

# The Bristol Jewish Recorder



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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.

#### Minister:

Rev. M. Modell,  
66 Harcourt Road,  
Bristol 6.  
Tel.: 40615

Hon. Sec. Dr. S. Curwen,  
77 Parrys Lane,  
Stoke Bishop,  
Bristol, 9.  
Tel: 68-3033

Talmud Torah Classes - Sunday  
Mornings 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.

Bristol Jewish Women's Guild,  
Hon. Sec. Mrs. C. Culank,  
113 Nags Head Hill,  
St. George,  
Bristol, 5.

Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group  
Hon. Sec. Mrs. B. Burke,  
4 Downs Cote View,  
Westbury-on-Trym,  
Bristol.

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

### for your diary ...

Tues. 4th Feb.  
Luncheon at 77 Parry's  
Lane.

Mon. 10th Feb.  
Evening Meeting at  
7 Melrose Place.

Tues. 18th Feb.  
Coffee Morning at  
51 The Dell.

Tues. 4th Mar.  
Evening Meeting at  
23 Ormerod Road.

Sun. March 16th  
Annual Supper Dance  
WIZO.

YAHREZEITS.

Thursday.	6th February.	Mr.P.Winberg.	Shevat	18.
Saturday.	8th February.	Lazarus Sisters	Shevat	20.
Monday.	10th February.	Dr.Howard	Shevat	22
Friday.	14th February.	Lazarus Sisters	Shevat	26
Saturday	15th February	Miss Coburg	Shevat	27
Wednesday	19th February	Lazarus Sisters	Adar I	1
Thursday	20th February	Mrs. Tonkey	Adar I	2
Saturday	22nd February	Mrs. G. Seymour	Adar II	4
Sunday	23rd February	Mr.S.Dysch	Adar II	5
Monday	24th February	Mr.A.Malin	Adar I	6
Thursday	27th February)	Mr.A.E.Morris	Adar I	9
Thursday	27th February)	Mr.H. Seymour	Adar II	9
Friday	28th February	Mr.D.Goldman	Adar II	10
Sunday	2nd March	Mmes. E. Fox and B. Coburg	Adar I	12
Monday	3rd March	Mrs.M.Gee	Adar I	13

KADDISH WILL BE SAID THE PREVIOUS EVENING.

The Memorial Prayer (El Mole Rachamin) 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.

COMMUNAL NOTICES.

We regret to announce the death on January 8th last of Mrs. Mabel Moss. Our condolences to Mr. Bernard Moss, Sefton, and Family.

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Mrs. Gertie Wapneh has been admitted to Chesterfield Nursing Home as a patient. We wish her a speedy recovery to the best of health.  
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At the Wine and Cheese Party held at the home of Monty and Nan Newman on December 29th last, the sum of £25. was raised in aid of the building Fund.

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REVEREND MODDELL - TELEPHONE.

Congregants are informed that the best times of the day to reach Reverend Moddell by telephone are as follows:-

8 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.

12.30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

In cases of extreme urgency only, the Hon-Secretary will take calls (683033) at other times.

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SABBATH MORNING SERVICE.

Congregants are reminded that the Sabbath Service commence at 10 o'clock promptly with the Reading of Law.

It is pointed out for the benefit of those members who find attendance difficult that the Service is unlikely to be concluded later than 11.30 a.m.

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LETTER FROM BERNARD MOSS.

19 Logan Road,  
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To The Editor,  
Jewish Recorder.

Dear Sir,

My family, relations and myself, wish to convey our thanks and gratitude for the way in which the members of the Chevra Kadisha carried out all that was so necessary for the burial of Mabel. It was only in the evening when some of them kindly brought some books for prayers that one realised how efficiently this had been carried out. Very many thanks from us all.

Bernard Moss.

BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD.

An evening meeting was held on Monday, January 13th, at 1 Ravenswood Road. Our hostess was Mrs. Bertha Rosenberg.

The next meeting will take place on Monday evening, February 10th, at 7 Melrose Place, Clifton, when a talk will be given by one of the organisers of Shelter, the National Campaign for the Homeless. Our hostess will be Miss Ena Blohm.

C. Culank,  
(Hon. Sec.)

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MR. PRUETT'S BUTCHERS SHOP .

The following rules regarding the supply of kosher meat from the Butcher's shop must be strictly adhered to, if the butcher's shop is to function properly.

All orders be telephoned before the Tuesday of any week up to 1 p.m. Meat orders will be ready for collection at the shop on the Wednesday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Deliveries will be made on Thursday morning, or orders may be collected from the shop between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

It is requested that all members of the congregation adhere strictly to these rules.

BRISTOL WIZO GROUP.

An Evening Meeting was held on Tuesday, 7th January, at 27 Reedley Road. Mrs. K. Lever was hostess. Our Guest Speaker was Mrs. B. McEwen who gave a most interesting talk on the part she played at the Interflora Convention held in Israel last year. She illustrated her talk with colour slides and showed many fine shots of Israel as well as the Convention.

An Evening Meeting was held on Tuesday, 21st January, at 160 Cranbrook Road. Our hostess was Mrs. R. Smith.

Future meetings were arranged as follows:-

Tuesday 4th February. Luncheon meeting at 77 Parry's Lane.  
Price 10/6d. Our hostesses will be Mrs. Curwen and Mrs. Gould.

Tuesday 18th February. Coffee morning at 51 The Dell. Our hostess will be Mrs. N. Silverman.

Tuesday 4th March. Evening meeting at 23 Ormerod Road. Hostess Mrs. N. Dembo.

Annual Supper Dance.

The Annual Supper Dance this year is to be held at the Synagogue Hall on Sunday, 16th March. Tickets at 25s. Make a note in your diary. This promises to be an enjoyable evening and we hope that as many people as possible will be there.

Bette Burke  
Shelagh Hart  
(Joint Hon. Secs.)

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MODERN HEBREW.

Further to Mr. L. Gould's letter in last month's Recorder, I found it most interesting and stimulating and as an older member feel we must keep in line with the times and adopt any good measure of bringing home to the children the general knowledge of our ancient reading of the Law. Pronunciation of Hebrew should start at an early age and should be taught more as a language. A baby gradually finds expression in noises and then on to trying to spell our words, and later at school English and foreign languages are introduced and so on and so so.

Hebrew must become a living language translated into every language as it is important to know what one gabbles off in Hebrew in one's own language and what it stands for and now with Israel with a language of its own it must be taught to children in other countries so that if and when required to converse with people from our own State one does not feel a foreigner.

Most foreigners can speak English but how many English people can speak reasonably well in Russian, French and German to name only a few languages? So I would think that if the new pronunciation in our services is to be successful, use it by all means, but interpret it so that everyone knows what is being said. And please not too many repetitions in the services, more understanding of its meaning and where repetitions are needed said in our Mother tongue. This will help so many to take more interest and above all from the earliest possible age.

MODERN HEBREW (continued)

I trust that the new method will be accepted by all and help to stimulate our ideas and more regular school going and to quote our President's summing up, sincerity and faith is what we all must have in what ever intonation it is in.

G.R.Sacof,  
4 Rockleaze,  
Sneyd Park,  
Bristol, 9.

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From the Chairman of the Buildings Sub-Committee.  
Mr.M.Newman.

The Synagogue Buildings.

This is a progress report following the announcement in the December issue of the Recorder.

Ex-members who have now left Bristol made a handsome contribution which is all the more impressive because no pressure was put on them. Thank you ex-Bristolians! The Cherre Kadisha has, as usual, given generously. The Ladies Guild was the first society to help the Building Fund and the work put in by individual members has not passed without notice.

This leads us to the weak points in our fund raising programme. We must have a social function each month, not only to foster goodwill but to fill a definite quota in our financial budget. There was nothing in the calendar for the month of January. A few schemes were talked about but, alas, possibly through domestic difficulties, no function. If each family, or group of families could organise something appealing to a large number of people with possibly an element of originality, this would go down well. If helpers are needed, this is not an insurmountable problem.

Of the 50 members who were asked to make an immediate contribution of ten guineas, 20 good souls have come forward. This is not good enough. It means that 30 people are relying on the generosity of the remainder. This must surely be a temporary setback, and no doubt on being tactfully approached, they will help out in the same measure.

If you have any do-it-yourself experience, are enthusiastic or can just breathe, please put your name down for the "Emergency Labour Force".

In conclusion, the Building sub-committee has made great strides in the repair bills arising in the past and also the present programme. At the moment, our priority jobs are £270. in the red. We are strictly paying as we go, so please do your utmost to help.

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MODERN HEBREW.

Dear Editor,

I am obliged to Mr. Len Gould for proposing a subject which I myself raised some twelve months ago, but was over ruled.

One must realise that it was only our ancestors who wandered up through southern and eastern Europe after the Dispersion who acquired the Ashkenazi pronunciation. Those of our ancient family who settled in North Africa, Spain, Arabia and India have never used this and yet are none the less Orthodox.

Mr. Gould's message is so crystal clear that it would be pure "Ghettomindedness" to hold a referendum. Not only are there just 20 odd regular attenders of services who are qualified to decide this issue, but also it would create an undemocratic precedent for those who do not attend General Meetings. Just as we have to accept the Metric system and other forms of standardisation in this modern life, so must we accept change in the new pattern set by World Jewry. There must be no question of the Bristol community dragging its feet. Remove the "nazi" from Ashkenazi now!

Monty Newman.

BRISTOL TALMUD TORAH.

The Annual prizegiving was held on Sunday, January 26th, 1969, the prizes being presented by the President of the Community, Mr.L.G.Gould.

The following were presented with prizes:-

<u>Class I.</u>	First	Berry Kushner
	Second	Sharon Gee
<u>Class II.</u>	First	Lynne Goldman
	Second	Stephen Silverman.
Class III		Simon Polley.
Bar Mitzvah Class		Gary Brown

Extra prize for good work and progress to Terry Burke.

The Culank Cup for good attendance, behaviour and effort was presented to Michele Seymour, and a replica of the Cup presented to last year's holder, Stephen Silverman.

Mr. Gould addressed the Parents and children present and paid tribute to them and their Teachers for the good work they had put in over the past year. The Talmud Torah officers noted with regret how few were the parents present. In these times when keeping the Community together is so important, more emphasis must be placed on the children's future and it is up to all parents to show more interest in matters directly affecting themselves and their children.