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# Lincoln Night Program Ready

Monday at 8:30

## Pageant Features Jewish Contacts Of "Honest Abe"

A new angle on the life of Abraham Lincoln, "The Great Emancipator" will be presented on Monday night, February 12th, at 8:30 p.m., when the I.S. will present a novel program dealing with Jewish contacts in the life of Lincoln. Judge Isaac Siegel, recognized for many years as a distinguished authority on Lincolnia, will be the main speaker, while the major dramatic presentation will be a Lincoln pageant entitled "Let My People Go", which has been compiled by Rabbi Philip Goodman.

### Judge Siegel To Speak

Judge Siegel, president of the Institutional Synagogue since its foundation in 1917, will deliver an address which will center around the theme "Exploding The Myths That Surround Lincoln."

The pageant will draw on the resources of the I.S. Players, the Choral Group, the Talmud Torah, and the Camp Taanog Extension Program.

### Major Characters Listed

Among those to portray leading roles in the pageant, "Let My People Go", will be the Misses Bella Bailey, Helen Chafetz, Ethel Grumer, and Ruth Yaslowitz, and the Messrs. William Berkowitz, Lester Billauer, Harry Cherwin, Allan Dale, Bernard Feinberg, Milton Fine, Harry Goldstein, Mortimer Katzen, Ernest Kohn, Gerald Margulies, Abe and David Matza, Julius Pine, Abe Roht, Lou Selzer, and Milton Wiener.

## Sidney Hirsh To Talk On Litvaks Versus Galicians

Sidney V. Hirsh, prominent New York attorney, will address the Institutional League on Tuesday, February 13th at 8:30 p.m. on "The Origin of the Feud between the Galicians (Galitzianers) and the Litvaks." This meeting is one of the regular weekly forums sponsored by this young people's organization at the Institutional Synagogue.

All young people over 21 are invited to attend.

## Library Books Of All Types Requested As Collection Undergoes Reorganization

The I.S. Library, numbering over 1000 volumes, is in need of books of all types, it was recently announced by Mr. Morris Tipelin, newly appointed librarian. "Juvenile books and recent fiction are mainly in demand but books of every nature can be used," he said.

### New Hours Announced

The library, which has seen a reorganization and reclassification within the past month, is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:30 to 8:00, and on Sunday mornings from 10:00 to 1:00.

### Circulation Department Functions

Books may be consulted for reference work or may be borrowed if they are included in the circulation list. A comprehensive periodical rack is also available to readers, and the best current material on Jewish as well as general topics is included in the collection.

### Books Will Be Called For

Members or friends of the I.S. who have books which they wish to present to the I.S. are asked to notify the office.

## Spades Leading In Interclub Round Robin

### Defeat Satans For Third Win

Defeating the Satans to the score of 47 to 12 on February 3rd, Club Spades placed itself in the fore in the annual interclub round robin basketball tourney which has been running since December 23rd. Second in the running is Young Israel. The two teams will meet on Saturday night, February 10th.

### Tournament To Continue

Although the Variety Nights will terminate on February 10th, the tournament will continue. The schedule is as follows: Feb. 13th, 7 p.m., Roosevelt Vs. Spartans; Feb. 18th, 1:30 p.m., Young Israel Vs. Spades; Feb. 19th, 6 p.m., De Molays Vs. Roosevelt; Feb. 20th, 7 p.m., Satans Vs. Spartans; Feb. 25th, 1 p.m., Satans Vs. De Molays; March 3rd, 12:20 p.m., De Molays Vs. Spades; March 7th, 1:30 p.m., Young Israel Vs. Roosevelt. Failure of any team to appear will mean forfeiture.

## Gymnasium To Be Closed On February 12th And 22nd

The gym and pool will be closed on the evenings of February 12th and February 22nd, according to a recent bulletin from the Director of Physical Activity, Mr. Jack Jacobs.

## Auditions Called For February 18th By Mr. Clurglass

### Players To Plan Long-Term Program

Mr. Reuben Clurglass, actor, director and author, has called auditions for potential actors and actresses of the I.S. Players, for Sunday afternoon, February 18th, between two and four. Mr. Clurglass has undertaken to plan a long-term program for the dramatic society. Interviewed in regard to the future plans of the I.S. Players, Mr. Clurglass assured, "If I get the right material you may expect a dramatic presentation by the I.S. Players within a month."

### Troupe Also To Appear

At the same time the "Troupe", another dramatic group which has been studying at the I.S. under Mr. Clurglass' direction, plans to appear at the I.S. sometime in March. The "Troupe" will appear, as well, at the Barbizon Plaza Theatre on March 3rd, in a bill of two one-act plays.

## Tickets On Sale For League Party

Tickets are now on sale for the I.S. League theatre party which will be held on March 4th. \$5.55, \$1.10, and \$1.65 locations for "Pins and Needles" are available at the office.

## Ticket Sales High

## Last Call Made For Ticket Returns By Committee Head

With the I.S. Gala Lincoln Celebration only a few days away the chairman of the Lincoln Night Committee on Arrangements, yesterday issued a last call for the return of all unsold tickets and the remittance of ticket monies by members of the ticket sales committee.

### Tickets Available At Door

Although tickets will be available at the door on Monday night at the price of \$25, all books of tickets must be returned immediately to the office.

### Mr. Max Stavish Is Chairman

The chairman of the committee on arrangements is Mr. Max Stavish, who has been associated with Institutional Synagogue actively for many years.

### Last Minute Reservations Taken

Last minute reservations for the Lincoln Celebration may be made at the office or by telephoning UNIVERSITY 4-6729.

### Proceeds For I.S. Activities

Proceeds of the Lincoln Program will be used to further and to augment educational and recreational activity at the Institutional Synagogue.

## Concert Circle Hears Music Of Mendelssohn In Second Recital

Members of the I.S. Concert Circle heard a program comprised mainly of the music of Mendelssohn on Thursday night, February 10th, in the second recital since the Circle's inception. A large group enjoyed the music and heard a short talk on the composer, and program notes on the music, delivered by Mr. Marc M. Siegel.

### Meets Every Thursday

The recitals of recorded music are conducted by the Concert Circle every Thursday evening from 8:30 to 11:00 in room 301. The program for Thursday, February 17th will concern itself with the music of Ludwig von Beethoven, and will feature the fifth or "Emperor" piano concerto as performed by Artur Schnabel, the eminent concert pianist.



## I.S. Cue

Now it can be told . . . often we obtain news that can not be published as it is premature . . . as it would disclose well meant plans . . . or . . . things to be . . . as . . .

That huddle we saw some time ago consisting of Bernard Feinberg and a fascinating damsel . . . was in reality the hatching of a conspiracy . . . a surprise party for a mutual friend . . . Morris Grumer . . . whose birthday occurred on February 6th . . .

We hear that Emanuel "Jack" Jacobs has formed a literary and social group.

Charles Goldstein who dropped from sight when he obtained a federal position out of town . . . is now located in downtown Manhattan . . . and has returned to the fold . . .

We see that Rose Greenfield is wearing a large sparkler on that important finger . . . does that denote an engagement . . . B. F. please check . . .

The Institutional League is holding a theatre party on March fourth . . . from advance notices this will be turned into a gala reunion . . .

Sam Klein the sunshine man and pal beau brummel Stanley Engber have become physical culture fiends . . .

Nat Samuelson has switched from ping-pong and jitterbugging to . . . roller skating and soft drinks . . . thereby causing a raising of eyebrows in more than one direction . . .

Bob Robinson was in the other day to disclose he has given up boxing . . . for another game . . . insurance . . .

We disagree with Al Saydman . . . a regular fellow who believes in the theory of influence . . . which we claim is something you think you have until you try to use it . . .

Have the executive director show you that letter . . . a good word is always appreciated . . .

Is Irving Zane telling the populace to call him killer . . . because of his handball ability . . .

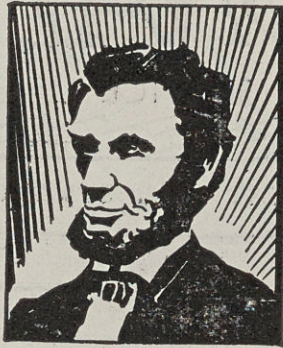
Abe Tannenhaus . . . in New York on a flying visit from Elmira . . . upon being queried why he went to the upstate town . . . replied . . . he went sheing . . . the questioner asked if he meant skiing . . . but Abe insisted upon sheing . . . catch on . . . this explains why many of our members are drifting south to Florida . . . thus we ski out of the picture . . . and remain until next week . . . your weakly correspondent . . . I. S. Q.

### Metropolitan Section Of Welfare Board Hails Friedsam Grant

With a general resurgence of religious spirit, Christian and Jewish, throughout the United States, Justice Samuel I. Rosenman, speaking at the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Section of the Jewish Welfare Board, held on February 1st, hailed the impetus given to Jewish religious education in New York, by the gift of the Friedsam Foundation.

## Abraham Lincoln

by Hon. Isaac Siegel



ABRAHAM LINCOLN

During all the four years of that terrible, irrepressible conflict Lincoln constantly hoped and prayed that the Union would be preserved, and that when the time would arrive for him to hand over the reins of government to his successor, it would be a United Nation that would greet him. The battle had been fought and the victory was his, but like Moses he was not destined to reap the harvest.

In the short span of 56 years, having first seen the light of day on February 12th, 1809, he wrote his name on the pages of history in such a way that time cannot efface it. To have been merely the savior of the Union would have entitled him to the lasting, generous regard of generations yet unborn, but

to have been the one who freed 3,000,000 men from the bondage of slavery was bound to win him such a measure of fame as to forever make his name secure not only in the hearts of his countrymen but in the memory of all mankind.

Where can you find a man whose patriotism has not been strengthened and his pulse quickened whenever he has read or heard Lincoln's Gettysburg address? Longer speeches have been made, but no orator pleading for the highest interests of the Republic has ever been equal to that address, either for purity of language or for sounding a clarion note to citizens to rally to the defense of the Union.

In a few paragraphs one is unable to give full expression to that nobleness of character that was his by nature; to that spirit of mercy displayed by him on many an occasion when some poor, unknown mother appealed to him to save her boy from death after having been condemned by court-martial; to his constant and abiding faith in Him that guides not only the destinies of men but nations as well; to that inborn wit and humor that immediately removed the seriousness on the faces of the members of his Cabinet; and to his genuine loyalty to the generals in the United States Army who achieved victories.

Seventy-five years have come and passed away since Lincoln was taken from us. The Union has grown larger and stronger each year. The bitterness of civil strife has gradually melted away until now all men, whether descendants of those who fought for the gray or those who battled for the blue, have come to recognize the greatness of the man who stood by the helm of the ship of state during the four trying years of 1861 to 1865.

Men and rulers may come and go, but as long as men can read, so long will Abraham Lincoln's loving memory and his noble deeds survive.

## Rashi - Parshandata

by Rabbi Philip Goodman

On the occasion of the nine hundredth anniversary of the birth of Rashi (Rabenu Shelomo Itzhaki), known as Parshandata (Interpreter of the Law) a series of articles is being published describing his life of which this is the last.

Rashi's wide range of learning was not limited to the Jewish field. He is said to have known several languages including French, German, Arabic, Greek and Latin. He possessed some degree of information in the fields of medicine and astronomy, geometry and botany.

In the spheres of Biblical and Talmudical learning, Rashi reigned supreme. He was completely familiar with these works. He read all of the contemporary Hebrew literature. His learning was not only comprehensive but also profound. As a result, we possess the two greatest commentaries of all time on the Bible and the Talmud. Maurice Liber writes: "If Rashi had left nothing but the remembrance of an exemplary life and of spotless virtue, his name would have merited immortality.

"But Rashi bequeathed more than this to posterity; he left one, nay, two monuments to awaken admiration and call forth gratitude. They assure him fame based on a solid foundation. What matter if we Jews fail to honor our great men with statues of marble and bronze, if

they themselves establish their glory on pedestals that defy the ravages of time? Statues raised by the hand of man are perishable as man himself; the works constructed by a genius are immortal as the genius himself."

## Recommended Reading:

Rashi by Maurice Liber.  
Rashi by Solomon Zeitlin (American Jewish Year Book 5700).

Pentateuch with Rashi Commentary, Annotated and Translated into English by Rosenbaum & Silvermann.

History of the Jews by H. Graetz, Vol. III.

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## Book Reviews

*EXPLORATIONS IN EASTERN PALESTINE, III*, by Nelson Glueck. *Annual of the American Schools of Oriental Research*, New Haven, Conn. Vols. XVIII-XIX. 300 pages. \$2.50.

This volume is the result of several years of archaeological explorations in Eastern Palestine made by the American School of Oriental Research. Hundreds of sites have been visited by the members of the expedition who were able to deduce a number of important historical facts. The book is profusely illustrated with photographs and maps.

*SEEING PROPHECY FULFILLED IN PALESTINE*. By George T. B. Davis. *The Million Testaments Campaigns*. Philadelphia, Pa. 118 pages.

"Seeing Prophecy Fulfilled In Palestine" presents a Christian missionary's view of the rebuilding of the Holy Land. The achievements of the Zionists are presented in a most positive and favorable light. About thirty full and half-page pictures, mainly of Zionist achievements, are most attractive. Naturally, the missionary does not refrain from spreading his gospel at every opportunity.

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