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YOUR ASSISTANCE IS REQUESTED

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.

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 of fostering Jewish education and learning.

We urge you to induce friends to join you in your appreciated interest in the worthy work of the I. S. They may join by filling the form following this article and mailing it to us.

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.

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**CHAMISHO OSER B'SHEVAT PARTY
BIG EVENT OF MONTH IN GIRLS
CLUB DEPT.; T. T. CELEBRATES**

Another outstanding event of the social season in the Girls' Department is a Chamisho Oser B'Shevav Party to be held on Sunday evening, February 12, at the West Side Branch. An interesting program of sketches, songs and recitations has been arranged.

It will be a real holiday party with Palestinian fruits, songs and gayety.

Among the guests will be President Isaac Siegel, Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Bernstein, other members of the Board of Directors, members of the Staff, and parents of club members.

Under the direction of the Parents' Association, the Talmud Torah will hold a Chamisho Oser B'Shevav celebration on Sunday morning, February 12, in the Auditorium of the Main Building. Dr. Datt has arranged a very interesting program.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the Board of Directors. Tuesday, February 14th, at the West Side Branch. Directors are urged to be present.

**I. S. DINNER ON APRIL 2nd
PROMISES TO BE SEASON'S
OUTSTANDING FUNCTION**

Prominent speakers and personages of note will grace the celebration of the Sixteenth Anniversary of the Institutional Synagogue at the Anniversary Dinner to be held on the evening of Sunday, April 2nd. Broadway celebrities and entertainers will add a light touch to the Dinner.

The members of the Dinner Committee and their associates on the Board of Directors and the executive officers are exerting themselves to the fullest in seeing that no stone is left unturned towards insuring a dinner success far surpassing any annual dinner heretofore held.

Mr. Max E. Sanders is Chairman of the Committee in charge of the dinner arrangements. Associated with Mr. Sanders on the Committee are Mr. George Livingston, Mr. Lester Udell, Mr. Aaron Wartels and Mr. David Gluck.

**COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 14th**

A general council meeting of all the Institution clubs will be held February 14th, Tuesday evening, at 8:15 promptly, in the Library. Every club is requested to designate two delegates to attend this very urgent council meeting.

LIGHT CANDLES FRIDAY EVENING, 5:10
Sedrah for Week: "B'shalach."

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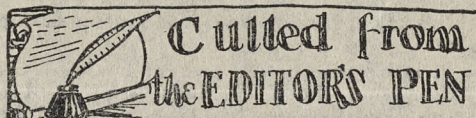
CHAMISHA OSER B'SHVAT

The minor holiday known as "Chamisha Oser B'Shvat" (the fifteenth of the month of Shvat) or "Rosh Hashonah L'Ilonoth" (the New Year of the Trees) occurs this year on Saturday, February eleventh. It so happens that this Saturday is also "Sabbath Shirah"—the Sabbath on which the Jews the world over read the song which Moses and all the Israelites recited in celebration of their deliverance from the Egyptian bondage. We, therefore, commemorate on the same day the delivery of Israel and the natural delivery of our land from its winter stagnation.

The main charm of "Chamisha Oser B'Shvat" is to be found in the fact that it marks the attachment of the Jew to Palestine, perhaps, more than any other holiday. The only land with a large Jewish population in which nature shows signs of revival at this season is Palestine. When the New Year of the Trees will be observed by the Jews of the world, some of the lands of the diaspora will be covered with snow; but in Palestine a revival of nature takes place at this time of the year; the rain and hail cease, the sun resumes its dominion, and trees and flowers begin to blossom.

In Palestine the main feature of Chamisha Oser B'Shvat is the planting of a great number of trees. Since it falls this year on a Sabbath, this phase of the celebration will be postponed for the following day. In the diaspora the festival is observed by the eating of fruits which are known to grow in Palestine, such as raisins, almonds, figs, dates and carob (St. John's bread). Recently "Rosh Hashonah L'Ilonoth" became an occasion for the holding of lectures and entertainments of various kinds.

Thousands of years ago our ancestors took an oath never to forget Palestine. In the words of the psalmist, this was their pledge: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning." We have kept that oath to this very day and



LINCOLN

Let none falter who thinks he is right.
I know the Lord is on the side of the right,
but it is my constant anxiety and prayer
that I and this nation should be on the
Lord's side.
No man is good enough to govern another
man without that other's consent.
Come what will, I will keep my faith with
friend and foe.
On that name a eulogy is expected. It cannot
be. To add brightness to the sun for
glory to the Name of Washington is alike
impossible.
Let us make up our mind that when we do
put a new star upon our banner, it shall
be a fixed one.
Nowhere in the world is presented a gov-
ernment of so much liberty and equality.

we did not forget our land; and now, thanks to the reconstruction in Palestine, it is the only civilized land not affected by the present crisis. Let us hope that we will be granted double strength and increased aid and encouragement to carry on this splendid enterprise and that all Jewry will unite in their efforts and become enthusiastic co-workers in this sacred and historic cause.

—MRS. MORRIS SCHATZ.

CONG. SIEGEL - RADIO TALK on "LINCOLN, SUNDAY, 12:45 WPCH

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON AROUSES MUCH INTEREST

On Tuesday afternoon, February 28th, the Parents' Association will conduct a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Rachel Vosberg. Tickets may be secured from any of the members of the Parents' Association.

Mrs. Aaron Wartels and Mrs. Leah Siegel are honorary co-chairladies, and Miss Eva G. Stein is Chairlady of the Luncheon Committee. Mrs. J. Sadovsky is Secretary and Mrs. P. Vogel is Treasurer. Mrs. Sol M. Robinson, Mrs. I. Bernstein, Mrs. B. Cohen, Mrs. Fleisig, Mrs. Gruber, Mrs. H. S. Goldstein, Mrs. Rose Kohn, Mrs. Z. Kapner, Mrs. Kluyen, Mrs. A. Levine, Mrs. G. Livingston, Mrs. M. Neuvirth, Mrs. Perlman, Mrs. Silver, Mrs. Silverman, Mrs. Max Sanders, Mrs. Winokur, Mrs. Zaslowsky are on the Luncheon Committee and are Hostesses.

DEBATING TOURNAMENT CONTINUES SUCCESSFULLY

On Sunday evening, February 19th, the Varsity Club will debate the Rah-Mels on the subject, "Resolved, that Machinery is the Cause of the Present Depression."

From its inception the debating tournament has been enthusiastically received by the various clubs. Not only have the clubs participating in the debates evinced their interest, but numerous club members and visitors from other institutions have enjoyed the forensic battles in the I. S. Library.

Other club debate dates will be announced from time to time in these columns.

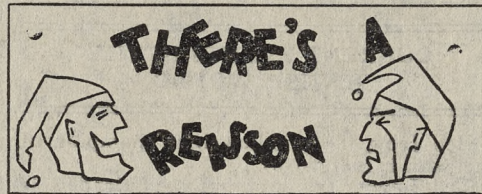
WOLKIN ISSUES CALL FOR SWIMMERS

Mr. Bernard Wolken, Director of Swimming, has issued a call for those interested in joining the house swimming team to meet him on Sunday morning, February 12th, at 10 a.m., in the swimming pool. No limitation as to age, weight, or division is being placed on those trying out for the team. All those interested are urged to make their appearance promptly on time. The team will oppose other centers.

CLUB DRIVE STARTED

With a goal — "Double the present club membership" — the clubs of the Club Department, in association with the members of the staff, are planning an active campaign to secure new clubs.

The Senior Clubs are particularly active in this campaign. The plan of procedure is as follows: Every club-member will solicit amongst his friends. A prospective club will be invited to call at the institution. A guest membership of one week will be extended to the prospective club. If the club is satisfactory, they will then be accepted.



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?" (Conclusion)

The reasoning of the scientist which results in the laws he formulates is itself dependent on certain axioms which must be accepted on faith or as a matter of intuition. They are ultimate in character and are accepted not because they can be demonstrated from something still more fundamental, but because one cannot conceive how they could not be acceptable. Furthermore, scientific findings rest upon the assumption that nature is uniform in its manifestations and will continue to be so. In short, science itself lives by faith.

It is possible that the future will bring a unification of the fields of science and religion. Then there may be eliminated the distinction between that which is transitory and that which is eternal, and the pure unity of truth may become evident. In the meantime it is well to cultivate both the senses and the spirit as mutually helpful parts of human nature. To imply that the existence of religious faith is proof of a lack of intelligence is to forget the grandeur and harmonious character and also the concrete contributions to science of every pious scholar of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish faith, to say nothing of the scientists and philosophers of China and India who communed with the power that shaped the suns and marked their way upon the pathless deep.

Fortunately in America we recognize the problem as individual and subjective. It is wholly in keeping with the best principles of our national life to encourage men to worship God according to the dictates of their consciences. I have no doubt that religious faith brings good to the community. The sincere man of faith is a blessing to all with whom he comes into contact; it is against the hypocrite who goes through the forms of religious observance or capitalizes association with church or temple for his own gain that we must be on our guard. Such men profit by nominal religious affiliation while their conduct is abhorrent to all honest people. On the other hand the atheist who persecutes men of faith is an undesirable menace to peace and good will.

Through tolerance we can get the good from all men of religion and make rapid advance to truth which will unify all knowledge and all faith.

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

CURRENT EVENTS IN THE JEWISH WORLD

Ben Jeby, the middleweight champion of the world, is Jewish?

Ted Lewis, the high-hat band leader, is also Jewish?

Jack Pearl, the Baron Munchausen of radio, is an old Harlem boy. He was taught his German accent by a Harlem barber.

Walter Winchell, otherwise known as Mrs. Winchell's boy, was summarily ejected from P. S. 184, the public school right next door to the I. S.?

Ben Lyon, the moving picture star, is also one of the descendants of the children of Israel?

Ed. Wynn, another nationally known comedian, is one of the few Jewish comedians who never tells Jewish jokes on the stage or over the air?

The political adviser of former Governor Alfred E. Smith, was a Jewess, the former Mrs. Belle Moscovitz.

The legal adviser of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, when he was in Albany, was Hon. M. Maldwin Fertig, who is prominently connected with the Y. M. H. A. movement.

Bernard S. Deutsch, of the "Alger-Deutsch" movement, was President of the American Zionist Congress.

England once had a Jewish Prime Minister, Benjamin Disraeli. Even Italy had a Jewish Premier, the scholarly Luigi Luzzatti. And now Russia has a Jewish War Minister, Maxim Litvinoff, who made the often quoted remark, "The Way to Disarm is to Disarm."

Emil Ludwig, the popular historian and biographer, is also a Jew. Philip Guedalla, the English novelist, is of Sephardic descent.

DO YOU KNOW THAT .

If it is true that Governor Scholtz of Florida (but born in Brooklyn) is Jewish, then there are five Jewish governors in the United States today.

Elmer Rice, winner of the Pulitzer Prize for his play, "Street Scene," is also a Harlem boy who made good. Elmer's real name, be it known, is Reizenstein. Mr. Rice's play, "We the People," is the most provocative play on Broadway.

Lincoln's Birthday

The 124th birthday of the Great Emancipator will occur on February 12th and the most appropriate method of observing this anniversary is by familiarizing our young people with his life and achievements. It is particularly suitable that Jewish boys and girls, as well as adults, should know the relation of the Synagogue to the martyred President and the volume, "Abraham Lincoln: The Tribute of the Synagogue," by Emanuel Hertz, is the best means of conveying this information.

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