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BAZAAR CAMPAIGN GAINS MOMENTUM

Have you done your share for the Bazaar? We are planning to open the Bazaar during the early part of February and all merchandise should be in at that time. We have received numerous donations, but we need more. If you personally can not give a package perhaps you can tell us about one of your friends who may be able to do so. It would also be helpful if you could make a car available to us for the purpose of calling for merchandise.

Our Chairman, Harry Appel, is doing his usually excellent job. We can depend on him and we can depend on his co-workers but we must also depend on you if the Bazaar is to be successful.

We extend our sincere thanks to the following who have already contributed merchandise:

M. J. Berlin, Bourjois Inc., Century Curtain Co., Elizabeth Arden Sales Corp., B. Fischer & Co., Miss Gans, Abe Glaser, Mrs. H. Greenwald, Hudnut Sales Co. Inc., H. Kahn, S. Klein, Knomark Mfg. Co. Inc., Mr. and Mrs. Elias Merkin, Mr. Sol Mutterperl, Phoenix Closet Accessories Inc., Plottel Bros., M. Snower & Co., Silver-Rod Mfg. Co., Style Metal Specialties, Stavisky Bros., Mrs. John L. Strong, Louis Tuttman & Son.

SATURDAY EVENING CONCERTS TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

Manhattan Chorus Feature of Opening Program

The first of a series of Saturday evening concerts will be held on Saturday evening, February 1, with the presentation of the Manhattan Chorus. A group of 55 mixed voices, this chorus is under the direction of Mr. Albert V. Sciarreti and is presented through the cooperation of the New York City WPA Music Project.

The opening concert of the series will be free to all who are interested in attending. Admission will be by ticket only, but these may be obtained from the synagogue office. The program of the evening will be published in the next issue of the REVIEW.

BIBLE CLASS GUEST SPEAKER



JUDGE JONAH J. GOLDSTEIN

On Monday evening, January 27th, Judge Jonah J. Goldstein will be the guest speaker at Rabbi Goldstein's Bible Class and Forum. This will not be Judge Goldstein's first visit to our synagogue, but rather will be another evidence of his graciousness. We are once again proud to greet him and count him as our friend.

Judge Jonah Goldstein has had a lifetime of service to the community and Jewry. He was Chairman of the Committee on the Reorganization of the Magistrates Courts, organizer of the Adolescent Court, pioneer in the formation of the Domestic Relations Court, City Magistrate, and is at present a Judge of the Court of General Sessions. His service to Jewry has been manifested by his noble efforts in behalf of the Federation of Jewish Charities, United Jewish Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee and of numerous other charitable endeavors.

YOUNG FOLK'S ROUND TABLE

Tomorrow's meeting of the Young Folk's Round Table will begin promptly at 3:30 P. M.

The following will participate in the Young Folk's Mincha Service: Gabriel Goldstein, Reader of the Torah; Harold Wohl, Reader of the Service; and Paul Newman, Speaker.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE LUNCHEON ATTRACTS LARGE CROWD

The Scholarship Fund Luncheon which our Women's League held last Monday afternoon was another feather in their cap. Special thanks are due to the very conscientious co-Chairmen, Mrs. Philip Gertner and Mrs. Samuel K. Beier, who carefully planned all the details. They were ably assisted by the following women who served as hostesses for the afternoon: Miss Bessie Abrams and Mesdames Albert H. Cohen, Hattie Davis, David Elfenbein, Isidore Freidman, Lillian Grunauer, Herbert S. Goldstein, Annie Hauer, Morris Jablow, Harold Kaplan, Samuel Koppel, Moses Langer, Herman Livingston, Anna Mirken, Harry Mirken, Nat Mitchell, Annie R. Morris, Meyer Pargament, Samuel W. Siegel, Fay Seligman, Jesse Ward, and Harry Ward.

The Women's League is also grateful to Mesdames Albert H. Cohen, Anna Dworkin, Mrs. Lederman, Samuel W. Siegel, David Ullman as well as to Newman Caterers, Carlton Caterers, Mr. Philip Gertner, Dalsimer Florist, and Mr. David H. Ullman for their generous contributions of various kinds.

ATHLETIC STARS TO ATTEND FATHER AND SON DINNER

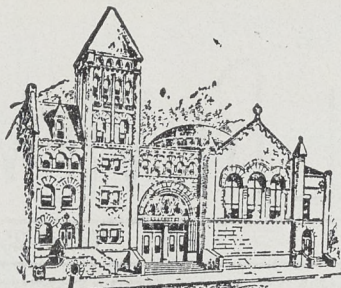
Benny Leonard, former Boxing Champion and Lou Pagliaro, National Ping Pong Champion will appear at the Men's Club Father and Son Dinner on Tuesday evening, February 11th. Mr. Pagliaro will play an exhibition ping pong match with a noteworthy opponent.

Each man is expected to bring a youngster with him. Those men who do not have sons are requested to adopt one for the evening. Tickets are priced at One Dollar. Make your reservations NOW.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our sincerest sympathy to Mr. Emanuel Levigton upon the loss of his beloved wife, Elizabeth Levigton.

We extend condolences to our member, Mr. Max I. Schleifer upon the loss of his brother Morrey Schleifer.



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Last Sunday night, in celebration of a great democratic ceremony, Charlie Chaplin delivered his famous brotherhood appeal from the movie "The Great Dictator" at the inaugural concert held at the D. A R. Constitutional Hall at Washington, D. C. The sale of tickets for this affair was so conducted that not one negro was permitted to attend. We are certain that this "Jim Crow" policy was not adopted for the purpose of providing more seats for the white folks so that greater numbers of them could glean from the great Chaplin how to treat their negro bretheren. The news of this rank discrimination followed a report of last Friday that the U. S. Army, three hours after the institution of a suit to force it to accept colored people for the Air Corps, announced the formation of a negro division of the U. S. Air Corps. The Army's idea of equal treatment for all citizens is the establishment of a "Ghetto" squadron.

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THE 49th COMMANDMENT

By RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

The 49th Commandment deals with the laws concerning one who injures a fellow man. Such a one must be punished, as is indicated in Exodus Chapter 21 verses 18 and 19: "If men strive together and one smiteth. . . he shall pay for the loss of time and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed." In another verse we have "So shall it be done to him", indicating, "measure for measüre." In other words, if one hits another he should be struck in return. However we have the Jewish tradition of fines instead of bodily injury to the offender. To carry out the law of "measure for measure" would be savage. The Je-

wish religion makes every effort to reduce the expression of animal instinct or savagery in man. The Rabbin in the Talmud call one who only raises his hand to smite another a "a wicked person." It is רשע an evidence of the "Claw" Civilization which our religion and law try to curb. Let me give another example. A Rabbi was once questioned about the matter of slaughtering. "What difference can it make to the animal whether you hit it over the head with a sledge-hammer or cut it's throat by means of a sharp and smooth knife, especially prepared (according to the Jewish religion) for slaughtering?" "It surely makes a difference," replied the Rabbi, "whether you kill an animal painlessly or by crushing it's head. But there is another difference which reflects character. The one way makes for brutality and the other for refinement."

Thus instead of inflicting physical pain upon the one who smites, we have the substitute of a money fine. In this way, we also carry out the intent of the verse that says; "So shall it be done unto him". For in paying a fine sufficiently large, the evildoer is pained thereby. He pays a five-fold fine to the offended, namely (1) for the pain inflicted, (2) for depreciation, (3) for healing, (4) for loss of time, and (5) for degradation.

A LETTER FROM THE STAFF

Dear Readers,

We are at our wits end. We have tried desperately to put new life and new ideas into this paper. We have done everything that we can to make the REVIEW interesting to you.

This is your synagogue bulletin. We therefore ask you for your ideas, criticisms and suggestions. What would you like to see in the REVIEW and what would you like to see left out; what suggestions have you for new features?

Please feel free to write to us and we shall give careful consideration to each of your thoughts.

Your response to this request will be most appreciated.

Sincerely

THE EDITORIAL STAFF

very form of persecution we should be the first to the denial of democratic rights to others: We patriotically call for the defense of American democracy while millions of negroes are barred from the polls by terror. They even have to institute a law suit in order to join a segregated group in the skilled military and naval services of this country. In claiming our rights as Jews under the Constitution we, of necessity, must advance those same rights for all peoples.

We should do everything in our power to put an end to the teaching of Hitlerian racialism in our schools and to eliminate it from our laws. We should stop the breeding of humiliation and hatred that make mock of our vaunted democracy. We should stop the fostering of separatism when the need is for unity; and, to attain at last a vision of a great nation of the future, welded together by indissoluble bonds, we should practice here the human brotherhood we preach to Europe.

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PHILANTHROPY AND LEADERSHIP

By RABBI EMANUEL L. LIFSCHITZ

American Jewry is pouring millions of dollars into its refugee program and in aiding its millions of stricken brethren overseas. Though the latter is of vital importance it still falls short from offering a permanent solution to the Jewish overseas problem. American Israel has and is qualified for a more serious task and graver responsibility, - that of leading the way in establishing a permanent homeland for the people of Israel in the Land of Israel.

It is very doubtful whether America can or will open its doors to the millions of our economically dislocated, politically disfranchised and morally betrayed brethren in Europe.

At the termination of the present war the numerically small and militarily weak conquered nations of Europe will be reestablished and their rights to independence guaranteed. Already their governments in

exile, in collaboration with their nationals the world over, are preparing to press their right and just claims at the next peace conference. Forty per cent of world Jewry is enduring a living hell, twenty per cent are in the areas of combat, while American Jewry alone is free to undertake the necessary leadership. Shall American Israel be content merely with doing philanthropy? Shall "We give bread but inspire no hope"? Will mere philanthropy heal our peoples wounded hearts, comfort their broken spirit or sustain their frustrated will to live? American Jewry is today the strongest, the wealthiest and certainly the most influential community in the world. It alone is eminently qualified to assume the leadership that will make an end to "refugeeism" and to speak it's peoples cause in the inspired word of Moses

שְׁלֵחַ אֶת עַמִּי set my people free, release them from their spiritual and physical slavery, end for all times their tragic and uncertain existence and permit them to pursue, as is the God-given right of all peoples, a normal life on the ancestral soil.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening 4:45
Weekly Portion VOEYRO

Prayer for the New Moon SHEVAT

Friday Evening Service 4:50
Saturday Morning Service 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:00
Rabbi Hurwitz's Class in Talmud 3:40
Young Folk's Round Table 3:40
Minch Service 4:40
Sunday Morning Services
..... 6:45; 7:45; 8:45

Daily Services:

Mornings 6:45; 7:45; 8:15
Mincha 4:50

Followed by the Interpretation of
the Mishnah by Rabbi Goldstein

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ART CIRCLE TO PRESENT GERSHWIN CONCERT

The following is the program of the Gershwin Concert to be presented on Sunday afternoon, February 2nd by the Jewish Art Circle. The names of the artists that will appear will be announced next week.

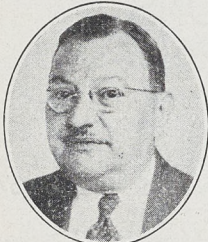
PROGRAM

Sunday Afternoon February 2nd 2 P. M.

- 1 - Wintergreen for President
Of Thee I Sing
Strike Up The Band
(Chorus of Male Voices)
- 2 - Preludes for Piano
- 3 - "Porgy and Bess" selections
(Piano and Female Vocalist)
- 4 - Lady Be Good
Slap That Base
Tip Toe
(Male Chorus)
- 5 - They Can't Take That Away From Me
Let's Call The Whole Thing Off
They All Laughed
(Piano and Chorus)
- 6 - The Man I Love
(Female Vocalist)
- 7 - Rhapsody in Blue
(Piano)

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PEACE AND FREEDOM

By MORTON F. LANGER

Excerpts from an address delivered at the Young Folk's Mincha Service.

On April 30, 1939 on Flushing Meadows a magnificent symbol was dedicated to the unity, harmony, Peace and Freedom then prevalent in the world. Now as that symbol is being demolished, "Peace and Freedom" is being systematically destroyed in every corner of the globe and instead a doctrine of "war and intolerance" is being spread.

The New York World's Fair held aloft the torch of "Peace and Freedom." Now that the Fair is no more we must not only continue to hold the torch but we must provide the fuel to keep the light burning brightly.

The fuel for the light is the maintaining of our opportunities, Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Press, Freedom of Worship. In addition we must resist the efforts of those who seek to extinguish the torch of Peace and Freedom and who gnaw at the very foundations of our democracy.

In our desire to keep aloft the torch of "Peace and Freedom" we must forget our past hatreds, our past prejudices, and our past political differences and we must remember that in "unity there is strength."

We must achieve a degree of perfect cooperation. We must unite in the cause of national defense, for, as George Washington said, "To be prepared for war is the most effectual means of insuring peace." We must enlarge and expand our industries that they may be able to meet all demands to be made upon them. We must make ourselves so strong that no nation on earth will dare to disturb our peace. We must build our fire so great that its warmth and light will spread throughout the world. Above all we must never forget the debt of gratitude we owe to our Creator for sparing us the horrible devastation that our brethren abroad are undergoing.

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Getting Personal

Rabbi Hurwitz's illness and Cantor Yavneh's trip to his family in Florida provided the setting for a number of competent substitutes. . . Mr. Clark read the Torah on Saturday morning, Mr. Gell served as volunteer Sexton during the week, Mr. Tannenbaum read the Torah on Thursday morning and Cantor Lauer pleased us all with his melodies on Saturday morning. . . Many thanks to each one of them. . . Other members of the W.S.I.S. family on the sunny sands of the southern state are Mrs. J. Eisenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Settel, Mr. and Mrs. Max Wiesen and Mrs. William Horwitz. . . Our Associate Editor, Buddy Friedman, disclaims all responsibility for the REVIEW this week as he took a flying trip to St. Louis and we had to get along without him. . . The Udell family was singing "Home Sweet Home" to Jane Udell who just returned for Fla. . . Good luck to our Melvin Fleischner who joined the army this week. . . Birthday cand-

les to Mr. Joseph Newman and Mr. Henry L. Kessler. . . This week Mr. and Mrs. Irving Karpf celebrate their 18th anniversary. Congratulations. . . Two of our noteworthy Esquires, George "Ye Olde ex-Editor" Livingston and A. M. Davis, met in the lobby of the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago last week. It must feel good to see a friendly face when you're away from home. . . Mr. Irving M. Schuyler, Sec'y of the Men's Club has announced his betrothal to Miss Pearl Bressler. Best of luck Pearl and Irv. . . Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mr. Sam Levine. . . Pardon us - last week we reported that Larry Mirken won 1st prize in a radio quiz contest. We were wrong - it was Mrs. Mirken that won the prize. . . Well, the \$25 prize is in the family anyway. . . Glad to learn that Alexander Kirsh and family are up and around.

BAR MITZVAH



MARTIN DAVID MORRIS

We extend hearty congratulations upon the Bar Mitzvah this Sabbath at our Synagogue of Martin David Morris, son of Dr. and Mrs. Ellis Morris.

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