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I. S. SENIOR DEBATORS TRIUMPH OVER BRONX 'Y', TRADITIONAL RIVALS, FOR FIRST TIME IN THREE YEARS

Championship Debate for Greater New York is Next Goal For I. S. Group

The Palm of victory belongs to the I. S. Senior Debating Team as a result of the tilt against their traditional rivals, the Bronx Y, last Sunday evening, at the latter's auditorium. This debate was held under the auspices of the Metropolitan League and the victory now entitles the I. S. to engage in the semi-finals for the championship of Greater New York.

The topic for debate was "Resolved, that the restoration of Palestine is indispensable to the growth of Jewish culture in the Diaspora" with the I. S. upholding the negative of the argument. The presentation of both teams spoke of careful research and well prepared briefs.

Mr. Paul Weinstein of the "Y" started the debate by attempting to prove by means of historical data that unless a National Home Land existed, culture decays and cannot exist. He was followed by Mr. Jack Lefkowitz, the first speaker for the negative, who proved that for the past two thousand years although no geographic center of the Jews existed, Jewish culture blossomed and bloomed in every country of their migrations.

George Friedlander, the second affirmative speaker, then showed that all the Jewish culture was a result of the yearning for the restoration of Palestine and that a geographic center was essential to further growth.

Mr. Alexander Sterenbuch, the last I. S. speaker, gave evidence of modern culture and proved that restoration of Palestine, although desirable, was not indispensable, to the continued growth of Jewish culture in the Diaspora. The remaining member of the I. S. team was Frank Hurowitz, alternate.

In the refutation which followed, the Messrs. Feinstein and Pottish for the Y and the Messrs. Sterenbuch and Lefkowitz for the I. S., brilliant repartee and scathing denunciations were presented by each side with the I. S. taking a slight advantage.

The Judges, who were Messrs. Ely Braunstein, Benjamin Levenstein and Martin Baron, rendered two to one decision in favor of the visiting team. Mr. Gezunterman of the Y, presided.

This is the second triumph for the I. S. debaters this season. The week previous found the Intermediate Team winning by the default of the East Side Center. At present both senior and Intermediate teams are preparing for the second round. Mr. Shapiro, the coach, is confident that both forensic groups should turn in another victory.

JEWS OF ITALY PROSPER UNDER BENEFICIENT RULE OF MUSSOLINI

Although the Jewish population of Italy numbers but 60,000 in a land of 40,000,000, their many and notable contributions to the welfare of Italy have earned for them the respect and approbation of their non-Jewish fellow citizens.

In the leading Facist newspaper, edited by the brother of Premier Mussolini, occasional articles recite with pride what Italian Jews have done for Italy. The names of the late Luigi Luzzati, former prime minister of Italy, and Signor Ernesto Nathan, former Mayor of Rome, are frequently mentioned in the Italian Press. Other Jews of note referred to include the late Lodovici Mortara, Chief Justice; Jacques Servadio, founder of colossal banks and composer; Cesare Lombroso, universally celebrated criminologist, Count di Carubio, noted statesman, and many others.

The Jews are great favorites of both king Victor Emanuel and Premier Mussolini. Both have done much to foster a liking for Jewish people throughout the country. They do not permit any form of anti-semitism and are quick to eliminate any symptoms of it.

A typical example is the fact that the Italian translation of the infamous "Protocols of the Elders of Zion" was prohibited from circulation thru Premier Mussolini's intervention. He pledged his word of honor to the Chief Rabbi of Rome, Professor Angelo Sacherdott, that he would never tolerate the disgraceful teachings of anti-semitism in any part of the Italian Kingdom.

With respect to effects of Papal agreement between the government and the Vatican, the Jews of Italy have nothing to fear, as they are under the protection of civil, and not ecclesiastical laws.

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STARS OF ZION TO CELEBRATE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF CLUB ORGANIZATION

The Tenth Anniversary of the Stars of Zion Organization, one of the outstanding clubs of the I. S., will all celebrate by a Banquet and Dance Saturday evening, April 6th, at the Broadway Central Hotel.

A novel program has been arranged by the Banquet Committee, and they arranged for a fine evening's entertainment, together with an excellent Kosher meal. Many prominent speakers will be present, and there is no doubt but that the Anniversary of the Stars of Zion will be celebrated in proper style.

SENATOR REED, COUNSEL FOR FORD, AGAIN ATTACKS JEWISH RACE

Senator James Reed of Missouri, who enveloped himself in a stench resulting from his anti-Jewish vaporings at the recent Shapiro-Ford Trial, is again the object of justifiable criticism. The worthy senator, availing himself of congressional immunity from suit for slander, in a debate held on the Senate floor in 1928, made the statement "that Christ was crucified in accordance with the Roman and Jewish Law".

The falsity of this statement, insofar as it relates to Jews has been un rebuttably established time and time again throughout the ages both by Jewish and non-Jewish authorities. That the stigma of bigotry should attach to Senator Reed, upon his retirement from a generation of public life, is indeed to be deplored.

Clubbery

Last Saturday night, March 9th, the First Annual Dance scheduled by the Melrah Club was given in the I. S. Gym. That the event proved to be a triumph was evident from the large crowd that attended.

We extend a glad welcome to the newly-formed "Progressive Girls' Club." That this Club has been successfully launched is evident from the real enthusiasm of its members.

The drive for membership which has been conducted by the Pioneers, has met with a great measure of success. With the increased membership, Mr. Abe Margulies, the leader, is planning many new activities for the boys.

"Resolved, that Jewish Race Patriotism is not inconsistent with citizenship," was the topic debated among the Kaweco's, February 25th last, Cohen and Levine on the affirmative, were opposed by Goodman and Puritz for the negative. The latter team won by popular acclaim.

A variety of attractions will be presented by the members of the Jewish Stars on Saturday evening, April 6th, which will include among others, an overture, two plays and several little sketches.

At the last meeting of the Klondikes, a resolution was adopted, making every member a participant in some athletic team in the club. The elections which were held on March 1st, resulted in raising to office I. Moses, President; S. Torres, Vice-President, and Miller, Secretary. Mr. Morris Rosenberg is the capable director of this club.

As a feature of their last meeting, the Stayvcsant debated the proposition, "Resolved that American Jewry is tending from the orthodox to the reformed." The issues presented by both sides were both interesting and stimulating.

We were informed at the last meeting of the Greyhounds that they impanelled a new set of officers, January 13th. Those elected were President, Al Drayer; Vice-President, Lou Schrader; Secretary, H. Kratner; Treasurer, Ted Gruber; Athletic Manager, Joe Drayer.

Last Tuesday evening, the Institutional Synagogue was successful in their handball contest with the Washington Heights Y, at their opponents' Institution. The score was 5 to 0 in favor of the I. S. Our representatives took all the events. Irving Epstein and Al Edelman took part in the doubles, while Saul Meyers, Phil Sviegal and Joe Cohen fought it out in the singles.

ALL ABOARD FOR COMBINED TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY AND LESTER UDELL TESTIMONIAL DINNER!

Last minute preparations are being made to insure the complete success of the combined Anniversary and Testimonial Dinners which will be held at the Level Club, on the evening of April 7th, 1929.

Have You Your Ticket

Demands are coming in for more and more tickets. It is quite evident that people from all over the city are expected to attend the festivity,—all friends of the cause of the Institutional Synagogue.

The Hard Working Committee

Enthusiasm runs high at the contemplation of the dinner. All workers of the I. S. feel quite certain that their fond wishes for the bigness and success of the dinner will be gratified. Although responses have been up to schedule, there are still a number of our friends that are yet to be heard from. We can only advise them to facilitate matters by promptly sending in their reservations.

The many friends of Mr. Udell have already signified their intentions of being present, and have accepted the offer of the Committee to assist in their labors. There is no doubt but that the most successful affair of the I. S. will be evident on the night of April 7th.

Let's Hurry

Once more we wish to urge those who are procrastinating to promptly send in their reservations to any member of the Testimonial Dinner Committee. These may be sent to the office of the Institutional Synagogue, or to Mr. Max E. Sanders, 42 Broadway, who is the treasurer.

PLANS FOR BANQUET AND DANCE DISCUSSED AT INTERMEDIATE COUNCIL

At a meeting held by the Intermediate Council last Thursday at the I. S. Social Room, several important points were taken up and settled. Elections of officers took place, and plans were laid for a grand Intermediate Dance and the Second Annual Banquet, to take place in the very near future.

The representatives were told that combined effort is necessary for the success of any endeavor, and that there is every reason in the world to believe that the Intermediates should conduct successful affairs. Plans were also perfected for a Purim Dance which will be conducted on the evening of March 30th.

Mr. Ben Rachels of the Neon Club was elected President, and Julius Leischer, of the Jeshurun, was given the office of Secretary. Meetings will be held every week until the conclusion of the Banquet and Dance, and bi-weekly thereafter.

MISS EVA G. STEIN, ACTIVE WORKER AT I. S. TO ASSIST WITH RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS

It is indeed with pleasure that the Social and Educational Department announces the acquisition to its staff of Miss Eva Stein, who will take care of the Religious work among the Girls' and Boys' Junior Clubs.

Conducted Story Hour

Miss Eva G. Stein has long been connected with the Institutional Synagogue, and her social activities are too well known to require any enumeration. She has also taught at Hebrew Schools and very successfully



Miss Eva Stein

conducted a Sabbath Story Hour for the Talmud Torah children on Saturday afternoons.

Judiasm For All At I. S.

Religious activity has always been prominent among the clubs of the I. S. The importance and beauty of orthodox Judiasm is constantly brought to mind at every meeting. Last year, Rabbi Goldstein and Mr. Shapiro instituted a Mincha and Mariv Service which proved quite successful.

With the addition of Miss Stein to the staff, the Religious activities of the clubs will receive added impetus. Miss Stein will supervise the Girls' Clubs.

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Contestants

"Isn't that just a fine gesture, and look, you can almost feel the way that poem goes." "Isn't that a fine recitation." These, and kindred remarks could be heard at the Junior Declamation Contest, held last Thursday evening in the I. S. Auditorium, before an appreciative audience.

There were seventeen contestants, all of whom strove and gave the very best that was in them, to be one of the first six, and thus be eligible for the finals. The victorious ones are as follows: Beatrice Triesman, David Koppelman, Sidney Hauer, Judith Minokur, Emanuel Sternbach and Marion Margolies. There was an unusual amount of interest manifest in the entire contest. Almost everyone of the Junior Clubs entered two contestants and throughout the contest there was but one case of a forgotten line. Otherwise, careful preparation was quite evident.

Mr. Kornfeld supervised the contest, assisted by the judges, Mr. Abraham Bernstein, our Executive Director, and Misses Beatrice Tannenbaum and Esther Zionson. The finals will take place on March 26th, and will be conducted in conjunction with the Social Hour of the Soesso Girls, directed by Miss Esther Zionson, who will present "The Mad Tea Party".

The following are the names of the clubs, the contestants and the names of the pieces recited:

Argoos: Lea Lang, "The Kid's Last Fight"; Abe Leal, "Recessional". Jewish Stars: Emanuel Steinback, "Boots"; David Koppelman, "Before the Pogrom"; Israel Goldstein, "The Dead Assembly". Collectians: Miss Marion Margulies, "Aunt Tabitha"; Miss Beatrice Triesman, "Viva La France". Symeeha: Ida Nachman, "The Soul of the Violin"; Fay Sussman, "Fluerette". Jolly Juniors: Molly Rubinstein, "Grandma's Prayer"; Kathleen Haire, "What's the Big Idea". Pioneers: George Friedman, "The iVillage Blacksmith"; Sid Hauer, "My Lost Youth". Progressives: Julith Winokur, "Somebody's Mother". Klondikes: I. Moses, "O Captain, My Captain"; Miller, "The Spires of Oxford". Omaha: Esther Greensher, "The Skeleton in Armor".

Athletics

WATCH CHILDREN'S HABITS AS ELEMENT IN THEIR GROWTH

Child specialists and psychologists have recently been calling to parents' attention the fact that the most lasting impressions and habits for life are fixed during pre-school years, or before the child goes to public school.

Among these habits Miss Agnes Gabriel, of the Pittsburgh Unit of the National Dairy Council, believes none is more important than the right food habits.

Shame on Pampering Parent

"The child whose parents will allow him to play with his food at the table, to refuse spinach, green beans, orange juice, milk and some of the other essentials in the well-rounded diet, is being harmed in two ways.

"Not only is the health question involved, which the absence of these elements in the diet all through life mean, but there is also the mental or social risk," warns Miss Gabriel.

"The child who is pampered and who develops peculiar tastes, likes and desires, is apt to become a misfit in society in more ways than one.

"A little wholesome discipline of the right kind, positive firmness instead of nagging, and above all, the parents' own appreciation of nourishing foods, is most important during this pre-school time."

The Junior male members of both the Gym and Social Departments are urged to send in their entries for the Intermediate Club Swimming Meet, which will be held on Wednesday, March 20th, at 6 P. M. The list of events are as follows:

- 2 lap free style swim.
- 3 lap free style swim.
- 2 lap breast stroke.
- 3 lap breast stroke.

Under water swim for distance.

The next handball match will be with the Harlem Hebrew Institute at the Institutional Synagogue Gym.

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