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Musical Comedy Revue and Dance This Saturday Night Arouses Enthusiastic Interest

**EVERYBODY CONTENTED AS
FINEST I. S. THEATRE PARTY
IN YEARS IS CONCLUDED**

**Expectations of Committees Receives Ful-
fillment in Pious Measure.**

Simply the finest and most enjoyable Theatre Party that has ever been held by the Institutional Synagogue is the short summary of what took place at the Hollywood Theatre last Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

Expectations came up to scratch. Once again the I. S. proved demonstratively that while the substantial element of the I. S. membership have moved away from the immediate vicinity of the Parent Building, that same element which finds itself mainly on the West Side and in divers other parts of the city, is still ever eager to cooperate in all the doings and functions of its spiritual home.

Many Jews, high in station of society and public life, attended this festivity. Plainly visible was the feeling of reunion with which each individual greeted and recognized each other. A warm spirit of congeniality pervaded the audience and further induced a feeling of solidarity.

Satisfaction at the results attained was tacitly acknowledged by the directors and workers of the I. S.

Congressman Siegel especially was all smiles as he, Rabbi Goldstein, Mr. Bernstein and others of the Board of Directors nodded approvingly at the sight of solid attendance. It was indeed a whole-hearted approval of the principles of the Institutional Synagogue.

Appreciation of all is due to the committees: Theatre Committee, which comprised the Messrs. Sanders, Udell, Wartels and Gluck; and the Journal Committee, the Messrs. Lou G. Siegel and Bassier, and Mrs. Jos. Sedwitz.

**Fine Skits, Songs, Dances, Costumes Fea-
ture Unusual Function — Huge
Attendance Anticipated.**

This Saturday night, December 26th, is the I. S. Festival Night. Under the auspices of the Dept. of Center Activities, a colorful and gala Musical Comedy Revue will be presented on Saturday evening in the I. S. Auditorium. Dancing will follow in the Gym.

Mr. Bookbinder and his associates, Miss Stoller and Messrs. Solly Alper and Joe Abrams, have arranged a series of unusual dance routines, songs, skits and all the colorful trappings of an excellent musical revue. A "pony" chorus has been rehearsing these past weeks. Excellent soloists and comedians will add a spicy dash to the program.

Invitations have been extended to the Honorable Joseph McKee, President of the Board of Aldermen, the Honorable Fiorella LaGuardia, Congressman of the Twentieth Congressional District, the Honorable Isaac Siegel, and many other notables in civic affairs.

Tickets may now be purchased through any member of the cast, the ticket committees, and Staff or the Executive Director's offices. Early purchasers can secure the best seats if they make their reservations now. It is planned that club parties can secure immediate reservations of the desired orchestra seats if they advise Mr. Charles Cohen at once. There will be a single admission for the Dance and Revue. In other words, a dance and revue, both for the one price.

A large audience is anticipated. Many notables will be present. A gala carnival spirit, a colorful function, a spicy and peppy revue, a sure-fire musical comedy will assure all an memorable evening of fun and frivolity.

**FRIDAY EVENING LIGHT CANDLES: 4.18
Sedrah for Week: Vaychey.**

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A TIMELY MESSAGE TO THE JEWISH YOUTH

By Herbert H. Lehman
 Lieutenant-Governor of the State of New York

It is not always easy to fight for one's spiritual heritage. Frequently the easiest way to escape from prejudice and oppression is to follow the way of a coward and compromiser.

The Maccabaeans have shown the right way—the only way—to meet oppression. They held their heads up high. They were proud of the spiritual heritage of their fathers. It was a treasure of greater price than rubies. Their hearts were in that treasure. They prepared themselves to defend it and to do if need be in its defense.

To the Jew, religion has always been his most priceless possession—more precious than life itself—and how often have our ancestors demonstrated this supreme sacrifice for a supreme loyalty.

The Maccabean story is distinctly Jewish also because it is a part of the warp and woof of our people. It is a historic story of a historic people.

Our religion is a very simple one—it has always stood for spirituality, devotion, helpfulness and good citizenship.

Jewish youth must carry the torch of their historic culture from generation to generation. Historic continuity is what gives stability and richness to our loyalties.

Youth which totally rejects its historic past is superficial and colorless. An appreciation of that past is the best beginning for contribution to the present and the future.

The importance of this truth is borne in on us as American Jews. We are a young country compared to the nations whence we came. Until very recently America opened its doors wide to those who sought an opportunity to escape oppression or a chance to make a living under free and beneficent institutions.

Thousands of Jewish immigrants wrenched themselves from the old soil and entered the gates of the new world to give their children a better chance than they have had. In the transition period the second generation sometimes forgets the sacrifices of the first. The tragedy in the life of older immigrants has consisted in the failure on the part of the younger generation to revere and treasure the worth of those religious and racial traditions which have hallowed the name of Jew.

(Continued next week)

THE INSTITUTIONAL INVITES ALL INTERESTED TO JOIN STAFF

Many I. S. members have expressed their desire at one time or another to write for the "Institutional." The opportunity is now afforded those who have ability and the inclination. The "Institutional" staff will receive intensive training in all phases of journalism; lectures, visits to newspaper plants, practice in writing, proof-reading and layout, and sympathetic and intelligent criticism, will be some of the advantages accruing to those who make the grade.

Mr. Alan Dennison, of the former Jewish Tribune, and a frequent contributor of poetry and short stories to magazines, will be associated with the "Institutional" as literary adviser.

THE MUSICAL REVUE AND DANCE

CLUB DIVISION CONDUCTS GAME ROOM TOURNAMENT

The Club Division is planning a series of inter-club and membership game room tournaments. Mr. Charles Cohen is in charge of the tournament and is assisted by Mr. Seymour Siegel.

The tournament will be divided amongst the Junior, Intermediate and Senior groups. The girl members will conduct a similar tournament.

Individual and club awards will be made to the survivors. The games will be conducted every night during the week, except for the championship contest, which will take place on Saturday evening. All games will be played on the second floor, social and game room.

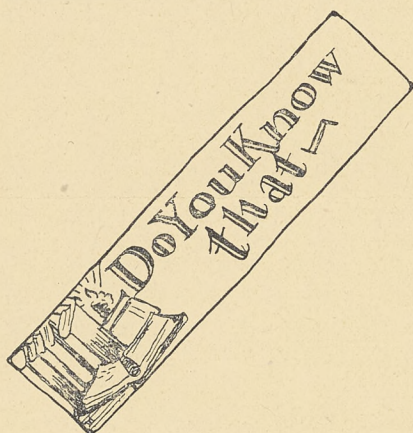
Any members desiring to enter the tournament covering ping pong, checkers, chess, caron, and for girls, jacks, should see Mr. Charles Cohen.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT PLANNED AS NEW INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITY

An expansive program of music projects is planned by the Department of Center Activities. Free piano lessons, choral work, voice training, and music appreciation, are some of the major activities of this new department.

Mr. Max Schwarzmann, graduate of the Vienna Conservatory of Music, will direct the music courses. It is planned that courses will be conducted Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoons and evenings. A registration period of two weeks will commence with this issue.

Readers of the "Institutional" who are interested in taking advantage of these free instructions should write us.



All their friends—and your friends too—and YOU—were to come to the Revue and Dance this Saturday Nite you and they would enjoy the finest evening since the depression—and even before that—for only 50c. Yeah, that's all—and 50c—and worth more, too.

I. S. TO CONDUCT RUMMAGE SALE

The I. S. will conduct a rummage sale very shortly this month under the auspices of Institutional Synagogue Sisterhood, Women's League of West Side Branch, and the Daughters of I. S.

Kindly send all merchandise, old and new, that you can spare, to the West Side Branch Building, 148 West 85th Street, or phone Wadsworth 3-2339 or University 4-6729 and same will be called for.

PLEGDED ETERNAL PALS FORMULATE CHARITY WORK PLANS

The very charming and active girls, the "Pledged Eternal Pals," recently appointed Junior Social Welfare League by Mr. Cohen, are formulating plans whereby they can successfully accomplish their object.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein greeted the girls at their meeting last Sunday and congratulated them upon their appointment.

The "Pledged Eternal Pals" are planning an open meeting and other surprise novelties in order to raise money so that they could assist in the Institution Relief Work.

I. S. BASKET BALL TEAM FACES ACTIVE SEASON

Week of December 27—I. S. at Williamsburg Y. M. H. A.

Week of January 3—Central Jewish Institute at I. S.

Week of January 10—I. S. at Federation Settlement.

Week of January 24—Welcome House at Institutional Synagogue.

Week of January 31—I. S. at Washington Heights.

Week of February 14—I. S. at Central Jewish Institute.

IF—

Earl Carrol, Flo Ziegfeld and George White—

And—

The Board of Directors, the W. S. Women's League, Parents Association, I. S. Daughters, I. S. Brotherhood, Junior League and the I. S. Sisterhood—

And—

The Club members and the Gym members,

THIS SATURDAY NITE AT MAIN BUILDING

CURRENT EVENTS IN THE JEWISH WORLD

Soviet Russia is prepared to admit 12,000 Jews from other lands for settlement in Bira Birjan, A. Merezhin, Secretary of the Comzet, Governmental department for settling Jews on the land and industry, informed the plenary session of the White Russian Ozet recently.

There are at present 5,000 Jews colonizing this territory, but 40,000 Jewish settlers are needed, Merezhin stated.

A Jewish mayor, A. J. Saretsky, has been elected by the town of Boksburg, South Africa.

The first Jewish Literary Association in Roumania was formed on November 26th, when Jewish writers and journalists throughout the country banded together.

The Chief Rabbi of Milan, Alessandro de Fago, oldest rabbi in Italy, received an audience by the Pope. The conversation was conducted in Hebrew.

The study of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" was ordered removed from the curriculum of the public school of Buffalo by E. C. Hartwell, Superintendent of the Board of Education of that city. The action followed the protest of Dr. Israel Efros of Temple Beth-El of that city, who emphasized that the characterization of Shylock as a typical Jew was a malicious and prejudicial libel. It constitutes one of the worst influences in fomenting an unwarranted pre-

judice against the Jews in the minds of young Americans, Rabbi Efros asserted.

Aaron Horowitz was re-elected Mayor of Cornwall, Ontario. He is the second Jewish mayor in the Province of Ontario. David Kroll holding the office of first magistrate in Windsor, Ont.

Alexander Brin, editor and publisher of the "Jewish Advocate," of Boston, has been named chairman of the State Program Committee created by an act of the Massachusetts Legislature in 1930. Mr. Brin is the only Jewish member of the Committee.

For the first time in twenty years, the New Jersey Legislature is scheduled to have a Jew as Speaker. At a caucus conference of State Democratic leaders, together with Governor-elect Moore, it was agreed that Assemblyman Joseph Greenberg, of Hudson County, be designated for Speaker at the next session of the Legislature in January. Greenberg has served as minority leader during the current session and now that his party will have a majority in the next session, he is to be advanced.

There are 255 synagogues in Jerusalem, according to an investigation conducted by the Jewish Houseowners Association of that city. Fifty-five religious school's function and there are five hospitals, according to the statistics of the Association.

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