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### **UTOPIANS WIN ONE-ACT PLAY CONTEST**

Before a large and most enthusiastic audience the Utopian Club was awarded the R. Richman Dramatic Trophy for the best production in the One-Act Play Contest conducted last Sunday night.

A medal for the best individual performance was awarded to Benjamin Nemerow, whose character "Axel" in "Just Two Men" the Tranquillity production, received the commendation of the judges.

The judges were the Misses Eldrige and Fingerhut and Messrs. Simon and Gursky.

A review of the contest will be published in next week's Institutional.

### **SPECIAL ATTENTION TO LADIES AND GIRLS**

A Spring Gym-Pool membership is offered to all women and girls at an exceedingly attractive rate. Sunday afternoon sessions in the Gym and Pool under capable supervision and a beneficial program including swimming instructions are offered for only \$1.50—if you register now. The Spring session will terminate June 26th.

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Sedrah for week: "Shmini."



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## A JEWISH THOUGHT

Great Britain, the country of tradition, with its reverence for Holy Writ, has broken one of the cardinal prohibitions of Scripture, namely, "He shall not profane his word." Great Britain promised, through its late lamented spokesman, to foster and encourage the up-building of Palestine as a Homeland for the Jews. Since that grand fiat, it has imitated the example of King Cyrus, in the days of the Babylonian exile, by gradually but most apparently weakening the force of its promise, into a vague and indefinite opportunity for Israel to return to the Holy Land. It has played a game of chess, using first the Jews and then the Arabs as its pawns, to reach its goal of increased power in the Orient.

The United States, our beloved country, has gone back on its policy of love for the stranger, and has practically restricted immigration to its shores. From the time of Wilson back to the days of the founding fathers of the Republic our proud boast had always been that this country holds its hands open to receive and embrace the newcomer. Since the days of Calvin Coolidge we have not only reduced our immigration quotas, but have broken up the unit of society. The family, wives, husbands, parents and children, have been prevented from being united with their loved ones who were already in this country. We have assumed a veritable Sodom and Gemmorah attitude.

Our difficulty today is that we are all taking consolation in the fact that there is a world depression. True, it is a world depression but not an accidental one. It has come about because we have failed in the higher realms of life. Heavenly bodies cast their reflections upon earth, so heavenly, spiritual matters shed their reflections on earthly, material matters.

The world, since the armistice, has not had genuine peace. Reconciliation has been absent from the international conference tables, from the press and from the hearts of the people of the world.

Before we can attain a political and economic reconstruction we must have a moral and religious readjustment. We must become more tolerant, more brotherly. We must not allow, as Senator France recently put it, "Soviet Russia to stew in its own sauce." We must not expect to have Germany carry the whole burden of the war. We must once again establish the Bible as the safest and surest guide for our lives. We must recognize God, and not man alone, as the author of history. We must seek the reasons for our awful predicament from Him and pray for light to blaze the way for our amendment. In conclusion, we must remember what the Psalmist says, "Unto the Lord is the earth and the fullness thereof, the world, and they that dwell therein."

"GOD IN HISTORY"—Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

DUTCH SUPPER & DANCE—MEN'S CLUB AND DAUGHTERS OF I. S.



**WON'T YOU PLEASE HELP?**

There are many needy Jewish families in Harlem who would like to observe Passover suitably but who, unfortunately, cannot do so because of the lack of necessary funds. Won't you please enable these families to share the pleasure of having Matzhohs on their Seder nights, and thus incidentally getting a "mitzvah" for yourself?

The Institutional Synagogue has never failed to do its bit in enabling Passover to be observed by all Jews. Not only Matzhohs, but clothing as well, are desired for those people who anticipate relief from this Institution. We must not fail them. Kindly send your contribution to the I. S. Sisterhood, care of Institutional Synagogue, 37 West 116th Street, New York City.

**CHORUS SUPERB FEATURE OF TALMUD TORAH PURIM CONCERT**

One of the most commendable features of the Purim concert recently conducted by the Talmud Torah was its very fine children's chorus under the leadership of Mr. Max Schwartzman.

The members of the chorus are: Pauline Aboulafia, Lucille Breslin, Sylvia Dobrow, Clara Elia, Lillian Finkelstein, Bernard Feinberg, Ida Finfong, Stanley Friedman, Eval Fa'lek, Sylvia Gladstein, Morris Grumer, Anna Kahn, Miriam Kahn, Ernest Kohn, Caroline Leal, Lena Mellah, Sophie Mory, Julia Nahmia, Grace Nahmias, Murray Simon, Gersten Silkowitz, Rebecca Taitz, Rosetta Tarant, Mendel Wainer and Myron Weingarten.

**"PEPS" CONDUCT ORPHAN PARTY**

The Pledged Eternal Pals, one of our active girls' clubs and recently designated as the Junior Social Welfare Group, conducted a party for the children of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum last Sunday afternoon. The Pledged Eternal Pals now plan a free matzohs distribution to needy families.

**PERSONALS**

Heartiest congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Weisberger upon the engagement of their daughter, Regina, to Mr. Isidore Schlesinger.

Heartiest congratulations are extended to the popular "Billie" Traub upon her marriage to Mr. Charles Levinson. "Billie" is president of the Pledged Eternal Pals, the Junior Social Welfare group of the I. S.

Heartiest congratulations are extended to our popular Joe Abrams upon his success as a master-of-ceremonies at one of our leading local theatres.

We extend our sincere condolences to Mr. Samuel Bendheim, an active seatholder, upon the death of his beloved mother.

**THE CULTURED JEW****"WE OWE TO THE JEW . . ."**

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Art, as an expression, must have a message of Beauty, Universality, an Objective Aspect, a Subjective analysis, and a medium which in form must have concordancy, rhythm, and harmony. In the plastic arts this form is secured by a consideration of line, curve, shadow, color and proportion.

There are various types of Art. In each of these types we find the Jew as the foremost, or very near the foremost, creators and expounders and critics. In glancing over the wide fields of oil paintings, etchings, pen and ink work, wood-cuts, decoration, illuminations, prints, colored windows, miniatures and other art forms, we can see the Jew in a manifold position as the creator, the artist, the critic, the collector and preserver. Truly remarkable this becomes when we think that the Jew first made his bow in this form of art less than 300 years ago.

Up until the eighteenth century the Jews were unable to express themselves in the Arts. Then came the birth of the Social Revolt, and its championship of the trodden Jewish minority. The new toleration inflamed the undying embers of the Jew's love of liberty and he began to use the arts to speak his cosmic message. The new thought, the new dawn, the new fire in the Jew made him believe that any expression of beauty would no longer be an abomination or if it were to be expressed by grasping in oils or mark the subtle shades of human form a "profanation of His heavenly nature." Schiller speaks of revolt as the "spirit of art."

The clarion voices of Schiller, Rousseau, Voltaire, Montaigne, and Lessing were like the gentle yet sufficiently strong breeze to awaken the embers in the Jew's repressed and inhibited soul. Revolt — light — consciousness — and lo — the Jew speaks.

Almost immediately miniaturists and portraitists of the race began to appear in Austria, Denmark, Germany, Italy and in England. Israel Mengs appeared and left behind him the almost incomparable miniatures. Lajas Bruch attracted the art world in Paris. Brandeman, that titanic creator of the famous canvas, "The Jews Mourning in Babylonian Exile," was already raising a voice which would leave as a perpetual echo works of art that would touch a responsive chord in the hearts of humanity, a chord that would touch every Jewish soul as it recognized in the canvases the subtle touch of themselves.

(To be continued)

**SATURDAY NIGHT, APRIL 2nd, AT WEST SIDE BRANCH**



### CURRENT EVENTS IN THE JEWISH WORLD

Twelve Jews are among fifteen winners of prizes in the international Chopin musical contest, held in Berlin recently.

A Russian-Jewish youth, living in Paris, Alexander Uminski, won the first prize following a draw between him and another Jewish musician, Imre Ungar of Budapest.

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The economic situation of the Jews in Turkey shows a marked turn for the worse, says an official report issued by the shareholders of the co-operative bank of Istanbul recently.

The bank was established by the American-Jewish Reconstruction Committee.

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According to a Jewish Telegraphic Agency report the last synagogue in Kiev has been confiscated by the Soviet authorities. As a result a new problem has arisen for the Jews, the storing of about 500 Scrolls of the Law which belonged to the forty-three synagogues which formerly existed in Kiev.

All the Scrolls were kept at the synagogue which has just been confiscated and now the authorities demand that the Jews should immediately find other accommodation for the Scrolls. The Jews, in their turn, are also anxious to remove them from the Synagogue, as they fear that the Soviet authorities may confiscate or destroy them.

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The Institutional Synagogue is doing this solely for the convenience of their members and seatholders. Since we are anxious that every worshipper in our institution have for Passover wine that is kosher ritually and in accordance with the Constitution of our country, we urge immediate action. Kindly inform Mr. Bernstein of your requirements. Phone University 4-6729. Richon-Le-Zion "Carmel" wines, which are made, bottled and packed in sealed cases in Palestine, may be secured. These wines are shipped direct to you in original cases from the United States Customs Bonded Warehouse. Each case contains twelve bottles, or a minimum of 2.4 gallons.

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