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Sedrah of the Week

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

Vayikroh—ויקרה

Etiquette

"AND THE LORD CALLED UNTO MOSES." The Talmud in Yoma 4b says that the Torah gives us here a rule in Jewish etiquette, namely that one should not speak to another without first calling him by name.

Moses

"AND SPAKE UNTO HIM." The Rabbis interpret this as pointing out specifically that in the lifetime of Moses, he alone, and no one else, in Israel, was addressed by God. There are thirteen instances in which Aaron is mentioned as having been spoken to by God, but in each case he was either together with Moses or the message was given to Moses who in turn was to deliver it to Aaron.

Tabernacle

"FROM THE (OR FROM THE APPOINTED) TABERNACLE OF THE CONGREGATION SAYING." The Rabbis remark that the chief purpose of the erection of the Tabernacle, was to have an appointed place for communicating God's will to Israel thru Moses. Thus may be translated as "appointed."

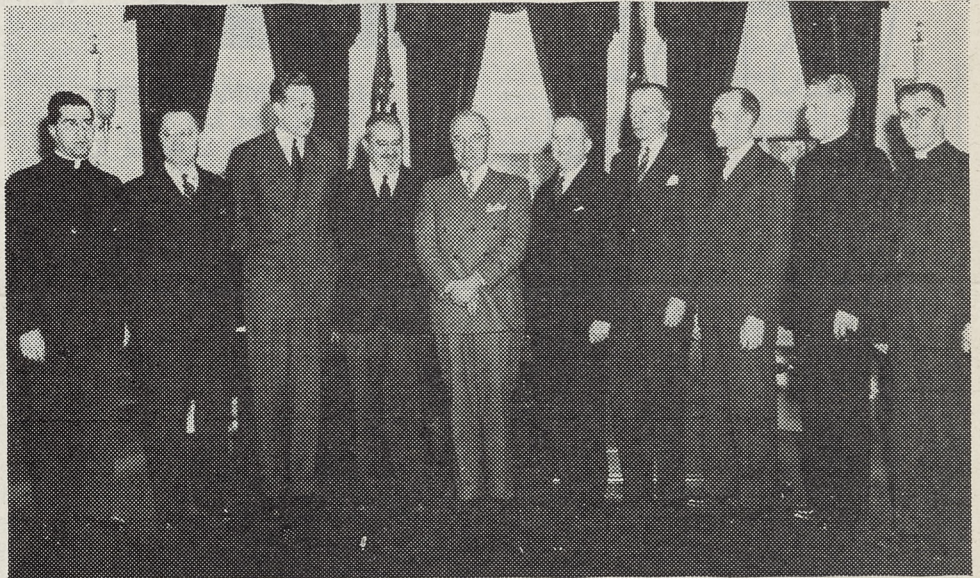
Confidences

"SAYING." The Rabbis understand this to mean that God gave Moses permission to divulge the message. This is also intended to teach the lesson that in our human relationships no one has a right to divulge what he hears from another unless he has received permission to do so, otherwise he is talebearing.

G-d And Israel

"SPEAK UNTO THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL AND SAY UNTO THEM, ETC." The Rabbis note here how precious the children of Israel are in God's estimation. He asked of Moses to "speak" (which implies forceful language) and to "say" (which implies gentle speech). Thus Moses was directed to employ every form of persuasion in order that Israel might be influenced to hearken to the divine message. Though, the Holy One, blessed by He, is solicitous with regard to the welfare of all humanity, yet He has evidenced a special concern that Israel should be the recipient, the custodian and the disseminator of His will.

RELIGIOUS BODIES COOPERATE IN PROVIDING HOUSING FOR VETERANS



At the invitation of the President of the United States, representatives of the Federal Council of Churches, the National Catholic Welfare Conference and the Synagogue Council of America attended a meeting in Washington, at which time the President's suggestion was unanimously adopted that the Synagogues and Churches ask their membership to share their houses with returning veterans.

The Sabbath of March 16th was designated as a day for the launching of this program and Rabbis, Ministers and Priests were asked to stimulate this endeavor among their

members.

The following program was recommended to individual Pastors and Rabbis:

1. The organization of a housing committee in every church or synagogue.
2. A thorough canvass of the membership of every church or synagogue to discover available housing facilities.
3. A check-up on veterans in need of housing, using church Honor Rolls as the starting point.
4. Community-wide cooperation between all groups, both religious and civic.

CONGREGATIONAL SEDORIM

We are happy to announce that the Seder Committee, under the chairmanship of Samuel Silver, has arranged for our Congregational Sedorim to be held at the Pythian Temple. The charge will be \$8.00 per person each night, including all waiters' and checking gratuities.

We can only accommodate 200 persons, and we must therefore limit reservations to the members of our congregation. We advise you to make your reservations at once, without any delay. After we have reached our capacity of about 200, we will be unable to accept any additional reservations, so we recommend that you ACT PROMPTLY.

MEN'S CLUB

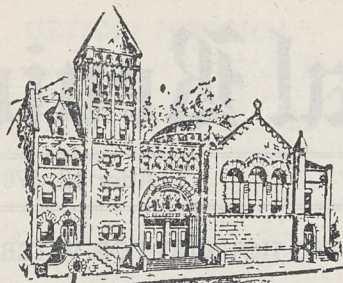
The Men's Club will hold its regular meeting this Monday night, March 18th. All men of the congregation are invited to attend and spend an interesting and enjoyable evening. Refreshments.

PURIM PARTY

This Saturday night, following the reading of the Megillah, The Women's League and Men's Club will jointly celebrate Purim.

WELCOME

Rabbi Emanuel Lifschitz has been separated from the Navy as of March 1st. He shall occupy the pulpit this Saturday morning. A Kiddush in his honor will follow the services.



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PEACE IN JEWISH INDUSTRIES

Last week Arthur Mayer, Chairman of the New York State Mediation Board settled a wage dispute between the International Ladies Garment Workers Union and the Employers Association. David Dubinsky, President of the Union, was highly satisfied with the settlement through which 90% of the 40,000 workers will receive a \$5. a week increase and for the Health and Vacation Fund each worker will receive \$7.50. The employers too were satisfied although the OPA has as yet not allowed the increase in wages included in their mark-up which works on the lowest percentage of all industries.

We are all well aware that this New York Industry is mostly in the hands of Jews, and we can be proud that at the time when throughout the country there is a strife between labor and capital, in New York there is peace in the clothing industry. Is it possible that the profits of the clothing industry are higher than the profits of the steel, automobile and Du Pont industries, or is it that the Jewish unions are stronger than the others?

We hope that others will learn from us how to conduct themselves in employer-employee relationships.

P. H. S.



244th COMMANDMENT

Thou Shalt Not Let Thy Cattle Gender With A Diverse Kind

We are not permitted to mate diverse cattle as we read in Leviticus, Chapter 19, Verse 19, "My statutes shall ye keep, thy cattle shalt thou not let gender with diverse kind."

"These statutes are the fixed laws which G-d has instituted for the government of the physical universe. Man must not deviate from the appointed order of things nor go against the general laws of nature as espoused by Divine Wisdom. What G-d has ordained to be kept apart, man should not seek to mix together."

Diverse mating is prohibited because it is impossible to improve

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upon the Divine plan of creation. When we do interfere, as for instance, in the case of the mating of a horse and donkey, it is interesting to note that the descendants continue to live only for one single generation. In other words the mules, the result of this mating, are not endowed with transmission in reproduction.

Josephus suggested that the reason for the prohibition of mixed breeding is the fear that such unnatural union in the animal world might lead to moral perversion among human beings. He who trespasses this commandment and mates animals of diverse kind receives stripes.

G-d made every species according to its kind. . . . "And G-d saw that it was good." In other words, to cause the gender of diverse kinds would disturb the scheme and the harmony of creation and the natural world order would be broken.

This law also includes the prohibition against mating not only of different types in the same species as wild geese with domestic geese but two different species as for instance, a beast with a fowl.

This law pertains to all places and to all times.

Thinking Out Loud

The other day I had a discussion with one of those who go around saying, "I'm not anti-semitic—BUT". He is what is generally considered to be a typical young liberal American, age 24, with a fine American upbringing. After seeing several years of overseas service with the Air Corps he is now enrolled in a New York University studying engineering and actively participating in extra-curricular activities. As an active member of his community and school he felt qualified to express the viewpoints of others in his social sphere.

Prefacing his statements with the usual "some of my best friends are Jews" he went on to give me a few ideas of what people in his group are thinking and saying. With much of what he said we are all too familiar. However one thing stands out in most vividly in my mind. "The Jews," he said, "are too selfish and materialistic. They seem to think only of themselves and are primarily interested in feathering their own nests." Interrupting my protestations

he went on to explain. "For example. There are so few Jews left in Europe and how many of you American Jews are working and fighting to save them. How many people belong to and work for Jewish organizations and how unified are the organizations that you do belong to. You people could be a powerful pressure group if only you were of one mind and one heart in all your efforts. I wonder," he said, "if every American Jew were organized in one vast movement to save the remaining Jews in Europe how long would it be before America opens wide for Jewish Immigration. So too if enough concerted pressure were brought to bear upon England to open the gates of Palestine, things would be different. But," he went on, "I don't believe this could ever be possible, as you Jews don't seem willing to sublimate your individual differences to work for the betterment of the group as a whole."

He said much more than this — more than time or space permits me to repeat here. But what he did say is enough for all of us to take home and think about.

C. S.

YESHIVOTH APPEAL

We ask all those who have pledged for the Yeshivoth's Appeal to please send in the monies as soon as possible, so that we may remit them to the Institutions before Passover. If you were not present in the Synagogue when the appeal was made, you may send in your contributions just the same. Please make checks payable to W.S.I.S. and mark "for Yeshivos."

The following have already sent in their donations.

Isaac Allen, Joseph Anderson, Maurice L. Barnett, Mrs. R. Barowsky, William Bassar, Charles Bendheim, A. Milton Brown, S. M. Druker, Simpson H. Gleichenhaus, Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, Josephine H. Goldstein, Naomi Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Hary D. Greenman, Leopold Hirsch, Clarence Horwitz, S. Josephs, Harold Kaplan, Jacob Kaplan, Irving W. Karpf, Moris Katz, Samuel Klein, Irving Kobrin, Mrs. Max Koch, Moses Langer, Lax Bros., Herman Levine, Mrs. Regina Margareten, Adolph Meirowitz, Ben Meyers, Ulrich Moses, Max Moskowitz, Aaron Neustadter, Philip Nieweg, M. L. Pargament, Plottel Bros., Joshua Rabinowitz, Julius H. Rosan, Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Roth, Dr. Julius Salomonica, Mrs. Isidore Scharfman, Joseph Settel, Joseph Shapiro, Samuel W. Siegel, Jack Spiro, H. Stern, Mrs. Ada Turcsan Hary Ward, Jess Ward, Aaron Wartels, Sigmund Werner, Benjamin Wiener, Philip Wohl.

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Mésibas Shabbos	1:30
Jr. B'Nos groups	3:30
Rabbi Singer's Class	5:00
Mr. Isaac Allen's Class	4:45
Mincha	6:00
Sabbath terminates	6:35
Sunday morning	6:15, 8:00

DAILY SERVICES:

Mornings	6:45, 8:00, 8:30
Mincha	5:30

Followed by class in Shulchan Aruch
by Rabbi Goldstein

Youth Afternoon Services will be conducted this week with Herbert Perlman, Reader of Service and Gideon Goldman, Reader of Torah.

SEA SCOUTS

Herbert Hirsch, Skipper announces that a meeting, with special interest in sending and receiving radio messages will be held on Tuesday night, March 19th.

PURIM

"Purim", according to the Biblical etymology, means "Feasts of Lots". It is celebrated on the 14th day of the twelfth month, Adar, and in case of leap year in the thirteenth month. It is observed in the Synagogue by the reading of the Book of Esther, both on the eve and the morning of the holiday.

The Book of Esther is chanted in a melody unlike that of the reading of the Sedrah or the selections from the Prophets. Every one is in duty bound to chant or to listen to the reading of the Megillah.

On the eve of Purim every worshipper is supposed to make a contribution to charity, and to send gifts "Sh'loach Maw-nohs" to friends and dear ones.

The words of the Psalmists express the lesson that Purim teaches us: "Blessed is the Lord who hath not given us a prey to their teeth. Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth."

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CHATS ABOUT W.S.I.S.

By Morris Jablow

After considerable difficulties and uncertainties, the Seder Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Samuel Silver, our Treasurer succeeded in making arrangements with Paramount Caterers, to hold our Community Seder at the Pythian Temple, 135 West 70th Street, on April 15th and 16th. This will be our ninth successive Congregational Seder.

Those who have attended these Seders in the past, know how beautifully and impressively they are conducted by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, who enriches the reading of the Hagadah by his original and interesting comments.

This year, due to circumstances beyond our control, we are obliged to limit the number to about 200, who can attend these services. The Committee has therefore decided to give preference to members of our institution. We will accept reservations in the order in which they are received. We therefore urge upon you, our readers, not to delay but to act promptly.

We are constantly seeking to serve our community. It is our earnest conviction that these Sedorim supply a need, and teach our people the real significance of Passover, which marks our liberation from bondage in the land of Egypt.

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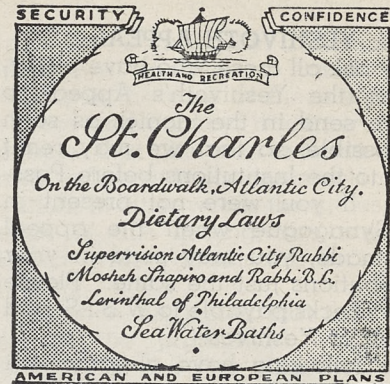
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