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THE BAZAAR ENDS

All good things come to an end, including Bazaars. On Wednesday last, our cohorts of eager but very tired workers, closed up shop. A good job done, conceived by the grey matter just below the red matter which is just on top of hard matter of Harry Appel's head. In the language of Longfellow, we say to him, "Thanks, thanks to thee, my worthy man, for the lesson thou hast taught", and the same goes for all the others who put the idea into successful execution.

We thank Joe Settel for taking up the job when Harry left on his vacation, devoting day and night to it. We thank Annie Morris for leaving a sick bed to lead the women. We thank Sam Siegel, who left important accounting matters to devote every evening to watching our funds and records. We thank the war buddies, the two Max's, Sanders and Lazarus, for their entertaining manner of selling merchandise. And, for fear of omitting name of stalwart workers, we thank all of them, men and women, boys and girls, for the unselfish and devoted efforts they gave to make the affair a success.

And while we are at it, let us not forget the Rabbi and the Rebbetzin who were as active, excited and enthusiastic as any. Last, but not least, we thank the generous contributors of merchandise, the last of whose names are printed in this issue. All we can say to them is "Mirzushem, next year encore".

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Light Candles Friday Evening 4:24

Weekly portion : VAERA

Prayers For The New Month

Saturday Services 9:00 A.M.

Children's Service 10:00 A.M.

Rabbi Hurwitz's class in Talmud..... 3:00 P.M.

Young People's Mincha Service..... 4:20 P.M.

Daily Services:

Mornings 6:45, 7:30, 8:00

Afternoon 4:30

Between afternoon and evening services a class in Mishnayis is led by Rabbi Goldstein.

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NEW MEMBERS

Sam Silver is a born merchant. The time or place makes no difference to him. While everyone else was busy at the Bazaar selling everything from hot dogs to pants, Sam was very inconspicuously but nevertheless effectively signing up new members. We had better get busy on our own account or Sam will put us all to shame. The fact that he is Chairman of the Membership Committee is no reason why we should not pitch in and do some work along those lines. Application blanks are to be had at the office.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Women's League has held no meetings for the past few weeks due to the activities of the members at the Bazaar, but will resume its regular meetings next Monday afternoon at 2:30. The study of the Bible will be resumed under the leadership of our Rabbi. A social hour will follow at the conclusion of the class. All women are invited to attend and are assured of an instructive, interesting and pleasant afternoon.

BAR MITZVAH

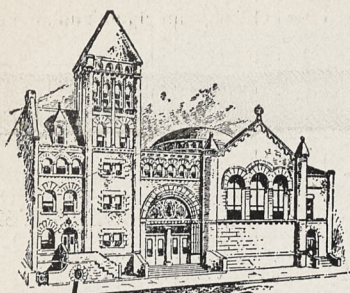
To-morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Levine, of 16 West 77th Street, will celebrate the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Arthur C. The Congregation extends to the parents, relatives and friends, congratulations and good wishes upon this happy occasion.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

Cantor Yavneh extends a cordial invitation to all our worshippers to come on Monday evening at 8 o'clock and participate in the class in congregational singing.

BIBLE CLASS

The Bible Class for men will resume its regular session on Monday evening, January 3rd, 1938. Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein will lead the class.



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COMMUNAL WORK

As we get along in years, we fall into two classes, those who become extremely conscious of their debt to society and the others who are completely oblivious of that obligation. It is to the second and more numerous group that we address ourselves.

One who lives solely for himself necessarily lives an empty life. It is not sufficient for us to provide for our needs and those of our family. We shall never get the full benefit out of having lived, if we fail to heed our broader obligations.

Some of us feel content to make an occasional contribution to some worthy cause. Others permit their names to adorn the rosters of various committees. Still others do neither. There are people who attend Divine Services about once a year and, even then, cannily, or so they think, walk out during an appeal for funds. They are the persons who throw written appeals into the trash basket saying "Isn't there any end to these appeals?"

Let's face facts squarely. The world is full of misery. There is a tremendous amount of good work to be done. A mere handful, comparatively speaking, cannot accomplish it all—nor even a substantial part of it. If we examine the committee lists of public enterprises, we find a disheartening repetition of names.

Why not participate? Some can give money. Others can do work. Still others can do both. Why not start in at once to share your particular talents with the world at large? You'll be well paid and in much better coin than money.

ARE THE MIDDLE AGES RETURNING?

We have all read of the banishment or attempted banishment of the Jews from Germany, Poland, Mexico and elsewhere. The following will give us something to think about. They do not by any means portray all the persecutions. They simply list some outstanding banishments suffered by the Jews.

Year	Banished from
415	Alexandria
612	Visigothic Kingdom
627	Jerusalem
629	Frankish Empire
638	Spain
640	Arabia
1012	Mayence
1066	Granada
1181	French Provinces of Philip II
1254	Augustus
1290	Dominion of Louis IX of France
1306	England
1306	France
1321	France
1426	Cologne
1441	Augsburg
1492	Spain
1496	Portugal
1498	Navarre
1499	Nuremberg
1541	Naples
1542	Prague
1550	Genoa
1561	Prague
1569	Papal States except Rome and Ancona
1573	Papal States except Rome and Ancona
1597	Various Italian Principalities
1615	Worms
1670	Vienna

"AS
R'CHASH
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IT"



By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

THE LUDLOW RESOLUTION

The Ludlow resolution, proposing an amendment to our Constitution, deserves your thoughtful consideration and I hope your approval. The resolution is as follows:

"Except in the event of an invasion of the United States or its territorial possessions and attack upon its citizens residing therein, the authority of Congress to declare war shall not become effective until confirmed by a majority of all votes cast thereon in a nation-wide referendum. Congress when it deems a national crisis to exist may by concurrent resolution refer the question of war or peace to the citizens of the United States, the question to be voted on being 'Shall the United States declare war on—?' Congress may otherwise by law provide for the enforcement of this section."

It is time now for the forces of religion to come forward before it is too late and declare in no uncertain terms its position on the question of referendum for or against war. I am against peace at any price, but at the same time I am for a referendum on war. I had repeatedly in and out of the pulpit opposed the aggression of Italy in Ethiopia and of Japan in China. I firmly believe that sanctions and finally war, if necessary, should have been put and should now be put into operation against Italy and Japan for disturbing the peace of the world. I would urge the citizens of the United States to join the League of Nations in such sanctions or war, if need be, God forbid. Nevertheless, neither the President nor the Congress, but the people themselves should decide whether it is prepared to make the supreme sacrifice in war. It will be too late for the Church or the Synagogue to speak in the name of peace when the various countries interested in war will have used their wealth in propaganda for war. It certainly would be wise to have open covenants openly arrived at and open diplomacy openly known so that the people might be properly aware of the international relationship of their country. Former Secretary of State Stimson wrote recently, "this is not the time for exhibition of untried panaceas or any other evidence of instability of purpose." May I ask when is the time if not now, when there is a threat of war, to put into operation a referendum on war?

Write your Congressman now before it is too late, and tell him you favor the Ludlow Resolution for a Referendum on War.

INTERESTING STAMPS

By JOSEPH E. DAVIDSON

IX. 25 Years Ago To-Day, December 31, 1912,

President Taft Abrogated Treaty
With Russia

The Stamp—Scott's Cat. U.S. A-92 No. 685



President William H. Taft

To-day, Dec. 31, 1937, marks the 25th anniversary of the Abrogation of the Treaty of 1832 between the United States and Russia, because of Russia's discrimination against citizens of the United States of the Jewish faith.

The language of the treaty of 1832 implied equal treatment for all American citizens. Nothing, however, transpired until about 1866 when the attention of our government was called to the fact that Russia did discriminate against U. S. citizens who happened to be Jews.

In June 1879, Representative S. S. Cox of New York, introduced a resolution which was passed by the House of Representatives . . . "and that if existing treaties between the U. S. and Russia be found, as is alleged, to discriminate in this or any other particular as to any other classes of our citizens, the President is requested to take immediate action, to have the treaties so amended as to remedy this grievance".

The grievance went on for many years, and men of the standing of James G. Blaine, John Hay, Andrew D. White and many others tried repeatedly to get Russia to look at the question in the right light. The Russian government persisted in its stand and so, in December 1911, President Taft instructed our ambassador to Russia to give notice to the Russian government on December 31st, 1911, that the United States would, on December 31st, 1912 abrogate the said treaty of 1832, pursuant to the terms of the said treaty that one year's notice be given.

In December 1911 President Taft's instructions to the ambassador to Russia were approved by both houses of Congress without a dissenting vote.

POETIC SPASMS

To Departing '37

So long, decrepit fellow,
Sure glad to see you go.

The year you brought,
With fear was fraught,
Accomplished naught.

So go, you're rated yellow,
You useless so-and-so.

—ITCHIE.

The Chairman

Hear ye! Hear ye!
Gather 'round
And list, while he
Doth expound

His tale of woe
Which all should know.

Why? Oh, why?
He inquires.
With tear and sigh,
He desires,

Of those who shirk,
To know why
the

other
members
of the
committee
won't

work.

—NUZHIE.

The Spirit of the Meeting

At home, he's meek, entreating,
Whate'er the provocation.
But let him join a meeting,
'Tis then, for him, vacation.

His words gush forth in minions,
If he but know the topic.
But, too, he'll grant opinions,
With knowledge microscopic.

He seconds every motion;
Both sides with vim defends.
Then homeward, sans commotion,
As silence, grim, descends.

—GRIZHIE.

Oke
(Peace Song)

Some day, ere I'm many years older,
Though rolling in wealth or flat broke,
As soon as I get a bit bolder,
I'll be killing the bird who says "Oke."

For he's constantly made me unhappy,
He's a terribly pestilent bloke,
His moronic remark is so sappy,
The gent who agrees with an "Oke."

I'll kill him with knife, gun or jimmy,
I'll seize at his throat and then choke.
The jury will surely acquit me,
For killing the bloke who says "Oke."

—CHAZHIE.

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HAROLD KAPLAN

Orators always "point with pride."

To Harold Kaplan we, too, point with pride, as an example of what can be done with the Jewish boy under Rabbi Goldstein's leadership. He joined our group as a child. We have seen him grow into a respected, successful, earnest and religious citizen.

He is 37, born in this city, and his charming wife, Pearl Kaplan, is one of our most active workers.

Starting in life as a customer's man in Wall Street, Harold saw the thoroughness with which the suckers were exterminated, so he went into the business on a large scale and is now head of the Greater N. Y. Exterminating Co.

GETTING PERSONAL

HANK EPSTEIN



Believe it or not, the West Side Institutional Synagogue has its own set of quintuplets—The Five Settels: Ike, Nathan, Joe, Yetta Settel Pargament and Rose Settel Frank—more precious and more beloved by the W. S. I. S. family than the Dionnes by their family... Four generations were at the Bazaar one afternoon beginning with the great grandma, Regina Margareten, daughter—Mrs. Landau, granddaughter, Mrs. Ben Lunitz, and great grand-children, Marilyn and Monroe Lunitz (our own Talmud Torah pupils)... Talking about generations, we have had three generations of the Mirken family at one time on our sales force: grandma—Mrs. Meyer Mirken, the indefatigable and tireless worker, mother, Mrs. Harry Mirken, and daughter, Marilyn Mirken. True to the W. S. I. S. motto, "Our Synagogue is the place for the whole family"... Two more of our sets of three generations were: Grandpa and grandma, Holoschutz, Max and Hannah Sanders, and Muriel Sanders... also Grandpa and grandma Wartels, Mr. and Mrs. William Horwitz, Joan Horwitz... Two very young sales ladies, Lois Wyman and Dorothy Davis, who manned the toy booth one day and sold a lot of merchandise... Our beloved President, Lester Udell, can not only claim the full cooperation of the Synagogue, but also of his entire family: his wife, two sisters-in-law, three boys, and one girl, all working industriously at the bazaar. Incidentally, his youngest daughter, Maxine, who stayed at home kept crying, "bazaar ... bazaar ... bazaar" Max Moskowitz was as much at home at the bazaar as in the Synagogue. (And that's saying something.)... Young folks very cooperative at the bazaar were: Leona Kessler, Leonore Freedman, Muriel Margaretten, Mimi Cohen, Charles Bendheim, Dickie Horwitz, Mordie Langer, Joshua and Harold Levine... Lena Ward and Belle Ward Spanbock came to the rescue of the

restaurant by baking delicious cakes in a hurry when we ran short. Weren't we lucky to have our own Ward "Kosher" Bakers! Joe Anderson who just came back to the city, upon being interviewed when leaving the train, said in part... "The West Side Institutional Synagogue has the finest orthodox Congregation in the country." Upon arriving at the bazaar, he emphatically stated, that the reports that he had heard about it weren't one bit exaggerated... among those who have manifested a genuine interest in our cause by their frequent attendance at the bazaar, acting on the sales force when necessary, were: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Steinberg, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Salit, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Greenstein, Mr. and Mrs. William Basser, Mrs. Hattie Davis, Mrs. Ethel Hiller, Mrs. David Elfenbein and Mrs. David L. Messing. For the rest of the names we refer you to the records of the W. S. I. S. membership rolls... We can never think about the bazaar without bearing in mind the names of Mrs. Annie R. Morris, and Mr. Harry Appel... Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Jack Levine... Same to Mrs. George L. Livingston... We extend to her, her husband and children, congrats on their 23rd wedding anniversary.

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