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AT HOME

Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein will be at home to the members, seat-holders and friends of the Congregation on Shmini Azeret, Monday afternoon, between 3 and 4:45 P. M.

Address - 175 West 72nd St., N. Y. C.

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BIBLE CLASS ANNOUNCEMENT

The Monday evening Bible Class which, during the last year, became an important feature in the cultural program of our Synagogue, will meet for the first time this season on Monday evening, October 24th, as announced by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein.

Many people have evidenced their interest and it is expected that the attendance will exceed that of last year.

A series of interesting programs is being arranged in connection with the Bible class.

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JEWISH YOUTH LEAGUE

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Jewish Youth League was held on Wednesday evening with Harold Levine presiding and Mr. Seymour Sedwitz as club leader.

Rabbi Lifschitz presented an interesting, social, cultural and dramatic program for the year. The program was well received and highly endorsed by all present.

Regular meetings of the Jewish Youth League are held on Wednesday evenings at 8:30 o'clock. The ages range from 14 to 17. The League invites young people to join.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

MEETING

this

WEDNESDAY EVENING

8:30 P. M.

CHAIRMAN, JUNIOR COMMITTEE



MRS. MILTON WEILL

Mr. Joseph Settel, chairman of the committee in charge of the forthcoming concert at the Metropolitan Opera House on Sunday, December 4th, announces that a Junior Committee of young women of our Shul has been appointed by him to take charge of and insure a social success of the function.

The chairman of this Junior Committee is Mrs. Milton Weill, daughter of our director and Mrs. G. Richard Rubenstein, who was married last April. We look forward to great help in our social affairs this season from her husband because of his association with United Artists Movie Corporation and from his uncle, Eddie Cantor. Furthermore, the young couple, both feel indebted to our Shul because that is where their romance began.

The other charming members of the committee appointed by Mr. Settel (as a bachelor he knows whom to pick) are: Miss Muriel Sanders, vice-chairman; Mrs. William B. Herlands, Mrs. Elmer Settel, Mrs. Lawrence Mirken, Miss Sylvia Livingston, Mrs. Herbert Snower, Mrs. Seymour Felder, Miss Ruth Peace Rubenstein, Mrs. Mortimer Morris, Miss Estelle Jablow, Miss Joan Horowitz, Miss Leonore Freedman and Miss Leona Kessler.

The West Side Institutional Synagogue has taken over the entire house at the Metropolitan for that concert and it is one of the most ambitious undertakings we have ever ventured. The management have assured us of a brilliant cast of first rank stars. A most enjoyable musical

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HIGH SCHOOL

It is gratifying to note the attendance of our High School Classes. The students at large are demonstrating great interest in their work, while some have appointed themselves a committee of one to interest other young people in the courses.

This year we have made a departure from our previous years' methods of instruction. The subjects are taught in English - thus making it possible for students without any particular Hebrew background to gain a knowledge of Judaism.

However, should there be sufficient numbers of students with similar achievements in Hebrew to form homogeneous classes, arrangements will be made for Hebrew instruction.

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SECOND GIRLS SCOUT GROUP FORMING

A second group is being formed and will meet on Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

We were fortunate in discovering an experienced and enthusiastic leader in the person of Miss Pearl Ryshpan who will lead the girls.

The first meeting will be held next Tuesday October 25th, at 3:30 P. M.

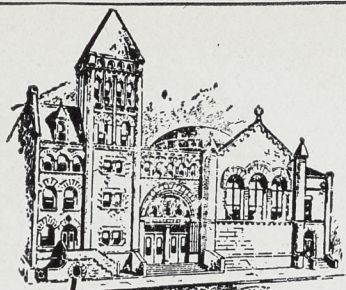
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SYNAGOGUE COMMITTEE

It is customary for members and seat holders to receive an Aliyah on the Sabbath nearest the date of a Yahr Zeit, wedding anniversary or birthday, etc. In view of the large attendance at Sabbath Services and the limited number of Mitzvos for distribution, we urge our readers to give any such dates to the office for permanent filing.

Light Candles Friday Evening 5:05 KOHELETH

Friday Evening Service	5:10
Saturday Morning Service	9:00
Rabbi Hurwitz Class in Talmud	4:00
Mincha Service	5:00
Sunday Morning - Hoshanah Rabbah	6:00
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Sunday Evening - Shmini Azeret	5:00
Monday Morning Service	9:00
Monday Evening - Simchas Torah	5:00
Tuesday Morning Service	8:45
Mincha Service	5:00
DAILY SERVICES	
Mornings	6:45, 7:30
Afternoons	5:00
Followed by the study of the Mishna	



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WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

As this paper goes to press, we hear grave rumors that Chamberlain has decided to modify greatly, if not entirely renounce, the Balfour Declaration. Nothing is surprising today, for in the language of Broadway, "everything goes" in great Britain's regard for her moral or legal obligations. All is sacrificed. Old friendships and loyalties are trampled in the dust. The philosophy of Chamberlain and his so-called Cliveden Set of which Nancy Astor is a prominent member, is basically admiration of Hitler and his policies.

However, thinking people in England are beginning to awaken to the fact that the policy is suicide; that the Cliveden Set may well become the means by which Britain's sun will set. Although Chamberlain received a substantial vote of confidence, nevertheless, over one hundred members of his own party refrained from voting, which in Parliamentary affairs, is equivalent to a negative vote. Quite a few more courageous members of his party spoke and voted against his policy. The fear is growing in England that Chamberlain's policy is leading the British Empire to the same fate that befell the great Roman and the Spanish Empires.

So, among thinking people in England, who see the destruction to which Chamberlain is leading them, the feeling is growing that England should again begin to cultivate her friends who have become disgusted with her immoral disregard of the rest of the world.

Hence, we are treated with the announcement that the King and the Queen may visit the World's Fair here next year. Of course their coming is intended to cement the friendship between the two English-speaking nations and constitutes a subtle piece of propaganda to make us feel that England's problems are ours.

We shall be glad to welcome the King and Queen graciously and enthusiastically for their charming selves. Although we know they are a relic of past royal power, we do love pomp and ceremony. However, we shall be very cautious about assuming English burdens, because there is beginning to grow over here, a feeling that the so-called British Democracy is also becoming a relic of a Democratic past.

We fervently hope that the cloud of ruthless and nazi-inspired dictatorship, which appears to be creeping over the British Empire, will be dissipated before the great Magna Carta is converted into a scrap of paper.

SUCCOTH

"Ye shall dwell in booths seven days... that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt" (Leviticus XXIII, 42-43) - is the biblical source for the observance of the festival.

The holiday derives its name from the Hebrew word "Succah" which means booth or tabernacle.

The temporary nature of the Succah is symbolic of our sufferings and hazards in the exile; while its unprotected nature is symbolic of peace, peace with nature and mankind.

At the dawn of our history as a people, which wandering through the wilderness, we were guided by the "Ananei Kovod" the clouds of glory. Besides this, since we were obliged to wander from place to place, we had to dwell in huts or booths. In the light of these two facts the sages of old explained the Succah as symbolic of our life in the desert. The succah itself suggests the tents in which we lived; while the penetrating rays of the sun remind us of the "Ananei Kovod".

"AS
R'CHASH
SEES
IT"



By RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN
WHY BURDEN MY CHILD

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This is the time of the year, when parents are being asked to enroll their children in various types of activities. First and all important to the parent is the public and high school, which generally takes the child's morning and early afternoon. What next? Conscience now begins to trouble the parent. My child should have some religious training, and yet I would like to include dancing or music, or elocution, or the movies. What generally happens is, that the parent will seek to crowd the child's religious education into a Sunday morning class, or private lesson, and deprive it of the priceless privilege of a thorough and inspirational training.

The Rabbis say in their Social Service Chapter תלמוד תורה כנגד כלם "And Talmud Torah must combat all other influences." So it is today that the Talmud Torah is replaced by dancing, and the afternoon movie, and the like. Remember what Shakespeare said, "as the twig is inclined so is the tree bent." These precious children of ours are growing up without the proper religious consciousness. They never will make sacrifices for God, for their faith, for their near and dear ones, or for anything besides their personal, physical, selfish selves. This will be due to the fact, that the higher, the nobler, the religious, the worthwhile things in life were not made part of their consciousness at a very early age. There are parents who will not start to send their children to Talmud Torah when they are six. They will employ every means to have them admitted to public school as near six as possible. "Why burden the child with Talmud Torah", they say. My answer is "Look to nature." Have you seen a worthwhile tree or bush, unless it was burdened and weighed down with branches, leaves, and then with fruits?

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THE EPICURE

Since commencing this series, we have gained adherents among the fair sex who have enrolled as members of The Great Gasner School of Dietetics, D & I *. Their husbands, however, have assumed that baffled look of innocent dismay, one is accustomed to see on babies who have just swallowed a safety pin.

For this week's lesson, The Great Gasner has presented us with the Russian atrocity which caused so many of our ancestors to emigrate, called

Varnishkes

a dish about which some of the greatest Russian literary men have consumed reams and reams of paper. Only a Russian can remain Varnishke-conscious.

The Gasnerian recipe is as follows:- Cook broad noodles twenty minutes, season with butter and mix with braised buckwheat groats (kasha), smothered onions and butter. For those who happen to be "fleichig", chicken fat, if the butcher has not feloniously raided the chicken, may be substituted for the butter.

The foregoing mixup should be placed in a pot. Last week we also told our readers to place the mixup in a pot, but the printer made it "spot", which put us and the Great Gasner on the spot.

Getting back to the Varnishkes, the pot with its contents should be baked in an oven for thirty minutes. Then, The Great Gasner adds a bit of humor. At the end of his recipe he puts in the words "and serve". He does not say to whom this should be served, whether to man or beast, nor does he tell us whether it will be a service or a dis-service.

However, to ascertain results, we explored the Varnishkes belt of New York which, roughly speaking, runs from Canal and Allen Streets to Fourteenth Street and the East River. The river is an appropriate place to end up at, after eating Varnishkes. We found all varieties, but the net result is that the person who first named the dish might have used a more descriptive term for the first part of the name. Instead of varnish, shellac might have been more appropriate, as the qualities are more permanent.

* Digestibles and Indigestibles

News

Stringent police and military action against the brigands, an increase in the number of supernumeraries in all agricultural settlements and fire-arm licenses for farmers and workers, were demanded by the Palestine Jewish Farmers' Federation in a telegram sent to the High Commission.

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There is to be no halt in the program of the Hebrew University. At the September meeting of the Board of Governors, it was decided to make a start with the Medical Faculty. The medical school will absorb a number of Austrian refugee doctors and scientists who should naturally find a place there. Palestine is likely to become the chief medical center in the Middle East owing to the Hebrew University and Hadassah-Rothschild hospital. The latter's new building on Mt. Scopus will be ready for occupation in the spring.

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During the year 1937, the total revenue of the Jewish community in Palestine amounted to 18 million pounds.

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Geneva - Julian Flegenheimer world famous Jewish architect and brother of Edmond Fleg - dead.

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Jewish owned firms in Vienna forbidden to employ Jewish help.

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Czech press adopts unfriendly attitude toward Jews.

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Two German Jewish youths attempting "stowaway" trip to America in hold of British freighter overcome by fumes while ship's hold is fumigated.

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Zionist and non-Zionist leaders together with leaders representing all walks in Jewish Life confer night and day as to how to undo British desire to give Jews of Palestine minority rights in an Arab country and to curb Jewish immigration into the land.

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Chaim Weitzman, Pres. of Jewish Agency, rejects latest plan for settling Arab - Jewish problem.

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Carlsbad - Europe's most popular spa and Jewish health resort - was the scene of recent Nazi-hooliganism.

Polish government clamps down on the Yiddish Press and prohibits publicizing news concerning Jewish pogroms.

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DOROTHY (MRS. JOSEPH)
ANDERSON

We have always wondered, in our jaunts around the world, what happens to the charming ladies who are always traveling. Now we know. They become presidents.

Dorothy, after exploring all parts of the United States, the West Indies and South America, has finally given herself a breathing spell and, in the meantime, is devoting her boundless energy to building up a wonderful women's organization at our Shul.

This native New Yorker and Wadleigh graduate, was swept off her feet sixteen years ago by romantic Joe Anderson, our traveling ambassador of good-will. The romance resulted in her making famous the song "Joe Anderson, My Joe". They have one daughter Naomi, age 14.

Dorothy is a member and active worker of Daughters of Jacob, Mizrahi, Hadassah, Jewish Home for the Blind, Junior League of Beth Israel Hospital, Denver Jewish Home for Consumptives, American Jewish Congress, Women's League for Palestine, H. I. A. S., Henry Street Settlement and Council of Jewish Women.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Me, Him & I

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As a good Democrat, the writer is happy to push Commissioner Herlands off the front page to this, the fourth. We confess however, we were happy to have him and his wife at Yom Kippur Services and trust that fasting brought home to him how Democrats feel who are out of a job. . . . Counselor Max Lazarus, like Abou ben Adam, led all the rest in paying up his Kol Nidre pledge Wednesday night. . . . The Pargaments are visiting at Pittsburgh. . . . Our compliments to Gaby Goldstein for his excellent management of the overflow services in the Social Hall of our Synagogue. He just oozes dignity and decorum. . . . Some of our worshippers got out so quickly after the Fast that a pair of black gloves and a watch were forgotten and are to be obtained at the office; which reminds us that the owner of that famous brown overcoat left here last season is still missing. . . . Among our distinguished Yom Kippur visitors was Judge Louis Brodsky. . . . Our headquarters are regularly cheered up by the presence of Joan Friedman, who is always looking for ways to help. How the women envy her slowness. . . . Greetings to our new volunteer girl scout leader Pearl Ryshpan. . . . Here's to our Simchas Torah Quartet: Joe Anderson, the Chasan Bere-shith; Morris Steinberg, the Chasan Torah; Lester Udell, the Chasan Mafitir and Joe Settel, the Kol Hanorim. May this quartet of good cheer be the precursors of a happy year. . . . We hear that Jess Gross is the first of the six Gross boys to become engaged. After they are all married and have children, the West Side Institutional Synagogue will be assured of a gross of Grosses among its supporters. . . . Well, little Lois Jane Ullman, daughter of our Director Dave and Clare Ullman, has a birthday - the first. We all invite ourselves to the blow-out at our Shul, as soon as Dave and Clare say the word. Meanwhile, congratulations. . . . Mrs. Gosset's literary inclinations have a new outlet. She is compiling a scrap book of Rabbi Goldstein's weekly column. . . . Mrs. Abraham Karp and Mrs. Nat. Trotzky promise their enthusiastic help for the coming Women's League Membership Drive. . . . Congratulations to Senator and Mrs. Albert Wald upon the Bar Mitzva of their son Nathaniel last Saturday. . . . We welcome to our Shul family the Nathaniel L. Goldstein family whose

son Joseph lost no time joining our high school group. . . . The great success of our Succah is attributable to the co-chairmen, Mrs. Annie R. Morris and Mrs. Ethel Hiller and their enthusiastic workers consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sedwitz; Mr. Karpel, his daughters, Mrs. Max Frank and Mrs. Jacob Reisman and the latter's daughter Mina; Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, Mrs. Harry Ward, Mrs. Morris Jablow and last, but not least our Senior and Junior Rebetzins, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein and Mrs. Emanuel L. Lifschitz. . . . As it looks like an early winter, we shall now devote our energies to thinking of some heat-generating recipes, with which to cheer the spirits and depress the stomachs. . . . So long.

As R'CHASH SEES IT

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Parents must learn that they can't do their children any greater injury than releasing them from burden-bearing. How many children's spirits are "killed by the kindness" of their parents. This whole generation needs to remember that "as you sow, so you reap" is a law both of God and Nature.

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treat awaits our many friends who will attend.

Tickets have been priced from \$1 to \$6 so that every purse will be accommodated. We expect our members, friends and active workers to let us know at once what reservations they wish and how many tickets they can dispose of to others.

The time between now and the concert is but a few weeks and, therefore, as Mr. Settel has made clear, we must all get to work at once. Of course, under his aggressive leadership we are assured of a great success as we recall, with very pleasant recollections, the splendid job he did last year in connection with our Annual Theatre Party.

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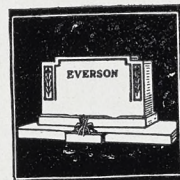
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