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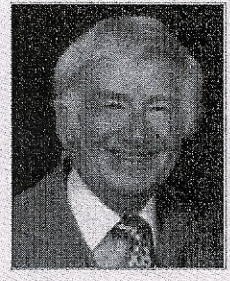
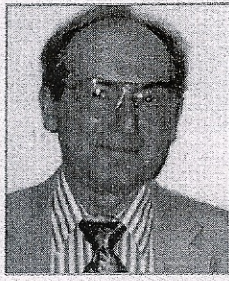


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## JUBILEE EDITION

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### WELCOME TO THE STORY OF YOUR COMMUNITY!

The idea for this book began last year when Harry Bergal's cousin, Bernard, was in town and the talk turned to the many years the Jewish Fellowship News has been published. When he returned home, Bernard sent Harry copies of issues from World War II, which Harry took to a party and shared with the gathering. When more and more people requested copies, Harry and Phil Myzel began to discuss a commemorative book. (Phil Myzel was recruited by the Jewish Fellowship News to solicit advertising for the inaugural issue and later wrote the popular "Motka from Slobatka" column. He has been involved with ad sales, articles, news gathering, and even typing for many issues since 1936.) We agreed it was time to look back at 50-plus years of issues and put together a book everyone could enjoy.

It has been a true labor of love, bringing back many memories of friends, relatives, neighbors, and business associates—and always reminding us of how precious and supportive our Jewish community has been to all of us. We hope you

enjoy this book as much as we've enjoyed working on it.

We wish to thank the following people and organizations for help in producing this book: Lillian Joelson; Helen Widdes; Mrs. Art Davis; Joel Labovitz; Gloria Vittullo; Dr. Robert Goldish; Gordy Cohen; Linda Schlaff, Director of the Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest; and Pat Maus, Archivist for the St. Louis County Historical Society.

We are both very happy to be a part of this beautiful Fellowship Edition. We and our families extend our heartfelt wishes to each and all for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

Phil Myzel & Harry Bergal

*It is with great joy that we present this special Jubilee edition of the Jewish Fellowship News. I am very proud to be a part of this effort, which brings together many memories of our Jewish community throughout the past 75 years.*

Michael S. Rosenzweig  
Acting President  
Jewish Fellowship Club

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We regret any errors or oversights.

**A SPECIAL NOTE TO READERS OF THIS BOOK:  
PLEASE DON'T SKIP ANY PAGES — YOU MAY MISS PART OF YOUR YOUTH!**

The Jewish Fellowship News began in 1936 with Izzy Cohen as Editor, dedicated to uphold the principles of the Jewish Fellowship Club:

- To promote and foster good will and sociability among the Jewish community of the Northwest;
- To foster and support the ideas of Judaism and its local institutions;
- To foster and support Jewish culture and education.



Sometimes biweekly, sometimes monthly, the Jewish Fellowship News has continued to publish throughout the decades. It has been an important voice for our community in many ways. It has been a friend, such as during World War II, when many Duluth servicemen were grateful to receive the news from home. It has drawn us together, such as when support for the Jewish Educational Center grew out of articles that steadily drew support from the whole community. And it has helped us mark those events that make us a community: marriages, births, bar and bat mitzoahs, anniversaries, and deaths.

Many individuals have served the Jewish Fellowship News over the years including: Dr. William Cohen, Gordy Paymar, Walter Eldot, Cherie Bruzonsky, Freda Fostoff, Mrs. Leonard Abramson, Alex Lurye, Jay Lurye, Bob Stern, Leonard Naymark, Phil Myzel, Helen Widdes, Winnie Gurovitch, Isadore Crystal, who did a beautiful job of informing our community of the latest events in the past years, Jan Davis, Phil Sher, and many more.

Join us as we celebrate our connection to the Jewish community through the following selection of stories and photos from the pages of the Jewish Fellowship News, 1936-1995.

**ON THE COVER**

Still going strong, Philip Myzel blows the Shofar at Temple Israel to herald the New Year. Phil has been honored to carry on this tradition for 50 years in our community.

# Putting Down Roots:

## THE EARLY HISTORY OF DULUTH'S JEWISH COMMUNITY



Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest

When the Jewish Fellowship News began publication in 1936, our Duluth-Superior Jewish community had come of age. At that time, there were over 3,000 Jews living in Duluth-Superior. Many families were actively engaged in our synagogues, our businesses, our organizations, our schools and our neighborhoods. In fewer than 70 years, our forebears could be credited with the remarkable achievement of establishing a strong, flourishing community that has had a lasting impact on Duluth-Superior. What brought our families here? How did they live? The Jewish Fellowship News often looked back at our roots, and asked these same questions.

The first known Jewish settler in Duluth was Bernard Silberstein, who had emigrated from Budapest, Hungary to Detroit in 1856. After his marriage to Nettie Weiss in 1870, they took a honeymoon trip by steamer through the Great Lakes. When the couple came to Duluth in May and liked what they saw, they decided to stay and open a dry-goods store. Duluth's popula-

tion was about 3,500 people. Their timing was fortuitous, as the first railroad line in the area was just about to be completed and the village was on the verge of becoming a bustling logging and mining city.

"Late in June 1870, we heard of the arrival of the first train ... A construction train carried sixteen passengers (including Bernard Silberstein) from here (Duluth) to Fond du Lac, from which point we had to follow an Indian trail over

the hills on foot to Thomson. Of the sixteen but four reached the village ... the day was hot, and the climb was hard, but (we) stuck to it, and after some ten hours reached Thomson."

*From a letter written by  
Bernard Silberstein, June 1870*

Jewish settlers who were already in America, many of them second-generation German Jews, slowly moved North. A group relocated to Duluth from Saint Paul in the 1880s, including Joseph D. Sattler, Adolph Albenberg, and Myer Whitehead. Due to such a small Jewish population, there was as yet no synagogue in Duluth, and some individuals joined Mount Zion in the mid-seventies as out-of-town members, making the arduous trip to Minneapolis for Jewish holidays several times a year. These early settlers to Duluth-Superior were joined by Ignatz Freimuth, who opened a general store and was later

Nettie Silberstein is pictured with great-granddaughter Joan Segelbaum and granddaughter Helena Segelbaum with her husband Edward. Nettie came to Duluth as a young bride in 1870.

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A Josephs family portrait from the late 1890s. Left to right, standing: Meyer, Hannah, Barney, Simon, Etta. Seated: Annie, Julius, Ida, Itzak, Mose.

involved with mining. (Freimuth was one of the founders of the Duluth Chamber of Commerce.) Three Abrams brothers moved to West Superior after their father died in Minneapolis. Other families who arrived in Duluth at that time included H. Y. Josephs, Louis Hammel, Philip H. Oswald, Jacob H. Winterfield, Sigmund Levy, Henry and Asa Leopold, Philip Levy, Sam and Louis Loeb, Isaac Bondy, and Ben Heller.

Most of the German Jews who settled in Duluth relocated from other American cities and could speak English. They were the descendants of the 1840s' wave of immigrants from Germany and Hungary.

"... These new arrivals to Duluth were young men starting out with some financial means and; therefore, able to become merchants at the outset. They had a choice of good housing (east of Lake Avenue and beyond), lived comfortably, and enjoyed family life and friends."

*Manuscript by Thelma C. Covner, 1975*

In 1891, the Emanuel Reform congregation was organized by this early group of German Jews, and by the next year the community united to engage a rabbi. The first Jewish marriage, that of Mr. and Mrs. L. R.



Bondy, took place in Duluth at this time.

In contrast, many of the Eastern European Jews who now came to settle in Duluth arrived with little or no financial means. In the 1880s, persecution and intolerable living conditions brought the first Eastern European settlers to Duluth. Some came to escape prolonged and inhumane military service.

A group of Jews living in the vicinity of St. Croix Avenue organized the first Orthodox congregation, Adas Israel. Some of the pioneer members of Adas Israel, with the dates of their arrival in Duluth were: Hirsch Mark (1885), Shalom Kaner (1886), Benjamin Karon (1888), Abraham Klatsky (1890), Schmuel Sher (1883), David Silk (1880), Harris Holsberg (1880), Phillip Sher (1889), Benjamin Kenner (1889), Samuel Milavetz (1895), Sam Kaner (1895), Sholom Karon (1898), Louis Miller (1895), M. J. Widdes (1899), and Israel

H. Y. Josephs as a young man. This photo was probably taken close to the time he arrived in Duluth (the 1880s).

Garon (1898). Others included David Goldish, Samuel Oreckovsky, William Goldstein, Isaac Abrahamson, and Isaac Cook.

In this century, many more Jewish immigrants came to America, often escaping pogroms or starvation. Philip Myzel's father worked in Duluth seven years before he was able to send for his wife and five children he had left in Vilna, Poland. She fed her family bread she made from half-spoiled potatoes, rutabagas, and, occasionally a small amount of grain she would risk taking from the sacks of grain she carried. Because money was usually stolen from mail the Jews received, the funds for the Myzel's passage came from his uncles who sent it to his mother hidden inside a box of Quaker Oats. Phil, who at the age of

*Elijah Kenner and Sarah Kaner were Jewish pioneers from Lithuania who went into the wholesale fish business and lived at the waterfront on South First Avenue East. Their home ... near the Aerial Bridge was in a Jewish neighborhood. Kenner, who arrived in Duluth in 1892, was regarded as a scribe and he loved books. He ... was among the first Jews in Duluth to buy an entire set of the Jewish Encyclopedia. The bookcase for these volumes "was the only piece of furniture my father brought with him when he got married." Gladys Kenner, his daughter, pointed out. Gladys remembers when the Kenner home at the Canal was a meeting place. "Fish peddlers would come in the morning and sit in our kitchen waiting for the skiffs to come in. They would spread the gossip of the Jewish community."*

*From an article about Gladys Kenner by Walter Eldot, Jewish Fellowship News, March 1982*



The storefront for Garon Bros. Jewelry can be seen at lower right in this bustling Duluth street scene.

seven had never known his father, recalled the confusion and fear the fireworks caused his mother when their ship arrived at Ellis Island on July 4, 1921. "We left a war only to find another one!" she cried.

The Labovitz family's origins began in Horisha, Rumania. In 1900, Maurice's parents, Froike and Rachel, emigrated to Minneapolis after waiting three months in Holland for steerage passage. Rachel was in her final months of pregnancy, and two weeks after they arrived in Minneapolis, she gave birth to Maurice. Maurice's father brought \$300 with him from Rumania, and quickly began work in Minneapolis as a fruit peddler. After trying the bakery and dairy businesses, he moved his family to Duluth where

he rented a small store near a pawn shop his brother-in-law, Leon, had established earlier. The store was on the Bowery and catered to lumberjacks, selling cutlery, knives, watches, besides a lunch counter featuring "the biggest ham sandwich in town" for 5 cents. In 1915, Froike Labovitz opened "The People's Bargain Store" which was later named "The Fair."

Isadore Crystal's family also struggled against great odds to finally reunite in Duluth. "My father preceded us to Duluth from Russia in 1913, leaving behind my mother, my sister (then 6 months old) and me (age 2-1/2 years). On February 22, 1917, dad bought the deli at 6 West First Street. In 1920, after W.W.I and the Bolshevik revolution, my father went back to Russia and brought us

The Labovitz family's dry goods store in downtown Duluth.





Interior of the Goldfine's store near Duluth's waterfront on Garfield Avenue.

to Duluth. It was the first time I met my father. I was 10. We arrived in Duluth on May 12 and I started kindergarten the next day, although I could not speak English. I graduated from Central High nine years later."

The history of our community is made up of remarkable stories such as these, many of which found their way into the Jewish Fellowship News. Our community's history is told through the stories of first generation immigrants who chose to embrace their life here, despite seem-

ingly insurmountable difficulties. And our stories go on to tell of a new generation who served our country with honor in World War II, dedicated themselves to Jewish education and institutions, established businesses and served as leaders within our community. Many of these Jewish pioneers treasured the religious freedom they found in America, and soon formed congregations in the Northland. Within these small congregations, members gave each other mutual hope and support as they adjusted to their new lives,

*Old Lake Avenue stretched from Superior Street to the Canal. Spanning Michigan Street, it was covered with a wooden sidewalk for pedestrians and a wooden driveway for vehicles ... Tom Trevillioni's famous grocery was known to all the Jewish settlers who lived down the street. Many of the early Jewish families lived in this area: Azinskys, Schneider, Meltz, Marcus, Shers, Klatskys. Further down, nearer the Canal, Abramson's had a grocery and candy store. In one square block many of these settlers lived in small houses set below the street level.*

*Jewish Fellowship News, Sept. 1976*

sharing their meager resources with newcomers as they arrived. This foundation of faith grew stronger as the numbers of Jewish settlers increased, and out of that faith would come the strength of our community.

*The Jews who lived high on Duluth's east hillside called it the "Barg." It was a Yiddish adaptation of the German word for mountain, Berg. The Barg included several blocks near Ninth Street, mainly between Third and Fifth Avenues East. Many Jewish immigrant families from Russia settled there, struggling to eke out a living and cling to their Orthodox ways. Morris Kerness lived there in his youth.*

*"My father was a garbageman. He had a team of draft horses. I used to stay out of school when I was 13 or 14 to work with my dad on the garbage wagon. We were lucky if we took in \$2.50 or \$3.00 a day. I'd ask him if we had money to take home, and he'd say he'd have to take care of the horses first and buy oats and hay. He said the horses were the breadwinners."*

*Jewish Fellowship News, Sept. 1985*



This 1935 photo depicts the first Cook family-owned store.

# Laying the Foundation:

## TEMPLES AND SYNAGOGUES

### THE GROWTH OF DULUTH'S ORTHODOX AND REFORM CONGREGATIONS

#### TEMPLE EMANUEL 1891

Temple Emanuel, Duluth's first Reform congregation, was organized by a group of mostly German Jews, including Bernard Silberstein who served as the temple's first president. In 1904, a building was erected by the congregation at Seventh Avenue East and Second Street, and Mendel Silber was the first permanent rabbi. Then in 1922, a new building was dedicated at Nineteenth Avenue East and Fourth Street. Temple Emanuel joined with Tifereth Israel Congregation in 1969 to form the first combined Conservative-Reform temple in Duluth. In 1974 the combined congregation moved into the Jewish Center at 1602 East Second Street. Early rabbis who served the congregation included Glueck, David Eisenberg, Sigmund Frey, Maurice Lefkowitz, Alvin Louchs, Kuppin and Harvey Wessel.

*From "A Short History of the Duluth Jewish Community" by Bertha Singer, 1976*

Rabbi Burton E. Levinson who served as a chaplain with the USN and was stationed at San Diego naval base, returned to his pulpit at Temple Emanuel. For the past year, during his absence, Rabbi Walter H. Plaut served as rabbi.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1946*

#### ADAS ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE 1885

In 1885 a group of Jews living in the vicinity of St. Croix Avenue organized an Orthodox congregation. They bought a small house on St. Croix, converted it into a syna-



The children of Temple Emanuel were photographed in costume at an early Purim celebration.

gogue, and held services there for a few years. They then moved to second floor rooms in a building located on the lower west corner of First Avenue East and Superior Street. Adas Israel Synagogue was organized in 1893, at first holding services in private homes. In 1900 the Adas Israel building was established at Third Avenue East and Third Street, with Rabbi Israel Teplitz as spiritual head. In 1905, the building also housed a Hebrew school called the Moses Montifiore Talmud Torah. Early rabbis included J. Kopstein and Paul Bender.

*From "A Short History of the Duluth Jewish Community" by Bertha Singer, 1976*

Cantor Samuel Meyer Friedman will chant the High Holiday services this year at the Adas Israel Congregation, 302 East Third Street. The congregation is Orthodox and has behind it more than four decades of uninterrupted service to the community.

The officers during the current year are B. M. Karon, president; Israel Garon, vice president; Bernard M. Seiler, treasurer; Robert J. Karon, secretary; and five additional trustees, viz: Meyer Rose, Ben S. Karon, Samuel J. Sher, Samuel M. Karon, and Nathan Joelson. Under their direction the entire interior of the synagogue has been redecorated, the grounds have been reseeded, the



Succhoh has been enlarged and rebuilt.

Membership increased fifteen percent in the past year. All eligible persons are encouraged to enroll. Dues are nominal at \$15.00 annually.

To further promote the proper spirit of the season, improvements and changes are being instituted at the High Holiday services. Uniform prayer books in both Hebrew and English may be purchased before the holidays at minimum prices. Page numbers will be announced from time to time and immediately preceding the most solemn portions of the service Rabbi Bender will give an explanation in English of them. Yomelkes are available for everyone, and cloakroom space has been arranged to accommodate all men's hats. Further changes will continue to be made in accordance with the policy of the congregation to fulfill its obligation to Duluth



Cantor Meyer Friedman



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Pictured are members of the Adas Israel Synagogue in 1914 during the celebration of Simchas Torah. Row 1, left to right: Mr. Edelson (in lower left hand corner), M. L. Kasmir, Max Zalk, M. Sosnofsky, S. Karon, Sam Kaner, Sam Guinn, Ben i. Kenner and Abe Karon. Row 2: J. M. Oreckovsky, L. Miller, Mr. Coran, Mr. Weinberg, N. Golden, Mr. Caplow, Victor Hurvitz, unknown, Sam Sher, and Sam Golden. Row 3: D. Silk, Mr. Simon, Mr. Braverman, Mr. Polinsky, Mr. R. Walt and unknown. Row 4: Mr. Kaner, Mr. J. Sainovitz and Mr. Daneiko. Row 5: M. Markovich, L. Polinsky, unknown, Mr. Bergstein, Mr. Goldish, Mr. I. Sosnovsky and Mr. Zien.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1949*

Jewry to provide the best possible atmosphere for prayer, meditation, and spiritual self-inventory. Plans are being made to reinstitute regular Friday night services.

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1943*

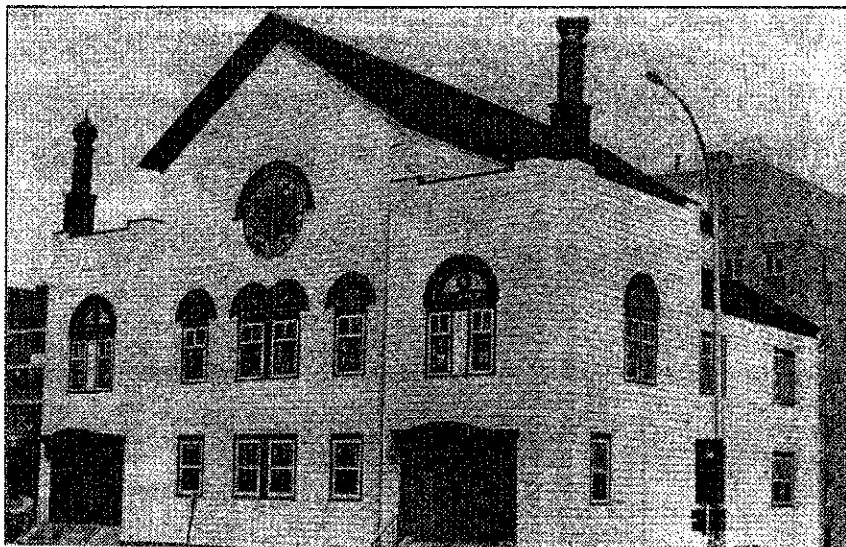
The Chevra Kadisha of Adas Israel is now marking its 70th year since its inception. Adas Israel is an outgrowth of the Chevra Kadisha, which preceded it by several years. The original members of the Chevra Kadisha combined with the fathers of Adas Israel, and named the con-

gregation Adas Israel Chevra Kadisha.

Death is unpleasant, putting it in a mild form. It is, however, a great consolation to the living, to know that after 120 years, the Chevra Kadisha will perform the traditional rites of burial as required by the Jewish law.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1961*

Adas Israel Synagogue in Duluth was built by its Orthodox congregation in 1900 at Third Avenue East and Third Street.



## TIFERETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE 1898

The Tifereth Israel Congregation was incorporated on the twenty-sixth day of June 1898. The members who incorporated are as follows: William Goldstein, Isaac Polinsky, Moses Polinsky, N. Cohen, L. Cohen, H. Surovsky, H. Shapiro, and Joseph Oreckovsky.

The (synagogue) lot was bought December 1919.

The cornerstone was laid on Sunday, January 14, 1923.

The cornerstone was laid by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. William Goldstein.

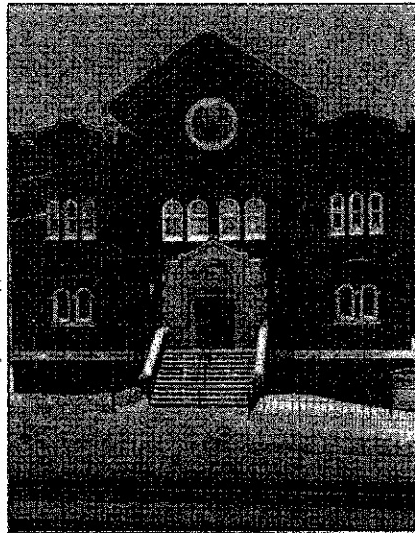
*From a handwritten document dated  
January 14, 1923*

The cornerstone of the new Tifereth Israel Synagogue, Duluth's largest Jewish Orthodox house of worship, will be laid this afternoon, according to an announcement made last night by A. Horwitz, president of the congregation.

The new structure is located at the southeast corner of Third Avenue East and Fourth Street. The structure will cost more than \$50,000 when completed.

A program of music and talks will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the Hebrew Institute, Third Avenue East and Third Street. Refreshments will be served by the Ladies' Aid.

Among the speakers will be Harry Weinberg, prosecuting attorney; Oscar Kleckner and Rabbi I. S. Tiplitz, dean of Duluth rabbis.



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Tifereth Israel Synagogue was dedicated in 1923.

Charles M. Cohen is in charge.

The new building will be 54x64 feet on a lot 102x140 feet. The main floor will be the auditorium proper. The altar will be one of the finest in the country.

*Duluth News-Tribune, January 14, 1923*

Conservative form of worship will be conducted for the first time in Duluth at the Tifereth Israel Congregation commencing with the High Holidays as a result of an overwhelming vote of the membership for the change.

Rabbi Rueben Siegel of Baltimore, Maryland, a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary at New York will be in Duluth to conduct and arrange services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

## SHAARA TZEDEK SYNAGOGUE 1906

Known as the Ninth Street Shul, Shaara Tzedek Synagogue stood from 1922 until 1967 at the corner of Fourth Avenue East and Ninth Street in Duluth. It was the home of

The last three survivors of a group of men whose names were encased in the cornerstone, when Tifereth Israel Synagogue opened November 20, 1922, pose with the cornerstone. It has been removed now that Tifereth Israel and Temple Emanuel Congregations have merged. Recognition will be given to these men for their long service. They are, from left: Maurice Levin and Jacob Crystal, who were members of the building committee when the old synagogue was erected, and Leo Bensman, who was a member of the cornerstone committee at that time.

*Duluth Herald, April 29, 1975*

worship of an Orthodox congregation made up almost entirely of Russian immigrant families. Although the congregation no longer exists, its cemetery at Maple Grove Road still retains its name but is now administered by Temple Israel. In 1984, the Jewish Fellowship News printed a portion of a document which had been placed in the cornerstone when the building was razed:

Back in the year 1906 when Duluth was but a little larger than a village, a few men gathered for a meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to form a congregation and to find a place which would be suitable to be called a synagogue. It was agreed that the "congregation" was too small to build a place so it was decided to rent a room (in the Frank Karsner home) and turn (it) into a synagogue. For three years these men held their Saturday and holiday services in this place ...

The first step towards this came in 1909. With 25 names on the charter members list it was decided to start building ... Funds were raised to purchase a frame building and this was moved (from First Avenue East and Ninth Street) onto the piece of land and called a synagogue. The members also wanted a private cemetery. In 1911 a fair-sized plot was purchased and dedicated into a cemetery.

The membership of the congregation increased to such an extent that on holidays it was found impossible to house the members in this frame dwelling. It was a long struggle for these members but they gave both physically and financially and slowly the synagogue as well as the cemetery was paid for.



Displaying their synagogue's Torah scrolls, four Fishman brothers and two Londons are shown in this 1953 photo of the Bima of the former Shaara Tzedek sanctuary as they prepared for another holiday season. The synagogue was a landmark on the corner of Fourth Avenue East and Ninth Street. It was razed in 1964. The Fishmans in the back row are, from left: Ben, Louis, and Joseph, who are deceased, and Sam, living in St. Paul. In front: Ben London, left, and Sam London, both deceased, were brothers-in-law and uncles of the Fishmans.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1982*

afford a formal rabbi, a number of pious men conducted daily and holiday services, with an occasional cantor hired for the High Holy Days. Religious teachers and leaders included Velve Wolfe, Harry Lurye, Elieoser Leibowitz, Ab Yakor Coran, Mayer Isaac Weiner and Peter Block.

*From "A Short History of the Duluth Jewish Community" by Bertha Singer, 1976*

## TEMPLE ISRAEL 1975

On April 27, 1968, a group met to discuss the feasibility of merging (Tifereth Israel and Temple Emanuel) ... It was felt that one of the most important elements toward a successful merger was to have a new rabbi, not presently serving either congregation, and a new sanctuary, not utilizing either existing buildings. The ideal situation would be to sell both present congregational buildings and erect a new sanctuary alongside the Jewish Educational Center. This complex would adequately serve the entire Duluth Jewish community and at the same

time ensure the conservation of both physical and financial energies.

In the summer of 1969, a complete demographic evaluation study was done by the Jewish Federation and Community Council, and it became obvious that a carefully planned merger was now the proper answer. In this way, we Jews of Duluth could fulfill our obligations by providing and perpetuating a religious institution that would strengthen and preserve our Jewish heritage ... On November 11, 1969, both congregations met and approved the merging of Tifereth Israel and Temple Emanuel.

*Written by Dan Blehart for the Dedication Booklet of Temple Israel, December 5, 1975.*

Rabbi Bernard Gelbart has been chosen spiritual leader of the recently formed Temple Israel Congregation and was installed at services in Temple Israel, 1902 East Fourth Street.

Rabbi Sidney Jacobs, Evanston, Illinois, who has been serving the congregation as interim rabbi since its formation, installed Rabbi Gelbart.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1971*

On the date of dedication, September 3, 1922, Shaara Tzedek's officers were: David Goldfarb, president; Sam Karsner, vice president; Harry Taran, secretary; Ben Karsner, treasurer.

Building committee: Dave Goldfarb, Jacob London, Ben London, Louis Fishman, Benjamin London, Harry Goldfarb, M. Goldfarb, Ben Green(e), Dave Kall, Louis Gallop, John Gallop, A. Goldfarb, M. Gallop, Ben Karsner, Sam Gallop, B. Greenspan.

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1984*

## B'NAI ISRAEL CONGREGATION 1910

B'nai Israel Congregation established a synagogue in 1910 at 1511 West Michigan Street. At its height, the membership numbered about 200. They also used their synagogue for a Talmud Torah. Although they couldn't



B'NAI ISRAEL HEBREW CLASS OF 1915 Peter Cohen, who died in 1983, took this memorable photo of the 1915 Hebrew class of the West End's B'nai Israel Synagogue at an outing in Lincoln Park. Max Wiener, standing, father of J. B. Wiener, was the Hebrew teacher. He was a tailor by trade. The youths visible in the picture are, from left: front row, Eddy Davis and Dave Litman; second row, Sam Friedman, Isadore Davis, Dave Borken; third row, Norman Howard, Sam Passon, Ben Davis, Gordon Cohen; back row, Morris Cohen, Abe Brozonsky, Morris Friedman and Nathan Cohen.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1985*

The congregation of Temple Israel at 1602 East Second Street, announced that Rabbi Jon Konheim of Bloomington, Illinois, has been called to serve the Duluth Temple.

Rabbi Konheim fills the vacancy created by the death on June 2 of Rabbi Bernard Gelbart.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1975*

## A SHORT HISTORY OF SUPERIOR'S SYNAGOGUES

### AGUDAS ACHIM SYNAGOGUE 1890 (HEBREW BROTHERHOOD CONGREGATION)

The first Jews to settle permanently in Superior probably came during the 1880s. Among them were Louis and Isadore Helstein, Abe Holzberg, Edward and Louis Lasky, Samuel Oreckovsky, Aaron and Elias Siegel, Azierl Averbrook, Solomon Kaner and Samuel Lewis Popkin.

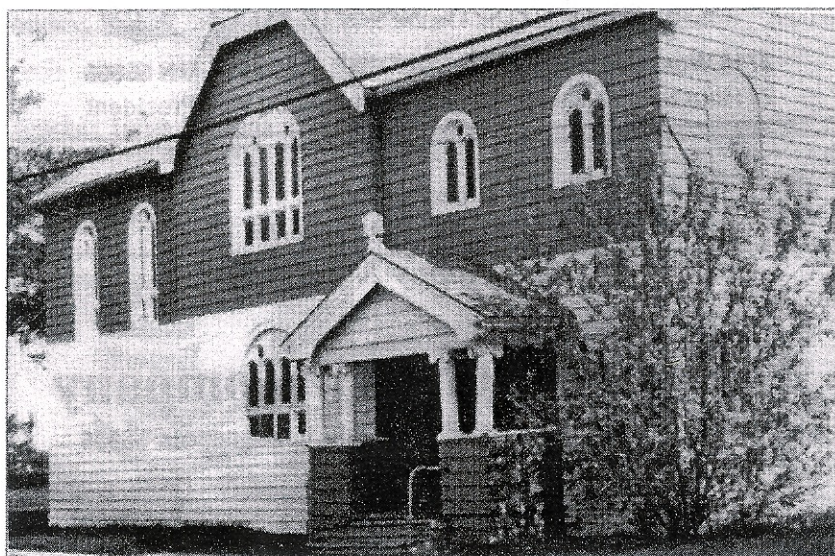
By 1889 the Jewish community numbered eight resident families. It

*It is possible for every human to become an endless source of uplift and joy to others every day of one's life. Deep down, I believe ... that we are really good humans ... we must communicate with ourselves and remind ourselves how many great things we have done and are capable of doing ... We should embark on the project of translating our deep concerns into some proper channels to bring a bit more joy into our world.*

*from "Some Thoughts to Share," Rabbi Bernard Gelbart (1919-1975), founding rabbi of Temple Israel*

was in the fall of that year that the first Jewish services were held in Superior in the home of Solomon Kaner, at John and Second Street.

In 1890, an Orthodox congregation, named Hebrew Brotherhood Congregation (Agudas Achim), was organized and the first synagogue built on Catlin Avenue. This synagogue can still be seen at its present location on North Sixth Street where



it was moved in 1897. It was used until 1907, when the present synagogue of the Hebrew Brotherhood Congregation was built next to it on the corner of Sixth and Hammond.

Today the congregation's old synagogue is the second oldest in the state, and the oldest in this part of the country.

In 1920, Rabbi Moses Hyatt, just arrived from Eastern Europe, was called to the pulpit. He served until his death in 1945, when his son, Rabbi Alex Hyatt, succeeded him.

By 1947, the entire Jewish community was thought ripe for the change toward Conservative Judaism. Rabbi Aaron S. Gold was called to Superior and Superior Hebrew Congregation (now Beth El Synagogue) and the Hebrew Brotherhood Congregation united.

Opposition by many Orthodox members led to dissolution in 1949—Hebrew Brotherhood Congregation remaining within the Orthodox fold, and Superior Hebrew Congregation continuing Conservative.

### TEMPLE BETH EL 1904

Superior's conservative Temple Beth El, dedicated in 1964 at 603 Faxon, began as an Orthodox congregation in 1904. Its first sanctuary was a basement church at 602 Hammond Avenue leased for \$50 a year from the First Presbyterian Church of West Superior. It became known as the West Superior Synagogue.

In the 1920s the name was changed to Superior Hebrew Congregation. In a 1947 reorganization, the congregation affiliated with the Conservative United Synagogue movement.

The Orthodox synagogue, Agudas Achim (Hebrew Brotherhood Congregation) on North Sixth Street in Superior is Wisconsin's second-oldest synagogue.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1985*



Old sanctuary of Superior Hebrew Congregation stood at 602 Hammond Avenue. Hebrew year of 5665 listed on cornerstone was 1905.

The founders of the West Superior Synagogue bought its two lots and basement structure for \$1,525 and then borrowed more money at 6 percent interest to build a more dignified house of worship and study.

Trustees in 1908 included: H. Sparberg, Aaron Siegel, Elias Siegel, A. Holzberg, Roy Edelstein, S. Turan, Israel Bazelon, Louis Laskey, B. Bergstein, S. Rosenbloom and William Schlosberg, secretary.

The religious education of children being foremost, there was always emphasis on having qualified teachers and resident rabbis when possible. Rabbi Zundel Katz served from the 1920s to 1944. He was succeeded by Rabbi Aaron Gold under whose leadership Friday evening services and more readings in English were instituted, Bear relates.

Gold was succeeded in 1952 by Rabbi Selig Auerbach. He was followed in 1955 by Rabbi Meyer Relles. Rabbi Barry Woolf succeeded Relles in 1970 and was followed in 1973 by Rabbi Ernie Nadler, who also stayed for three years. Joe Brizer, a longtime member, served as lay leader since 1976. Guest rabbis were engaged on major holidays.

After the 1947 reorganization, the board consisted of Sam Titch, Barney Schneider, Paul Witkin, Henry Cohen, Sam Reinkall, Alex Shapiro, Ben Cohen, Charles Robinson, Ben Marcovich, David Siegel, Isadore Pomush, Edward Laskey, Edward Lurye and Dr. Milton Finn.

David Dubester and Paul Witkin, aided by Rabbi Relles, were cochairmen for the Temple Beth El building

campaign which raised \$150,000. Officers at the 1963 groundbreaking were: William Kempisky, president; Mike Slovut and Henry Cohen, vice presidents; Ben Marcovich, treasurer; and Mrs. Louis Handlovsky, secretary. (Temple Beth El closed in 1993.)

*Walter Eldot, Jewish Fellowship News, September 1985*

## IRON RANGE SYNAGOGUES

### HIBBING

The Hibbing Jewish community is looking forward with a great deal of anticipation to the postwar period. Like every other community there are numerous things which we would like to have done but had to wait until victory comes.

Our main ambition is to remodel our synagogue and build an addition to it which will serve as a community center and also provide modern and up-to-date classrooms for our Sunday school and Hebrew school.

A reorganization of our youth groups and clubs is planned for just as soon as our boys start to come home. We had some very fine and active clubs before the war and the boys will be even more eager now to participate wholeheartedly in such movements. A special recreation room in our new center will be dedicated for this purpose and will be presented to the boys in appreciation of their immeasurable contribution to our victory.

Looking at the past, the Hibbing Jewish community may indeed be very proud of its accomplishments. We have made considerable progress in the field of spiritual, educational and social endeavor and are looking forward to still greater

achievements in the future.

For the size of our community, it is an outstanding record to have 69 members in the armed forces of our country, two of whom have paid the supreme sacrifice, Bernard Dorfman and Robert Edelstein. May the sacred and noble souls of these two heroes rest in peace.

*Rabbi Samuel R. Stone,  
Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

Joseph W. Wiesenberg, new rabbi of Hibbing's Agudath Achim Synagogue, was born in Losice, Czechoslovakia ... and had a religious background, as his father, an ordained rabbi, was the secretary of the United Hebrew Congregations of Czechoslovakia.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1949*

### VIRGINIA

The B'nai Abraham Synagogue was dedicated at Virginia, Minnesota, on December 26. The downstairs of the remodeled synagogue has been partitioned into a modern kitchen and recreation room. Two bronze plaques have been erected: one dedicated to the servicemen of World War II, and the other, a memorial for members of the congregation who have passed away. Presenting the plaques were Mr. Lewis Deutsch, president of the Federation, and Mr. Nate Keller, toastmaster for the evening. Rabbi Gold, Superior, was guest speaker. David Milavetz is president of the synagogue and Edward Cohn is chairman of the building committee.

Mrs. David Deutsch (Beverly Sher) rendered fitting solos for the occasion, accompanied by Mrs. M. Schandeling at the piano.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1949*

# Teaching a New Generation:

## EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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### FROM TALMUD TORAH TO IDA COOK HEBREW SCHOOL

Esther Simon was a pioneer in Jewish education.

Esther Simon was one of the first women to teach Hebrew at the old Talmud Torah. Born in Duluth before the turn of the century, Esther distinguished herself early as a teacher. Later she became the principal and chief Hebrew teacher at the Reform congregation, Temple Emanuel.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1982*

For his untiring efforts and splendid achievements in the progress of Jewish and civic welfare of this community, and the furthering of Hebrew learning among the younger generation, Rabbi Paul J. Bender was honored with a party given for him by the board of directors of the Talmud Torah, December 9, to celebrate the first five years of his efforts for the Talmud Torah.

For the past five years, Rabbi Bender has been directing the various phases of the work of carrying on the Hebrew School. During that period, the Talmud Torah has been put on a substantial financial basis, where now the teachers are paid promptly, and we have been able to engage a highly efficient staff.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1940*

Honor roll students of the Talmud Torah for the month of December were

announced yesterday as follows: Jerome Davis, Lauren Frumes, Irving Rosenberg, Allan Shusterman, Claire Shusterman, Lori Weinberg, Louis Wiener, Robert Berman, Lionell Horivitz, Merle Mattenson, Marvin Meister, Melvin Shugerman, Bert Weinberg, and Norman Rosenfield.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1940*



Rabbi Paul J. Bender

Talmud Torah Honor Roll for regular attendance first quarter of 5709 ending December 31, 1949: Harry Fishman, Jerome Shapiro, Marshall Cohen, David Schwartz, Myron Bruzansky, Gerald Cherson, Loren Greenberg, Edwin Cohen, Richard Reinkall, Sollie Breitbord, Stuart Barth, Bruce Kaner, Morton Greenberg, Bobby Sigel, Maxima

Schwartz, Rosalyn Munic, Henry Weinberg, and Marlene Breitbord.

*Jewish Fellowship News, February 1949*

Sixteen-year-old Sammy Ebenstein, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Ebenstein, is back from an exciting eight weeks spent as a junior leader in an all-Hebrew speaking camp at Tannersville, Pennsylvania. He says about the only one he can find now to carry on a conversation in Hebrew is his Talmud Torah mentor, Jacob Halpern. Sammy is a graduate of the Ida Cook Hebrew School.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

Thanks to the dedication of a small group of elderly Duluth women, the Ida Cook Hebrew School this fall will have a new children's library.

The library will start off this fall with an initial order of about 200 books and will be replenished on a continuing basis by the donors, a group known as the Harry Segal-Talmud Club, formerly the Talmud Torah Victory Club. The library will be dedicated to the late Harry Segal, son of Mrs. Nettie Segal, a spark plug of the organization.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

Twenty-five beginners are among 108 children enrolled for study last week in the Ida Cook Hebrew School.

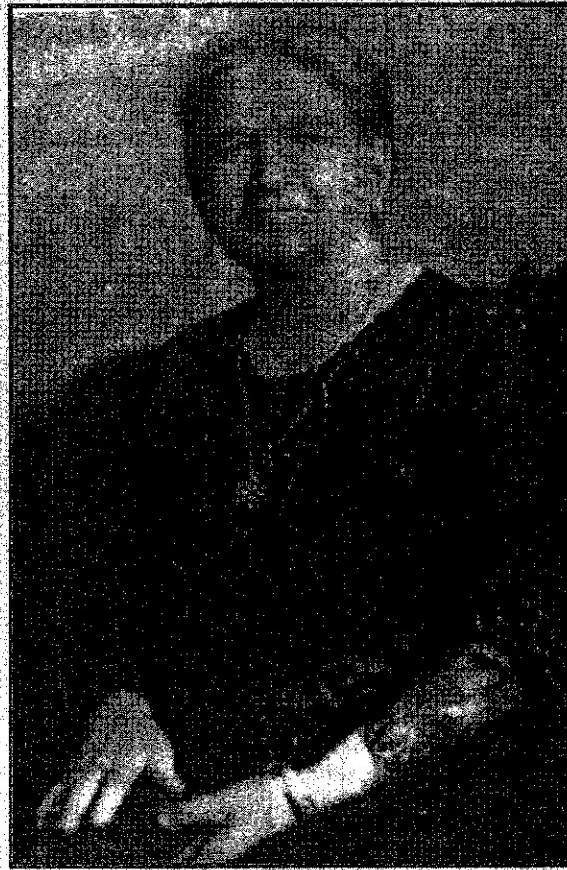
Students have been organized into nine classes, seven of which meet four times a week for 75 minutes of instruction daily. The two junior high school classes meet twice

## A PORTRAIT OF IDA COOK, FOUNDER OF THE TALMUD TORAH

In the mid 1880s, Ida and Isaac Cook emigrated from Litvinovka, Lithuania to settle in Duluth. They quickly became leaders of the growing Jewish community. In 1946, Ida wrote a reminiscence of her early family life in Duluth:

"Father was a rabbi. He knew nothing about business. Mother was the businesswoman in Europe, as were many women whose husbands were students. Father immediately looked around for a few Orthodox Jewish families—where services could be held in our home on Fridays and Saturday mornings—our living room not only became a synagogue, but a meeting place for immigrants during the first few years ... Father had been asked from the New York immigration office to take charge of all newcomers to Duluth. He held that office until he died, in February 1901."

The Cooks worked to establish a Hebrew School in Duluth, originally named Moses Montefiore, and later Talmud Torah. Throughout the years, Ida Cook gave unfailingly of her time and talents. Fifty years later, the school's name was changed to Ida Cook Hebrew School in honor of her deep commitment to education within the Jewish community. When she entered her ninth decade, a special party was held each year at the school to mark her birthday.



Because of her devotion to the principles of Hebrew education, Ida Cook guided the Talmud Torah to great success in the first half of the century.

weekly for 75 minutes of instructions. The faculty consists of Halpern, his wife, and Rev. Joseph Wieseman.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

Graduation awards were given at the closing dinner of the Ida Cook Hebrew School in the Jewish Education Center.

Students completing five years of study are Andrew Garon, Richard Shamblott, Emery Sher and John Solon. The school principal is Cantor Michael Chorowski.

*Jewish Fellowship News, June 1970*

Ed Levey, president of the Jewish Educational Center, announced that at the last board of directors meeting a resolution was passed unanimously to officially change the name of the nursery school to the

NORETTA TESLER Nursery School of the Center as a lasting tribute to the founder and head teacher for eighteen years. The board also approved the purchase of a piano for the nursery school which will have a plaque with the following inscription: "Given in loving memory of Noretta Tesler by her relatives and friends."

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1971*

On December 16, a very interesting Chanukah program was presented by the pupils of the Ida Cook Hebrew School in the auditorium of the Jewish Educational Center.

About 130 children and adults enjoyed the program which consisted of a Chanukah play by the Aleph class, narration of the Chanukah story and lighting of the candles by the Gimel class and

Chanukah songs by the Beth class.

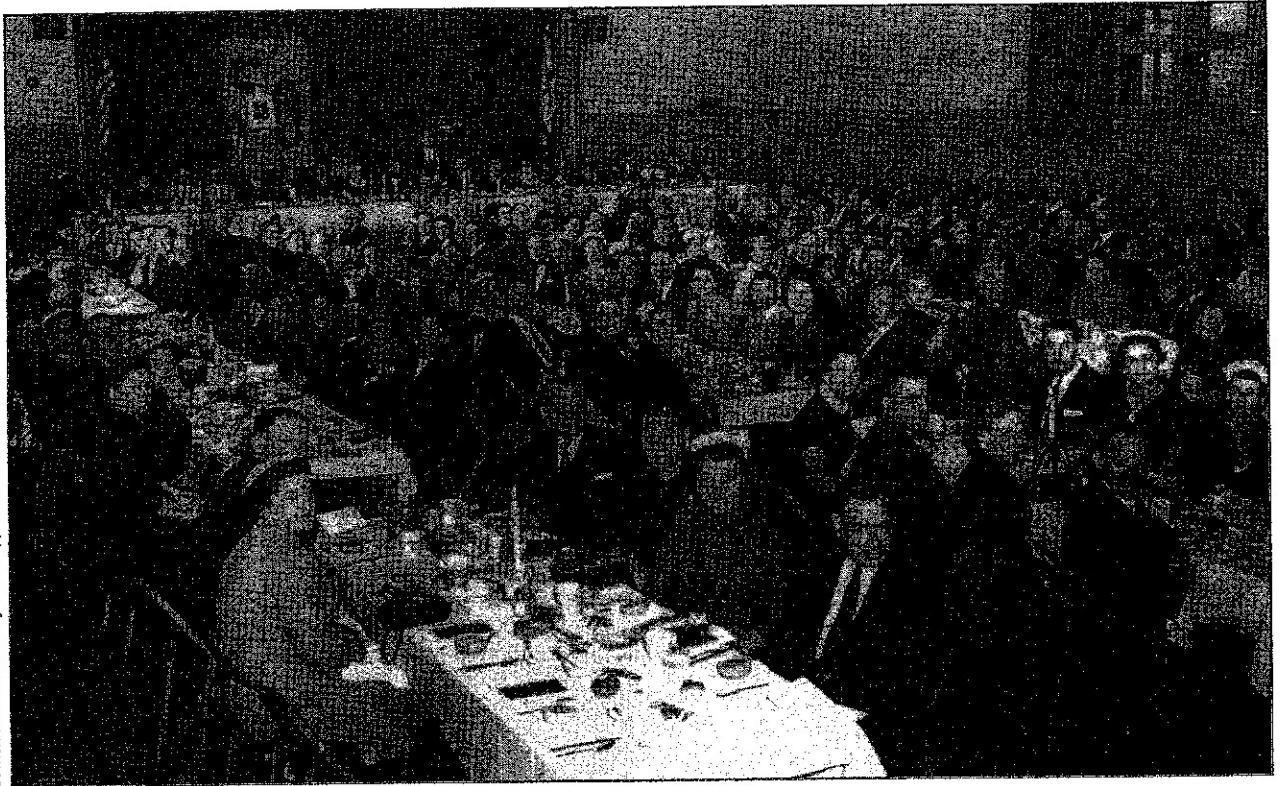
The following students were awarded honor cards for perfect attendance:

Jack Abrahamson  
Abbot Apter  
Beth Apter  
Lisa Bruzonsky  
Jon Cohen  
Scott Davis  
Bruce Goldish  
Mara Litman  
Brenna Smith  
William Solomon

Prizes were presented to the following children for the best Chanukah drawing:

First Prize - Stuart Taran  
Second Prize - Rachel Breen  
Third Prize - Steven Sigel  
Fourth Prize - Sheryl Adelson

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1971*



The 50th anniversary party of the Ida Cook Hebrew School, celebrated at the newly constructed Temple Israel building in 1950.

The Jewish Educational Center building is fast becoming a reality. Now is the time for the entire Jewish community to give of their means so that the building, when completed, should be free of encumbrance. One hundred twenty-five thousand dollars is necessary to complete the building. It will be a structure which will be a credit to the entire Jewish community.

A brunch will be held Sunday, November 5 at 11:30 A.M. at the Covenant Club, where the workers will gather to get their instructions. All members of the Jewish community will be solicited.

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1950*

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Because all parents want their child to be happy, healthy and to develop the flexible personality traits derived from intragroup activity, Barry Shandler, Center director, has announced the opening of Duluth's first day camp, Camp Jedcen, available to all children from five to twelve years of age.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1953*

If a sufficient number of high school students wish to have classes formed in Hebrew, this can now be done, Dr. Eelkema, superintendent of schools here, announced.

All Jewish students who are interested in taking up the Hebrew language and at the same time receive full high school credit for the course are urged to register.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1940*

Music instruction outside regular classrooms has been added to the curriculum of the religious school at Temple Emanuel this year.

Mrs. Ben Levine has been named music director and will take each of the classes for half hour periods for instruction in service responses, hymns, Israeli folk songs and Bible songs.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

The Federation Youth Awareness Program chairman, Mrs. Jerrold Polinsky, is pleased to announce the recipients for this year are Nancy Gross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gross, and Michael Singer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Singer. They will attend an Archaeological

Seminar in Israel which will include work at the excavation site of the Temple Wall in Jerusalem.

*Jewish Fellowship News, June 1973*

In 1982, four Israeli students came to Duluth to speak to the area high schools. They were hosted by Duluth's Jewish Youth Group and stayed with the families of Cindy Karon, Bill Sigel, Estelle Aronsohn, and Marc and Rob Winthrop. Youth groupers and the Israeli students attended Friday night services on March 5. The next day Cindy Karon, Raquel Shablott, and Rob Winthrop took the four Israelis skiing for their first time.

The Israeli students were sent as goodwill ambassadors by the Israeli government to talk in schools about their country and ways of life.

In teams of two, they made their presentations in all of the high schools of Duluth as well as in Superior, Cloquet and Two Harbors.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1982*



## BUILDING THE JEWISH EDUCATIONAL CENTER UNITED OUR COMMUNITY



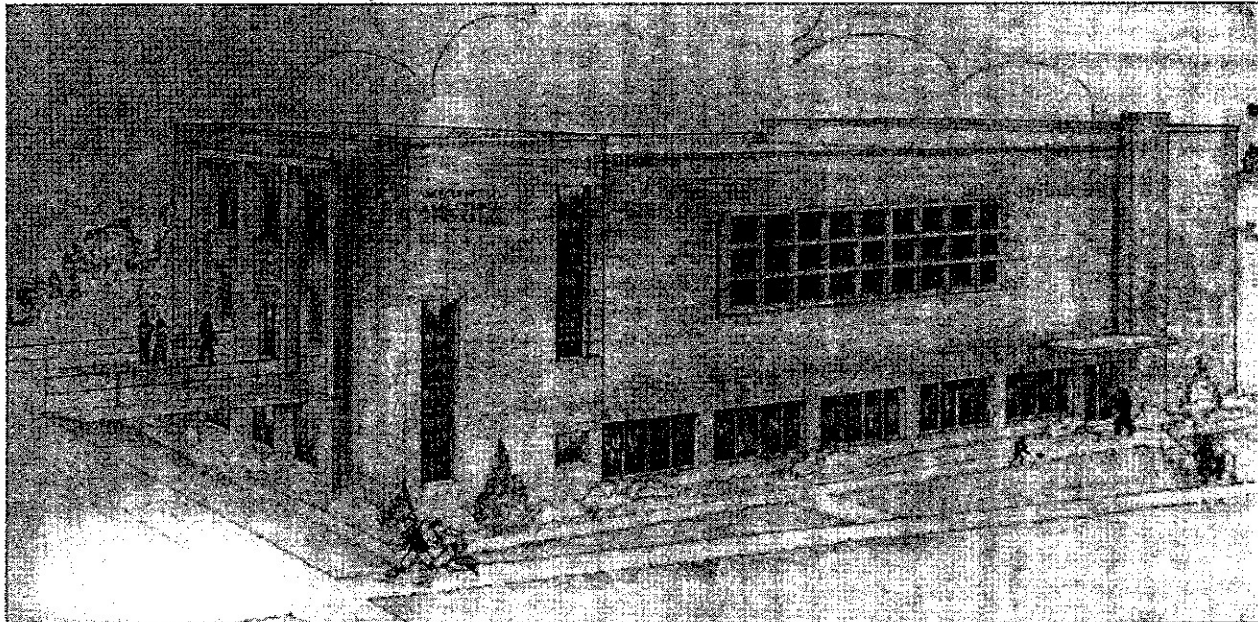
ABOVE: The original Talmud Torah building served the Duluth Jewish community for 50 years.

LEFT: Nathan Kremen, past president of the Jewish Educational Center Association and Jewish Federation and Community Council is shown breaking ground for the \$200,000 Jewish Educational Center at Sixteenth Avenue East and Second Street, slated for completion next summer. At right is Dr. William Cohen, association president, who served as master of ceremonies at the ground-breaking rites yesterday afternoon.

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1950*



Duluth Herald Tribune photo



The long-awaited event, ground-breaking for the new Center-Talmud Torah building, will be celebrated on Sunday, September 17, at 2:00 P.M., on the site at Sixteenth Avenue East and Second Street. The public announcement of the letting of the contract for building the structure has aroused the enthusiasm of the Jewish community, and a large assembly is expected at the ground-breaking ceremony.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1950*

# Connecting to the Community:

## ORGANIZATIONS AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES

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There were 27 Jewish organizations in Duluth in the '40s and '50s. The March 1946 calendar, as printed in the Jewish Fellowship News, was packed with the following meetings and events:

A.Z.A. Sweetheart Dance  
Mizrachi Annual Banquet  
Sarah Karon Meeting  
Covenant Club Board Meeting  
Senior Council Meeting  
Fellowship Club Meeting  
Jacob Gordon Branch Arbeiterung Meeting  
Young Templers Meeting  
B'nai B'rith Meeting  
B'nai B'rith Women's Board Meeting  
Hebrew Ladies Progressive Club Meeting  
Temple Brotherhood Banquet  
Temple Sisterhood Inter-Faith Meeting  
Mizrachi Auxiliary Meeting  
Federation Mass Meeting  
Council B & P Meeting  
Women's League of Tifereth Israel Meeting  
Talmud Torah Sisterhood Purim Ball  
Emergency Relief Society Meeting  
Jewish Social Service Agency Annual Meeting  
Talmud Torah Sisterhood Meeting  
Talmud Torah Board Meeting  
Young Templers Meeting  
B'nai B'rith Hillel Night  
L.A. Tuberculosis Home Meeting  
Senior Hadassah Meeting  
Northwest Region Conference of Hadassah

In the 1940s, Philip Myzel wrote a monthly gossip and humor column under the name "Motka from Slabotka" (Slabotka is a Yiddish word for small town.) Motka, and his assistant Schmu'ke, the stork, were kept very busy reporting on Duluth's growing Jewish community.

### SOCIAL SERVICES

The Jewish Social Service Agency has seen many changes in the development of the community since May 12, 1921, when a small group of farsighted and progressive Jewish men and women met at the home of Mrs. M. Cook to plan for a union of the many Jewish charitable societies that existed in Duluth at that time. The new organization was called the Associated Jewish Charities.

The late E. A. Silberstein, under whose guidance and leadership the Agency was formed, was the first temporary chairman, with Mrs. H. Y. Josephs as secretary.

Mrs. Harry W. Davis was the first professional social worker employed by the Agency and she has continued her interest and activity in the Agency as a member of the board and as a substitute social worker. Others who served as executive secretaries of the Agency upon Mrs. Davis' resignation were: Miss Harriet Lewis, Mrs. Meyer Karon, Mrs. George Goldfarb (Jeanette Kaner), Mrs. Alex Cowan, and Joseph M. Papo. The present executive secretary, Miss Bessie R. Arnovich, joined the Agency on February 1, 1945.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

Five members of the original board of directors of the Jewish Social Service Agency were honored at its 30th anniversary meeting in the Covenant Club. Charles

Oreckovsky, one of the original board members and past president of the Agency introduced four other members of the original board: Mrs. Sam Ginsberg, Mrs. Sam Walt, Mrs. H. Y. Josephs and S. B. Copilowish.

*Jewish Fellowship News, February 1952*

### SLABOTKA SPECIALS



Phil Myzel

Without a question of doubt, Counsellor Alfred Weinberg is now King of the Rhumba. He proved that at the Covenant Club's New Years party.

One for the books is the ribbing Harry Segal is getting at the Covenant Club as the result of losing four out of six aces in a pinochle game. Harry will never get over that deal.

Love—Its wonders does perform! From the most reliable sources comes the revealing news that the newlyweds Mr.

(Continued on page 4.)



## COVENANT CLUB

Plans and specifications for the new quarters of the Hai-Vov (later named the Covenant Club) Clubrooms, already have been approved, and work on the building which will be located at 117-123 West First Street, will begin February 1, A. H. Polinsky, president, announced today.

The new clubrooms, according to specifications, will include a large beautifully furnished lounge, a well-appointed dining room, a kitchen, a library and social quarters.

From all indications the building, expected to be completed this spring, will by far surpass any clubrooms in the Northwest.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1940*

Mrs. Harry W. Davis has been appointed executive director of the Duluth Jewish Federation and Community Council.

Active for many years in civic and Jewish community organizations, Mrs. Davis was the first executive secretary of the Jewish Family Service Agency.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1949*

An early gathering of the Hai-Vov Club, later renamed the Covenant Club.

One of the Covenant Club departments in which we take special pride is the modern kitchen and dining room. When a member wishes to give his family or out-of-town guests a special treat he brings them to the Covenant Club for a delicious meal, prepared Jewish style by Mrs. Maxfield under the able supervision of Mrs. Alex Zurovsky.

The Fatherless Boys Banquet is a feature affair given annually by the Covenant Club. Those who have attended these banquets know what they have done to build up the morale of these boys. Local women's organizations such as Hadassah, Council of Jewish Women and the B'nai B'rith Auxiliary and others have regularly held their meetings here. Our spacious facilities are also used for several weddings and Bar Mitzvahs.

During the Passover, strictly Kosher Passover meals were served in our dining room. Brand new cooking utensils and dishes were brought in under the supervision of Rabbi

Bender and the preparation of the food was supervised by a MASGEACH. It is hoped to continue this annually, serving a very definite purpose in the Jewish life of this city.

The Covenant Club takes a great deal of pride in its membership. At present we have approximately 400 local members, 34 of whom are serving their country in the various branches of the Armed Forces.

Officers are: Joseph Oreckovsky, president; Dr. N. J. Braverman, vice president; I. E. Greenberg, secretary; A. H. Polinsky, treasurer.

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1943*

The Covenant Club's reputation for great food was largely created and maintained for several decades by the incomparable Mrs. Maxfield. She and her team of women performed culinary wonders and at prices that seem almost incredibly low today. At my daughter Elaine's wedding reception, in 1959, Mrs. Maxfield served about 300 guests and the cost came to \$1.10 a plate.

*Isadore Crystal, Jewish Fellowship News, December 1983*

## B'NAI B'RITH

Mrs. Rudolph Segal is invited to attend a reception in the White House given by Mamie Eisenhower on May 4. Mrs. Segal is accompanying her husband to the 1953 triennial convention of B'nai B'rith in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Segal is the delegate of Covenant Lodge, Duluth, and will meet with B'nai B'rith representatives from all over the nation.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1954*

This year Aleph Zadik Aleph, the pillar of the B'nai B'rith youth organization, celebrates its 25th anniversary.

We of Duluth A.Z.A. No. 20 take pride in celebrating the 25th anniversary of our own chapter this November. In the year 1924 our chapter was founded by I. E. Greenberg and Charles Oreckovsky, one of the earliest chapters to be established.

Down throughout the years the members of our chapter have constantly lived up to the seven cardinal principles of A.Z.A.: Patriotism, Judaism, Filial Love, Charity, Conduct, Purity and Fraternity. There is hardly a Jewish boy who has grown up in Duluth who at some time or another has not been an "aleph" of Duluth A.Z.A.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1949*

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BELOW Members of B'nai B'rith youth organization, A.Z.A., posed for this memorable photo in 1935 in the former Hotel Duluth. From left, standing: Irving Schneider, Carl Berkner, James Weinberg, Sherman Ginsberg, M. L. Davis, unknown, Joe Vertelney, Alfred Weinberg, Louis Eisenberg, Pacey Friedman, unknown, Robert Karon, Rabbi Harvey Wassel, Dr. William Cohen, William Toback, Ben Fischman, Sidney Kaner, Herb Cohen, Julius Golden, Charles Oreckovsky, Irving Raihill, Bert London, Harold Gallop, Rudolph Segal, Herb Davis. Left table, seated from left to rear and return: Robert Levine, Melvin Kadon, George Stewart, Irwin Stewart, Harry Baron, Hyman Love,

Harry Nessel, Hy Litman, Nathan Horowitz, Abraham Kaplan, Isadore Crystal, Harry Greenspan, William Apple, Phillip Klatsky, Mickey Levine, George Bernstein, Palmer Abramson, Morris Cohen, Morton Levine, William Rocklin. Right table, front to rear and around: Dave Borken, Julius Gordon, Albert Abramson, George Samuels, Edward Cohen, Albert Cohen, William Horwitz, Ervin London, Hyman Glasser, Ben London, unknown, Norman Levine, Irving Eisenberg, Theodora (Ted) Passon, Charles Eisenberg, Jack Karsner, Mitchell Polinsky, Frank Rocklin, Sammy Gallop, unknown, Morris London, Max Shablott.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1935*





Duluth branch of Workmen's Circle, organized in 1911, once had more than 300 members. This photo was taken at the 1918 annual meeting.

## WORKMEN'S CIRCLE

The Workmen's Circle is a national fraternity, and the only Jewish organization with a membership of over 75,000. It has 840 branches throughout the United States and Canada.

Since organization fifty years ago, its aim and purpose is to help its fellow members with sick and death benefits. It operates its own tuberculosis sanitarium, has schools for the children of members and also operates its own camps for members and their children. Our two Workmen's Circles in Duluth (#503 and #353) aid in the support of our charity institutions throughout the country.

The Workmen's Circle has always stood on the side of the oppressed and has spent millions of dollars to aid organizations and labor unions in the United States and abroad.

The Jewish Labor Committee which became the largest institution in the United States was founded by the Workmen's Circle. Our Duluth

branches have aided in the support of this committee.

From time to time the general office sends well-known lecturers and Jewish stars of the stage and concert to its branches throughout the country. This, of course, is also of great cultural value to the various communities. The ranks are open to new members and you are welcome to join.

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1943*

In honor of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Duluth branch of the Workmen's Circle, which occurs in 1961, the Northern District of the organization has voted to hold its annual conference in this city next year.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

## WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS HADASSAH

Mrs. Oscar Taran has been elected president of the newly organized Business and Professional Women's Organization of Senior Hadassah, it was learned today.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1940*

Duluth Hadassah's response to the tragic events (of W.W.II) has been in consonance with its traditions. We, as women of Hadassah, have played our role by guarding the settlers against malaria, providing hospitalization and setting up health welfare stations to care for mothers and children. The mass immigration of those who have reached the Promised Land after years of suffering imposed tremendous responsibilities upon Hadassah and all the Palestinian agencies which minister to their physical needs.

*Mrs. Jos. E. Gershgol,  
President Senior Hadassah*

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

A somewhat longer-than-usual theme will keynote the conference of the Upper Midwest Region of Hadassah, which will be held here for three days, starting next Sunday, May 5: Philandro Johnson's observation, "The world would never sleep if things were run by men who say, 'It can't be done'."

Attending the parley will be about 100 delegates from chapters in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and the Dakotas, with the Duluth Chapter as hostess unit. The Hotel Duluth will be headquarters for the parley.

*Duluth Newspaper, April 28, 1960*

Mary Cohn, 84, a founding member of Duluth's Hadassah chapter in 1926 and still one of its most ardent boosters and fundraisers, received the 1985 Woman of the Year award at the Duluth conference of the Upper Midwest Region of Hadassah.

An early event of Duluth's Junior Hadassah.

A collector for Hadassah for so long, she remembers the parents of many of the business people she calls on annually for donations. Mary Cohn was president of the local chapter in 1956-58. She was a Red Cross nurse in World War II and assisted in the local hospitals. She was born in Lithuania and came to Duluth at five in 1906 as part of the Cowl family that was noted for its piety and devotion to Judaism.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1985*

## COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

Mrs. Harry W. Davis has been named president of the Duluth section of the Council of Jewish Women at a tea in the Duluth Women's Club after formally opening their 20th year of activities, it was disclosed yesterday.

A committee on social adjustment,

headed by Mrs. David Freimuth and Mrs. Carl Stein, will assist newcomers in finding living quarters, buying furniture, and in other ways help to integrate the family in the community. The National Organization requests clothing for immigrants arriving in Ellis Island. Mrs. Henry Lavick will receive contributions for this work.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1940*

The Duluth Section, Council of Jewish Women, was founded in 1921. The National Council, in its five departments, has carried on a long-term program intensified a hundredfold by the war and the problems that will face us for many years to come.

... On the local scene, a special fund was raised for the overseas project, citizenship and participation in the work of the refugee committee. Social Welfare and War Activities



will continue staffing stamp booths, assisting the O.P.A., and serving camps or hospital projects as long as necessary.

... The Annual Yom Kippur Ball will be the means this year, we hope, to give vent to our joy and thankfulness for the war's end.

*Mrs. S. N. Litman, President  
Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

The Annual Purim Festival sponsored by the Superior Section of National Council of Jewish Women will be held March 13 at the V.E.W. clubrooms. Proceeds from the festival will be used to continue the work on the sick loan cupboard, and also towards food and clothing to the orphanage in Paris, as well as the scholarship fund. Mrs. Hy Glasser, the director of the afternoon program, is planning a special children's variety show.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1949*

## TALMUD TORAH SISTERHOOD

One of the oldest women's organizations in our Jewish community is the "Talmud Torah Sisterhood"—organized some 48 years ago under the name "The Moses Montefiore Society."

Its aims and purposes were to inculcate and impress upon our youth the beauties of Judaism—their wonderful heritage. The knowledge of these teachings gave our people the courage and fortitude to endure the persecutions thru the ages, and made our faith a living symbol for posterity.

Today more than ever in the history of the Jew, our youth must have a cultural Jewish background. We should like to see every Jewish child in this community take advantage of these Hebrew classes, where its language, its history and literature,



Mrs. H. Y. Josephs

is being ably taught by the Supt. Mr. Sholom Mizrachi and his faculty, so that our youth can walk with dignity and be proud they are Jews.

Our aim is to build a Jewish Center, with modern facilities for a Hebrew School and with your cooperation this can be accomplished. Let us bend our efforts toward this goal—so that our children can point with pride and say: This is our Talmud Torah!

*From article by Mrs. Josephs in  
Jewish Fellowship News, October 1943*

## MIZRACHI WOMEN

The Duluth Chapter of Mizrachi Women opened its year's activities with a tea held Wednesday, August 8, at the Adas Israel Synagogue.

Mrs. Jack Sher outlined the year's work and introduced the following officers: Mrs. M. J. Widdes and Mrs. H. Moskol, vice presidents; Mrs. Jack Flint, recording secretary; Mrs. Max Gordon and Mrs. David Sherman, corresponding secretaries; Mrs. Joe Stewart, treasurer; Mrs. John Siegel, auditor.

Mrs. Abraham Danzig, National vice president of the Mizrachi

Women's Organization, from Rockford, Illinois told of the refugee children coming into Palestine and how great was the need for housing these children. They are from concentration camps in Europe and from French monasteries. The children come to Palestine, shattered in body and broken in spirits.

... Through Mrs. Danzing's appeal, we Duluth women were able to raise a goodly sum at our tea, but we still need more money to be able to care for one child. How many will help? No Jewish women in Duluth should forget these motherless children.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

## JEWISH FELLOWSHIP CLUB

*A History of the Jewish Fellowship Club  
by Mr. Morris E. Klasky*

In 1936, at the request of our beloved Rabbi Paul Bender, twenty young men gathered in the vestry room of Adas Israel Synagogue and organized a Jewish group of young men.

Rabbi Bender suggested that the organization be called The Jewish Fellowship Club and that any Jewish man, regardless to what synagogue he belonged, was eligible to become a member.

Benjamin Pass was elected to be president; vice presidents, Morris Klasky, Ben R. Greene, Sam Altman; rec. sec., Harry Segal; corres. sec., Ben L. London; treas., Robert J. Karon; sgt. at arms, Mandy Horowitz. Directors were as follows: Alex J. Lurye, Ben Goldish, Louis Fishman, Dr. S. S. Rosenbloom, John Cohen and Rabbi Paul Bender.

Morris E. Klasky was chairman of the membership and succeeded in getting close to 400 members to join and take an active part.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1976*

The Jewish Fellowship members will be entertained by Jack O'Brien's boys Thursday, March 21. There will be 12 rounds of boxing, headlined by Wen Lambert and his brother Artie Lambert, welterweights; Bobby Regan and Vic Gerber, lightweights; Gini Seppi and Jimmy Burke, featherweights; and Ken McCrocklin and Roger Eastman, middleweights. Abe Edelson, who was known in the ring as Abe O'Neil about 22 years ago, will be the referee for this event.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1940*

The stage is again set for the sixth annual Jewish Fellowship Club festival, scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Sunday, May 4 in the Hotel Duluth ballroom.

Alex J. Lurye has been named general chairman and Dave Gershgol cochairman of the affair which is the highlight of the Club's yearly activities.

All net proceeds from the festival go towards the Endowment Fund for the building of a Jewish Center, so vitally needed in this community.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1941*

Mr. Louis Fishman and Mr. Ben R. Greene were honored by the Jewish Fellowship Club for 36 years of dedication and loyalty to this organization. Both men have been on the executive board since the beginning giving generously of their time and effort and both men are still taking an active role. Mr. Greene is the treasurer of the organization and has been for 32 years. During the years he has held the office of president, vice president, treasurer and director. Mr. Fishman is vice president at present, has been president, treasurer, and director during the past years. Both men are always ready to lend a hand whenever needed and always get the job done.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1971*



Alex J. Lurye

The Duluth Children's home "family" turned out yesterday afternoon in Hotel Duluth to enjoy a dinner, thanks to the thoughtfulness of a Duluth businessman.

Their benefactor is no stranger to them, however. Joseph Oreckovsky, president of the First Street Store, Inc., has been giving them Thanksgiving treats in the past, but this was the first time Mr. Oreckovsky had them in a hotel.

The story of Mr. Oreckovsky's kindness to orphans goes back to some of the unforgettably lonely moments he had as a 14-year-old immigrant boy when he came to Duluth from his native Ukraine home in 1890.

*Jewish Fellowship News, December 1950*

Mrs. H.-Y. Josephs, 75, received recognition recently for her community contributions when she was presented with the Senior Citizen's Award at the annual Public Affairs luncheon sponsored by the Duluth Section, National Council of Jewish Women, in the Spalding Hotel.

She was cited for her still-active interest in religious, educational, music, art and social welfare activities.

*Jewish Fellowship News, December 1960*

A woman who, in the words of an admirer, "has spent her life in the service of others" was named 1970 Woman of the Year at the annual Women's Duluth Day luncheon Wednesday, June 3 in the Arena.

Although Mrs. David Pollack is 79 years of age, she continues to be active in many of the organizations with which she has been identified in the past. These include the American Red Cross, St. Luke's Hospital Volunteer Service Guild, the Northwood Children's Home Society, the United Fund and the Jewish Federation and Community Council and its affiliates.

Born in Russia, Mrs. Pollack has lived in Duluth since she was six months old.

*Jewish Fellowship News, June 1970*

## CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Two awards were given for the Cub and Scout who sold the most tickets to the father-son dinner given Tuesday evening in the Covenant Club by Cub Pack 217 and Scout Troop 17, sponsored by B'nai B'rith. Tied for first place in the Cubs were Lester Crystal and Stewart "Sandy" Seiler. First place in the Scout Troop went to super salesman Dick Karon.

Cub Scout Lester Crystal received an award for the most "Outstanding Cub Scout" of the year. Lester has been a hard and willing worker in the Cub Pack. He has done many jobs when he had to sacrifice his playing time, and still have a cheerful attitude and a smile on his face. Harvey Winthrop received the award as the most "Outstanding Scout" of the year.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1946*

All segments of the Jewish community in Duluth joined in giving their salute to Dr. William I. Cohen as the winner of the third annual Duluth Jewish Merit Award in recognition of the distinguished service he has given to the people of his faith in their communal and religious life. Dr. Cohen is the third person to be so named. Preceding him in the merit recognition were Harry K. Goldenberg and Alex J. Lurye.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1949*



At the Hadassah upper Midwest Regional Conference Dr. Robert Goldish was presented the Hadassah Medical Organization award for his service to medicine, the Duluth Community, and Israel.

Dr. Goldish entered private practice in Duluth in 1953, and has been serving our community ever since. He was chief of staff of Miller Memorial (now Miller-Dwan) Hospital in 1970.

*Jewish Fellowship News, May 1971*

Ted Passon, president of the Duluth chapter of the American Technion Society, will be honored May 10 by the international Technion organization with its Albert Einstein Award. It is the highest honor given for outstanding commitment to Israel's oldest and most renowned university.

The occasion will be observed at a special Technion Shabbat in Adas Israel Synagogue.

Passon and his wife, Kate, have visited Israel's Technion four times since 1972 and have established two scholarship funds—one in the name of the Duluth chapter and the other in the name of the Passon family.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1986*



Dr. William I. Cohen

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) held its annual Freedom Fund dinner on November 21. They dedicated their program book and held a short memorial service in memory of Walter Eldot. Just a few years before Walter was presented an award for his dedicated and distinguished service in support of civil rights.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1988*

The Jewish community sponsored the annual Christmas dinner at the Union Gospel Mission on December 25, headed by Shirley Garber and a host of volunteers. Hundreds were fed a substantial meal. It would have been a hungry day had it not been for the care and concern shown

by us. Workers from Duluth and Superior were: Harry and Ruth Bergal, Edith Cohen, Elsie Cohen, George Cowan, Helen Davis, Janet Davis, Adella and Harry Davis, Shirley Garber, Julius Horwitz, Ida Kaner, Rose Kaner (Cloquet), Bob Kaner, Harry Levenson, Phil Myzel, Nancy Nash, Muriel Pokempner, Betty Sher, David Sher, Jay Siegel, George Sigel, Barry Singer, Muriel Singer, Art Usan, Getchell Widdes, and Ted Widdes. Special thanks go to Kevin Deutsch, Sean J. Bijold, Sher Meat Co., Phillip Sher, and the Trinity Lutheran Church. Funding for the Christmas dinner at the Duluth Gospel Mission came from the Jewish Fellowship Club and the Duluth B'nai B'rith Lodge.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1988*

Shirley Garber of Duluth was named the 1994 Woman of the Year at the annual Port Cities Luncheon in the Holiday Center.

She and her late husband, Jack, ran Garber's Catering Service for many years, catering for the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center.

They also began a long-standing tradition of providing Christmas dinners for homeless people at the Duluth Gospel Mission. Last year's dinner served 350 people.

*Jewish Fellowship News, June 1994*



Goldie Gershgol, captain of Girl Scouts Troop 32 during the 1930s, met for an impromptu outing with some of her "girls" recently. They talked especially about their Friday afternoon meetings in the former Temple Emanuel, which had sponsored the troop. It consisted of 32 members, the maximum allowed, and there was always a waiting list. Pictured are, from left: Gershgol, Shirley (Karsner) Garber, Shirley (Bubly) Azuz, Jeanette (Samuels) Altman, Sylvia (Felsenberg) Kollenberg from Dunedin, Florida, and Luba (Usan) Krupp.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1985*

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This recipe goes back in time more than a century. It came from Helena Segelbaum's paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Weiss, who immigrated to the United States from Budapest, Hungary, in 1860.

### *Fried Cabbage with Noodles* by Helena Segelbaum

1 small head green cabbage, cut in 1/4 to 1/2 inch dice  
1/4 to 1/3 cup melted butter  
salt and pepper  
1/4 cup sugar  
8 oz. medium noodles, cooked

Sauté cabbage, with melted butter, slowly on top of stove, stirring often with wooden spoon. Add salt and pepper to taste. The cabbage should be soft, not crisp. Add drained noodles to cabbage. This dish should be half noodles and half cabbage.

Helena serves this dish as a meat accompaniment, and also as an ethnic specialty, part of her Judeo-Hungarian heritage.

Helena's grandfather, E. A. Silberstein, was the first Jew to settle permanently in Duluth. She was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, and moved to Duluth when she was 2 years old. Her father, an attorney, decided to join his father's ready-to-wear business, Silberstein and Bondy.

*Jewish Fellowship News, Collected by Shirley Garber, September 1985*

In their first out-of-town appearance, the Hazomir choral society, under the direction of Harry A. Segal, presented an outstanding performance before the joint Hadassah-

Interior of Ben and Rose Kenner's store about 1923.

photo - Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest

## SOME JEWISH-OWNED BUSINESSES IN DULUTH, 1915-25

Morris Cohen Grocery,  
2018 W. Second St.

Esther Cohn Clothiers,  
1905 W. Superior St.

David Davis, Second Hand Store,  
1608 W. Superior St.

D. P. Feldman Clothier,  
1933 W. Superior St.

Ben Friedman Grocery,  
2004 W. Fifth St.

Israel Friedman Draying,  
1925 W. First St.

Garon Knitting Mills,  
101 N. 30th Ave. W.

Moses Garon Grocery,  
2914 W. Third St.

Morris Ginsberg Grocery,  
31 N. 19th Ave. W.

Sam Ginsberg Grocery,  
1514 W. Superior St.

Goldfine Trading Post,  
1200 Garfield Ave.

Nathan Horwitz,  
Cigar Manufacturer,  
1911 Piedmont Ave.

Harry Hyman Grocery,  
2132 W. Second St.

Bert Kaner Grocery,  
2012 Piedmont Ave.

Louis Karon Iron & Metal Co.,  
122 S. 18th Ave. W.

Duluth Auto Wrecking Co.,  
(Ben and Harry Karon),  
1710 W. Michigan St.

Duluth Furniture Co. (Frank Keil),  
1903 W. Superior St.

A. R. Latts Dry Goods,  
1917 W. Superior St.

Israel Levine Hides,  
2115 W. Michigan St.

A. Y. Litman Clothing,  
1829 W. Michigan St.

West End Scrap Iron and Metal  
Co., ("Joseph" Ed Davis),  
1928 W. Michigan St.

William Widdes,  
Grocery & Meats, 2904 W. Third St.

Max Weiner Tailor, 10 Garfield Ave.

Naymark's Department Store,  
2015 W. Superior St.

Elmer Kaner Meats,  
638 Garfield Ave.

Abraham Davis,  
Second Hand Store,  
1612 W. Superior St.

Paul Cohen Department Store,  
1905 W. Superior St.

Joseph W. Lent Grocery,  
1810 Piedmont Ave.

Freimuth's Department Store

Oreck's Department Store

First Street Department Store



Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest



Duluth's A.Z.A. basketball team posed proudly after winning the Northwest tournament in Minneapolis in 1930. Seated, from left: James Chessen, Ben Fischman, Louis King and Abe Zimmerman. Back row: Isadore Crystal, business manager: Marvin Goldstein, Max Cherson, and Paul Zimmerman, coach. Missing in photo was Morris Moskai.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1985*

### Zionist Conclave held in the Leamington Hotel in Minneapolis.

The more than 500 delegates in attendance so enthused with delight with the unusual numbers, gave the local singers a thunderous ovation. The Hazomirs are a choral group of 45 mixed male and female voices.

Cantor Joseph Braverman, composer of some of the numbers sung, was commended for this wonderful work.

Upon their return home, the Hazomir group participated in the All City Choir Festival which was held in the Armory.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1940*

"We learned to enjoy Jewish music in our homes. My mother, Lena Litman, had a lovely voice and sang on every occasion possible. Our home was filled with music."

Edward Litman, Duluth lawyer, was reminiscing at the Fellowship Club's community dinner, November 10, about local Jewish theater, musicians and touring performers.

Litman told of the late tenor Jan Peerce attending services at Adas Israel Synagogue on one of his concert tours to Duluth and being questioned by a congregant who had never heard of Peerce but fancied himself a great singer. "You know, if you practiced a bit, you could be pretty good," the local maven told Peerce.

Litman told, too, of the world-famed Cantor Yossele Rosenblatt visiting at the Litman home. "But he wouldn't eat or drink in our house because he

said mother didn't keep it kosher enough to suit him, and he also commented that the Mezzuzah on our door was crooked."

*Jewish Fellowship News, December 1985*

All plans are complete for the annual Purim ball, highlight in the calendar of the Sisterhood of the Talmud Torah, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Morris Solon, general chairman in charge of the affair.

As a feature of this gala event set for Sunday evening in the ballroom in the Hotel Duluth, Mrs. Ida Cook will lead in the grand march at the dance.

Music for the evening will be conducted by Harry Segal and his orchestra.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1940*

All plans are complete for the fifth annual and greatest of all Jewish Fellowship Club festivals, it was announced yesterday by Harry A. Segal and Dave Gershgol, chairman and cochairman respectively of this gala event.

More than 1,200 persons are expected to attend this affair, scheduled for April 7 in the ballroom of Hotel Duluth.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1940*

"Tevya," the greatest talking Yiddish film ever produced, has been obtained for a showing in Duluth.

Under auspices of the Tifereth Men's Club, "Tevya" will be presented Sunday, May 5, in the Washington Junior High School auditorium.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1940*

The 1938 Father & Sons Banquet was held in the old Talmud Torah building next to the Adas Israel Synagogue. At that time, the idea was born by members of the Jewish Fellowship Club that a Jewish Educational Center was necessary.



With a tear in her voice and a twinkle in her eyes, charming Ruth Rosenberg won the hearts of the audience by winning first prize in the "Talent Night" program sponsored recently by the Covenant Club.

Second prize in the talent program went to Beatrice Davis who so splendidly gave her impersonations of leading radio and screen stars. When asked what she would do with the prize money, vivacious "Beatsy" quickly replied, "My first installment for a husband."

Eleanor Clarfield, who so sweetly sang two of Victor Herbert's great masterpieces, was acclaimed the third winner in the talent contest.

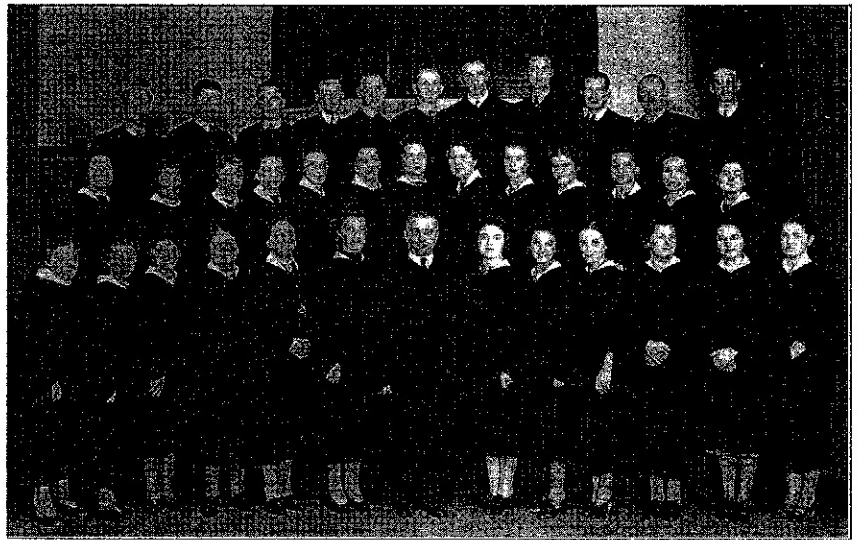
Honorable mention went to Mrs. William Oxman and the Council of Jewish Women who so magnificently portrayed the styles of yesteryear.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1941*



A.Z.A. Sweetheart of 1952, Marilyn Krovitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Krovitz, is being crowned by Ralph Altman, A.Z.A. adviser. She was chosen over four other contestants at a dance in the Jewish Center, February 9. More than 200 persons took part in the balloting. Her competitors for the crown were: Barbara Cowan, Leslie Stein, Davys Weisberg and Artis Garon.

*Jewish Fellowship News, February 1952*



The Hazomir Choral Society, under director Harry Segal, performed throughout Minnesota in the 1940s.

Duluth A.Z.A. will sponsor its annual Sweetheart Dance on Saturday, January 29. The affair will take place at the Medical Arts ballroom with music furnished by Bob Dugar's orchestra.

Unlike other years, emphasis will be placed on the attendance of adults at the dance. A.Z.A. would like to prove that both young and old can have a swell time together.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1949*

Under auspices of the Jewish Fellowship Club, Duluth Jewry will be honored and thrilled at their great opportunity to hear Cantor Pierre Pinchik, world-renowned cantor, who will present a concert at 8 p.m. Sunday in the Hotel Duluth ballroom.

Proceeds from this affair will go towards the endowment fund for the creation of a Jewish Center for this community.

Cantor Pinchik is one of the most famous liturgic singers in the world. At an early age he was discovered as a successor of the most beautiful alto voice, by the Chief Cantor of the great synagogue in the former capitol of Russia, St. Petersburg, during the reign of the Czar.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1941*

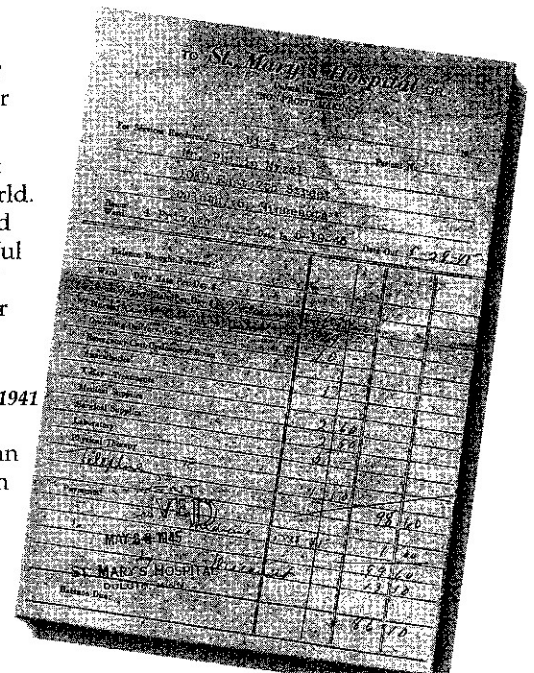
Mrs. Sam Berger, general chairman of the annual Purim festival given by the Superior section of the

National Council of Jewish Women and the Superior B'nai B'rith, Men's organization, has announced that the event was a great success.

The festival was given at the V.F.W. clubrooms and included the coronation of Queen Sheila Goldstein. Candidates in the race for queen were Dianne Holzberg representing the Jams, girl's club, and Sheila Goldstein, candidate from the Junior Judians.

Mrs. Hy Glasser was chairman of the afternoon program and puppet show presented for children and

What a deal! Pictured below is the bill Paul Wyzal received from St. Mary's upon the birth of his daughter, Linda, in 1945. The total amount including his wife's nine-day stay in the maternity ward came to \$86.10.



their parents by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Piper.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1950*

More than 20 gowns flown to Duluth from Israel were displayed in a fashion show at The Flame which was the highlight of the annual donor dinner of the Hadassah ... Models were Mesdames: Ralph Altman, Herbert Samuels, Jack Seiler, Jack Barke, Manley Goldfine, Jack Bergal, Morris Davis, Isadore Alpert, Y. B. Davis, C. L. Clark, Harold Birk and Harry Litman.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1951*

Bar Mitzvah for twins, believed to be the first one ever held in Duluth, will be held January 27 and 28 for Steven and Stewart Passon, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Passon.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1956*

One thing I have noticed of late is the new trend in conversation around a luncheon table, either male or female. Not too long ago it was either babies, freezers or the election. Today the talk always turns to Metracal or bowling. It would be impossible to list all those on Metracal, but the bowling fans include many who are members of the B'nai B'rith men's and women's leagues, Temple Sisterhood and their mixed leagues.

*From Helen Widdes' column, Jewish Fellowship News, November 1960*

The New Year was ushered in on the Range with about forty-five couples participating in the Range Dancing Club's gala evening of fun at the Hotel Coates in Virginia. Hosts and Hostesses included: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Frisch, David Deutsch, Monroe Shanedling, Joseph Rubenstein and Dr. and Mrs. John S. Siegel.

*Jewish Fellowship News, February 1962*



Owners of the new Stadium Lanes bowling alley are shown here with their families checking over construction plans. At left is Richard Karon with his wife and children and at right are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Singer. Stadium Lanes provides the newest concept in bowling for Duluth—family bowling.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

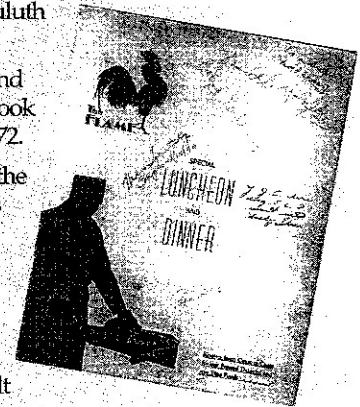
## WARM MEMORIES OF THE FLAME

James Oreck was the founder of The Flame restaurant, a Duluth institution located at the waterfront.

Scores of famous entertainers got their start at The Flame, and many social functions of Duluth's Jewish community also took place there. The Flame closed with Oreck's retirement in 1972.

Oreck enjoyed announcing ship arrivals and departures to the clanging of a ship's bell as patrons watched the vessels pass under the Aerial Bridge. Later he also became a partner in the operation of the harbor summer excursion boats which, naturally, docked at The Flame.

Oreck's first restaurant was a barbecue stand which he operated with a partner, Alex Zurovsky. It burned down during World War II but had been so popular that Oreck felt encouraged to start anew and much bigger.



*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1982*

The Glazman family's European Bakery is a landmark in Duluth. From left: Harry, Babe, Neil, Charlie, Jim and grandson.



On November 4, Duluth had a real live "Movie Premier" at the Norshor Theater and later at Hotel Duluth, showing the picture "You'll Like My Mother" starring Patty Duke; and also in the cast was Jimmy Glazman and his very famous bakery truck, which was how he got into the picture. Most of the movie was filmed on the Congdon estate last winter.

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1972*

Theodore Bikel, the Jewish actor and folk-singer, will entertain at a gala marking conclusion of the current Federation fund drive at 7 p.m., November 10, in the Duluth Holiday Inn.

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1984*

A Jewish community reunion in Duluth is being planned for late August or early September of 1985. It will be organized under auspices of the Twin Ports Federation and promises to be the largest local Jewish gathering in decades.

More than 4,000 Jews formerly lived in Duluth and Superior. Now fewer than 1,000 reside here, but many more from coast-to-coast and abroad still keep contact with the community.

Aaron Glazman and Erwin Goldfine have been named general chairmen for the reunion by Stuart Seiler, Federation president.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1984*



TOP RIGHT: Cast members of "For Whom the Bagel Rolls," a musical show presented by the Duluth Chapter of Hadassah at its annual membership party. From left are Mimas, Robert Gallop, Joseph Wieselman, Stanley Segal and Robert Sigel.

*Jewish Fellowship News, December 1980*

MIDDLE RIGHT: 1954 B'nai B'rith Bowling Association contenders. From left are Phil Kane, Ralph Altman, Manley Goldfine, Erwin Goldfine and Charles Goldberg.

LOWER RIGHT: A rehearsal scene from "The World of Sholem Aleichem" presented at the Jewish Educational Center, Saturday night, March 25. The classical drama was presented in English. Pictured are: seated, Mrs. Aaron Glazman and Leslie Lieberman; standing, Aaron Glazman, Mrs. Louis Schechter and Rabbi Louis Schechter.

*Courtesy Duluth Herald, April 1963*



Following is a selection of "Slabotka Specials," Phil Myzel's humor and gossip column which ran in the Jewish Fellowship News from 1936 - 1970.

Here's an event Morrie "Moishe" Kerness will never forget: when he was employed in Gershgol's Economy Market in 1929, he began work at 4 a.m. and finished at 10 p.m. His wages were the big sum of \$3. One night after work, he was on his way home to 318 East Ninth Street to give his mother the money. There was a crap game going on behind the Franklin School, so Moishe gave his mother \$2, and kept \$1 for the crap game. It took about one minute to lose the buck. His immortal words: "Oh well, easy come, easy go!"

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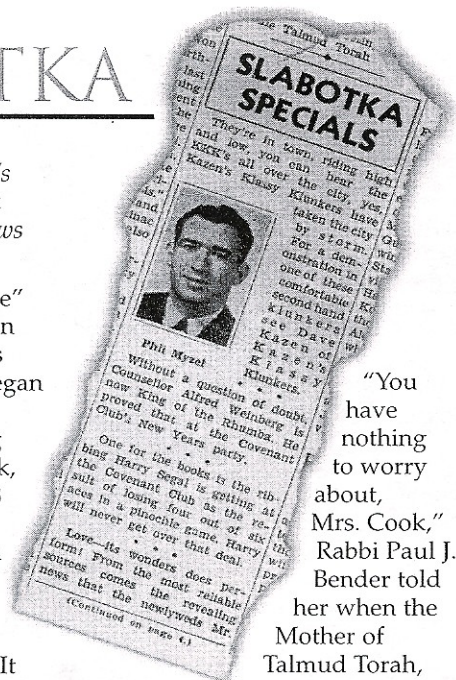
How did "Shoes" Hunter get his nickname? While in the YMCA one day, Shminey "loaned" himself a pair of tennis shoes. The owner ran after Shminey, caught him on Third Avenue West and Superior Street, retrieved his tennis shoes, and sent Shminey, barefoot, on his way. The nickname stuck.

When Shoes' sold moonshine and engaged in other questionable schemes, he would tell his guys, "Don't sell to strangers, unless you know 'em."

Shoes' famous remark about the 1930s: "Too bad the Depression had to come during these hard times."

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How Solomon Rosenberg received his citizenship papers some 29 years ago was revealed here recently. When Mr. Rosenberg appeared in court to answer the usual questions before receiving his final papers, the judge asked him "How many stars are in the American flag?" Mr. Rosenberg responded, "Now you tell me, Judge, how many bananas are in a bunch." Laughing lustily, the judge said, "Give this man his final papers."



"You have nothing to worry about, Mrs. Cook," Rabbi Paul J. Bender told her when the Mother of Talmud Torah, who is nearing her 97th birthday, asked him at a Fellowship Club meeting recently what this alien registration business was all about.

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"Not mentioning names," said Mr. Schrieber, during a heated discussion at the Jewish Fellowship Club, "but the man I'm referring to," and pointing his finger at him, "is Mr. Rivers."

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So moved was Pat Novarr when Josephus King sang "Yiddisha Mama" at the stag for Nathan Horwitz, that he slipped him two dollars. When Joe sang "Haut Men Bei Yoshkan A Klatschka Gedungen," Pat handed him another two clams, and when a few of the male members of the Hazomir Choral Society sang the "Pot-Pourri," it was then that Pat, with tears in his eyes, placed another three greenbacks in Joe's palm. Joe gave the concert money to Harry Segal who immediately turned it over to the Jewish Fellowship Club Center Fund. You are a Saint—Patrick!

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Love—its wonders does perform! From the most reliable sources comes the revealing news that the newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Seiler have signed up for lessons

in the "Rhumba" club under the supervision of Jerome Oxman.

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"A fine group of prospects for furniture," said Alex Lurye, when he looked over the younger set at the annual Roogie dance in Hotel Duluth.

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It was revealed that a total of 12 cents was netted at the last Jewish Fellowship Club's Latka night party. No wonder the small profit, Benny Davis himself ate 21 of the delicious potato pancakes.

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A little woman sitting close to Cantor Pinchik was heard making this remark, "Now, a man like this Pinchik, I wouldn't mind for my daughter Goldie to marry."

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Attention, newlyweds! If you would like to learn how to clean a chicken in Kosher without cutting any part of the poopik, please send a self-addressed envelope to Motka from Slabotka and your worries will be over.

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"Did you see that pretty girl making eyes and flirting with the rabbi?" one was heard telling the other at the Purim ball. After this went on for a bit, Rabbi Paul J. Bender finally introduced to the curious his youngest sister who was a visitor at his home for the weekend.

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"Make me something light for dinner tonight, darling," said Dr. Zlatovski to his wife. Several minutes later Mrs. Zlatovski returned with a feather on the dinner plate.

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"Is this the Woodland Grocery?" "Yes," was the reply. "Well," continued the lady, "if your meats are as fresh as your delivery boy, you may send me two pounds of hamburger."

The following list of numbered names and addresses was prepared by Albert Kane to correspond with a map he outlined of the West End Jewish community in which he grew up. He says this listing covers the years of 1915 (when he was born) to 1925. He believes those were the approximate peak years of that community, building up from an earlier beginning and all but gone by the early 1940s. B'nai Israel Synagogue, where many of West Enders worshipped and their children attended Hebrew classes, was closed in the 1930s. Kane consulted some other people who lived in that neighborhood and also used city directories for those years. Spouses and children are listed by Kane where he could ascertain them. Some omissions and errors are probable, he says.



Al Kane points to a vacant lot at what was 1511 West Michigan Street in Duluth's West End. It was the site of B'nai Israel Synagogue and its (Talmud Torah) Hebrew School. They shared a two-story house that had been moved there in the early 1910s. It was closed about 1930 and razed in 1938.

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| 1. Max and Ida Adelson<br>1901 W. Superior St.<br>Children: Sylvia,<br>Charles, Arthur, Harry,<br>Sidney                   | 7. Ed Cohen<br>1708 W. Superior St.<br>(temporary)  | 13. Harry and<br>Esther Davis<br>2126 W. Second St.<br>Children: Rose, Sadie,<br>Eva, Sarah, Edith, Lena                            | 19. Morris Ginsberg<br>2114 W. Fourth St.   |
| 2. Peter and Mollie Block<br>1901 W. Superior St.  | 8. Morris and<br>Sadie Cohen<br>2018 W. Second St.<br>Children: Nathan,<br>Goldie, Mendel,<br>Isadore, Albert | 14. Herbert and<br>Mary Davis<br>1419 W. Superior St.   | 20. Samuel and<br>Eva Ginsberg<br>1521 W. Michigan St.<br>Children: Eleanor,<br>Sherman, Mason                |
| 3. David and Pearl Borken<br>1521 W. Michigan St.<br>Children: Bessie, Ben,<br>Abe (Dave), Ida, Ann,<br>Dorothy            | 9. Samuel Cohen<br>1918 W. Michigan St.   | 15. Mayer Davis<br>2222 W. Michigan St.   | 21. Albert Glasser<br>2115 W. Third St.<br>Children: Abraham,<br>Eva, Ben, Dorothy, Lily,<br>Hyman, Sylvia    |
| 4. Kalman and Ida Borken<br>1521 W. Michigan St.<br>Children: Ben, Gabriel,<br>Mayme, Annette                              | 10. Abraham Davis<br>1612 W. Superior St.   | 16. Tom and Eva Davis<br>2002 W. Superior St.   | • 22. Abraham Golden<br>2128 W. Second St.<br>Children: Julian and<br>Harry                                   |
| 5. Joseph and<br>Zelda Bruzonsky<br>2110 W. Fourth St.<br>Children: Nathan,<br>Minnie, Abraham,<br>Gordon, Goldie, Charles | 11. David and Reva Davis<br>1923 W. First St.<br>Children: Louis, Ann,<br>Naomi, Arthur, Harry                | 17. Elia and<br>Rachel Friedman<br>2216 W. Michigan St.<br>Children: Benjamin,<br>Goldie, Abraham,<br>Morris, Betty, Sam,<br>Roland | 23. Oscar and<br>Mary Gordon<br>1523 W. Michigan St.<br>Children: Esther,<br>Dorothy, Julius, Ethel,<br>Honey |
| 6. Eleck and Esther Cohen<br>1708 W. Superior St.<br>Children: Sadie, Ben,<br>Peter, Sarah, Morris,<br>Gordon, Irvin       | 12. "Joseph" Ed and<br>Florence Davis<br>1612 W. Superior St.<br>Children: Alvin, Reva,<br>Ghita, Yale        | • 18. Israel and<br>Edith Friedman<br>1925 W. First St.<br>Children: Pearl, Robert<br>Pacy, Leah, Albert,<br>Ruth, Louise, Shirley  | 24. Louis and<br>Sophie Hoffman<br>2826 W. Michigan St.<br>Children: Frances,<br>Morris, Harold               |



25. Peter and Leah Horowitz  
9 N. 19th Ave. W.  
Children: Jeanne, Dora, Norman, Sam

26. Harry and Etta Hyman  
2132 W. Second St.  
Child: Ruth

27. Louis Kanter  
1824 W. Michigan St.

• 28. Louis and Minnie Karon  
1520 W. Superior St.  
Children: Ben, Harry, Esther, Rae, Louis, Bessie (Ben and Harry resided in area after marriage.)

• 29. Ben and Edith Karsner  
213 W. 22nd Ave. W.  
Children: Rita, Shirley, Phyllis

30. Aaron and Goldie Kempinsky  
Child: Abraham (Kemp)

31. Frank and Sara Keil  
1820 W. Second St.  
Child: Sam, Vera, Shirley

32. Louis Lavine  
1921 W. Superior St.  
Children: Rose, Victor, Isadore

33. Louis Lavine  
1807 W. First St.  
Children: Ann, Rose, Mary

34. Charles Levant

35. Mrs. Sadie Levine  
1824 W. Michigan St.

36. Elias Lieberman  
2018 W. Superior St.

37. Abraham Y. and Cecile Litman  
2006 W. Second St.  
Children: David, Herman, Norman

38. Louis and Mary Moshin  
2118-1/2 W. Fourth St.  
Children: Esther, Celia, Joseph

39. David and Lena Naymark  
2018 W. Superior St.  
Children: Brenda (Bertha), Pearl, Sherman, Leonard, Harriet

40. Abraham Niskin  
2723 W. Michigan St.  
Children: Goldie, Sophie

41. Nathan and Sheba Passon  
1531 W. Michigan St.

42. Joseph Riskin  
2012 W. Fourth St.  
Child: Eva

43. Joseph and Sara Segal  
2308-1/2 W. First St.  
Children: Ann, Rose

44. Morris and Rose Slafer  
1513 W. Michigan St.  
Children: Pearl, Joe, David

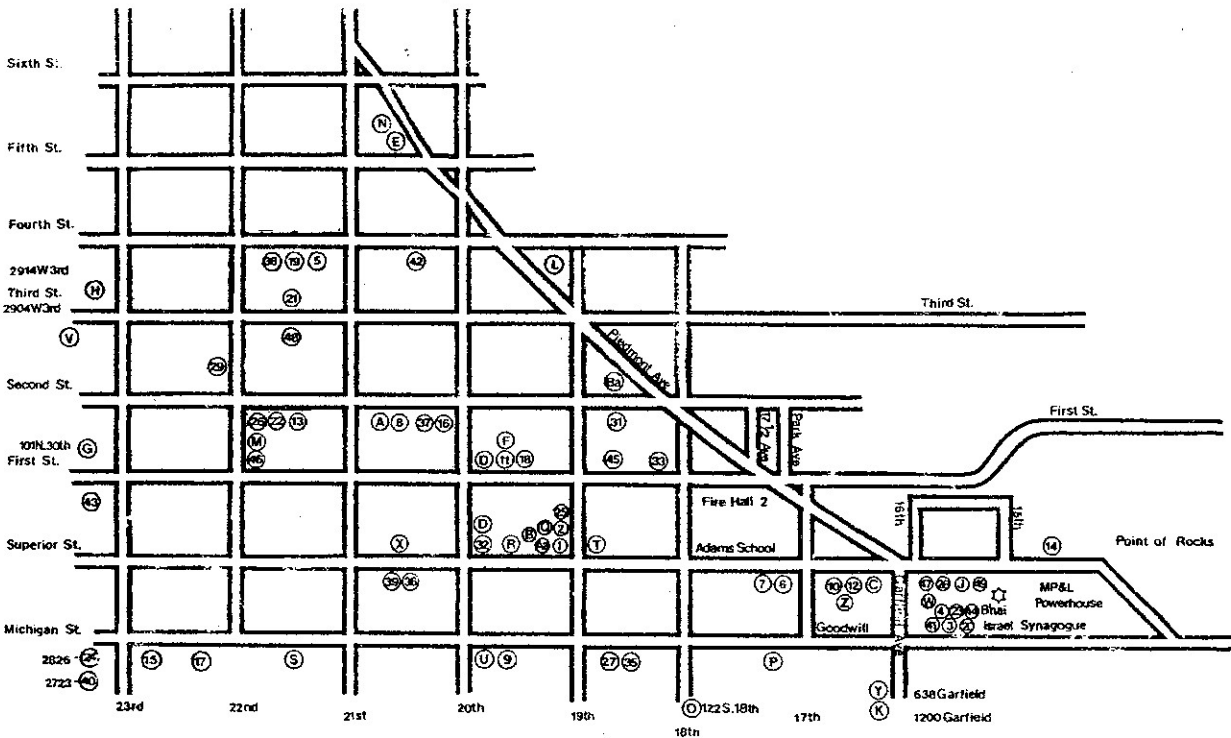
45. Harry Soboloff  
1825 W. First St.  
Child: Hymie

46. Morris Stillman  
118 N. 22nd Ave. West  
Child: Jennie

47. Max Wiener  
10 S. Garfield Ave.  
Child: Joseph

48. Louis and Osne Winer  
2116 W. Third St.  
Children: Jennie, Ann, David, Leah, Esther

49. Samuel and Rose Widdes  
1514 W. Superior St.  
Children: William, Ann, Ida



# Participating in the World:

## HISTORY SHAPED OUR LIVES

### WORLD WAR II AND AFTERMATH

The roar of guns is heard intermittently, bombs are raining overhead, with only a hole in the ground for shelter, yet one man chooses that way of life rather than to leave his small group of friends that he learned to love so much.

That man is Raphael H. Levine, formerly of Duluth, who now is the only active rabbi to remain in London, England, since the Nazi aerial invasion of that Island Kingdom.

In a letter received here recently by his brother, J. A. Levine, it was revealed that Rabbi Levine who was to have sailed to America on the liner George Washington late in July, gave his bookage the last day to another person and chose to remain in London and preside over his congregation, whom the rabbi could not bear to leave.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1940*

Pfc. Mayer Stanley Segal, son of Harry Segal is stationed in the 9th Air Force in Germany and playing in bands and shows with top-notch artists. "A few of the boys from the Glenn Miller Band were over and we had a real session until the wee small hours. If ever I've heard terrific musicians, last night was the night.

"A few days ago, the Billy Rose 'Diamond Horseshoe' revue came in and they're working out of our office. Hal McIntyre and band are in Paris and are expected here soon as is the Sinatra-Hope show.

"I'm working a dance job with our 14-piece band, not my regular job,

### *The Soldier's Prayer*

Stay with me, God, the night is dark,  
The night is cold,  
My little spark of courage dies,  
The night is long,  
Be with me God, and make me strong.

I love a game, I love a fight,  
I hate the dark, I love the light,  
I love my child, I love my wife,  
I am no coward, but I love life.

Life, with its change of mood and shade,  
I want to live, I'm not afraid,  
But me and mine are hard to part,  
Oh, unknown God, lift up my heart.

I know that Death is but a door,  
I know what we are fighting for,  
Peace for the kids, our brothers freed,  
A kinder word, a cleaner breed.

I'm but the son my Mother bore,  
A simple man, and nothing more,  
But, God of strength and gentleness,  
Be pleased to make nothing less.

Help me, oh God, when Death is near,  
To mock the haggard face of fear,  
That when I fall—if fall I must,  
My soul will triumph in the dust.

*Found fluttering over the desert on a scrap of paper during the battle of El Agheila on December 14, 1942.  
Author unknown.*

but just pinch-hitting. Our show is still going strong and bookings are plentiful."

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1945*

Claire Buble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Buble, 1002 Hammond Avenue, Superior, has been selected by the War Department Crimes Commission to visit Nuremburg, Germany, to report on the mass murder trials. She will spend at least six months in Germany.

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1945*

Upon his release from the Percy Jones Hospital, Battle Creek, Michigan, Irvin Berkowitz received his honorable discharge. Irvin has the Purple Heart for injuries received while in combat in the South Pacific.

His brother, Cyril, left for Arizona after a furlough at home. From Arizona, Pfc. Cyril will embark to an overseas destination. They are the sons of Mrs. Lillian Berkowitz, Superior.

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1945*

Reports from the Pacific indicated an important role for a Duluthian, Commander G. M. Slonim, who is an interpreter on Admiral Halsey's staff, in talks with Japanese emissaries who were given instructions on the landings of 10,000 marines and blue-jackets last week. Commander Slonim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Slonim, is believed to be on the battleship Missouri. Commander Slonim was U.S. naval attaché in Tokyo before Pearl Harbor.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1945*

"I am ready to go home now any time and don't think it will be long ... Has there been any snow yet? I haven't seen snow for a long time and am tired of the tropics."

*Lieutenant (jg) Harry Greenspan aboard the USS Meade in the Philippines, September 1948*

Under the dynamic leadership of its chairman, Mrs. Sam Golden, the Duluth S.O.S. Committee of the Federation and Community Council successfully completed its first community-wide drive for canned goods and layette materials for Jewish D.P.s still living in the camps of Europe.

More than 75 volunteers—office workers, drivers, helpers, packers, assisted in a house-to-house canvass collecting 6,120 pounds of canned goods consisting of high protein content foods, and 370 pounds of layette items.

The Sewing Committee, chaired by Mrs. Norman Handlovsky has received a supply of flannel and will use the facilities of the Red Cross in preparing additional layette items for shipment overseas. To the volunteers, men, women and youth who graciously left their homes on a blustery, snowy December 5 morning to help in doing this important job, Mrs. Sam Golden wishes to express her very deep appreciation for their cooperation.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1949*

Thirty-four D.P. families, comprising 71 individuals have been resettled in Duluth by United Service for New Americans since termination of World War II. These people were given a new start in life and helped to become self-supporting through funds of Duluth Federation and Community Council. \$8,908 was spent for resettling purposes in 1950.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1951*



The four Oxman boys are now civilians again after four years military service, with a total of 94 months spent overseas. The boys are Lt. Sidney who was with the combat engineers with the Seventh Army and who participated in five major battles and has the Purple Heart for wounds received in action; Sgt. Jerome who spent many months in Teheran and Irania; Sgt. Leo, who was with the personnel department in Italy, and Sgt. David, who was with a station complement squadron at an air service command depot in England. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Oxman.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1946*

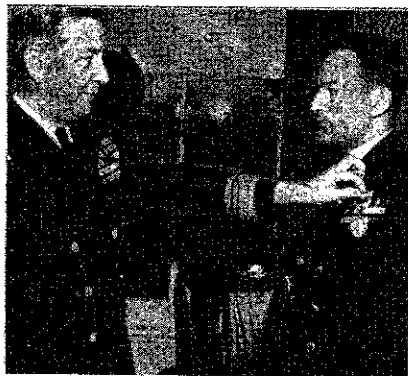
## THE NEW STATE OF ISRAEL

Mrs. Jack B. Kaner of the Superior chapter of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, was a delegate to the national convention at Chicago, October 22 through October 25, at the Stevens Hotel.

"We made an all-out fight for liberation of our suffering brethren in Europe, and for a disposition once and for all of the Palestine problem," Mrs. Kaner stated.

Commander Glenn M. Storch, USN, and Mrs. S. J. Storch, received the Legion of Merit award from Rear Admiral L. T. DuBose at Charleston, South Carolina. The citation was for "exceptional meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service as special intelligence officer on the staff of task commander during the first raid on the Marshall and Gilbert Islands" and a series of Pacific campaigns. Commander Storch is commanding officer of the destroyer Jarvis which is now at Charleston Naval shipyards.

*Jewish Fellowship News, March 1946*



She declared that Hadassah, as part of its effort to assure a maximum of immigration into the Holy Land from Europe, and as "a sign that we mean to be ready for hundreds of thousands of refugees when they do arrive," will accept the largest budget of its history for intensified medical, hospitalization, child welfare, vocational education, land reclamation and youth refugee work.

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1945*

Fly to Israel from Duluth!

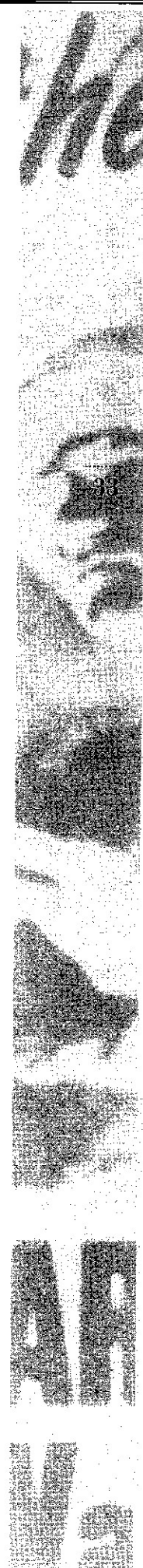
An historic step for Jewry in Duluth and vicinity was taken today with the announcement by the Pantour Travel Agency of flights to Israel by Air France, the French National Airline.

Every effort will be made to make these flights the most memorable and eventful in the lives of the passengers. The Air France trip to Israel in a luxury Golden Comet Constellation makes it possible for Duluthians and others from the region to travel together to the Jewish State.

The Air France overnight hop is swift, comfortable and luxurious in a pressurized cabin. After a few days in Paris, passengers proceed to Israel on an 11-1/2 hour flight.

In Palestine, the visitor is miraculously transported into a land of miracles, where the heroic young men and women fought and won their independence to bring to a reality 2,000 years of Jewish dreams and prayers for the restoration of Zion. To witness personally the scenes of the late war, the reconstruction, the building of new settlements, the integration of tens of thousands of refugees, the building of a new Jewish nation is a sight every Jew desires to see for himself.

The round trip from New York to



Haifa and return is \$952.75. It is estimated that a three week trip from Duluth to Israel, including travel from Duluth to New York and return, a stopover of a few days in Paris, hotels and meals and travel in Israel will cost in the neighborhood of \$1,500.00—everything first-class. Arrangements can be made at the Pantour Travel Agency, 426 West Superior Street in Duluth.

*Jewish Fellowship News, February 1949*

Life is about to be made a little brighter through the efforts of a Duluthian for an Israeli taxi driver who not only lost his three children in the recent Palestine War, but also his cab.

The heavy hearted individual is Sam Kaluzner, Rambamstreet 28, Jerusalem. He doesn't know it yet, but a seven-passenger limousine purchased here by Abe Bloomenson, Duluth businessman, is on its way to Kaluzner's front door right now.

Kaluzner's cab was confiscated for military purposes by his government in the recent emergency. What happened to it never became known.

Bloomenson plans to check personally in several months on how Kaluzner is doing piloting his cab around Jerusalem's streets. The Duluthian will go to Israel in December where, as head of a New York foundation, he will inspect planning and erection of a housing project in Givat Avraham Peretz, Tivon.

*Jewish Fellowship News, August 1949*

A seven-passenger limousine which will go to a cabless Israeli taxi driver and Abe Bloomenson, Duluth, who obtained the car for overseas shipment.



*Herald staff photo*



Mrs. Joseph E. Gershgol, president of Duluth's chapter of Hadassah in 1945, attended a crucial Hadassah convention in Chicago where delegates organized aid for Jewish refugees in Europe.

*Jewish Fellowship News, November 1945*

Duluth makes \$50,000 bank loan for UJA. Following the lead of other communities in the country Duluth Jewry again showed its understanding of the emergency needs of Israel.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1951*

## SUPPORT FOR SOVIET JEWS

About 120 persons, including Duluth Mayor Ben Boo, took part in a rally to protest the treatment of Soviet Jews and particularly a recent trial of 11 persons on charges of attempting to hijack a plane.

The rally at the Jewish Educational Center on December 30 was sponsored by the Temple Israel Youth Group and the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation and Community Council.

Presenting the program at the rally were Bill Abrams, president of the Youth Group; Jon Kane, Len Garber, Louis Kempinsky, and Dave Singer.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1971*

Eleven Duluthians joined more than 200,000 fellow Jews from across the nation on December 6 in Washington, D.C. at a rally for Soviet Jewry. The goal of the Summit Mobilization was to ensure that the issue was high on the summit agenda, second only to arms control. It was a galvanizing, peaceful demonstration, challenging Gorbachev and the Soviets, as Elie Wiesel did, to tear down the Soviet barriers to peace and the right to emigrate. Wiesel eloquently responded to the Soviet leader's charge of Jewish emigration as a "brain drain" by asking, "What do you intend to do, Mr. Gorbachev, imprison human brains?"

Duluthians who attended were: Steve Davis, Kitty Altman, Aaron and Marla Eisenberg, Jane and Renee Fisher, Shirley Garber, Meiera Holz, Rabbi Anthony Holz, Debbie Seiler, and Paul Zaslasky.

*Jewish Fellowship News, January 1988*

The Twin Ports Jewish community will be enriched by the arrival of three new families in the coming months. These Soviet Jewish families will be benefactors of a groundswell of local support that is truly impressive. This resettlement initiative is a cooperative venture amongst Temple Beth El, Adas Israel, Temple Israel and the Twin Ports Jewish Federation.

*Jewish Fellowship News, May-June 1990*

We have sponsored and helped settle 31 Jewish refugees from the U.S.S.R. How proud we feel! Those who have helped these families have received much nachus, and even more, a feeling of fulfilling the true mitzvah of Tzedakah!

*Jewish Fellowship News, October 1994*

# Call to Arms



## HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR II

Following are Jewish area residents who served in World War II, most of whom appeared in the Jewish Fellowship News. A list of those not pictured appears on the following pages. We regret any errors or omissions.



Abram, William E.



Abramson, L. F.



Abramson, William



Adelson, Arthur



Adelson, Charles



Altman, Irving



Ansell, Archie



Ansell, Barton



Ansell, David



Arnovich, Hyman



Arnovich, Morris



Aronshon, David M.



Averbook, Beryl



Averbook, Nathan



Averbook, Phyllis



Azine, Harold



Barkeovich, Leo



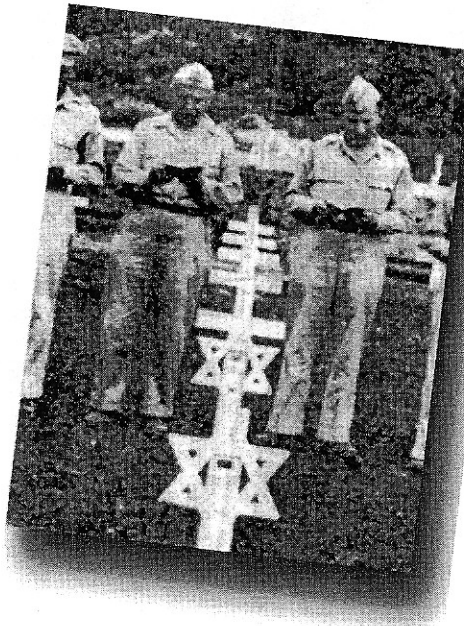
Bear, Harry



Bergal, Harry



Berger, Robert O.



Berger, Theodore D.



Bergher, Alfred



Bergher, Newton



Bergstein, Sherman



Berkowitz, Irwin



Berkowitz, Kenneth



Bergal, Phil



Berman, Isadore



Binder, Ben



Binder, Jerry



Bindler, Nathan



Blustin, Harold



Blustin, Robert L.



Bergal, Bernard



Borken, David



Braverman, Nathan J.



Brizer, Ben



Brizer, Joe



Bruzonsky, Charles



Bruzonsky, Gordon



Bubley, Stanley



Camenker, Norman



Chessen, James



Chucker, Ben



Cohen, Ben F.



Cohen, Charles S.



Cohen, Edward



Cohen, Gordon



Cohen, Hymie B.



Cohen, Isadore



Cohen, Jacob



Cohen, Leo



Cohen, Martin



Cohen, Sherman



Cohen, Sylvia



Cohn, Clarence



Cohn, Dale



Cohn, Eugene



Cohn, Robert M.



Cohn, Stanley



Covet, Sherman



Cowan, Geo. M.



Davis, Alvin



Davis, Arthur



Davis, Benjamin D.



Davis, Benje.



Davis, Edward A.



Davis, Harry J.



Davis, Lionel



Davis, Melvin



Davis, Paul



Davis, Saul



Davis, Stanley



Davis, Yale B.



Edelstein, Alvin



Edelstein, Julius



Edelstein, Phil



Evans, Sherman



Fergal, Lester



Finkelstein, D.E.



Finkelstein, Harold L.



Finkelstein, Manuel



Finkelstein, S.H.



Fleissner, Harold



Fostoff, Harold



Friedman, Marvin



Friedman, Rolland



Frumes, Theodore

Captain Robert Goldish, right, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Goldish, 219 East Third Street, has received a commendation from President Elpidio Quirino of the Republic of the Philippines for flying with pilot John A. Price, left, to the rescue of two Philippine air force pilots who had crash landed in wooded, swampland of Mt. Arayat last September 24. The citation, in part, declared his "fearless determined and timely role in the rescue constituted an act of heroism."

Duluth Herald, January 2, 1949



Gallop, Charles



Gallop, Marvin



Garen, Harry



Cohen, Harold



Myzel, Phil



Gershgol, Harry E.

**Names of Servicemen and Women  
Not Pictured**

Abrams, Sara	Bergher, Alfred
Abrams, Richard	Berkowitz, Kenneth
Abramson, Palmer	Bernstein, George
Adelson, Harry	Bernstein, Harold
Adelson, Sidney	Bernstein, Rolland
Altman, Alan	Bloom, Henry
Altman, Milton	Brody, Berthold
Altman, Ralph	Camenker, Norman
Altman, Richard	Chersonsky, Harry
Apple, William	Chessen, Ben
Astrin, Jack	Cohen, Albert
Azine, Harold	Cohen, Arnold
Astrinsky, Aleck	Cohen, Harry
Bennett, Raymond	Cohen, Lewis
Berdie, John	Cohen, Marvin
Berdie, Ralph	Cohen, Morris
Berg, Edward	Cohen, Stanley
Bergal, Bernard	Cohen, Vivian

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Gallop, Robert G.



Gallop, Sammy



Garwitz, Bertram K.



Gendein, Harold



Goldberg, Charles



Goldberg, Harold



Goldberg, Hyman



Goldberg, Isadore



Goldberg, Marvin



Goldberg, Sam



Goldfarb, Harry



Goldfarb, Joe



Goldfine, Alec



Goldfine, Erwin



Goldfine, George



Goldfine, H.



Goldfine, Henry



Goldfine, Joe



Goldfine, Louis



Goldfine, Robert



Goldman, Laurence



Goldsmith, C.





Green, James



Greenblatt, J.



Greenspan, Harry



Greenspan, Irving



Greenspan, Murray



Greenspan, Nathan



Gurovitch, Arthur



Harris, Arthur



Harris, Gerald



Harris, Sherman



Heller, Arthur



Heller, Charles



Heller, Henry



Holzberg, Kenneth



Horowitz, Nathan M.



Kadosovitz, Laurance



Kamens, Isadore E.



Kane, Al



Kaner, Arnold



Kaner, Seth



Kaner, Sidney E.



Kaner, Wm.



Kanter, Robert



Karsner, Fred



Kenner, A.C.



Kernes, Stanley



Klasky, Philip



Kohen, Wilbur



King, Joseph



King, Sam



Kovel, Cecil



Kovel, Jeanette



Krovitz, Ruth



Kreiman, Melvin



Krovitz, Sam



Krupp, Fred



Laskin, Sidney G.



Rosenberg, Morrie

Cook, Erwin  
 Daneiko, Norman  
 Davidson, Melvin  
 Davis, Daniel  
 Davis, Ernest  
 Davis, Ben David  
 Eisenberg, Herbert  
 Elovitch, Morton  
 Evans, Howard  
 Evans, Sherman  
 Fein, Jack  
 Felsenberg,  
 Lawrence  
 Fieldman, Aaron  
 Fieldman, Dolf  
 Finkelstein, Harold  
 Finkelstein, Manuel  
 Finsky, Gerald  
 Freed, Michael  
 Friedman, Melvin  
 Friedman, Morris  
 Freimuth, Donald

Freimuth, Paul  
 Gallop, Melvin  
 Garish, Paul  
 Garon, Sherman  
 Garon, Sidney  
 Garnett, Sherman  
 Giberstadt, Sheldon  
 Ginsberg, Mason  
 Golden, Harry  
 Golden, Julien  
 Golden, Phil  
 Goldish, Robert  
 Goldfine, Abe  
 Goldman, Lawrence  
 Goodfriend, Nathan  
 Goodman, Edward  
 Gordon, Nathan  
 Gorwitz, Bertram  
 Green, Louis  
 Green, Sam  
 Greene, Nathaniel

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Krovitz, Maurice



Krovitz, Hime



Krupp, Marvin R.



Laden, Esther



Laurie, Geo.



Laurie, Louis



Laurie, Sam



Lavich, Donald H.



Lavine, Max



Lee, Robert



Lenchner, Simon



Lent, Sherman



Levine, Betti



Levine, Benny



Levine, Clarence S.



Levine, Mickey



Levine, Morris



Levine, Robert



Levine, Wm



Levine, Yale



Levinson, Chap. Burto E.



Levinson, Sherman



Lieberman, Abbot



Liebowitz, Dave



Lindeke, Harold



Litman, Herman



Litman, Hyman



Litman, Jack



Litman, Norman



Litman, S.J.



Loewus, Frank A.



Loewus, James D.



London, Conrad E.



London, Mickey S.



London, Morris



London, Nathan



London, Sam



Long, Sherman



Markell, Herman



Markell, Irving A.

Gudell, William  
 Handloosky, Herman  
 Heyman, Lee  
 Hunter, Reuben  
 Kall, Edward  
 Kall, Louis  
 Kaner, Melvin  
 Kaner, Seth  
 Kaner, Sidney  
 Kaplan, Carl  
 Kaplan, John  
 Kaplan, Harry  
 Kazen, David  
 Kazen, Maurice  
 Keil, Sam  
 Kenner, Gerald  
 Kenner, Robert  
 King, Michael  
 Kirsch, Alex  
 Klasky, Lyle  
 Kassmir, Gerald  
 Krupp, Ralph

Laden, Esther  
 Langworthy, Robert  
 Lees, Aaron  
 Lees, Rose  
 Leiberman, Joseph  
 Leiberman, Renee  
 Lent, Morton  
 Levenson, Ben  
 Levine, Byron  
 Levine, Edward  
 Levine, Gladys  
 Levine, Morton  
 Levine, Norman  
 Levine, Orrin  
 Levine, Rosalie  
 Levine, Stanley  
 Levinson, Sidney  
 Lindeke, Merton  
 Litman, Merle  
 London, Marvin  
 Love, David

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Meltz, Morris



Milavetz, Lloyd



Myzel, Ben



Naymark, Sherman



Niskin, Stanley D.



Oreck, David L.



Oreck, Jack H.



Oxman, David



Oxman, Sidney



Passon, Ted



Pearl, Albert



Pearl, Gerald



Pearl, Sherman



Plotkin, Abe



Plotkin, Arthur



Polin, Arthur



Popkin, Lewis C.



Prinz, Cecil



Randy, Warren



Rocklin, Mitchell



Rose, Milton & Irving



Rosenberg, Harvey



Rosenthal, Ben



Rudolph, Burton



Samuels, Herb



Sander, Howard H.



Schneider, Irving D.



Segal, Harold



Segal, Robert



Siegel, Jay



Shablott, Sam



Shark, Leonard L.



Sher, Abott J.



Sher, Alvin



Sher, Irving



Sher, Jerry



Sher, Peyton



Shusterman, F.



Shusterman, Sam



Sigler, Benjamin



Slafer, Joe



Solon, Harvey



Stein, Ben



Stewart, George



Stewart, Irvin



Stewart, Marvin



Stewart, Sylvia

Robert "Buddy" Blustin receiving the Silver Star from General Anthony McAliff.



Stulberg, Melvin P.



Sukov, Marvin



Taran, David



Taran, Frank



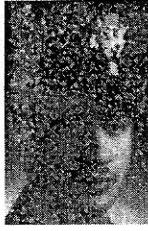
Tulman, Norman



Vertelney, George S.



Vogel, H.



Vogel, Sam



Walt, Ethel E.



Walt, James



Webber, Irving



Weinberg, Abe



Weinberg, Elliot



Weiner, Ben



Widdes, Ted



Winner, Arnold



Winthrop, Edward



Witkin, Harold



Weisberg, Jack



Weiss, Lawrence

Love, Godfrey  
 Love, Hyman  
 Mark, Roberta  
 Mattenson, Max  
 Melamed, Eli  
 Meltz, Ben  
 Meltz, Harry  
 Meltz, Joe  
 Moshen, Joseph  
 Oreck, Stanley  
 Oxman, Leo  
 Oxman, Jerome  
 Passon, Lou  
 Passon, Walter  
 Pegler, Leonard  
 Pegler, Marvin  
 Pollack, Earl  
 Popkin, Henry  
 Reiss, Louis  
 Reskin, Mitchell  
 Rocklin, Henry  
 Rosenberg, Harvey  
 Rosenberg, Irving  
 Rosenberg, Morris  
 Sacks, Robert  
 Sacks, William  
 Schneider, Arnold  
 Schneiderman, Max  
 Schwartz, David  
 Segal, Stanley  
 Seiler, Jerome  
 Shamblott, Max  
 Shapiro, Leo  
 Shapiro, Myron  
 Shapiro, Harold  
 Shapiro, Morris  
 Sher, Gerald

Sher, Irving  
 Sher, Peyton  
 Siegel, Howard  
 Silberman, Bert  
 Simon, Jerome  
 Singer, Gordon  
 Slonim, Alvin  
 Slonim, Edward  
 Slonim, Gilven  
 Smith, Abe  
 Snell, Raymond  
 Soboloff, Hymie  
 Sonosky, Jack  
 Steinberg, Edward  
 Tessler, Harry  
 Tessler, Nate  
 Toback, George  
 Vertelney, Renee  
 Vertelney, Ruth  
 Vogel, Bernie  
 Weinberg, Alfred  
 Weinberg, Robert  
 Weisberg, Jack  
 Widdes, Getchell  
 Wine, Daniel  
 Wine, David  
 Winner, Arnold  
 Winner, Byron  
 Wolfe, Lawrence  
 Zalk, Allan  
 Zalk, Charles  
 Zaslowsky, Solomon  
 Zien, James  
 Zien, Milton  
 Zimmerman, Robert  
 Zolonz, Morris



Witkin, Max



Zimmerman, Max



Zimmerman, Paul



Zein, Milton



Kohn, Wilbur



Slonim, Edward



Taran, Oscar



Azuz, Marvin



Eisenberg, Irving



Eisenberg, Louis

## MORE SLABOTKA SPECIALS

Have you heard of the "Gay Cock Inn?" No, it isn't a tavern, although a dozen farmers stopped there for a glass of beer. It isn't a nightclub, even though the place is lit up so you can see it for some distance. The Gay Cock Inn, located fifteen miles from the city on Farfal Boulevard, is the summer cottage of Herbert Samuels. After a visit to this summer home, with its rock garden, raspberry patches, beautiful lake, virgin trees, four holes of golf, and the wild flowers strewn on beautiful Farfal Boulevard, one can really say they have seen nature at its fullest.

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From Schmulke the Stork comes this hot news: It seems that Dave Seltzer is courting Elka Cohen. If they marry, she would be called Elka Seltzer! What a Fizz ...

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From our crystal gazer in Klane-Schnipeschik comes the prediction that early in 1940, Herr Hitler will be hung by the Nazis.

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When one of the local pastors was informed that his salary had been increased by \$200, he replied: "I refuse to accept it. I've enough trouble already trying to collect my present salary."

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Oh no! Bella B. is not bowlegged. It's only the result of her daring ride on the old plug during the sleigh ride.



Part of the Duluth group attending the Workmen's Circle parley in Minneapolis are: clockwise Mrs. Henry Schraber, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Baresh, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bergal, Oscar Gordon and Mrs. Max Goldfarb.

*Jewish Fellowship News, September 1960*

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When asked to name the place of refuge for stragglers in Duluth during a recent quiz held at a Jewish Fellowship Club meeting, one of the members replied, "The Reck." Asked to name a Jewish opera, a member answered "Abie's Irish Rose."

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It was 2 o'clock in the morning,  
And a goodly crowd was there (five people),  
Watching Nate Bindler directing,  
While the music was filling (fouling) the air.  
Along came two young maidens,  
The music they stopped to hear,  
Sung by Naty, Juji and Jo-Jo,  
Who were heavily laden with beer.

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Our annual detective story, or paging Mr. Moto. When Herbie Samuels came home to sleep in the wee hours one morning, (which is nothing unusual as he does come home to sleep occasionally) he was about to get into his bed, (which also is not unusual as he has his own bed) he was a much surprised man. While lifting the cover before getting in, (which he always does to keep warm) what do you think happened? A strange man was lying in his bed staring right back at him! One look and our Herbie, bleary-eyed and astonished, meekly said, "Excuse me, please." and darted out where he spent the remainder of the night at Harry Garon's.

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Mrs. Herb Samuels, Mrs. Y. B. Davis and Mrs. Norman Camenker were among the sixteen charming models in the Spring Style Show presented by the Duluth section of the National Council of Jewish Women held at The Flame on March 16, 1961.

*Jewish Fellowship News, April 1961*

Everyone had a wonderful time at the 37th annual Sarah Karon Auxiliary dinner, even though Mrs. Berger had to be bribed with a little schnappsel to move over a bit and make room for Abe Karon, president of the synagogue.

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"I would have enjoyed the lecture at the Jewish Fellowship Club much more if I had had a sandwich and a pillow," said a member after listening to the last out-of-town speaker.

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The great Jewish Fellowship Club Festival is over, and was successful, especially for some sixty persons who brought home some of the very beautiful and expensive prizes. Among the prizes: one bushel basket of groceries won by Mrs. J. Gershgol, which was donated by the Gershgol Economy Market. The Gurovitsch family didn't do so badly either. This is what they walked off with: Mr. Ben Gurovitsch, one table; Robert (Nick) Gurovitsch, one mix master, and

Robert's sister, Mrs. Florence Jaffe, one bushel basket of groceries.

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One for the books is the ribbing Harry Segal is getting at the Covenant Club as the result of losing four out of six aces in a pinochle

game. Harry will never get over that deal.

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In presenting the Cantor Pierre Pinchik concert, the Jewish Fellowship Club at last hit the jackpot. A record crowd was present to hear his golden voice that will long be remembered here, especially by Jack Meyers, who was so overcome by Cantor Pinchik's beautiful songs that it took Mr. Meyers and an assistant a good part of the evening's program just wiping the beads of perspiration from his teeming forehead.

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When Ben Myzel was told to beware of the "Ides of March," Ben just laughed and laughed. "Why should that concern me?" Then came March 15, and with it a terrific

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wind that blew and blew until it blew three large plate glass windows from the Woodland Grocery. When Ben was informed of this unfortunate event, he ran into a wicked snow bank and froze half his face. While thawing out his frozen cheek near the store's radiator, he fell asleep and awoke the following morning with a tortured back that kept him on the mattress for six days. "Yes," said Ben, "there must be something to that Ides of March."

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Approaching an old-timer with a ticket for the Pinchik concert, our correspondent received this retort: "Pinchik, Schminchik, only yesterday I see Pinchik with his horse and sleigh, and today you tell me he is a cantor." (The elderly gentleman was referring to L. E. Pinchik of East Seventh Street.)

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Mr. and Mrs. Herb Davis really showed up the younger set when it came to doing the rumba during the Purim Ball in Hotel Duluth.



Shirley Garber and Kevin Deutsch, chief cooks for the annual Mission Christmas dinner. *Jewish Fellowship News, January 1988*



Ben Overman reminisces about Oscar Wine, operator of a small tailor shop. Overman was soliciting pledges for the Jewish Federation. "As I walked into that tiny store," he relates, "Wine said to me, 'I know what you're here for. You folks are doing a good job and I'm going to pledge \$500.'" I said, "I'm not going to let you do this. I won't accept that kind of pledge from you because you have to press 1,000 trousers at 50 cents a piece to take in \$500. But he wouldn't hear of that. He insisted on making the pledge anyway and, of course, he paid it. Later he even made me a nice fur cap. He said it was in gratitude for 'you American boys going around collecting money to help other Jews.'" —W. E.

*Jewish Fellowship News, 1985*

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From Pinsk, Dvinsk and Minsk on Klein Schnipeshik, we bring greetings to Mr. Herschel Samuels from his old pals Itzik, the baker and Mendel, the faker. Special regards to Jack Meyers comes from Isonlikele, the smorkatz and from Lazer, the goniff, they will never forget the old times in Rachameal's pear orchard.

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Can you imagine a guy setting his alarm clock for 7:30 a.m. and getting up promptly at 7:00 a.m. daily so he can shut the alarm off before it rings? Well, Harry Karon has been doing it for years.

Have you tried Gin Rummy? No, it isn't a drink, although very intoxicating. Gin Rummy is the latest card game being played in the Covenant Club, at which Sam (Buick) King and Harry Altman are masters.

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Be it known to the people of this community that the Philip Myzel who so recently made such a hit with the local girls and won their hearts with his heavenly dancing, is the Philip Myzel of Gloversville, New York, a cousin of Philip (Motke) Myzel of this fair city. Since Phil left for Gloversville, our local Philip has received many phone calls for dates.

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Mrs. Jennie Horwitz, operator of the Horwitz Market, opened in 1926, is shown in this 1971 photo just before the closing of the small corner store that served three generations. *Jewish Fellowship News, November 1971*

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Shown are members of the Jewish Women's Club who led the very successful fund-raiser for "Hadassah." From left to right: Mrs. Melvin Gallop, Charlotte Jacobson (New York representative of Hadassah), Mrs. Dave Pollack and Mrs. Philp Myzel.

Sylvester Laskin, Abe Garon, and Morris (Doc) Passon decided to take a motor trip to California. Came the dawn and the three happy men started on their eventful trip in their trusted "Fairy Blue." It was a beautiful trip until the three got to Nevada, and from there on, not so beautiful, but plenty of events. First, bang, a flat tire. Several miles later, bang, another flat tire. Then came the great desert before California, and their car began to drink water something terrific. About 30 miles before California, their car, seemingly fatigued from the hot sun and burning sands, gave one weird bellow, and collapsed. Upon close inspection by our three vacationers, it was discovered that the main part of the motor was burned out. And so, after being towed to California at a cost of not less than 30 bucks, the boys finally traded their "Fairy Blue" for a more sturdy vehicle. Upon their arrival home, it was revealed that during their first week in California, little Dan Cupid scored with the announced engagement of Sylvester Laskin to Betty Cornfeldt of Los Angeles. WHAT A TRIP!

Is this the Fair Deal Grocery?"

"Yes," replied Mandy Racklin.

"Well, this is Mrs. Sidney Karon. You sent me 11 oranges, but I ordered a dozen."

"Yes," said Mandy. "One orange was bad and I threw it out."

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The eyes have it. Joe King ain't talk-

ing about how he acquired that deep red hue over his right eye, but with one eye a light blue, the other a deep red, his fair complexion and his auburn hair, Joe is truly a colorful man these days.

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When three young men decide to take a vacation together, something is bound to happen. And so

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An unusual program, a radio broadcast of world current events, was featured at the last B'nai B'rith meeting. The members were mystified when the program began and were trying to figure out where the voices came from, until Counselor Sidney Kaner spoke his piece. His voice was recognized and it was soon discovered that the broadcast came from the basement of the Talmud Torah. Other speakers who participated were Bob Karon, Charlie Oreckovsky and Leon Simon.

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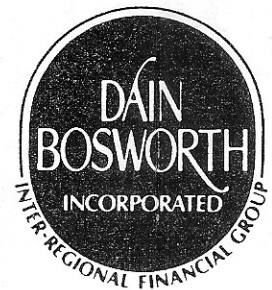
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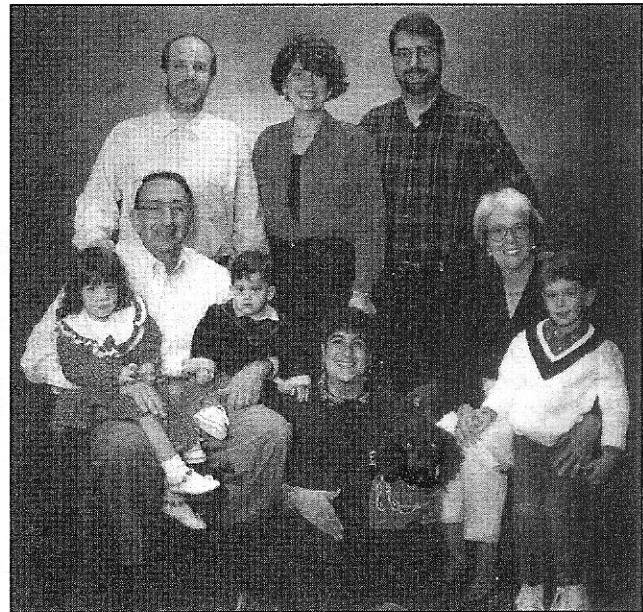
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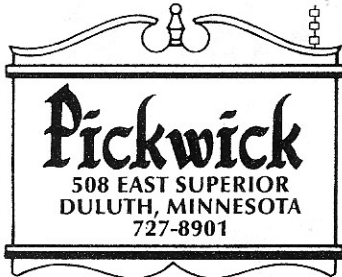
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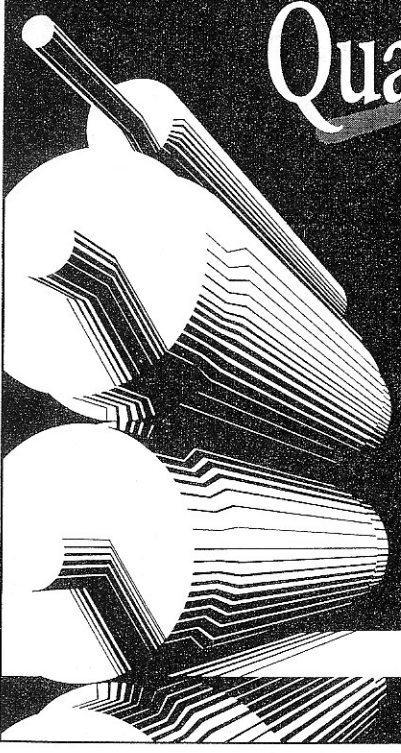
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