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Passover

The Last "Chometz" Meal

On the eve of Passover we are permitted to eat chometz only until the passing of the first-third of the day (counting the day from dawn to the appearance of the stars). This means till nine A.M. or thereabouts (the exact hour differs in different localities). If any leavened bread remains it is either destroyed or given to a non-Jew.

"Z'man Cheyrusaynew"

Passover is called "Z'man Cheyrusaynew", the Time of Our Freedom. It is remarkable that the freeing of the People of Israel coincides with the freeing of nature from its winter stagnation. The exodus from Egypt enabled the People of Israel to develop in accordance with the unfolding of its own genius; and this took place in the spring, when everything in nature wakes up begins a new life, unfolds, grows, and spreads.

"Chag Hapesach"

The name Passover, "Pesach" or "Chag Hapesach" is a derivation from the Hebrew word "paw-sach" meaning skip. Before the Israelites of old were freed from Egypt, they were ordered to bring an animal (in the form of a lamb) as a sacrifice. The lamb was worshipped by the Egyptians, and the act of sacrificing it to heaven was a great step in the direction of weaning the Israelites from idol worship. At the risk of their lives the Israelites slaughtered the lamb in the sight of the Egyptians; then sprinkled its blood on their doorposts, and roasted it. The blood on the doorposts of the Israelites made the angel of death skip their homes; hence the name paschal lamb, Passover, etc.

The "Seder"

The eating of the paschal lamb with its accompanying ceremonies has been developed after the destruction of the Temple into what is now known as the "Seder", which means order. As applied to Passover it means the order or series of very impressive ceremonies, which are the distinguishing feature of the evening meals on the first and second nights of Passover. The law makes it obligatory to tell the story of the delivery from bondage on these two evenings; and the ceremonies of the "seder", which are also required by law, greatly vivify the story. The story as well as the ceremonies are found in a specially prepared pamphlet known as the Haggadah. For a clear understanding of the "seder", described in the Haggadah, a few words will be said about the following important ceremonies: the "Hessebet", the three matzoth, the five special dishes, the four cups of wine, the pouring of the drops, the "afikomen", the cup of Elijah, and the opening of the door.

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Evening, April 23, at W. S. Branch**

With the slogan, "The Sixteenth Anniversary Dinner Must Be a Success", the Dinner Committee has set the ball rolling for what will undoubtedly be the most outstanding function in celebration of the Sixteenth Anniversary of the founding of the Institution.

It is expected that the attendance this year will surpass that of previous years. Prominent speakers and personages of note will grace the occasion.

Make Table Reservations Now!

Mr. Max E. Sanders is Chairman of the Committee in charge of the dinner arrangements, associated with him are Messrs. Geo. Livingston, Lester Udell, Aaron Wartels, and David Gluck.

Calendar of Services

Harlem West Side

Monday Morning—		
Erev Pesach	7:15	6:30-7:15
(followed by the Redemption of the First Born)		
Monday Evening	6:30	6:30
Tues and Wednesday		
Mornings	8:45	8:45
Tuesday and Wednesday		
Afternoon and		
Evenings	6:30	6:30

Dr. Zadok Kapner will deliver his annual Pilpul this Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Main Building.

Services will be conducted at the West Side Branch by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein and Cantor Zalmon Yavneh and at the Main Building by Dr. Zadok Kapner and Rev. Samuel Taitz.

**ONE-ACT PLAY CONTESTS FINALS
THIS SUNDAY EVENING AT MAIN
BUILDING**

**Seacs Production Wins Third Series of
Contest; Margolies Awarded Best Individual**

Performance Award

The third and last of series of three one-act play contests was held last Saturday evening at the Main Building Auditorium. A responsive audience showed its appreciation of the club productions and the acting by enthusiastic applause. Two vivid dramatic productions were the contributions of the I. S. Thespians that evening. A third production, by the Termeline Girls, was not presented because of the illness of one of the members of the cast.

The judges awarded first place to the Seacs' production, "Release". The members of the cast were the Messrs Margolies, Werner, Dobrow, Joe and Mark Barash.

The award for the best individual performance was won by Mr. Isidore Margolies of the Seacs. In the role of the hysterical "Lefty", Mr. Margolies held the honors for a consistently fine performance, at all times sustaining the tension of the play.

The Bengal Club presented "The Scarlet Scarf". It was highly commended.

Honorable Mentions awarded for individual performance were awarded to Messrs Werner, Kadetsky and DeSilva.

Championship Contest Sunday

The final contest to determine the best production of the nine clubs participating in the One-Act Play Contest will take place this Sunday evening in the Main Building Auditorium.

The clubs chosen as the best in the three one-act play contests will compete that evening for the distinction of having produced the best presentation this year. These clubs are the Acme Girls, who will present a satire on all dramas; the Amici, who will present an entertaining comedy, and the Seacs, who will present a fine drama.

All are welcome to attend the Championship Finals Sunday evening.

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Forum

"FRIENDSHIP"

The most important human friendship is marriage. Friendship reaches its highest realization in marriage. Man and woman are the complements of each other, and when they bring to the marriage relationship those considerations and practices which accompany all real friendships, an indissoluble bond is established. In our wedding service we praise God for having created bride and groom, joy and gladness, happiness and song, pleasure and delight, love and brotherhood, peace and friendship. Friendship is the climax of all these boons. Our Rabbis in the Talmud show their regard for friendship by often times repeating the proverb, "Give me friendship, or give me death."

Friendship is greater than love. Love is frequently blind, being stimulated by passion, beauty, and social or material considerations, whilst friendship is a clear-visioned relationship arising from a mutual understanding and esteem. King Solomon, the wisdom preacher, declared in the Book of Proverbs that at times, "There is a friend who sticketh closer than a brother." I take it, that this is due to the fact, that with our own relatives we are impatient, and fail to show the same forbearance and tolerance we extend to those outside of the family. This can be illustrated by the attitude of the brethren of Joseph towards

him. To them he was a dreamer, a fool, whilst in the eyes of others he found favor and was regarded as one of the wisest of men.

Emerson paraphrased the Biblical injunction concerning friendships into "The only way to have a friend, is to be one." Just as a plant must be watered, to insure its growth, so must friendship, in order to thrive, be watered by the generous contribution of mutual service on the part of those who enter into its bonds. This readiness to serve makes one a faithful friend. "A faithful friend," Napoleon said, "is the true image of the Deity."

My friends, the highest form of friendship is evidenced in man's relationship to God. We look to God as our constant friend in every phase of life. He is with us in joy and in sorrow. "Though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for Thou art with me," exclaimed the Psalmist. Prayer distinguishes man from brute creation. God has given us the power of speech, through prayer, to express our friendship to Him. Those of us who make prayer a rare practice, are only acquaintances, but not friends with God. Let us rather seek Him at all times, so that we may say with the royal bard, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want."

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein.

NOW MORE THAN EVER BEFORE
IS PASSOVER RELIEF SOUGHT
BY OUR NEEDY

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

HAVE YOU PAID UP YOUR
PLEDGE?

You were good enough to pledge your support for the emergencies in which we find ourselves at the present time, owing to the unstable conditions prevailing in Harlem. We therefore ask you to be sincere enough to co-operate with us and send in your contributions as pledged with your yearly membership dues. In that way we may be able to pay our staff.

Thanking you for your co-operation, which I know I may expect from you.

ABRAHAM BERNSTEIN,
Executive Director.

HITLER

Spawn of Amalek,
Viperous coward,
Thrust into power by ghost-maddened ape votes,
Whom have you chosen
For venting your anger?
Which is the Race you have chosen for scapegoats?

Jews—who have borne
To your temples of culture
Many an offering of Science and Art!
Jews—who have aided
In making a watchword
Of Germany's commerce in every world mart!

Jews—who have fought
For the Fatherland proudly,
More than their share lost in shamble-like fashion—
These you dare libel
As unpatriotic,
Dastardly upstart, fomentor of passion.

These are your victims,
Political quarry,
Doomed by experience of Power, ungrateful,
Loyal? Too loyal!
German? Too German!
Now at your mercy, oh, Hitler the Hateful!
There is a Power,

Chancellor Hitler,
Grinding in millstones of Time every nation.

Jews persevere
While tyrants soon perish,
Infamous, discarded for obliteration.

There is a Power,
Chancellor Hitler
Watching each step of your vile machination.

Heed, lest His anger
Shall strike unrelenting
At dress in the crucible, Civilization.

—Sidney J. Simon.

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PASSOVER

The Five Special Dishes

(a) The bitter herbs are symbolic of our bitter life in Egypt.

(b) "Charoses",—a mixture of apples, nuts, cinnamon, and wine,—represents the mortar and clay, which the Israelites used in the making of bricks for Pharaoh.

(c) The salt water reminds us of the tears shed by the suffering Israelites.

(d) The roaster shank bone represents the paschal lamb explained before.

(e) The egg is a reminder of the "Chagigah", the special holiday offering which had to be brought to the Temple, besides the paschal lamb.

The Four Cups of Wine

The four cups of wine are symbolic of the four Hebrew terms in the divine promise to Moses to deliver Israel from Egyptian bondage.

The Pouring Out of 10 Drops of Wine
The pouring out of the drops of wine is a vivid way of recalling the ten plagues with which the Egyptians were smitten before they set the Israelites free.

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YAHREZEIT

"In memoriam,"
Say the flickering lights in glasses,
In memoriam
Of a city that has lived.
In memoriam
Of eyes that have seen these lights flicker.
In memoriam.

—Abraham Auerback.

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ORDERS FOR WINE MUST BE
IMMEDIATELY RECEIVED BY OFFICE

In order to get wine for sacramental purposes and properly within the law, application must be made through the Synagogue. This must be done by Monday to enable the office to have the necessary papers signed and delivered to the government authorities.

The Institutional Synagogue is doing this solely for the convenience of their members and seatholders. Since we are anxious that every worshiper 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. 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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BETTY LEVY ELECTED PRESIDENT
OF COUNCIL; FINE SPIRIT MARKS
KEEN ELECTIONS

R. Tarragano, S. Golowsky Elected Vice-President and Secretary, Respectively

In a heated, spirited and keenly-conducted election by the House Council among the clubs, Miss Betty Levy of the Acme Girls was elected President of the Council. Regina Tarragano of the Acme Girls was elected Vice-President and Sol Golowsky was elected Secretary.

The Institutional presents herewith statements and messages by the victorious candidates:

Miss Betty Levy—I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the members for their confidence in me as shown by their ballots. With their co-operation I will fulfill all "campaign promises". The combination of plans, determination and co-operation will make this year a happy one for us.

Miss Regina Tarragano—I appreciate the responsibilities to which I have been elected by the house members. My fellow-officers, my fellow-members and I will share one idea—that by constant effort and co-operation we can succeed this year.

Mr. Sol Golowsky—I appreciate the honor bestowed upon me. The members by their ballots have said: "Sol, we voted for you to DO work." I will. I'll justify their confidence in me by producing the best work that I can accomplish for the I. S.

DIVERSIFIED ACTIVITIES MARK
CLUB PROGRAMS

Debates, Lectures, Social Activities, Plays,
Provide Interests For Members

On Monday, the Sennipahs had their first party of the season. These young girls thus made their social debut in the I. S. An enjoyable time was had. Songs, folk-dances, plays and refreshments made this evening replete with interest for these young girls. A prize-package climaxed an enjoyable evening.

Shhhhhh. A secret! The Acme Girls and the Versatiles are planning a Drama Evening. When? Near future. What's the feature? Well, that's the secret. Details will be announced to our eager public in one of the future issues.

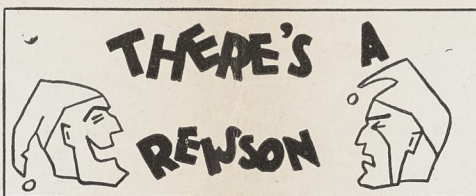
The Bengals announce that they will now be addressed as the Versatiles. They thus modestly acknowledge their abilities.

The semi-final division of the debating tournament will see the Amici Girls pitted against the Kroywens, and the Trojans opposed to the Versatiles.

A number of the clubs are planning a Mother's Day celebration with plays, entertainments, receptions, etc.

A. N. I. 18 will celebrate Passover at the home of Mr. Julius Cohen. Mrs. Cohen (mother, you romanticist) always anticipates the pleasure of preparing her superb cakes and refreshments for A. N. I. 18.

The recommended social function of Spring is the Termeline Dance which will be held at the W. S. Branch, May 13th. (Lag B'Omer).



THE JEW IN SCIENCE

Few subjects are more fascinating and full of interest than the place of the Jew in the world of science. Too often has the Jew been considered a legalist, a theoretician, a hair-splitter. That the Jew has been an outstanding contributor to the field of science has been too little known.

Nevertheless a little story concerning the eminent Prof. Albert Einstein is directly in point.

When asked concerning observations under way to prove or disprove his great theories, Prof. Einstein is reported to have said, "If right, to the French I will be a Jew, and to the Germans a German; if wrong, to the French I will be a German, and to the Germans, a Jew."

It is an interesting commentary on the situation facing German Jewry today that some of the world's most famous scientists have been Jews of German nativity. Einstein's alleged remarks seem to take on deeper significance.

Yet no demagogue, no bigoted iron hand, can suppress the fact that Jews are original and creative, not only in the science, but in the arts and humanities.

Jews tormented and isolated from general social life may have found their means of livelihood restricted to such non-scientific occupations as merchant and banker. Still restrictions such as were imposed did not hinder the Jew from being creative. Jews have been, and are, among the greatest of the world physicians. So outstandingly has the Jew worked as a healer of the ills of mankind that he, as a Jew, has had in his hands the lives of Pope, Bishop, and Kaiser. Witness the fact that Richard the Lion Hearted invited Moses Maimonides (Rambam) to be his personal physician. Even Abraham Lincoln had a Jewish chiropractor.

It is not surprising to find that the work of the Jew in the field of applied medicine has been the means of furnishing the Jew with an independent livelihood without fear of necessity for outside favor. The Jew's work in that field has been productive of prolific inventions and discoveries, advancing that art to what now seems commonplace but many times seemed to the world unattainable. Not without great cause do we find great inventions, great discoveries coupled with great Jewish names, Frankel, Henle, Jacobson, Heisser, Stilling, Wasserman, and Ehrlich. Who does not know at least one of these?

Frankel, in his research on lung and heart conditions, isolated the pneumococcus, the germ of pneumonia. Jacobson, who would rather be a Jew than a Professor, and who would not accept condescending honors from a scientific Congress, died a martyr to his investigations of infections in abdominal typhus.

Sidney Reiss.

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The "Afikomen"

The "afikomen" is the half matzoth put away by the head of the family at the beginning of the meal and eaten by all at the end of it. It represents the paschal lamb, which was also eaten at the end.

The cup of Elijah

The cup of Elijah is filled before the fourth cup of wine is sipped. It reminds us of the Messiah, whose coming will be announced by Elijah one day before it will take place. On the holiday of the first redemption we should not forget the final redemption.

The seder is completed by the chanting of a number of prayers and ditties suggestive of our redemption. The rejoicing over the past redemption is thus strengthened by the confirmation of our hope in the future redemption. We have in the seder a case of an ordinary meal converted into a fountain of spirituality. Fortunate indeed is the people that can rejoice and eat in an elevating and exulting manner!

Memorial Services

In conclusion a few words should be said about the memorial services that are held on the last day of Passover, the last two days in general, and "sefirah".

In so far as the memorial services (yizkor) are concerned all that need be said is that we Jews do not forget the departed souls on the days of our greatest joy. It is common to every holiday, whenever we celebrate a great event of the past, we also commemorate the past generations.

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DO YOU KNOW THAT

The Mishna contains nearly four thousand rules.

Diego Rivera, world-famous Mexican artist, has Jewish blood flowing through his veins.

Professor Harold J. Laski, one of the foremost authorities on political science in the world, is Jewish. His brother, Neville Laski is a prominent Jewish leader in London and an outstanding barrister.

The blind Gaon Jehudah, who lived in 750, was most active in compiling the laws and decisions of the Talmud.

Professor Nathan Isaacs, eminent professor of law in Harvard Law School, is a devout orthodox Jew and a scholar in the field of Hebraic learning.

Among the German Jewish intellectuals who have been warned to stay out of Germany are Albert Einstein (Relativity theory), Arnold Zweig (The Case of Sergeant Grischka), Lion Feuchtwanger (Power), and Emil Ludwig (Bismarck).

Despite his name, Senator John S. Cohen of Georgia is not Jewish.

France now has a Jewish ambassador from the United States, Jesse Isidor Strauss.

There is a Yiddish newspaper published in Paris called "Parisier Haint".

Dr. Kurt Soelling Jewish Ex-President of the Berlin Court of Appeal, has been ousted from his position by the Nazi government.

"Smxie" Maxie Rosenbloom, light-heavy-weight champion of the world, is another Jewish boy from Harlem who made good in the ungentlemanly art of plastering profiles.

A book has recently been written on the Jewish moving picture producer, William Fox.

"Ted" Lewis, high-hatted jazz band conductor, is Jewish.

One of the greatest romances in history is the story of Rabbi Akiba.

Sidney H. Reiss.

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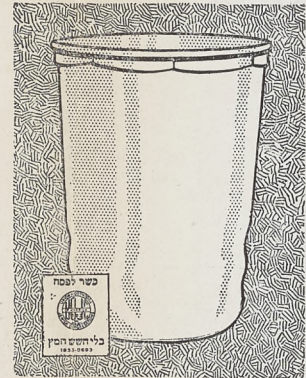
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Sefirah

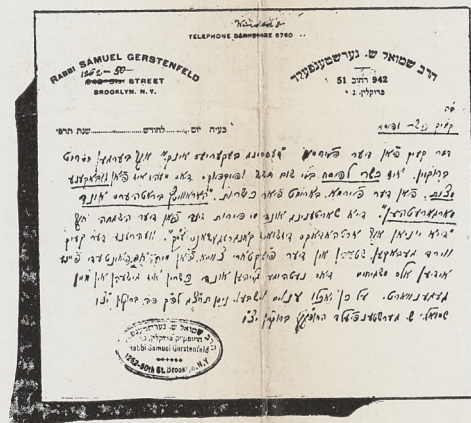
But a little bit more attention must be given to "sefirah" the Counting of the Omer, for it is generally connected with the great event, the giving of the Torah which is celebrated seven weeks later.

The Exodus from the Land of Bondage was only the first step in the establishment of the Jewish people. The second step, which is by no means secondary in importance, was the receiving of the Torah. When the Israelites were in Palestine they used to bring (in accord-

ance with the regulations found in the Torah) a barley offering on the second day of Passover, and a wheat offering on the first day of Shevuoth. A barley offering a sacrifice of a grain eaten by animals, was brought by the Jews in olden days to commemorate their physical delivery; and a wheat offering, something enjoyed by human beings, was brought in the Temple to commemorate the spiritual delivery through the receiving of the Torah. The Counting of the Omer, or to use the Hebrew phrase "sefiras ho-omer", as ordained in a number of places in the Torah, begins on the second evening of Passover and continues until Shevuoth. The Jews were told to count every day and prepare

themselves every day for their spiritual freedom, the receiving of the Torah. When we consider the great stride the Israelites of old made, from idol worship to the true Jewish faith, we must come to the conclusion that seven weeks was not too much. The days of "Sefirah" or the Counting of the Omer are also days of mourning, as during those days a plague, carried away many disciples of Rabbi Akiba. No weddings or other joyful affairs are permitted in this period excepting on Lag B'Omer, the thirty-third day of Sefirah (corresponding this year to Sunday, May 14th) when the plague ceased, temporarily.

U. O. J. C. A.



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