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Will all Members please save their jumble for the W.I.Z.O. Jumble Sale which will be held on Wednesday 30th September.
Full details will be published in the next issue of the "Recorder"

### for your diary ...

8th Sept. W.I.Z.O. Group

Annual General

Meeting.

14th Sept. Women's Guild.

Opening Meeting

of Season.

30th Sept. W.I.Z.O. Group

Jumble Sale.

#### YAHRZEITS.

Sunday,	August	9th	Mr.S.Jacobs		5	AV
Thursday	August	13th	Mr.S.Dysch		9	AV
-11.		11	Mrs.Myers		9	AV
Wednesday	August	19th	Dr.G Culank		15	AV
Friday	August	21st	Mr.S.Rosenberg		17	AV
Tuesday	August	25th	Mr.P.Winberg	1/4	25	AV
Wednesday	August	26th	Mr.H.Campbell		26	AV

# Kaddish will be said on the previous evening.

### BRISTOL CHEVRA KADISHA.

Mr.S.Fox wishes to thank all those who responded to his appeal for funds towards the cost of carrying out improvements to the Cemetery at Ridgeway. The total amount raised was £289. 2. 6d.

#### BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD.

The Annual General Meeting was held on 13th July, 1959.
25 Members being present: A Report by the Secretary was read, and accepted with thanks. The Treasurer, Mrs. Gee read the Balance Sheet, the adoption of which was proposed by Mrs. Morris and seconded by Mrs. Raphael. The Catering Chairman, Mrs. Dysch re orted on matters in this connection, and all members were in favour of the Report.

The President, Mrs Sacof, acting as Chairman, reported on the year's work and thanked all members for their help and loyalty in the past: also an appreciation is due to the younger elements of the Community for maintaining the Refreshments after the Sabbath Morning Services.

The result of the Election of Officers was that Mrs Dysch was to be Chairman, and the following Committee were returned en bloc - Mrs. Sacof, President. Mrs. Roydon, Vice-President, Mrs. Gee Treasurer, and M s. H. Cohen, Secretary.

Mrs.B Silverman proposed, seconded by Mrs.Roydon, that nominations for Officers be put forward at a Guild Meeting, and the voting on these nominations take place at the following Meeting. This was carried.

Mrs.N.Silverman proposed that a complete change of Officers should take place every three years, this also was carried.

The President put to the Members the proposed allocation for the funds in hand which was accepted.

Synagogue Redecoration Fund & Home for Aged Jews, Cardiff	20.		0.	
do do (Linen Fund)	5.		0.	
Jewish Childs Day	10.	10.	0.	
Youth Aliyah	5.	5.	0.	
Union od Jewish Women)Affili-	1.	1.	0.	
Nat.Council of Women )ation	1.	1.	0.	
Bristol Hospital Fund	1.		0.	
Jewish Refugee Fund Appeal	5.		0.	
Lord Mayor Refugee Fund Appeal	3.	3.	0.	
Strathdean House	2.	2.	0.	

This leaves a balance in hand of between £30/£40 which is to be kept in reserve for equipment etc.

The Chairman announced that the new Season would open on 14th September, the Officers to arrange the programme. Hostesses for this Meeting will be the two "Grandmas" Mrs. Ginsberg and Mrs. B Silverman.

## AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD.

18 Belgrave Road, Clifton, Bristol 8.

Dear Mrs. Sacof.

May I, on behalf of the Ladies Guild, thank you for the wonderful job of work you have done as Founder and Chairman of the Guild. The entire community has reaped the benefit of your untiring efforts, and we hope that in your capacity as President you will always be there to guide us and to continue the much appreciated Social and Welfare work of the Congregation. May the Lord give you strength to carry on for many years.

> Yours affectionately, F. Dysch CHAIRMAN

#### BRISTOL W.I.Z.O. GROUP.

The last meeting of the season was a most successful luncheon meeting given by our Chairman, Mrs.N.Silverman at her home. There was a record attendance and a most interesting and information News Review was read by Mrs.T.Howard.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on September 8th and we hope that all our present members will attend and bring their friends.

We would also be very glad to enrol as new Members any lady members of the Community to help with the most important work that the Group is doing.

#### IMPRESSIONS OF A VOYAGE TO AMERICA,

from PHIL. SEAGER

Dear Bristol,

When Renee and I said farewell last month to all our friends we made a number of rash promises concerning the letters we would write. We hope that all of you will accept this account of our impressions as a personal note to the Community, and refer to Renee's parents for the illustrations in due course.

After a hot and sticky train journey to Southampton, a foretaste of things to come, we saw the Queen Elizabeth towering above us at the quay-side. A small city on the water. We got aboard in quick time owing to priority being given to young children, and were shown to a small cupboard in the bowels of the ship. This contained two bunks, a cot, a washbasin, cupboard, fan and a porthole which remained securely shut throughout the voyage. When we saw the waves and felt the wind which sprang up later we understood why. This was our home for the next five days: we were so pleased with it that we made a point of never being in it except to sleep.

After settling Sharon we went on deck, and also, as the whole ship was open, had our glimpse of First Class luxury which had to suffice for the journey. We went into the dining room and there met our steward at the Kosher table, a large Yiddishe boy hailing from the East Ind, who entertained us during the whole trip with stories of his past experiences, and gave us many tips, not all of which we could really believe, about our future in the United States. Sitting around us were a mixed group - a family going out to their daughter's wedding, another mother visiting her daughter and future son-in-law, an elderly couple returning from a month's stay in Israel and a Shochet about to take up his post in New York; I wondered whether I ought to try and offer him an alternative post!!! The menus were immense, equalled only by the appetites of some of those who devoured them, cover to cover.

Next morning we were on deck to see our departure from England - we had spent the night at the quay - and soon, after noisy blasts on the hooters, tugs were fussing around and we were soon sailing smoothly down Southsmpton Water, bound for.... well, as a matter of fact, France. We spent a very brief time in Cherbourg, and then at last we really felt we were on our way, setting out for that famous skyline.

Life on board soon settled into a routine of hard workrushing up first thing in the morning to have breakfast, then rushing
up on deck to lie in an armchair until, exhausted, one was able to
stagger down for lunch. In the afternoon, it was really more
exhausting, because before one could have dinner at six thirty one
had to have tea at four - oh the tribulation. Sharon enjoyed herself
crawling round the deck and trying to persuade one or other of us
to rouse from our lethargy to take her for a walk.

As a matter of fact in the afternoon, we had a swim in the pool. This was below decks, but with the movement of the ship, waves were induced which gave one the effect of swimming in the sea - especially as it was salt water, which, I believe, is fairly cheap when crossing the Atlantic. The Atlantic in the middle of June was it's traditional self - rolling feverishly back and fore, tossing our poor little ship as if it was the Queen Mary. The Q.E. is fitted with stabilisers: for those of you who don't know, these are a talking point for anyone who has crossed the Atlantic before - "Oh! you should have crossed before she had them fitted". (Note the affectionate "She" - the sign of the accomplished traveller.)

Anyhow, by means of appropriate anti-motion sickness treatment, we more or less survived without too much loss of face or food.

Continued next month.

#### OUTSTANDING SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The Treasurer will be pleased to receive all outstanding subscriptions for the year ending 31st July, 1959 as soon as possible.