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Junior Clubs to Enjoy Novel Field Day Indoor Tourney Will Attract Many

MAYOR APPOINTS KOSHER OBSERVATION COMMITTEE.

Measures for strict enforcement of state laws governing the sale of kosher meats were pledged by Mayor Walker yesterday at a conference in City Hall with representative orthodox rabbis and Jewish laymen.

A committee of thirteen rabbis and twelve laymen was appointed by the Mayor as a fact-finding body to cooperate with the Commissioner of Accounts, who has made an investigation which resulted in the arrest of eight dealers, and with the departments of Health and Markets, to stop misrepresentation and racketeering that is alleged to have cost purchasers of kosher products \$4,000,000 extra a year for inferior products.

Rabbi M. S. Margolies, seventy-six-year-old dean of the Rabbinate of the United States, was appointed chairman of the committee, and Samuel Rothenberg, president of the Jewish Center of Brooklyn, vice-chairman. Other rabbis on the committee are Israel Rosenberg, Joseph Levinson, Louis Seltzer, A. Gartenhaus, Israel Dushowitz, L. Predmasky, Dr. Leo Jung, Dr. Herbert S. Goldstein, Mordecai Chodroff, E. Inselbuch, I. Finkelstein and Aaron Dym.

The laymen members, besides Mr. Rothenberg, are Bernard Semel, president of the Jewish Board of Education; Jacob Levy, philanthropist; Samuel Minskoff, merchant; Joseph Plestein, merchant; Solomon Lamport, merchant; Harry Fishel, real estate; Joseph Dauber, merchant; Mendel Stravitsky, merchant; David Shapiro, publisher of "The Day"; Isodor Friedkin, publisher of "The Jewish Morning Journal," and L. Borgenicht, merchant.

JUNE WALK POSTPONED TO JUNE 28th

Because of inclement weather the 14th Annual June walk for the Talmud Torah pupils and Club Juniors conducted by the Parents Association, which was to have been held last Sunday has been postponed to **Sunday, June 28th.**

In case the weather at that time prohibits outdoor activity, the games will be held in the Gym. Refreshments will be served and games and prizes distributed.

A baseball game is scheduled between teams representing the Social and Talmud Torah Departments. The winning team will receive a Silver Loving Cup donated by the Parents' Association through Mrs. I. Stein.

In order to foster and advance the educational projects of the Institutional Synagogue, we are conducting a Subscription Prize.

Members and their friends, young men and women, who subscribe to the Educational Fund may at the same time be the winner of an automobile. The subscription will cost from One Cent to One Dollar.

Those interested may secure a Subscription Book from the Executive Director or may subscribe at the office. The proceeds of this subscription will be devoted in its entirety towards the Educational Projects of the Institutional Synagogue.

On Monday evening, October 12th, a gala entertainment will be conducted at the Main Building for those who subscribe. At this event the winner of the automobile will be announced.

We urge all members and friends of the Institutional Synagogue to co-operate with this subscription and to get others to subscribe so that we may maintain our high standard of Educational activities and also be able to develop new projects. The subscription starts with this issue and will terminate the first week in October. It will be conducted throughout the summer.

We urge your co-operation!

LEFF BROTHERS COMPLETE SUBSCRIPTION BOOK IN ONE DAY.

The first Subscription Books returned to Mr. Bernstein was forwarded to him with cash by the active Leff brothers.

Messrs. Marshall and Julius Leff completed their Subscription Book in one days time. Such enthusiastic response to I. S. work has always characterized these well-liked brothers as active I. S. workers and members.

We urge the Subscription Book workers to rush their books through to as many peoples as possible and to forward the Books and the proceeds to Mr. Bernstein. Remember—where there is a will, there's a way. Full speed, ahead, I. S. Worker.

The winner of the automobile offered will be announced Columbus Day, Monday, October 12th. The proceeds of the Subscription Book will be devoted towards the Educational Fund of the Institution.

The Junior Clubs this year will not go on an all day Field-day but will assemble instead on Monday evening, June 29th, in the Gym to decide which of the clubs is entitled to be called "The Best All Around Junior Club".

To this end a varied program has been arranged similar to the P. S. A. L. tests given in the Public High Schools.

The contest will be run on a point basis. The various games have been divided into three classes and those members who qualify for each class will receive a number of points. The club receiving the highest number of points will win the trophy. Besides this award, the three individual members who receive the highest number of points will receive medals.

The Junior clubs are urged to enter every member in this contest and a complete list of those members who will compete must be in the hands of either Mr. Silbert or Mr. Urieff by Thursday, June 25th or the club will not be allowed to compete.

GYM CONTESTS

75% (1 point)	90% (3 points)	99% (5 points)
1. Rope Climbing with hands & legs	with hands only	With hands and feet at right angles
2. Basketball Goals		
5	8	10
3. Potato Race		
17 seconds	16	15
4. Step and Leap		
10 feet	12	15

SWIMMING EVENTS

- 1—Two lap free style
- 2—Four man relay (2 laps a man)

The swimming events will be rated by the following schedule:

Best time in each event	5 points
Next best	3 points
Third best	1 point

Here is your chance to show that YOUR club is the best all around Junior Club in the I. S. Enter your entire club and get busy practicing. For further information see Mr. Urieff at the desk.

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DELIGHTFUL AND PLEASANT EVENING AT PARENTS' ASSOCIATION STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

A delightful and merry evening was held last Wednesday evening, June 10th, at the Annual Strawberry Festival sponsored by the Parents' Association of the Institutional Synagogue. A number of couples both old and young enjoyed a pleasant evening and were sincere in their acclamation of "the evening well spent."

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, honorary president of the organization, was guest of honor. Mrs. Stein, the energetic president reported the affair to be both a financial and social success. In this work she was greatly assisted by her committee, to whom public thanks were expressed.

After the dancing to the music furnished by a popular orchestra, the assembly partook

WHY THE "I. S.".....

The Institutional Synagogue is the most cosmopolitan Orthodox Synagogue-Center in the city, perhaps in the United States. Its constituency comprises colored Jews, Sephardic Jews, Palestinian Jews and Jews from almost every Jewish community in the world.

And again we say:

The Institutional Synagogue is the only Jewish Community Center from 112th Street to 157th Street, from East to Hudson Rivers.

The active Junior clubs will have a number of parties this week to congenially terminate their active season. Invitations have been extended to Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, and to the Messrs. Bernstein, Cohen and associates. The I. S. is mighty proud of its Juniors. We urge our readers to drop around to the Junior Debates which will be conducted this week. Schedule will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Sometime ago mention was made in this alleged column of feature writers in local and out of town and Center publications. The I. S. receives these publications regularly from all parts of the U. S. They are kept in the Library and may be read by members. On the whole, the feature columnists are superb. In a number of instances they emulate professional writers in the wit and brilliancy of their columns. We recommend the local columnists to your attention:—o—in the 92St Y Bulletin, Paunette in the Staten Island Center News, I. Borodovko, A. Auerbach and Mac Shenkin in the H. H. I. News, and the philosophical peer of all, Paul Goldstein in the Brooklyn Y News. The best of the out-of-towners is Sophistos and her former "Thoughts Without Reason" in the St. Louis Y Journal. Sophistos is now doing a "Spotlight" feature of St. Louis Y celebrities. In this new feature she shows excellent potentialities as an obituary writer.

ATTENTION VACATIONERS

No doubt many members and seat holders are making preparations for leaving the city for the summer. In view of this fact, the Institutional desires to make the following announcement and request. Please make your reservations for your seats for the coming High Holy Days to insure your getting the proper seat. A short note to Mr. Bernstein will save you the trouble of attending to this matter after the summer.

of refreshments, such as ice cream, cake, ices, etc.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL COMM.

Mesdames Levine, Vosberg, L. Simpson, M. Simpson, Tannenbaum, A. B. Stern, Lea Siegel, Dora Gottlieb, Lena Cohen, Bernstein, Gruber, Vogel. Misses Eva and Gertrude Stein.

I. S. ALBUM

The Book-Reviews in the Kansas City Y News Letter are worthy of much consideration. We don't know who the columnist is. The column is never signed.

There are some pretty terrible columnists also. Why don't you try to write a column in hot weather, cold weather—or any weather.

On the matter of publications: the "Institutional" is mailed to members in almost every state. The Los Angeles Center is the western recipient of the "Institutional". Mr. Daniel Lang in Seattle, Wash. is the altitude receiver. Mr. Bernstein's son, residing in the Westmount Park District in Montreal, P. Q., Canada is the most northern reader. The proof-reader is the most careless reader. The member-reader is the most critical reader—of articles in which his or her name is mentioned.

SPRING FEVER.....

Have an appointment this afternoon with Dr. Bill Garfield...wishes to show us the new morgue at Lincoln Hospital...Dr. Magnes' powerful address at the Fifth Commencement Exercises of the Training School for Jewish Social Work...if you can hear the still, small voice of these certain philosophers, scientists and mystics of the world, you may catch a note that will tell you that the day of the ideal has come again...bravo for such outspoken members of the Rabbinate as Magnes, Wise, Silver and Herbert S. Goldstein...the pollyanna attitude of Rabbis' should have been condemned long ago...the Jewish Religion, unlike most other religions, never "muzzles" its leaders...had lunch with Dr. Henry Morais...a dynamic and outspoken idealist, son of the great Sabato Morais, founder of the Jewish Theological Seminary...we discussed Gilbert and Sullivan's brilliant "Mikado" very appreciatively...the versatile Dr. Morais is also a keen music critic...Hot Weather Suggestion: write a column.

MEPHISTOS.

OUTSTANDING FEATURES OF
REPORT ON WAILING WALL

LONDON, June 8 (J.T.A.)—Following are the salient features of the report of the International Wailing Wall Commission:

- 1—Wailing Wall Property of Moslems.
- 2—Jews Entitled to Free Access to Wall with Stipulations.
- 3—Jews May Bring Torah Scroll to Wall on Stated Holidays.
- 4—Use of Benches, Chairs, Curtains, Screens at Wall Barred.
- 5—Political Speeches in Wall Area Prohibited.
- 6—Wall Must Not Be Disfigured.
- 7—Jews and Moslems Have Right to Repair Pavement in Front of Wall.
- 8—Moslems Must Not Cause Annoyance to Jews at Wall.
- 9—Zikar Ceremony During Jewish Devotions Not Allowed.
- 10—Jews Must Not Blow Shofar Near Wall.

Scout Photo Studio in Game Room.

RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN ON "PEACE-PATRIOTISM"

"We have become so stunned in the cyclone of the financial decline, that clear thinking and ideal direction have left us. I respectfully suggest that President Hoover should draft a number of dollar a year men. These should be men of vision, men known for their idealism, and who are at the same time part and parcel of our national and international financial fabric. They should be with him for at least six months for counsel, and direction, in lifting America, and the rest of the world out of the slough of economic despair. I have in mind such men as Paul Warburg, John D. Rockefeller Jr., Julius Rosenwald, George F. Baker, Jr., Henry Ford, Owen D. Young, and William Green. Such men in frequent conferences with the President, would, I am sure, evolve not a party plan, but a non-partisan, American plan for our own as well as for the world's recovery."

Noteworthy proposals made recently by two prominent citizens with regard to our domestic and foreign policy, are striking illustrations of the need of drafting our best minds in the interests of our national and international well being even in times of peace.

Mr. William Randolph Hearst's suggestion to have the government float a five billion dollar loan to aid unemployment, is certainly a patriotic and timely one. In my judgment it is the most constructive plan which has as yet been offered to take us out of our present critical financial depression.

We were prepared to sell billions of dollar worth of bonds, with which to build implements of war, and to kill millions of young men, all in the name of patriotism. To-day in peace times we have a greater opportunity to evince our patriotism, by backing Mr. Hearst's plan, not for a war to kill human beings, but for a war against poverty and social unrest. It seems evident, I am sure, that the circulation of five billion dollars would not only give a new impetus to the wheels of industry but would give us a new state of mind for the future. It will take us out of the realm of dread into the convalescing spirit of optimism and recovery.

As to our foreign policy, we have heard wise and generous words of counsel from former Ambassador to Germany and England, the Hon. Alanson B. Houghton. Mr. Houghton, as a keen, conservative, statesman, yet prompted by an ideal outlook for humanity, has sounded the keynote, as to what ought to be our present attitude toward the foreign debt. He pleaded for a policy of patience, help, and encouragement for Germany. If we can rise above the sordidness of the immediate, I cannot see how we can be happy, when a great nation, and an industrious people, such as the Germans, are throttled by a debt, the burden of which they are unable to carry.

DO YOU KNOW THAT:—

- 1—A memorial to the last Oscar S. Strauss will be erected in Washington?
- 2—\$250,000 was sent by the Jews of the U. S. to the needy Jews of Poland for Pass-over?
- 3—Simon J. Volpert is the first Jew to be elected to a public office in Lake Placid, N. Y.?
- 4—During the past three years 100 Jewish cemeteries in Germany have been desecrated?
- 5—A "Colony of Forgotten Jews" has been recently discovered in Haiti?
- 6—That there is only one Jewish judge in the state of Arkansas?
- 7—Less than 1/2 of Jewish school children in Montreal are receiving Jewish education?
- 8—Jerusalem is the first city in the Near East where Pasteurized milk is available?
- 9—There are 142 Jewish publications in Soviet Russia?
- 10—The S. S. Adria, an Italian vessel, has a model synagogue?
- 11—The first Jewish cemetery in Belgium was established this year?
- 12—The laws of the State of New York forbid the serving of a summons on Saturday to a Sabbath observing Jew?
- 13—There were 111 Jewish periodicals published in the U. S. in 1927?
- 14—Professor Piccard, famous Belgian balloonist, is of Jewish descent?
- 15—For the first time in the History of the United States a courtroom was used as a synagogue? (This occurred when ten Jewish witnesses asked for a recess in order to say the Mincha prayer)

I. S. DRAMATIC NOTES

The Pledged Eternal Pals are contemplating the presentation of a mystery play in the early fall. Miss Billie Taub and her pals are re-writing a short story into a play. Rehearsals will commence in a few weeks and will be continued throughout the summer.

Juniors Busy

Mr. Seymour Kaufman's "Judeans" and Mr. Harry Kazen's "Seacs" are the first two Junior clubs to begin regular rehearsals for the Junior one-act play contest. Both leaders were participants in the Jeshuran prize winning Senior play "A Night at An Inn".

Miss Dina Goldstein is arranging a pageant for her Outdoor Juniors. The pageant will be entered in the play contest.

The Spartans, with the assistance of Mr. Joe Levine will commence rehearsing "Thank You, Doctor" this week. The Regent Examinations have made necessary this late start.

Mr. Kirschenbaum, Ass't. Headworker, recently lectured on "The Jew and the Drama" before the "Judeans." Discussions followed the lecture.

JUNIOR DEBATING TOURNAMENT TOPICS SELECTED

Outdoor Juniors vs. Happy Wanderers: Resolved, That a Jewish Homeland Be Established in Palestine. Juniors—Negative; Wanderers—Affirmative.

Troop 658 vs. Sunshine Girls: Resolved, That New York Pass a Law to Provide for Compulsory Automobile Liability Insurance. Troop 658—Negative; Girls—Affirmative.

Troop 525 vs. Agudath Naarei Israel: Resolved, That School Examinations Be Abolished. Troop 525—Negative; Agudath—Affirmative.

Iroquois vs. Seacs: Resolved, That David was a Greater King than Solomon.

ATTENTION, MEMBERS AND SEATHOLDERS!

We are now taking applications for seats for the High Holy Days at both our synagogues in Harlem and at the West Side. In order to get choice seats or to retain the seats you have had in previous years it is important that you immediately reserve them. Particularly so at the West Side, where we have but a limited number of seats. We desire to avoid a repetition of last year's disappointments, when we were unable to accommodate all our friends who sought seats at a late date. With the hope that we will see you with us again this year,

Sincerely,

Abraham Bernstein, Executive Director

RELIGIOUS COMMITTEE

Religious Committee, Institutional Synagogue
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To House Members:-

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Special Rates for S-E Members

For those members of the S-E Departments who wish to make use of our facilities this summer we are charging the nominal rate of \$3.00 for intermediates and seniors, and \$1.50 for juniors.

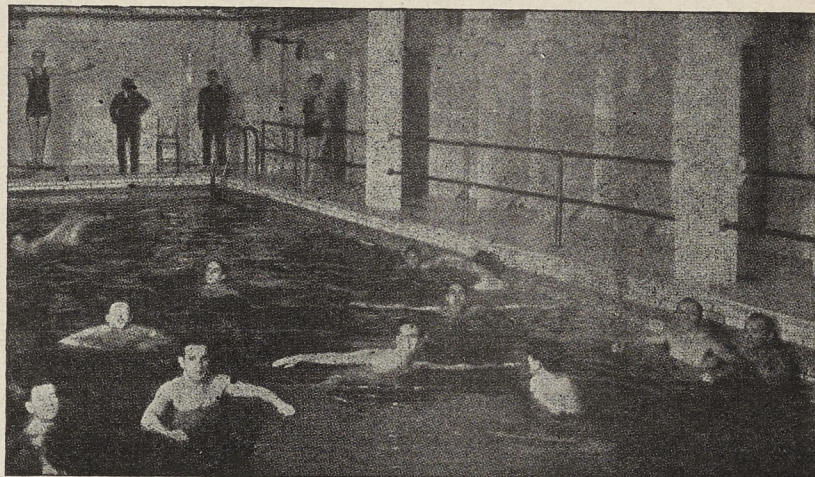
The payment of this small sum entitles you to membership in our Gym and Pool for three months, from June 15th to September 15th, the three months of the year when you can make best use of our facilities to your advantage.

The Gym and Pool is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 p. m. to 10:30.

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