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BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION THE SYNAGOGUE, PARK ROW, BRISTOL

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Friday Evenings 7.30 p.m.
Saturday Mornings 10.0 a.m.

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Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group -

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

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for your diary . . .

Sun. 31st August

Annual Memorial
Service - Ridgeway
Cemetery - 3.00 p.m.

Tues. 9th September

A. G. M. - W.I.Z.O.

YAHREZEITS

Tuesday	5th August	Mr. P. Winberg	Av	21
Wednesday	6th August	Mr. H. Campbell	Av	22
Thursday	21st August	Mrs. Meisbiser	Ellul	7
Monday	25th August	Dr. H. Howard	Ellul	11
Friday	29th August	Mr. A. Malin	Ellul	15

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.

COMMUNAL NOTICES

Congratulations to Lionel and Helena Caplin on the birth of a baby son.

Lottery for this month of July was won by Mrs. G. Roydon.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. H. Zimmerman on the birth of a grand-daughter.

Bristol Hebrew Congregation wish to acknowledge the gift by the Misses Lazarus of some sedorim.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

This will be held on Sunday, 31st August, 1969, at 3.00 p.m. at Ridgeway Cemetery. The Minister will be in attendance; any Member wishing special prayers may arrange this at the Ground.

POLACK BRANCH OF THE BRITISH LEGION, A.J.E.X.

On 13th July, the Polack Branch of the British Legion held, in conjunction with A.J.E.X., a Remembrance Service and Reunion Tea. The sky was blue, the City of Bristol was basking in the sun, but those who realized "THAT IF IT WAS NOT FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE, THAT WE AND FUTURE GENERATIONS CAN LIVE FREE .../

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FROM FEAR AND PERSECUTION" had stayed behind to come to the Service at the Synagogue, which was conducted by the Rev. Gold, M.A. from Birmingham, assisted by the Rev. Modell. The Lord Mayor, the Sheriff of Bristol and Major General J. A. d'Avigdor Goldsmid, C.B., O.B.E., M.C. honoured us with their attendance, and were received by six Buglers from the Army in full Dress Uniform, who sounded the General Salute on their arrival at the Synagogue. It was only a pity that, at the time, the road outside the Synagogue was being re-surfaced, which spoiled the otherwise splendour of the arrival of the Dignitaries. Canon Percival Gay, one of the leading non-Jewish Ministers of Religion in Bristol, also attended. The List of Guests of Honour included Mr. A. I. Polack, who came down especially from London, as did Mr. Davis, the General Secretary of A.J.S.X., with his wife. There were also Members from Cardiff. The Midland Area of the British Legion was represented by Mr. Mundy, the Midland Area Chairman. Mr. Godfrey, the Chairman of Bristol County attended, and nearly every Branch in Bristol sent their representatives, including the Women's Sections of the Legion.

There is no need to stress that Rev. Gold gave a first-class Sermon. The Synagogue looked its best, as the new carpets had just been laid, and the few flowers in front of the Holy Ark helped to create an atmosphere for the occasion. Roughly 115 people attended the Service.

After the Service, the Guests of Honour had a glass of sherry with the Honorary Officers of the Synagogue, the Ministers and Honorary Officers of the Branch in the Committee Room. Meanwhile, the invited guests and Members of the Branch took their seats in the Hall, where, after Grace had been said by the Rev. Modell, refreshments were served by Nan Newman and her staff - these were greatly enjoyed by one and all. Grace after the Tea was said by the Rev. Gold. Then came the long awaited Toasts: to the Queen by Sammy Silverman, and to the State of Israel by Gerald Gee. Long awaited - because now those who wished to smoke could do so. The Toastmaster was Mr. Coles from the Grand Hotel, who added greatly to the dignity and colour of the occasion. The Chairman proposed the Toast to the City and County of Bristol, to which the Lord Mayor responded. Then, the Guest Speaker, Major General J. A. D'Avigdor Goldsmid, C.B., O.B.E., M.C., proposed the Toast to the British Legion and A.J.S.X. It was a great honour for our Branch that the Major General had come especially from London to be our Guest and Speaker. The responder was one of the founder Members of the Polack Branch, Mr. I. Freeland, who, at the age of 86, accomplished his task admirably. Next came Dr. S. Curwen, C.B.E., T.D., who proposed the Toast to the Visitors, to which Canon Percival Gay responded in his usual witty and excellent way. The Canon was seconded by Mr. P. S. Mundy, the Midland Area Chairman of the British Legion.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Lever and Mrs. Seymour for the fine job they made of the floral decorations. I know it was a hard and long job, the results of which proved that their hearts were fully put into it. Thank you both very much. I am also most grateful to all the members of the Branch who helped to make this a memorable occasion, but no words of mine could express my thanks to

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/... Gerald Gee, for whom nothing was too much, and who willingly undertook such a great amount of work. The Branch and the Congregation can be proud to have a member of his calibre. THANK YOU, GERALD.

Since the Service, the Branch has received several letters from various guests, including the Sheriff of Bristol, the Major General, and the General Secretary, Mr. Davis, congratulating the Branch on the Remembrance Service and the Reunion Tea, and, in several letters, expressing the hope that it will not be another fifteen years before a similar Service can be arranged.

V. Schlesinger,
Hon. Chairman,
Polack Branch British Legion
A.J.E.X.

P.S. Anyone who has a container from the flowers, would they please be kind enough to return them to Golda Seymour, even if to them they only look like old tin lids.

BRISTOL W.I.Z.O. GROUP

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 9th September at 7.30 p.m., at the Synagogue Hall.

New Year's Greeting Brochure

We are, once again, producing a New Year's Brochure, minimum charge 12s. 6d. All those who wish to include their greetings should communicate with Mrs. Sonia Silverman or Mrs. Miriam Goldman as soon as possible.

Autumn Jumble Sale

The Autumn Jumble Sale will be held on Wednesday, 15th October, and jumble is urgently needed to ensure its success.

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

BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD

The Annual General Meeting of the Guild took place on Monday evening, July 21st, at the Synagogue Hall.

The President, Mrs. Sacof, in her opening address, congratulated the Chairman, Officers and Committee on a successful year's work, in spite of many difficulties, also thanking all the members for their loyal .../

support and co-operation.

Mrs. Sacof referred to the work and aims of the Guild, which plays such a vital part in the Community, and remarked how disheartening it is to hear the various comments as to "why do we need a Guild?". The President stressed that even in the smallest communities, there is always a Ladies' Guild, which caters for the needs of the congregation. Special mention was made of Mrs. Bertha Silverman, and the quiet and efficient way in which she carries out her work of keeping the Holy vestments in good repair and many other sewing tasks including curtains, etc. Mrs. Sacof also referred to the Guild's excellent catering for various functions; organising and decorating the Succah, and any work necessary for the other Yomintovin. Also, there are now two of our members serving on the Synagogue Council.

The Chairman, Mrs. Glick, reported on the year's activities of the Guild, after which the Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, presented her Balance Sheet, proposed for adoption by Mrs. Dysch, and seconded by Mrs. Gee.

Guild allocations for 1969 were agreed as follows:-

	£.	s.	d.
Synagogue Building Fund	30	0	0
Cardiff Jewish Home for Aged	25	0	0
Bristol Old People's Welfare	2	2	0
Save the Children Fund	2	2	0
Jewish Blind Society	1	1	0
Bristol Hospital Fund	1	1	0
Union of Jewish Women	1	1	0
	<u>£62.</u>	<u>7.</u>	<u>0.</u>

Mrs. Roydon, Vice-President, reported on the Save the Children Fund Committee, and the good work done by them throughout the year.

It was with great regret that the Chairman, Mrs. Glick, announced her resignation. A special vote of thanks was given to her on behalf of all those present, expressing our gratitude and warm appreciation for all her efficiency and excellent leadership during her term of office, and all the good work put in by her. Mrs. Glick was invited to serve as a Vice-President, which was accepted.

The election of Officers followed. It was proposed by Mrs. Roydon that Mrs. Naomi Dembo should take over as Chairman, which was carried unanimously, and Mrs. Molly Gee, who is a Vice-President of the Guild, was invited to serve as Vice-Chairman.

The following were elected:-

President	Mrs. G. Sacof
Vice-Presidents	Mrs. J. Dysch
	Mrs. G. Roydon
	Mrs. Molly Gee
	Mrs. B. Glick

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Chairman	Mrs. W. Dembo
Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Molly Gee
Secretary	Mrs. C. Culank
Treasurer	Mrs. R. Smith
Committee	Mrs. B. Rosenberg
	Mrs. M. Roberts
	Mrs. G. Seymour
	Mrs. Marcia Gee
	Mrs. M. Goldman

The opening meeting for the new season will take place on Monday evening, September 15th, at the home of Mrs. Sacof, 4 Rocklease, Sneyd Park. We shall look forward to seeing all our members and also welcoming new members.

C. Culank,
Hon. Sec.