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SISTERHOOD APPEALS FOR SUCCAH AID

Dear Member: We will shortly begin to fix up the Succah in our building. We want our Succah to be as beautiful as the Synagogue itself is, and we are sure that you are anxious to help us make it so.

On a card that we are mailing is a list of the articles we need. Will you kindly check off just what we may expect from you and mail the card at once?

All donations should be in by Sunday, October 12.

Thanking you in advance for your whole-hearted co-operation and with best wishes for a very Happy New Year.

Cordially yours,

MRS. SAMUEL R. MORRIS,

President.

CRESCENT CLUB LEADS WAY FOR INTERMEDIATES

The first Intermediate Club to hold its re-opening meeting of the season and to get down to an actual constructive program was the Crescent Club. The Club has been meeting regularly for the past two weeks and under the capable leadership of Mr. Aaron Herzog the club has outlined an extensive program of activities for the coming season. They hope to produce a championship debating team, a championship basket ball team and perhaps a very prominent football aggregation.

AROUND AND ABOUT

This being a New Year I guess we had better start off with the newest things.

Amongst the very latest, or rather amongst the very earliest for this year is the arrival of an addition to the Wald-Fischel family, born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wald, a young Miss, namely, Miss Judith. With such a father and such a mother, what a future this young lady has in store!

Who should we run into on the Avenue the other evening but our good friend Henrietta Rosengarten, and in sparkling delight we beheld a telltale sparkle. We certainly are delighted to hear the good news. Although no date has been set for the wedding we must extend our kindest to the gentleman from Holyoke, Mass.

It seemed to us at the services last Monday and Tuesday that our Seat Committee simply sold out the Auditorium. It's a toss-up. Either Cantor Lauer has been having a press agent work for him, or the Seat Committee has been extraordinarily diligent. At any rate we think the best thing to do is to combine both ideas and give credit both to the Committee, our Sexton and the Cantor himself.

There is a certain young gentleman connected with our Institution who has a little explaining to do, or perhaps it is best that we simply surmise. At any rate Max Karow is "Some Picker," so sayeth our good friend, Mr. Brody.

The Young Folks' League have stolen a march on the rest of the Clubs by requisitioning the Gymnasium for a dance for the first opening club night. Since then several other clubs have applied for this privilege.

Amongst our busy Directors during the past few days have been Dr. Benjamin Goldstein, and as we predicted, back from his vacation to tell the summer tale came Mr. Samuel Silver, which practically completes our roster at least for this week.

Somebody told Mr. Bernstein to stay away from "Schul" for a while, so he moved up to West 136th Street. We guess Brother Goldman will have to call for "grandpa" every Saturday to see to it that the Services Committee is complete. After walking from home every Saturday Mr. Bernstein will be like this column "complete(ly)—out."

SIGN UP FOR GYM AND POOL

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION HOLDS INITIAL MEETING OF THE SEASON

Rabbi Goldstein Addresses the Members

The Parents' Association of the Talmud Torah held their initial meeting of this season on Wednesday evening, Sept. 24th, and had as their guests for the evening, Rabbi Goldstein, and the members of the Junior League.

Rabbi Goldstein in a stirring talk, thanked the members for their good work in the past and urged them to renewed efforts on behalf of our Talmud Torah children. He pointed out the many possibilities for improvement and suggested ways and means for increasing the activities of the organization.

Both organizations then pledged themselves to strive for a greater year than ever before. "The Institutional" has no doubt of the fact that we shall expect great things of them in the very near future.

The Parents' Association and the Junior League were both very happy to welcome back to their midst Perry Frucht, who visited the Holy Land.

RABBI GOODMAN ADDRESSES RADIO AUDIENCE

Cantor Lauer Sings

Rabbi Isadore Goodman associate Rabbi of the Institutional Synagogue, broadcasted over WHN an address entitled, "Atonement," Wednesday evening, October 1st, at 8:10 p. m. Cantor Isidore Lauer, of the Institutional Synagogue sang "Val Yday Avodecha" and "Yom Kippur Tsu Mincha."

JUDGE IRVING LEHMAN OF THE NEW YORK COURT OF APPEALS

(Reprint from "Review," Jan. 1924)

Having long been a just justice, by a trick of our judicial nomenclature, former Mr. Justice Lehman, of the New York Supreme Court, has now become just a just judge. The fact is that Judge Irving Lehman takes his seat upon the Court of Appeals bench under conditions exceptionally felicitous. That is to say, his recent election was due to the harmonious action of both of the principal political parties with the practically unanimous approval of the bar of the state. Nor was this the first experience which Judge Lehman has had of election without opposition. After his original election in 1909, as justice of the Supreme Court, New York county, Mr. Justice Lehman was re-elected as the nominee of both Republican and Democrats in November, 1922, for a full term.

By translation to the Court of Appeals Judge Lehman makes a substantial salary sacrifice, a difference which will be still further accentuated if the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Court, New York county, are raised to \$25,000.

Judge Lehman, when a justice of the Supreme Court, New York county, attracted especial attention in his decisions in complicated commercial contract cases, so much so that lawyers on both sides of such controversies have been glad to secure for their clients the qualities of experience, intelligence and thoroughness of research which Justice Lehman was, though without monopoly, known to combine.

HAKOACH VERSUS POLONIA

The Jew is exasperating, disconcerting, unexpected or capricious, according with the saturnine, irascible or whimsical temperament of the anti-Semite.

The pseudo scientist who made a bid for business granted the Jew a capacity for theologic speculation and philosophic acumen, but denied his artistic or scientific potentialities and abilities. This estimate of the Nordic apologist had a superficial validity inasmuch as large numbers of our people in Russia and Austria-Hungary had spent their time exclusively in the field of speculation and religion. In the light of the restrictions and exclusions in matters of education, occupation and residence imposed by the autocratic regimes it was both natural and logical that our people would devote themselves to those studies which Ghetto life permitted and encouraged.

And then, too, the ideal scholar among European Jews of the Ghetto was the anemic and emaciated individual. Long hours spent over the Talmud, endless disputations carried on in ill-lighted and poorly ventilated synagogues and Yeshibahs were not conducive to vigorous, robust manhood. The learned scholars had a pallor and softness which scarcely commend them to strenuous athletic competition.

With the breakdown of the Ghetto and the removal of restrictions we discovered that the Jew had the same capacity for scientific and artistic achievement as he showed in the fields where eye and hand co-ordination was not requisite. But even though the official anti-Semite scholars reluctantly admitted Jewish excellence in the world of science and art, yet they felt that there was one field where he could not enter, and in this special field the blond, tall Teuton, Nordic or Slav would be ever pre-eminent. It is no wonder then that the anti-Semites of Poland are provoked and irritated, for now comes this despised people of inferior physique and short stature and defeats them in the exclusive field where they thought they were pre-eminent.

The Hakoach Athletic Society of Vienna defeated the Polonia Athletic Society of Warsaw in a dual meet. Our athletes conducted themselves with fine restraint and proved themselves superior in the realm of muscle, speed and accuracy. It is a bitter pill to swallow but it will inspire wholesome respect for the Jews among those who hold physical prowess in high esteem, and today the number of worshipers of athletic superiority far outnumber those who appreciate mental and spiritual excellence.

We look forward hopefully to the formation of many Hakoach societies. They make for a healthy mind in a healthy body, which is, after all, an ideal worthy of attainment. Perhaps in the next Olympic games we may have a Jewish team which will do Jewry credit.

THE POET'S CORNER

(At the suggestion of some of our readers we are conducting a weekly column of poetry. All of the poems which appear here have been clipped out by one of our readers who has been interested enough to think that others might enjoy the same ideals and the same pleasant reflections that the reader did when the reader clipped the poem for our use. We suggest that you avail yourself also of this opportunity and send us your choice of poems.)

THE KOL NIDRE PRAYER

O God and God of our fathers, let our prayer come before thee; do not hide thyself from our supplication; for we are not so brazen-faced or stiff-necked as to say before thee, O Lord our God and God of our fathers, that we are just, and that we have not sinned. Nay, we and our fathers have sinned.

We have been guilty, have deceived, have robbed, have spoken slander, have caused wrong, and done injustice, have acted wantonly, have done violence, have fastened lies, have counselled evil, have failed in promise, have scoffed, have rebelled, have blasphemed, have disobeyed, have done wrong, have transgressed, have oppressed, have hardened our necks, have been wicked, have corrupted, have done abominably; we have erred and led into error.

We have departed from thy commandments and thy righteous judgments; it is not right with us. But thou art righteous in all that has befallen us; for thou hast done truthfully and we have done wrong. What shall we say before thee, who dwellest on high; what story shall we tell to thee who residest in heaven; dost thou not know all things, both the seen and the hidden?

We call the attention of our friends to the fact that a new list of members will be made up as of Oct. 1st and THE INSTITUTIONAL will be mailed thereafter only to those members who have re-registered.

HIGH SCHOOL SABBATH OBSERVERS
WILL BE EXCUSED ON FRIDAY NIGHTS

"Dr. Herbert S. Goldstein, President Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

My Dear Mr. Goldstein: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of Sept. 15, 1924, and in reply thereto I am enclosing for your information, a copy of a circular letter sent to the principals of high schools.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed) M. SAMUEL STERN,
Vice-President, Board of Education."

"To the Principals of High Schools,

Ladies and Gentlemen: Because of the existence of special sessions in some of our high schools, it is impossible for Jewish pupils to reach promptly the religious services of Friday afternoons, which begin at 5 o'clock. In order that it may be possible, therefore, for these Jewish pupils to discharge their religious duties, you will please, upon presentation of a request from the Rabbi of a congregation to which the pupil belongs, excuse him at 4 o'clock on Friday, without loss of standing, to attend the religious services of his congregation.

It is understood that the pupil is to attend such services, if excused from school, and that the excuse must be renewed each term.

Very truly yours,

HAROLD G. CAMPBELL,
Associate Superintendent,
Board of Education."

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