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Sedrah of the Week

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

Chol Hamoed Sabbath

Special Reading

שבת חול המועד

Exodus 33:12-34:26

Righteous—Wicked

13. "NOW THEREFORE, I PRAY THEE, IF I HAVE FOUND GRACE IN THY SIGHT, SHOW ME, NOW THY WAY". Moses wanted to know and to understand why it is that occasionally the righteous suffer and the guilty prosper. It has troubled many a thinking, believing mind.

The Rabbis point out that sometimes the undeserving may obtain happiness by sheer grace effected by prayer, or by the merits of ancestry which are very potent agencies.

Present—Past

23. "AND I WILL TAKE AWAY MINE HAND, AND THOU SHALT SEE MY BACK PARTS; BUT MY FACE SHALL NOT BE SEEN". The Rabbis say G-d is to be understood by His hand which stands for His power in creation and Providence, but when we are eager to see His face which means, when His work is incomplete, our vision is obscured by many an incomprehensible action which may baffle us. Only when we see His "back parts", his action completed, can we have a clear vision of His righteousness and His Providence. When something happens, we frequently cannot understand its significance until the complete picture has been drawn. We often note, after a war, that man WRITES history, and writes it poorly, while G-d in His mercy RIGHTS history and produces for us the silver lining behind the clouds. The last war is an indication of man's poor writing of history and G-d's RIGHTING it to the advantage of Israel. Out of the deadly conflagration there suddenly evolved the revitalization of Israel's hope and the restoration of the Holy Land to our people.

Throughout Israel's history we have been able to sing in chorus with the prophet Isaiah, "This is our G-d, we have hope in Him that He would save us. This is the L--d, we have hoped in Him, let us be glad to rejoice in His Salvation."

HEBREW UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR DISCUSSES NATURAL SCIENCE AND JEWISH CALENDAR

Yeshiva University Presents Professor Abraham A. Fraenkel

Under Auspices Harry Fischel School For Higher Jewish Studies

SOUVENIR ALBUM JUNE 9TH RECEPTION

Tributes are already beginning to be received by the office for the Souvenir Album which will be presented to our director, Mr. Morris Levine for his untiring efforts on behalf of the Synagogue at the Reception scheduled for the evening of June 9, 1946.



Mrs. David H. Ullman

We are fortunate to have as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee Mrs. David H. Ullman. As originality and resourcefulness are Claire Ullman's forte, it becomes a foregone conclusion that we will be regaled with a most attractive program of entertainment in keeping with the spirit of the occasion.

DATE CHANGED

Annual Memorial Services for those whose names are inscribed on the Synagogue Memorial Plaque have been changed to the evening of May 20th at 8:45 P. M.

Never Before . . .

Has The Need Been Greater To Help Our Sorely Oppressed Brethren Abroad

Our Synagogue's annual UJA will be held on the second day of Shevuoth, June 6, 1946.

CONDOLENCE

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of our late friend and benefactor, **Isadore Goldberg**.

On Thursday evening, April 25th, Dr. Abraham A. Fraenkel, an orthodox Jew and internationally recognized authority on mathematics and its philosophy, will deliver in Hebrew, the second of a series of two lectures under the auspices of the Harry Fischel School for Higher Jewish Studies of Yeshiva University.

The lecture will be divided in two parts. Professor Fraenkel will discuss the Jewish calendar and will devote the second part to a discussion of Natural Science as an aid in the study of the Bible. The lecture will begin promptly at 8:15 P. M.

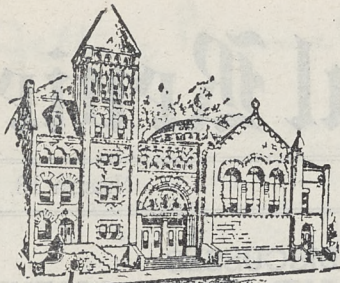
Prior to coming to the Hebrew University, Dr. Fraenkel served as Professor of Mathematics at the University of Kiel, Germany. He is scheduled to lecture at Harvard, Princeton, Yale Universities and at the University of California.

COMMUNITY PROJECT FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

After weeks of careful preparation, we are happy to announce the formation of the Committee on Orthodox Jewish Education of the West Side. The objectives of this Committee will be: to activate our community to the need for Jewish education, to conduct intensive drives and to promote inter-school activities among the constituent groups.

The charter members of the Committee are the rabbis, principals and leading laymen of the following institutions: West Side Institutional Synagogue Talmud Torah, Beth Hillel Hebrew Institute (of the Ohav Zedek Congregation), Jewish Center Talmud Torah, Jewish Community School, Polonies Talmud Torah (of the Spanish - Portuguese Synagogue). Mr. Jacob Kaplan, organizer of the project, is the chairman of the Committee.

The Committee has embarked on an ambitious, worth-while program and merits the cooperation and careful attention of all lovers of Torah on the West Side.



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WHAT ABOUT MY OWN VIENYARD

It is interesting to note that people will offer large contributions of money to institutions all over the world although they have never seen them. It is encouraging to observe the great faith that the masses of the people have in those who make the appeals for these institutions everywhere. Yet it is sad to reflect that whilst the heart throbs sympathetically for institutions everywhere, sometimes those in our very midst are neglected. Right around the corner on West 74th Street, there is "The Jewish Community School," a Yeshiva which represents the progressive growth of the school which was organized in the West Side Institutional Synagogue. This Yeshivah has now over 140 on its register. It has outgrown its present quarters and has bought a building further North. The institution now needs about \$125,000 and calls upon every member of our community to help it purchase its new quarters.

Let us remember the words of King Solomon which we shall read this Sabbath morning,

שמני נטרה את הכרמים

"They made me keeper of the vineyards;
כרמי שלי לא נטרתי

But my own vineyard have I not kept."



248TH COMMANDMENT Ye Shall Not Eat With The Blood By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

I

One may not eat or drink too much in the days of his youth for this leads to stubbornness and rebelliousness and then in turn to murder as our Rabbis say in the Talmud Sanhedrin, "One should not eat so as to spill blood". This comes under the heading of our Commandment, "Ye shall not eat with the blood",

One is not a Ben Sorah Morah, a stubborn, rebellious, incorrigible and gluttonous, riotous liver and drunkard son until he steals from his father and buys meat and wine with the money and eats them outside of his father's home in the company of bad people. He must eat partly

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IT"

AIR PASSAGE

New York To Jerusalem

We hail the announcement of Trans-World Airways (TWA) to inaugurate air service between New York and Jerusalem beginning April 25th. The maiden flight of TWA's Constellation Plane will carry a group of American industrialists and business on the first post-war trade tour of the Holy Land. The plane will leave LaGuardia Field and will complete the flight to Palestine in 36 hours flying time. There will be short stop-overs in Europe.

The cost of the trip by plane will be about \$1450 (including Federal taxes). In Palestine a tentative rate of \$20 per day will cover all expenses, including hotels and trips. The party will spend about 30 days in Palestine, returning about May 27th.

Those interested in making the historic trip should communicate with the Palestine Economic Bureau at once (MU-2-3205). This trip will be limited to only 30 people.

Surely every Jew will be interested in the implications of this new means of approach to the Holy Land. The whole world, including Palestine is fastly becoming one neighborhood.

cooked meat in proportions that show ravenousness and drink beyond the usual amount ordinary people consume. All this leads to murder. Both parents must be willing to have the law imposed upon him for it is written in Deuteronomy, Chapter 21, verse 19, "And they shall say unto the elders of the City, 'This our son is stubborn and rebellious. He does not hearken to our voice. He is a glutton and a drunkard' ". If either one is deformed or crippled or blind or deaf, the son may not be considered as a Ben Sorah Morah. At first the Ben Sorah Morah is to receive stripes. If he does not repent then he receives the death penalty as we read, "And they chastised him" ויסרו אותו which is synonymous with stripes.

This law prevails only in Palestine and only the Sanhedrin made up of at least 23 judges decides this case and refers only to males and not females as females are not accustomed to eat so voluptuously as males or drink so gluttonously. That is why the Bible says Ben Sorah, rebellious SON and not rebellious daughter. The law in regard to the Ben Sorah is similar to that of all people who are put to death by capital punishment.

SERMON CONTEST

YOUTH SABBATH MAY 4TH

The deadline for submitting sermons to be entered in the Youth Sabbath Contest has been set for April 25th. Time is running short.

Entrants are urged to complete their manuscripts.

OMISSION

In extending our condolences to the family of the late YETTA COHEN, we inadvertently omitted Mrs. Minnie Horowitz, sister, of the deceased.

Next Sisterhood Meeting

Will Be Held On

Monday Afternoon, April 29th

at 1:00 P. M.

Park West Memorial Chapel

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YIZKOR

At Yizkor Services which will be held on Tuesday morning, April 23, the last day of Passover, we beseech the Almighty for the repose of the souls of our departed loved ones and say "I now solemnly offer charity for the memory of their souls."

Our prayers for the departed are thus translated into noble deeds of charity.

You may redeem the pledge of your prayer through the attached Form.

YIZKOR SERVICES

On Tuesday, April 23rd, Yizkor services will be recited at our Synagogue in memory of our departed ones. Please fill out the form below and mail to us.

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Mincha6:30 P.M.

Sabbath (Chol Hamoed)

morning9:00 A.M.

Junior Congregation10:00 A.M.

Mr. Isaac Allen's Class5:00 P.M.

Rabbi Lifschitz's Class5:15 P.M.

Rabbi Hurwitz's Class5:15 P.M.

Mincha6:10 P.M.

Sabbath terminates7:13 P.M.

Sunday Morning,

Chol Hamoed6:30, 7:30, 8:15

7th and 8th day of Pesach

Sunday Evening6:30 P.M.

Monday morning9:00 A.M.

Monday evening6:30 P.M.

Tuesday morning8:45 A.M.

Yizkor Services

Tuesday evening6:40 P.M.

DAILY SERVICES

Mornings6:45, 8:00, 8:30

Evenings6:30

COUNTING OF THE OMER

The counting of the Omer begins on the second night of Passover and continues each evening immediately after the appearance of the stars. If one had forgotten to count the Omer the entire night, he should count in the daytime without the benediction, and continue to count thereafter with the benediction.

Before pronouncing the benediction, one should know the number of days to be counted.

During the first 33 days of the Omer, the disciples of Rabbi Akiva died, therefore some rules of mourning are observed — wedding ceremonies and all happy celebrations involving music are postponed.

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CHATS ABOUT W.S.I.S.

By Moris Jablow

The Memorial Tablet installed in our Daily Synagogue about nine years ago met with such great popular approval that it has outgrown the space originally allotted to it.

We have therefore ordered a new Memorial Tablet upon which all the Plaques already reserved will be placed, and appropriate space provided for future demands upon it.

This year, as in the past years, we are arranging for an impressive Memorial service, in memory of all the dear departed, to take place in our Synagogue on Monday evening, May 27, 1946. Invitations to all the members of the family will be mailed in ample time.

You, our readers, will readily understand the reasons why this Tablet was so well received. The placing of a Plaque upon the Memorial Tablet is a dignified and a spiritual way of paying tribute to the cherished memory of those who have gone to their eternal rest.

The members of the family are notified regularly of the date of Yahrzeit for the departed and memorial prayers are offered in our Synagogue four times a year.

Getting Personal

Mazel-Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Wohl on the engagement of their daughter, Shirley to Edgar D. Schraub. . . .

Mazel-Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Michelson (nee Elfenbein), the happy parents of a sweet little girl, Nancy Hermine, born April 1st. Of course the same goes for the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David Elfenbein. What Nachas! . . . Congratulations to Judith Neustadter who has just been admitted to the High School of Science. Judy, you showed promise even as a freshman in our Talmud Torah years ago. . . . Happy birthday to Rabbi Hurwitz and our blessings go to you for life and health until 120. . . . It is good to see Harvey Shapiro and Jack Verschleiser our former T. T. students strutting about Yeshiva University Campus. Are you studying hard fellas? . . . We welcome the following new members to our Congregation: Henry Mallett, William Pechter, Arthur Rapaport, Max Rosenbluth, Phil Sands, David Schiff, Emanuel Stern and S. Sternberg. New members spell additional sources of strength for the Synagogue's program of religious and social service to the Community. We aim to grow and you our readers can help. . . . Congratulations and good wishes to our Director and Mrs. Jess Ward upon their wedding anniversary and to Mr. and Mrs. Harold N. Rich, son-in-law of Mr. Harry Altman, on theirs. Despite national divorce statistics our Synagogue family is doing fine. . . . Birthday greetings to Marilyn Mirken latterly known as Mrs. Mac Cohen. . . . Happy birthday to Howard Cohen on your third birthday and warm regards to your proud grandparents, our Director and Mrs. Morris Steinberg. Haven't seen you lately Morris. . . . Best wishes to Mr. Jacob Kaplan on his ambitious program for the intensification of orthodox religious education in the community. . . . Last but not least happy birthday to Jeffrey Sanders Blankfort. You don't need any social identification Jeffrey. . . . Rabbi Lifschitz gave the Invocation at the Installation Exercises of the "Chaplain Alexander D. Goode Bnai Brith Lodge," held at the McAlpin Hotel. . . . Thank G-d Mr. Segerman is out of the hospital and convalescing at home.

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