

### New Synagogue for Lewiston, Me.

LEWISTON, MAINE, April 9th.—The Auburn congregation has decided to erect a new synagogue. A special committee has been appointed to look into this matter.

The congregation now numbers about 100, representing 200 families. Rev. Levin is in charge. The present synagogue on Second Street has long proved inadequate to the growing needs of the congregation.

Michael Brownstein is chairman of the building committee, Harry Day, secretary, and Philip Miller, treasurer. Other members are Harry Goodkowsky, Abraham Shapiro, Isaac Miller, S. L. Gurowitz, L. Bornstein, S. Meltzer, H. Bean and S. Canter.

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### To Hold Chicago Rabbinical Convention

CHICAGO, ILL., April 9th.—The first annual spring conference on "Religion and the Synagogue," to be held under the auspices of the Chicago Rabbinical Association, will take place in this city on April 15th, 16th and 17th. The program includes addresses by Rabbi Joseph Stolz, Prof. George B. Foster, of the University of Chicago; Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, Prof. David Neumark, of the Hebrew Union College; Prof. Henry M. Sheffer, of Harvard; Prof. Ralph Philip Boas, of Whitman College, Washington; Rabbi Samuel S. Cohon; Prof. Mordecai M. Kaplan, of New York; and Dr. Henry Berkowitz, of Philadelphia.

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### Form Military Company in Portland, Me.

PORTLAND, ME., April 9th.—Nearly 50 members of the local Young Men's Hebrew Association have organized themselves into a military company with a view to securing training and be in readiness should their services be needed by the United States. The men will be drilled by Sergeant Levenson of the 8th Company of Fort Williams, who has been given permission by the commanding officer of the Coast Defenses of Portland to devote certain nights each week to the work.

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### Celebrates His 108th Birthday

BROCKTON, MASS., April 9th.—Abraham Weiner, for many years Brockton's oldest resident and who is now making his home, together with his wife, at the Hebrew Home for Aged Couples, in Dorchester, observed his 108th birthday Sunday. Mr. Weiner is hale and hearty and still retains his hope of reaching the age of 120, at which age his father died.

Mr. and Mrs. Weiner have been living at the home in Dorchester since last June and they are visited by their sons from this city from time to time.

Mr. Weiner is a native of Russia and served 25 years in the Russian army and had the honor of appearing before Czar Nicholas I. three times.

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