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Thespians To Stage Annual Play Contest

Music, Melodrama, Comedy Choice Of Clubs

With the final rehearsals concluded, the last bit of scenery painted, and the last word of advice given by the coach, the members of the I.S. clubs are ready for the inter-club one-act play contest which will be held this Sunday evening, April 3rd. The dramatic tourney this year has called forth quite a bit of ingenuity in the construction of scenery and other technical details called for by the plays selected.

One of the plays selected will undoubtedly keep the audience in a state of suspense as the thrilling drama of prison life, dealing with the emotions and actions of the inhabitants of the death house, unfolds before them. "The Last Mile," the choice of the Spades Club, is enacted entirely in the corridor of a prison.

The Nydac Club will present the trials and tribulations of an amateur theatrical group in their selection of "It Will Be All Right on the Night." This comedy depicts in great detail exactly what the average dramatic coach experiences in his attempts at securing a polished performance of a play.

"A Purim Operetta" is the name of the musical which will be staged by the Decos. It is a humorous farce set to the lilting melodies of Gilbert and Sullivan.

The Copains are making their bid for the prize with Lord Dunsany's "A Night at an Inn," while the Cardinals have selected Shakespeare's "Pyramis and Thisbe" as their entry in the contest.

Tickets for the one-act play contest are now available, and may be secured in the office. Clubs may secure blocs of seats at a considerable reduction and are urged to do so as soon as possible.

Education Society Gives Reception To Teachers

The Jewish Education Association of New York City is tendering a reception to certified teachers in the Jewish religious schools of this city on Sunday evening, April 3rd, 1938 at eight o'clock. This affair will take place at the Hotel Commodore which is located at 42nd Street and Lexington Avenue.

Prominent speakers, both professional and laymen, interested in the furtherance of Jewish education, will address the gathering.

To All Members of The Institutional Synagogue:

Please take notice that a special meeting of all members will be held at the Synagogue Building, 37-43 West 116th Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on Saturday, April 2nd, 1938 at 8 o'clock sharp, to amend Section 6 of Article I of the By-Laws, so that the same will read as follows:

"The Board of Directors shall hold regular meetings at least once in each month. Seven directors shall constitute a quorum. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the president, or at the written request of at least five directors."

and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before said meeting.

Dated: New York, March 10th, 1938
ISAAC SIEGEL

President

W.P.A. Offers Program Of Adult Education

The Works Progress Administration in cooperation with the Board of Education of the City of New York is offering a large number of free classes for adults. Most of the classes are given in the late afternoons and evenings in various centers throughout the city.

For those interested in business subjects, courses are available in advanced and beginners bookkeeping, dictation and typewriting. Academic subjects include languages, English literature, prose writing, etc.

Won't You Please Help?

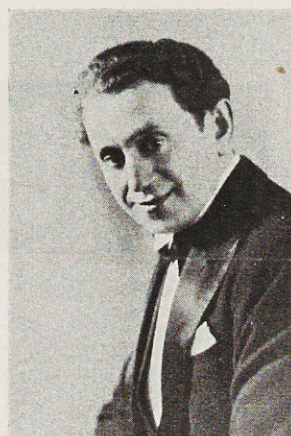
There are many needy Jewish families in Harlem who would like to observe Passover suitably, but who, because of lack of funds, find themselves unable to. Won't you please enable these families to share the pleasure of observing the Seder ritual? The Institutional Synagogue, in cooperation with the Harlem Joint Passover Relief Committee, of which Mrs. Cecil Endel is chairman, and Mrs. Annie R. Morris is Secretary-Treasurer, has never failed to aid in enabling Passover to be observed by all Jews. Kindly send your contributions to the Institutional Synagogue, 37-43 West 116th Street, N. Y. C.

Harvey Efimov, Distinguished Character Artist, To Appear Tomorrow Night

Baritone Singing Actor To Present Complete Repertoire Of Jewish Characterizations

The fifth feature of the Henning Program Series will be presented this Saturday evening, April 2nd, at 8:30 o'clock promptly. The entertainment for the evening will consist of a performance by Harvey Efimov, distinguished character artist and singer.

Mr. Efimov is an artist of various moods. He is versatile and paints his songs and interpretations with a highly artistic and unique ability. He has appeared throughout the United States and Canada, and has been hailed wherever he has per-



Harvey Efimov



In Costume

Natators Competing In Inter-Club Meet

The I.S. natators will be given the opportunity of displaying their aquatic ability this Sunday, April 3rd, promptly at noon, when the inter-club swimming meet will get under way.

The number of events on the program are so numerous that each competitor will be permitted to participate in but two swim events, one relay and two novelty events. At the meet, time will be taken in an attempt to better existing I.S. pool records.

Entries for the meet will be accepted on Sunday morning by Mr. Milton T. Rosenberg in the gymnasium office. Further information, as well as a complete list of the various events in the meet, may be obtained from Mr. Rosenberg.

Condolence

Our heartfelt condolences are extended to Harold Kaplan, a member of the Board of Directors, upon the loss of his mother. May God grant that he know of no more sorrow.

formed. Writing for the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph, reviewer J. Fred Lissfelt stated:

"That Efimov understands his people goes without saying; for the slightest turn of his hand or change in his glance can control the entire scene which he is depicting. In make-up and all the art of the stage, in physiques, in his pathos and humor, he is gentle and what he gives is a miniature cast."

Although Mr. Efimov appears throughout the performance, his ability to portray various types as well as his baritone voice make for a complete program. His facial expressions and expressive gestures play an effective part in the interpretations.

The Henning Series was begun on March 5th with a performance of the Zu-Laches Group, under the direction of Judah Bleich. This was followed by "Chapters in Jewish History," a musical interpretation of the history of the Jew, by the Hazomir Choral Society, under the leadership of Mr. B. A. Rabinowitz. The third event of the series was a lecture by Israel Chodos, on "Why Jews Sing and Laugh." Last Saturday evening a moving picture adapted from one of Sholom Aleichem's famous stories was shown.

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Friday Evening 6:00 P.M.
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Jewish Centers To Hold Passover Celebrations

Jewish Centers throughout the United States and Canada will observe Passover, the Festival of Freedom, from Friday evening, April 15th, to Saturday, April 23rd, inclusive.

In common with other Jewish agencies, many Jewish Centers, including Y.M.H.A.'s and Y.W.H.A.'s, will conduct community Seders in their institutions to celebrate the deliverance of the Israelites from Egyptian bondage under the leadership of Moses. For the information and guidance of its organizations, the Jewish Welfare Board has issued a special bulletin.

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Interesting Facts Given By Theological College

Figures released by the Hebrew Theological College of Chicago may be of interest to those who contend that orthodox Judaism is fast disappearing from American Jewish life. Ninety-eight per cent of the 427 students of that institution are American born. They come from 33 cities outside of Chicago, and represent 28 states. Most of the students are college and university graduates.

Harvey Efimov

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"Menachem Mendel, the Matchmaker" presented an intimate and sympathetic study of a cross section of Jewish life and starred S. Michaels, Michel Rosenberg and Hanna Appel.

The price of tickets for the performance for this Saturday evening, April 2nd, has been set at the nominal sum of fifteen cents. They may be obtained in the office, or by calling UNIVERSITY 4-6729, or at the door.

Prayer

LORD, what a change within us one short hour

Spent in Thy presence will avail to make!
What heavy burdens from our bosoms take!

What parched grounds refresh as with shower!

We bend, and all around us seems to lower,

We rise, and all, the distant and the near;
Stands forth in sunny outline, brave and clear;

We bend, how weak! We rise, how full of power!

Why, therefore, should we ourselves this wrong,

Or others — that we are not always strong—

That we are sometimes overborne with care—

That we should ever weak or heartless be,
Anxious or troubled—when with us is prayer,

And joy and strength and courage are with Thee?

—Richard Chevenix Trench

JWB Announces Passover Furloughs For Soldiers

The Chairman of the Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board, Dr. Cyrus Adler, announces that furloughs for the Passover holiday have been granted to the Jewish service men.

The order of the United States War Department is as follows:

"Passover furloughs for soldiers of the Jewish faith—The Secretary of War desires, in order to permit soldiers of the Jewish faith to participate in the observance of Passover, that furloughs be granted to members of that faith for such time as is necessary to permit them to be at their homes, when practicable, or at places where Seder celebrations are held, from noon of Friday, April 15th, 1938, until midnight of Sunday, April 17th, 1938, provided no interference with the public service is occasioned thereby.

"Matzoth (unleavened bread) and Hag-gadahs (prayer books for the Seder service) will be distributed by the Jewish Welfare Board."

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