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(Ed.): This "farewell poem" was published in the Oystralishe Yidishe Nayes marking Birstein's departure, with his wife and child, on 30/11/49 for Israel. (The newspaper detailed, for wellwishers to attend at the port, 'on the Malaya at 4.30pm') (OYN 25/11/49 pp.6,12).

Kadimah, the Yiddish Cultural Organization of which for 4 years Birstein had been the paid Secretary, gave him a suitable sendoff with an evening devoted to his recently published book on Oct 22. Chaim Gurt, Josef Giligich and I. Rapaport spoke while Rokhl Holcer recited his poetry - and Avrom Brayzblat sang some of it, set to music by Felix Werder.(OYN 7/10/49 and 14/10/49).