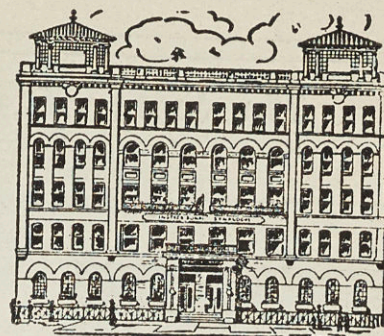


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Youth Congregation Holds First Service

Study Group To Begin This Saturday

The first service of the newly formed Young Folks Congregation was conducted last Saturday, November 5th, with great enthusiasm by all the members. The Congregation was formed to fill the need, voiced by a group of young folks in the neighborhood, for just this type of service.

The participants in the first services were: Abraham I. Rhine, Chazan for Shachris; M. Frankel, Chazan for Musaf; Baale Kr'ia; Morris A. Urieff and Henry Stern.

Services will be conducted weekly by this group. A cordial invitation is extended to whomever is interested to become an active participant.

Beginning with this Saturday afternoon, a study group will be formed. Under the leadership of Rabbi Philip Goodman, the Study Group will undertake a review of the Sedrah of the week. It is also planned to invite guest speakers to address this group on topics of current interest.

At the organization meeting of the congregation, Abraham I. Rhine and Morris A. Urieff were selected to act as Gaboim, until such time as regular elections could be held. The first meeting of the congregation will be held within two weeks.

Boys To Participate

Many members of the Talmud Torah of the Institutional Synagogue will participate in the services of the new congregation. Among those who will be active in this connection are Ernest Kohn, Abraham Matza, Moses Finfang, Harry Cherwin, Jack Lawrence and Nathaniel Feldman.

Leaders Expect Many At Pythian Temple Dance

A capacity audience, in luxurious surroundings, an excellent orchestra, and a congenial atmosphere—that is the summation of the Sixth Annual Dansant of the Leaders Council, scheduled to be held on Saturday evening, December 17th, in the Roosevelt Room of the Pythian Temple.

With the music of Bobby Tremaine and his orchestra as the feature of the evening's entertainment, the members of the Council plan on another outstanding social success.

Tickets for the dance may be secured from any member of the Council or at the office.

Armistice Program

Observance of Armistice Day will be conducted in the auditorium of the Institutional Synagogue on Saturday evening, November 12th immediately preceding the presentation of the motion picture, "Green Fields." The principal speaker of the evening will be Hon. Isaac Siegel. Mr. Siegel was chairman of the Overseas Commission during the World War and spent several months abroad at that time.

Welfare Board Plans Annual Convention

Committee Chairman To Render Reports

The annual meeting of the New York Metropolitan Section-Jewish Welfare Board, will be held at the Central Jewish Institute, 125 East 85th Street, New York City, on November 15, 1938, at 8 p.m.

This meeting will embrace all the constituent elements of the regional branch of the national Jewish Welfare Board serving the five boroughs of New York, Westchester County and Long Island, comprising member societies, individual members appointed by the national Jewish Welfare Board and executives of local organizations. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee have been called to meet at the same time.

The officers of the Section, headed by M. Maldwin Fertig, president, and Frank L. Weil, chairman of the Executive Committee, will report on the progress of the Section since its organization.

Delegates are expected from approximately 80 YMHAs, various associations and Jewish Centers in the territory.

"Green Fields," Jewish Talking Film, Will Be Presented Tomorrow Night

Peretz Hershbein's Masterpiece Featured As Third Event In Henning Program Series

"Green Fields," the classic Jewish talking film, will be presented as the third event of the Second Series of the Henning Programs, on Saturday evening, November 12, at 8:30 p.m. This film, which has received wide acclaim, constitutes the cinematic offering of the series which commenced on October 29.

Physical Education For T.T. Students

Periods Scheduled For Gym And Pool

The Talmud Torah of the Institutional Synagogue has embarked on its usual active program of extra-curricular events.

One of the major innovations of the current year is the scheduling of periods in the I.S. gym and pool for students in the Talmud Torah. These sessions are conducted for the children free of any charge.

Boys of the Talmud Torah may swim and exercise on Thursdays from four to six and on Sundays from one to two.

Girls' periods for swimming are scheduled on Wednesday afternoons from a quarter to four to six, and on Sunday afternoons from four to six.

Congratulations

Our heartiest congratulations are extended to Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Taitz upon the marriage of their daughter, Reba. May they all have much 'Nachas.'

"Green Fields" is an all-Yiddish talking picture which is supplemented by English dialogue titles.

The New York "Daily News" awarded it three stars. The "New York Post" reviewed it as "The best Jewish folk picture yet seen in New York." The late B. Charney Vladeck called it "heart warming and sincere."

Third of Nine Events

"Green Fields" is but the third of nine events scheduled as the second series of the Henning Programs. These programs, offered to the public at a nominal cost of admission, are made possible by the endowment of funds from the estate of the late Fanny Henning.

The remainder of the series offers seven evenings of cultural treats for young and old.

Remaining Offerings Listed

The Light Opera Dramatic Troupe of the Central Jewish Institute, will offer "A Jewish Wedding" on the evening of November 19th.

An evening of characterizations, impersonations, and fun for youngsters from six to sixty will be provided by the amusing antics of Ben Yano, "The One Man Theatre," on the last Saturday night in November.

On the evening of December 3rd the Hazomir Choral Society of the Bronx Y.M.H.A., under the direction of B. A. Rabinowitz, will take its audience along the by-ways of Jewish history, with songs by Zilberts, Zucca, Goldfaden, Rabinowitz and Binder.

A Notable Revival

A revival of "The Jazz Singer" will be presented on December 10th by the Yonkers Jewish Community Center Little Theatre Group.

December 17th will see the Pearl Winters' Troupe in a three act Jewish comedy, "Ali-Ali." The series will be brought to a close on the evening of December 24th with the Chanukah Festival of the Dramatic Societies of the Institutional Synagogue. Tickets are priced at one dollar for all events.

The fee for admission to individual performances has been set at the low figure of fifteen cents.

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The Story of Albert Cohen

Youngest American To Die In Battle In France

by Hon. Isaac Siegel



Hon. Isaac Siegel

Delivered in the House of Representatives
November 10th, 1921

This afternoon thousands of our people are passing at the rate of a hundred to one hundred and fifty per minute through the Rotunda of the Capitol paying their last tribute of respect to the unknown American who made the supreme sacrifice for the Republic.

All over this land, and properly so, our fellow Americans are thinking of the brave men who answered the country's call, never to come back again to their dear ones, the same as they left our shores.

It is, therefore, fitting to call attention today to the fact that the youngest soldier who served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France and to die while in battle was Albert Cohen, whose parents reside at the present time in Memphis, Tenn. Albert Cohen on the first day of May, 1917, volunteered for service. He was barely thirteen years and six months old when he donned the uniform. Temporarily he was assigned to duty at Fort Oglethorpe. In the early part of 1918 he was assigned to Company H, Twenty-sixth Infantry, and ordered to France. He was part of that outfit. Young in years, but beloved by all of

the men and officers of his company, he participated in all of the heavy fighting of his regiment, including the Meuse-Argonne offensive. He won the admiration of all his "buddies" in the regiment who saw him stand up in that most trying ordeal with the Twenty-sixth Infantry. It was early on the morning of October 5th, 1918, that he was killed by machine-gun fire while facing the enemy. Thus at the early age of 15 he gave up his life for those high ideals which he embodied.

It has been said of him that in school he loved to repeat Nathan Hale's lines: "That he had only one regret, and that was that he had but one life to give for his country." Little did young Cohen know when he was declaiming these words that he himself would soon be called upon to make the sacrifice for the Republic at the early age of fifteen.

Armistice Day came and the parents of young Cohen believed that they would soon see him home. Three weeks after Armistice Day the War Department advised them that their beloved Albert was "missing in action." Later his company commander wrote the parents telling them how gallantly young Cohen had stood up, fought, and died for the United States.

No words of mine can teach the lesson which the heroic action of this young lad has taught, not merely by the enlistment but by his bravery at the front.

Posterity will long remember and generations, yet unborn, in years to come, will be told the story of how Albert Cohen, the baby soldier, did his share to win the war. It would be well, therefore, for all of us to learn, remember, and recollect at all times that the war was won not by any one creed, race, or religion in our midst but that all alike contributed their share to make victory possible. Albert Cohen exemplified the true American, and if he could speak at this hour he would say to real patriotic Americans to judge men and women solely by their service to our country in its hour of need.

"Green Fields"

Reviewed by Marc M. Siegel

GREEN FIELDS by Peretz Hershbein. A Collective Film Production. Featuring Helen Beverley, Michael Goldstein, Isidore Cashier, Anna Appel, Lea Noemi, Max Vodnoy, Saul Levine, and Dena Drute.

"Green Fields" is the story of Levi-Itzhok, a young pious Talmudist, who decides one day to abandon his dingy, dimly-lit Beth-Midrash (located somewhere in old Russia) where he had been pondering for many a day over huge tomes of the Talmud to set out to see the world as it really is.

One day in his wanderings he happens to come upon a peasant village where two Jewish peasant families have settled. To these simple people the arrival of Levi-Itzhok is nothing short of a miracle. Removed from contact with Jewish life—it is a long way to the city where true Jews live—and always longing for it in

their own naive, simple way, they suddenly find in their midst a true representative of Jewish learning.

At this juncture the story takes a personal turn and follows the flowering relationship between the young student, and Tzineh, the daughter of the family with whom he lives. The element of the plot is disposed of when the scholar timidly and at long last indicates his desire to marry the girl.

But there is much more to this charming film than the record of a blossoming affection. For it offers, in a tranquil, pastoral setting, the philosophical search of the world-weary scholar for some quiet place of rest, some green fields, in which the basic, god-given values, will assert themselves and displace the strife and misery of modern life.

JEWISH ODDITIES

In the great wealth of Polish folk-stories there is one tale, which, whether it be true or not, is of interest to Jews everywhere.

Tradition has it that Saul, Wahl, the son of a Rabbi of Italy, was elected to the throne of Poland for a short time in the year 1586. He ruled until a new Polish king was chosen.

As a young man he came to Poland to study and he spent some time at the Yeshivah at Breat-Litowsk. He was befriended in Poland by Prince Nicholas Radziwill.

During his short rule he decreed a number of laws that were designed to aid the Jews. The general tenor of his legal decrees was one of tolerance and wisdom.

Although there is no historical or documentary evidence to support the veracity



Albert Wasserman

of this story, it has nevertheless gained a firm place in the belief of the people of Poland.

Folk-stories have a technique of lasting through the centuries that history text-books have been unable, thus far, to appropriate.

HISTORY CONTEST

DESTRUCTION OF SECOND
TEMPLE 70 C. E. TO COMPLETION
OF THE BABYLONIAN
TALMUD 550 C. E.

- Who founded an academy of learning at Jabneh?
- Who led a revolt against the Roman Hadrian?
- What Rabbi is the hero of a famous romance?
- How did he meet death?
- Who compiled the Mishna?
- Who were the Tanaim?
- Who were the early Christians?
- What measures did Constantine use to persuade the Jews to become converts to Christianity?
- What is the Talmud?
- Name a few teachers of the Babylonian Talmud.

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- Answer the questions briefly, giving only the information requested. For aid in answering the questions, a bibliography is appended to each list. A shelf in the I.S. library will be devoted to these books.
- Number each answer to correspond to the questions. Do not copy the questions.
- Write your name and address at the top of each page.
- Mail or bring your answers so that they are received on or before Friday of each week by Rabbi Goodman, Institutional Synagogue, 37-43 West 116th Street.
- Awards will be in the form of books of Jewish interest. Every contestant who submits a full set of answers will receive a gift.
- In the event of a tie, duplicate awards will be made.

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