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BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION
THE SYNAGOGUE, PARK ROW, BRISTOL.

Synagogue Services: Friday Evenings
7.30 p.m.

Saturday mornings 10.0 a.m.

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mornings 10.0 a.m. - 12.45 p.m.

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Bristol Jewish Womens Guild

Hon. Sec: Mrs. M. Roberts,
4 Forest Edge, Hanham.

Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group

Hon. Sec. Mrs. B. Burke,
4 Downs Cote View,
Westbury-on-Trym.

Both Ladies Organisations hold
regular meetings and functions
throughout the year.

for your diary...

- Feb. 1st. Women's Guild Meeting
& Social Evening 7.30
- Feb. 10th W.I.Z.O. Luncheon
Meeting 12.30 p.m.
- Feb. 23rd W.I.Z.O. Evening
Meeting 7.30 p.m.
- Mar. 9th W.I.Z.O. Evening
Meeting 7.30 p.m.

YAHREZEITS

Thursday, 18th February	Mr. P. Lazarus	I. ADAR 16
Saturday, 20th February	Rev. M. Moddel	I. ADAR 18
Monday, 22nd February	Mr. S. Maxwell	I. ADAR 20
Tuesday, 23rd February	Messrs. Sacof Brothers	I. ADAR 21
Wednesday, 24th February	Mrs. I. Freeland	I. ADAR 22
Sunday, 28th February	Mr. J. Burke	I. ADAR 26
Sunday, 28th February	Mr. C. Berkovitch	I. ADAR 26
Tuesday, 9th March	Mr. S. Dysch	II. ADAR 5
Saturday, 13th March	Mr. H. Seymour	II ADAR 9
Sunday, 14th March	Mr. D. Goldman	II ADAR 10

KADDISH WILL BE SAID THE PREVIOUS EVENING

The Memorial Prayer (El Mole Rachamim) will be recited by the Minister during the Reading of the Law on the Sabbath prior to the Yahrzeit in the presence of the bereaved.

The Editorial Committee request that as February is a short month, all contributions for the March issue be sent to Mr. L. Gould to reach him not later than 23rd February, 1965.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Congratulations and very best wishes to Professor and Mrs. J. M. Yoffey on the occasion of the engagement of their eldest daughter, Judith Rachel to Adrian Michael, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Boxer. We also extend a hearty Mazeltov to the young couple and to all members of both families.

A hearty welcome is extended to Mr. and Mrs. I. Cushner and family on their coming to live in Bristol. We hope they will enjoy many happy and prosperous years as members of our Congregation

Congratulations to Dr. Harold Maxwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Maxwell on receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine at Bristol University for his thesis on Migraine.

We are very sorry to learn that Miss Alice Levy is seriously ill. We wish her a speedy recovery. Also on the sick list is Mr. S. Owen. We hope he too will soon be restored to normal health.

From our Postbag

121 Somerville Road,
Bristol 7.

May I at this late hour, express my grateful thanks to all my friends for the beautiful flowers, gifts and kind messages they sent me during my long illness and convalescence. Also for the many expressions of sympathy received on the dreadful loss of my dear sister Jennie. May God bless you all and may you continue your good deeds for the living as well as for those who have passed on.

Yours very sincerely,

Bertha Coburg.

BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD

A meeting took place at 2 John Cozens House on Monday evening, 4th January. Mrs. B. Silverman was the Hostess. Business and future activities were discussed.

The Chairman wishes to say how disappointed she is with the poor way in which the Community responded to the recorded Opera of Carmen put on so generously by Mr. Simon Owen on Sunday evening, 10th January.

We have never had anything done so professionally before at the Synagogue Hall, yet only 20 people attended. We owe Mr. Owen our sincere apology for all the hard work and expense (Mr. Owen having also paid for the refreshments) as well as to the lady helpers who so valiantly stood in the cold kitchen preparing the refreshments.

Once again we repeat, these functions are for charity; without your support we cannot carry on.

A party of members went to the Little Theatre on Tuesday evening, 19th January and thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

A meeting and social evening will be held on Monday evening, 1st February, at the home of Mrs. A. Steinberg.

Millie Roberts,

(Hon. Sec.)

BRISTOL WIZO GROUP

An afternoon meeting was held on Tuesday, 12th January, at 4 Rockleaze, Mrs. Saco was the hostess. Mrs. Yoffey gave an informal talk on her recent visit to Israel.

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, 10th February A Luncheon meeting with Mrs. N. Silverman and Mrs. Yoffey as hostesses. Venue to be announced later.

Tuesday, 23rd February An Evening meeting will be held at 27 Reedley Road with Mrs. Lever as hostess.

Tuesday, 9th March An Evening meeting will be held at 2 John Cozens House with Mrs. B. Silverman as hostess.

The ladies of the WIZO Group would like to wish their Chairman and her family a hearty Mazeltov on the occasion of the engagement of their daughter, Judith.

Bette Burke,

(Hon. Sec.)

BRISTOL TALMUD TORAH

The Annual General Meeting of the Talmud Torah took place on Sunday, 3rd January. As the former Chairman, Dr. Howard had resigned that office during the year the Chair was taken by the Hon. Treasurer, Dr. Curwen who, in his opening remarks paid tribute to the work put in by Dr. Howard.

Reverend Moddel's report expressed appreciation of the efforts of Mrs. Curwen and Miss G. Silverman, and contained an urgent plea for more regular attendance by young people at Shabbat services. It was particularly important that this point should be taken in by parents who, clearly, were in a position to help.

The Hon. Treasurer reported a satisfactory financial position, and the Officers and Committee for the coming year were then elected as follows:-

Chairman:	Mr. Harold Seymour
Hon. Sec:	Mr. Arnold Elliman
Hon. Treasurer:	Dr. S. Curwen
Committee:	Mesdames Nan Newman & Rosina Smith
	and Messrs. Colin Berkovitch, Julian
	Charles, David Goldman & Monty
	Newman.

Plans for an expanded teaching pool, a re-appraisal of the syllabus for each class and improvements to the heating of the classrooms were all discussed and left with the Committee to deal with as a matter of urgency.

WINSTON CHURCHILL

"And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and wonders which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great and terrible deeds which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel." (Deuteronomy 34 Verse 9.)

The concluding words of the Torah could be a fitting epitaph for Winston Churchill. Although the words are as true today as when they were first written, there is a remarkable parallel between our own great leader and the one whom we now revere and remember. Both forsook their aristocratic environment to serve the people; both were inspired to their major task while in the wilderness (in Churchill's case - a political isolation). Both had the gift of prophecy and the power to inspire with the spoken word. Both Moses and Churchill performed miracles and succeeded against overwhelming odds. Both brought their people to safety in the sight of the enemy, for Moses, too, had his "Dunkirk" - happily in his case a victory. Moses and Churchill were, in their time, both rejected by the people and neither were able to go into the Promised Land. In Churchill's case that Land has not yet been reached even by the peoples of the world.

It may be that as history comes to be written the details of Churchill's life before 1933 will be forgotten and will be as obscure as those of Moses' before the events leading up to the Exodus. Moses was God-inspired and saved Israel. Surely Churchill was also destined by the Almighty to inspire the actions which saved the world.

As we Jews, who owe him so much, join the nation in mourning the passing of this great leader, may we also thank God for so inspiring him; may each one of us gather strength to follow Winston Churchill's example, so that he may not have lived and worked in vain.

S. b. Z. M.