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“A Diagnosis and the Cure for Israel’s Ills.” Rosh Hashono. 1921 October 3


“Some Social First Causes: Dangers and Safeguards of the Modern Church.” 1921 December 18

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“The Beginning of Wisdom.” Student Day. 1922 January 15

“If Winter Comes”: An Interpretation of A.S.M. Hutchinson’s Book.” 1922 January 22

“Two Exponents of Freedom.” 1922 February 12

“Back to Methusaleh – I: A Discussion of George Bernard Shaw’s Book.” 1922 February 19


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“The Biblical Conception of the Ideal Woman.” 1922 April 2

“My Soul and I.” Erev Rosh Hashanah 5683. 1922 September 22

“The Atonement Thought in Judaism.” Kol Nidre. 1922 October 1

“The Constituent Elements of Worship: (a) The Subjective Element.” 1922 November 19

“The Constituent Elements of Worship: (b) The Ceremonial Element.” 1922 November 26

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“America at Her Best and at Her Worst.” Federation of Women’s Clubs. 1923 February 23

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“Passover and Easter: A Contrast And A Comparison.” 1923 April 1

“The Religion of the Future and the Future of Religion.” 1923 April 8

“Indelible’ (By Elliot H. Paul): A Book Review.” 1923 April 29

“Is Superstition Losing Its Hold?” 1923 May 6


“Seeking a Savior.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5684. 1923 September 10

“The Saving Remnant.” Rosh Hashono 5684. 1923 September 11

“The American Constitution: A Radio Address.” 1923 September 21

“The Symbolism of the Temple Windows: (a) Under the Law.” 1923 October 7

“The Symbolism of the Temple Windows: [(b)] Our Moods and Our Morals.” (not delivered) 1923 October 14

“The Symbolism of the Temple Windows: [(c)] The Sabbath Problem in America.” 1923 October 28

“The So-Called Higher Criticism.” Wednesday Night Club. 1923 November 21

“The Least and the Greatest of Sins.” 1923 December 16

“The Jewish Conception of God.” 1923 December 23

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“Is the Jew Shifting His Position?” 1924 January 13
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“Can Religion Show Results?” 1924 March 2

“The Ultimate Test of Democracy.” 1924 March 16


“The Test of Congregational Efficiency.” Chicago Rabbinical Association. 1924 March 24

“Blind Eyes and Deaf Ears.” 1924 April 6

“What Does the Future Hold for the American Jew?” 1924 April 27

“Graduation Address: Combined Nurses’ Training Schools.” 1924 May 15

“The Jew as Type of Everyman.” Rosh Hashono 5685. 1924 September 29

“An Hour of Self-Judgment.” Kol Nidre 5685. 1924 October 7

“A Prophet’s Yom Kippur Message.” Yom Kippur [5685]. 1924 October 8


“The Challenge of the Future.” Toledo, O[hio]. 1924 October 24

“The Book of Beginnings.” 1924 October 26

“Some New Implications of American Citizenship.” 1924 November 2

“Armistice Day – 1918-1924: A Comparison And A Contrast.” 1924 November 9

“Fixing Responsibility: The Problem of Our Youth.” 1924 December 7

“Making Religion Efficient.” Central Christian Church. 1924 December 14
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“The Making of a Community.” 1925 February 15

“Kings, Queens, and Common Folks: A Purim Discourse.” 1925 March 8

“Art in the Synagog[ue].” 1925 March 22

“Daedalus and Icarus: Shall Science Save or Destroy Our Civilization?” 1925 April 5


“Mothers of Yesterday and Mothers of Today.” Mothers’ Day. 1925 May 10

“What the Jew and the World May Demand of Each Other.” Fraternal Day Service. 1925 May 24

“A Mutual Need: Confirmation Sermon.” Shabuoth. 1925 May 31

“The Tide of Time.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5686. 1925 September 18

“A Psalm of Penitence.” Kol Nidre 5686. 1925 September 27

“Meeting the Challenge of the Times.” [Sukkot.] 1925 October 4

“Address of Welcome to Rabbi Leon Fram: On the Occasion of His Installation as Director of Religious Education.” 1925 October 9

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“The Inside of the Cup.” Wranglers’ Club. 1925 November 3

“Address at Congress on Peace and Security.” 1925 November 11

“Shall We Seek Converts to Our Faith?” 1925 November 15

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“A Discussion of Ludwig Lewisohn’s Book ‘Israel.’” 1925 December 6

“Upon the Heights: Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Address.” 1925 December 13

“Tagore: The Interpreter of the East to the West: Rabbi Leo M. Franklin.” No date or event given

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“Judaism and Christianity: Their Mutual Debt and Duty (by Dr. Leo M. Franklin).” Temple Beth El. 1926 January 3

“The Jewish Conception of the Messiah.” 1926 January 10

“Prejudice: Its Cause and Cure.” 1926 January 24

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“Dedication of Isaac Seder Memorial Educational Center.” (copy) Pittsburgh, Pa. 1926 May 26
“Our Prayer for Life.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5687. 1926 September 8
“Let the Jew Face Facts.” Rosh Hashono (5687). 1926 September 9
“Self-Esteem: The Last Outpost of the Jew.” Kol Nidre (5687). 1926 September 17
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“Forces That Make For Liberalism.” 1927 January 16

“The Jew’s Answer to the World’s Challenge.” Broadcast by WWJ. 1927 February 6

“Does the World Need a New Religion?” First Presbyterian Church. 1927 February 27

“How Shall We Teach the Bible to Our Children?” 1927 March 13

“The Bible and the Public Schools.” 1927 March 20

“The Cry for Justice.” Broadcast Over WWJ. 1927 April 3

“Experimenting With Religion.” 1927 April 10

“Freedom That Enslaves.” Pesach. 1927 April 17

“America’s Contribution to Religion.” Broadcast. 1927 May 1

“Way Stations on the Journey of Life.” Mothers’ Day. 1927 May 8

“Women’s Building Fund Campaign.” Radio Address. 1927 May 13

“Judaism as Creed and Life: A Confirmation Address by Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” Temple Beth El, Detroit. Erev Shavuot. 1927 June 5

“Men or Machines: Which Shall It Be?: A Graduation Address.” No date or event given

“Ford the Suppliant Versus Ford the Sinner: by Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” Temple Beth El, Detroit, Mich. (no date given)

“A Fool’s Paradise.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5688. 1927 September 26

“The Saving Remnant.” Rosh Hashono 5688. 1927 September 27

“A Plea for Pity.” Kol Nidre 5688. 1927 October 5

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“The King of Kings.” 1927 November 13

“Behind the Scenes on the Stage of Life.” Students’ Day. 1927 November 20

“Invocation: Citizens’ Community Interdenominational Thanksgiving Service.” 1927 November 24

“To Be a Jew.” Omaha, Nebraska. 1927 November 25

“Plea for Detroit Tuberculosis Sanitorium.” Radio Address: WCX. 1927 December 4

“Modern Conditions in the Light of Ancient Prophecies.” Broadcast Over WWJ. 1927 December 4


“The Teachers’ Meeting: Its Content and Purpose.” Jewish Chautauqua Society, 39th Annual Assembly, Detroit. 1927 December 28

“The World Tomorrow: A New Year’s Address.” Broadcast Over WWJ. 1927? (1928?) January 1

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“The Inner Sanctum: An Anniversary Address.” 1928 January 15

“What Price Tolerance?: With Special Reference to Lessing’s ‘Nathan the Wise.’” Service Broadcast. 1928 February 5
“You and I.” Broadcast Over WWJ. 1928 March 4

“Some Proposed Solutions to the So-Called Jewish Problem.” 1928 March 11

“An Estimate of Isben: As Playwright and Reformer: On the Occasion of the 100th Anniversary of His Birth.” 1928 March 18

“The Master Builder: A Book Review.” Broadcast. 1928 April 1

“If Your Dead Should Awaken.” 1928 April 8

“Zionism as Seen By a Reform Rabbi.” 1928 April 22

“Changing Methods in Religious Education.” Wranglers’ Club. 1928 April 24


“Explaining Judaism to the Non-Jew.” 1928 May 20

“Address at Dr. Lynn Harold Hough Dinner.” (Shavuot.) 1928 May 25

“Reform Judaism.” C.C.A.R. 1928 June 30

“Is Ours a Hostile Universe?” Erev Rosh Hashono 5689. 1928 September 14

“The Hour of Self-Searching.” Kol Nidre 5689. 1928 September 23

“Sinful Saints and Saintly Sinners.” Yom Kippur 5689. 1928 September 24

“Emil Ludwig’s Book ‘The Son of Man’: Is It Romance or History?” (Simchat Torah 5689.) 1928 October 7

“Emil Ludwig’s Book ‘The Son of Man’: Is It Romance or History?” (copy) (Simchat Torah 5689.) 1928 October 7

“Backgrounds.” 1928 October 14

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“Dedication Address.” Temple Beth El. Flint, Mich. 1928 October 19
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“A War Without Armistice.” 1928 November 11

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“Dabblers in Religion.” 1929 May 26

“Reminiscences.” Symposium C.C.A.R. 1929 June 29

“Mayer – Hoffman Wedding.” 1929 September 11

“An Apostrophe to Life.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5690. 1929 October 4

“The Bows of the Might.” Rosh Hashono 5690. 1929 October 5

“Who Pays the Price?” Kol Nidre 5690. 1929 October 13

“Is Judaism Bankrupt?” Yom Kippur 5690. 1929 October 14

“An Evaluation of Ludwig Lewisohn’s Book ‘Mid-Channel.’” (Sukkot 5690.) 1929 October 20

“A Creed for Modern Men.” 1929 November 3

“America at Her Best and at Her Worst.” Highland Park Women’s Club. 1929 November 4

“Armistice Day: Eleven Years After.” 1929 November 10

“Marriage Ceremony: Kahn – Rothman.” 1929 November 11

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“Government, Business and Sex: From the Standpoint of the Humanist.” 1929 December 8

“Is Judaism Bankrupt?” Rockdale Avenue Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio. (Isaiah Temple, Chicago.) 1929 December 15

“True and False Messiahs: A New Year Address.” (Chanukah.) 1929 December 29

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“Are We Morally Bankrupt?” Muskegon Women’s Club. Muskegon, Mich. 1930 January 9

“What Does Youth Want?” 1930 January 19

“Has the Jew an Inferiority Complex?” 1930 February 2

“The Jewish Situation in America: Part I: A Diagnosis.” 1930 February 9

“God’s Fools.” (Temple Beth El, Detroit). 1927 January 2.) Congregation Rodef Shalom, Pittsburgh. 1930 February 16


“The Problem of the Alien: A Thought Suggested by the Book of Esther: A Purim Discourse.” (Purim.) 1930 March 16

“The Jewish Law of Marriage and Divorce.” 1930 March 23

“To Be a Jew.” Atlanta, Georgia. 1930 March 30

“Modern Taskmasters.” Pesach Services. 1930 April 13

“Moses and Jesus: A Contrast and a Comparison.” 1930 April 20
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“Allied Jewish Campaign.” Radio Address. 1930 May 9

“Our Heirlooms or Our Heritage: Which Shall We Conserve?” 1930 May 25

“Detroit Civic Theater.” Radio Address: WGHP. 1930 May 28


“The Quest for the Unattainable.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5691. 1930 September 22

“My Brother: The Jew.” Rosh Hashono 5691. 1930 September 23

“Souls Bowed Down.” Kol Nidre 5691. 1930 October 1

“Does Yom Kippur Require Reinterpretation?” Yom Kippur 5691. 1930 October 2

“What I Saw at Oberammergau.” (Sukkot 5691.) 1930 October 12

“What I Saw at Oberammergau: Part II.” 1930 October 19

“Detroit Community Fund.” Radio Address: Station WXYZ. 1930 October 24

“Dramatizing God.” 1930 November 2

“A Candid Discussion of the Palestine Situation.” 1930 November 9

“Changing Educational Theories: A Discussion of Dr. Clarence Cook Little’s Book ‘The Awakening College.’” 1930 November 16

“Is This a Time for Thanksgiving?” 1930 November 23

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“The Sale of Christmas Seals.” Radio Address: Station WMBC. 1930 December 13

“Is the Family Destined to Perish?” (Chanukah.) 1930 December 14
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“If I Were a Christian: In Reply to John Haynes Holmes’ ‘If I Were a Jew.’” 1931 January 11

“Has Religion Spoken Its Last Word?” 1931 February 8


“Enemies of Society.” 1931 March 1

“A Critic Looks at the Bible.” 1931 March 22

“Why the foster Bill Should Not Be Passed.” Radio Address. (Pesach.) 1931 April 4

“If Graves Should Open: Suggested by the Play ‘The Miracle of Verdun.’” 1931 April 5

“Pulpit and Pew Look at Each Other.” 1931 April 19

“When East Speaks to West: A Sermon Based on the Works of Kahlil Gibran.” 1931 May 3

“Allied Jewish Campaign.” Radio Address: Station WXYZ. 1931 May 9

“If the Depression Had Not Come.” 1931 May 31

“The Sin Against Self.” Kol Nidre 5692. 1931 September 11? (20?)

“Challenge of Life: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5692. 1931 September 11

“A Rejected Sacrifice.” Rosh Hashono 5692. 1931 September 12

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“The Soul of a Child.” 1931 October 18

“Annual Report of Rabbi [Dr. Leo M. Franklin to Congregation Beth El].” 1931 November 1

“A Poet in a Pauper’s Grave.” 1931 November 1

“The Challenge to Israel: A Discussion of Prof. Orton’s Article in Harpers (Nov. 1931).” 1931 November 8

“Changing Concepts of Religion.” 1931 November 15

“The Psychology of Thanksgiving.” 1931 November 29

“The Dilemma of the Jew.” Euclid Avenue Temple, Cleveland, Ohio. (Chanukah.) 1931 December 6

“Why Religion at All?” 1931 December 13

“God Without Man Versus Man Without God.” 1931 December 20

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“My New Year’s Prayer for America.” 1932 January 3

“By-Products of the Times.” 1932 January 17

“The Prayer Book and Its Critics.” 1932 January 23? (24?)

“The House Beautiful’: A Review of Channing Pollock’s Play.” 1932 January 31

“Jewish Factors in Our American Life: A Washington Bicentenary Address.” 1932 February 14


“Woman and the Changing Order.” National Council of Jewish Women. 1932 March 27

“The Book Campaign.” Radio Address WJR. 1932 April 4

“As It Is Written.” 1932 April 10

“Bricks Without Straw.” 1932 April 17


“The Jewish View of Marriage and Divorce.” (Psalm 128 on front page) “The Wranglers” [Club]. (Pesach.) 1932 April 26

“Milford Stern, the Jew.” Radio Address: WJBK. 1932 May 1

“United Jewish Campaign: 1932.” Radio Address: WXYZ. 1932 May 8

“Can Judaism Satisfy the Mind of Modern Man?” 1932 May 8

“The Congregation and the Community.” 1932 May 29

“The Conquest of Fear From the Jewish Standpoint.” Detroit Fellowship of Faiths. 1932 June 14

“The Stage as Pulpit and the Pulpit as Stage: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” (Simchat Torah 5693.) 1932 October 23

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“Facts and Fictions About the Jew: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” 1933 October 22

“What Every Jew in America Should Know.” 1934 February 25

“‘Moral Man and Immoral Society’: A Review of Dr. Niebuhr’s Book.” 1934 February 11
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“Barriers to Brotherhood: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” National Brotherhood Day. 1935 February 24

“Arnfeld – Wineman [Wedding].” 1935 September 4


“The Unpardonable Sin: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” Kol Nidre 5697. 1936 September 25

“The Bible as Literature: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” (Southern Women’s Club. 1935 February 21.) Nardin Park Church. 1937 October 13

“Marriage Ceremony: Marcuse – Gilbert: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” 1937 December 9

“Pope – Welt [Wedding].” 1937 December 18

“Martyr or Master?: by Dr. Leo M. Franklin, Rabbi, Temple Beth El, Detroit.” American Hebrew Magazine. 1938 February 11

“The Eternal Quest: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” (Purim.) 1938 March 18

“The Modern Jew and His Belief: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” Wayne University[, Detroit]. 1938 April 11

“Stein – Rasnick [Wedding].” Chicago. 1938 June 19

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“The Jew and American Ideals: I. The Message of Israel by Dr. Leo M. Franklin, Rabbi, Temple Beth El, Detroit.” Broadcast. 1939 April 1

“The Impossible Neutral.” 1939 October 13

“The American Way: What Does It Mean to the Jew?” 1939 November 3

“Christ in Concrete: A Study in the Realm of Human Emotions.” 1939 November 24

“Must We Apologize for God?” No date or event given

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“The Romance of a City.” 1940 March 29


“The Voice of Jacob and the Hands of Esau.” 1940 April 19

“Retaliation or Non-Resistance.” 1940 May 3

“The Alien in America.” 1940 May 10

“The Inter-Group Meeting: 75 Years Negro Progress Exposition.” 1940 May 17

“What Sort of a World Shall We Bequeath to Our Children?” 1940 May 31

“Is This the End?” 1940 June 7

“Address at the Seventieth Anniversary Celebration of Temple Israel, Omaha, Neb.” 1940 September 20

“Every Man’s Problem.” Erev Rosh Hashono (5701). 1940 October 2

“The Jew as a Symbol of Civilization.” Rosh Hashono (5701). 1940 October 3

“Are We Such Sinners?” Kol Nidre (5701). 1940 October 11

“A Three-Fold Reconciliation.” Yom Kippur 5701. 1940 October 12
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“Beth El’s Leit-Motif: Ninetieth Anniversary Address.” 1940 November 15

“The Social and Moral Implications of Ernest Hemingway’s Book ‘For Whom the Bell Tolls.’” 1940 December 6

“Too Much of a Good Thing: Vice and Virtue at the Crossroads.” 1940 December 13

“An Ominous ‘If.’” (Chanukah.) 1940 December 27

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“The Synagog(ue) and the Community: Round Table Discussion.” 1941 January 17

“Must We Choose Between Isolation and Assimilation?” 1941 January 31

“A Rabbi Looks at Life.” (Purim.) 1941 March 14

“My Philosophy of Life.” Christ Church. 1941 March 20

“An Old Platform and a New Program for Reform Judaism.” (Pesach.) 1941 April 18

“If I Could Live My Life Again.” (Erev Shabbat before Erev Shavuot.) 1941 May 30


“Jesus, the Jew, and the Christ of Christianity.” Bushnell Congregational Church. 1942 January 25

“Light at the Eventide.” Kappa Delta Pi Chapter: Ypsilanti Normal School. 1942 May 2
“Building Our Spiritual Defenses.” Women’s Group, Detroit Community Fund. Women’s City Club Building. 1942 May 26

“Franklin – Fleischaker [Wedding].” 1942 September 3

“Keynote Address: Jewish Community Council Institute. 1942 November 15

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“Juvenile Delinquency.” [Radio Address:] WXYZ. 1943 July 11


“The Riddle of Life.” Erev Rosh Hashono 5704. 1943 September 29

“What is Our Sin?” (Saginaw[, Mich.] 1943 November 19.) Kol Nidre 5704. 1943 October 8

“Our Preachment and Our Practices.” Yom Kippur 5704. 1943 October 9

“Religious Cooperation for a United World: An Address By Dr. Leo M. Franklin To The Conference on the Post War World Religious Cooperation in Detroit.” 1943 October 16

“War Chest Metropolitan Detroit: Radio Address by Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” 1:05 p.m. 1943 November 5

“Why I Am Not a Zionist.” The Wranglers’ Club. 1943 November 9

“Some Signs of the Times: A Post-Thanksgiving Address.” Temple Beth El[, Detroit]. 1943 November 26

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“Remarks at the Burning of the Temple Mortgage.” 1944 January 23
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“As Jew to Jew.” Congregation Shaarey Zedek. 1945 January 12

“Directing Our Loyalties.” Temple H.S. Graduation. 1945 May 11

“V.E. Day: Dr. Leo M. Franklin.” No date or event given

“An Experiment in Self-Analysis.” Kol Nidre 5706. 1945 September 16


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“The Ethical Unities.”

“Our Answer to the Missionary.”

“Chattel Mortgage Loan Societies: by Leo M. Franklin, Detroit.”

“Chains That We May Break.”

“Poets of Poverty.”

“(The Modern Jew and His Belief?) [On Sympathy?]”

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“The Servant in the House.”

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“Education Among the Jews in Biblical and Talmudic Times: by Leo M. Franklin.”

“Some Popular Fallacies About the Jew: by Dr. Leo M. Franklin.”

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“Re-Making of America.”

“Judaism and Unitarianism: Dr. Leo M. Franklin. ([Abutment?] of Feldman’s Tract.)”

“The American Way: What Does It Mean to the Jew?”

“Warfield’s ‘Shylock.’”

“America for Americans.”
“Camp Custer Dedication.”

“Problems of the City: Stories. (Rival Butcher, Main Entrance, Open Day and Night, Preacher and ‘Blank Text’)”

“[Prohibition] Debate Outline.”

“The Jewish Situation in America: Part II. Casus and Cure.” 1930 March 2

“‘Parents on Probation’: A Book Review.”

“‘Power’: A Book Review.”


“Going to the Sources.”

“A Sane Fourth.” [July 4]

“The So-Called New Freedom.”

“The Louvain Incident.” [1914 August – September?]  

“Should Justice Be Blind?” [1928 May?]

“Movements Toward Unity.”

“A Typical American Church.”

“Something About Americanism.”

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“A Worthwhile Civic Enterprise.”

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“A Fortunate Coincidence.” [February 12? Presidents’ Day?]

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“Is the Spoken Drama Losing Out?”

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“The Heroic Dead.” [Memorial Day?]  

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“Three Alternatives for the Jew.”

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“Marriage Ceremony (II, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV, XXXV, XXXVI).”

“The Reform Movement and the Hebrew Union College.” [1942 May?]

“Chapter II: A Shift Toward the Center.”

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“Speeding the Day of Victory: Dr. Leo M. Franklin, Rabbi Emeritus, Temple Beth El[, Detroit].”

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“A Discussion of Dante’s ‘Divine Comedy.’”

“The Tendency Toward Religious Unity.”

“Religion as a Fine Art: An Address by Dr. Leo M. Franklin, Temple Beth El, Detroit.” [1943 December 3]

“Rabbi Franklin’s Discussion.” [Central] Conference [of American Rabbis].

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“Is Detroit Too ‘Dynamic?’”
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“Discussion of Rabbi Kornfeld’s Paper on ‘A Review of Bible Histories.’”

“The House Next Door.”

“The Religion of an Educated Man.” Ann Arbor. 1909 January 10


“A New Congregation Policy: by Rabbi Leo M. Franklin, Detroit.”

“Alexandria as a Centre of Culture.”

 “[Prayer for a Sacred Day.]”

 “[Philosophical Logic.]”

“A Word of Encouragement: Delivered at Temple Rodeph Sholem, Pittsburg on the occasion of the Fifth Anniversary of the Introduction of Sunday Services.” 1906 April 29

“Books Are the World’s School Masters. (crossed out: The Jew of History, as Contrasted with the Jew in Fiction: Lecture by Rabbi Leo. M. Franklin, Detroit, Mich.)”

“Two Views of Education.”

“The Legends of Our Equal Birth.”

“Speeding the Day of Victory: Dr. Leo M. Franklin, Rabbi Emeritus, Temple Beth El[, Detroit].”

“Freedom of Religion: By Dr. Leo M. Franklin, Rabbi Emeritus, Temple Beth El[, Detroit].”

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