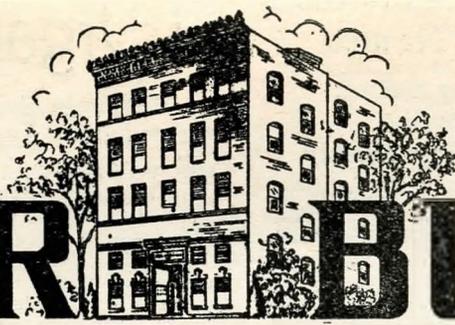


# JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER BULLETIN

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## Jewish Federation Annual Assembly-Thursday, December 14

### Complete Official List Of Federation Delegates Announced

#### Roll Call Of All Present Will Take Place At Annual Meeting Dec. 14

The official list of delegates to represent Portland's Jewish organizations at the Annual Assembly of the Federation on Thursday, December 14th, is herewith announced by Norman I. Godfrey, Executive Secretary of the Jewish Federation.

In addition to the five delegates, organizations are cordially invited to send alternates, who may participate in the proceedings without voting power.

The ceremony of the Roll Call, in which each organization presents its accredited delegates, is one of the stirring highlights of the Annual Meeting, and it is hoped that each organization will be represented 100%.

The official list follows:—

- ANSHEI SEPHARD SYNAGOGUE**  
Max Cook  
Myer Cope  
Lewis Lerman  
David Long  
Abraham Seigal
- ANSHEI SEPHARD SISTERHOOD**  
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Mrs. Max Kuvent  
Mrs. Jacob Lampert  
Mrs. Lewis Lerman  
Mrs. Morris Lerman
- ARMY AND NAVY COMMITTEE**  
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William Perlin  
Mrs. Joseph LaReis  
William Slade  
Mollie Weisman
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Beatrice Lane  
Mrs. Marshall Schlossberg
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Maurice B. Cohen  
Albert Issokson  
Jack Vinick  
Harry Weisberg
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Mrs. Julius Elowitz  
Mrs. William Perlin  
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Mrs. Harold Stern
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Mrs. Samuel Sacknoff  
Mrs. Casper Sutton  
Mrs. Benjamin Troen  
Mrs. Israel Bernstein
- DEGEL ZION CAMP**  
David Abramson  
Robert Epstein

- Jacob Goldblatt  
Mendell Silverman  
Max Simonds
- ETZ CHAIM SYNAGOGUE**  
William Cohen  
Samuel Katze  
Samuel Lerman  
Jacob Rubinsky  
Nathan Weinman
- ETZ CHAIM SISTERHOOD**  
Mrs. Herman Goffin  
Mrs. William Punsky  
Mrs. Jacob Rubinsky  
Mrs. Jennie Sapolsky  
Mrs. Solomon Turesky
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Rabbi Aaron Greenbaum  
Abraham S. Levey  
Joseph Shur
- JEWISH HOME FOR AGED**  
Joseph Larkin  
George I. Lewis  
Charles Rosenbloom  
Samuel Seiger  
Hiram D. Welsman
- JEWISH HOME FOR AGED AUX.**  
Mrs. Max Kaplan  
Mrs. Joseph Larkin  
Mrs. Harry Potter  
Mrs. Samuel Seiger  
Mrs. Oscar Tabachnick
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William Jacobs  
Samuel Nelson  
Mrs. Irving Rothstein  
David Rubinoff  
Mrs. Mendell Silverman
- JEWISH WAR VETERANS**  
Saul G. Chason  
Maurice Davis  
Leo Golodetz  
Ralph Lampert  
Harry Venner
- JEWISH WAR VETERANS' AUX.**  
Mrs. Ida Chapman  
Mrs. Max Cooper  
Mrs. Louis Gordon  
Mrs. Abraham Lamper  
Mrs. Max Rice
- JUNIOR HADASSAH**  
Marcia Ginsburg  
Vera Rosen  
Gertrude Serulnick  
Miriam Shelling  
Janette Tarr
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Abraham A. Greenberg  
Irving Rothstein  
Rev. Harry Simansky  
Benjamin Troen  
Isaac Weisberg
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Mrs. Myer Cope  
Mrs. Aaron Davidson  
Mrs. Benjamin Glick  
Mrs. Abraham Seigal
- PIONEER WOM. ORGANIZATION**  
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Mrs. Myer Levitan  
Mrs. Joseph Lyons  
Mrs. David Seiger  
Mrs. Abraham Serulnick
- PAOLE ZION ORGANIZATION**  
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Myer Levitan  
Saul Marcus  
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- PORTLAND HEBREW SCHOOL**  
Charles Cohen  
Samuel J. Cohen  
H. Abraham Ginsburg  
David Novick  
Mayo Levenson
- PORTLAND HEBREW SCH. AUX.**  
Mrs. Theresa Bernstein  
Mrs. Shepard Cutler  
Mrs. Goldie Davidson

### Mr. Bernard Alexander Of Trenton, N. J., To Be Honored Guest At Supper Meeting Attended By Over 150 Delegates

#### President Abraham S. Levey Will Open Event Promptly At 6:15 P. M.; Important Matters To Be Considered

Approximately 150 Delegates, representing every organization in our community, will answer the Roll Call, when President Abraham S. Levey convenes the Annual Meeting at the



BERNARD ALEXANDER

- Mrs. Benjamin Gordon  
Mrs. Harold Nelson
- PORTLAND ZIONIST DISTRICT**  
Harry Garon  
Morris Greenberg  
Harold P. Nelson  
Samuel Pinansky  
Abraham Simonds
- SENIOR HADASSAH**  
Mrs. Leo Cohen  
Mrs. Arnold Goodman  
Mrs. Samuel Katze  
Mrs. Ralph Ross  
Mrs. Abraham Simonds
- SHAAREY TIPHILOH SYNAGOGUE**  
Hyman Boxstein  
Samuel Cinamon  
I. Edward Cohen  
Samuel Comeras  
Saul Shulman
- SHAAREY TIPHILOH SISTERHOOD**  
Mrs. Louis R. Berenson  
Mrs. Joseph Chase  
Mrs. Samuel Cinamon  
Mrs. Abraham Levine  
Mrs. Philip Resnick
- UNITED HEBREW CHARITIES**  
Shepard Cutler  
Meyer Karlin  
Maurice Ross  
Jesse Rosenberg  
Haskell Slotzky
- UNITED JEWISH APPEAL**  
Israel Bernstein  
Sidney Davidson  
Dr. Solomon Golodetz  
Hyman Mersky  
Joe Wigon

Center on Thursday evening, December 14th. With a remarkable record of uniting the community, and already having achieved high standards in coordinating the fund raising of every group, the Federation is now preparing for the great tasks ahead. The delegates will be privileged to listen to one of America's outstanding lay leaders in community organization, when Mr. Bernard Alexander, of Trenton, N. J., will be the guest of honor at the supper meeting.

Mr. Alexander is a dynamic speaker with an excellent platform personality. He is President of the Trenton Jewish Federation; Vice-President of the Central Atlantic States Region of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, and is in great demand as a speaker in all parts of the country. He is widely recognized as an unusual Jewish leader, and Federation delegates are looking forward to his visit.

Because Mr. Alexander must leave at 8:45 P. M., Mr. Levey has announced that the supper service will begin promptly at 6:15 P. M., and it is expected that every delegate will be in his seat at this time.

Because of the generous help of the Federation's women's organizations, delegates will be served a delicious chicken dinner for only 75c.

Each of the Jewish Federation's previous Annual Meetings have been important milestones in the progress of our Jewish community, and this year's meeting will provide a real opportunity for delegates to find out how the Federation has been functioning and to take a hand in determining the future policy and program of the parent organization of all Jewish groups in our community.

Mr. Alexander's visit to our community has been arranged by Mr. Philip Bernstein, Director of Field Service, of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, in New York, with which our own Federation is affiliated as a constituent member.

## Reservations For NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

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## THE DEAN'S LIST

I. Dean Silverman

Last Sunday in the gym the Mu Sigmas beat the Alpha Taus 22-16 in a game that had all the tense partisanship of a Portland-Deering game. . . . Even to organized cheering sections. . . . And a full house. . . . The Mu Sigs scored first, and although tied a couple times, managed to keep their slim lead to the end. . . . With the Phi Delta Mu, these teams will play each other every Sunday afternoon at four-thirty. . . . We got a big kick out of refereeing this game. . . . The losing team wanted to make the kick more realistic. . . . Although none of the participating teams know it yet, unless they read this, we are offering the Dean's List Trophy to the winner, the team winning it three times getting permanent possession. . . .

We got a fan letter from Mel Epstein in England—proving that people away from home will read anything in the "Bulletin"—who sent us an account of a football game described by a British sports writer. . . . One of the funniest things we've read in a long time. . . . Have a sample. . . . "The only thing that moves play towards the goal posts seems to be the instinct of self preservation of the man with the ball. . . . He runs as far as he can before he is maimed or killed by the other players. . . . " . . . And describing the water boy's appearance on the field. . . . "The buckets held towels and water for the players still living. . . . "

Seeing Mickey Schultz recently after his internship in Sweden reminded us of a little-known and long-forgotten incident that took place many years ago. . . . We were a senior in High School at the time. . . . Having just got out of bed with the grippe, we couldn't run in the inter-class meet. . . . The Junior class had no relay team entered, so we got together Mickey, Maxie Crasnick, Rube Karlin, and Buddy Silverman. . . . We showed them how to pass the baton, and watched them—win. . . . Of the others of that quartet, Maxie is now somewhere in the South Pacific; Rube is in Italy; and Buddy is home after 14 months in the Army, but still fighting. . . . This one a losing battle with his hair. . . .

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## Federation Announces Additional Names

Delegates May Submit  
Names Of Further  
Nominees Before Sunday

The Nominating Committee of the Jewish Federation regrets that in last week's issue of the "Bulletin" the names of four nominees were omitted. These are: Myer Cope, Mrs. Jacob Lampport, Mrs. Celia Lerman and Mr. Abraham Seigal.

These names are to be added to the list of 61 announced in last week's "Bulletin." From this group will be chosen 45 Directors; 15 to serve 3-year terms, 15 2-year terms, and 15 for 1-year term, depending on the total number of votes polled at the Annual Meeting.

Official notice is also herewith given that any delegate to the Federation Board may submit additional names, provided names are in the hands of the secretary no later than Sunday, December 10th.

## Junior Hi-Lites

By Ralph Levi

Last Saturday night the Dramatic Club held its first meeting. It seems we have quite a bit of talent. We didn't have as big a turnout as we expected, but we can understand it as it was quite cold. (Cold feet.)

Allen Levine has been appointed chairman of the much discussed Chanukah Party to be held December 16.

The club extends its appreciation to Miss Suzanne Cinamon for taking so much interest in our organization. Thanks to Miss Charlotte Zimmerman for lending her valuable time to us a few weeks ago.

Please do not laugh—"Yours Truly" is coaching the Girls' Basketball Team until Mrs. Finn comes back. The Junior Hi Boys' Basketball Team feels that it is ready to accept all comers. Please report any challenges to "Yours Truly."

Because our teacher, Mr. Joseph LaReis, was busy entertaining Senator Brewster, there was no Arts and Crafts Tuesday night, but there will be a class next Tuesday as usual. Next week will appear the "PLEDGE" that members must take before entering the club.

The members wish their parents and friends a very happy Chanukah, and with those words I'll say

Adieu.

## Mr. Robert Fitterman Of National Council To Attend Federation Rally

Delegates attending the Federation's Annual Meeting on Thursday evening, December 14th, will have the opportunity of meeting for the first time with Mr. Robert Fitterman, Field Representative for the New England Region of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. Although this will be Mr. Fitterman's first personal visit to our community, the Federation is indebted to him for many services rendered by his office.

Mr. Fitterman will present an informal report concerning the New England region, which should be very interesting and enlightening.

On Friday Mr. Fitterman will meet with leaders of the Federation for discussions concerning future development of the Federation.

# » Organization News «

## Mrs. Benjamin Gordon Heads Hebrew School Auxiliary

Mrs. Benjamin Gordon was elected and installed as the new president of the Portland Hebrew School Auxiliary on Monday, December 4, at the regular meeting of the Auxiliary. Other newly elected officers are: First Vice-President, Mrs. Shepard Cutler; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Harold Nelson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aaron Blumenthal; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Bennett Webber; Treasurer, Mrs. Bertram Silverman. Rabbi Aaron Greenbaum installed the officers.

Mrs. David Rubinoff played a piano concerto by Chopin.

A very stimulating and thought-provoking talk on "The Realistic Approach to Hebrew Education" was given by Rabbi Mordecai Bressler of Boston, Mass.

## Senator Owen Brewster Honored By Inscription In Golden Book

The Zionist Dinner honoring Senator Owen Brewster was attended by 162 people who were spellbound by the magnificent address the Senator offered.

Rabbi Greenbaum introduced Rev. Pleasant who gave the invocation.

The presentation of the Golden Book inscription to Senator Brewster was made by Harold Nelson, president of Portland Zionist District.

Saul G. Chason, who was chairman of the evening, introduced Judge Max L. Pinansky, who presented the speaker.

## Alpha Tau Entertains Servicemen On Leave

At the previous meeting of the Alpha Chapter of the Alpha Tau Fraternity, Sunday, December 3, at the home of Arnold Brynes of Pitt Street, it was decided upon to buy basketball uniforms for the Fraternity basketball team. The team consists of Irving Zalzman, captain, Henry Gilbert, Robert Litman, Irving Grunes, Irving Block, Jack Rubin, Arnold Brynes, George Reef, Raymond Reef, Stanley Goldberg, and Arthur Balkan. The Mu Sigma won the first fraternity basketball game at the Center, Sunday, December 3, with the Alpha Tau, 22-16.

Alumni Louis Levey, Harold Kroot, Phil Lourie, coast guardsman, who had just returned from overseas, were present at the meeting.

## Young Judean Jottings!

By Carol Smith

Last week at the Senior Young Judean Club we rehearsed our Hanukah play, which is to be held next Sunday for Senior and Junior Judean members. On the 17th of December we are going to put it on for the Portland Zionist District and for parents.

The Herzl Young Judeans held their usual meeting Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30. A discussion was led by Abraham Simonds, President of the Youth Commission, and Bert Schwartz, President of the Herzl Club, concerning whether children 9 years of age should be admitted into the club.

## Council Of Jewish Women To Entertain Servicemen At Chanukah Party Dec. 14

Members of the Council of Jewish Women were entertained at a Chanukah meeting and tea Tuesday afternoon, December 5, when Harold Halpert presented a program of varied piano selections from the old masters, accompanied by a lecture as to their origin and interpretation.

The second annual Chanukah Party for Servicemen to be sponsored by the Portland Section, Council of Jewish Women, will be held Thursday evening, December 14, at Fort Williams. Mrs. Alfred Herman has been appointed chairman and her committee consists of Mrs. Mitchell Goffin, Mrs. Benjamin Gordon, Mrs. Harry Potter, Mrs. Hyman Mersky, Mrs. George Bress, Mrs. Leon Leavitt, Mrs. Maurice Matson, Mrs. Myer Goldberg, Mrs. Joseph LaReis and Mrs. Carl Zolov.

The first meeting of the Current Events Group, which had been postponed, is now scheduled to take place Wednesday, December 13, at 8:00 P. M. The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Israel Bernstein, 180 Bolton Street.

## American Jewish Congress Announces First Meeting

The American Jewish Congress will meet Tuesday, December 19, at 8 P. M.

The guest speaker will be as originally planned, Mrs. Ada York. Mrs. York is well known in Jewish circles, having served as president of the Chelsea Hadassah Chapter for four years and New England Regional Vice-President of Hadassah for three years.

## Senior Hadassah To Hear Conference Report By President, Mrs. Leo Cohen

At their next meeting, which will take place at the Jewish Community Center, Tuesday, December 12, at 2:15 P. M., Mrs. Leo Cohen, President of Senior Hadassah, will give a detailed report of the President's Conference which she attended at Cleveland, Ohio, November 13 to 16.

The Chanukah prayer will be offered by Mrs. Aaron Greenbaum and an original Yiddish monologue by Mrs. Norman Glover will round out the program.

## Home For Aged Auxiliary To Meet At Center

The Executive Board of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jewish Home for the Aged met recently at the home of Mrs. Abraham Seigal. It was noted to have a Chanukah dinner and party for the residents on the Home. Plans were made to organize knitting, sewing, cooking, crocheting groups for members. Those interested please contact Mrs. Max Kaplan.

The next regular meeting of the Auxiliary will be held at the Jewish Community Center on Monday, December 11, at 2:30 P. M. At this meeting all new members will be initiated. All members are urged to be present.



# WITH OUR BOYS IN THE SERVICE



by EDDIE "אברהם טשיק" SHAPIRO

Just because they cut me off last week like a non-paid electric bill, I am going to continue just where they dood it. (In a way I'm tickled to pieces because the material is LOWZAY.)

### LEFT OUT BIZ OF LAST WEEK . . .

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Lt. Irving Small with the new bars. Irving was home for a week and is now going to Camp Devens, Mass., which is the replacement center. I salute you, Shavetail.

**LETTERS:** Sonny Abrams from somewhere across writes: "Here is what I cannot understand, Eddie. Cigarettes here are as high as Seven Dollars and Seventy Cents a package, bread is Seventy Cents a loaf, and the other day I had myself a haircut, shave, shampoo and a facial for Sixty-six Cents. Can you make it out? I really cannot!! The Jerries are certainly trying to find our range and it's getting almost too close for comfort!" (Take care of yourself, kid. That tank of yours could do a lot of damage.) . . . Carl Lonstein writes: "If and when I get a picture of you standing beside a 9-point buck, I shall say, 'faker, faker!'" (There's a guy that don't think a heck of a lot about my hunting experiences. And I say that if you do say "faker, faker," you will be right.) "As for myself, I'll probably be leaving for Camp Livingston, La., by the end of the week."

Carl is now at Fort Bragg, N. C. "You know the Army." . . . Paul Lane, in a bi-monthly letter from Italy, writes: "The weather here in Italy is good but very cold. I am receiving the 'Bulletin' regularly and am certainly happy to read about Maxie Lerman and his football triumphs with Portland High School. I expect to see Hy Benjamin and Harry Lerman in the near future. Keep 'em coming."

In a letter to his folks, Howard Sapiro writes: "If you see Avrom-chick you can tell him for me that he is doing an excellent job in the 'Bulletin.' It's a pleasure to read his column." . . . We have it on reliable sources that Melvin Jacobson's pet dog, Tundra, is expecting an addition to the family. We hope it's twins.

Harold Levine writes: "As I do quite a bit of moving around on paper, I'd like to give you my new address. Sgt. Hyman Micohen comes over to see me all the time as we are not far apart at all." (New address in preceding section.) . . . Louie Black writes: "I'm still stationed at Camp Berkeley, Texas. I've completed my third basic training program since I entered the army over fourteen months ago. Time sure does fly very quickly. This camp has hundreds of battalions and it seems that I'm moving every week. I am now in A Co. of the 51st Bn. I expect to move some time this week. I feel like a gypsy at Camp Berkeley. CU soon. P. S.: I'm in the medics. Ich hob gevoren a doctor uf fee eltere yoren." (Louie has been around the town since this letter was written and looks swell.) . . . Saw where Lester Silverman has been promoted to temporary Captain. Congratulations. . . . Mel Epstein writes from England: "Funny thing! I took out this V-Mail and was about to write to someone, but I forgot who, so instead to you, little chum. (How do you like that? Do you see the way the boys feel about writing? To me especially.) Yep, I'm following up the invasion lads, policing up after them and getting a good kick at what's left after they sent everything loose home for souvenirs. Money over here still confuses and the payoff came when one of my boys, underweight and anemic, refused to shoot craps because he had heard a guy lost four pounds doing that." (Smart Fella!!) . . . Mel goes on saying, "The English astounded me with their knowledge of American politics and the election over here was a burning issue. The newspapers here riled up our Southern lads by referring to the Southern Democrats as 'Tories' and the Northern Democrats as 'Liberals' after the British party nomenclature." (Thank for the letter.)

## Portland Hebrew School To Celebrate Chanukah

The Portland Hebrew School is planning a fine program for Sunday afternoon, December 17, at 3:30 P. M., in celebration of Chanukah.

Participating in the program are: Barbara Nemon, Sarah Berenson, Myer Lerman, Allen Levinsky, Herman Cohen, Allen Levenson, Norman Finberg, Norman Levine, Joseph Palais, Adeline Glosky, Diana Garon, Stewart Cope, Gloria Berenson, Reuben Lerman, Barbara Lerman and Elihu Wiener.

Charles Cohen, president of the Hebrew School, will open the celebration and address the audience.

The principal speaker of the afternoon will be Rabbi Aaron Greenbaum, chairman of the Board of Education.

## Sunday School Children To Have Chanukah Party

Parents of Sunday School children are invited to attend the Chanukah program scheduled for the morning of December 17 at 10:30 A. M., at the Jewish Community Center. Chairman of the program is Mrs. Melvin Jacobson. All children are requested to bring little ten-cent gifts to be exchanged among the children.

The youngest children will give recitations from a Chanukah poem. Each child will offer one stanza.

The intermediate group will present the Lighting of the Chanukah Candles in playlet form. Songs will be sung by the children.

The Senior group will also present recitations pertinent to the holiday season.

Refreshments will be served.

## Candles In The Night

### A Chanukah Message

By Rabbi Aaron Greenbaum

There is awesome mystery and grandeur in a candle in an otherwise dark room, particularly when we are accustomed to the brilliance of electric illumination in our homes. There is manifold versatility in the gentle flame. It speaks to us in a wordless tongue through the inaudible vibrations of our heart strings. In Jewish life, various types of candles are lit at various occasions. There is the Sabbath candle. Its message is one of holiness and purity; rest and sublimity are its tidings.

There is also the "Yahrzeit" candle: a lone candle in a corner of the house in memory of one whose light and love we miss. It flickers mournfully with yearning and reverence in its quiet flame. It is a memorial light.

Then, there is the Chanukah candle. This candle has varying messages. It speaks of modest sanctity, of valor, of memory and hope.

Religiously, Chanukah represents the triumph of the Jewish faith over the pagan Greek culture. The Jewish faith was faced with a formidable enemy who would forcefully impose upon them sterile idolatry with its corrupt living. The exhortative voice of the prophets, so effective in previous generations, was not sufficient now to stem the tide of paganism. Physical force was needed to buttress the burning zeal and devotion of the pious. The triumph of the Maccabees assured the continuity of the religion of spirit. It was a triumph of morality, goodness and purity of the Jewish faith over the sensuality, selfishness and vulgarity of heathenism.

Nationally, Chanukah focuses our attention to the unquestionable nationhood of the Jewish people. When we persist in celebrating a national victory for over 2,000 years, then we demonstrate to all the world and to the perplexed within our fold that we never cease to exist and function as a nation. Nor have we ever surrendered the hope of full reconstitution. In the words of Benjamin Disraeli: "The vineyards of Israel have ceased to exist, but the eternal law enjoins the children of Israel to celebrate the vintage. A race that persists in celebrating their vintage, although they have no fruits to gather, will regain their vineyard."

Universally, Chanukah is a symbol and landmark in the long struggle of mankind for freedom of conscience. Many wars for the protection of land, home and hearth antedated the epic of the Maccabees, but the latter was the first armed defense of the truth faith, and freedom of worship. The "Feast of Lights" manifested, too, that a mighty sword of the arrogant can be shattered against the rock of the unwielding human spirit and perseverance. The Chanukah light, which we shall kindle in our homes, beginning with Sunday evening, December 10 this year, will link the current Maccabees with their ancient predecessors in the struggle for freedom, justice and conscience.

Let us light the candles for positive, meaningful religious living; reconstitution of the land and nation of Israel and universal freedom.

"It is good for Jewish lads to include warriors of their own race in their gallery of heroes to be able to say, 'My people have produced its brave men equally with the

## Center Women's Club To Assist In Youth Lounge Dedication

### Activities Reported By Busy Committee Chairman At Board Meeting

The Center Women's Club will serve a supper in connection with the dedication of the Center Youth room December 28th, in the Jewish Community Center, it was announced when the Executive Board of the Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Frank A. Laben, Dartmouth Street. Mrs. Ralph Lamport and Mrs. Max Cooper were named co-chairmen of the arrangements.

Mrs. Julius Elowitz, Mrs. Mildred Schwartz, Mrs. Herbert Stern reported on the recent USO Conference of Volunteer Workers of the State of Maine in Augusta. Mrs. Albert Issokson reported on the dancing school, and announced that parents' day will be observed December 17th. Mrs. Shepard Cutler, Mrs. Barnett I. Shur and Mrs. Laben contributed to the Special Occasion Fund to provide refreshments for the meeting December 20th, in the Center. Mrs. E'Lora Pease Crane will give readings. It was announced that the club in conjunction with the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Jacob Cousins Post, Jewish War Veterans, will contribute Christmas boxes for the Marine Hospital and Naval Base Hospital. Members are asked to leave boxes at the Center. Some suggestions for Christmas boxes are: miniature games, new playing cards, comic books, pocket editions of books, shoe polish, stationery, cigarettes, tooth paste and powder, shaving cream or lotion, hard candy, homemade cookies, pipe tobacco, gum, dates, figs, peanuts, miniature snapshot folders and other useful articles. Members are asked to wrap their packages attractively before leaving them at the Center.

Mrs. Max Fischman reported that the public speaking group will meet twice a month starting in January. Members will enroll at the next meeting.

## Center Youth Dedication Announced For December 28

On Sunday, December 3, 1944, the advisory group of Center Youth met with the co-chairmen of Center Youth, and Miss Ella Lehrmann, chairman of Center Youth dedication committee.

It was voted to hold this formal opening on Thursday, December 28, 1944.

A program of unusual interest is now being prepared.

Complete details concerning this important event will be announced in the next issue of the "Bulletin."

## Jacob Cousins Post Of Jewish War Veterans To Hear Edward Lieberman

Edward A. Lieberman, Field Representative, Veterans' Service Committee, will be our special guest at the meeting Tuesday night, December 12th. He's the man who has the answers to your questions. All ex G. I.'s are invited.

Greeks and the Romans.' But still better, it is for them to feel that these brave men drew their courage from the purest of all sources, from a passionate love for their religion, from a veneration for the good and the true and the morally beautiful."

# G. I. GIBLETS

The Chanukah season means festivities for all! We in Portland must keep up the traditions. Therefore many parties are being planned for the boys in the area. The Harbor Defenses will have their party December 14, at Fort Williams. Of course, we bring the gals and refreshments! The B'nai B'rith is sponsoring the party at the Center December 17.

Those sun-tanned complexions sure do become you! We're referring to a few familiar faces who are once again with us. (Harry, Rosy, John—take notice!)

Also the sick are going to be cheered by the USO's hospitality. Holiday parties are being planned in the Sick Bays. I bet those packages will please many a boy!

Flash!! MINIATURE HURRICANE CAUSES KLEINFELD'S "IVORY TOWER" TO BE INVADED BY FAMISHED SOLDIERS!! The hurricane kept the gals home, but the refreshments got through to Peaks Island last Thursday night. By some "quirk" of Fate—the refreshments landed in Kleinfeld's tower. Led by the scent of the delicious food, many a soldier invaded Kleinfeld's solitude and were well rewarded!

Where's your USO spirit??? The boys need games and cards!! How about seeing that our lounge does not lack these things??? (We mean all of you!)

Free Phone Call!! That will be one of the major attractions at the next Sunday night dance!! The girls at the Telephone Co. are sponsoring the call. (Wish we could offer this attraction each week!!)

Floss and Alfred take a bow!! Where else can servicemen find more warmth and genial hospitality than at 20 Lewis Street.

Next formal—December 24th—set that date aside!!

Until we meet again—

## Junior Hadassah Finally "Spills The Beans" About Chanukah Party Dec. 13

DEAR MOLLIE:

It's all so breathtakingly wonderful, we can hardly even talk about it! We're way up in the clouds just thinking about it! And we do hate to be selfish and keep all this delightful information to ourselves. So we're bound to burst out sooner or later and cry, jubilantly, "Junior Hadassah is doing it again!" Gosh, there's so much to tell you about, we hardly know where to begin. But this is getting us nowhere. Well, we're having a party—all in the Chanukah spirit. It's going to be held December 13, 1944, on a WEDNESDAY evening, at 8:30, at the Jewish Community Center. The program is simply terrific, we hear. Besides songs by Sula Passman, dramatic recitations by Shirley Levine, dances by Sara Jean Jacobson, we're planning a mock fashion show in which the participants will be Kenneth Waks, Arnold Kuvent, Irving Zalzman, Irving Grunes, Burton Cook. The juke box is ours for the evening, and glory be to Ginsburg, we're having MEN! Games, dancing, entertainment, food! Yowie! we're drooling over the set-up already.

But time waits for no one, and your dues are an important factor in this party—it is exclusively for members who have paid at least half their dues—or for those who would like to pay half their dues. Somewhere you can dig up a \$1.25 and make your friends do the same. So please, Mollie, come and bring the mob with you. We'll all have a glorious time, we know.

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