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CHORAL GROUP AND MEMBERS' ORCHESTRA PLANNED BY CLUB DEPARTMENT

A new undertaking which emphasizes musical interests is announced by the Club Department Staff. A Choral Group and a House Orchestra is to be organized and sponsored. The Group and the Orchestra will be rehearsed by the very capable Mr. Max Schwarzmann.

Members who are interested in joining these activities are urged to submit their names to Mr. Cohen. As soon as a good nucleus is organized rehearsals will be announced. There will be no fee or charge for membership in these two worthwhile activities.

YOUR ASSISTANCE IS REQUESTED

It is not a pleasant duty, in the least, to make an appeal for funds through the medium of these columns. Certainly it is more pleasant to discuss matters of more enjoyable connotations. It is because of the present financial situation that the I. S. finds itself in dire straits. It is imperative that your aid be solicited and an attempt made to remedy the present unfortunate predicament.

Probably at no time in the entire history of the Institution has the situation been so critical. The present economic conditions, unemployment, the recent stock crash, etc., have all done material damage to the cause of charity, but as bad as our predicament is, there is no doubt that we will not shirk our task in fostering Jewish education and learnings. Such things we should value above gold, for they are priceless. We appeal to you, dear members, to fulfill your pledge, that you so generously made recently, that we may continue in our labors.

In view of the present conditions we appeal to our friends to send us as much as they can spare for one year's membership dues.

ABRAHAM BERNSTEIN,
Executive Director.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I hereby enroll as a member of the Institutional Synagogue. I wish to encourage the fine and worthy efforts of the I. S.

Name
Address
Amount Contributed

CONGRATULATIONS

The Institutional Synagogue constituency joins in extending its sincerest best wishes and felicitations to Executive Director **Abraham Bernstein** on the occasion of his birthday, this Saturday.

The "Institutional," for the membership, wishes the tireless Mr. Bernstein many years of happiness and productive activity.

"INSTITUTIONAL" ANNOUNCES NEW CONTEST

A most stimulating and profitable contest for House Members is to be conducted by the "Institutional."

One of the objectives of the I. S. is to encourage an understanding of current Hebrew trends of thought and an appreciation of Hebrew Life and Culture as a source and inspiration of individual achievement. In accordance with this objective, we announce "The Jewish Feature of the Month Contest."

The contest is open to all House Members. Participants are invited to submit original contributions on any Jewish topic of interest. The contributions may be a news item, an editorial, an essay, a survey, Biblical commentary, a poem, a story, or a review on any subject of Jewish interest.

Every fourth week the contributions submitted during the past month will be viewed by a competent Board of Judges. Prizes will be awarded to the first and second choice of the judges. Winning contributions, or those securing special commendations, will be published in the "Institutional" and the contemplated Literary Monthly.

There is no minimum or maximum word content requirement. Participants may submit as many contributions as they desire. Content matter will be the principal factor for the Judges' consideration. Choice of subjects, clarity of expression, and neatness will be incidental factors.

The contest opens with this announcement.

All contributions for this month are to be submitted to Mr. Cohen no later than February 15th.

We reiterate, this contest is a most stimulating and profitable one for all—and all should participate.

LIGHT CANDLES FRIDAY EVENING, 4:52
Sedrah for Week: "V'aroh."

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Forum

"PEACE PATRIOTISM"

The problem which concerns the stability of government as well as the welfare of our people today, is that of employment. Thus far we have failed to solve it because we are constantly adding to the already increasing numbers of the unemployed.

Neither the city, state, nor the nation has the moral right at this time, even in the name of economy, to dismiss any of its employees. I shudder when I read that departments are going to be curtailed, and thus thousands of men and women must necessarily be thrown out of work. The remedy is worse than the disease. Instead of decreasing unemployment, the municipal and the state and federal governments will be guilty of increasing unemployment. The same conditions face us in regard to our large industries throughout the country.

I urge that President Hoover issue a proclamation in the name of peace-patriotism, calling upon every state and city, and then upon every business man, not to increase the army of unemployed. This proclamation should make clear to our civic leaders and to the heads of industries what their patriotic duty is at this time, namely, to spread employment and not to decrease it.

We did so much in the name of war-patriotism, which meant the killing off of millions of people. Why should we not rise in our majesty of spiritual and moral power, in the name of peace-patriotism, to save human lives from want and penury? Let us not be slackers in time of peace.

One of our Sages tells the story of how his cart got stuck one day in the mud. The load was too heavy. He called upon the elders of the town for advice. They suggested that he remove the wheels. I fear that those who are guiding the destinies of our nation at present are just as near-sighted. The men and women who are working represent the wheels of commerce. When we remove from them the buying power, then the body politic of the nation is left in a rut.

What can be done? First as I have just intimated, we must regard it as civic treachery to increase unemployment. Second, we must increase employment in the large industries. How can the latter be carried out? My answer is, by spreading and sharing work regardless of the inconveniences involved. Let me illustrate. If the owner of a factory who had employed 8,000 men, and because of reduced business, laid off 2,000 men, he should recall them, and spread the work among the 8,000, instead of among 6,000. This will of course mean less work for each man, and accordingly less wages. Such a condition, however, will only be temporary, and I shall now explain. Today people who are working are afraid to spend. They are saving. Our savings banks report increased deposits. This saving is the greatest detriment to the country. It is halting progress and keeping back prosperity. However, if the industrialists will call back the 25 per cent whom they have laid off, and divide the total amount of wages among 100 per cent of our working people, instead of only among 75 per cent, none will be able to save, and all will have to spend what they earn. If the present earnings of our people were put into circulation, everybody, and not only a small portion of the people, would be buying. This increased spending and buying would mean increased business, increased orders, which would automatically bring on a full week's work, because of the ensuing need for increased production. This would spell renewed activity and prosperity. The Bible in the Book of Ecclesiastes, which I translate from the original says, "When does prosperity increase, when the many (who are working) eat of it." I take it some will tell me, that here and there are some concerns doing just what I propose. My thought is, that it must become general, nationwide, to be effective. It must originate from the White House, and be carried to the people in the name of peace patriotism.

I fervently hope and pray that this may be a Heaven-sent plan, for let me say with the Psalmist, "From whence shall my help come? My help cometh from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth."

RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN.

SING? PLAY INSTRUMENTS? SEE MR. SCHWARZMANN!

**W. S. WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS
SYNONYMOUS WITH
ACTIVITY PLUS IN I. S.**

No sooner are they finished with one productive undertaking, the W. S. Women's League, without rest, resumes another activity for the I. S. After a successful Rummage Sale, they are now planning a Bridge Party for the afternoon of March 1st at the Rutgers Club. Friends are invited to attend.

A social hour was held at the conclusion of Rabbi Goldstein's Bible Class to celebrate two events. Bon Voyage and happy holiday wishes were extended to Mrs. Isaac Siegel, President of the Women's League, on her departure for a short visit to Florida. A cordial welcome was extended to Mrs. William Horowitz upon her return from a vacation. Mrs. Annie R. Morris and Mrs. Benj. Spanbach acted as hostesses.

In the report of the Rummage Sale, published in the "Institutional," we inadvertently omitted to mention the names of two good workers who had assisted in the Rummage Sale. They are Miss Esther Garfunkel and Mrs. Charles Israel.

Commendation for good work should have been also expressed to Mrs. Jack Levine, wife of our active director.

Attend the Inter-Club Debates for a profitable evening; listed to the Question Box Broadcast, 12:45 Sundays, WPCB, for a thought-provoking radio feature.

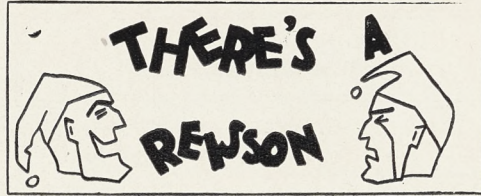
**PARENTS ASSOCIATION
ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT DINNER**

The Parents' Association Luncheon in honor of Mrs. Rachel Vosberg is arousing much enthusiasm amongst the members of this fine group. The Luncheon will be held Tuesday afternoon, February 28. The Committee in charge comprises Mrs. A. Wartels and Mrs. Leah Siegel, Honorary Chairladies; Mrs. I. Stein, President of the Association; Mrs. B. Sadowsky, Secretary, and Mrs. Vogel, Treasurer.

**SCHOOL AID WILL BE GIVEN
HOUSE MEMBERS THESE WEEKS**

Members who are preparing for their school examinations and who may desire assistance in their studies or clarification of difficult features of their courses, are invited and urged to avail themselves of free and capable tuition offered them by the Staff. They may see Mr. Cohen all this week in order to arrange for appointments with the staff member who will assist them.

Tuition in grammar school, Junior and Senior High School and college courses—both in academic or commercial courses—can be arranged for, free of charge, by securing appointments.



Thru the kind permission of Dr. Frederick Robinson, President of the College of the City of New York, I am enabled to print his brilliant and stimulating address recently delivered over the radio on the topic, "Does Science Conflict With Religion?"

SCIENCE AND RELIGION

Just after the publication of Darwin's "Origin of Species," a discussion which had been going on for centuries was fanned into flame. The argument was concerning science and religion. Which was acceptable and which was to be rejected—the assumption being that the two were incompatible. One rests on reason, the other on faith, and it was held by many that a rational or reasonable man could not accept anything on faith. Fortunately, in most parts of the civilized world, the argument has lost its acrimony and a consideration of the roles of science and religion can be carried on calmly.

The question is raised not in connection with any specified religious creed or sect, but with religion in general, regardless of the tenets of any particular body of believers. I, for one, hold that there is no conflict between sincere religious faith and the widest and most profound scientific scholarship, and maintain that those who are positive in their assertion that the two are irreconcilable have either little grasp of science or no conception of the true nature of religion.

What do we mean by science? It is the whole body of systematic knowledge man has concerning himself and the material universe of which he is a part. It was built up little by little through the ages. The human consciousness is sensitive to many impressions which it seeks to explain. Man sees the earth on which he dwells, the moon, the sun and millions of stars that stud the firmament. He seeks to learn their nature, their origin and the laws of their development. He makes observations with his senses and with the aid of steadily improving instruments of precision. He observes many facts and reaches beliefs concerning the extent of the universe and concerning the minute parts, animate and inanimate, of which it is composed.

But each age makes new discoveries which have the effect of forcing man, the scientist, to discard beliefs which he formerly thought were acceptable. At one time scientists thought the earth was the center of the universe. Later, under the leadership of Copernicus, they thought the sun was the center.

(To be continued)

RESERVE SUNDAY EVENING, APRIL 2nd, FOR I. S. ANNUAL DINNER

CURRENT EVENTS IN THE JEWISH WORLD

The extension of Jewish colonization in Palestine to Transjordan was made practicable this week through the consummation of an agreement between Emir Abdullah, ruler of Transjordan, and the Jewish Agency.

Under this agreement Emir Abdullah agreed to allow a six months' option for leasing 17,500 acres of land for 33 years, with a further option which makes the agreement renewable for two more similar periods.

Even though Transjordan is included under the British mandate, Jews were not permitted to settle there. Under this agreement approximately 1,500 Jewish families will be able to settle there under a concession for a maximum period of ninety-nine years.

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To insure that a sufficient supply of flour will be available for the baking of matzoth by the destitute Jews in Russia, the Federation of Jewish Relief Organizations, of London, has decided to purchase at once 100 tons of flour from the Soviet stores.

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After receiving representatives from the Central Union of German Citizens of the Jewish Faith, Minister of Interior Dr. Franz Bracht, of Germany, ordered the state governments to enlist the assistance of the police to combat the propaganda and to halt the distribution of boycott leaflets in front of Jewish shops.

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Many Jews have migrated from Harbin to South China during the past six months, due to the political unrest.

A large number of these have settled in Shanghai, where the greater part were successful in finding employment of some sort.

DO YOU KNOW THAT .

Palestine is at the meeting point of the continents of Europe, Asia and Africa?

Palestine is approximately 11,000 square miles, about the size of the State of Vermont?

Jews form about 18% of the population of Palestine?

English, Hebrew and Arabic are recognized as official languages in Palestine?

Palestine before the World War was part of the British Empire.

In April, 1920, the League of Nations at San Reims incorporated the Balfour Declaration into the Treaty of Sevres with Turkey. England was to have mandatory power over Palestine as a Trustee for the League of Nations?

Jews today own about 1/11th of the total arable land in Palestine?

The Hadassah Medical Unit has largely been responsible for the establishment of hospitals, clinics, bacteriological laboratories and nurses' training schools in the Holy Land.

The Hebrew University teaches all sciences in Hebrew.

Some of the Palestinian agricultural exports are grapes, almonds, bananas, dates, olives, melons, pomegranates, tobacco and numerous vegetables?

Hebrew as a living language has developed within the last fifty years?

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