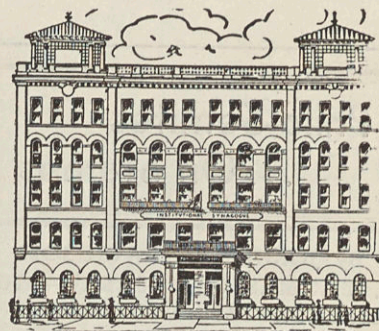


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Parents Association Books Theater Party For December 27th

Yiddish Three-Acter To Be Seen At 2nd Avenue

Tickets are now being sold by the office of the I. S., and members of the Committee On Arrangements of the Parents' Association for a dramatic production which is to be held on the night of December 27th.

Workers Are Active

The cooperation of members of the association has assured a good turnout for the annual function of this I. S. organization. Tickets, however, are being sold so that those bought first are the best locations in the theater. Friends and members are therefore urged to secure reservations as soon as possible.

Annual Affair

The party at the Second Avenue Playhouse has become a Parents' Association tradition, this being the third year that the Association has conducted this function.

Satans Athletic Club Tune Up Football Team As Brisk Weather Comes

The Satans A.C., a new group at the Institutional Synagogue, is hard at work getting their football aggregation into tip-top shape. Among those participating in practice are Herb Chodesh, Mel Geller, Ed Goldfarb, M. Keisler, S. Klein, S. Klunman, J. Liebenholtz, B. North, A. Schevart, S. J. Schwartz, Alvin Schneyer, Paul Witkin, Irwin Wolf, R. Yablon, and Bob Zindler.

Youth Forum Meets To Discuss Problems Of Jewish And Community Interest

Holding its first discussion and social the Youth Forum of the I. S. met on Election eve, November 6th, to discuss the problem of anti-semitism and anti-semitic propaganda in New York.

Lining the walls of the meeting room, various anti-semitic periodicals, pamphlets, and newspapers gave concrete evidence of the gravity of the problem at hand.

Pocket Debate Held

Among the features of the evening's

Board Of Directors Meets November 16th

The Board of Directors of the Institutional Synagogue will meet at the Institutional Synagogue building, 37-43 West 116th Street, on Thursday evening, November 16th, at 8:30 p.m. sharp. Important matters are on the agenda.

I.S. To Join In Nation-Wide Service Of Armistice Day Call For U.S. Peace

The Jewish Welfare Board, as one of the seven national welfare organizations that served the men in the World War, will participate on Armistice Day, November 11th, in laying a wreath and paying a tribute at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D. C. This year's "Tribute of the Seven" will be led by the Young Women's Christian Association. In common with other civic agencies, Y.M.H.A.'s, Y.W.H.A.'s and Jewish

Community Centers, the Institutional Synagogue will observe this solemn day which recalls the cessation of hostilities twenty-one years ago and the advent of peace.

A publication entitled "Programs for Armistice Day" has been made available by the Jewish Welfare Board. It contains suggested programs, and a concluding section containing quotations and references on the historic Jewish conception of universal peace.

Louis Kraft Is Named To Head J.W.B. By Judge I. Lehman

Associated With Work Since World War Efforts

Judge Irving Lehman, president of the Jewish Welfare Board, announced this week, the appointment of Louis Kraft as executive director of the Jewish Welfare Board. Mr. Kraft has been associated with the Board since 1917, when he served as director of welfare activities in camps in the United States during the war.

Tickets On Sale Now For Scheduled I.S. Lincoln Celebration

Proceeds To Apply To Educational Activities

Taking as its theme U. S. democracy as expressed in the four freedoms of religion, speech, press, and assembly, the membership and friends of the Institutional Synagogue will hold a gala Lincoln celebration on the anniversary of the great emancipator's birth, it was recently announced by Mr. Max Stavish, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the affair.

Tickets Are Ready

Tickets for the occasion have already been printed. Members and friends are urged to sell as many as possible in order to insure the success of this affair.

Free Sons Bowling For Tournament Prize

Fourteen lodges of the Free Sons A.A. are competing in the bowling tournament of which Liberal and Thomas Jefferson lodges are competing for the first time. At the close of this preliminary contest a second tourney will be held for all bowlers.

Corinne Chochem And Group To Appear In Dance Recital

Lillian Zahn To Sing On Same Program

A recital of modern Hebrew dances performed and interpreted by Corinne Chochem and her dance group, will be the fourth attraction in the Third Series of the Henning Programs. Rounding out the program which will take place on Saturday night, November 11th, at the I.S. Auditorium, will be the appearance of Miss Lillian Zahn in a program of folk songs. The program will start promptly at 8:30 p.m.

Outstanding Group

Corinne Chochem is among the few young American dancers who have devoted themselves exclusively to interpreting Jewish life of today, its history and its rich folk lore through the media of the modern dance. Her group is well-fitted to assist her in this objective.

Lillian Zahn Lauded

Miss Lillian Zahn also hold an enviable place on the concert stage. Her folk songs, accompanied by herself on the guitar, have made Miss Zahn a popular favorite. She sings in twelve languages, and her repertoire is extensive.

Henning Girls Draft Constitution For Group As Program Gets Under Way

The Henning Girls, holding their regular meeting last Sunday, have started to draft a constitution and set of by-laws for the club.

Three new members swelled the attendance of this new group of junior girls. The club meets at nine o'clock on Sundays.

Thonobah Girls Plan Chanukah Entertainment In Form Of Novel Revue

The Thonobah Girls are planning a song and dance revue embodying Jewish content for their participation in the annual Chanukah Festival it was recently announced. Among the more novel features of this production is to be the performance of a rhythm band made up of such unusual orchestration as pot-covers, scrubboards, and kazoos.

Philo-Semites ... On Stamps

By JOSEPH E. DAVIDSON
II. THOMAS G. MASARYK—HUMANITARIAN AND FRIEND OF ISRAEL



The Republic of Czecho-Slovakia formed by Thomas G. Masaryk after the collapse of the German-Austrian entente is de facto no more. Hitler's gangsters have done a thorough job in destroying the independence of what should have been one of the bulwarks of European Democracy.

History has shown that the life work of a Masaryk cannot be undone by the brutality of a Hitler. When Hitler's ascendant star begins to wane, that of Benes, Masaryk's successor, will again begin to blaze forth in glory, and Czecho-Slovakia will again take its place among the free nations of the earth.

Under the guidance of Masaryk and Benes, Czecho-Slovakia was practically free from the taint of anti-Semitism. It would have been most surprising had it been otherwise, for the Czechs worshipped Masaryk, and he in turn abhorred anything that savored of racial or religious discrimination.

One example will suffice.

In 1899 a half-wit Jewish boy, Leopold Hilsner, was accused of the murder of a Christian girl in Polna Bohemia. The anti-Semitic press, of all Europe, worked up a clamour that the killing had been done for Jewish ritual purposes.

Masaryk was then a professor in the Czech University. His was the only influential voice raised in opposition to the clamor, and as a result of his unselfish stand for justice, the unfortunate youth who had been condemned to death after the most ludicrous of trials, was finally freed.

The great tragedy of Unfortunate Israel is that the mob will listen to a Hitler, while the voice of a Masaryk is silenced by being shouted down.

However, there is the consoling thought that the work of the mob, cruel as it may be, is only of a temporary duration, and as evil is bound to pass, so will Hitler and all that he stands for pass into oblivion, while truth as exemplified by a Masaryk is eternal.

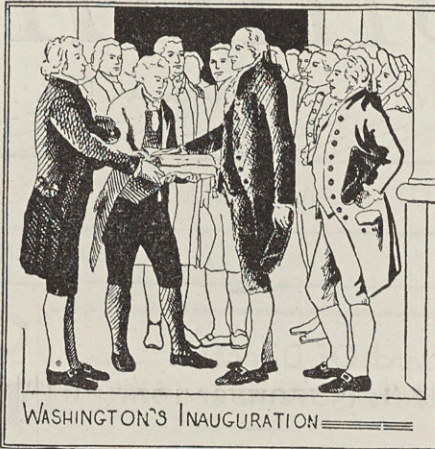
(See Jewish Encyclopedia for Hilsner case under "Polna").

JEWISH ODDITIES

ALTHOUGH the role of Jewish financiers in the American Revolution has been publicized it is not generally known that the Jewish clergy itself played a significant role in the fight for the independence of the Thirteen Colonies.

The best known of the latter group was the Reverend Gershom Mendez Seixas who, because of his untiring activity, came to be known as "The Patriot Jewish Minister of the American Revolution."

Rev. Seixas was one of the fourteen clergymen who participated in the inauguration of George Washington. It is in that capacity that he is pictured in the accompanying illustration.



The "Patriot Jewish Minister" preached many sermons in support of the rebellion to both Jewish and Christian congregations.

In New York City a memorial tablet has been erected commemorating his deeds, at the Shearith Israel Synagogue. In his later years he was also active as a trustee of Columbia College.

The Reverend Seixas was, perhaps, the first American example of the service which the clergy can and does perform in time of national emergency.

I. S. Cue



Eva Stein Blotnick has finally arrived in the United States . . . after a rather eventful voyage from South Africa.

Eddie Cutler after a short vacation down South with his bride . . . is now delighting the members with that southern drawl . . .

The latest furore in the game room . . . is caused by the stampede to use those delightful blue colored ping pong rackets . . .

Sam Goldberg gave us a surprise visit the other day . . . and informed us his colleague Sol Golowesky has succumbed to Dame Cupid . . . the knot will be tied the last week this month . . .

Our good friend Louis Lazarus tells us that he is amazed . . . that in his wanderings about town he meets scores

of people who are acquainted with our good work . . .

At this time of the year "You Have to be a Football Hero" is a popular tune . . . however there is one young lady about . . . who'll settle for a West Point Kadet . . .

Birthday greetings to the following . . . Sidney Gutter, Nathan Denner, Ernest Jacobs, Jerry Margulies . . .

Why is Nat Stark who is a great kibitzer . . . so fond of wearing that brown fedora . . .

We wonder why Elihu Kasten is acting so mysteriously . . . lately . . .

Bernard Feinberg recently queried I. Margulies . . . as to who wrote this column . . . and the latter did not know . . . but added whoever it is . . . sure gets around . . . (aside to Bernie—that was some party you attended with B.B.)

Bible Readings This Week

11/10, Fri.—SAMUEL I; 25, 26
11/11, Sat.—SAMUEL I; 27, 28
11/12, Sun.—SAMUEL I; 29, 30
11/13, Mon.—SAMUEL I; 31
11/14, Tues.—SAMUEL II; 1, 2
11/15, Wed.—SAMUEL II; 3, 4
11/16, Thurs.—SAMUEL II; 5, 6
11/17, Fri.—SAMUEL II; 7, 8

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Turning The Pages

REVIEWED BY
RABBI PHILIP GOODMAN

REBUILDING PALESTINE. By Ben M. Edidin. Behrman's Jewish Book House, 1261 Broadway, New York. -1.75. 286pp. illustrated.

Too often people have a tendency to discuss Palestine and know very little whereof they speak. The viewpoint of the tourist who may spend two or three days, or at most a week in the Holy Land, may serve as the source of information for such a discussion. Newspaper articles, brief and cursory, might again be the basis for argumentation.

It is true, in fact, that most people, even workers for Zionism, and contributors to the various funds, lack fundamental and concrete knowledge of the cause they serve.

Dr. Edidin's recent book, "Rebuilding Palestine", comes as a boon to all who desire to know and understand intelligently, the thrilling story of the rebuilding of the Jewish Homeland. The author was a resident of Palestine for several years, having served as supervisor and principal in the schools of Tel Aviv.

His information, having been obtained not only by study but by personal experience, bears the stamp of authenticity.

The book covers the vast history and development of the Zionist movement throughout the centuries. Herein is described the building of new cities, the reclamation of great swamp areas, and the growth of infant industries. The active role of American Jewry is portrayed. The rebirth and intensification of Jewish traditions and culture plays no small part in this work.

"Rebuilding Palestine" is to be highly recommended not only for the adult who seeks authoritative knowledge of the Jewish National Homeland, but also for adolescents. Dr. Edidin's style is especially suited for motivating the interest of young people for a desire to participate in this rebuilding.

The book is profusely illustrated with many beautiful photographs, maps, and charts. The appendix contains a glossary of Hebrew terms, a bibliography, and questions for study and discussion.

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