

**Agudas Kehillath:**—The United Hebrew Orthodox Congregations of Pittsburgh and vicinity held a special meeting last Monday evening, at the Beth Jacob congregation. A message was delivered by the President, Harry Kalson, who outlined the work that was necessary to be done immediately by the several committees. The method of raising funds for financing was discussed. It was decided that every Orthodox Jewish family shall pay \$1.00 per year, same to be collected by a committee that will be appointed by each congregation, and to those that are not reached by any congregational committee, a duly authorized collector will call and he will acknowledge the dues with an official receipt. Such funds will be used for general expenses, which will include salaries of (Masgichim) overseers and inspectors of Kashrus in meat shops, bakeries and restaurants; also for educational purposes.

As soon as sufficient funds are available, the United Hebrew Orthodox Congregations of Pittsburgh and vicinity will take over the (Schochtim) Sectors, provide for them, thereby placing them under the sole jurisdiction of this organization. While the meeting was in session Messrs. A. M. Ress and Charles Levine brought up the necessity of telegraphing to United States Senator Pepper protesting against the attack on Zionism before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and soliciting his support for United States Senator Lodge's resolution which favors the establishment in Palestine of the National Homeland for the Jewish people in accordance with the provisions contained in the Declaration of the British Government of November 2, 1917, known as the Balfour Declaration. Thereupon this organization and twenty-two member congregations wired accordingly. Remarks were delivered by Max Friedman, S. C. Greenberg, I. Raffel, Joseph Katz, A. Olbum, I. Mallin, Harry Beeson, Jacob Tannebaum, Z. Friedberg and Max Schwartz.

The good work being done by this Organization was keenly felt by all present at this meeting. The United Hebrew Orthodox Congregations of Pittsburgh and vicinity, although but a short time in existence, has accomplished good work. This Organization consists of twenty-six congregations, and the officers are: President, Harry Kalson; vice presidents, I. Mallin, Max Schwartz, A. Friedman; treasurer, Mayer Rosenbloom; secretaries, D. I. Sobel, I. Raffel and H. Beeson.