

# 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 Parry's 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

## *for your diary . . .*

### Mon. 12th May

Best of Israel '69  
at Colston Hall

### Mon. 19th May

Evening meeting  
at 1 Ravenswood Rd.

### Sun. 15th June

DINNER DANCE in aid  
of the Building Fund

YAHREZITS

Wednesday	7th May	Mrs. G. Seymour	Iyar	19
Monday	12th May	Mmes. Lazarus	Iyar	24
Tuesday	13th May	Messrs. Meisbiser Bros.	Iyar	25
Friday	16th May	Mr. I. Freeland	Iyar	28
Monday	26th May	Mr. S. Dysch	Sivan	9
"	"	Mr. L. Bloom	"	"
Wednesday	28th May	Mr. M. B. Silverman	Sivan	11
Saturday	31st May	Mr. N. Cohen	Sivan	14
Sunday	1st June	Family of Late Mrs. L. Strimer	Sivan	15
"	"	Mr. A. Malin	"	"

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 wish to inform you that the date for unveiling stones at the Cemetery has been brought forward by one week, and will now be held on 6th July. Further information will appear in the next issue of the Recorder.

THE POLACK BRANCH OF THE BRITISH LEGION AND A.J.E.X. are holding a memorial service and reunion tea in the Synagogue on Sunday, 13th July. The guest speaker will be Major-General d'Avigdor Goldsmid. We are also expecting the Lord Mayor of Bristol to attend, and an invitation has been sent to His Grace The Duke of Beaufort. All members of the Community and their families are invited to the service, but only members of the branch will be allowed to attend the tea. A prominent Rabbi will assist with the service. See the next issue of the Recorder for further details.

The membership of the Polack Branch has dropped over the past few years to some 20 heads, the reason being that many of our members have left Bristol.

It is a known fact that many new members of the community are ex-servicemen and there are quite a few old residents here who have never joined. As we are a branch exclusively for Jewish ex-servicemen, our field for recruitment is limited. It is hoped that these people will join our ranks, thereby keeping the branch functional and helping toward the good work being done by the British Legion and A.J.E.X. Please contact Mr. G. Gee or any of the officers for further details.

Best wishes to Minnie Kushner who entered St. Mary's Nursing Home on Sunday, 27th April for an operation. We hope she will have a speedy recovery.

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#### REFERENDUM ON HEBREW PRONUNCIATION

53 Votes were cast.

Result:	<u>For</u>	Modern Hebrew pronunciation	43
	<u>Against</u>	" " "	10

As a result of the voting, the Council have now decided to introduce a "staged" change-over to Modern Hebrew pronunciation.

S. Curwen,  
Hon. Sec.

Mrs. R. Curwen would be happy to arrange a few sessions for the explanation of the differences between modern and Ashkenazi Hebrew. Would those interested kindly contact Mrs. Curwen, Tel: Bristol 683033.

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In the April Lottery, Mr. A. E. Olds won £5; Mr. Arnold Elliman won £50 - Sheffield's gain!!

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We are pleased to welcome as rejoining members of the Congregation, Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Elton of Toad Hall, Hollow Road, Almondsbury.

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The Hon. Treasurer will be pleased to receive contributions for the Monthly Lottery. A minimum of 50 members will be needed if the prizes for next year are to remain as before, namely 12 of £5, and 2 of £50.

Remember that there are fourteen prizes per year, so that with only 50 members the chances of a win are just over 4 to 1.

Please contact the Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. Berkovitch,  
5 Dunmurry,  
Goodeve Road,  
Bristol 9.

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Mr. & Mrs. I. Raphael wish all their friends and members of the Congregation farewell on their move to a new home. Anyone from Bristol will always be welcome at 12 Langdale Gardens, Hove, Sussex, BN3 4HG, Tel: 0273 733852. We wish them the best of .../

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health and happiness for a long time to come.

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We are proud to announce that Mr. Newman Cohen, acting on behalf of the Loyal Order of Moose, was the prime organiser in collecting enough money to buy a guide dog for the blind. The Lodge presented him with a statuette for this wonderful achievement.

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The "Latke" Party held at Irene and Henry Springer's resulted in the sum of £29 being made available to the Building Fund; congratulations and many thanks for their effort to Irene and Henry.

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#### THE BEST OF ISRAEL '69

A block booking has been made for the Israeli Folk Singers at the Colston Hall on Monday, 12th May. Tickets for the performance at 8/6d. each may be reserved by ringing Mrs. G. Seymour at 627375, preferably after 6.30 p.m., not later than 6th May.

After the performance, you are invited to 59 The Dell where, for 5/- donation to the Building Fund you may finish the evening (and your digestion) with Coffee and Beigels.

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#### BRISTOL TALMUD TORAH

At a Parents' Meeting held on Sunday, 27th April, 1969, the following officers and committee were elected:-

Hon. Chairman	Mr. H. Seymour
Hon. Secretary	Mrs. M. Kushner
Hon. Treasurer	Dr. S. Curwen
Committee	Mmes. B. Burke and S. Silverman
	Mr. L. Hart

#### FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BRISTOL J.P.A. COMMITTEE

The 1969 Appeal was launched in Bristol on Sunday, 20th April with a reception at the Newman Hall.

As usual, attendance was poor in numbers and high in quality, being confined to the faithful few.

My remarks below are addressed to those who, for one reason or another, were not able to attend and who have not so far made

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a donation.

The J.P.A. is not a charity, any more than life insurance or insurance of your home and valuables is a charity. Israel is our state, our potential home whenever you wish to occupy it, and our spiritual home as decreed in Biblical history and prophecy. It is legally ours, having been instituted in the United Nations, by a democratic process of voting. The U.N. is an organisation to which many of Israel's bitter enemies belong. Because there are enemies, the necessity for constant alertness and indeed for defensive action is part of the daily life of the citizens of Israel. To maintain the forces necessary for the preservation of the life-blood of the nation, 20% of the national income is poured out. The social services, e.g. hospitals, public health, sanitation, water supplies, education and housing, of necessity suffer from lack of funds. So what? you may ask yourselves. It is sad, but it is none of my business. You are wrong if you think this. Firstly, the land is yours, secondly, the people are your people, their blood is your blood. But, you may again say, I don't need this land. I am happy and settled in a country with a Welfare State which gives me everything which I cannot supply with my own resources. True, at the moment!

But think again. These words or something approximately like them were, no doubt, said or thought in Germany, in Russia, in the Communist satellite states, in Algeria, in Morocco and even in Egypt and Iraq. We live in troubled times, times of protest, violence and weakening of the economy. In times like these, groups are made scape-goats, e.g. the Catholics of Northern Ireland. The Jews have been the world's No.1 scape-goats from time immemorial and if we found ourselves the target of political vilification, where could we go? Only with real assurance, or at least peace of mind, to Israel.

You rallied magnificently to the cause of Israel in 1967, but that crisis is still with us. So I ask you simply to continue your effort where you left off. Give to the utmost of your resources - you are giving not only for Israel, but for yourselves.

Sydney Curwen.

Please send your donations as soon as possible to:

Mr. Ernest Lever,  
27 Reedley Road,  
Bristol 9.

The need is constant, the need is urgent.

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BRISTOL W.I.Z.O. GROUP

An evening meeting was held on Tuesday, 15th April at 36 Oakdale Court. Our hostess was Mrs. S. Silverman.

Spring Jumble Sale

At the Jumble Sale held on Wednesday, 23rd April, the sum of £38 16s. 6d. was raised. Thanks are due to all those who gave their help and jumble for the Sale.

Betty Burke,  
Shelagh Hart  
(Joint Hon. Secs.)

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BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD

An evening meeting took place on Monday, 21st April at 15 St. Ronan's Avenue, Redland. Our hostess was Mrs. Schlesinger.

The next meeting will take place on Monday evening, 19th May, at 1 Ravenswood Road, Redland, when our hostess will be Mrs. Bertha Rosenberg.

Preliminary Announcement

The Guild are holding a Dinner & Dance on Sunday evening, 15th June, at the Synagogue Hall, part of the proceeds of which will go towards the Synagogue Building Fund.

We hope that the whole community will give their support to this special effort of the Guild and help make the function a success. So please keep this important date free.

C. Culank,  
Hon. Sec.