A WELL-TRAVELLED ד"ד

DAVID SPAIN
1877—1971

• Arrived in [London]Derry in 1894
• Started for himself 1902
• Naturalised 1904
• Married 1906
ROBERT GOLDREICH R.N.
9 May 1896 — 13 February 1986

From British Jewry Book of Honour 1922
THE SCHOOL AND THE WAR

*DEMOLINS, J., in French army; prisoner in Germany.
DEVONSHIRE, F. V., 2nd Lieut., Middlesex Hussars, in Egypt.
Dow, J. F., Lieut., Army Medical Corps.
ECKERSLEY, P. P.
ECKERSLEY, T. L., Lieut., Royal Engineers.
ENFIELD, E. A., 1st Reserve Park Army Service Corps.
[FELKIN, S. D., at first in Artists’ Rifles; now Flight Sub.-Lieut., R.N.]
*FORBES, A. S., 2nd Lieut., Railway Transport, Army Service Corps.
FRANCIS, N. P., Private, Royal Fusiliers, University and Public Schools Corps.
FRANKLIN, S. E., Assistant Paymaster, R.N. Reserves; at Malta.
[FREEMAN, A. F. A., at first in Inns of Court O.T.C., now 2nd Lieut., Hants, in India.]
*GIMSON, A. F., at first in Inns of Court, O.T.C., now 2nd Lieut., Royal Field Artillery.
*GIMSON, H. M., Private, 4th Leicesters.
[GOLDREICH, R., Midshipman on H.M.S. “Thunderer.”]
*Goop, H. M. and Lieut. and London Yeomanry; now attached to the

From *The Bedales Record* 1914-1915
CADET — 1913

Among the other items on display was the Luke Howard Medal awarded to Cadet Robert Goldreich in 1913. The Royal Meteorological Society’s Council decided in 1898 that a silver medal would be awarded each year to the cadet on the Nautical Training Ship HMS Worcester who submitted the best essay on a meteorological subject selected by officers of the Ship and the Society. This was a personal initiative of a member of the Society’s Council, Captain David Wilson Barker, who later (1903-04) served as the Society’s President. The die for the medal was presented by Francis Campbell Bayard, who was the Society’s President for the years 1898 and 1899, and the first Luke Howard Medal was struck from it. The first award was made on the recommendation of the examiner appointed by the Council (Dr R.H.Scott, FRS), and the recipient was Cadet A.E.C.Harris, for the best essay submitted on ‘The Meteorology of the Atlantic’. The medal on display was awarded to Cadet Goldreich in 1913 for his essay on ‘The meteorology of the West Indies’. The last time the medal was awarded was in 1923.

LUKE HOWARD MEDAL

Cadet R. A. Melhuish of H.M.S. Worcester for the best essay on the Meteorology of the Indian Ocean, July 1900, 57mm, 98.8gms, very fine

Robin Avelin Melhuish (1885-1973)
Captain RIM, Commodore RNR
Crouched over the fire-control instruments, behind those twin giant guns, it was also my duty to ‘keep an eye’ on the crew loading the huge projectiles and charges into the gaping breeches. Rattle, rattle, rattle, went the automatic rammer – then a thud as the rifling bit deep into the copper driving band. Rattle, rattle – in goes the cordite – the red ends of the heavy charges seemed to convey a mute warning as the slam of the breech hid them for ever from view. “Right Gun – Ready!” “Left Gun – Ready!” The steady voices of each gunlayer reporting, “On, on!” to indicate that they are ‘on’ the target. Then that portentous silence unbroken except for the hiss of the hydraulic machinery as the director layer high up the mast waits for a favourable roll. “Ting! Ting!” from the fire gongs and CRONCH! The heavy recoil of those tons of steel to within an inch of my busy head. I can always remember the placid face of the big Marine who worked the breech mechanism. He chewed tobacco and radiated quiet efficiency and I used to hope that my own youthful face registered a similar professional indifference to these tremendous proceedings.  

Midshipman Robert Goldreich, HMS *Thunderer*, 2nd Division, Second Battle Squadron

Nigel Steel & Peter Hart  *Jutland, 1916: Death in the Grey Wastes*
1861: In Bischofstein, Prussia, Rabbi Goldreich and his wife gave birth to Samuel Goldreich, the resident of Nottingham, UK and President of the South Africa Zionist Federation who was “publicly thank by the High Commissioner for South Africa for services rendered to the Government.”

Samuel Goldreich
(1862 - 1921)


Samuel Goldreich family tree

Parents
- Unavailable

Spouse(s)
- Henrietta Yockmonitz
  1862 - 1935

Children
- Frederick Goldreich (Goldreich)
  1902 - 1981
- Robert Goldreich Or Goldrich
  1895 - 1986
- Marjorie Goldreich
  1899 - Unknown

Brother
James Harris G
1868-1920

Wrong Samuel Goldreich? See other search results for Samuel Goldreich
William Donahay was born on 23rd September, 1849, at Castle Caulfield, county of Tyrone, Ireland, and is the youngest son of Mr. John Donahay, farmer, whose family consisted of three boys and two girls. His father died while he was yet too young to allow him to recall a memory of him, and his mother then entered upon school teaching, but did not survive her husband long, dying when the child was four and a half years old. The heads of the family having been thus removed, caused the dispersion of the children, and so thoroughly was this accomplished that up to the present time Mr. Donahay has neither seen nor gained any information concerning the rest of his family.

From reminiscences of his early years he is inclined to believe that the members one and all were good and affectionate, and that the severe circumstances attending their fate tended towards this estrangement. Through the instrumentality of the Rev. Thomas Twigg the subject of this memoir was placed in the care of the Protestant Orphanage Society, whose office is situate at 17 Upper Sackville Street, Dublin, and received his education in county Wicklow and in Dublin under the direction of that institution. He was eventually apprenticed to a trade, and while serving his time as improver to Mr. G. Corrall, watchmaker and optician, of Mansfield, in Nottinghamshire. After filling this position for three years he transferred his services to Mr. Pratt, of Nottingham, with whom he remained for some considerable time. While in Nottingham he studied the Hebrew language under Rabbi Goldreich, and also took lessons in Greek in order to acquire a deeper knowledge of theology. Mr. Donahay then commenced business on his own account, and carried on successfully for four years. While living at Winchester in 1880 he married Clara, daughter of Mr. Frederick Musham, of Nottingham, and has a family of three girls and three boys. Owing to ill-health he was advised to take a sea trip, and accordingly sailed for New Zealand, where he was engaged in business as a watchmaker for some time.

In 1887 he came to Melbourne, and entered the service of Messrs. Wood, wholesale opticians, with whom he remained for six years, and, after filling another engagement for nine years with Messrs. Watson and Sons, of Swanston Street, established his present business in April, 1903. While with Messrs. Watson and Sons, Mr. Donahay won the respect and appreciation of the firm, which were expressed in a eulogistic testimonial presented to him on the occasion of his severing connection with them, and in which they wished him all success in his future career.

Mr. Donahay makes a specialty of eye refraction testing, the manufacture of high-class spectacles and eye-glasses, refraction and silver on glass reflecting astronomical telescopes, etc., and scientific instruments of all kinds. He enjoys a large connection in and around the metropolis. Mr. Donahay is a member of the British Astronomical Association, and one of the council of the Melbourne branch.
Sam Goldreich, mainly remembered today as a pioneer of Zionism, offers one of the most striking examples of an effort to exploit the less obvious resources of Rhodesia. Born in East Prussia in 1862, son of a Rabbi, he reached England as a boy and attended to the Transvaal at the age of 18. In early Johannesburg he soon became known as a successful operator, both in the property and mining markets, being responsible for the erection of Goldreich Buildings in Joubert Street, which housed the original Post Office. He also opened up the area now known as Hillbrow, which in his honour still boasts of Goldreich Street.

Along with his brother, J. H. (Jim) Goldreich, he pioneered many new ideas, amongst them exploitation of cinnabar, the ore of mercury, which he succeeded in locating in the Western Transvaal, though without much profit to himself.

In the Jewish community, Samuel Goldreich played a leading role, and was responsible, as Chairman for the establishment of the original Transvaal Zionist Association, one of the major interests of his life. He was personally known to Theodore Herzl and enjoyed his respect. His Rhodesian associates, with which we are concerned, date back to 1897.
**His Majesty’s Theatre, Jo’burg 1903**

*On site of the Goldreich Building*
Cheque for £25 from Lord Milner [High Commissioner for SA] to Sam Goldreich for support of Jewish Rumanian Refugees
**SERVICE HISTORY**

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**First Marriage 1954**

**To Sheila Mary Gothard (1911-1959)**

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*Source: Records from [Source]*
SECOND MARRIAGE — 1986 — DEATH

Constance Margaret Doreen Allen [d. 2008] née Burnett was the widow of Donald Robert James Allen RN [1898-1962]
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ROBERT GOLDRICH
(COMMANDER R.N.)
DEAR HUSBAND OF MARGARET,
BORN 9.5.1896 DIED 13.2.1986
ה' בת הר חCities
Origining in London on November 10th 1939, Charles Kirk began as a ladies blouse manufacturer, designing and manufacturing the latest fashions. Founded by Mr Charles Kirk, he and a gentleman called Robert Goldreich sold garments from firstly, a unit at Bolsover Street Marylebone, and in 1946 from a salesroom at Stratford Place, just off Oxford Street. During the war, many of these would have had the CC41 label for civilian clothing. Laws made it illegal and unpatriotic to spend time embellishing clothing for sale and forbade manufacturers using the CC41 label from incorporating any fancy trimmings, unnecessary buttons, extra stitching, tucks, pleats or pockets that weren’t essential to function. In contrast, today, Charles Kirk is a school wear specialist in the manufacturing, supply, embroidery and printing of knitwear, sweatshirts and accessories, based in Worthing, West Sussex. The ability for customers to have garments made to order, choosing from any number of embellishments and adornments is a key part of the business.
FALSE TRAIL #1

Robert Goldreich

Gender: Male
Birth: August 06, 1913, Žatec, okres Louny, Severozápad, Czech Republic
Immediate Family: Son of Emil Goldreich and Ida Goldreich
Added by: Oded Hartmann on May 8, 2019
Managed by: Oded Hartmann

You might be connected in other ways.
Show Me

You are Robert Goldreich's second cousin once removed's husband's second cousin once removed's ex-husband's second cousin twice removed.
The father of Arthur Joseph Goldreich who was part of the underground leadership of the ANC's liberation army, and, with Harold Wolpe, bought Liliesleaf farm, Rivonia, where they sheltered Nelson Mandela, among others.
The name *Derry* derives from Irish *Daire*, meaning *Oak Grove*. Oaks were in great demand for ship-building. The *London* prefix was added when James I granted a Royal Charter in 1613.
COMMANDER HMS POPPY — 1917

A sloop-of-war was a warship with a single gun-deck carrying ≤ 18 guns. Later, WWI & II, a specialised convoy-defence vessel.

Tuesday, March 27, 1917

"The ship reported having seen another fellow torpedoed off Sheiligs, so proceed there at full speed. Sighted her at 10.30 a.m., steering all over the shop. A square hole about 20 feet by 16 lets in insufficient water to put her down by the head a bit. Sighted the crew in two lifeboats under sail and picked them up. While I was aft, 'Action' was sounded and I dived to the bridge to find a submarine panic on. I sighted the Fritz U-Boat 8,000 yards off, high up out of water. I did not see him soon enough and only got as far as 'Control', but did not get a round off. I was very sick about it, 'cos she must have been watching us. We noted her course and steamed full speed for a point over her and dropped a DC [depth charge], but without sending up the Fritz as we hoped."

Quotation Context

Robert Goldrich was an officer commanding the British sloop Poppy on patrol on March 27, 1917, battling Germany's submarine campaign. Our editors, Palmer and Wallis, put Poppy in the North Sea, but the Skellig islands, or Skellocks, are off the Southwest coast of County Kerry, Ireland.

Source

A NIGHT ON THE TOWN

the fear of disfigurement and the strains of life at sea. Pilots in the newly-founded Royal Naval Air Service on HMS Furious were praised for their youthful high spirits and joie de vivre; 'being in their early twenties, in fact very little more than boys in habits and manners, full of merriment and energy', they did not 'allow their minds to think too much of the dangerous side of their calling.' Other young officers were just as active in seeking pleasure from the immediate moment. Robert Goldrich at the age of twenty had been fast-tracked in 1917 from a young midshipman to First Lieutenant in charge of the sloop Poppo, but had only seen action for one day at the battle of Jutland. On his twenty-first birthday he noted that 'the health is good. The spirits are good and the powers of seduction are at a maximum', a week before he went on leave while his sloop was undergoing maintenance following a collision at sea, an opportunity for him to prove to himself the truth of his birthday self-assessment. On his first day of leave in London he went to see the popular musical Maid of the Mountains with his father and uncle, but afterwards gave them the slip and 'spent the night with a rather revolting wench'; his father 'tumbled that I had been on the batter.' The next day he went to see the rest of his family in Brighton, where he met a 'finely built girl', for whom he 'did a good turn on the beach'. The day after that he 'got hooked by an old cow of 40 or 400, or maybe more', but was not to make his usual conquest, which he put down to 'attacking the eternal problem too sober.' Further brief encounters with 'very worthy bedfellows' punctuated his leave, as well as the evenings on which he 'got rather canned before the bar closed but had a fair to middling evening.' Ordinary sailors just paid for a whore and got drunk.

An attempt was made to deal with the threat to discipline and efficiency from widespread drunkenness. Opening hours of public

21st Birthday was 9 May 1917

Kevin Brown  2011
Poxed & Scurvied: The Story of Sickness and Health at Sea
FROM GOLDREICH’S DIARIES

The Royal Navy saw in 1918 in traditional style. On *HMS Poppy*, Sub Lieutenant Robert Goldrich noted that he ‘heard the New Year born amid a glare of sirens, ship’s bells and tin kettle drums’. He was however, unappreciative of his own crew’s celebrations. ‘The hands hurled their mess kettles down our ladders and marched down to wish us a Happy New Year. The stony silence defeated them and we were left to enjoy our well-earned repose.’

The turning of the year brought no let-up in the work load of Bayly’s forces. On 9 January, the *Beagle-class* destroyer *Racon*, part of the 2nd Destroyer Flotilla based at Londonderry, was returning home through mountainous seas and a raging blizzard when she was wrecked east of Malin Head. *Poppy* was sent to hunt for survivors but in vain. Every single man aboard the destroyer, ninety-five in total, was lost. Goldrich was unsympathetic. ‘If they attempted to pass through Inishtraull Sound with the wind and seas that were running last night they asked for a nasty death and they appear to have got it.’

IWM Documents 1278
Reported in *Bayly’s War* [Steve R Dunn, 2018]
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AS MASTER OF A FOREIGN-GOING SHIP

7 July 1922