firm when he moved from Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1909 and later turned it into a ladies' ready to wear shop. When the company was organized in 1972 he became its president.

The firm was dissolved in 1956 and Mr. Blumberg moved to St. Petersburg, Fla.

He was a former member of the Milwaukee Athletic club, the Milwaukee Rotary club, the Milwaukee Masonic lodge and Congregation Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.

Surviving, besides his brother are his wife, Beatrice, of New York city, and a half sister, Miss Carolyn Kahn, Milwaukee.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 8 in Constantine, Mich. Burial was there.

Mrs. Jeanette Arenson

Funeral services for Mrs. Jeanette Arenson, 77, widow of Joseph, founder and president of Jos. Arenson and Sons, 1026 W. Winnebago st., were held last Sunday at the Goodman-Bensman funeral home. Burial was in Second Home cemetery.

Mrs. Arenson died of a heart ailment Wednesday, Jan. 7 at her home in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Arenson was vice-president of the firm until she moved to California 10 years ago. The company now handles dry cleaners, furriers' and laundry supplies.

She was a member of Congregation Beth El Ner Tamid and its sisterhood, Hadassah, the Pioneer Women of America and ORT. She also was a member of the Milwaukee Jewish Home for the Aged, the Milwaukee Jewish Convalescent Home and the Milwaukee Jewish Children's Home.

Surviving are her four daughters, Mrs. Roselyn Pollack and Mrs. Helen Gottlieb of Los Angeles; Mrs. Ruth Ellis, Danville, Ill., and Mrs. Lillian Rutberg, Milwaukee; three sons, Louis, Milwaukee, president of the firm; Dr. Gene, Chicago, and Ben, Los Angeles, and a sister, Mrs. Nettie Dover, Ottawa, Ont.

Miss Aimee Weinstock

Miss Aimee Lenice Weinstock, supervisor of policies and procedures in the public assistance division of the state department of public welfare at Madison, died at Milwaukee hospital Thursday, Jan. 8.

Miss Weinstock started working for the old Wisconsin emergency relief administration, now the state welfare department, as a social worker in 1934. She was promoted to supervisor 10 years ago to direct the development of policies and procedures for the county administration of social security payments.

Before moving to Madison, she worked for the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association here, and Will Ross, Inc., hospital supplies firm.

Surviving her are her mother, Mrs. Tessie Weinstock, and a brother, Gilbert, both of Milwaukee, and two sisters, Mrs. Fannie Judell, Shorewood, and Miss Elsie Weinstock, Milwaukee.

C. A. Lebowsky

Charles A. Lebowsky, 65, formerly of 3022 N. Farwell ave., died at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wood, last Wednesday after a long illness.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin and the Detroit University Law School, Mr. Lebowsky was engaged in sales work with the old Northwestern Electrical Manufacturing Co. until being hospitalized with multiple sclerosis several years ago. He was a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by two daughters, Barbara Lebowsky, Milwaukee, and Mrs. Gilles Abrioux, Chicago, and a grandchild. His wife, the former Camille Wyler, died in 1946.

Services were held last Friday at the Veterans Administration Chapel, with burial in Spring Hill cemetery.

Hadassah Expands Surgery Dept. In Israel

JERUSALEM — (WNS) — Expansion by the Hadassah Medical Organization in Israel of its Orthopedic Surgery department was announced here by Dr. Kalman J. Mann, director-general of the institution, who said the move was designed to accommodate children who have been waiting their turn for surgery for two or three years.

In reporting on the expansion move to Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman, national chairman of the Hadassah Medical Organization Committee in the United States, Dr. Mann said that children selected for orthopedic surgery would be placed in preparation for operations in the 20-bed branch of Hadassah's Orthopedic Surgery Department at the Baby Home of the Women's International Zionist Organization at Beit Hakerem.

Population Rejoices as Drought In Israel Ended by Rain; Damage Heavy

JERUSALEM — (JTA) — Rain fell for several hours in some parts of Israel this week for the first time in two months, bringing hope that the distastrous drought might be over. The dry spell already cost Israel tens of millions of pounds in lost crops.

Weather experts studying cloud formations said it was still uncertain whether the rains would continue. Agricultural authorities said there was still some hope for some major crops, but others were beyond saving even if the rains continued for a substantial period. Continuation of rain would, however, eliminate the present threat of a lack of water next summer.

News of the rain evoked expressions of rejoicing in many parts of Israel. The members of the Kabbalist sect residing in Safed claimed the rains came in answer to their prayers.

Water Shortage is "Grave"; Irrigation Priority Established

TEL AVIV — (JTA) — Kaddish Luz, Israel's Minister of Agriculture, called for a maximum national effort to conserve water, asserting that the water shortage situation was "grave." He reported that there was virtually no hope for the Negev crops and that the yield from areas more favorably situated with regard to rain would be low. This has been the wrost drought in a decade.

The Minister announced that he has named a special committee to work out means of conserving water. In addition, his office is drafting a priority list of crops to be irrigated with whatever water is available. Fodder for cattle, groves and orchards of food-bearing trees will receive their full share of water, while new orchards and garden vegetables and sugar beet acreage will be controlled. Home gardens will receive limited supplies of water.

Israel Alarmed Over Drop in Level of Dead Sea

TEL AVIV — (JTA) — A team of Haifa Technion experts was called to begin an investigation of an "alarming" drop in the level of the Dead Sea.

Officials said that while there has been a constant drop in the water level of the inland sea, the decline this year was the sharpest ever recorded. Some authorities blamed the current drought, noting that the Dead Sea gets its waters from rivers emptying into it.

Quick Action Against Locusts Reduced Damage to Crops

JERUSALEM — (JTA) — Quick action with crop-dusting planes and trucks against Israel's worst locust invasion in 43 years this winter reduced the damage to crops to the least of any of the invasions, the Ministry of Agriculture reported.

Crop losses were also reported by the Jordanian press to be substantial in the Arab country. A shortage of fodder resulting from the drought and insect damage has forced farmers to sell sheep at $1.50 a head and camels at $5.50.

Head of RKO Theaters Corp. Purchases $100,000 In Israel Bonds

NEW YORK — (JTA)— Albert A. List, chairman of the board of RKO Theaters Corporation, has purchased $100,000 in State of Israel bonds, it was announced by Ira Guilden, national campaign chairman of the Israel bond drive. Mr. List also indicated his intention of buying an additional $100,000 in Israel bonds in the near future.

In announcing Mr. List's purchase, Mr. Guilden said: "This large investment in Israel bonds by one of America's leading industrialists demonstrates not only Mr. List's faith in the future of the State of Israel, but also the fact that Israel is increasingly enjoying the economic cooperation of outstanding American businessmen. This Israel bond purchase will be a powerful stimulus to purchasers by other Americans interested in strengthening the economy of this young democratic nation."

Castro

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Most Havana Jews sought to avoid taking sides in the highly volatile situation, the JTA correspondent established. They avoided involvement in the political strife. But the youths of many Havana Jewish families joined the Castro university movement which was a source of the revolution's strength. Some officials of the fallen Batista regime had used extortionist methods against businessmen, although Batista himself apparently gave orders to avoid anti-Semitic appearances because of his concern for tourism from the United States.

Jewish organizations have sent greetings to the Castro Government, expressing complete confidence in the new regime, and Jewish communal life has been completely restored. Activities at the "Patronato," Havana's Jewish Center, and in all other Jewish institutions have reverted to normal. The "Patronato" conducts Jewish cultural, social and religious activities. It also houses an Orthodox synagogue.

Israel Recognizes Regime; Mrs. Meir Sends Formal Note

JERUSALEM — (JTA) — Israel extended formal recognition to the new regime in Cuba Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, in a cable to the new Cuban Foreign Ministry, said Israel wished to continue relations and sincere friendship and mutual understanding with Cuba.

Bernstein

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one-year terms by the subsidized schools, the Jewish Welfare Board, the Milwaukee Council of Rabbis and the Hebrew Teachers Association.

Thirteen members are elected at-large from the community for two-year terms. The following were elected for 1958-59: Mr. Bernstein, Harry Hoffmann, Philip Lerman, Lionel Rosenberg, Mrs. Alan Shafrin, Abe Sklovsky, Morton Wax and Herman Wengrod. The following at-large members have the second year of office to complete: Mrs. Agulnick, Joseph Goodman, Lawrence S. Katz, Harry Kravenock, and Mrs. Philip Perlson. Other board members and committee organization will be announced shortly.

Morris Zaret, executive director of the Welfare Fund, in bringing greetings of the Welfare Fund to the Annual Meeting, assured those present that the community self-study of Jewish education which would involve the Bureau and its personnel would get under way in the very near future. The importance of Jewish Education, its problems and solutions were highlighted in "Jewish Education on Trial," a dramatic presentation.

Senate Gets Bills to Check "Hate Bombers"

WASHINGTON — (JTA) — Seven bills designed to bring FBI action against "hate bombers" of religious institutions and schools were introduced in the Senate by a number of Senators, including Jacob K. Javits and Kenneth B. Keating of New York. Representative John V. Lindsay, New York, will introduce the same seven-bill package in the House. The measures would also ban "hate mail" which promotes violence.

(The American Jewish Congress, in a policy statement made public, requested the enactment of a Federal anti-dynamiting law to permit the FBI to investigate all incidences of racial and religious bombings. It also suggested that President Eisenhower call a national White House Conference "to dramatize the breakdown of respect for law in the South and to remind all Americans that respect for law is a responsibility of all Americans.")

B-G Proposes 3-Month "Truce" to Socialist Groups In Cabinet

JERUSALEM — (JTA) — Premier David Ben-Gurion met with leaders of the Mapam and Achdut Avoda parties and proposed a three-month "truce" during which the three Socialist parties in the coalition government would refrain from attacking each other.

In the event this "trial" proves successful, the Premier suggested it would be extended to the general election campaign later this year. If accepted, the "truce" would extend to public addresses by party representatives and articles in the various party newspapers.

Preparations for the general election campaign are in full swing among all major political parties in Israel and smear tactics are already in evidence in the party newspapers. There is also extensive speculation on possible party mergers.

Named to Humane Slaughter Committee

WASHINGTON — U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson has appointed Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik of Roxbury, Mass. (above) as the Jewish religious authority on the advisory committee to assist the Secretary in implementing the recently-passed Humane Slaughter Law. Rabbi Soloveitchik was proposed for the position by the constituent Orthodox, Conservative and Reform agencies which comprise the Synagogue Council of America, the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Rabbinical Assembly of America, the Rabbinical Council of America, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations and the United Synagogue of America. The candidacy was endorsed by the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress and the New York Board of Rabbis. The first meeting of the advisory committee will be held in February. Rabbi Soloveitchik is working with a special SCA committee on a program to safeguard Jewish ritual slaughter at the state level.

Israel First Nation to Ratify United Nations Arbitration Convention

UNITED NATIONS — (JTA) — Israel, which last summer lost a multi-million dollar suit against the Soviet Union in a Moscow arbitration court, became the first country to ratify a new United Nations convention on recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards. Among the countries that have already signed but not yet ratified the convention, is the Soviet Union.

The convention, which was adopted at a special UN conference last June, is designed to assure that a private agreement to arbitrate will be fully respected by the courts of all countries that become parties to this treaty.

For men, no fear without wine, for women, none without fancy dress. — Judah B. Bathyra

Britain Watches Israel Expansion Of Pipeline As Suez Alternative

LONDON — (JTA) — British Financial and oil circles viewed Israel's plans to replace its eight-inch oil pipeline between Elath and Beersheba with a 16-inch line as a possible practical alternative to the Suez Canal. Nonetheless, British oil companies were not expected to take any action in this direction, though it would partially free the West of the threat of blackmail by the oil-producing Arab states.

These same financial circles here noted that simultaneously with the announcement of Israel's plans, a subcommittee of the Arab League's economic council, meeting in Cairo, pointed up the urgency of alternatives to Arab controlled petroleum distribution facilities. That subcommittee recommended that all pipelines carrying oil from wells in Arab countries or which pass through Arab territory should be nationalized and sold to an all-Arab company.

In a further blow at the West, the Arab League unit recommended that the concession of the Trans-Arabian Pipeline Company be cancelled. Trans-Arabian facilities carry oil from American-owned wells in Saudi Arabia across Jordan and Syria to the port of Sidon in Lebanon. Measures to prevent Arab oil from reaching Israel and a secret Arab boycott of Middle East oil facilities are reported to be on the agenda of the Arab League subcommittee.

Meanwhile, it was learned here that prospectuses are being in a new company to finance the pipeline construction inside the Bank Leumi Israel, the Israel state bank and several Geneva banks and private investors.

Radoff Says Station WMIL Is Seeking FM Franchise

Sol Radoff, executive vice-president of Radio Station WMIL announced here that Cream City Broadcasting Company, Inc., licensee of Radio Station WMIL AM filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission for a new FM station for Milwaukee, seeking a FM station on 95.7 MC, Channel 239 with a power of 29.1 kilowatts. Mr. Radoff indicated that WMIL-FM when granted will operate 49 hours a week to begin with and will give WMIL an opportunity to serve the community during the evening hours.

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