

# Jewish Population Of Detroit Area Set At 4 Per Cent

Jewish people now comprise about 4 per cent of the population in the metropolitan Detroit area and young Jewish couples are having fewer children per family than other major racial-religious groups in this area, the University of Michigan's Detroit Area Study disclosed this week.

Using random sampling techniques in an area containing 90 per cent of the population of Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties, the DAS also found that the Jewish population of the Detroit area is markedly older than Catholics and Protestants, and Detroit area Jews at present do not attend religious services nearly as frequently as do non-Jews.

The survey uncovered striking differences between the heads of Jewish families and those of non-Jewish families, as follows:

1. Nearly three-fourths were employed in so-called "white-collar" jobs, a proportion about twice as high as that for non-Jews;
2. Nearly one-half were self-employed, compared to less than 10 per cent of non-Jewish heads of households; and
3. One-third had an annual income of \$10,000 or more, compared to less than 8 per cent for non-Jews.

Commenting on these findings, sociologists David Goldberg and Harry Sharp said, "Many Jews in European communities, desiring to work under conditions where they could observe the Sabbath, daily prayers and dietary laws, no doubt turned to self-employment as a means of meeting their religious obligations while earning a living. Today, while self-employment is still characteristic of the Jewish working population, it seems unlikely that this is a direct result of current religious motivation."

So far as the findings on population and birth trends for Jews in Detroit were concerned, the U-M experts said:

"The small proportion of Jews included in our study makes exact analysis and comparison with other racial groups difficult, particularly when we try to compare various age groups of Jews."

"In general, however, the average size of the Jewish family does not appear sufficient for population replacement. Taking into account the proportion of Jews who never marry and current mortality rates, the average Jewish married couple would have to have 2.5 to 2.6 children in order to replace itself."

"Although it is impossible to state definitely the kinds of fertility patterns that will develop as the younger Jewish women complete their families, the small mean number of children (1.4) in this group would seem to indicate that they are not likely to surpass the older generation by an amount great enough to achieve replacement."

For purposes of the study, Jews were defined as those persons themselves or by their response to the question, "What is your religious preference?"

Because of the small number of persons found in this category, the DAS analysis was based on material collected in three separate studies conducted in 1952, 1954 and 1955.

After a visit to an old friend in the hospital, Irvin Silver took the patient's lovely nurse aside and said, "Give me the real low-down. Is he making any progress? nurse decisively. "He's not my type."

First American locomotive to be equipped with a steam whistle was built in 1836 by George Washington Whistler whose wife was immortalized by the famous painting "Whistler's Mother" done by his son.

# Sales Trend Toward Higher Priced Homes

Carl Deremo, Jr., chairman of the appraisal and statistical committee of the United Northwestern Realty Association, disclosed recently that October sales for this year have exceeded five million dollars and show an increase over October of 1955. The dollar volume of sales for the first ten months of this year equaled the entire year of 1954, but are off about eight per cent compared to 1955, he stated.

Sales of higher priced homes over \$20,000 showed an increase of 50 per cent over October 1955 and resulted in the highest monthly total ever recorded in this price range. This has increased the average sales price to over \$15,000 for the first time in UNRA history, he continued.

Deremo said UNRA members are reporting a brisk market for well-located properties with realistic prices. Brokers and sellers are finding that firm "rock bottom" prices secure action and sales in the listed price. The old theory that you must ask more than you expect to receive seems to be disappearing.

Sales are off most noticeably in the \$10,000 to \$15,000 price range due to the lack of available mortgage insured mortgage loans. Many sales are being made on two and three year land contracts, he added.

More and more of the UNRA activity is outside of the Detroit city limits. Thirty per cent of the October sales activity was in the suburban areas.

Under the direction of E. Gordon Sinclair, UNRA president, a new method is in operation for the fast processing of new listings. A photograph with all pertinent details is now in the offices of one thousand members within 48 hours. More details of how this system has been devised will be made public soon.

# Cautions Against Carbon Monoxide

Carbon monoxide gas can be fatal and it cannot be detected either by taste or smell. It is caused by the incomplete burning of coal, heating gas, fuel oil or gasoline. It may cause death if the person who breathes it is in a tightly closed room or car, Dr. Joseph Mohr, commissioner of health, reports.

If your furnace or stove smokes, it is because it is not burning properly. If you see or smell smoke in your living quarters, it is a danger signal that carbon monoxide gas may be escaping into your room along with the smoke. Houses to be more nearly airtight. These improvements in houses increase the need for intelligent understanding of the way to fire a furnace properly.

If odors are coming from the register of the hot air furnace, have the fire pot and fire dome examined by a good furnace repair man. The fire should burn with a clear flame and not be smothered so that it will form gas. When you add coal, keep it on one side and leave a free-burning fire on the other side preventing formation of smoke and gas, and get the greatest amount of heat from the coal. All gas-fired hot water heaters should be properly connected to an open flue.

You should make sure that your furnace is clean and that you do not shut the draft so completely that fumes from the furnace come back into the house.

If you use a kitchen exhaust fan or an exhaust fan in the bathroom, check during its operation to see that proper draft is being maintained while it is in use. An exhaust fan may cause a backdraft of smoke and gas, and get the greatest amount of heat from the coal. All gas-fired hot water heaters should be properly connected to an open flue.

**THE OUTLINE** of the first unit of the new Clarenceville high school now under construction began to take shape as workmen placed steel beams and supports in place. The new school building is being built on the west side of Middlebelt Road directly across from the present Jr.-Sr. High building. Workmen are shown above putting another steel beam in place. This unit will accommodate between 1,000 and 1,200 students when completed.

# Backward Child Needs Parents' Aid, Cooperation

The "lazy, naughty child" who fails to study and read well almost always wants to do better and it's up to teachers and parents to give him the encouragement he needs," said Mrs. Patricia Weimer, chief of the reading clinic in the University of Michigan's Psychiatric Hospital.

Her advice, "Don't be sparing with the encouragement you give. Actually, you can and should almost 'pour it out,' since such a child usually badly starved for parental approval."

The reading expert points out that reading difficulties often accompany behavior troubles and in many cases, these problem children are behaving several years below their potential. "You'll get nowhere teaching them unless you are first able to establish a good positive relationship. You must convince them that you are not just another nagging adult," she explains.

Mrs. Weimer declares it is of the utmost importance to give these slow children reading materials at their own age level. "It just won't do to shame them by giving them materials obviously written for lower age levels, as such materials hold little interest for them. Fortunately, attractive books are now being made to help children whose interests and a chronological age are several years above their skill-in-reading level," she says. Weimer suggests that it is often very helpful to have a shy, retarded reader tutored by a shy but able reader or the lively, retarded reader assisted by a bright child. "Slow children often make good progress with such assistance from classmates," she asserts. "But avoid mixing the slow and the quick, and the lively and the slow. The quiet and the lively don't blend well," she warns.

# Love Won't Spoil A Small Baby, Says Authority

If you have a new baby, don't be afraid you'll spoil him—especially during the first year. He needs to be clean and that you do not shut the draft so completely that fumes from the furnace come back into the house.

It's not too easy to spoil a new baby, points out Ben Arlt, family education specialist at Michigan State University. There isn't much danger of doing so even if you pick him up every time he cries, while most experts feel that a baby who is not crying, both parents should feel free to hold and cuddle their child. Generally speaking, when your baby gets extra attention when he is uncomfortable, he is perfectly willing to do without it when he feels well.

When you respond to the only way a new baby has of talking to you, you are not making him difficult to control. On the contrary, you are teaching him that you are a dependable, loving parent. Arlt goes on to say that too much love will not ruin your child. Go ahead and pick him up when he cries. And, even when he is not crying, both parents should feel free to hold and cuddle their child. Generally speaking, when your baby gets extra attention when he is uncomfortable, he is perfectly willing to do without it when he feels well.

Spoiling usually comes in an older baby is fussed over and he doesn't need attention. Overprotection, explains Arlt, which is often mistaken for love, can spoil a baby. The parent who jumps to his wife's mother every time the baby peeps is overprotecting him. A baby fussed over like this comes to demand constant attention. You can sum it up, says Arlt, by saying that a child at any age must have loving people to depend on and things to do. But the older he grows, the more he's able to find them when he needs them. At six months, for example, he has to have a rattle put into his hand; at eighteen months he wants to think up his own games.

Insects have no lungs. They breathe through tubes running all through their bodies.

# Select Child's Books Carefully, Says Authority

Don't be in a hurry when you are buying books for children's presents, says a family life specialist.

Stay in the book store long enough to read and look at the book and judge it on its relationship to the child. Know his interests, explains Mrs. Lennah Backus, family life specialist at Michigan State University, so you can suit the book to him personally. For example, if the child has a yellow cat for a pet, he will be very interested in a book about cats.

Mrs. Backus claims that this principle of choosing books with subjects which are familiar is important in selecting books for preschoolers. The picture books should also be vivid in color and have pictures which are simple and arranged one on a page.

When considering what materials books should be made of, Mrs. Backus says the hard cardboard books are probably last longer and are easier for children to handle and turn pages. However, cloth books, which are now washable, are easy to carry around.

The subject you choose is important in books for preschoolers too. Poetry, like Mother Goose, is a perennial favorite; some books even develop the last pages into putting the rhymes to music. Mrs. Backus says that children especially like to hear repetition. A good book for this is "Winnie the Pooh" by A. A. Milne. It's a book that grown-ups can enjoy, too.

# Treated Pine Cones, Wood Give Colored Flames

Colored lights from the fireplace and the odor of burning pine cones can fill your house on Christmas Eve.

Nina Lee Baird, Wayne county home demonstration agent, gives do-it-yourself instructions for treating pine cones to burn in all the colors of the rainbow. Dry pine or spruce cones or small blocks of dried wood will do. These chemicals each give a different colored flame: barium nitrate, blue; copper sulfate, bluish; strontium sulfate, red; calcium chloride, green; lithium chloride or potassium permanganate, purple.

You can purchase the chemicals from your local drug store at prices ranging from 30 cents to over \$2.50 per pound. The less expensive chemicals, such as barium nitrate, calcium chloride and copper sulfate, give highly satisfactory results.

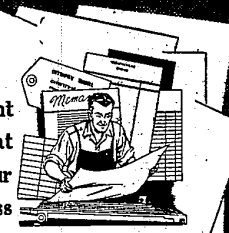
Use a wooden tub or pail, or an earthen crock. Mrs. Baird warns that these chemicals will destroy metal; so don't use a metal bucket unless you plan to throw it away.

It's easy! One pound of chemical in one gallon of water. Place the cones in a cloth mesh bag, such as an old onion or potato sack, and immerse in the solution. Since many of the chemicals will leave stains on your hands, rubber gloves are recommended.

Soak the cones in the solution for 10 to 15 minutes, and drain them thoroughly. Dry the cones on newspapers overnight.

An urgent community water problem was solved when a railroad, having converted almost wholly from steam to diesel locomotives, presented all of its nearby wells to the city as a gift.

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Albert Cain, Township Supervisor, stated that in his opinion it was not necessary or legal since the Township has no jurisdiction over the matter. It is suggested that some provision be included in the regulations for final plats.

George Vilcan, Planning Consultant, stated that with the exception of the opinion or general format of the text he could see no major objection to the proposal. Leonard and the Planning Consultants agreed to meet with in the next few days to discuss the proposal and to work out a final text which could be re-submitted to the Township Board and Planning Committee within two weeks.

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