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BENNY LEONARD TO BOX

Undeclared Light Weight Champion to
Box With Members of Gym.

In conjunction with the basket ball game and dance to be held in the I. S. gym this Sunday, in which Benny Leonard will play with his club team when they meet the Leader's Corps, the undeclared light weight champion will box a few rounds.

This is a very opportune time for the members and friends of our Institution to see one of our own—a man whose name will go down in history, as one of the greatest performers of the roped square. Come down and give Benny a royal welcome!

Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Physical Education Department or Social and Educational Department Staffs.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION HOLDS KOFFEE KLATCH

Listens To Interesting Lecture

The Parents' Association held their monthly Koffee Klatch, Tuesday evening, December 28th, in the restaurant. Mrs. I. Stein presided.

After the usual business, a lecture was delivered by our future Rabbi Yaeger, who was formerly on our Talmud Torah faculty. There was also entertaining by Sidney Flatau, one of the boys in the Talmud Torah, who recited, and Miss Eva G. Stein who entertained with several songs.

Tempting refreshments were served by the Refreshment Committee, of which Mrs. Wiener was the chairlady. The other members of the Committee were, Mrs. Abeloff, Mrs. Shatzoff, Mrs. Vosberg, Mrs. Burstiner, Mrs. Lieberman and Mrs. Cohen.

The Parents' Association is to be commended for their industry and for the splendid spirit in which they carry on these Koffee Klatches.

HANDBALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Very Exciting Games Features in the Finals

Al Lewis, member of the Benny Leonard club succeeded in defeating Al Edelman in the Senior Handball Tournament by the scores of 15-2, 2-15, and 15-12.

Lebish of the Junior Boys Gym nosed out Monevitch in the Junior Handball Tournament. The scores were: 11-0 and 13-11.

RELIGIOUS NOTES

This Saturday Morning

RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Will Occupy the Pulpit

Friday Evening Circle at 8:15 P. M.

Host: Junior League Club

Light Candles at 4:28 P. M.

GREETINGS TO THE ISBROLITE

Although many of the clubs have published papers heretofore, for the first time in the annals of the Institutional Synagogue the Brotherhood, as an auxiliary organization, comes to the fore with a printed paper.

As the Editor puts it, "the Brotherhood organ serves its first and primary purpose . . . sponsored, edited, and circulated by members of the Brotherhood . . . Brotherhood, both in name and spirit is the adopted keynote. . . . Appeals for charity and relief, bits of instruction, encouragement and indulgences in the mercies and benevolences of the arts and sciences and Jewish lore and religion—to these elevations does the Isbrolite aspire."

The paper is a four-page affair, with about half the content of our own INSTITUTIONAL. However, the Editor errs when he says that the Brotherhood advances its self-respect and pride and devotion by those who view the Isbrolite through the medium of the printed work. The INSTITUTIONAL itself and its columns have always been open to the Brotherhood, as well as to any other organization, to promote and encourage their activities. If the Editor is really interested in reaching as many people as possible, his contributions to the INSTITUTIONAL will have a far greater return, as far as outside contact is concerned, than he could hope for through the medium of the Isbrolite. To that extent their work may be duplicated.

However, all in all, the Isbrolite is a step forward for the Brotherhood. They are to be commended for the spirit that prompts the publication. These organs have always benefited the clubs and organizations that have published them to the extent of injecting a bit of individuality into the organization itself.

We trust that the Isbrolite will succeed and we measure that success by the amount of interesting news that we are able to publish in the INSTITUTIONAL henceforth weekly concerning the Brotherhood.

This Is Boost Year—Boost the I. S.

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JUNIOR CLUB BIBLE CONTEST

The Bible—Foundation of Judaism by Claire Groll

As a building rests upon a foundation, so Judaism is reared upon the Bible. It is the chief source from which our spiritual truths are derived. It embodies the religious and moral precepts that should guide the life of a Jew. But the Bible is more than the book of Jewish people. It is the most cherished spiritual treasure of mankind. There is no book that is more widely read and more generally venerated than the Bible; Jew, Christian, Mohammedan, alike honor and study it. It has been translated into every language and found wherever civilized man dwells today. It may well be called "the Book of all Books," for its influence has been, and still is the most potent factor in the moral development of man. The ideal of one God, the beautiful doctrine of the brotherhood of man, the sublime principles of universal liberty, justice and love owe their inception to the Bible. It has been the great teacher of peace and goodwill. We Jews have been called the People of the Book and therefore we above all others, should read the Bible and endeavor to live by its principles.

SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT JANUARY PROGRAM

Clubs Programs for Junior Groups

The clubs in the Junior Division have been divided into two divisions, an X group and Y group. Each group will follow a different program.

Clubs in the X group:

Progressive Girls	Orioles
Kardinals	Manhattan
Brownie Pack	Jolly Juniors

Clubs in the Y group:

Merrymakers	Puella Amicae
Anchorage	Symeeha
Boy Scouts	Panthers
Stars of Zion	Black Diamond

X GROUP

1st Week

Jewish Education and Culture—discussion of weekly current events of present importance in the Jewish world. Content from Jewish Tribune, American Hebrew, Jewish Daily Tribune, etc. Papers to be prepared by club members. Club discussions.

2nd Week

Dramatic Expression—For Juniors and Intermediates—interpreting short plays—Readings.

3rd Week

Jewish History—play is made on reiterating stories of Jewish heroes, both men and women, as the case may be—by Religious Director.

4th Week

Camp Fire Circle for Juniors and Intermediates.

a—songs, American and Hebrew.

b—story telling.

c—nature discussion.

Last Week

The Holy Bible—Talks by Religious Director in historical sequence showing the purpose and merits of the various Books.

1st Week

Y GROUP

Jewish Education and Culture—discussion of weekly current events of present importance in the Jewish world. Content from Jewish Tribune, American Hebrew, Jewish Daily Tribune, etc. Papers to be prepared by club members. Club discussions.

2nd Week

Hat Talks—Purpose of these talks is to submit slips in a hat asking questions concerning present interesting discussion of the week, each member speaking extemporaneously; all participate.

3rd Week

The Holy Bible—Talks by Religious Director in historical sequence showing the purpose and merits of the various books.

4th Week

Intra-Club Debates—Monthly—Discussing current topics—one boy or girl on each side and then general discussion.

Last Week

Jewish History—play is made on reiterating stories of Jewish heroes, both men and women, as the case may be—by Religious Director.

This Is Your Building—Make It Your Joy!

MISS MARTUS CONVALESCES

Miss Beatrice T. Martus, Director of Junior Activities in the Social and Educational Department, is recuperating at present from an operation for appendicitis at the Post-Graduate Hospital.

The Junior Council takes this means, through the medium of the INSTITUTIONAL, to wish Miss Martus a speedy recovery and a quick return to their midst. She has been connected with Institutional work for the last five years, and also supervises the Girls' Activities and the Social Service Cases.

We trust that she will take cognizance of her popularity with the Juniors by a quick convalescence and return to duty.

INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE SWIMMING TEAM TO MEET YONKERS Y. M. H. A.

Strong Team To Represent The Institution

Our swimming team will travel to Yonkers on Monday night, Jan. 10, 1927, to meet the team representing the Yonkers Y. M. H. A. These preliminary dual meets will be excellent practice in preparation for the coming Metropolitan Championship Meet. For those who may not know, our Swimming Team won the Metropolitan Championship last year. Here's hoping they win by a much larger score this year.

INTERMEDIATE DEBATING TOURNAMENT UNDER WAY Council Fosters Annual Tourney For Debating Trophy

The Intermediate Council has already held several debates in the regular tourney to determine the winner of the Morris Jablows Debating Trophy.

The schedule, as announced by the Committee on Debating Tournament, is as follows:

Abraham Lincolns vs. Sachem—Thursday, January 13th.

Parlex vs. Fratres—Monday, January 17th.

Winona vs. Kroy Wen—Thursday, January 13th.

Harmony Pals vs. Harlbrons—Thursday, January 20th.

Alpha Phi vs. Ko-Harts—Monday, January 10th.

Crescents vs. Alhoa—Thursday, February 7th.

Hero against the winners of Alpha Phi—Ko-Hart, Thursday, February 7th.

Winners of Harmony Pals—Harlbrons vs. winner of Winona-Kroy Wen, Monday, February 11th.

Winners of the Abraham Lincolns—Sachem vs. winner of Parlex—Fratres, Thursday, February 14th.

ATHIAL CLUB TO HOLD SOCIABLE Invites Intermediate Clubs To Attend Function

The Athial Social Club wishes to announce an annual sociable to be held at the Institutional Synagogue Social Room Saturday Evening, January 15th, 1927. We cordially invite all the Intermediate-Senior Clubs to attend.

An excellent program has been prepared for the enjoyment of all. Refreshments will be served. The club's Social Committee, along with our Director, Mr. Samuel Abrams, has a surprise in store for us. Quite a number of clubs from all parts of the city have promised to attend and lend their co-operation in making this party a success.

The club's purpose in running this sociable is to get all the Intermediates together to show what benefits can be derived from gatherings like this. Come one, Come all. Don't forget the date.

The officers of the club are:

Mr. M. Etsig, President; Mr. B. Berlowitz, Vice-President; Mr. L. Leiken, Secretary; Mr. A. Bukoff, Treasurer; Mr. H. Korman, Sergeant-of-Arms.

Social Committee: Mr. B. Berlowitz, Chairman, Mr. A. Zeretsky, Mr. A. Bukoff, and Mr. H. Korman.

ANONYMOUS GIFT BRINGS NEEDED CHEER

Necessities Are Purchased For Charity Cases

Through the good graces of an organization primarily interested in promoting and developing the welfare of boys in this city, a sum of money amounting to about \$25.00, was apportioned to this institution for charity distribution.

The funds spent by this organization went for the suggested purchases of gloves, stockings, shoes, and other necessities for our wards who could not afford to otherwise purchase these comforts.

It is this spirit of unselfish aid that prompts us to have sincere belief in the fact that "God watches over all His own." We certainly want to thank this organization for their splendid spirit and their present, as well as past support.

JUNIORS TO HOLD DECLAMATION CONTEST Will Sponsor Good Speech

The Junior Council, as a first step in its Annual Declamation Contest, will hold Club Declamation Tournaments during the coming week.

Every Junior boys and girls club will have its members recite some interesting bit of prose or poetry, and will choose three of their number as the club's representatives.

During the following weeks there will be an Elimination Contest among the boys and girls' clubs to determine those who are able to appear at the Junior Rally. The winners at the Rally Contest will be awarded medals.

SIGN UP FOR GYM AND POOL CLASSES!

THE JEW IN AMERICA

THE JEW AND AMERICAN IDEALS

It is only of late that historians have begun to recognize the source of that republican feeling that ended in the separation from the mother country. While, in the case of the few, the Englishman, Locke, and perhaps some of the French Encyclopedists exercised a decided influence, in the case of the many brought up on their Bible, revolutionary occurrences in ancient Israel played a paramount role. The divine right of Kings once held omnipotent sway over Europe and hardy indeed were those who flung the first challenge at it. There would have been no response on the part of the masses until there had seeped into their mentality doubt as to its Biblical sanction.

In colonial times it was customary before each election to preach in the church a sermon concerning the current political issues. This was called the election sermon. It was often printed and then sent broadcast. This form of propaganda exercised a powerful influence on the ultimate outcome of the conflict. It was regarded as the political pamphlet of the day; in the practical absence of all other reading matter besides the Bible it served as a great instrument of political and intellectual education.

The Rev. Dr. Samuel Langdon in his sermon before the Honorable Congress of Massachusetts Bay, May 31, 1775, preached on the text, "I will restore thy judges as at the first." Among other things he asserted, "Let them who cry up for the divine right of kings consider that the only form of government which had a proper claim to a divine establishment was so far from including the idea of a king, that it was a high crime for Israel to ask to be in this respect like other nations; and when they were gratified, it was rather as just punishment of their folly." By a special vote, Lr. Langdon's sermon was ordered to be printed and sent to each minister in the colony and to each member of the Congress.

It was from the Biblical arsenals that many of these revolutionists gathered the weapons which destroyed the tyranny of Great Britain. The leaders and preachers, particularly in New England, knew precisely the things that counted most with their hearers, and in arousing them to a sense of pity, expressly pointed out the religious sanction for rebellion. Truly if God was King, what necessity was there for other substitute Kings; if the Ruler was in Heaven, why tolerate these earthly rulers? If all men were equal children of Yahweh, and Yahweh's power was absolute, it naturally followed that no man could usurp his function.

Auxiliary Calendar of Events

Announcing!

PARENTS ASSOCIATION THEATRE PARTY

Lenox Theatre, Feb. 14th

Tickets Now on Sale in the Office or
From Mrs. I. Stein, President

Daughter's Theatre Party Riverside Theatre, 96th St. and B'way JANUARY 11

Fourth Annual Junior League Dance SATURDAY EVE., JAN. 29 Hotel Greystone

Sisterhood Bridge Party Grand Street Boys Club JANUARY 25

Brotherhood Gala Dansant SATURDAY EVE., FEB. 27 Hotel Pennsylvania

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