



SOCIETY

Items for this column can be telephoned to Miss Caroline Loewenthal, Schenley 4210, not later than Wednesday evening, or to the Criterion office, Grant 7237 or 7238 not later than Thurs. morning

Lieutenant Jacob Eckstein spent a few days this week in the city.

Mr. A. Falk was a visitor in New York City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sherwin left last week for an Eastern trip.

Miss Babette Silverman, of New York, is visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Silverman of Melwood street.

Mr. N. Kaufmann is a visitor in New York City this week.

Mrs. H. A. Saul was a visitor in New York City this week.

Mr. I. A. Simon is a visitor in New York City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Isse Koch, of New York, who have been visiting their mother, Mrs. Amberg of Melwood street, have returned home.

Mr. J. Glazer is a visitor in New York City this week.

Mr. E. Welcher is a visitor in New York City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Harris left this week for an Eastern trip.

Lieut. Dr. Verner Callomon, spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. B. Callomon of Melwood street en route from an Eastern trip, to the Great Lakes Naval Station, where he is located.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wartenberg and family, formerly of Black street, are now residing at 5619 Hays street.

Word has been received that Dr. S. J. Kornhauser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kornhauser, of N. Euclid avenue, and who was formerly professor of biology at Northwestern University, has recently been appointed instructor in the Sanitary Corps at the Army Training Station of Yale College. Dr. Kornhauser enlisted in the army last August, when he received the commission of lieutenant.

Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Hahn and family, formerly of Hays street, are now residing at 5670 Melvin street.

Word was received in Pittsburgh this week that Edgar J. Kaufmann, of Darlington Road, has been commissioned as second lieutenant at Camp Taylor, Ky. Lieut. Kaufmann went to Camp Taylor three months ago.

Mr. Nahtan Osgood, of 631 Hasting street, has returned home after spending several days at Circinnati.

Mr. Gus Trau, formerly of Pittsburgh, has returned to his home in New York City, after spending a few weeks in Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Frank, of Irwin, Pa., are now residing at 1465 Shady avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Irwin M. Pochapin, of Philadelphia, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Finkelpearl of the Saybrook Apartments.

Mr. Ben Lewis, of Detroit, Michigan, formerly of Pittsburgh, brother of Mrs. Goldie Welcher of Mellon street, City, is at present with the 339th Infantry in Archangel, somewhere in Russia.

COMBATING THE EPIDEMIC.

Federation Constituents Render Splendid Service.

The organizations which comprise the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, and which are at all times busily engaged in doing their part in the world's work, have in the past month given wonderful service to the community. They have all done their part in alleviating the suffering caused by the epidemic of influenza and pneumonia which has in its sweep over the world not forgotten this city. It has claimed a heavy toll; and much heavier would it have been had not men and women, endangering their own health, given unselfishly of their service to combat it. Doctors, nurses, men and women of all professions and from all walks of life, have been called upon to help. And noteworthy among those who have answered the call have been the workers of the Federation Institutions, though in many cases handicapped by sickness in their ranks.

The Montefiore Hospital, its force badly crippled by illness among its staff of physicians and nurses, has worked night and day fighting the disease. The Guskay Orphanage has been called upon to take in little ones suddenly orphaned by the scourge. The House of Shelter has opened its doors as a temporary home for children deprived by the sickness and death of their elders of the care they needed—has provided them with home and food and warmth.

The United Hebrew Relief Association has given what its name implies—relief wherever need, providing emergency aid to the afflicted, sustenance for those thrown out of work on account of sickness, finding hospital care and nursing service for the sick and making provision for children left without care.

The nurses, and indeed all the workers, of the Irene Kaufmann Settlement have gone into hundreds of homes visited by disease and death and given help to the sick and cheer and comfort to the bereaved. In co-operation with the Hebrew Ladies' Hospital Aid Society a diet-kitchen is being conducted in the Settlement, where broths and other nourishing foods are prepared to be sent to the sick and convalescent.

The Council of Jewish Women has through its several activities given invaluable help in many quarters. The Free Loan Association has given a "lift" to many who, while not as a rule needing charity, have required temporary assistance—to tide them over this period of distress.

And last, but by no means least, is

the Free Burial Association, which, often working far into the night, has performed the last sad rites for many of those whom death has claimed, providing burial for the dead and offering consolation to the living.

Nor is the work completed; for many weeks after the epidemic has spent itself there will be work of rehabilitation, of reconstruction, to be done, to repair, in a measure, the havoc wrought.

UNITED WAR WORK LOCAL CAMPAIGN.

Isaac W. Frank, president of the United Engineering and Foundry Company, and one of the captains of industry of the Pittsburgh district, heartily endorses the United War Work campaign. Mr. Frank is one of the foremost leaders of Jewish thought and philanthropy and his statement is taken to represent the thought of the Jewish people with respect to the campaign. Mr. Frank says:

"The war, with all its train of heart-rending incidents, is not free from rays of hope. Such is the United War Work campaign, to be inaugurated November 11th, to raise \$170,500,000 to be expended for the spiritual, moral and physical welfare of 'Our Boys.'

"All the world has heard of the splendid work of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Knights of Columbus, the Jewish Welfare Board, the Salvation Army, the War Camp Community Service, the American Library Association, all working in harmony to administer to that magnificent army, the very flower of our country. When the boys come home this work will have resulted in the amalgamation of Protestant, Catholic, Jew and Agnostic into an insoluble brotherhood.

"The concentrated effort of upward of one hundred millions of our people, working hand in hand with a single purpose, will bring a spirit of onement that will make for a greater and more glorious America.

"The Jewish Welfare Board, whose object is co-operation with the six other activities, pledges its unstinted support and that of all Jews of America for the fulfillment of this grand undertaking."

MR. HARRY METES, A LOCAL BOY, WRITES HOW OUR BOYS DO THE TRICK "OVER THERE."

France, Oct. 13, 1918.

Dear Brother Ben:

Received your most welcome letters, and was indeed glad to hear that everyone at home is in the best of health. I just came back from the front. I received 36 letters. It sure made me feel good to receive all that mail after being out in No Man's Land for ten days. Your mail is dated September 3, 9, 12 and 14th. We received orders to move on the 28th of September. We moved on October 1st. Arrived at the front the evening of October 2nd. We went over the top on the morning of October 3rd, at 5:30 a. m. No doubt you are reading in the papers about this big drive. This was a very hard place to take; that's the reason we had to come up, as our division is the best in France. We are the shock