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STUDENTS SPONSOR DRIVE

LOAN FUND LEADER ISSUES MESSAGE

As a sort of respite between the busied organization of Hillel and the oncoming of the end of the semester, we have the Loan Fund Drive. The facts and inducements that make the appeal in such a drive personal and effective are being distributed through avenues other than this. We are certain that the intrinsic worth of the undertaking is patent on the face of it, that there is a need which calls for direct disposal by just the sort of Jewish organization that we are. There remains but to generate the requisite attitude.

All of the drive's reliable assets have been realized before the venture has begun. There are the needy students, the demands for funds already received, in fine, the digestible truths of the matter which need neither vanguard nor adornment. What remains to be drawn out are the potentialities, the uncertain qualities in the form of spirit and response. The drive is different because it adds to its roster the spirit of Jewishness, which, fully educed, is that of humanness. Are we to find our premises verified? Cannot each one of us find more justification than the mere act of giving? Our answer is to be found in our personal evaluations of worth-while human modes of action.

STUDENT COUNCIL IN ACTION

Hillel work is in full sway and is making rapid progress, if one may take the various committee reports as any criterion. These committee reports are made at the bi-monthly meeting of the student council, composed of the chairman and sub-chairman of each committee.

The student council, which has full control of all Hillel activities and policies, has organized itself as follows: Wendell Phillips, '28, president; Rosetta Kahn '28, vice-president; Gertrude Heskins '29, secretary; Robert Rothschild '29, treasurer. A special committee, of which John Gorfinkel is chairman, is drawing up a constitution for the council.

Following are the committees organized under the student council:

Dramatics Committee: Alice Kagan, chairman; Miriam Davidson, sub-chairman; Nina Marcus, Tillie Brown, Julia Scheib-

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LEADERS OF HILLEL



Wendell Phillips, President



Rosetta Kahn, Vice-President

BANQUET FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PHI BETA KAPPA HONORS

Paul Joseph Woolf, David Goldshur, Bella Switzky, and Samuel I. Jacobs were elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honor society.

MRS. HENRY HARRIS RELATES TRAVELS

Mrs. Henry Harris spoke at the Zionist Education meeting Sunday evening, November 6, at 7:15 o'clock. Her talk was on the benefits of Hadassah in Palestine in particular, and her trip in general. The program was arranged by Norine Weinstein. David Ruby was chairman of the meeting.

Have You Contributed to the Student
Loan Fund?

Prominent Guests Speakers

Thursday evening, October 13, seventy-three members of Hillel Foundation committees were guests of the Foundation at a banquet given in the Hillel House. In addition to committee members the following were present as guests of honor: Rabbi Rudolph I. Coffee, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gudstadt, Mrs. H. P. Getleson, Rabbi and Mrs. Louis I. Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Perstein, Professor William Popper, Professor Max Radin, Miss Frances Lewenthal, and Rabbi and Mrs. B. B. Goldstein.

Rabbi Benjamin Goldstein in the opening address welcomed the guests and summed up the purposes of the Hillel Foundation at the University of California. Rabbi Goldstein stated that the Hillel Foundation did not come to the University with a pre-arranged program, but that it offered the students a medium through which they

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The Hillel Bulletin

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Student Loan Drive

A new enterprise has been inaugurated by the students of the Hillel Foundation. A student loan drive has started which will aim to collect a quota of five hundred dollars. This money is intended to form the nucleus of an ever-growing perpetual fund which is designed to be accessible to those students who wish to make a loan in times of emergency and need. This loan will not duplicate other sources of aid connected with the University at large. The main purpose of the Hillel fund is to provide a means for making a small loan for a short period, or an emergency loan, small or otherwise, in particular cases.

The novel feature of this drive is that the entire fund is to come from the students only. There will be no requests for off-campus donations. This is going to be YOUR FUND. YOURS to raise, and yours to loan.

You agree that the establishment of such a fund is desirable. You also concede that the art of contributing to worthy causes is a valuable trait for one to develop. Therefore, the obvious conclusion need not be drawn—you are going to contribute. The amount you give is not the important issue—the act of all contributing something, be that sum small or large, is the factor concerned in making this drive a huge success.

Get Acquainted

Open house teas are weekly affairs held at the Fountain. Here is an opportunity for the students to meet each other for an hour of friendliness and sociability. There should be a spirit of informality on such occasions. The purpose of these teas is to make it possible for Jewish students to become acquainted. If you are interested in other students attend the Open House and introduce yourselves, if there is no one there to introduce you.

The work of Hillel Foundation is carried on by the students themselves. Activities are created to fulfill the students' needs. If there is no need for having a means of informal social contact there is no necessity for continuing the provision for it.

BOOK REVIEWS

CASTE

BY COSMO HAMILTON

Puppets playing tragically with two age old problems, that of race and that of youth, present their lines upon a stage of print, and, having said—just exactly nothing, are pulled off again by their creator to the tune of self-satisfaction and complacency at having solved a weighty question in a most excellent fashion. That is "Caste", just another novel fresh from the machine which is Cosmo Hamilton's mind—that machine which turns out novels at so many per year, like all good factory made commodities.

The puppets are Hamilton's usual stock types, men and women of America's "four hundred." In the first half of the book, they, or rather the two representing them, are overwhelmed by the revolt of modern youth. The suave, highly polished, and muchly bored Farquhar—Cosmo Hamilton surely meant Lew Cody—is obliged to leave his pleasant mistress and delightful Italian villa, and rush to the New York apartment of the brilliant and lovely Mrs. Farquhar, his wife in name alone, there to assume the belated role of father to their point contribution to the Jazz age—the captivating Jean.

In the meantime, Jean, the first lady of the universe as far as she is concerned, considering that her parents have made a mess of their lives, has calmly betaken herself to London, to work out the meaning of her own existence, far from the madding crowd of family, friends, and fiancée.

No sooner has he convinced his characters that after all, the modern generation is the finest that has appeared in this world thus far, (it seems to be quite the fashion to eulogise upon this subject just now) than Hamilton plunges into another weighty matter. That perfect egotist, the imperturbable Jean, falls in love with a musician, and horror upon horrors, the man is a Jew! A gentleman of the finest caste, it is true, and an incomparable musician, but oh, a Jew—how perfectly impossible!

Thus the ancient problem arises. Can Jew and Gentile ever mingle and marry freely, alike unconscious of the barrier of race? "No," says Cosmo Hamilton, "though they be the picked flower of each race."

To the unthinking throng of humanity, his reasoning would seem infallible, for "Caste" is a superficial study for the superficial reader. His situations are real, conditions are as he pictures them, Jews do think as Lorbenstein does and Christians do believe as Jean's friends and relatives believe, but oh, that has all been said so many, many times before. We know his very words before he utters them. Platitudes are boring and the book is a mass of platitudes.

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.. DRAMATICS ..

Both comedy and tragedy will compose the repertoire of the Hillel dramatics group this semester, Arnold Bennet's farce, "The Stepmother" and David Pinsky's more serious play of Jewish life, "Forgotten Souls" having already been chosen for production, according to Alice Kagan, chairman of the group.

As a result of tryouts held during the past week, the following casts were selected by Frances Lewinthal, assistant director of the Hillel Foundation, and Miss Kagan. In "The Stepmother", Rosalie Hein will play Christine; Margaret Deutsch, Mrs. Prout; Bertram Edises, Adrian; and either David Goldsheen or Maltos Ish-Kishor, Dr. Gardner. In "Forgotten Souls" Gven Harris will take the part of Fanny Segal; Rosa Shuser, that of Lizzie; and Jack Silver, that of Hintes.

Rehearsal has already begun on these plays, under the direction of Frances Lewinthal and it is expected that they will be ready for presentation within a short time, stated the chairman of the group. Thus far, a definite date for either presentation has not been set.

The dramatics group is composed of Jewish students who are interested in both acting and dramatic technique. Many of them have had experience in the Little Theater organization on the campus and in other outside dramatic fields, although former experience is not necessary to take part in the Hillel work, according to Alice Kagan. Besides the chairman, the members of the committee are Nina Marcus, Tillie Brown, Julia Sheibner, Rosa Shuser, Mathos Ish-Kishor, Harold Wolff, and Charles Lipson.

"JAZZ SINGER" READ

"Jazz Singer" was given as a dramatic reading by Leo Cooper Thursday evening, November 3, at 7:30 o'clock. The play ran for two years on a New York stage and one year in Chicago.

THAT MAN HEINE

Lewis Browne has made a valuable addition to that regrettably small group of works in the English language concerned with Heinrich Heine. A scholarship permeates the book that rings with an authenticity that is beyond dispute.

Mr. Browne's biography is a tightly-knit affair both factually and analytically. The development of Heine is set forth clearly, and the reader follows this suavely constructed pattern with a growing comprehension of the conflicting threads that make up the warp and woof of the poet's restless days.

It is both interesting and instructive to read this volume on the life of a Jew, written by one of the prominent Jewish authors of today.

SECOND OPEN FORUM TO BE HELD IN NEAR FUTURE

As evidenced by the work which it has already done and by the plans which are now under way, the committee on open forum discussion is to prove itself to be one of the most active and valuable constituents of our Hillel organization.

On the committee are the following members: Barbara Hirschler, chairman; Sanford Goldner, sub-chairman; Herbert Levy, Stanley Breyer, Ruth Popper, Ruth Samuelson and Betty Lantin. They have been chosen because of their interest in such work and their ability and we may expect very satisfactory results from their efforts.

Open forum discussion is rapidly being accepted, both on and off the campus, as the logical method of debating moot topics in all democratic organizations such as are found in this country. It is logical because its use is based on the fundamental principles of liberty of thought and speech and upon the fact that a representative group is brought together, which allows all sides of a subject to be presented and thus broadens one's viewpoint. It is believed that giving the students the opportunity for public self-expression is one of the important functions of the foundation. Open discussion will also aid in the dissemination of the facts which it is the purpose of the foundation to present and in return will allow the sponsors of the Hillel Foundation to obtain the students' opinions and reactions.

S. F. STUDENTS WIN HONORS

The students from San Francisco who have been selected among the Honor students from the list of Juniors and Seniors who have maintained a scholarship of at least a "B" average in their University work are:

Lester David Abram, Daniel E. Berg, Frances Berkowitz, Marian B. Block, Claire J. Blumlein, William B. Cherin, Samuel Cohen, Madeline L. Goldsmith, Louis H. Heilbron, John S. Hirschfelder, Herbert A. Levy, Peter P. Manjos, Herbert H. Mensing, Helen I. Mersing, Leo Rothenberg, Robert Rothschild, and Evelyn Trauner.

OPEN HOUSE

Open House was held at the Hillel Foundation in the afternoon of Oct. 18. Punch and cookies were served and there were bridge tables for those who cared to play. Eudice Lindsey was in charge of the arrangements.

Dancing is to be inaugurated at the Open House, Tuesday, November 8.

MENORAH MEETINGS

The second Menorah paper of the semester was read Sunday night, Oct. 16, by Ezra Gotthelf '28. The subject of Gotthelf's paper was "Rashi and his Times."

Rashi, according to Gotthelf, was a French Rabbi of the 12th century, who wrote extensive commentaries on the Old Testament and on the Talmud. His home at Troyes became a center of Jewish scholarship and lore.

Gotthelf prefaced his remarks by saying: "Although I generally suppose that religions, as masses of antique superstition, have no right to survival, in an educated world, the cultures to which they have given birth and the lore and learning which have grown up with them, have still much interest for us from a poetical, mythological, and perhaps metaphysical, point of view."

The works of Rashi, he pointed out, are replete with such matter. Using his own translation of Rashi, he quoted examples of poetical and mythological interest, as well as those bringing out the medieval Rabbi's philosophical ideas.

Quoting a portion of Gotthelf's translation of Rashi's commentary on the first chapter in Genesis, a portion which Gotthelf terms a "bit of Rashi's whimsical mythology:" "The original intention of the Creator was to make all trees of such wonderful nature that the trunk and branches, and every part of them might possess the sweetness and flavor of the fruit itself: but on account of the part that the Tree played in Adam's sin—when he was cursed, it, too, was visited for its iniquity, and after that, as it is written, the 'earth brought forth' only 'trees bearing fruit.'"

In discussing Rashi's philosophical ideas, Gotthelf pointed out the conception of Substance and Form to be found in the sage's writings. He also compared Rashi and Plato from a metaphysical standpoint and Rashi and Aristotle from an ethical standpoint. Discussion followed the conclusion of the paper.

Preceding the paper a supper was given.

ZIONIST COMMITTEE

Monthly meetings as audience to various visiting National Zionists leaders, and bi-weekly discussions "of" and "by" the students, form the calendar outlined by the Zionist Committee, under the chairmanship of Lawrence Horenstein.

In place of distributing questionnaires, as was the original plan, it has now been decided to hold a general meeting, in order to determine the sentiment of the students in regard to their interest in Zionist work. Henry Elbaum is making arrangements for the meeting.

A group of students have already expressed a desire to learn the Hebrew language, and if their motion is "seconded", plans will be made for a class under the instruction of a capable leader.

AN APPRECIATION

Clarisse Friedlander, chairman of the Social Committee, Sanford Goldner, Toastmaster at the affair, and Rose Etta Kahn, Vice-President of the Foundation, comprised the membership of the Arrangements Committee which planned the Banquet and took charge of the entire affair. Results of their work called for much praise and a unanimous vote of thanks.

LET'S CONTRIBUTE

All contributions will be greatly appreciated and carefully read. Those of particular note and student interest will be published in the bi-monthly publications of the Hillel Bulletin. The contribution box is located in the Reception Hall. Please sign your articles.

Student Council

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ner, M. Ish-Kishor, Harold Wolff, Charles Lipson, George Horenstein, Rosa Shufer.

Menorah Committee: Madeline Goldsmith, chairman; Isador Prinzmetal, sub-chairman; Harold Lindner, Samuel Jacobs, Freda Goldeen, Mildred Gong, and Rafael Silver.

Open Forum Committee: Barbara Hirschler, chairman; Sanford Goldner, sub-chairman; Herbert Levy, Stanley Breyer, Ruth Popper, Ruth Samuelson, and Betty Lantin.

Publication Committee: Evelyn Trauner, chairman; Isaac Rabinowitz, sub-chairman; Ida Ruben, Bertram Edises, Harold Furst, Eva Frank, Harry Kebric, Ruby Diamond, Julian Reinhertz, Joseph Malnick, Mary Meyer, and Stella Scharff.

Publicity Committee: Leah Levy, chairman; Marshall Shapiro, sub-chairman; Edith Shapiro, H. Wollenberg, M. Wacholder, Jeanette Edelstein, Alfred Goldman, Evelyn Matthews, Helen Joseph.

Religious Education Committee: Leo Gosliner, chairman; John Gorfinkel, sub-chairman; Robert Klein, H. Heskins, Esther Buky, Willard Ellis, Anne Kaufman, Marjorie Abrahms, Miriam Gorfinkel.

Social Committee: Clarisse Friedlander, chairman; Roger Bramy, sub-chairman; Irvan Marcus, Audrey Rubin, Samuel Sherman, Leslie Baer, Eudice Linsey, Meyer Corren, William Cherin.

Social Welfare Committee: Elma Kahn, chairman; Perry Harris, sub-chairman; Lillian Kahn, Pauline Wise, Robert Israel, Ruth Fischel, Irving Platten.

Zionist Education Committee: Larry Horenstein, chairman; David Ruby, sub-chairman; N. Weinstein, Henry Elbaum, Frank Braun.

In Remembrance of
JANET BLANK '30

Banquet

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might express their Jewishness in any way they saw fit. The division into Jew and non-Jew, said the Rabbi, is a very definite thing. However, it is more noticeable off the campus than on it, and to prepare us to meet this situation after we have left the University is one of the primary aims of the Hillel Foundation.

Wendell Phillips, student president of Hillel, stated that the illustrious past history of the B'nai Brith augured a like success for its offspring.

Rosetta Kahn, student vice-president, paid tribute to the splendid pioneering work done at the University by the California Alliance of Jewish Women, and stressed the potentialities of the Hillel Foundation as a unifying force among the Jewish students. The fact that students have an opportunity to do things for themselves was brought out.

Mrs. H. P. Getleson, president of the California Alliance of Jewish Women, stated that the coming of the Hillel Foundation had relieved the Alliance of many of its duties, but that the organization was always ready and willing to extend its co-operation in every manner possible.

Mr. Richard Gudstadt, secretary of District No. 4, I. O. B. B. said in part: "The establishment of the Hillel Foundation at the University of California is a part of the constructive program of the B'nai Brith. There is a great need for qualified leaders of future Jewish thought and action, and, if Hillel can help to satisfy that need, the faith of the B'nai Brith will be justified."

According to Rabbi Louis I. Newman, of Temple Emanu-El, San Francisco, the Hillel Foundation is a new adjustment, taking the place of the Menorah Society and improving and expanding the work so long carried on by that organization. Dr. Newman emphasized the fact that an institution like Hillel could do much toward producing the educators, writers, and social workers necessary for the preservation and promulgation of the wonderful cultural legacy of the Jewish people.

Professor Max Radin of the department of jurisprudence, stated that the presence of Hillel as a Campus religious organization would be justified if it could make Jewish students more fully aware of the cultural heritage of which they are custodians.

"The history of California Jewry", said Dr. Rudolph Coffee of Temple Sinai, Oakland, "may be divided into two periods: one B.H., or Before Hillel; the other, A.H., or After Hillel. The B.H. period may pride itself on having produced such men as Aaron Sapiro and Dr. Leon Magnus. As I survey the youthful, intelligent faces around me I do not hesitate to predict a still brighter future for the A. H. period."

Miss Frances Lewnthal, assistant director of the Foundation, thanked the students for their co-operation and predicted a ca-

Book Review

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To be sure, they are said cleverly and with a delightful flavor of piquancy. His satirical interpolations on topics of the day are amusing though obviously personal and didactic. Mrs. Farquhar's feminine wiles are fascinating, and you cannot blame her husband if he decides that in his case at least, a "marriage de convenance" didn't turn out so badly after all. We merely wonder why he hadn't thought about it before the first quarter of a century of their married life had elapsed.

If one hasn't read one of Hamilton's novels (they are all alike) and is in search of an hour's amusement, why "Caste" will do nicely. If one wishes a study and solution of the race problem, as the author undoubtedly believes he has provided—well, one just doesn't expect an "Upstream" from a Cosmo Hamilton.

(Courtesy of Sather Gate Bookshop)

R. D.

reer for Hillel at U. C. as glorious as that enjoyed by the pioneer Illinois foundation under Rabbi Benjamin Frankel.

Mr. Arnold Perstein, Instructor in Public Speaking at U. C., stated that the greatest contribution Hillel can offer is an opportunity for Jewish students to react naturally to their environment.

Sanford Goldner was toastmaster for the evening.

The chairman and sub-chairman of the various committees represented at the banquet are as follows:

Social Welfare—Elma Kahn, chairman; Perry Harris, sub-chairman.

Menorah—Madeline Goldsmith, chairman; Isadore Prinzmetal, sub-chairman.

Open Forum—Barbara Hirschler, chairman; Sanford Goldner, sub-chairman.

Publicity—Leah Levy, chairman; Marshall Shapiro, sub-chairman.

Zionist Education—Larry Horenstein, chairman; David Ruby, sub-chairman.

Religious Education—Leo Gosliner, chairman; John Gorfinkle, sub-chairman.

Social—Clarisse Friedlander, chairman; Roger Bramy, sub-chairman.

Dramatics—Alice Kagan, chairman; Miriam Davidson, sub-chairman.

Publication—Evelyn Trauner, chairman; Isaac Rabinowitz, sub-chairman.

NOTES

MENORAH

A Menorah meeting was held Sunday evening, Oct. 16. Ezra Gotthelf presented a paper on Rashi, an 11th century commentator on the Bible. The meeting was preceded by a dinner arranged by the social committee and served by the Menorah committee headed by Madaline Goldsmith.

The next Menorah meeting will be held Sunday evening, Nov. 13, at 7:30. Isaac Rabinowitz will present a paper on "The Menorah Idea in Jewish History and some Jewish pseudo-Messiahs."

FOUND

Seventy cents was found in the contribution box. Our call for support in the publication did not savor of quite so mundane a flavor. If the party is not interested in recovering the donation, it will be turned over to the Student Loan Fund.

WEEKLY OPEN HOUSE

The weekly Open House was held at the Foundation on Tuesday afternoon, November 1, from 4 to 6 o'clock. Clarisse Friedlander, chairman of the Social Committee, was in charge. These Open Houses will continue to be held.

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TRAGIC SITUATION CALLS FOR ADDITIONAL AID

It seems wholly unnecessary to say even a word in behalf of the campaign for the United Jewish Welfare Fund. Everyone is aware of the tragic situation which exists in so many sections of the world and which like a miasma has been spreading further and further.

We must in the first place maintain the various institutions in this country which have been supported by this fund. They must not be allowed to suffer because of the vast need in other lands.

However, our hearts cannot fail to go out to the literally millions of Jews who have been suffering so tragically in so many countries in Europe. Our contributions will aid them in a multitude of ways. Whatever we give, may be regarded as a key unlocking means of life and escape.

The drive this year is for a sum thirty percent greater than last year. This makes it incumbent upon all of us to give not merely as much as we gave last year, but as much more as we possibly can.

If we could only use our imaginations and see before us the long lines of those who have been stripped of all they have and are thrust away from opportunities to earn a livelihood in their customary manner and indeed segregated from other human beings, we would open up our hearts and our purses for them.

(Signed) MONROE E. DEUTCH
Vice-President and Provost.

LAUNCHING DINNER TO PRECEDE DRIVE

Launching event of the Welfare Fund drive will be a dinner given for the campaign managers on Thursday evening, April 4. Dr. Merritt announces that a good speaker will be secured. Nature of the dinner will be more or less that of a campaign rally.

DRIVE A CHALLENGE TO NATION'S JEWRY, SAYS DR. MERRITT

1940 has been a year of unbelievable tragedy for world Jewry. Jews in all lands, except this western world have either been engulfed in ruin or are totally incapable of extending a helping hand to the sufferers. As always, Jews have been the first and worst victims of war. Six million have been reduced to beggary and worse.

The first impulse is to say, "What can possibly be done to alleviate this measureless misery?"

Scene of Jewish Tragedy in Poland



Wounded in the Polish War. This man can no longer maintain his wife and child.

LIFE IN NO-MAN'S LAND

By GEORGE WALLIS

The district of Suwalski, which formerly constituted the north-tip of Poland, was first occupied by Russia and then ceded to Germany.

On the third day of the German entry, all Jews were driven from their homes and herded into the market places. Men and women, children and aged, cripples and invalids, even the insane, were forced to take off their coats, shoes and stockings and give them to the German guards — along with any other objects that might have the slightest value. Even the smallest morsel of bread, playthings found in the children's pockets, and the artificial leg of an eighty-year-old woman were taken away. In the raw autumn weather 5,000 of these unfortunates were driven barefoot into the soggy fields that lie on the Lithuanian frontier. On the heights commanding these fields the Germans set up machine guns, threatening to shoot if they should make any attempt to return to German territory.

That is not the way of American Jewry. Twenty-three million dollars is to be raised in a nation-wide campaign. It is a challenge to old and young. Sheltered as we are on this Campus, enjoying the fairest of advantages, happy in our favored lot, we can make acknowledgement of our good fortune by doing our part and shouldering our share of a great obligation. A \$1000 is not too high a mark at which to shoot!

(Signed) Dr. M. J. MERRITT

The road to the frontier runs through muddy countryside and is scarcely wide enough for a peasant's cart. Only rarely does one come across a peasant's hut, for this is one of the poorest regions in the country. After hours of difficult travelling you reach the border and find a valley with rows of abandoned peat pits. From these pits an unceasing moaning and wailing emerges: it comes from the lips of men, women and children and penetrates to the marrow of your bones.

In these excavations, which stretch for entire kilometers, 5,000 innocent people have been living for fifteen days. With their hands they have dug holes in which they seek shelter in vain against the wind and rain.

"Save us! Save us!" — this lament and plea resounds throughout the valley without let-up. But on the heights the German sentries sit impassively behind their machine guns and keep watch lest any of these unfortunates should attempt to return. At night they send up flares which shed an eerie illumination over the field to make sure that no one is sneaking back under cover of darkness.

The plight of these exiles has alarmed the entire Jewish population of the Lithuanian border region. Every possible effort is being made to help them. Food and clothing are being collected.

(Condensed from Parisier Tage-

MILLIONS DEPEND ON FUND, SAYS MR. HARRY SAPPER

The plight of millions of men, women and children in Germany, Poland, Roumania, Czech-Slovakia, Hungary, and Lithuania beggars description and becomes a challenge to the humanity of present-day civilization. Driven into ghetto districts without food or sanitary provision, deprived of elementary human rights, huddled in below-zero weather in "no man's lands," — without the right to earn a morsel — close upon eight millions of people face certain death unless American Jews provide food and shelter. Countless thousands of refugees wait without means of sustenance in nearby countries, some of them belligerent, for the opportunity to go to a haven of refuge and safety.

Reconstruction work, the resettlement of thousands of victims of war and persecution, the saving of the already established economy from breakdown due to war conditions, must be continued in Palestine or another 500,000 face ruin. So great is the need that all Jews must be asked to make sacrificial gifts. Children are not exempted either from suffering or giving. Young folks should give a mite for the victims. In past years Jewish students at the University of California helped by giving of their means, no matter how small. Now with the need so great, it is their opportunity to demonstrate their sympathy for and kinship with the victims. Let their giving be a protest before the bar of humanity against the barbarism and sadism which has been visited upon these helpless human beings.

HARRY J. SAPPER,
Secretary United Jewish Welfare Fund, Alameda and Contra Costa Counties

NEWS EXCERPTS

Germany's Poland: Jewish families daily receive grim packages containing ashes of their loved ones from concentration camps . . . typhus epidemics, caused by starvation and exhaustion . . .

Russia's Poland: 700,000 Jewish refugees . . . shortage of warm clothing and shoes in temperatures of thirty below zero . . . lodging conditions bad, with many instances of ten persons "living" in a single, unheated room . . .

No-Man's Land: Borders between German and Russian areas. Small groups of Jews huddled under conditions of the utmost misery, extreme cold . . . lack of food, clothing and adequate shelter . . .