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SIMCHAS TORAH AND SHABBOS B'RAISHITH CELEBRATIONS ENTERTAIN

Last Saturday afternoon closed the Simchas Torah and Shabbos B'raishith festivities at the main building. On Simchas Torah Mr. Weisberger the Chasen Torah, and Mr. Chaim Masliansky the Chasan B'raishith, entertained the members and friends of the Congregation living in Harlem. Addresses were delivered by Rabbi Goldstein Rabbi Idelman, Israel Weisberger and Mr. Masliansky. Vocal selections were rendered by Cantor Yavneh and Master Rhine.

On Saturday, Shabbos B'raishith, an elaborate party was given at our West Side Branch by Messrs. Isaac Settel and Joseph Sedwitz. Addresses were delivered by Rabbi Goldstein, Messrs. I. M. Blankfort, Abrams and Kramer. Vocal selections were rendered by Cantor Yavneh and joined in by all present. Mr. Settel closed the festivities by delivering a short and inspiring message. Thanks is extended to Mr. Samuel Silver for being instrumental in proposing his name as a member of the Board of Directors and pledged his whole hearted co-operation in our work.

Mr. Aaron Wartels, the grand young old man of the West Side Branch, was responsible for the remarkable arrangements that were made. Mr. Abraham Bernstein, our Executive Secretary, in honor of the occasion, walked from his home in Washington Heights down to the Synagogue.

ARMISTICE DAY PROGRAMS TO FEATURE CLUB MEETINGS

Armistic Day programs among the various clubs are being prepared under the guidance of the S-E Department. According to the interest exhibited thus far most every club will celebrate Armistic Day.

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I. S. Intermediate Debating Team Meets Brooklyn 'Y' to Decide Metropolitan League Championship

Battle at Brooklyn Y, 339 Eighth St., to Take Place Sunday, 3 P. M.

The Intermediate Debating Championship of the Metropolitan League will be decided this Sunday afternoon after a debate between the Institutional Synagogue and the Brooklyn Y. M. H. A. on the subject, "Resolved, that the Volstead Act be modified to permit the sale of Light Wines and Beer by the Government."

The Institutional Synagogue will uphold the affirmative of that proposition. According to the definition of terms, light wines are those containing 7% or less of alcohol and beer is the usual product with an alcoholic content of about 4% or less.

The I. S. will be represented by Abe Margulies and Morris A. Urieff, with David Shapiro as alternate. These boys have proven their mettle in previous debates, and their experience and eloquence both go a long way towards insuring the hopes of an I. S. victory. Mr. William Shapiro S. E. Director is coaching the boys.

The topic is one that is full of present interest because of the recently-conducted raids against the "bootleg empire" and because of the great difficulty that the Government has in handling the Prohibition question. The I. S. will argue that the modification of the Volstead Act is necessary to insure future Prohibition enforcement, and to maintain respect for the Constitution.

Mr. William H. Kushnick, the Brooklyn Director, who is in charge of arrangements there, has chosen as judges, a physician, a lawyer and a business man, so that a well-qualified and diversified group of judges is assured.

The presentation speeches will be eight minutes in length. Rebuttal speeches five minutes. There will be a ten-minute interval for preparation between the Presentation and Rebuttal. Affirmative will speak first and last. There will be two speakers in Presentation and two speakers in Rebuttal.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

Members and Friends of the I. S.:

We receive calls almost daily from men and women seeking positions whereby they may observe the Sabbath.

I am taking this means of urging employers or others who know of Sabbath observing positions to call us so that we may thereby help those who are anxious to observe the Sabbath and are making every sacrifice to remain loyal to Judaism.

Faithfully yours,
HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN.

CHASSIDIM DESTROY MOVIE OF WEDDING

Pay 30,000 Kronen for Film, Which They Burn.

PRAGUE (J.T.A.) — In order that the Jewish religious dictum against the taking of pictures should not be violated, the members of a Chassidic sect paid the sum of 30,000 kronen for a moving picture film, which they then burned.

During the wedding of the son of a Carpatho-Russian Chassidic Rabbi and the daughter of a Roumanian Rabbi, linking two houses of the religious group, the Jewish Film Company took pictures of the ceremony for ethnographical purposes. When the religious head learned that the wedding ceremony had been filmed, great excitement prevailed. After prolonged negotiations, the negatives were purchased from the company.

The Junior League of the INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE

congratulates its two very active members on the occasion of the engagement of

MISS ANNA LEVINE
to
MR. SAMUEL KIRSCHNER

FRIDAY EVENING, LIGHT CANDLES 4:30

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BIBLE COURSES POPULAR

Large Registration for Classes Is Reported at Hunter.

The Bible is holding its own as a literary study, it is asserted in a survey made at Hunter College following a large registration in two classes in a literary study of the Bible conducted by Professor Dora Davis Farrington. So great was the demand this semester, said Professor Farrington, that many had to be turned away.

Ignorance of the Bible was processed by 31 per cent of the students as a reason for taking the course, while 24 per cent were interested in obtaining a literary in addition to a factual viewpoint. Many future teachers of English felt that a knowledge of the Bible was a necessary part of their equipment.

CLUBBERY

The Tranquillity's invite the I. S. and its friends and its friend's friends too, to its Dance to be held in the Gym, November 30th. In addition to entertainment "what am" they will also present the first issue of their new paper as souvenir journals. Tickets are now being sold at club meetings by representatives of this active club.

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The Kaweco's paint us an attractive picture of their dance to be held December 7. Band red hot, blues absent—a myriad of colors which call attention to an evening unforgettable. And when the Kaweco's invite you to their dance, they incidentally present you the keys to a night of joy, pep and ever active sparkle.

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The Stuyvesants announce that all dances held previously at the I. S. will be mild compared to the dance they will hold in the near future. They promise us announcement of date, details and inducements in our next issue.

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The Melrahs, that active co-ed group, held a party last Saturday night in the Social Room. Entertainment, refreshments and a fine air of congeniality made the party a memorable one.

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We welcome with a glad and very cordial handshake a new group of friends, the Gamma Sigma Phi Sorority. They are interested in social work, and intend to make the I. S. an experimental laboratory and also the recipient of plenty of good activities. Their leader, Miss Frances Phillips, has already been invited to lead a Junior girls' club.

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We also extend hearty welcome to the Vagabonds. These girls promise to sustain a "rep of pep." They meet every Monday. Girls interested in joining this group are welcome to attend their meetings. The ages are 14 to 16 years of age. The purposes are fraternal and social activities.

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The Neons open their football season with a game this Sunday morning at North Meadows, Central Park. To the question as to whether a rival to Red Grange is on the team they remain strangely silent—but significantly wink an eye. Who can tell.

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The Emanons are to be congratulated upon the requisition of Miss Frances Blatt as their leader. They are now ready for a year of active work for I. S. literary honors.

JEWISH CENTERS OBSERVANCE OF ARMISTICE DAY

Armistice Day, Monday, November 11th, will be observed by Y. M. H.'s, Y. W. H. A.'s and Jewish Community Centers of the United States by appropriate exercises. The Jewish Welfare Board, the national organization with which several hundred of these associations are associated, has made available bulletin which will be serviceable to the Centers in the preparation of their programs for Armistice Day.

It contains suitable selections and quotations in prose and verse and gives instructions and suggestions relative to subjects for addresses, salute to the flag, Scout ceremonies, pageants, music, readings, and motion pictures. A timely feature included in this bulletin is a list of references on the subject of "The Jew and World Peace," in which is reflected the historical Jewish attitude toward disarmament and the striving for world peace.

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Rabbi Goldstein, Honorable Isaac Siegel and other prominent I. S. Directors will be guests at some of the programs.

Bulletins have been distributed among the various clubs outlining a typical program, and the clubs have manifested a keen desire to follow the suggestions therein.

The Boy Scouts will initiate the Armistice Day celebrations at their meeting on Saturday night. Rabbi Goldstein will address the Boy Scouts on the subject of Armistice Day. Several military drills, and a specially prepared program will also feature the meeting.

Our Reception Room needs a Radio, victrola or Piano. If you possess one that you desire to donate to the I. S., our appreciation would be unbounded.

A REMINDER

Small and insignificant as that Promised Contribution may seem to you, please remember that to the I. S. every bit counts. The I. S. has no endowments, as other more fortunate institutions have. The I. S. is self supporting.

Please help us in our endeavors to keep going. Right now send in that contribution

WITHOUT FAIL.

YOUR INTERMEDIATE DEBATING TEAM IS ENGAGING IN THE FINALS THIS SUNDAY

Jewish Contributions To Civilization

Article IV.

THE JEW IN MUSIC—PART I.

We recently overheard several boys discuss the Jew and Music. "The Jews," said one boy, "have beautiful synagogue music. In our Children Shul services we are greatly pleased to raise our voices and sing with great spirit our beautiful prayers, or sometimes our Yiddish folk songs. I like the Palestinian Scout songs best."

"But," said the second boy, "we are also great composers and interpreters of modern music and jazz. My music teacher told me that the greatest writers of popular music are Jews."

"And," said the third boy, "my Hebrew School teacher told me that the greatest composers and interpreters of Classic Music are Jews."

One of the boys' fathers overheard part of the conversation and said, "We Jews are sensitive to Life and Beauty. Not only does the Jew express himself in poetry, and you know our great poets, Halevi and Bialik, but also in music. The great philosopher, Goethe, once wrote, 'Where words cease, Music begins'."

The first record of true musical expression can be found in the Bible. Music was a great factor in the Great Temple. Later, the Jew developed music to its present great form. Do you know some of the Jews who sublimated this great Art? Did you know that George Bizet, who wrote the opera "Carmen"; Mendelsohn, who wrote the "Mid-summer Night Dream," and the very popular "Spring Song"; THE GREATEST COMPOSERS as Block, Ravel, Mahler, Rubenstein, Meyerbeer, Offenbach, Saint-Saens and that great Richard Strauss were Jews?

Did you know that the greatest modern orchestra conductors such as Bodanzky of the Mearopolitan Opera Co., Damrosch of the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra, Edwin Franko Goldman, considered the most popular band-leader in the world; Alfred Herz of the well-known San Francisco Symphony Orchestra, and the other great geniuses of the baton—Serge Koussevitsky, Pierre Montieux, Fritz Reiner, Kurt Schindler, Nikolai Sokoloff, Stransky and Bruno Walter are Jews. Also included we find Erno Rape, "Roxy" and Mendez.

Did you know that the world's greatest instrument soloists are Jews? These masters of the violin are Jews: Leopold Auer,

Arts and Crafts, Jewish History and Music Appreciation Groups Added S. E. Dept. Program

Renovation of Reception Room With Many Additions Prove Popular

Several novel and interesting additions to the program of the Educational Department have been made, according to an announcement by Mr. William Shapiro, S-E Director. A Hebrew cultural group, an Arts and Crafts class, and a music appreciation group will be included, and will be supervised by Mr. Maxwell T. Cohen.

The Hebrew culture class will be taken up by discussions of topics of Jewish interest. These topics will cover Jewish problems reviewed from the orthodox viewpoint. Noted speakers from both the I. S. and other institutions will address this group.

The Arts and Crafts group will be given over to a discussion of art, theory and appreciation, and discussion on the history and development of art. Etchings, poster work, free-hand drawing, charcoal, putty pencil sketches, and so forth will constitute the practical aspect. This is the first time that the S-E Department is offering a course of such nature.

On Wednesday evenings the music appreciation group will meet. They will devote their time to a study of the history of music, emphasizing the Jewish aspect. Choral singing, instrumental and vocal soloists will feature every evening. Another novelty that is planned is that the group en masse will attend a concert every fourth week.

The art class will meet every Monday evening at 8:30, while the Hebrew culture class will be conducted on Thursday evenings. The first art class, conducted last Monday, was well attended, and bespeaks

Luddy Brown, Elman, Jasha Heifitz, Sacha Jacobson, Fritz Kreisler, Tosha Seidel, Zimbalist and eleven-year-old Yehuda Menuhin, hailed as the youngest violin genius. **Yehuda's father once taught in the Uptown Talmud Torah, our neighbors.**

The Jews have contributed such pianists as Adler, Bauer, Chotzinoff, Ossip Gabrilowitch (Mark Twain's son-in-law), Godowsky, Hambourg, Lhevinn, Myra Hess and Wanda Landowska. Also the greatest pianist in the history of the piano, Mauritz Rosenthal.

In our next article we will continue an analysis of the Jew in Jazz, Opera and Modern Classical Music.

great interest in this activity.

Due to the efforts of Mr. Bernstein, our Executive Director, the Reception Room has been entirely renovated with the installations of new furniture, curtains, ferns, and the like. There is no doubt but that this room is the most attractive one in the building.

Mr. Shapiro also announces that each club will be assigned the use of the Reception Room wherein they may entertain their friends and well-wishers. A radio will also be installed so that dancing will be facilitated.

WHAT'S IN A NAME!

The Talmud tells us that one of the chief reasons why the Jews were deserving of freedom from the bondage of Egyptian slavery was their refusal to change their Jewish names and thus in the process of time, to lose their identity.

A striking illustration of the fact that a Jewish name may not only serve in a negative way but also may not retard one's climb to greatness is the recent visit to this country of the Prime Minister from Great Britain with his confidential secretary, Miss Rose Rosenberg. It may be difficult to find a more responsible position for a woman in any country in the world, than to be the personal secretary of the Prime Minister of Great Britain, yet Miss Rose Rosenberg, typically Jewish, finds it no inconvenience or embarrassment to retain this peculiarly Jewish name. Of course, she does not parade it.

Every high social function recently held in Washington bore on its list of honored guests this demure but positive Jewess, Miss Rose Rosenberg. May not a good many of us learn that it is more conducive to our self-respect to retain the good old-fashioned Jewish name which has a meaning to it, rather than the modern twists that possess letters and nothing more?—Bulletin.

YOU OWE THE TEAM THE DUTY OF ACCOMPANYING THEM TO BROOKLYN

Popularity of Bible Classes Among Sisterhood, Parents Ass'n, Daughters, Brotherhood and Women's League Due to Rabbi Goldstein

Giving of Traditional Interpretation of Bible To People Is Purpose.

At every meeting of the senior organizations of the I. S. one is sure to find that the outstanding feature is the Bible classes which have been conducted for the past few years by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein. And now, more than ever before, the popularity of these classes is supreme.

The Women's League of the West Side branch holds its Bible class every Wednesday morning. Besides instruction in the Bible, Rabbi Goldstein conducts a "Question Box" for the women that has proven of unquestioned educational value.

More Room Needed

The I. S. Daughters, led by the active Miss Esther Garfinkle, have asked for larger quarters to accommodate their unusually large attendance at the Bible classes. Such popularity must be deserved! Of course the Parents' Association and the Sisterhood have long been enjoying the pleasures of a Bible class conducted by our beloved Rabbi.

Dine—Study—Play Plan

The Brotherhood last year conducted the Bible class on a Dine-Study-Play plan, according to which the group first had supper together, then studied the Bible, and then went down for a work-out in the gym to conclude a perfect evening.

Brotherhood and W. S. Y. Men Merge

This year the Brotherhood has merged with the young men of the West Side, and even greater things are expected from them. The first Bible class of the combined group will be held on Monday evening. Election of officers will also be held at this meeting. Plans have already been promulgated whereby monthly suppers will be held, and prominent speakers will be invited to address the members.

Purposes of the Bible Classes

The purpose of these Bible Classes is to bring the Holy book to the people. The Rabbinic interpretation of the various passages are given with the various commentaries from the Midrash and the Talmud. Rabbi Goldstein uses his own book, which he recently published, to supplement this traditional interpretation. Several of these classes have already begun the study of Exodus, and in the near future the Rabbi hopes to publish his commentaries on that book.

Reason for the Season!

It is only a man like the Rabbi who can lead these classes as he does. For the Rab-

MANY THANKS

to DR. HENRY S. MORAIS and MR. EMANUEL LIFSHITZ of the Yeshivah College for occupying the pulpit in the main building during the last month.

WE WELCOME

NORMAN LLIBERMAN, ARTHUR GOLDSTEIN and ISRAEL WEISBERGER, who have just become ushers at the main building. We bespeak for them the co-operation of the Congregation.

PHAROAH'S HEART FOUND TO BE STONY

British Surgeon Confirms Bible Story.

Pharaoh had a hard heart and would not let the Children of Israel go, the Bible tells us, and that account of the condition of the Egyptian ruler's cardiac organ is absolutely true according to the testimony of Lord Moynihan, of London, president of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Says Lord Moynihan:

"The heart of Pharaoh of the oppression was found in such a well-preserved state that after a London surgeon had made dissection it was possible to declare the Pharaoh was suffering from the disease of atheroma.

"Mental changes accompany that rigid arterial condition," declared Lord Moynihan. "There is narrowness and rigidity of outlook, loss of enthusiasm or dread of new adventures, and restriction in all enterprises. We have the clearest proof that those mental defects were not lacking in the Pharaoh Merenptah, as described in the Book of Exodus."

bi, a man of deep learning and profound understanding, is able to attract men and women from their home after a busy day's work to study the Bible and Torah, and their application to the problems of the times.

FIRST OF INTER-CLUB MINCHA SERVICES HELD LAST SUNDAY

The first of the series of Sunday afternoon Mincha services to be conducted regularly by Mr. Shapiro, was held last Sunday afternoon, when the boys, the Neons, the Jeshurun, Kowecos, and the Emanons met in prayer.

Mr. Morris Urieff, of the Emanons, davened at the "Omed." Many of those present conferred that they had not davened for many a year, and this was the first venture in a long time. It is hoped that after a few more of these Mincha services, these boys will be quite proficient in following the prayers.

The following letter was received by Rabbi Goldstein from C. J. Fine, of San-turce, Porto Rico.)

Oct. 23rd, 1929.

"Dr. Herbert S. Goldstein.

Dear Dr.:

You may be a bit surprised to hear from away off here in a request for two pair of "arbah kanfas."

I am working down here seven months a year, and have attended your synagogue at 83rd Street last holidays.

I always wear "tzitis" and find that they have torn on me here, and I now have only one pair left. I never have been without them.

There are only four Jewish people in this entire community of one and one half million and therefore no possible chance of holding "minpun."

Nevertheless, you may be surprised that I keep the place of work closed every Saturday all day as I keep it as a strict Sabbath.

Any charge for these will be sent immediately by money order. Thanks for your trouble.

Wishing you and your family a happy and healthful new year, I am

Yours respectfully,

(signed) C. J. FINE,

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