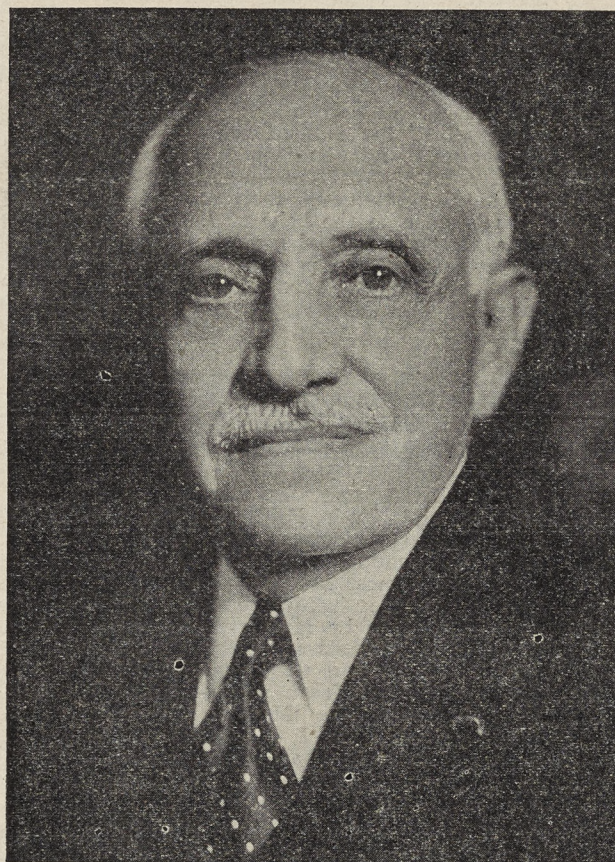




The late Colonel Michael Friedsam

The nation paid its tribute to a distinguished American and a great Jew, when last week there was laid to rest, Colonel Michael Friedsam.

He loved to be generous without display. He gave freely without desiring to have his name plastered all over the walls of the recipient institutions. Of him it may be truly said, that he was a gentleman amongst gentlemen, who added, in unmeasurable words, to the glory and renown of the Jew.

For more than a decade, a promise made by him that each year he would give to the Institutional Synagogue \$300.00, was kept. He asked only that he would be reminded by letter. Within twelve hours after such a letter was mailed, a check always came from him

with a letter which stated that he was advising me

"that he shall be very glad indeed to contribute \$300 to cover one day's expenses in the operation of the Institutional Synagogue."

Less than three weeks ago, he sent his check. He recognized the measure of service to the community was not how little one could do for it, but how much one could accomplish for it.

Indeed, the cause of Jewish education has lost one of its best friends. The City, State and Nation are poorer since he has passed to the Far Beyond.

No more loving and greater tribute to his memory can be paid than to say of him that he was never a knocker but always a builder. He did fine things, and

in the memorable language of Kingsley, let us say of him:

"to labor with zest and give of your best, for the joy and sweetness of the giving, to help folks along with hand and with a song,

was what actuated him, typifying real religious thought which humanity can never forget; hence, it is that we believe that he came into this world inspired with the thought that he was born to bring sunshine in every way, during the time that he was to sojourn here.

Well may every boy study the life work of Michael Friedsam and follow in his foot-steps. We of the Institutional Synagogue, will never forget him.

Hon. Isaac Siegel, President, I. S.

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GIVERS

By EDGAR A. GUEST

I wish there were no need to give,
No need for sacrifice or pity,
I wish that all on earth who live
Were rich and wise and glad and witty.
I wish there were no need to build
Great havens for the poor and sickly,
That every human hand were skilled
And joys for all were lavished thickly.
I wish there were no need to ask
And plead to end the woe of others,
And each were happy at his task
And none were richer than his brothers.
I wish that men could get along
Without assistance from their neighbors,
That all were well and whole and strong,
And well rewarded for their labors.
But since this wish can never be
I'm glad for all the people living
Who sympathize with poverty
And recognize the need for giving.

STAFF CONFERENCE

Leaders, Workers, and Associates are requested to attend the Monthly Leaders' Conference, to be held on Monday evening, April 20th, at 9 o'clock, in the Directors' Room. Mr. Albert T. Pushkoff will be Chairman. An interesting program has been arranged.

I. S. CELEBRATES FOURTEENTH YEAR OF PURPOSEFUL EXISTENCE

More than Ever Before Maintenance of Harlem's Lighthouse is Essential

Before a resplendent and elite audience, the Institutional Synagogue celebrated the Fourteenth Anniversary of its existence by a Dinner which was held at the West Side Branch last Sunday night. It was adjudged a complete success by every one.

President Siegel Inspires

As has been our time-honored custom, our genial Mr. Morris Jablow was again the official toastmaster during the ceremonies. He opened the dinner with a laudatory toast to Congressman Siegel on his fifty-first birthday which was celebrated that day.

Congressman Siegel in his welcome to our guests was especially vivid in his portrayal of the rise of the Institutional Synagogue. As he stood there with vibrant voice—at times it faltered because of the Congressman's intense emotion in his reference to the beloved I. S. workers gone to their rest—he pleaded that the character building process at the I. S. must not discontinue. He enumerated some of the achievements of the I. S. during the past year, and said that the ideals of the I. S.—that of producing good Jews and good Americans—must at all times be kept in mind.

S. E. Official Introduces Leaders

Mr. Cohen, Headworker, introduced Dr. William Garfield, Mr. Charles Cohen, Mr. Morris Urieff and the Misses Frances Phillips and Ruth Palter of his Staff, who greeted the guests and briefly outlined the year's work.

All spoke most laudatorily and appreciatively of the invaluable services rendered the Clubs by Mr. Bernstein, our indefatigable Executive Director, and his cordial relationship with the Staff. Two brilliant Talmud Torah pupils—Miss Ethel Grumer and Master Marvin Livingston—spoke on what the I. S. meant to them. Young Livingston spoke with that fervor and intelligent approach characteristic of his father, Mr. George Livingston, of our Board of Directors. Miss Grumer, always a prize pupil, justified Dr. Datt's estimate of her abilities.

Rabbi Goldstein and President Robinson

The guest-of-honor was the distinguished Educator, Dr. Frederick B. Robinson, President of the College of the City of New York. Dr. Robinson spoke of the commendable influence of the I. S. He declared that elders of today shirk their responsibility.

"This generation has thrown aside honor," said Dr. Robinson. "Now along comes a new generation with all the characteristics of adolescence. Their understanding is just beginning to glow. They believe that they have discovered for the first time that which the old generation has not dreamed about. They think that these 'old timers' know nothing of what it is about."

"Often you hear people say that the younger generation is independent. They are not independent because they are not dependable. They are young folk with terrific power to play with. They grow

To the Editor:

The following is the text of the resolution adopted by the unanimous vote of the Parents Association of the Institutional Synagogue on the occasion of the birthdays of the Hon. Isaac Siegel, President of the I. S., and Mr. Aaron Wartels, Treasurer of the I. S.

(signed) Mrs. I. STEIN,
President.

RESOLUTION OF THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION OF THE INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE

WHEREAS, The Honorable Isaac Siegel, President of the Institutional Synagogue, has devoted the past 14 years to the Institutional Synagogue and has sponsored the very noble work of this wonderful Institution; and

WHEREAS, The Hon. Isaac Siegel and Mr. Aaron Wartels, Treasurer of the Institutional Synagogue, have labored these many years in our midst in furtherance of the ideals of the Institutional Synagogue; and

WHEREAS, They have given unselfishly of their time, of their skill, of their infinite understanding, to the end that we might come to a practical realization of those ideals; and

WHEREAS, Their purses have ever been ready in our aid, and their ears ever turned to our problems; and

WHEREAS, THEY HAVE performed great and noble service for the boys and girls of this community and have promoted a finer realization of the ideals and problems of Judaism and American Citizenship; and

WHEREAS, We wish to greet them on the Anniversaries of their birth and to pay tribute to their wisdom, their kindness, their great charity of heart and spirit, their boundless love of their fellowmen, which has endeared them to us; and

NOW, there, BE IT RESOLVED, that we felicitate them on the said anniversaries and wish them long and happy lives, and may they continue to build these living monuments, and that ours be the privilege of extending sincerest wishes each and every year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in honor of the occasion and as a token of our sincere esteem, we hereby pledge the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, in addition to the Four Hundred Dollars already presented to the Institutional Synagogue for the furtherance of its noble work.

Dated New York, April 13th, 1931.

(Signed) Mrs. I. STEIN,
President of the Parents Association.

in the midst of an adult generation which has abdicated and is insincere."

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein was the concluding speaker. In his characteristically superb manner he discussed the objectives of the Institution. The Rabbi eloquently impressed the audience with the need for continual material support for the I. S.

"We are indeed at a critical period of our existence and we appeal to you to help us continue fostering the ideals of Judaism."

Until next year—

Don't Forget Rabbi Goldstein's Radio Hour Over WPCH, Sunday Afternoon, at 3:45

BABBI GOLDSTEIN ON "RELIGION AND ETHICS"

"Religion and ethics are inseparable. It is impossible to separate ethics from religion, in spite of the fact that men and women do attempt to make that separation today. It is as possible to do that as it is to make the flower a separate growth from its seed. Religion is the seed, and when it realizes itself and flowers, we have ethics and morals. That we know of ethics today from religion is due to the fact that we have plucked or cut off the flower from its seed. Let us remember however that without the seed there can be no flower. This is essentially the distinction between Judaism and Ethical Culture."

"To many people religion is something outside of life. It is an occasional opiate to conscience, to be indulged in, through forms and ceremonies in the synagogue a few times a year. This indicates a false notion of Judaism. Judaism is a religious plan of life, a theocratic civilization, wherein God is the Sovereign, the Torah, the Constitution, and we the citizens of the theocracy. We rise to our Ethical duties as we are either loyal or disloyal to His will as reflected in the Constitution, the Torah. With this in mind, there is nothing in Judaism separate from life. Everyone of our acts in every walk of life, as parent, child, or employee is directed in the area of the noble and eternal way of religion."

E. Note: We hope to publish as a weekly feature the Radio Sermons of Rabbi Goldstein.

This entire page will contain feature articles.

We invite contributions from our readers.

PRESIDENT SIEGEL CHAIRMAN METROPOLITAN LEAGUE ALL-DIRECTORS SUPPER CONFERENCE

As an appropriate opening of the activities of the newly created Metropolitan League Council, the Administrative Committee has decided upon an All Directors Supper Conference, to be held on or about May 14th. Former Congressman Isaac Siegel, Vice-President of the League and President of the Institutional Synagogue, has been named Chairman of the Committee on Arrangement.

"The first joint meeting of the Boards of Directors of some thirty community associations of Westchester, Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens should be an historic event in the Jewish life of Greater New York," says the Congressman. "We are planning a program inspiring and in keeping with the noble task of building manhood and womanhood according to Jewish and American ideals. It is time for men and women, who from the inside see the greatness of the cause, to band themselves together to make Center work more meaningful to New York Jewry. And we need to know one another."

Mr. E. J. Londow, President of the National Association of Center Executives, is the Field Secretary of the League.

The "Institutional" congratulates the House Debating Team upon the most recent of their splendid victories. Messrs. Morris Urieff and Charles Cohen have met and vanquished the debaters of the Federation Settlement, The Schiff Centre and Bronx House in the Metropolitan League Debating Tournament.

THE JEW AS CITIZEN AND PATRIOT

In viewing the role of the Jew in the founding and early development of our country, we are treated to a continuous series of surprises. Did you know that Columbus was financed by three Jews—Santangel, Arragon and Sanchez; the physician and three sailors of his intrepid crew were Jews; and the map that Columbus consulted was drawn by Jehuda Cresques, a Jew?

The first Jewish settlers are said to have arrived here in 1654. The first governor of the State of Georgia was the Jew, David Emanuel.

In 1654 Jacob Barison settled in New York City. He was the first Jew to settle in New York. Now there are almost two million Jews living in this city. Levy Asser, in 1655, was the first Jew to receive commendation as a military officer. He fought the Indians under Governor Peter Stuyvesant.

Jacob Cohen, Bernard Gratz and Solomon E. King were the Jewish champions of Liberty and Civil Rights in 1826.

In the Revolutionary War the Jews contributed 100 officers and petty officers. The first true heroes recorded in this war were Jews: Colonel David S. Franks, Lieut. Isaac Franks and Major Benjamin Moses.

During the Revolutionary War seven Jewish officers received commendations for bravery from George Washington.

In the Mexican War a Jew twice received the highest laudatory commendation from Congress. He was Major David de Leon.

In the Civil War, seven to eight thousand Jewish soldiers saw active service. It is interesting to note that there were NINE Jewish generals, 18 colonels, 8 lieutenant-colonels, 40 majors, 205 captains, 325 lieutenants and 20 Jewish surgeons!

Two of the leading Generals of the United States forces during the War of 1848 were Jews, de Leon and Kaufman.

Amongst the foremost "Abolitionists of Slavery" in the period preceding the Civil War, we can find a number of Jews, outstanding among whom were Rabbi Einhorn, Penner, Heilprin and Judge Jochensin. A Jew, Judah P. Benjamin, was at this time appointed Secretary of State in the Confederate Cabinet.

Since 1791, when Israel Jacobs was elected to Congress, there have been twenty-nine Jewish Congressman and six Jewish Senators. We are proud to assert that our president, Isaac Siegel, and our director, Sol Bloom, are among these.

Aside from military service, the Jews contributed to American Culture. Especially noteworthy is the fact that the first statue presented to the United States was the gift, in 1835, of a Jew, Comm. Uriah P. Levy. The statue is one of Thomas Jefferson, in bronze, and was erected by the French-Jewish sculptor, David d'Angers.

Outstanding in American Art can be found the Jews Moses Ezekiel, Keyser, Katherine Cohon, Louis Lieb, Jo Davidson, Jacob Epstein, E. C. Piezatto, Toby Rosenthal, and Mulzner and his son Joseph. Bernard Berenson is today one of the world's leading Art Critics.

JUNIOR "TATTLER" ISSUES SECOND NUMBER

Ben Dobrow and his associates of the Editorial Staff of the Junior Tattler published the second issue of the Junior Tattler.

A feature of this splendid issue is an interview with Congressman Siegel, written by Ben Dobrow and Ben Bimstein.

In response to a question as to how the I. S. can benefit the Juniors and as to how the Juniors can benefit the I. S. the Congressman replied:

"In my opinion, the I. S. can benefit the Juniors a great deal by teaching them to observe the Jewish Faith and by impressing American ideals into them." He added, "and the Juniors can benefit the I. S. by realizing and practicing all that is taught to them, by their elders."

In his greetings to the Juniors, their Parents, their Leaders and to the Staff of the Junior Tattler the Congressman urges the Juniors to recognize all that their parents are doing for them and to return their favors by obeying them to the smallest detail. It is his opinion that the parents should encourage their children to be good people for he believes that good people are good citizens.

To our club leaders, he sends his best regards and he advises them to cultivate character in their proteges and also to stress the religious point of view so that the Juniors may some day be fine men, and upstanding citizens.

To the staff of the Junior Tattler he extends his best wishes and his only counsel is, "Work, work and work so that you can make your paper as good as you want it to be."

We are happy to announce that Mr. Abraham I. Kirshenbaum, our esteemed Assistant Headworker, is splendidly recovering at the Mid-town Hospital. He requests us to thank his many friends for their kind messages and enquiries. Mr. Kirshenbaum plans to resume his duties in the early part of May, following a rest.

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE ORATORICAL CONTEST

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The most distinguished poetess in America was the Jew Emma Lazarus. She wrote the inscription found at the base of the Statue of Liberty.

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We Invite You to Send Any Questions, so That They May Be Promptly Answered

ONE-ACT PLAY CONTEST UNDER WAY

The "Institutional" is happy to announce the commencement of the One-Act Play Contest. Mr. Kirschenbaum, who will be in charge of this popular activity, has set the following few rules to govern the competition:

- 1—Any club in good standing may enter the contest.
- 2—Each member of every cast must be a member in good standing in his club and in the department.
- 3—The play to be produced must be selected and approved by March 31st.
- 4—A club which selects a play which calls for a cast of at least three characters may include in its cast a member of the opposite sex. However, the person chosen must be a member of the building.
- 5—Arrangements for rehearsals must be made with the office.
- 6—A preliminary contest will be held on April 26, 1931 and the poor productions will be eliminated.
- 7—The final contest will take place on May 2nd, or May 3rd, 1931.
- 8—A prize will be awarded to the club presenting the best production and one prize will be awarded to the best individual performance.

The following clubs have signified their intention of entering the contest: *So-Caths, Pledged Eternal Pals, Arista, Gigolo, Jesters, Pawnees, Emanons, Spartans, and Jeshurun, Omaha.*

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Athletics

Of late, the greatest surprise and upset to occur, was the game Wednesday the 25th, in which the Iroquois beat the Spartans.

What an upset!

However, the Spartans were not removed from their lead.

The standing of the clubs to date is:

	won	lost
Spartans	2	1
Iroquois	2	2
Seacs	1	2

The tournament will be continued after the Passover holiday.

Swimming for the Intermediates have resulted in victories for the Argoes and Pawnees.

The Argoes defeated the Elks in a dual meet, and the Pawnees were victors over the Aristas.

Some of the outstanding performers were "Hicky" Rosenberg and "Ray" Wolkling of the Argoes, and "Danny" Marcus of the Pawnees, and Kash of the Aristas.

The boys were winners of their respective events, in good time, and show great promise of helping us carry off the victory in the League's Championship.

Our Senior Handball Team has added another victory to its laurels since our last game.

In its match against the Washington Heights "Y" they won 4 to 1.

Phil Svigals and Morris Liebowitz won the doubles 21-11 and Harry Wright took his match in the lenth by vanquishing his opponent 21-2.

Because of the absence of our regulars, Kaufman and Cutler, of the Jeshurun, who represented us in the 92nd Street "Y" match, were again pressed into service.

Both did valiantly. Cutler lost his match after a desperate fight by the score of 21-17, and Kaufman, after his man opened a wide lead, fought on from behind to win by 21-17.

JACK SILBERT.

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ALL-AMERICAN STAR VISITS THE "ARGOES"

The Argoes were exceedingly elated to have had as their guest last Sunday Captain "Lulu" Bender of the Columbia University Basketball Team, one of the most outstanding players in the country, and a member of the All-American Basketball Team.

Mr. Bender came to the Institution at the invitation of Mr. Cohen. In his welcome to the Argoes he urged them to cultivate a spirit of clean-cut cooperation as the best means for the development of the club to a very high plane.

The Argoes plan to have outstanding Jewish Athletes visit them from time to time.

PAWNEES CONDUCT SUCCESSFUL ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

We congratulate the Pawnees and their leader, Mr. Coleman, upon their successfully conducted Athletic Carnival last Sunday evening.

There were so many cooperating to make this affair outstanding that it is almost difficult to repeat the names of those participating in this item.

Half the preceeds were donated to the Institution to be used for Junior Work.

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