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WORLD JEWISH FIGURE TO OCCUPY PULPIT THIS SABBATH MORNING



Rabbi Isaac M. Lewin

This Saturday morning, Rabbi Isaac M. Lewin, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the World Agudath Israel Organization and President in Palestine, will speak on the present critical situation in the Holy Land.

Rabbi Lewin is also the son-in-law of the universally beloved Gerrer Rabbi and Honorary Chairman of the American Religious Palestine Fund.

PALESTINE FROM 1914-1947 AT A GLANCE!

Nov. 5, 1914—The Ottoman empire, of which Palestine was a part, declared war on the Allies.

Nov. 2, 1917—The Balfour Declaration was promulgated.

Dec. 11, 1917—General Allenby entered Jerusalem at the head of the victorious Allied army.

April 25, 1920—The San Remo conference conferred the mandate upon Britain.

Aug. 10, 1920—The Treaty of Sevres, concluding peace between Turkey and the Allies, was signed; Turkey renounced sovereignty over Palestine.

June 3, 1922—The Churchill White Paper was issued, containing the first official interpretation of the Balfour Declaration. The paper established the principle of immigration quotas. It asserted that the Jewish people were in Palestine "as of

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JOSHUA EPSTEIN, RADIO COMMENTATOR, GUEST SPEAKER AT RABBI GOLDSTEIN'S CLASS MONDAY NIGHT

OUR JUNIOR CONGREGATION

Tomorrow's Junior Congregation Services meet at 10 o'clock under the supervision of Mr. Jack Verschleiser. The following will participate: Herman Gold will read the Service; Lawrence Rubin will review the Sidrah of the week; Joseph Moses and Ira Tumpowsky will be the Gabbaim.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Mrs. Samuel Bergman will be hostess to the Women's League Executive Board at their next meeting which will be held at her home, 40 West 77th Street on Monday, January 12.

Coffee will be served promptly at one o'clock and the meeting will follow immediately thereafter.

YOUNG PEOPLE TAKE NOTE

The Junior League continues to meet on Sunday afternoons at 3 o'clock. Young people of the Congregation over 20 are invited to join.

The Young Peoples League, also of young men and women over 20, invites you to a social this Sunday evening, Jan. 11th. On Jan. 18th this group will discuss The topic: "Science and Crime Detection."

The first meeting of a new Youth Group for young people of the ages of 16 to 20 will take place next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Sons and daughters of W.S.I.S., members and their friends are invited.

Boys between 8 and 12 are invited to attend the Sunday Afternoon Play Group sponsored by the Pirchei Agudath Israel. The Social Department has a Play Group for Girls of the same age. Time: 2:00 P.M.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to our beloved Rebbetzin, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein upon the passing of her father, our member,

HARRY FISCHEL

and to Mr. and Mrs. J. Archie Aronauer, upon the loss of their daughter,

JOAN ARONAUER



JOSHUA S. EPSTEIN

"The Jewish State" will be discussed by Mr. Joshua S. Epstein, popular news commentator, this Monday night, January 12. The address will follow Rabbi Goldstein's Class in Jewish Philosophy, which begins promptly at 8:40 P.M.

Mr. Epstein, a native New Yorker, graduated from C.C.N.Y., and received his Hebrew education under our own Rabbi Goldstein. He is active in the advertising field and radio work.

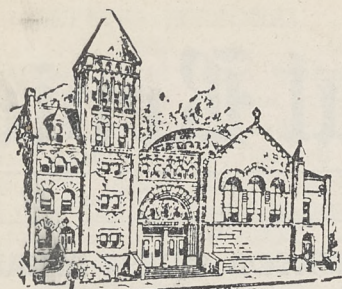
You are cordially invited to join us with your family and friends for a pleasant evening.

RABBI GOLDSTEIN AMONG HONORED RABBIS SAT. NIGHT

A "Melava Malka" will be given in honor of the Midtown Rabbis by the neighboring Yeshivah Chofetz Chaim of Radun which they helped re-establish from abroad. The affair will be held on Saturday night, January 10, at 8:30 o'clock, at Schreiber's Restaurant, 242 West 76th Street.

Our Director, Samuel K. Beier, is Chairman of the Joint Committee representing the Midtown Congregations.

Our readers are cordially invited. A spiritual evening is assured for all.



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HARRY FISCHEL ז"ל

Word has come from the Holy Land that "A prince and a great man hath fallen this day in Israel."

Not only has the loyal family of Harry Fischel lost their crowning patriarch, but **ישראל כבד** the House of Israel will miss its staunch supporter of Torah. If the cause of Torah-true Judaism on the American scene is still in its birthpangs, it is only because more of our brethren did not have the vision of Harry Fischel. If the voice of Torah can be heard in the halls of Yeshivos in our midst, if Orthodoxy commands respect in Jewish Philanthropic and patriotic circles, Harry Fischel has his everlasting share there. He was not only a Maecenas of Torah, but made its observance and study his life's goal.

Last year he realized his greatest dream by settling in Jerusalem on the eve of the reestablishment of the new State in order to participate in its spiritual growth. In every letter to his family he thanked G-d for granting him life to enjoy the blessings that come with Zion. "His life gave joy to his Creator."

O.A.R.



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IT"

308th COMMANDMENT To Rest from Work on the Shevuos Holiday.

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

One is to rest from work on the Shevuos holiday as is written in Leviticus, chapter 23, verse 21, "And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day that it may be a Holy Convocation to you." Whenever the expression, "Holy Convocation" is used in the Bible, it means, as we said previously, that no work shall be done on that day. The purpose of this Commandment is that we are to set aside the holiday for noble thoughts, and for religious study, so that we may be elevated spiritually.

309th COMMANDMENT Not to do any Work on עֲצֵרָה the Concluding Festival.

We are forbidden to do any

THE HOLY LAND 1914-1947

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right and not in sufferance."

June 30, 1922—The United States Congress adopted a joint resolution favoring the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people.

July 24, 1922—The mandate for Palestine was ratified by the League of Nations.

Sept. 29, 1923—The mandate came officially into force.

July, 1937—The Peel Commission presented the first partition plan which envisioned the division of Palestine into an Arab state, comprising about two-thirds of the land, a small Jewish state, and neutral corridors under British rule.

Feb. 8-March 17, 1939—A conference of the British Government with the Jews and Arabs was held in London.

May 17, 1939—The British White Paper on Palestine was issued. It forbade immigration to Palestine after five years.

Dec. 10, 1945—The Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry was established.

work on עֲצֵרָה for it is said in Leviticus, chapter 23, verse 15, "And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the Holy day (first day of Passover) seven complete weeks. Verse 16, "And ye shall number fifty days and ye shall then offer a new meal-offering unto the Lord, and ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day (fiftieth day) that it may be a Holy Convocation unto you." The fiftieth day is always the sixth day of Sivan, for there are fifteen days left in Nissan from Passover, (for the month of Nissan is always a full month of thirty days) and twenty-nine days of Iyar, (for the month of Iyar is always a short month), and the first six days of Sivan total altogether, fifty days. On the fiftieth day the Torah was revealed.

In the Talmud the word Shevuos is not used, but עֲצֵרָה which means the "concluding festival" to Passover. It is also called a "Feast of Weeks," — for seven complete weeks are counted from the second day of Passover up to Shevuos. We have, also, in our commandment here, "That no servile work shall ye do." In other words no **servile** work may be done on the holiday. Cooking and baking are permitted, as we noted similarly, in regard to Passover.

April 30, 1946—The report on the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry was issued.

April 2, 1947—The Palestine problem was placed before the United Nations by Britain.

May 13, 1947—The United Nations Special Committee on Palestine was established by the first special session of the General Assembly.

Aug. 31, 1947—The report of the committee was completed, the majority recommending partition.

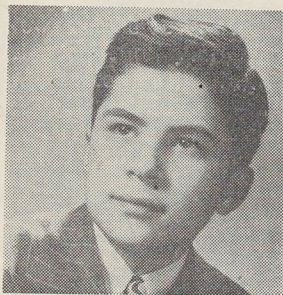
Nov. 29, 1947—United Nations General Assembly voted, 33 to 13, for partition of Palestine.

1948—You may help in the spiritual rebuilding of the Holy Land by contributing to the American Religious Palestine Fund.

Beginning with Saturday, January 3rd, at the suggestion of Rabbi Goldstein, I am keeping my store closed on the Sabbath.

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Michael Silberman

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Modern Jewish History

During the war, the Holy Scriptures were distributed to Jewish members of the Armed Forces of the United States. These pocket-sized Bibles were inscribed by the Commander-in-Chief, Franklin D. Roosevelt, which read in part:

I take pleasure in commending the reading of the Bible to all who serve in the armed forces of the United States. Throughout the centuries men of many faiths and diverse origins have found in the Sacred Book words of wisdom, counsel and inspiration. It is a fountain of strength and now, as always, an aid in attaining the highest aspirations of the human soul.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Rosh Chodesh Shevat—Monday
Light Candles Friday Evening 4:26
Weekly Portion: Vaera
Friday Evening Service 4:35
Friday Evening Young People's
Study Circle 8:15
Rosh Chodesh Bentshen
Saturday Morning Service 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:00
Rabbi Hurwitz's Talmud Class 3:30
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class 3:30
Oneg Shabbos
(Boys and Girls 8-12) 3:30
Mincha Service 4:30
Reader of Torah: Morton Kamerman
Reader of Service .. Judah Gottlieb
The Sabbath Terminates 5:14
Sunday Morning Service 6:45, 8:45
Special Young People's
Service and Breakfast 9:15
Daily Services:
Mornings 6:45, 8:00, 8:30
Monday Morning 6:30, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha 4:40

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OUR Talmud Torah

The following pupils of our school were awarded prizes in an essay contest on the topic, "What Does Shabbos Mean to Me":

Elaine Aibinder, Alice Arsham, Alice Gottlieb, Marilyn Kaftal, Richard Saul and Michael Silberman.

Honorable Mention:

Robert Jaye, Michael Friedman, Sydney Cassell, Edward Behrens, Edward Diamond, Elliot Wohl, Mark Wallach, Lester Hyman, Jay Ball, Charles Lorberbaum, David Weber, Sol Geldzahler and Rhoda Weintraub.

Registration for New Term

If you should like to have your child join our Hebrew School, please do not delay in registering her or him. Call Rabbi Reichel at TR 7-8281, or better still, visit him with your child any afternoon or Sunday morning.

A free moving picture show will be held on Sunday morning, January 18th, at the Stoddard Theatre, 2423 Broadway, for the children of our Hebrew School and their friends.

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