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## Varsity Defeats Bronx 'Y' Team

### Final Score 41 To 39 In Photofinish Game

In a hard-fought game with a hairline finish the Institutional Synagogue basketball team defeated the Bronx "Y" Jayvees, 41 to 39, on Sunday, January 15th.

With the score tied at 39-39 in the last second of play, Leo Finklestein of the I.S., tossed the ball into the basket for the narrow margin which spelled victory.

Ganin, Frankel, Weig, Wilk, Perman, Rosenbaum, Shiff, Shapiro, Finklestein, Perlmutter, Forst and Simon, played for the I.S. Representing the Bronx "Y" were Lolhoff, Osofsky, Linde, Bayborian, Bager, Goodman, Katchen, Weiss and Cohen.

#### First Game in Series

The game, the first in a tournament being sponsored among Jewish Centers in the metropolitan area, was closely contested throughout.

Other games to be played on successive Sunday evenings at 8:30 at the Institutional Synagogue building, starting January 22nd, are with the National A. C., Lavenberg Center House, and the Bensonhurst Jewish Community Center.

## House Council Undertakes Inter-Club Affairs

A varied program of activities for the next few months was undertaken at the last House Council meeting, held on Sunday, January 15th.

The basketball tourney is now in full swing, and will continue for the next two months. All entries for the essay contest are due not later than Sunday, January 22nd. Despite these activities, the Council has set Sunday, January 29th, for the first round of the debating tournament and scheduled a Council Social for February 4th.

## Advertising Space In Literary Issue Available; Poems, Short Stories, Still Being Considered

Advertising space in the Literary Issue of the "Institutional" is now available. The issue, which is to be composed of original contributions, will be published to mark the twenty-second anniversary of the founding of the I.S.

Complimentary, as well as business advertisements, are acceptable, according to the Business Manager of the magazine.

Literary contributions in the form of

articles, essays, short stories, poems, and sketches, are still being considered for inclusion in the issue and may be left at the office.

The magazine is meant to be a fitting commemoration of the twenty-second anniversary in that it will reflect the activities normally undertaken by the I.S. Children of the Talmud Torah will contribute as will active members.

## T. T. Registration

Registration for the new term of the Talmud Torah, which will begin Wednesday, February 1st, 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.

## Perlman, Levy Win History Quiz

### One Hundred Questions Basis Of Contest

Harold B. Perlman and Mrs. Bertha L. Levy were declared the first and second prize winners, respectively, of the Jewish History Contest by a unanimous decision of the Board of Judges.

The Jewish History Contest was conducted over a period of several months. It consisted of answering ten series of questions published from time to time in the "Institutional." As these questions covered the entire saga of the Jewish people, it was necessary for the contestants to engage in both intensive as well as extensive reading to secure the material to answer the questions correctly.

The winners will receive their awards in the very near future.

## Parents Contribute \$300 To Talmud Torah

As a result of their recent fund-raising activities, the Parents Association has turned over the sum of \$300, for the maintenance of the Talmud Torah.

Credit is due to Mrs. P. Vogel, the President of the Association, to Mrs. Ray Vosberg, who sold a large number of tickets, and to Mrs. A. Wartels. A complete report will be published in the next issue of the "Institutional."

## Membership To Convene January 26th To Name Board In Annual Election

### Congressman Siegel Will Deliver Main Address; All Members Are Urged To Be Present

The Annual Meeting of the entire membership of the Institutional Synagogue will take place on Thursday evening, January 26th, at eight-thirty o'clock. The major business of the meeting will be the election

of the members of the Board of Directors of the Synagogue. According to the stipulation of the constitution of the organization the entire membership has the privilege of electing members to the board. The voting will be by closed ballot.

The main address of the meeting will be delivered by the Hon. Isaac Siegel, president of the I.S. He will be introduced by Rabbi Philip Goodman, Executive Director.

#### Proposed Candidates

Following is the proposed slate of candidates for seats on the Board of Directors of the Institution. These recommendations have been approved by the nominating committee and the Board of Directors.

William L. Basser	Charles J. Greenfield
Samuel K. Beier	Isidore Lauer
Hon. Sol Bloom	Morris Levenson
Maurice H. Bob	Dr. I. Irwin Lubow
Hon. Joseph E. Brill	Max Moskowitz
William Canton	Hon. Isaac Siegel
Theodore Charnas	Lou G. Siegel
Abraham M. Davis	Irving J. Silverstein
Isaac Goldman	Philip Simpson
Arthur D. Goldstein	Max Stavish
Philip Goodman	David Wald
	Aaron Wartels

## Black Beauty To Be Opening Feature

### Five Free Talkies Start On January 26th

A screen version of Anna Sewell's well-known story, "Black Beauty," will be the first in a series of talking pictures scheduled to begin on January 26th at the Institutional Synagogue, located at 37-43 West 116th Street.

The talking film will follow immediately on the Annual Membership Meeting of the I.S.

The second picture of the series, which is open to the public at no charge, will be the cinematic version of Louisa M. Alcott's famous novel, "Little Men," featuring Frankie Darro. This is a stirring characterization of the lives of a group of children, and has a universal appeal. It will be flashed across the silver screen on Saturday evening, February 4th. The remaining pictures of the series will be shown thereafter on Saturday evenings, promptly at 8:30 p.m.

## Congratulations

In behalf of the Officers, Board of Directors, Staff, and Members, we take pleasure in extending our sincerest felicitations to Mr. Morris A. Urieff, Director of Club Activities, upon the occasion of his engagement to Miss Ruth Yellin, formerly a member of the I.S. staff.

## Refugee Contributions From I. S. Near \$200

According to a report by Rabbi Philip Goodman, Executive Director, contributions for the aid of refugees amounting to almost two hundred dollars have been received from I.S. members.

The moneys thus received have been forwarded to the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and other agencies which are conducting relief work among refugees.

## Purim Scroll Of Fun And Fancy Issued By Staff

A Purim booklet in novel form, incorporating songs, stories, and other writings appropriate to the Purim season, has been issued by the editorial staff of the "Institutional" and is now available at the I.S. office. In the form of a scroll, the booklet may be secured at the nominal fee of ten cents.

## Spades & Barbers Victors In Basketball Tourney

The Spades and the Barbers chalked up victories in the Inter-Club Basketball Tourney last Sunday. The ineligibility of several of the Elks star players, who are on the Varsity team, seriously handicapped their playing.

Next Sunday the following games are scheduled:

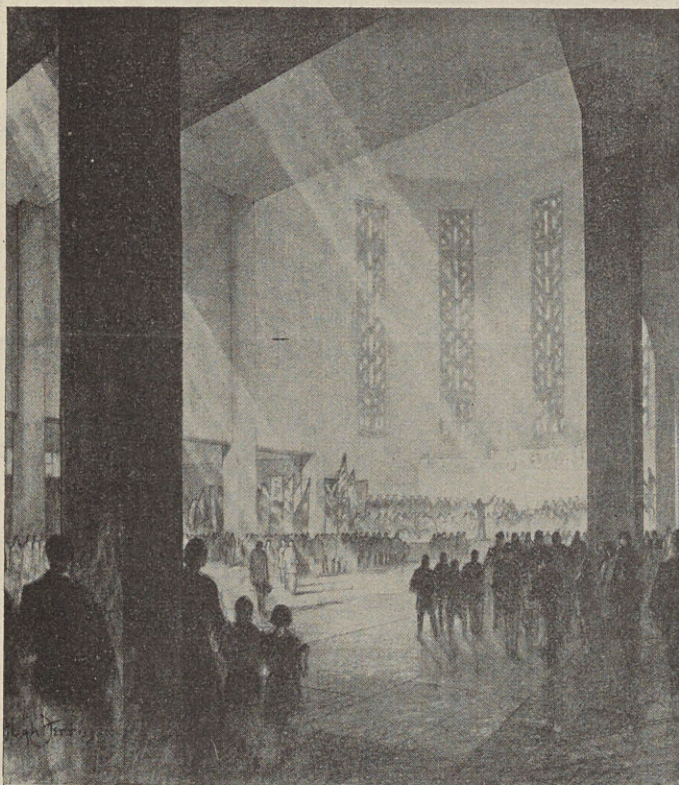
Spades vs. Elks—1 P.M.

Cardinals vs. Scholastics—2 P.M.

Barbers vs. Ramblers—3 P.M.



## ... At The World's Fair



Illustrated above is the interior of the Temple of Religion, as it will appear at the World's Fair Grounds in April of this year. Prominent men and women of all faiths have made common cause of the plan to establish a fitting meeting place for all religious people at the Fair. The Temple will be a symbol of the individual's personal belief in God, irrespective of the form of that belief. To Americans, it will signify the freedom that is the cornerstone of our nation.

## The Rape of Palestine

Reviewed by Ben Tovim

THE RAPE OF PALESTINE. By William Ziff. Longmans, Green & Co. 616 pages. \$3.50.

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The uncertain and desperate conditions of World Jewry is focussing the attention of the entire world upon that small strip of land known as Eretz Israel, the Holy Land, Palestine. When a book is published entitled "The Rape of Palestine," we stand aghast, reluctant to believe that even that scanty body is being forcibly dismembered. William Ziff in this volume undoubtedly presents the Revisionist point of view which aims for a Jewish state on both sides of the Jordan to be guaranteed by the nations of the world.

Convincing proof of the fact, that England has failed to live up to its promise, which was later sanctioned by the League of Nations in the Mandate for Palestine, is put forth in every chapter. Ziff calls attention to the endless changes, revisions, and subterfuges used by the Mandatory Power to avoid the fulfillment of the terms of the Mandate. He deplores the fact that Great Britain has made no efforts to bring the Arab and Jew closer together. (It is expected that a round table conference between Arabs and Jews will take place shortly in London).

After a thorough analysis of the claims of the British, Arabs, Christians, and Jews to Palestine, he feels strongly that primary consideration should be given to the Jewish people who, due to the ris-

ing tides of anti-Semitism in numerous countries, have no place of refuge but their ancient homeland.

The bitter condemnation by the author of the Zionist movement and its leaders, excepting Revisionism and Jabotinsky, is unwarranted and unbecoming. He fails to call attention to the vast contributions of the American Zionists to the upbuilding of Palestine. His merciless attacks on his own brethren struggling to do their share for the creation of a Jewish National Home is to be regretted.

## JEWISH ODDITIES

The only Jewish graduate of Columbia prior to the Revolutionary War was Isaac Abrahams. He was awarded his degree of Bachelor of Arts at the commencement exercises of the Class of 1774.

At graduation Abrahams delivered an oration in Latin which was entitled "On Concord." Columbia was, of course, at that time still designated as King's College.

Although graduating classes from all colleges at this time were small, in some cases numbering as few as two or three, several institutions of higher learning graduated Jews. At Harvard Judah Mo-nis was an instructor of Hebrew for about forty years. He received the honorary degree of Master of Arts as early as 1720 and became an instructor there in 1722.

Among Yale's earliest graduates were several of the Isaacs family, all of Nor-



—Courtesy of Pillsbury

walk, Conn., who though not Jews themselves are constantly referred to as of Jewish origin. The most prominent Jewish graduates of Yale were the Pinto Brothers of New Haven, Abraham, Solomon and William. Solomon and William Pinto were both graduated in the Class of 1777.

## Jewish Wit

### "WHEN JEWS ARE FOND OF DANCING"

In the city of Prague, a new city mayor was elected mainly through Jewish votes, as they did not know that he was secretly an Anti-Semite. The Jewish community of Prague tendered a dance and banquet to the newly-elected official, one of the guests being the celebrated Rabbi, Ezekiel Landau.

The new mayor thought he saw an opportunity to give Rabbi Landau a dig, and remarked to him: "How fond you Jews are of dancing! It seems to be hereditary, for when their ancestors made the golden calf in the wilderness, they not only worshipped it, but danced before it."

The Rabbi was not very pleased at the mayor's recalled infelicitous Biblical incident, and answered dryly: "Yes, your honor; whenever the Jews elect an ox or a calf for a leader, they are fond of dancing."

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