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Council To Discuss Social Hygiene

Dr. I. I. Lubowe to be Guest Speaker At Leaders' Meeting Tuesday

Dr. I. Irwin Lubowe, a member of the Volunteer Speakers Bureau of the Department of Health, will be the guest speaker at a panel discussion sponsored by the Leaders' Council of the I.S. at their next meeting, which will be held Tuesday evening, February 8th, at 8 o'clock.

The topic that will be the basis of the discussion on that evening will be "Social Hygiene."

Following Dr. Lubowe's address, the following members of the Leaders' Council will participate in the panel discussion: Milton Rosenberg, Abraham Roht, Isidore Margulies, and Max Shaines.

Included on the program for the evening as part of the presentation of the general topic of "Social Hygiene," will be the showing of a motion picture entitled "For All Our Sakes." The picture has been secured through the co-operation of the Board of Health.

Amid gay festivities the Fifth Annual Dance of the Leaders' Council was held last Saturday evening, January 29th, at the West Side Institutional Synagogue.

The congenial atmosphere, friendly spirit, and good music all combined to provide a really fine evening of entertainment for all those attending. The success of this venture on the part of the Leaders' Council can best be summarized by the repeated questions of "When will the next affair be held?"

The members of the Dance Committee in charge of this function were: Miss Mollie Gerstein, Chairman, Abe Roht, Bernard Feinberg, Ethel Glaser, and Seymour Siegel.

As in the past, the entire proceeds of the dance were turned over to the Home Camp Scholarship Fund of Camp Ta-anog.

A cordial invitation is extended to young people to attend this meeting of the Leaders' Council, this Tuesday evening. The Council is open to young men over eighteen years of age, and young women over the age of seventeen, who are interested in center activities. Further information concerning membership requirements may be addressed to Mr. A. Roht, President of the Council.

At the following meeting of the Council a symposium on "Peace or War" will take place. Members of the organization will participate in the program.

Congratulations

The President, Directors, Staff, and membership join in extending their heartiest and sincerest congratulations to Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein on the occasion of his birthday, which occurs February 8th. May God spare him to us, as well as to his entire family and all Israel, for many years to come.

Twenty-Eight Prizes Awarded To Pupils

Valuable Books and Games Presented to Winners Of Contest

Twenty-eight prizes were awarded last week to various students of the Talmud Torah at a special assembly. These prizes were made possible by a donation from the Rabbi David Miller Scholarship Fund, of Oakland, California.

The prizes awarded were: *For School Service*: Ida Finfang, Elaine Suckle and Joseph Schrier. *Class 1 A*: Albert Cohen, Phyllis Begun, Libbie Begun and Gertrude Singer. *Class 1 B*: Esther Hirsch, Bernard Klein and Eugene Singer. *Class 2 A-B*: Alvin Rosenthal and Lucille Klein. *Class 3 A-B*: Gertrude Fried. *Class 4 A-B*: Aaron Parker and Joseph Gattegno. *Hebrew High School*: Moses Finfang, Ernest Kohn, Herbert Singer and Abraham Matza. *General*: Harry Cherwin, Ida Finfang, Moses Finfang, Max Fried, Rebecca Gattegno, Helen Grobstein, Ernest Kohn, Abraham Matza, and Herbert Singer.

The prizes given consisted of books of Jewish stories, Jewish games, and subscriptions to the "Jewish News." Among these were: "Book of Jewish Thoughts," "Magic Flight," "Stories from Rabbis," "Breakfast of the Birds," "Amnon, A Lad of Palestine," "Jewish Holiday Stories," "The Golem," "Jewish Anthology" and many others.

Tumbling Team To Begin Practice This Sunday

A period on Sundays, at 1 o'clock, has been set aside for the Tumbling Team. The team will commence its practice session this Sunday, February 6th.

All those who are interested in tumbling, stunts, and apparatus work are invited to be present. Instruction will be given in the elements as well as the advanced phases of gymnastics.

Basketball Games and Dances To Be Held Every Sunday Night in February

Swimming Marathon Starts February 13th

Natators Prepare For Annual Meet

Beginning with Sunday, February 13th, each club will be given a special period in the swimming pool in which to participate in one of the popular marathon swimming contests. Last year, the competition in this tournament was keen, and the Spartan Club was awarded the victor's laurel only after much effort and constant application on the part of their members.

The rules of the contest are simple. During these special swimming periods on five (5) Sundays, beginning February 13th, each member of the clubs will endeavor to swim as many laps as possible. The number of laps finished by a member will be scored by a regular staff member and credited to each swimmer. At the final totaling, on March 13th, the club whose representatives have scored the highest number of lengths will be declared the winner. The individual who scores the greatest number of lengths will be declared the individual champion.

It is not necessary that these laps be continuous, that is, after swimming a lap a rest is permitted before continuing. All are counted to the credit of the club and the individual.

Following the marathon swim, the swimming meet will be conducted.

Centers Participate In Brotherhood Programs

Brotherhood Day, which aims to inculcate mutual esteem and better understanding among Americans of varying religious faiths and racial groups, will be observed for the fifth successive year by Y.M.H.A.'s, Y.W.H.A.'s and Jewish Community Centers during the week of Washington's Birthday, February 20 to 26, 1938. The Jewish Welfare Board, parent organization, reports that many of its centers will cooperate with other religious, educational and recreational agencies in sponsoring joint community-wide programs.

To assist its associations in arranging proper observances of this day, the Jewish Welfare Board has released bulletins of Brotherhood Day plans and programs made available through the N.C.J.C.

Finals of Club Tournament To Be Played During This Series

A regular feature on Sunday evenings during the month of February will be the Dance and Basketball Games sponsored by the Department of Center Activities. Arrangements have been concluded to secure the latest tunes and popular dance melodies, via an amplifying system. With a large selection of the latest records on hand, including recordings of the best orchestras in the country, the desires of everyone will surely be met.

The basketball games will be played by the clubs of the Department of Center Activities, in the concluding rounds of their annual tournament. So close are the teams grouped, at the present time, that the winning team will be selected from the results of these final games. Naturally, a keen spirit of rivalry is rampant both among the players and the rooters. Each contesting club is positive that it will emerge at the top of the list. The Barbers Club retained their lead last Sunday, when they defeated the Melrose Club to the tune of 28-13. The Cardinals Club moved up to tie for second place when they nosed out the Spades Club by the close score of 18-16.

The first of these weekly functions will be held this Sunday evening, February 6th. The teams that will compete on that evening are: Cardinals vs. Barbers and T. J. Sobol vs. Melrose.

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.

Talmud Torah Basketeers Bow To Opponents

The newly formed Talmud Torah basketball team went down in defeat last week when they tackled the Ohav Zedek quintet.

Our boys are still inexperienced, which accounts for their being outscored, outplayed and outclassed by the visitors. The final score was Visitors 25—I.S. 11. However, the members of the team are not dismayed or disheartened by their defeat. On the contrary, they are looking forward with great expectations to their next match.

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Jewish News Flashes

The official newspaper of the Vatican condemned the racial theories of the Nazis. These theories, the Catholic organ stated, were an insult to the religious conscience of the Italian people.

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48 of the most prominent American publishing firms declared that they will not participate in the World Congress of Publishers which is to be held this year in Leipzig, Germany. The American publishers maintain that it is nothing but hypocrisy to discuss books with the German publishers who are completely under the control of the Nazi government. Among the companies are included Harper & Brothers, Simon Shuster, Oxford University Press, Bloch Publishing Co., Macmillan, etc.

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The Rockefeller Museum of Antiquities, established in Jerusalem by John D. Rockefeller at a cost of two million dollars, was recently opened to the public.

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The Rumanian government continues to bring great pressure against the Jews of that country and is enforcing all of its anti-Semitic measures. The Minister of Public Works issued an order that all Jewish physicians employed by sickness insurance companies must immediately be replaced by physicians of the Rumanian race, and further decreed in another official order that in the future salt and gasoline can be sold only by Rumanians, and that all licenses to Jews will be cancelled.

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The American Jewish Committee adopted a resolution against partition, but the Committee did declare itself in favor of the establishing of a Jewish State. The Board of Deputies of England, meeting the same day in London, adopted a resolution in favor of partition.

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John Dawson Shepherd, who has been in Palestine since 1928, was appointed Development Officer to succeed Andrews, who was assassinated by Arabs last September.

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The Palestine government reports a drop of \$7,100,000 in its surplus for 1937.

Parents' Association Sponsor Health Program

The Parents' Association will sponsor a Health Education program on Tuesday evening, February 15th, in collaboration with the New York City Cancer Committee.

Dr. Solomon B. Singer will deliver an address on the prevention of cancer.

"This Great Peril," a talking motion picture, will be shown. It has been produced by the Visugraphic Pictures, Incorporated, of New York City and carries home to the layman the warning that he must use the proper method to cope with the cancer menace and above all, must guard against quack practices.

The Talmud

Ancient pages of the Talmud,
Legends, tales that there I view,
In my mournful life and dreary
Oftentimes I turn to you.

When at night amid the darkness
On mine eyes sleep will not rest,
And I sit alone, and wretched,
With my head upon my breast.

In those hours, as a star shines
In the azure summer night,
Memories amid my sadness
Then begin to glimmer bright.

I recall my love, my childhood;
Those sweet hours come back again,
When I still was free from sorrow,
Free from anger, free from pain.

I recall those times, long vanished,
When I quaffed, without alloy,
Life's first, best and sweetest chalice,
Freedom, mirthfulness and joy.

Those old years so sweet and precious
Pass again before mine eyes,
And the pages of the Talmud
In my memory arise.

Oh! the precious ancient pages!
All the lights and stars I see
Burning, shining in those pages;
They can ne'er extinguished be!

Myriad streams and myriad rivers
Have flowed o'er them in the past;
Sand has covered them and hit them,
Storms have rent them—still they last.

Yes, the ancient, ancient pages
Still survive and perish not,
Although yellowed, torn and blackened,
Here a hole and there a spot.

What of that? Indeed it truly
Is a graveyard, old and hoar,
Where within the tomb lies buried
All that we shall see no more.

—From the Yiddish of S. Frug,
By Alice Stone Blackwell.

National Social Hygiene Day Observed

The Committee on Health and Camping of the Jewish Welfare Board, of which Colonel Julius Ochs Adler is chairman, has recommended to all Jewish centers that they participate actively in the observance of National Social Hygiene Day on February 2nd, 1938.

Proclamations designating this day for general recognition of the importance of the current national campaign against social diseases have been issued by government and health officials.

Knowledge and action are the weapons in this health campaign. The forces of health, medical, civic and social service agencies have united in a program of education which will help create wholesome community conditions, educate the public and help curb the ravages of these widespread diseases.

The Leaders' Council of the I.S. is sponsoring a special program in conjunction with this movement.

WIT & . . . HUMOR

SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE

Motke Habad went into a Russian restaurant. He was seated at the same table with an army officer who was devouring a large portion of pork. Motke had some herring and bread. After doing justice to his fare he called the waiter and said: "The fish would like to swim." The waiter understood and immediately brought a glass of water.

The army officer, wishing to imitate the Jew, called the waiter and pointing to that part of the organism where the port had been deposited, said: "This swine wishes a drink."

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INDEED, WHY NOT?

An elderly Jew of London worshipped regularly in an aristocratic synagogue. On Succoth it was his custom to carry the esrog and lulav to and from the synagogue. The warden of the synagogue took exception to the old man's performance.

"Why don't you cover up the lulav with paper?" said the warden. "Must everybody on the street know that you are a Jew?"

"Why don't you cover up your nose with paper?" retorted the old man. "Must everybody on the street recognize your Jewishness?"

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THE RIDDLE OF THE UNIVERSE

Four learned individuals were sent to Africa to make a careful study of the habitat of the elephant. Upon their return they wrote lengthy theses concerning their findings.

The first of the scholars, a German, wrote an essay on "The Elephant in Its Natural Environment"; the second, a Frenchman, wrote on "The Elephant: His Sex Life and Amours"; the third, a Russian, entitled his paper, "The Soul of the Elephant"; the fourth, a Jew, called his study, "The Elephant and Its Relationship to the Jewish Problem."

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MOSES EXPLAINS THAT

"It is indeed strange," remarked an old Jew to a prominent cantor, "American Jews are far from being religious; how then can you account for the large numbers of cantors who are to be found in this country?"

"That's simple, indeed," replied the cantor. "These cantors are only repeating the experience of Moses. When God asked Moses to go and address Pharaoh he declined, stating that he was 'slow of speech and of a slow tongue.' But when he crossed the Red Sea we are told that 'Then sang Moses.' Our immigrant Jews are therefore following the example of the great Lawgiver. After crossing the ocean they become great singers."

New Basketball Schedule

Club members are advised to acquaint themselves with the revised schedule of games for the basketball tournament which goes into effect this Sunday. Details may be secured from Mr. Rosenberg in the gym office.