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## for your diary . . .

Will the Secretaries of the various Communal Committees and Members please note that notification of all functions whether involving use of the Synagogue Hall or not, should be given to the Hon. Secretary in his capacity as member of the Co-ordinating Committee. This is essential as it will avoid possible clashing of dates.

- Dec. 2. W.I.Z.O. Luncheon Meeting.
- Dec. 6. J.P.A. Reception 7.0 p.m.
- Dec. 7. Women's Guild Meeting 7.30 p.m.
- Dec. 15. W.I.Z.O. Evening Meeting.
- Dec. 20. General Meeting of Members 3.0 p.m.
- Dec. 26. Chanukah Service

YAHREZEITS.

Wednesday	9th December	Mr. J. Ginsberg	Kislev 8
Saturday	12th December	Messrs. Myers Bros.	Kislev 11
"	" "	Mr. J. Ginsberg	"
Sunday	13th December	Mr. B. W. Dembo	Kislev 12
Friday	18th December	Mr. Alan Cohen	Kislev 17
"	" "	Mrs. N. Silverman	"
Tuesday	22nd December	Mr. M. Belcher	Kislev 21
"	" "	Mr. I. Myers	"
Friday	25th December	Mr. G. Geller	Kislev 24
Thursday	31st December	Mr. I. Raphael	Kislev 30
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Tuesday	5th January	Mrs. Tuchband	Tebeth 5
Wednesday	6th January	Mr. N. Cohen	Tebeth 6
"	" "	Mr. M. Redstone	"
Thursday	7th January	Mrs. Tuchband	Tebeth 7

KADDISH WILL BE SAID THE PREVIOUS EVENING

Members are reminded that the Festival of Chanukah will commence on Saturday 26th December and the first candle should therefore be kindled on Erev Shabbat, Friday 25th December at 3.30 p.m. prior to the kindling of the Shabbat candles.

A special Chanukah Service will be held in the Synagogue on Saturday 26th December at 4.15 p.m. to be followed by Refreshments and entertainment in the Communal Hall. All children will be welcome.

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

An Evening Meeting was held on 3rd November at 62, Great Brookeridge, Westbury-on-Trym, when Mrs. B. Cohen was our hostess. Papers were ready by Miss E. Blohm, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Silverman and Mrs. Yoffey on the part each had played in the activities of the Group. This was followed by a Coffee Morning Meeting at Bright's Hotel on November 17th when Mrs. Sacof was our hostess.

The next meeting will be a Luncheon Meeting at 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2nd at Bright's Cafe, Queen's Road Bristol 8, with Mrs. Roydon and Mrs. B. Cohen as joint hostesses.

An Evening Meeting will follow on Tuesday, 15th December at 7.30 p.m. and this will be held at Avon House, The Avenue, Stoke Bishop when Mrs. Roydon will again be hostess.

On Tuesday 29th December an afternoon tea meeting will be held at 4, Rockleaze, Sneyd Park, Stoke Bishop, when Mrs. Sacof will be hostess.

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### BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD.

On November 9th we had the pleasure of hearing our Minister; Rabbi Dr. Erhman addressed us on the topic of "Jewish Life in Kenya". This was of interest to the Members. Questions were asked and answered by the Rabbi. Mrs. N. Silverman proposed a Vote of Thanks to the speaker and this was carried with acclamation. Miss Mollie Jenkins was unavoidably unable to give her Talk on Flower Arrangements. This will now take place on 7th December. Please note that this date will be the only Meeting for December.

The Meeting in place of Miss Jenkins' lecture consisted of a discussion on various business matters among others the question of holding alternate Afternoon and Evening Meetings during the winter months.

We hope to have the views of Members concerning this question at the Meeting on December 7th. This will help to decide the issue.

The Function held on November 22nd was a Social and Financial Success, the Guilds Charity Fund gaining to the extent of £41. Our grateful thanks are due to the generosity of Mr and Mrs. Bradley, and to all who supported this Function by their presence. We appreciate also those who helped Mrs. Dysch to arrange the Catering etc. for this affair.

BRISTOL J.P.A. CAMPAIGN.

Members are cordially invited to a Reception in honour of the Hon. Anthony Wedgwood Benn M.P., and Mr. Woolf Perry (Chairman, Zionist Federation of Great Britain) to be held on Sunday, 6th December in the Synagogue Communal Hall at 7.0 p.m. Admission by ticket price 5/- obtainable from the Joint Hon. Secretaries, the Misses K. & E. Blohm 5 Theresa Avenue, Bristol 7 or from members of the Committee.

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The Hon. Officers and Synagogue Council wish to express their grateful thanks to Mr L. Gould for so ably assisting with the services during the Yomim Naroim.

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A General Meeting of Members of the Congregation will be held on Sunday December 20th at 3.0 p.m. in the Synagogue Hall to ratify the appointment of Rabbi Dr. Ehrman as Minister. Members are particularly requested to attend.

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BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD.

Mrs. Nathan Sacof

AT HOME

Wednesday December 9th from 2. 45 - 5. 30.  
(To aid the Guild's Charities Fund)

Bring & Buy Stall.  
Cards & Tea.  
3/6d.

"Four" Rockleaze  
Sneyd Park,  
Bristol 9.

Buses 2 or 22  
Stoke Hill or Julian Rd.



### BRISTOL TALMUD TORAH.

A Parent Meeting was held in the Synagogue Hall on Sunday, November 8th 1959.

The object of the meeting was two-fold. One to meet Rabbi Dr. Ehrman as the Head-Teacher, and secondly to honour Professor Yoffey on his retirement from the chairmanship of the Talmud Torah Committee.

Unfortunately the number of Parents present was far below that which the occasion warranted. Mr. Jacobs, President of the Congregation, was unable to attend due to the clashing of the date with Remembrance Sunday. He sent his sincere apologies.

Dr. Howard took the Chair and in his address paid tribute to Professor Yoffey. He told us how the Professor took classes and taught week and week in an effort to establish and keep going a Talmud Torah in the true sense of the word. He had a nucleus of dedicated volunteers who were as enthusiastic as he was and today we have a regular Sunday morning class due entirely to his perseverance over the years, usually at great personal inconvenience.

He was Chairman of the Talmud Torah Committee for many years and had now resigned owing to his absences from Bristol which were becoming more numerous and lengthy, and he felt that it would be more beneficial to the Talmud Torah to have a Chairman who could give more time to administration. Our present arrangements owe their very existence to his hard work and Dr. Howard presented Professor Yoffey with a Parker "51" pen and ballpoint pen as a small token of the appreciation of his unceasing efforts.

Rabbi Dr. Ehrman was then introduced to the meeting and he outlined his proposed teaching arrangements. Children must be at classes by 9.50 a.m. The first class takes the form of an assembly, in the Synagogue at which all children are present and joining in a short service. This lasts 20 mins. This is followed by three 40 minute lessons with a five minute break between each. These consist of two Hebrew Lessons and a combined lesson in Religion, History and General Knowledge. The classes will end at 12.45 p.m. It is pointed out that the caretaker will look after children whose parents are late or delayed in collecting them after 12.45 p.m. Rabbi Dr. Ehrman also said that as he wanted all the children to benefit from his teaching he would take each class in turn every week, so that no one age group would suffer.

The assistant teachers are Mrs. R. Curwen, Mrs. Steinberg (who is here temporarily and is a qualified teacher in Israel) and Miss S. Saltzman.

Dr. Ehrman then went on to outline a scheme for a mid-week class. He will be in attendance as and from December 9th on Wednesdays at 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. for all children from 5 - 13 years, and from 7.30 to 8.30 for all children over 13 including and especially those who have left organised classes and who wish to obtain further tuition.

We appeal to Parents to take advantage of this great opportunity for their children.

The next item mentioned was the proposed Consecration Ceremony for girls. This is approved by the Chief Rabbi and it is suggested that the ceremony takes place on Shevouth.

The Talmud Torah Committee would like all the community to know and understand that Rabbi Dr. Ehrman is a devoted Educationalist. Nothing is too much trouble to him when it comes to teaching children. It behoves all Parents therefore to give him their fullest support.

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The Talmud Torah end of term party will be held in the Synagogue Hall on Sunday January 3rd at 3.30 p.m. All children are invited.