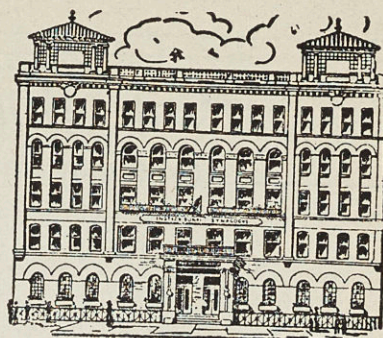


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Talmud Torah Starts Drive For Students

Three Week Campaign

50 Students Set As Goal For Fall Registration

Coincident with the beginning of the new semester, the Talmud Torah will open an intensive registration campaign this Sunday, October 16, according to Rabbi Philip Goodman, Principal. Extending over a period of three weeks, the registration campaign will feature many special events. Bulletins will be issued to pupils daily, urging them to bring all their friends to the Talmud Torah.

Campaign devices depicting the progress made will be posted in conspicuous places throughout the building. Weekly assemblies will be held to which prospective pupils will be invited. Every pupil that enrolls another will receive a beautiful prize.

Classes are fully organized at the present time and a modern curriculum of study is being pursued under the guidance of capable and thoroughly-trained teachers. Among the extra-curricula activities in which the children are invited to participate are arts and crafts, dramatics, singing and journalism, as well as regular athletic periods.

Parents are urged to cooperate with their children in soliciting new pupils. In your contact with parents of the children who do not attend, explain to them the benefits that your child is receiving in our Institution.

Information concerning the registration of new pupils may be obtained from Rabbi Philip Goodman at 37-43 West 116th Street, UNiversity 4-6729, daily.

Clubs Choose Teams for Handball Tournament

With the first matches of the inter-club Handball Tournament approaching rapidly, the clubs are ending their try-outs for final teams which will represent their groups in the fight for the building handball championship.

A team will consist of five men. Twenty-one points will constitute a game. Two games, one singles and one doubles will constitute a match. The singles games will count one point as will the doubles game. The tournament will be of the Round Robin type. The team totaling the greatest number of points will win the tournament. A.A.U. rules and regulations will apply.

Congratulations

On behalf of the Officers, Board of Directors, Staff Members and Friends of the Institutional Synagogue, we extend to Congressman and Mrs. Isaac Siegel our heartiest congratulations on the occasion of their thirty-first wedding anniversary. May they celebrate their Golden Jubilee in continued good health, prosperity and enjoyment.

The I. S. is happy in their happiness and wishes them years of continued happiness.

Quintet Prepares For First Match

Six Selected As Nucleus For '38 Basketball Squad

In preparation for the game to be played against the South Brooklyn YM HA on Sunday, November 27, the I. S. Basketball Team has been practicing diligently. The team, according to informed observers, is rounding into fine shape.

Jules Levine, the Institutional's lanky center, Jack Altman, Dave Olster, Mike

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Dainties To Be Offered By Parents In Succah

In answer to the requests of the Parents Association for donations of flowers, fruits, cakes and other dainties for Succoth, there were many generous responses. This ensured the enjoyment of the first days of the holidays. However, the thoughtful members of the Parents Association are now asking for further donations for the last two days of the holiday.

May we ask your heartiest cooperation in aiding the Parents Association prepare for an appropriate celebration of the holiday?

The members of the Parents Association join the Institutional in extending to Mr. Lou G. Siegel their heartfelt thanks for his generous donation of sechach for the Succah.

Listen In

On Sunday afternoon, October 16, between 1 and 1:15 o'clock, Rabbi Philip Goodman and a group of I. S. members will be heard over Station WINS.

Unprecedented Demand For Henning Program Series Subscription Tickets

Medoff Family To Appear in "Good Children" On October 29th in Initial Series Performance

The Medoff family, a well-known musical ensemble will open the Second Series of the Henning Programs at the Auditorium of the Institutional Synagogue on the evening of October 29 at 8:30 p.m. "Good Children," a musical comedy in one act by M. Polansky, will be the

vehicle of the Medoff Family. The program is to be augmented by additional concert features.

The Medoff Family is but the first of nine programs offered in the Second Series of the Henning Programs. These programs, made possible through the endowment of funds of the Fanny Henning estate, are scheduled to run for nine consecutive Saturday evenings, and have been planned to cover every phase of Jewish cultural expression.

Subscription tickets covering all nine events have been priced at the nominal figure of one dollar. The admission to the individual program of the Medoff Family has been set at fifteen cents. The feature programs to be presented may not be seen at this price in any other theatre. It is the Henning subsidy which makes this low fee a possibility.

Other Events Listed

The Saturday Night following the performance of the Medoff Family will see Harvey Efimov, distinguished impersonator and chanteuse, in his repertoire of "Jewish Folk Songs."

The Jewish motion picture, "Green Fields," will be presented on the evening of November 12.

On November 19, the Light Opera Dramatic Group of the Central Jewish Institute, under the able direction of Miss Leah Jaffa, will bring "A Jewish Wedding" to life on the stage of the I. S. Auditorium.

An expert ventriloquist, caricaturist, and impersonator, Mr. Ben Yano, also known as "The One Man Theatre," will appear on the evening of November 26.

B. A. Rabinowitz will direct the Hazomir Choral Society in a program of "Songs of Jewish History" on December 3.

A revival of the "Jazz Singer" will be given on December 10 by the Yonkers Jewish Community Center Little Theatre Group, which is directed by Marcel Dumas.

The series is to close on December 24 with the annual "Chanukah Festival" sponsored by the dramatic societies of the Institutional Synagogue.

Tremaine Orchestra Engaged By Council

Roosevelt Room Scene of Sixth Annual Dance

The sixth annual dance tendered by the Leaders Council of the Institutional Synagogue will take place on Saturday evening, December 17. The dance is to be held at the Pythian Temple which is located on 70th Street, East of Broadway.

Bobby Tremaine and his Orchestra will provide music of smooth-toned syncopation.

The price of subscription has been set by the Council at 75 cents per person.

The proceeds of the dance, as has been the custom in past years, will be donated to the Home Camp Scholarship Fund of the Institutional Synagogue. This fund allows deserving children to share in the advantages appertaining to membership in the Summer Home Camp.

The accommodations are luxurious, the orchestra is widely known for its excellence, the admission charge is small. It is a combination of factors that cannot be resisted.

Tickets may be obtained at the I. S. office or by telephoning UNiversity 4-6729.

Eager Juniors Enter Table Tennis Contest

Ping-pong is attracting the attention of the juniors at the present time. The table is always in demand as the youngsters practice for the forthcoming tournament. Each of them is anxious to get in as many games as he possibly can, and to develop his style of play, in order to make as good a showing as possible when the tournament starts next week.

This contest will be the first of a series of tournaments and will be limited to junior boys only.

Protection In Exile

by Rabbi Philip Goodman

"And ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are home-born in Israel shall dwell in booths: that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths."

The Bible enjoins Israel to dwell in booths for seven days each year to remind us and all generations of the long period of forty years which were spent by our ancestors living in booths after they had made their departure from Egypt. The Rabbis, commenting on the verse, "I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths," observe that the booths mentioned refer to "clouds of Divine Glory" which accompanied Israel on the journey through the wilderness. One pillar of cloud hovered over the wanderers during the day to protect them from the scorching heat of the desert sun. Another gave forth illumination at night, keeping at a distance the wild beasts that roamed about the camp of the Israelites. Full protection was afforded by God to our forefathers during their exile in the desert.

Today all Jews must realize that they are dwelling in booths as we have been doing for the past two thousand years. We are merely sojourners in the lands of our residence. The countries that have accepted our brethren have not fully received us as other home-born. The havens of refuge open to us are lacking in permanent security. As booths, they are frail and weak and they may crumble upon us at any moment. As the shade of the succa must be more than the sunshine that penetrates it, there is more darkness than light for the Jew in most countries. Some lands, as Germany, Austria, and Russia, are totally antagonistic to the members of our faith. As booths that are ritually unfit, it is impossible to

dwell in them. As it is required that a succah to be usable must be detached from the ground, so it is true that even in those countries where an appearance of hospitality is evinced, the Jews are not firmly rooted in the soil. For centuries the Jews were tolerated guests in Spain. Then came the Inquisition and the exile of 1492. In our time we have seen numerous reoccurrences of such an episode for we have not yet been redeemed from the tribulations of the diaspora.

The exile of our people has been long and arduous, beset with countless persecutions, humiliations and chastenings. We are continuously reminded of the forty years trek in the wilderness of our ancestors. We should be able to realize fully the hardships that they underwent. The lack of physical comforts, including food, water and lodgings have been known to large numbers of the Jewish people. Perhaps you might wonder why our lot has been so harsh?

The Jew in exile was made to suffer in order to effect a reconciliation with God. The aim of his affliction was to teach him to mend his ways. The result of the proper chastisement of a son by his father is to create a closer union between them. In the Book of Deuteronomy we read: "Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God hath led thee these forty years in the wilderness, that He might humble thee, to prove thee, to know what was in thy heart, whether thou wouldst keep His commandments or not. And He humbled thee and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know, that He might make thee know that man doth not live by bread alone, but by everything that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live. Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years and thou shalt consider in thy heart, that, as a man chastiseth his son, so the Lord thy God chasteneth thee. And thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, to walk in His ways, and to fear Him." As a father punishes with one hand and feeds with the other, the Lord chastises Israel and at the same time provides for his needs. While in most countries, the Jews are feeling the sharp brunt of the exile, the United States, true to its principle of religious freedom and tolerance, is an open haven that the Almighty has bestowed upon us. Free of the shackles of open anti-Semitism, we in this country are in a position to extend a helping hand to the less fortunate people of our faith.

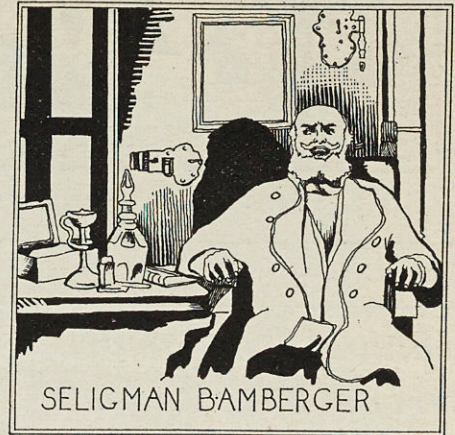
"Clouds of Divine Glory" are visible and we must be wise enough to take advantage of their protection for our own salvation. The noted historian, H. Graetz, wrote: "What has prevented this constantly migrating people, this veritable Wandering Jew, from degenerating into brutalized vagabonds, into vagrant hordes of gypsies? The answer is at hand. In its journey through the desert of life, for eighteen centuries, the Jewish people carried along the Ark of the Covenant, which breathed into its heart ideal as-

JEWISH ODDITIES

It is a rare thing to find a merchant who does not want any customers. Such a man was Seligman Bamberger (1807-1878), who was a champion of Orthodox Jewry in Germany at the time when Reformed Judaism was gaining a foothold among the Jews of Central Europe.

Bamberger became a Rabbi when he was twenty years old. He did not plan to make a living as a Rabbi, however, and he opened a general store in his native town. His love for learning outbalanced his commercial enterprise even in these surroundings, and he continued his studies in his store. He became exceedingly angry when customers came in to bother him. Sales were, for Seligman Bamberger, an incidental and unimportant factor in his business venture.

Finally, in 1840, his inclination for learning made him turn to the work for



Albert Wasserman

which he was best fitted. He became a Rabbi at Wurzburg, Germany. In that city he opened a Yeshiva which became famed for its scholarship and sincerity of purpose. He was also the author of numerous books on religious subjects.

Court Practice Starts In Gym

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Rosenberg, Izzy Eisenberg, and Skippy Perman are the nucleus of the court combination.

The size of the squad is unlimited. Mr. Milton T. Rosenberg, Gymnasium Director, has issued an invitation for all members to try out. The team practices on Thursday evenings from seven to eight p.m.

Swimming Team Scheduled

All members who are interested in the formation of a swimming team are urged to see Mr. Eriksen in the gymnasium office so that plans may be made and tryouts held.

Individual instruction in swimming and life-saving has also been planned. By appointment at member's convenience lessons will be given. There are four levels of instruction in this work: non-swimmers, beginners, swimmers, and life-savers.

Gym Smoker Planned

Details of a smoker to be run by and for gymnasium members is to be announced shortly by Mr. Milton T. Rosenberg. The smoker will be free to gym members. Gym members imbued with the desire to perform, or to exhibit hitherto latent talent are advised to see Mr. Rosenberg so that an interesting program for the smoker may be formulated.

pirations and even illuminated the badge of disgrace affixed to its garment with an apostolic glory . . . Such a people, which disdains its present but has the eye steadily fixed on its future, which lives as it were on hope, is on that very account eternal, like hope."

This generation must continue to bear the Ark of the Covenant in our sojournings. The laws of the Torah and the ideals of the prophet must be practiced. Then our prayer will be answered. "May the All-merciful raise up for us the fallen Tabernacle of David."

The History Contest will be continued in the next issue.

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