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OUR BELOVED REBBETZIN TO BE HONORED



Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein

As a mark of our affection and admiration for our beloved Rebbetzin, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, our Women's League has decided to dedicate its Annual Luncheon this year to her. This occasion will also serve as a public Welcome Home for our Rebbetzin upon her return from Israel.

We feel confident that every woman in the Congregation will want to come to Pierre's on Dec. 6th to join in paying a most deserved tribute to Mrs. Goldstein, who has been the guiding spirit and inspiration of our organization since its inception.

An unusual program has been arranged for that afternoon and we urge all those who wish to attend to make their reservations at once by mailing their check of \$15 (fifteen dollars) made out to Women's League W.S.I.S., to Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, Luncheon Chairman, 440 West End Ave., SU. 7-5068, or to Mrs. Lester Udell, Luncheon Treasurer, 225 West 86th St., TR. 7-1260.

EXCERPTS FROM DIARY OF MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

(Continued from last week)

*Kibbutz Chofetz Chaim—
Sat. night, June 18, 1949*

We arrived here at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon after a two hour ride from Jerusalem. This was indeed an interesting Shabbos. At fifteen minutes before candle lighting time, a bell was rung, as a reminder, and then it was rung again

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HARRY HERSHFIELD TO BE GUEST SPEAKER FOR MOE OLTARSH NIGHT AT THE W.S.I.S.



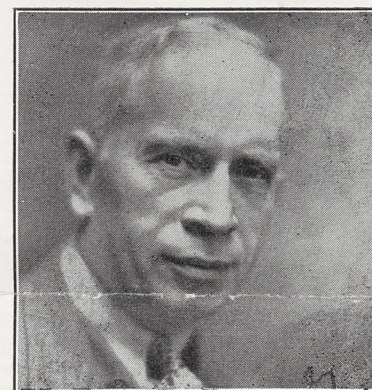
Moe Oltarsh

W.S.I.S. HOMES IN ISRAEL

We are sure that those who were absent last Saturday from Synagogue will be happy to send their contribution in answer to the most stirring appeal of our Rabbis and President for homes for children in Israel. There are about 1700 orphan children of religious parentage now in transit camps in Israel. If homes will be provided for them, the Youth Aliyah will take care of their maintenance. It is therefore incumbent upon all who want these children saved from irreligious and anti-religious influences to provide homes for them. Thus far, in answer to our appeal last Saturday morning, the worshippers subscribed over \$11,000, in sums ranging from ten to one thousand dollars. Mr. Morris Morgenstern is making possible a loan of \$12,000 for a second building. Each one of the buildings will cost \$12,000. Our Congregation is setting an example which we hope other congregations and communities will emulate. Contributors will have their names mentioned in **The Review**.

MRS. SOL BELLSEY, HOSTESS

On Monday afternoon, October 24th, at 12:30 o'clock sharp, Mrs. Sol Bellsey will entertain the entire Executive Board at a Dessert Luncheon at her home. An important meeting will follow.



Harry Hershfield

In recognition of his many years of splendid service as President and active worker of the Men's Club, Mr. Moe Oltarsh will be honored at a gala affair this Monday night, October 24.

Harry Hershfield, celebrated cartoonist, wit, and raconteur, will be the guest speaker of the evening. Mr. Hershfield's innumerable amusing anecdotes highlight the well-known "Can You Top This?" radio program and his weekly newspaper column has further enhanced his reputation.

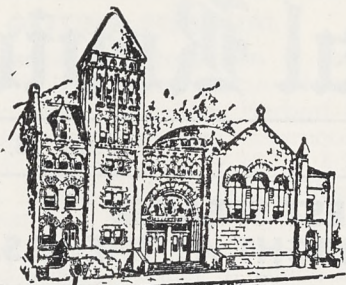
Our own Rabbi Goldstein will speak on behalf of the Synagogue in honoring Mr. Oltarsh. President Max Lazarus of the Men's Club will preside.

Members, wives, and friends are invited to attend. Lavish refreshments will be served. The affair will begin promptly at 8:15 in the Social Hall.

NEW KINDERGARTEN CLASSES FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Besides our Daily Afternoon Kindergarten, a new Sunday Morning Kindergarten class, for boys and girls from the ages of 4 to 6, will begin this Sunday Morning, October 23. It will meet from 11 to 12:30 every Sunday Morning.

For the convenience of our young parents, the **Sabbath Morning Kindergarten** will be resumed tomorrow morning. Children of Kindergarten age meet at 10:30, and are called for by their parents after Services.



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CHASANIM TO BE HOSTS AT "SEUDAH SHLISHIS"

Following our tradition of recent years, the Simchas Torah Chasanim will act as hosts tomorrow afternoon for "Seudah Shlishis" immediately following the Mincha Service. The Chasanim were Albert H. Cohen, Ben Glazer, and President Lester Udell.

The entire congregation is cordially invited to attend. The Mincha Service begins at 3:30 P.M.

YOUTH BREAKFAST AND FORUM TO BEGIN WITH "BANG" SUNDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 30

The W.S.I.S. Youth Groups will once again lead the Sunday Morning Breakfasts this year. All young men and women of high-school and college age are urged to attend the Services and Breakfasts beginning Sunday morning, October 30, at 9:10 o'clock.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of the late

SAMUEL GOLDLUST

May the Almighty comfort them.



366th OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS

**We are not to put Oil on the
Offering of the Sotah**

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We are not to put oil on the offering of the Sotah for as it is written in Numbers, Chapter 5, verse 15, "He shall pour no oil upon it." This is an exception because, in regard to all other meal-offerings, both oil and frankincense are poured upon them. Oil is a symbol of joy, festivity, anointment of the kings, and the high priest. As Philo put it, "They (oil and frankincense) would not har-

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monize with the grievous nature of this occasion." The Sotah's acts were done in secrecy. Therefore, oil which is symbolic of light, must not be included as part of this offering. Furthermore, we may note that this meal-offering consisted of barley and not of wheat, as is usual with meal-offerings. The answer is given in the Talmud in Sotah 2a where Rabbi Gamliel said, That since her conduct is that of a beast (for a beast does not feel itself bound by any marital status), therefore her offering was to consist of that grain which is generally the food for animals. We read in the first book of Kings, Chapter 5, verse 8, "And the barley and the straw, for the horses and the mules."

This law prevailed only in Temple times, and was carried out only when the Sanhedrin of 71 members was in existence. The priest who trespassed this commandment and poured oil upon the meal-offering of the Sotah broke a negative commandment and, after having been warned, received stripes.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN'S DIARY

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when candle lighting time arrived. I lit my candles in the Synagogue and stayed there for the Service. Immediately after services the Synagogue was transformed into a dining-room seating the entire adult population of the kibbutz and many of the children. During the week the children eat separately, but on Shabbos, those parents who wish it (and most of them do) are permitted to have their children eat with them.

Everybody sat down at tables which had nothing on them but a tablecloth. In record time, however, each table was supplied with two rolls for Mohtzie for each man, two bottles of wine, with glasses for kid-dush, and a pile of metal soup plates and flatware, put at one end of the table.

As is the custom in the kibbutz, they quickly took one of each and passed the rest. Next to arrive on each table was a great big bowl of noodle soup. The procedure with this, as with the other courses, was that you helped yourself and then pushed the bowl on to your neighbor. With regard to the platter of sliced salami, which came next, it seemed to be understood that no one was to take more than one slice, and they didn't. So we didn't, either. A bowl of gravy was apparently intended to supplement this meat course, as it could be used for "dunking" purposes with the ample supply of bread which was on the

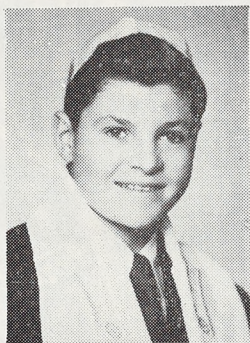
table. A very big bowl of boiled potatoes, and another big container of fresh miniature plums, concluded this meal. The beautiful and plentiful Zemiroth made up for any shortcomings in the meal.

We went to bed right after supper, as it was no longer early by the time we got through. We found the sleeping conditions a little different from what we were accustomed to. The mattresses and pillows were made of straw. I have slept on softer beds, but on harder ones — never! However, the sheets were immaculate and so were the white covers which enclosed the blankets.

On Shabbos morning, services were over at ten o'clock and the Synagogue was once again converted into a dining hall. For breakfast there was on the menu-whole cucumbers, whole tomatoes, scallions —all grown in the kibbutz—quantities of black olives, honey, butter, milk from their own cows, and cake —baked in their own bakery. This was a very filling breakfast so that we weren't too hungry, even though lunch was not served till two o'clock, immediately following Mincha, which they pray here at 1:30.

I entered into conversation with a woman at the lunch table and when I asked her where she came from she extended her arms with a number tattooed on it. I had read about this horrible atrocity committed by the Germans, but the sight of it sent a chill through me.

TOMORROW'S BAR MITZVAH



Harvey L. Lewis

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Lewis upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Harvey Lloyd, which will take place in our Synagogue tomorrow morning.

YOUTH DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Succos Social sponsored by the **Maccabees** was a great success. Mr. Seymour Eskowitz amused the audience with his comedy routines and smooth handling of the M.C. role. The acrobatic team of Brock, Ende, and Karavousanos performed daringly. Helen Hoppenfeld delighted the assemblage as she informed them (musically) that she just could not say "No!" Murray Yavneh and Mannie Fox concluded the entertainment with several beautiful string-music selections. Morris Gottlieb headed the committee that planned the affair.

Beginning this Sunday, the Maccabees will meet every Sunday afternoon at 2 P.M. All high-school students, fifteen years of age and older, are invited to join. The Maccabees open their basketball season by playing the Toreadors on Tuesday evening, October 25, at the gymnasium of the High School of Commerce.

The **Collegiates**, at an executive committee meeting, mapped out an ambitious program for the coming year. It was decided to conduct a Friday Evening Forum and Oneg Shabbat every other week. The first Forum will take place next week, October 28 at 8:30 P.M. Rabbi Preil will discuss: "Jewish Education Faces The Future." Elliot (Buddy) Herskowitz is chairman of the Friday Evening Forums. The Collegiates invite the Maccabees to be their guests at the Forums.

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Youth Congregation 9:15
Junior Congregation 10:30
Sabbath Kindergarten

for Children 2½ to 5 10:30

Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls) 3:30

Mincha Service (Followed by
Chasanim's Seudah Shlishis) 3:30

The Sabbath Terminates 5:37

Sunday Morning Service 6:45, 8:45

Daily Services:

Monday (Rosh Chodesh) ..6:45, 7:50, 8:20

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

Mincha 5:00

Followed by the Explanation of the
Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

YOUTH CONGREGATION
MEETS TOMORROW

Jacob Golden, chairman, announces that the Youth Congregation will resume conducting Services tomorrow morning at 9:15. The members of the Youth Congregation prayed in the Main Synagogue during the Succos Holidays.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

A **Girl Scout Troop** for girls between the ages of 10 and 15 is being organized in our Synagogue. Mrs. Harold Kaplan will serve as Scout Leader. All those who are interested in joining this new Troop are requested to contact the Youth Department. They will then be informed when the organizational meeting will take place.

Mrs. Kaplan is looking for an assistant Leader and may be contacted through the Youth Department office.

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TALMUD TORAH NEWS

A new class for advanced post-Bar Mitzvah boys has been added to the Talmud Torah. Rabbi Preil teaches Bible on Saturday and Tuesday evenings between 7:15 and 8 to these sincere students. If you are interested in joining this class, you should contact the Talmud Torah office immediately. The group also meets Saturday afternoons at 2:30.

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GETTING PERSONAL

Simchas Torah was celebrated in our Synagogue in the traditional lively spirit. The Women's League, with the cooperation of Mrs. Bernard Lax of Marlon Candies, and Julius Citron, provided the hundreds of children at "Hakofos" with flags and goodies. . . . Harry Cohen, Harold Kaplan, Al Kirsh, Irving Kobrin, and Frank Taks rendered yeoman service in helping in the distribution of Hakofos. . . . **Thanks** to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Glaser for the beautiful flowers that adorned our Succah; to Joseph Schmeidler for the fine fruit; to Mrs. Aaron Wartels and Mr. H. Weisenfeld for their contribution of delicious wine. . . . Our Succah served a unique purpose when the **Pidyan Haben** of Rashi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Glazer, was celebrated in it, on Hoshano Rabba. . . . **Congratulations** to Leon Spanier upon becoming a grandpa again. . . . Those who saw the unusual "Yom Kippur" Television Program of "The Goldbergs" will be interested to know that our own Mr. Morris Jablow was consulted by NBC in its preparation. In a letter received by Mr. Jablow the other day, Gertrude Berg writes: "For your part in making our Yom Kippur show the success it was, my profound appreciation". . . . **Happy birthday** greetings to Judith Bernstein, Allen Fox, Mrs. Harold Kaplan, Mrs. Jack Levine, Mrs. Joshua Levine, Mrs. A. Rosett, our Vice-President Samuel W. Siegel, Lois Jane Ullman, and Mrs. Michael Weingarten. . . . **Anniversary Greetings** to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bayer and Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Lunitz. . . . **"The Denazification of Germany,"** a television broadcast sponsored by the American Jewish Congress, will be shown in the Social Hall on Tuesday night, October 25, from 9:30-10. This is in addition to the regular Tuesday night **Television**, of course. . . .

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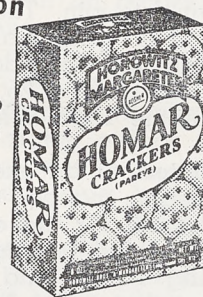
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