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Basketeers To Play On Sunday Evenings

Weekly Dances Featured In Tournament Games During February

The concluding rounds of the inter-club basketball tournament will be played, commencing with February 6th, on Sunday evenings. The schedule of games has been so prepared to allow ample time for ball playing, as well as dancing before, between and after the games. Music for dancing will be supplied by means of a dance music amplifier, and there will be on hand a large selection of the latest swing records representing all the best orchestras in the country.

Interest in these final games of the contest is running high among the participants and their rooters. The constant change in the standing of the teams after each series of games has caused keen rivalry among the leaders. The Barbers Club is at present in the leading position. Their victory over the Spades, by the score of 26-7, gave them a slight lead over the Melrose Club, who were defeated by the Immacs to the tune of 27-14, and are now in second place. Close behind the leaders, the Spades hold third place.

The winner of the tournament is yet to be decided, so close are these three clubs grouped. The schedule of the games for February follows:

Sunday, February 6th
Cardinals vs. Barbers
T. J. Sobol vs. Melrose
Sunday, February 13th
Spades vs. Melrose
Cardinals vs. Immacs
Sunday, February 20th
Spades vs. Immacs
Spartans vs. Barbers
Sunday, February 27th
Spartans vs. Melrose
T. J. Sobol vs. Barbers

Make your plans now to spend all Sunday evenings in February at the I.S. You are assured of a complete evening of entertainment and dancing. While there will be no admission charge, a check room fee of ten cents will be asked.

Choice Plots Available

The Institutional Synagogue is in possession of choice plots at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Anyone interested in these plots is requested to get in touch with Rabbi Philip Goodman for full information regarding same.

T. T. Registration

Registration for the new term of the Talmud Torah, which will begin Monday, January 31st, will be accepted daily during the coming week. Parents are urged to register their children before the new term begins, so that they may be placed in proper classes and not lose any of the initial work of the class. Registration will take place on Sunday morning, between nine and one o'clock, and on the weekday afternoons from three to seven o'clock.

Rabbi Philip Goodman will be glad to meet parents at any other time, by appointment, to discuss the individual problems of their children.

Thespians Rehearse For Drama Tourney

Keen Interest Noted As Groups Undertake Popular Activity

"All the world's a stage" and those members of the I.S. clubs who are interested in dramatics will be given their opportunity of crossing the footlights in the very near future when the One-Act Play contest is staged. At present the groups are engaged in rehearsing their plays and preparing the final touches to their productions. The plays are being coached by Miss Ann Parnes, who has done excellent work in this field in the past few years.

The plays that are in production range from drama and mystery to light comedy and farce, as each group has selected the type best suited for its individual members. The Spades Club is planning to produce a "problem" play of prison life entitled "The Last Mile." This ambitious undertaking has gained the interest and cooperation of all their members and is well on its way to a polished state. "It Will Be All Right on the Night" is the choice of the Nydacs. This is a farce dealing with the trials and tribulations of amateur theatricals. "Pyramis and This-bee," a selection from the works of William Shakespeare, will be the vehicle of the Cardinals. Among the other participating clubs will be the Spartans, the Barbers, the Decors, the Copaines and the Co-Ops.

The winning club will be awarded the Dramatic Trophy, while the two best individual performers will receive medals.

Leaders' Council To Hold Their Fifth Annual Dance This Saturday Evening

Parents Sponsor Novel Program

Supper and Movie Set For February 3rd

"Ve-Chai Bo-Hem," a Jewish motion picture will be the first part of a novel program of entertainment to be presented by the members of the Parents' Association of the Institutional Synagogue, under the auspices of the H. J. Heinz Company, on Thursday, February 3rd.

This is a fascinating and modern picturization of the three great festivals—Passover, Shevuoth and Succoth. The narrative is interspersed with musical interludes by Vladimir Heifetz's chorus.

The showing of the motion picture will be followed by the serving of a delightful five course supper, which will be provided through the courtesy of the H. J. Heinz Company.

Cards of admission to the supper may be obtained in the office free of charge, upon application.

An educational motion picture on the prevention of cancer will be shown at the regular meeting of the Parents' Association, which will take place on Tuesday evening, February 15th. In conjunction with this film, a talk on the same subject will be presented by a practicing physician.

New York Sun to Publish Articles on Palestine

Indicative of the widespread interest in events in Palestine is the announcement that the *New York Sun* is about to begin a series of daily articles under the general heading, "The Truth About Palestine." The first article will appear on Saturday, January 29, and succeeding ones will be published daily, Mondays to Saturdays, inclusive.

The articles are the result of a personal visit to the Near East by the *Sun's* Washington correspondent Phelps Adams. He spoke to leaders of both Arabs and Jews, visiting Transjordan, Syria and Egypt, as well as Palestine. He spoke to farmers in the Jewish colonies, to peasants in the Arab districts, to religious and lay spokesmen of both peoples and to British officials. What they told him he supplemented with his own observation.

Rhythm Kings To Provide Latest Music For Gala Affair

The West Side Institutional Synagogue, at 120 West 76th Street, will be the scene of a gala evening of entertainment for the members of the Leaders' Council and their friends this Saturday evening, January 29th. At that time the Council will conduct its Fifth Annual Dance.

With "Swing" the motif of the entire function, the services of the "Rhythm Kings" have been secured for the evening. This popular orchestra has a reputation of being able to make even the non-dancer desire to indulge in the terpsichorean art when they induce tuneful melodies from their instruments.

According to Miss Mollie Gerstein, chairman of the Dance Committee, present indications show that a large gathering will be present to join in the merriment, and this function promises to be one that will be long remembered in the annals of the Leaders' Council.

A congenial atmosphere, good music and plenty of "swing"—all the ingredients of a really entertaining evening are in store for you at the Fifth Annual Dance of the Leaders' Council this Saturday evening. Tickets to the function are selling at the nominal sum of fifty cents, and may be secured at the door. Make your plans now to attend this gala affair.

As in the past, the proceeds of the Annual Dance will be turned over to the Scholarship Fund of Camp Ta-a-noog.

Radio Broadcast

Juniors Attend "Hobby Lobby" January 26th

The pupils of the Talmud Torah and members of the Junior clubs attended the "Hobby Lobby" last Wednesday evening, January 26th, at Radio Station CBS. This was an amazingly interesting hour to the youngsters as they listened to people describe their hobbies to Dave Elman.

This trip was one of the many extra-curricular activities undertaken by the Talmud Torah this season. These trips included visits to the Breyer's and Hydrox Ice Cream plants, the News Building, museums, theatres, and other places of interest. Several more trips are planned for the coming months.

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Never Say Fail

In life's rosy morning,
In manhood's pride,
Let this be your motto
Your footsteps to guide:
In storms and in sunshine,
Whatever assail,
We'll onward and conquer,
And never say fail.

—Anonymous

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Jewish News Flashes

For outstanding service to England, six Jews were honored by King George of England. Among those honored was Edward Meyerstein of London, and Hym Shaolom Israel, of Bombay, India. Four other Jews were awarded the "Order of the British Empire."

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Rabbi S. Z. Baum was appointed last month as the kosher law enforcer of New York City. It will be his duty to see to it that the kosher law is carried out. According to law, butchers showing kosher signs on their windows must sell only kosher meat, violators are subject to a fine by the State.

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Franz Wielach, a young Jewish farmer in Austria, has just completed the smallest Bible in the world. It is written on a post-card only six inches wide. Every word can be read under a magnifying glass.

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Sir Oswald Mosley's "Blackshirts," a fascist order, in England have been banned from making any public addresses for three months. Although unpopular in England, this small group have persistently caused ill-feeling and in several cases, riots. It is hoped that this ban will deter their efforts.

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Great Britain has not abandoned the plan for the partition of Palestine and the creation of independent Jewish and Arab states, it was stated by Dr. Bernard Joseph, Legal Adviser of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, on his arrival here recently.

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Seventeen Jewish agricultural settlements have been established in Palestine during 1937, it was reported by the Jewish Agency Executive. These settlements cover thirty-five thousand dunams of land, and contain a total of 1,350 settlers.

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The Rumanian government is now in the hands of the National Christian Party. Although this party received only 9% of the vote in the recent national election and is in general bitterly opposed to the green-shirt Iron Guards, which represents 21% of the electoral vote, both parties are strongly fascistic and anti-Semitic.

Why I Go To Hebrew School

My people, the Jewish people, is thousands of years old.

For thousands of years, the history of my people goes on and on. Our history is one which is full of sad and happy events, thrilling adventures and unforgettable deeds. I go to school to learn Jewish history. Our language, the Hebrew language, was spoken in Palestine two thousand years ago. Today, Hebrew is still spoken there, and in many other countries. Our holiest book, the Book of Books, the Bible was written in Hebrew. I too want to learn Hebrew.

Our customs and ceremonies, as old as our people is, are beautiful, and bind the Jewish people together, wherever they may be scattered. I go to Hebrew School to learn how to practice all of them, and in this way I become a good member of my people. I also go to Hebrew School to learn what it means to belong to the Jewish people. I take part in many Jewish activities. I read and learn how our people live today in America, in Palestine, and all the world over. I also learn to sing stirring Jewish songs, and do Jewish things.

—By A Pupil

Game Room

Junior Teams Victors In Two Contests

The Junior gameroom teams scored their initial victories last week when they defeated the members of the West Side Institutional Synagogue Junior teams in a tournament of ping-pong and checkers. The I.S. teams won both these contests, losing only three games in eight sets. The final score was 30-3.

Moses Finfang, Ernest Kohn, Abe Matza and Herbert Singer were the members of the team. They played both ping-pong and checkers.

The other Junior teams have quite a complete program to keep them occupied during the ensuing few weeks. They have a basketball game scheduled to be played against the members of the Beth Hillel Talmud Torah, and on February 8th, they will again meet the West Side Juniors. This time they will participate in a game of baseball.

WIT & HUMOR

HIS CORRECT DESIGNATION

The Jewish community of the town was quite small and in addition to his regular work the shohet had to perform the functions of cantor and teacher. One day this all-around cleric appeared as a witness in a court of justice. The presiding judge did not display any particular friendliness toward him. When the shohet's testimony was over the judge turned to him and said: "Is there anything else you care to tell us, Mr. Slaughterer?"

"Just one more remark," concluded the shohet. "Please remember that I have a threefold title. When I instruct my children I am a teacher; when I chant the service I am a cantor; it is only when I stand before an ox that I am a slaughterer."

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AN INFORMAL INTRODUCTION

Moses Mendelssohn, the Jewish philosopher, was once walking on a busy thoroughfare in Berlin deeply engrossed in thought. Unintentionally he bumped into a corpulent Prussian army officer. Mendelssohn hastened to apologize but the officer became furious.

"Pig!" he shouted.

Whereupon the philosopher made a courteous bow, as if responding to a personal introduction, and said: "Mendelssohn."

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NOT ENOUGH

Reb Nahum Grodner was a saintly character. The first half of the day he would spend studying the Torah and the second half he would devote to collecting charity for the poor and needy.

One afternoon Reb Nahum called on a rich Jew to solicit a contribution from him, but was flatly refused. The holy man, however, was not discouraged. He kept on pleading with the miser, reminding him of the uncertainty of life and the instability of wealth. The rich Jew became so enraged at the preaching leveled against him that he slapped the solicitor in the face. For a moment Reb Nahum was dazed but after a while he said:

"This, my friend, you have given me, but what are you going to do for the poor?"

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A SAMPLE OF EACH

Some years ago a Russian Grand Duke, a member of the Czar's family, visited London and the Lord Mayor gave a dinner in his honor. Among the invited guests was the late Sir Moses Montefiore, famous millionaire and philanthropist. The Grand Duke did not relish the idea of dining with a Jew and in the course of the meal he remarked that upon his recent visit to Japan he found it to be a truly unique country. It had neither Jews nor pigs.

The assembled guests pretended not to notice the slur but the old Montefiore responded coolly: "Sir, suppose you and I go to Japan. It will then have a sample of each."

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