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## WEEK-END RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS OPENED AT THE WEST SIDE BRANCH

Registration in the Only School of Its Kind  
Now Going On

Members and friends of the I. S. will be glad to learn that the I. S. is opening a Week-end Religious School for boys and girls who do not attend a regular Hebrew School.

Classes will be held on Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings. Saturday afternoons will be given over to Jewish History, Customs and Ceremonials, singing and services; while most of the time on Sundays will be taken up by the teaching of Reading, Writing and Prayers.

### Often Urged By Members

For years the I. S. was urged to open a Sunday School for the benefit of those who are unable to attend its regular Talmud Torah. These members and friends exerted the utmost pressure upon it because they sought to benefit from the extensive experience that the I. S. has had with over 10,000 pupils. They liked the I. S. spirit and wanted their children to be brought up within its folds.

The I. S., however, could never have approved of the idea that one day a week is sufficient for inculcating in a child a religious spirit and for imparting to him the knowledge necessary for making him an intelligent practicing Jew. A satisfactory solution has been found. Not one day a week but two days will be devoted to religious education; and because the child is then free from all other duties, these two days will go a long way towards the achievement of our goal.

Pupils who will get a taste of Jewish education in the I. S. Week-end School will undoubtedly want to devote more of their time to their Hebrew education.

The most modern pedagogical methods will be employed by excellent experienced teachers who know how to win the hearts of their students.

Our pupils will also benefit by the contact they will make with I. S. leaders who will address them on frequent occasions.

### ATTENTION! MEMBERS AND SEAT-HOLDERS

We are now taking applications for seats for the High Holy Days at both our Synagogue in Harlem and at the West Side. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW. You may reserve seats by mailing in the enclosed form to Executive Director Abraham Bernstein.

Seat Committee.

Gentlemen:

Kindly reserve for me at the (check which one—

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Men's Seats..... Ladies' Seats.....

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### MUSIC CLASSES FOR PUPILS OF OUR WEST SIDE BRANCH

Pupils of the West Side Talmud Torah, as well as those of our Week-end Religious School, will enjoy an extensive program for extra-curriculum activities which has been prepared for them.

Pupils will be able to join various clubs under the direction of the experienced and able staff of our Social Department. For musically inclined pupils free piano instruction will be available. Mr. Max Schwarzmenn, of the Conservatory of Vienna, will be in charge of this phase of our work.

They will be inspired by such men as our Rabbi, Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein; our President, Hon. Isaac Siegel, and others.

Those desiring to register their children should apply on any week-day afternoon, or on Sunday morning, at our West Side Branch, 148 West 85th Street, or call University 4-6729.

FRIDAY EVENING LIGHT CANDLES, 6:39

Sedrah for week: "Nizavim-v-Yaleh."

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## SIXTEEN . . . ; A HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE

## Part 2—"The Hour."

All significant movements have grown out of, or have resulted from, their times. No consideration of the development of the Institutional Synagogue would be complete and adequate unless the reader recollects the times and the hour that witnessed its organization.

1917 and 1918 . . .

The world was dancing in a frenzy to the discordant music of a Dance Macabre. To the tempo of cannon, to the theme of death-cries, to the counterpoint of tragedy, death, sorrow, Youth and Age danced, swirled, turned crazily, purposelessly. They danced and manoeuvred like disjointed mannikens of a marionette show responding to the insane gyrations of a stupid and careless show-man. Blood of youth flowed . . . and blatant applause of senile diplomacy rewarded the display. Man killed man . . . and like glamorous butterflies the preachers and the clergy flitted from cannon to cannon to "bless" the fight. Wealth and utility were dumped into nothingness . . . and in the marts and markets of the world business interests gleefully patted their stomachs and approved their sagacity. Gold Stars appeared in windows and simultaneously grey hairs drowned dark hairs of parents; the gleam of patriotic fervor gave way to tears and mute interrogation.

No war actually ceases with the cessation of firing or the signing of treaties or the diminishing of propaganda. A war continues until the warring countries have adjusted themselves economically and future generations have been allowed to forget or taught to forget the hates and prejudices that motivated their ancestors to murder and be murdered. The war generation and the following generation bear a staggering brunt. In the problems of personal adjustment, ideals are analyzed and discarded, humane equations are evaluated and depreciated, there are new social habits and customs, and there are new concepts of morality.

Here in New York City, cosmopolitan city of the world, the certitude of the previous paragraph was verified.

Need we paint the canvas of those two years? Need we describe the pains, the tortures of those years? Possibly the mental attitude of that period can best be epitomized or likened to a gigantic question mark. The answer? — no one knew.

Like a reverberation the uncertainty reacted in the Youth. A placid generation of boys and girls were transformed to a hard, caustic, cynical, ideal-less generation. The era of the "finale-hopper," the "wise guy" and the gang "punk" arose after the war. The war was no longer being conducted with bullets and shrapnel, but with broken youth.

Out of the hour arose the Institutional Synagogue.

"Upper Manhattan must be made safe for the growing boy and girl," said Mrs. Isaac Siegel in a newspaper interview then.

In this background of sombre shadows and morbid prospects, two strong men shook hands. And out of their labors at that time and for sixteen years after that handclasp grew that machine to straighten broken youth and to strengthen their ideals.

(To be continued next week.)

HAVE YOU RESERVED YOUR SEATS FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS?

## I. S. ACQUIRES STAGE SCENERY BY DONATION

Erlanger Productions, through Mr. Leonard Bergman, Donates Excellent Scenery For I. S. Dramatics.

Dramatic activities in the I. S. were given great impetus by a donation of several thousand dollars' worth of splendid scenery formerly used in Broadway productions by the Erlanger Productions. Mr. Leonard Bergman of the Erlanger Productions was the donor. To Mr. Bergman and his associates the "Institutional" extends the sincere gratitude of the I. S. constituency.

An extensive program of dramatic activities is contemplated by the Club Division. Two drama groups will be organized. The I. S. Masquers, the Senior organization, and the Drama Workers, the Junior group, will present several plays, respectively. There will also be inter-club contests. Lectures in the appreciation of the Drama will be conducted.

The dramatic work will be directed by a noteworthy staff; Mr. Julius Cohen, Ass't Headworker and former Director of the Drama Dept. of the H.H.I., and Mr. Samuel H. Wallach, a distinguished member of the theatrical profession.



MR. SAMUEL H. WALLACH

Mr. Wallach, a well known actor, manager, playwright and coach, is a recently appointed member to the I. S. staff. He was the producer of the "Cat and the Canary" and a number of other Broadway productions.

The "Masquers" will soon begin rehearsals for participation in the Metropolitan League Dramatic Tournament. We are representing Upper Manhattan in the City Championship. Pinsky's "Laid Off" has been chosen as our production. Members interested in joining the Groups or "trying out" are requested to advise Mr. Julius Cohen of their interest.

A polished production of "Saturday's Children," a 3-act play produced as a "long-run hit" on Broadway three years ago, will be presented on November 6th.

## IN THE WORLD OF JEWISH BOOKS

### "The Book of Delight"

This volume by Joseph Ben Meir Zabara, a Jewish physician, philosopher and writer of the 12th century, has been translated into English by Moses Hadas, with an introduction by Merriam Sherwood. Like so many of the writers of the "golden age" in Spain, Zabara's volume is significant for its general cultural history. His book consists of fifteen stories and scientific discussions and proverbs, all given an artificial unity like Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales." Miss Sherwood's introduction is an illuminating study of the parallel between Hebrew and Christian tales of the Middle Ages, showing the likeness of their fundamental spirit.

The new history of the Jews in America by Paul Masserman and Max Baker, has just appeared. Heretofore historians writing of the Jew in the New World have attempted to show his contribution to life there; the authors of this new history have treated this subject from an entirely new and original angle—the effect which life in America has had upon the Jew, the result of living under this new environment. The book constitutes a new chapter in Jewish history and covers the entire period from the landing of Columbus to the present day. It describes the conditions of life in the lands from which the new Jewish emigrants to America came, giving a background to their life under new surroundings. It embraces the settlement of Jews in the North and South, East and West, the successive types of Jews who came to this country—German, Russian, Central European—and finally what the Jew has been enabled to attain in America in every field of human endeavor—medicine, science, religion, journalism, industry, literature, politics, music, and all the other arts. It is a comprehensive work of fascinating interest of which Jews the world over may well be proud. The book includes a complete index.

## THE INSTITUTIONAL INVITES ALL INTERESTED TO JOIN STAFFS

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 the 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.

SLICHOth SERVICES — SATURDAY — 1 A. M.

### CURRENT EVENTS IN THE JEWISH WORLD

Modification of the order for the dismissal of all Jewish officials of the Jewish School System of Roumania, who have not completed their studies at secondary schools has been brought about by the Ministry of Education.

The modification of the new decree followed representations made to the Ministry by the Jewish deputy, Michael Landau.

As the order stood in its original form, the position of Jewish teachers in Jewish communal schools was threatened.

Deputy Landau pointed out that the majority of Jews were prevented from attending secondary schools.

As a result the Minister of Education modified the order so that now the requirement is only for a generally satisfactory standard of education.

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Anti-Semitic agitators have posted bills in the streets of Antwerp, Belgium, calling upon the population to boycott Jewish business.

The agitation follows on the heels of the worst economic crisis in Belgian history, in which the Jewish population is particularly hard hit, since the Jews of Belgium have been almost entirely concentrated in two branches of industry—jewelry and diamond polishing.

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Jewish youth organizations in Berlin, Germany, are organizing defense units to protect the synagogues during the High Holy Day services.

The defense units will be organized by the Bar Kochba, a Jewish sports organization, and the Federation of Zionist Student Organizations.

The measures are being taken because of the generally disturbed situation and in view of the Nazi attacks last year.

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Constantin Brunner, famous philosopher, known as the Sage of Potsdam, who celebrated his 70th birthday recently, is the recipient of tribute from the German press.

Brunner, whose real name is Leopold Wertheimer, a Jew, is hailed as one of the most distinguished powerful thinkers of the day. He was born in 1862 in Altona and is a grandson of Chief Rabbi Akiba Wertheimer. He is a Spinozist and anti-Kantian. His most important works are "Spinoza versus Kant" and "Anti-Jewish Hatred and Anti-German Hatred."

A Constantin Brunner Society was founded in 1924 to spread his teaching.

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Georg Ierbrant, a Nazi leader of East Prussia, was arrested recently on charges of having inspired the attempt upon the lives of Socialist political leaders and Jews on August 1, reports the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. The Nazis actually responsible for the attempts have escaped to Danzig, however. Among those against whom the Nazis directed their attempts on August 1st was Kurt Sabatsky of Koenigsburg, representative of the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith.

The Nazis attacked the home of Dr. Sabatsky. Bloodshed was avoided because Dr. Sabatsky was not at home.

HAVE YOU TRIED TO GET ANOTHER MEMBER?