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**I. S. CLUBS RESUME ACTIVITY,
SHOWING EARLY PROMISE
OF EVENTFUL SEASON**

**Scope and Objectives of the S. E. Dep't.
extended to include Social-Welfare
and Communal Activities**

The Social Educational Department is commencing its fourteenth year in a most auspicious fashion under trying circumstances. Confronted with problems of neighborhood changes and financial limitations, the S-E Department offers the most active and ambitious program, replete with interesting features, ever undertaking in the Institution.

An encouraging factor is the return of every club and group this season. A number of new clubs were added to our club membership, thus making the club roster at the beginning of this season greater than the club enrollment at the highest point of past seasons.

This is the I. S. Banner Year

The Institution kept in close contact and communication with the clubs and groups during the entire summer. Mr. Maxwell T. Cohen, newly appointed Director of the S. E. Department, conducted conferences with the respective clubs every night. Discussions were conducted with Club-Leaders, Officers, Council Delegates and Members concerning the problems confronting their respective clubs, the new building procedure for this season, the relationship between their clubs and the Institution, and the various means, procedures and agencies by which the I. S. could render the clubs and their membership the most advantageous and beneficial services. Programs were planned and organized and the Activity Calendar was prepared for the most active season. Mr. Cohen's announcement of activities appears in part elsewhere in this issue.

A Bigger I. S.

The scope and objectives of the S. E. Department have been extended to include Social-Welfare and Communal Activities. The Departments services and facilities have been extended to the Crime Prevention Bureau of the Police Department, the Big Brother Movement, the Fellowship House, and the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America. The Departments activities will now be conducted from 4 o'clock to 10:30 daily, and from noon until 11 P.M. Sundays. (Continued on page 4, column 1)

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT,
THE HON. ISAAC SIEGEL**

Every fond memory of our many accomplishments of the past again calls us to perform our full duty. A distinguished German Statesman says that the only heritage his father left him were the dying words "Worship and work." This is matched by the words of the greatest newspaperman of the past decade, who said, "If you want anything—go and get it; if you don't want it, send for it."

If we would only ponder over these two bits of advice, we would bring genuine enthusiasm into our own daily tasks. We would look with greater satisfaction to the things which we have put into the Institution, instead of merely thinking of what we can take out of it.

The opportunity for service is greater now than ever before. The whole community rings and the press is filled with rumors and charges of extraordinary criminality and the lowest kind of corruption. Crime is rampant; the very citadel of justice seems to be on trial itself. The growing generation looks to us for guidance and the opportunity to grow up to be decent and honorable Americans of our Faith. Thus the call to duty is stronger now than ever before.

Let us then welcome the new season and the New Year, which is approaching, filled with the thought that we will once more do our utmost to continue the work which the Institutional Synagogue has so ably carried on for the past thirteen years.

May we, therefore, sound the clarion note calling upon all the friends and members of the Institutional Synagogue to rally to the work which is before us. With the cooperation of all hands, both young and old, there can be no question that we can and will obtain the most effective results which will be a benefit not only to this community in which we live, but to all those who are interested in advancing the kind of work which is going on in the Institutional Synagogue.

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INSPIRING HOLY DAYS SERVICES PLANNED FOR BOTH CONGREGATIONS

A beautiful and most inspiring service is planned for the High Holy Days, to be held in the spacious synagogues at our Main Building and at the West Side Branch.

Adequate arrangements have been made to accommodate and serve the many members and friends of the I. S. residing in the vicinities of our Main Building, 37-43 West 116th Street, and our West Side Branch, 148 West 85th Street. In the former synagogue the committee on seats is present daily and evenings; at the West Side Branch, the committee is present every evening from 6 until 10, and also Sunday Mornings.

WEST SIDE BRANCH OF TALMUD TORAH RE-OPENS ON SEPTEMBER 15th.

Hebrew Kindergarten New Feature

Many additions will be made in our West Side Talmud Torah for the new year. Marvelous progress made by our pupils during the past academic year helped to spread the fame of our school. New classes will be added for many new applicants.

A new feature this year will be a Hebrew Kindergarten for children between the ages of four and six. The children will be placed under the supervision of a very able and experienced teacher who will direct them in their play and teach them Hebrew and religion through games. The Kindergarten will be open mornings. Experience teaches that children make surprisingly quick progress in this easy method.

A Talmud class will be inaugurated. This class will be held three times weekly. Talmud will be taught by Rabbi Judah Damasek.

Registration will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, September 10th and 11th at 4:30 P.M. and on Sunday morning, September 14th, at 11 A.M.

— Dr. Joseph Datt.

CONSTITUTION DAY TO BE CELEBRATED BY I. S. GROUPS

The Clubs and groups of the S-E Department will conduct appropriate exercises the week of September 17th in celebration of the one hundred and forty third anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States.

The following program has been suggested in part by the Jewish Welfare Board.

Constitution Day, September 17th.

1. Star Spangled Banner
— Sung by Audience
2. Address by Chairman.
3. Recitation or Reading of Original Essays.—A selected group of recitations can be secured from our Library.
4. Musical Selection—
Vocal or Instrumental Soloist.
Our Lecture and Concert Bureau will be happy to co-operate with clubs and offer the services of vocal and instrumental soloists.

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Reservations and inquiries concerning the seating capacities of both branches for this year can be made at the respective buildings, or by phoning Executive Director Abraham Bernstein, at University 6729-6730.

As usual the I. S. has reserved seats for members of the Fire Department, Police Department, the War Veterans, Municipal workers and other communal agencies.

OUTLINE OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING SEASON ANNOUNCED BY NEW S-E DIRECTOR

Mr. Maxwell T. Cohen, recently appointed Director of the Social-Educational Department, has already announced to club leaders and officers at the summer club-conferences, the department's new organization, objectives and projects for the coming season. The Institutional here publishes part of the season's outline of activities.

Organization; House Council, Junior League of Clubs, Intermediate League of Clubs, Senior League of Clubs, and Women's League of Clubs; Leaders Council, Staff Organization.

Literary Activities; Essay Contests, Inter-Club Debating, Tournaments, Inter-Institute Debates, Oratorical Contests, Declamation Contests, Lectures-Inter-Club, Periodical-Weekly "Institutional," Periodical-Literary, Lectures-Community, Participation in every Metropolitan League Literary Activity, One-Act Play Contest.

Educational; Adult-Senior Classes in Jewish History, Ceremonies and Traditions, Elementary Hebrew, Citizenship, Public Speech and Culture Talks. Arts and Crafts; for adults, seniors, intermediates and juniors, respectively. Classes and Lectures, Theory and Appreciation, Projects in Oils and Charcoals, Crayons and Pen and Ink; Art Exhibition; Practical Designing. Community Lectures and Forums. Jewish Song Festivals, Concerts, Glee Club, Institutional Orchestra, Holiday Observation Programs—Intra-Club, Inter-Club and Communal. Children's Synagogue, Dramatic and Literary Readings, Group visits to Museums, Galleries, etc. Educational Conference, Class in Music Appreciation, Instruction Classes in Piano and String Instruments, Literature Groups, Journalism Clubs, Junior Girls Cooking Class, Sewing Group, Drama Production Group, Scrap Book Contests, and Activities peculiar to only girls and women and not mentioned above.

Social; House Dances, Council Dances, League Dances, and Club Dances. Basketball Games and Dances, Carnival and Novelty Dances, Smokers, Teas, and Bridge Parties, Department Theatre Parties, Hikes, Outings, and Excursions. Dancing Class, Entertainments and Specialty Nights, Wednesday Night Dances Free to House Members, Holiday Celebrations, Social Room, Lounge Room and Game Rooms to be developed and utilized. The Co-operative services of the staff and a specially appointed social committee are at the disposal of our clubs.

Miscellaneous; Leaders Classes, Leaders Conferences, Leaders Bulletins, Leaders Luncheons, Parents' Night, Employment Bureau, Game-Room Tournaments, between individuals and clubs, at both 85th Street and 116th Street buildings, respectively.



MAXWELL T. COHEN
Director Social-Educational Department

ACTIVE SUMMER INTRODUCES NEW SEASON

With all the world at ease contemplating pleasant recollection of stock market crashes and school examinations and vacation finance, the Social-Education Department nevertheless conducted a novel and rather active program of activities. The most unique activity was the radio broadcasts every Sunday afternoon through station W.P.C.H. The station facilities were secured for us by Rabbi Goldstein. Mr. Cohen was chairman and announcer. The members of the staff and house members entertained and assisted in the preparation of programs. We must here express appreciation for the kind services rendered us by announcer Allan Prescott of the W.P.C.H. staff. The Misses Gertrude K. Lunfield and Hannah Halpern were undoubtedly the most popular members of our broadcasting group. Miss Lunfield conducted a regular weekly feature of poetry recitals of the works of great Hebrew poets. Miss Halpern sang ballads in a voice of so much color and warmth, as to elicit response from our radio audience. The Messrs. A. I. Kirschenbaum, Isidore Baum, Julius Cohen, A. Elihu Nicholson, I. Bernard Cohen, S. M. Rosenblat and the I. S. Vocal Trio, J. Cohen, A. Koppelman and A. Goshin contributed their services and their talents thus making our radio broadcasts not only a unique radio entertainment but also truly illustrative of the work and the projects conducted in the Institution.

Through the courtesy of the Jewish Welfare Board, the Polo Grounds and the Yankee Stadium we were able to secure Baseball passes weekly. The final game of our summer program was held Thursday, September 4th at the Yankee Stadium.

Summer school pupils and those taking conditional examinations in high school or college subjects and who required assistance or tuition in their studies were invited to use the facilities of the library and we were coached by the members of the staff.

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RESERVE SEATS NOW. COMMITTEE AT YOUR SERVICE DAILY

SPECIAL RATES FOR SUMMER GYM AND POOL MEMBERS

Following our usual policy we have made a special rate for Summer Gym and Pool Members. We know that you have enjoyed your three months stay with us. No doubt you found it very convenient on hot summer nights to take a dip in the pool; but your membership expires September 15th. Why not renew it?

If you take advantage of these special rates you benefit not only yourself but your pocketbook. The special rates are: For **SENIORS**—An additional ten dollars which can be paid in two installments—one on September 15th.

For **INTERMEDIATES**—An additional four dollars to be paid on September 15.

For **JUNIORS**—An additional four dollars which can be paid in two installments—one on September 15th.

Your renewal at this time entitles you to a full year's membership, from September 15th, 1930, to September 15th, 1931.

Renew your membership **NOW**.

—JACK SILBERT.

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The Gym and Swimming Pool have been redecorated and to some extent refurnished and registration is now going on for the new season. Mr. Jack Silbert and Mr. Jack Silverman will again resume leadership of the physical and recreational activities. These well-liked and justly popular leaders have prepared a splendid program of tournaments, competitions and new recreational features.

The Talmud Torah registration will commence this week. Dr. Joseph Datt, the Talmud Torah Principal, extends invitation to the parents of the children residing in the community to confer with him on problems relating to their children's religious education.

Executive Director Abraham Bernstein extends cordial welcome to our new clubs and to our "old-timers". Mr. Bernstein, through the "Institutional", expresses hopes that this year will be the most active, happiest and most beneficial year for our members—and to this goal extends the hospitality of the Institution, the co-operative services of his associates, and the facilities of the Institution.

Members and Friends of the I. S. are invited to attend the Selichos Services to be conducted this Saturday at 1 A.M. at the Main Building and the West Side Branch.

CONGRATULATIONS

—Are extended to Dr. and Mrs. Kapner on the occasion of the marriage of their daughter Fannie to Mr. Max Shevrin.

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A most popular activity was the Thursday Night Junior Nights, conducted in the Library. In a familiar round table fashion these programs included dramatic readings, stories, stunt nights and song fests.

The game-room facilities, the library and the social room were open every night to our Junior, Intermediates, Seniors and their guests. Several of our clubs continued their meetings during the summer.

The Gym and Pool boasted the largest summer membership in years. As a result of Mr. Bernstein's reduction in club membership summer rates a very large number of club members were afforded the opportunity to utilize our gym and pool.

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5. Address—"Constitution Day"
—Club Leader or President
6. Musical Selection.
7. Address—Principal Guest.
Clubs or groups desirous of inviting Rabbi Goldstein as their guest should address their invitations to Rabbi Goldstein thorough the S-E Department offices.
8. Singing by audience.

We urge our clubs to invite their parents and friends to their holiday celebrations. The members of the S-E Staff would be most happy to meet the parents and guests of our members, and extend them the hospitality of the Institution.

Copies of the Holiday Program should be forwarded to the S-E offices for the permanent file.

MR. and MRS. SAMUEL M. GRUNDWERC

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Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein and Family, Officers,
Members of the I. S., and their many friends,

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