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Sedrah of the Week

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

Shemini—שמיני
ROSH CHODESH NISSAN

"AND IT CAME TO PASS ON THE EIGHTH DAY, THAT MOSES CALLED AARON AND HIS SONS, ETC." The Rabbis say, that the first of the seven days of consecration was on the twenty-third of Adar and thus the eighth was on the first day of the month of Nissan. According to the Rabbinical tradition that day was the first day of the week, the first day of the month and also the first day of the dedication of the Tabernacle by the Princes of Israel. (See the Book of Numbers, Chapter 7.)

Old and Young

"AND THE ELDERS OF ISRAEL." The Rabbis say that the elders are of the same service to the Jewish people as the wings are to a bird, just as a bird cannot soar to great heights without its wings, so Israel cannot rise to its highest levels of spirituality without the elders whose experience and counsel help to guide them aright. The Talmud, in Succah says that when the Menorah in the Temple had to be lit, the young priests climbed the ladder (in order to reach the Menorah) but the old priests told them how to do it. The strength, vigor, and activity of the young must be coupled with the experience and maturity of the elders.

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"AND MOSES SAID UNTO AARON, GO UNTO THE ALTAR, AND OFFER THY SIN OFFERING AND THY BURNT OFFERING, ETC." The Rabbis say that Aaron needed urging because he felt ashamed to officiate as High Priest of the only God, knowing that he had participated in the making of the golden calf which led to idolatrous practices. His conscience troubled him about this inconsistency. Moses told him, however, that just because he possessed such a fine self-incriminating and discriminating conscience he was particularly well-qualified to be the intermediary for the atonement service. His strong sense of remorse indicated that he was a penitent of the highest order, and the Rabbis say that a sincere penitent is on a higher level than the habitually righteous person. — (Malbim)

DR. SAMUEL Z. FREEDMAN TO PRESENT CASE AGAINST SOCIALIZED MEDICINE AT FORUM MONDAY NIGHT, 8:40

DISCUSSION ON WHAT IS ORTHODOX JUDAISM TO BE CONTINUED
WITH RABBI GOLDSTEIN PRECEDING FORUM

MAX E. SANDERS CHOSEN
CHAIRMAN OF RECEPTION
COMMITTEE



Max E. Sanders

Max E. Sanders, our Vice-President has been chosen as the Chairman of the Reception Committee of our Ninth Anniversary Celebration. He will be in charge of the arrangements on the evening of June 9th when we will present to Morris Levine this year's Souvenir Album in recognition of the splendid services he has rendered to our institution.

MEN'S CLUB MOE OLTARSH NIGHT

The next meeting of the Men's Club, which will be held on Monday night, April 8th, will be devoted to honoring its President, Moe Oltarsh. It will be known as "Moe Oltarsh Night." In conjunction with this occasion the members of the Club have launched a campaign for 100 new members, to be initiated at this meeting. Let us pay a deserved tribute to Moe Oltarsh by attending this meeting and bringing along at least one new member.

The committee in charge has arranged for entertainment and refreshments.

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTORS TO YESHIVOTH APPEAL

Abe Glaser, Simeon H. F. Goldstein, Max Harris, Mrs. L. Herbst, Henry Kaufman, Israel Kestenbaum, the Mirken Family, Rabbi Emanuel L. Lifschitz, Ephraim Samson, and Jacob H. Silverstein.

This Monday night, we shall hear the case against socialized medicine presented by Dr. Samuel Z. Freedman.

Dr. Freedman is a graduate of



Dr. Samuel Z. Freedman

New York Medical College. He is the Associate Urologist at Gouverneur Hospital, the Adjunct in Genito-Urinary Surgery at Beth Israel Hospital, Chairman of the Committee on Medical Economics of the Medical Society, Past President of the Medical Alliance.

We have heard at a previous Forum, the case for socialized medicine, as presented by Albert Deutsch of PM. It will therefore be of interest to hear the other side of the question from a medical man who studied medical economics.

The Forum will be preceded by discussion of "What Is Orthodox Judaism?" led by Rabbi Goldstein.

GRAND BALL

The young men and women of our congregation are returning in ever growing numbers. Therefore, the ADELPHI SOCIETY, acting in behalf of our numerous youth groups, takes pleasure in announcing a Grand Ball, to be held in our building on Saturday evening, April 6, 1946.

To cover the cost of entertainment, refreshments, and dancing to the accompaniment of a seven piece orchestra, a subscription fee of \$2.40 (tax included), per couple will be charged.



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IN PEACE AS IN WAR

As a result of the close fellowship experienced by the armed forces, there developed a deeper appreciation of the other man's religion, and the ability to see varied religious groups as part of the over all American spiritual pattern operating for peace and democracy. Many have hoped for the continuation of such an attitude in the days of peace.

In keeping with this idea, construction of a \$200,000 'Chapel of the Four Chaplains' will begin this summer in Philadelphia, the city of brotherly love. The chapel will be dedicated to the memory of four chaplains who gave their life-belts to save four enlisted men. They were Rabbi Goode, Revs. Washington, Fox, and Poling.

Like the military chapels, this civilian shrine of worship will be designed so that Protestants, Catholics and Jews, may enter through the same door, and worship in the tradition of their faith at an altar furnished according to their religious beliefs.

It is most fitting that the city which harbors the Liberty Bell shall sound the note for national spiritual unity and religious fellowship.

E. L. L.



246th COMMANDMENT

The Laws of ערלה

Uncircumcised or Forbidden Fruit

"A fruit tree in its first three years is to be regarded as a male infant during its first eight days; i.e., as unconsecrated (Dillman), and uncircumcised. Its fruit stunted in its growth is unfit as a first fruit offering to G-d, and hence forbidden for human use."

We are not to eat the fruit of a tree during its uncircumcised period, whether it be from its seed or from a twig of an old tree for it is written in Leviticus, Chapter 19, Verse 23, "Three years shall it be as forbidden unto you; it shall not be eaten." During the first three years the yield is very small as well as un-

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healthy, detrimental both to the body and the soul. It is only in the fourth year that there is quantity and quality suitable for consumption.

One who plants a tree as a fence or for wood is free from the laws of ערלה. Oralah (uncircumcised period) for it is written "And shall have planted all manner of trees for food." However, if before the fruit came forth from the tree the owner changed his mind and wanted to use the tree as a fruit tree rather than for other purposes, then the tree comes under the rules of Oralah and the fruit may not be used during the first three years. So also one who plants a tree in a pot even though it is not perforated, is obliged to observe the laws of Oralah.

This law prevails at all times and at all places and refers to male and female and surprisingly so it also refers to all lands and not only to Palestine. Although the Bible specifically states, "When ye shall have come into the LAND (Palestine) . . . However in view of the fact that from the days of Moses הלכה למשה מסיני we have this tradition, the lands outside of Palestine are included. One who trespasses this law of Oralah is to be punished by stripes.

Thinking Out Loud

Before the war, many nations participated in an international exchange of university students to promote mutual good-will as well as to further understanding of each others cultures and modes of society.

That some nations went a little beyond cultural ends in exchanging students, became too well known to the peoples of Europe, who looked upon this device as an integral part of military strategy.

German students exchanged between 1933 and 1939 were only those handpicked by the Reich, to pass as students, but actually to serve as spreaders of the Nazi gospel or spongers of what ever information could best serve the fatherland.

I am interested in student exchanges, and especially those that will bring us in closer contact with Palestine. The best exchange would be a one-way affair with as many American students going to Palestine as can be arranged for, and with as many young Palestinian Jews as possible remaining there at all costs

to preserve whatever population we Jews now have in the Holy Land.

A long range view of the situation in Palestine would reveal a great need of young American Jewish spirit and vitality to act as a sort of catalytic and cohesive agent to bind and effectuate a smooth working community of Jews coming from all parts of the Continent, speaking different languages, and harboring many ideas, prejudices and tastes.

Neither the Arabs nor the British could tactfully deny entry to monied American citizens — altho it is not as easy as all that. A great deal of pressure will have to be brought to bear on the State Department to insist upon the rights of American citizens to enter the mandated territory over which there exists mutual agreements, giving the United States a say in the Holy Land.

M. S. C.

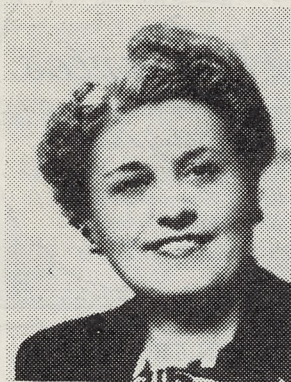
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Friday Lighting Candles 5:59

Mincha 6:05

Saturday morning 9:00

Jr. Congregation 10:00

Mesibas Shabbos 1:30

Jr. B'Nos groups 3:30

Rabbi Hurwitz's Class 5:10

Rabbi Lifschitz's Class 5:10

Mr. Isaac Allen's Class 4:55

Mincha 6:10

Sabbath terminates 6:50

Sunday morning 6:45, 8:45

Tuesday 6:30, 7:50

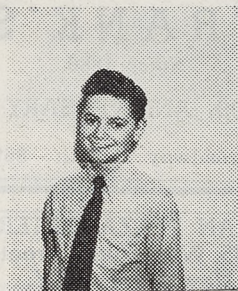
DAILY SERVICES:

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

Mincha 6:00

Followed by class in Shulchan Aruch
by Rabbi Goldstein

BAR MITZVAH



David Mandelbaum

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mandelbaum upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son David which will be held at our Synagogue this Shabbos morning.

YOUTH AFTERNOON SERVICES

Youth Afternoon Services will be held this Shabbos with Jason Jacobowitz, Reader of the Torah, David Buchsbaum, Reader of Services and Shepard Levmore, Speaker.



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WOMEN'S LEAGUE NOTES

All the women of the Congregation and their friends are cordially invited to attend the next meeting of our Women's League and session of Rabbi Goldstein's Bible Class which will be held on Monday afternoon, April 1st at 1 o'clock at the Synagogue House.

A social hour will precede the meeting with Mrs. David Elkins and Mrs. Ben K. Eisenberg as hostesses.

HEED THE CALL

Reservations for our Congregational Sedorim, which will be held, this year, at the Pythian Temple, are coming in very rapidly. We therefore advise our members to act quickly and make their reservations promptly since we can only accommodate 200 persons. The charge is \$8 per night, including all gratuities and incidentals.

MO-OS CHITIM

It is our duty to fulfill the mitzvah incumbent upon every Jew to provide the poor with Passover necessities. Our Synagogue will accept contributions for the Passover Relief Fund.

Please mail checks to the Synagogue, attention of Mrs. Annie R. Morris.

GETTING PERSONAL

BIRTHDAY CAKES TO Eleanor Sydney Goldman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Goldman, Mrs. Adolph Meirowitz, Renee Merkin, David Jay Beier, son of Director and Mrs. Samuel K. Beier, Director David H. Ullman, Mrs. Harry Appel, Howard Trotzky, son of Dan Trotzky, Sanford Josephson. . . . CONGRATULATIONS UPON WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES to our Director and Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, to our Vice President and Mrs. Max E. Sanders, Director and Mrs. Jess Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Richman, Mr. and Mrs. Herman William Hirsch. . . . MAZEL TOV. Our Louis Reisman was engaged to Miss Annette Lipshitz from Brooklyn. Many nice girls come from Brooklyn. . . . We congratulate former State Senator and Mrs. Albert Wald upon the engagement of their daughter, Judith to Capt. Myron Paul Moses. . . . Thanks to Nat Trotzky for loan of dishes and silverware for the Purim Party held at the Synagogue. It was a swell night. . . . Thanks also to Chas. Cohen, Harry Cohen and Mrs. Harry Ward. . . . Rabbi Goldstein was appointed by the State Department as an observer at the UNO. . . . We missed Mrs. Etta Landau at the Synagogue. . . . We are glad to hear that Mrs. Philip Wohl is off the sick list. . . . Happy to welcome Mrs. Anna Gross, Queen of the House of Gross. . . . Did you see Shulamith and little David, children of Rabbi and Mrs. Lifschitz, at services? . . . And little Pam Gross, say "Good Shabbos." . . . Glad to see in the Women's section Ethel Joseph and Myra Greenman. . . . A Refuah Shelaimoh to Mrs. David Cohen, now in the hospital. . . . Welcome to Ensign Leland Gottstein of Minneapolis. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Goldstein proud parents of a bouncing boy and to the grandparents, Rabbi and Mrs. Goldstein, now grandparents double-time. . . . Also to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Spanier upon the birth of a baby girl, Brocha. . . . Danny Weiss comes regularly, but is a bit reluctant at resuming his duties as usher. Is it the fault of the army? . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Adelson upon the wedding of their son Robert to Mildred Finegold.

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