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## Open Forum to Discuss Socialized Medicine at Center January 19

The Open Forum will bring to Bangor two outstanding personalities to discuss "The National Health Act" on Thursday, January 19 at 8:00 P. M. Dr. Channing Frothingham will speak for the act and Dr. John F. Conlin will speak against it.

### DR. FROTHINGHAM

Dr. Frothingham is Chairman of the Committee For the Nations Health, an organization including lay and professional members, which is dedicated to the development of a national health program along the lines recommended by President Truman. He has been a practicing physician for 42 years and was Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine at the Harvard Medical School and Chief of the Medical Service at the Faulkner Hospital. At the present time he is consulting physician at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

### DR. CONLIN

Dr. Conlin is the Director of Medical Information and Education for the State of Massachusetts Medical Society.

Both speakers will present their respective sides on the subject and will then permit questions to be asked by members of the audience.

Everyone is urged to attend this outstanding Forum to be acquainted with a subject of national importance.

### MYER SEGAL NEW VICE-PRESIDENT

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Community Council, Mr. Myer Segal was elected Vice-President in charge of Fund Raising to complete the term of office vacated by William Viner.

## Dr. Brush to Present First in a Series of "Your Child"

The first in a series of lectures and discussions on Child Care will be held at the Center on Monday, January 30 at 8:00 P. M. Dr. Lillian Brush will discuss "Your Child and His Personality."

Dr. Brush received her B. A. Degree from Lake Forrest College and her M. A. from the University of Illinois. She taught psychology at the University from 1928-1929. She received her Ph.D. in Psychology at Cornell University. She was assistant professor of Psychology at the University of Maine 1931-1938. She has lectured on various topics related to abnormal psychology, personality development and child psychology. She is the mother of two children and the wife of the Dean of the Graduate School and Professor of Psychology at the University of Maine.

Everyone is invited to attend. There is no admission fee for this series.

## YIDDISH FILM ON JANUARY 29

On Sunday, January 29, a Yiddish film entitled "Overture to Glory" will be shown at the Center at 8:00 P. M.

The film, which has English subtitles, features the well known Cantor and actor Moishe Oysher, who is known as the "singing Cantor."

Admission to the film is \$.35 per person.

Our new projector will help make this an enjoyable and entertaining evening.

## Lown Memorial Kitchen to be Formally Opened on January 18

### Register Now for Adult Jewish Institute Classes

The Adult Activities Committee together with the Beth Israel Synagogue are sponsoring an Adult Institute for Jewish Studies to start February 7th and run for 10-12 consecutive weeks.

The Institute will offer two courses during the evening; one from 8:00 P. M. to 9:00 P. M. and another from 9:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M. Individuals may register for both courses offered.

To determine which subjects are to be presented by the Institute, the Planning Committee suggested five courses, of which the

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Best wishes are extended to

ALLEN SCHIRO

on the

occasion of his Bar Mitzvah

Teachers and Students  
of the Hebrew School

## Z. O. A. Breakfast Jan. 15

The Bangor District Z. O. A. will hold its regular morning breakfast on Sunday, January 15, at 9:30 A. M. Maurice Samuel will be the guest speaker.

Mr. Samuel is a world famous author and writer. He is an eloquent orator and lecturer. He has just returned from Israel and will discuss that land during his talk.

Men and women are urged to attend this breakfast, and hear this outstanding speaker.

## Special Exercises to Feature Rabbi Freedman and Cantata

On Wednesday, January 18, special exercises will be held formally opening the new kitchen in memory of the late Anna R. Lown.

The program for the evening which will start at 8:00 P. M. will include the presentation of the kitchen to the Council by Philip Lown, acceptance by Joseph Emple, address by Rabbi Avraham Freedman of the Beth Israel Synagogue and a repeat performance of the Cantata "What is Toarh?" by the same cast as presented it last spring. Refreshments will be served and all present will be given the opportunity to visit the new kitchen.

## Jr. Lyceum Programs For Month of January

The Junior Lyceum programs continue to attract many children to the Center. Mr. Rafael Arbisser, educational director of the Council, announced that for the three remaining Sundays in January the Lyceum will present the following programs:

January 15—Special games  
January 22—Beano  
January 29—Movies

All children are invited to attend these sessions and all other activities of the Lyceum, including the arts and crafts and the games.

The Sunday programs start at 2:00 P. M. and end at 4:00 P. M.

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## EDITORIAL

### Orchids to Adult Activities Committee

The Community News applauds the Adult Activities Committee for a good beginning toward revitalizing the intellectual and cultural programs of the Council. For the past few years we've been sliding along on past accomplishments. Many of us appeared at the Council building often enough, but only for meetings. We've missed the open discussion of a wide variety of subjects that we'd been accustomed to look for to the Center.

We're glad to see classes for adults starting up again—we're glad to see forums on subjects as widely divergent as "Whither American Jewry" and "The Government Health Program." We're glad we can cooperate with Rabbi Freedman and the Beth Israel Synagogue to make the Adult Education program more stimulating. Entertaining programs are fine—let's keep on having them. But we need more than that. And we're appreciative of the effort of the Committee that's giving us more.

We hope that the programs will start promptly and that the audience will be in their seats at the appointed time. The only way we can encourage the Committee to give us more and better programs is to cooperate with it by being present and helping keep the meetings orderly.

### The Marriage Ceremony

One of the happiest celebrations in a young persons life is that of his or her wedding day. Woven in are many ceremonies, some of which are seldom observed these days.

It is still customary that the Chasan—groom—be called up to a reading of a portion of the Law on the Sabbath preceding the appointed wedding day. Among the Orthodox the bride—Kalah—and groom fast on the day of their wedding till after the wedding ceremony.

The marriage takes place under a canopy or Chuppah in the presence of a Minyon and of two male witnesses not related to each other or to the bride or groom. The Chuppah is a square-like embroidered shawl, with the Mogen David in the center. At each corner it is attached to a wooden handle or pole. The Chasan and Kalah stand under the canopy separated from the rest of the gathered friends, symbolizing their unity

and the separation of both from the rest of the world. The chuppah is also a reminder of the ancient tent-life of Israel. In places where the chuppah is no longer accounted essential to the ceremony, often a floral canopy or arch is erected for beauty, and

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## Congratulations

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Ted Golden on the birthday of a daughter, Judith Beth.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Serota upon the birth of a son, Michael Silver.

### MARRIAGES

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Glazier. Mrs. Glazier is the former Ida Schwartz.

To Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Plesset. Mrs. Plesset is the former Edith Pear of Washington, D. C.

## HEBREW SCHOOL NEWS

At the last meeting of the School Board, it was decided to create a PTA for the Hebrew School. As a result a few parents (Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Todtman, Mr. Rolnick and Mr. Slep) met with Mr. Arbisser and discussed the matter. They came to the conclusion that a PTA for the Hebrew School is a very vital thing since it will create the link between the home and the school, which is so important for the success of the child's studies. At the meetings of the PTA the parents will have the opportunity to express their opinions as to the subjects that they would like see included in the curriculum, etc.

It was decided to hold the first meeting of the PTA January 31. Details of the program will be sent to the parents and all are urged to attend.

### BAR MITZVAH CLUB

On January 8 the first meeting of the Bar Mitzvah Club was held. Twenty-four boys and girls attended this meeting, which has proven to be a great success. The boys prayed Schacharis, while a few girls helped the able Mrs. Freida Miller who had everything prepared. After breakfast the children discussed the topics for discussion for their future meetings, elected Bob Miller as president of the club and closed their meeting with a determination to make their future meetings at least as successful as their first

one. Next week all the members of the Bar Mitzvah club are invited to the ZOA breakfast.

### CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

The Children's Library is a very busy corner. They all try hard to be eligible for membership in the library club (reading of three books is the requirement). Two children—Michael Goodman and Betsy Paul have already become members and wrote the book reports which follow:

#### ISAAC OF THE TENTS

The main characters are: Isaac the son, Sarah the mother, and Abraham the father.

The story is A New Born Son.

Once upon a time there was a man named Abraham and a woman named Sarah. They lived in a tent. Abraham and his wife wanted a baby. One day three strangers came along the road. Sarah got food for the three strangers. When Abraham was talking with the strangers one of them said Abraham you have been good. You shall have a baby boy. Sarah heard him and she laughed with joy. A few weeks later they got a baby boy. Abraham said I shall call him Isaac which means laughter. And they lived happily ever after.

Betsy Paul

Age 9

#### SAMUEL, THE TEMPLE BOY

I think that this book is a nice book. We should enjoy reading it. It gives you how children ought to be. I like it very much. It is a nice book. I hope many others take it out. I think that anybody could read this book.

Michael Goodman

Age 8½

## REGISTER FOR TOURNAMENTS

Registrations are now accepted for those who are interested in participating in the Bridge and Canasta tournaments.

Any team may register by calling the Council office and stating which contest the team is willing to enter.

Prizes will be awarded the winners.

### Candle Lighting Time

January 20	4:07 P. M.
January 27	4:16 P. M.

WITH THE ORGANIZATIONS

**B'NAI B'RITH**

The newly elected members of the B'nai B'rith Lodge and Chapter will be indoctrinated with the spirit of the principles underlying the fraternal service and organization at the joint meeting to be held Wednesday, January 25.

The ceremony, which was curtailed during the war years, will be offered in the same impressive manner as it has in the past.

This meeting will climax the membership drive "Knock on every Jewish Door" which has just been completed.

**HADASSAH**

The monthly meeting of the Bangor Chapter of Hadassah will be held on Monday, January 16. Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Arbisser will present a very interesting program assisted by the students of the Bangor Hebrew School.

Refreshments will be served. Be sure to attend.

**Hadassah Supper Bridge**

On Tuesday, January 24 at 6:00 P. M. Hadassah will sponsor their one and only gala supper bridge for the year. The bridge will be given by the following hostesses: Ruth Epstein, Dora Gotlieb, Bess Minsky, Esther Dresner, Pearl Singer, Elizabeth Allen, Minnie Allen, Dorothy Ornstein, Hilda Gotlieb, Polly Shindler, Rose Alpert, Emily Winkeller, Sarah Schiro, Lillian Braidy, and Sophie Hillson.

If you were not called through an oversight, kindly call Mrs. Dorothy Ornstein at 2-3847 and you will be placed.

Come one and all and help to make this affair a huge success, as we are all working for Israel.

*Condolences*

To the family of the late Samuel E. Rudman.

To the family of the late Harry Fine.

To the family of the late Jacob Epstein.

**Jewish War Veterans**

Bangor Post No. 507 of the Jewish War Veterans will have as its guest speaker Captain Arthur P. Wade, Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Bangor High School, at the regular meeting on Monday evening, January 23.

Captain Wade will speak on a vital question concerning Bangor, namely, the future of the R. O. T. C. at Bangor High School. The unit has been placed on probation this year by the War Department.

Bangor Post No. 507 has undertaken the annual presentation of an Americanism Award, to be presented to the R. O. T. C. student at Bangor High who makes the outstanding contribution of the year to the R. O. T. C. program. Judges for this award are to be Mr. Joseph Chaplin, Principal of Bangor High School, Captain Arthur Wade, Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Bangor High School, and Dr. Joseph Ornstein, Commander of the Bangor Post No. 507, J. W. V. The award will be presented sometime in May.

**Sweetheart Ball**

Bangor Post No. 507 has formulated plans for its second annual Sweetheart Ball on Sunday evening February 5. With dancing from 8:00 until midnight to the tune of Bob Jones orchestra and free "spiked" punch, we look forward to a successful dance.

The first Sweetheart Ball was a great success because we had such a well mixed crowd of all age groups and walks of life.

**Young Adults**

The Young Adult Program Committee met on January 8th and has another two months of fun planned for the group.

On January 22 at 8:00 sharp we'll have another square dance open to the community at a cost of \$.25 per person. Much fun is in store for all, as usual, as our "Clem" is a wonderful caller.

February 12 is the date set for our sleigh ride . . . that is if anyone knows where we can get

a sleigh . . . if anyone should know, would he please contact Barbara Rosenberg at the Center (2-2315) so that she can make final arrangements. If we shouldn't be able to get a sleigh, we'll try to carry out our plans in the form of a skating party, anyway.

February 19 we're planning a Brotherhood Week Celebration, with a square dance and special refreshments for the visitors.

March 5th is our annual Purim Carnival . . . and this year our booth is going to be a humdinger! We have it all planned, so don't be surprised if you're asked to participate in the event.

March 19 we're planning a film . . . and maybe some Israeli songs and dances to follow.

The 26th of March is the beginning of National Young Adult Week, so we'll be sure to have something special for that week.

We'll continue to send out cards, but it would be a good idea if you would clip this piece from the Community News, and put it in your wallet, so for the next two months you won't have any excuse for saying "A meeting last night? Oh, I didn't know!"

**Center Team Wins in "Y" League**

The Center Basketball team began its season by defeating the Greek Orthodox Church team in the Y. M. C. A. Church League by a score of 43-22.

Arthur Zalkan starred with 18 points scored followed by Howard Silver who garnered 12 points.

Micky Mallory, team coach, was satisfied with the showing the team made and believes the boys may be League Champions this year.

For the opponents, Tony Vafiades was high scorer with 8 points.

CENTER	Fg	F	Total
Murray Leavitt	2	1	5
Stan Gass	1	0	2
Steve Podolsky	0	0	0
Norman Hamilton	0	0	0
Merrill Allen	0	0	0
Howard Silver	6	0	12
Arthur Zalkan	7	4	18
Sheldon Hartstone	0	0	0
Sandy Podolsky	3	0	6
Melvin Hamilton	0	0	0

*Recipe*

**ORANGE TEA CAKES**

Submitted by Mrs. Edward Stern

- 2 C. sifted flour
- 2 Tsp. b. powder
- 1/4 Tsp. salt
- 1 Tablespoon grated orange rind
- 2 Tablespoons shortening
- 1 C. sugar
- 1 Unbeaten egg
- 1/4 C. milk
- 1/2 C. orange juice

Sift flour with baking powder and salt. Add orange rind to shortening and beat well. Add sugar and cream thoroughly. Add egg and beat until light. Add flour, alternately with milk and orange juice.

Pour into greased cupcake pans, filling 2/3 full. Bake at 375 degrees for 20 min. Makes 12 large or 20 small cupcakes.

These cakes may be filled. Scoop out small piece from center of each cake and fill with orange filling. Then frost with butter frosting.

**ORANGE FILLING**

- 2 Tablespoons flour
- 1/4 C. sugar
- Salt

- 1/2 C. orange juice
- 1 Unbeaten egg yolk
- 1 1/2 Tbls. lemon juice
- 1 Tsp. grated orange rind
- 1 Tbls. butter

Combine flour, sugar and salt in top of double boiler. Add fruit juice, egg and mix. Place over rapidly boiling water and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Remove from boiling water, add butter and orange rind. Cool.

**LETTER FROM FIRST NATIONAL**

The following is an excerpt from a letter sent to us by the First National Stores: ". . . our bakery products are made from pure vegetable shortening." However, most products contain milk.

**GREEK ORTHODOX**

	Fg	F	Total
Jerry Pangakis	2	1	5
Zoidis	0	0	0
Tony Vafiades	4	0	8
Murkis	0	0	0
Alec Vardamis	2	0	4
George Patrikas	0	1	1
Christakis	2	0	4

**JEWISH NEWS**

The El Al Airline of Israel officially inaugurated a regular weekly schedule from Lydda to Paris, London, Zurich and Rome

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An Association of Jewish business men was organized in western Germany. The group complained that Jewish business men were being denied licenses by German officials.

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The entire Jewish population of Poland, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Tripolitania, and Yemen will emigrate from those countries in 1950-51, Shai, Director General of the Israel Ministry of Immigration recently predicted.

**Ceremony . . . .**

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as a link with this old custom. The parents or other near relatives who accompany the bride and groom to the chuppah are called unterfuhrers (those who lead in).

After the proper wedding benedictions have been pronounced the Chasan puts a ring on the index finger of his Kalah's right hand

while pronouncing the following statement in Hebrew—"Thou art consecrated unto me by this ring according to the laws of Moses and Israel". Seven benedictions or blessings are recited, two of which are said over cups of wine out of which the bride and groom drink. The rabbi reads the marriage contract—Kesubah which describes the duties and obligations of both Chasan and Kalah, in its original Aramaic wording. The Chasan then steps on and breaks a glass. This is to remind those present of the destruction and ruin of the Temple and of the former glory and happiness of Israel.

The usage of a wedding ring to perform a ritual marriage has been customary since post-Talmudic days. Certain regulations were prescribed for the ring. It has to be a smooth plain ring of any metal but with no stones. In no case shall the wedding ring be set with diamonds, perhaps because the bride might be enticed into matrimony merely because of the jewels. If the young wife then is told later that she overestimated the value of the jewels, she may regret her being married. Such regret would annul the validity of the marriage.

**Institute . . . .**

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two having the largest number enrolled will be offered.

Each person is to select two of the following five subjects offered:

1. Jewish Customs and Ceremonies.
2. Development of Jewish Law.
3. Jewish History.
4. Contemporary Jewish Problems.
5. Beginners Hebrew.

The deadline for registration is January 25, and the registration

fee has been set at \$1.00 which will be used to defray the cost of refreshments to be served between the classes.

Members of the planning committee are Morris Ruben, Rabbi Avraham Freedman, Ed Gross, Rabbi Juda Moses, Catherine Cutler, Rabbi Moses Merling, Joseph Mintz, Rafael Arbisser, Henry Segal, and Irving Ribner.

Below is a registration form which may be sent to the Council office. For further information call 2-2315.

**I WISH TO REGISTER FOR THE FOLLOWING COURSES**

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 Jewish History ..... Beginners' Hebrew .....

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