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THE MONEY WHICH WE CONTRIBUTE TO THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL . . .

helps in the first place to meet the immediate needs of the immigrants who are in Israel now, and also the 150,000 newcomers of this year. The government must feed, clothe and shelter the destitute immigrants, provide medical treatments for the sick, care for the widows and orphaned, aid the crippled, the blind, and mentally disturbed, etc.

Israel has three budgets. The first is the ordinary budget of \$112,000,000. This is balanced by means of extraordinarily heavy taxation. Anybody with an income of \$4,400 above modest exemption is in the 80% tax bracket. The second is the unrevealed budget for Defense. The third budget for relief, resettlement and absorption of immigrants is the biggest of all totaling \$154,000,000. This amount was needed by the government over and above the sums that reached Israel from American Jewry.

Our congregation has pledged itself to help the United Jewish Appeal so that all our members and worshippers give according to their financial ability.

Your contribution will help to save lives. Time is of the essence. Take your pen in hand and join the ranks of the life savers.

JACOB KAPLAN, Chairman.

WE HOPE THE WHOLE FAMILY WILL BE PRESENT AT THE W.S.I.S. YOUTH SABBATH SERVICES, MAY 13th

MEN'S CLUB MEETING MONDAY, MAY 15th ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers will take place at the next meeting of the Men's Club this Monday evening, May 15th at 8:30 P.M. The following are the candidates:

President Frank L. Taks
First Vice-Pres., Maurice Greenstein
Second Vice-Pres. Isidore Lauer
Harry Cohen
Treasurer Irving Kobrin
Financial Sec'y Louis Reisman
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Sergeant-at-Arms Alexander Kirsh

All of the members are invited to attend.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE CLOSING LUNCHEON, MONDAY, MAY 15th AT 12 O'CLOCK

Mrs. Harry Ward, President of our Women's League, cordially invites all the women of our Congregation, and their friends, to attend the closing function of the Season.

It will take the form of a Luncheon which is to be held at our Building on Monday, May 15th at 12 o'clock.

The Luncheon will be followed by an Afternoon of Games.

There will be no admission charge.



David Beier

This Sabbath will be dedicated to the young people of our Congregation. They will conduct the complete services tonight and tomorrow morning.

David Beier, a student at Stuyvesant High School, will preach the Sabbath morning Sermon. Marshall Gertner will preach the Sermon at Mincha.

Friday evening services will be conducted by Jason Jacobowitz. Samuel Ward will start the Sabbath morning Service with the "Pesukay Dezimra" and Hershel Gold will be the chazan for Shachris. Judah Gottlieb and Murray Yavneh will conduct the closing morning service (Musaf). The Sedra of the week will be read by David Beier, Marshall Gertner, Hershel Gold, Gideon Goldman, Jason Jacobowitz Norman Kamerman, Jay Kobrin, Laurence Kobrin, Leisha Langer, Herbert Perlman, George Rosinger, Martin Sage,

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HAVE YOU ANSWERED THE CALL?

Last week our readers were urged by our beloved president, Mr. Lester Udell, to participate in honoring Mr. Harold Kaplan, by inserting a complimentary ad in this year's Bar Mitzvah Souvenir Album. We hope that you have already responded or are expecting to do so in the

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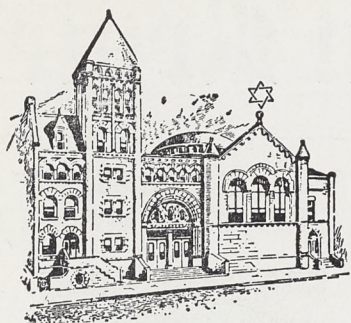
WOMEN'S LEAGUE TO BE HOSTESSES AT SHEVUOTH GATHERING

Wednesday Afternoon, May 17th

In accordance with their annual custom, our Women's League will be hostesses to the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America at their Shevuoth gathering which will be held at our building on Wednesday afternoon, May 17th at 2 o'clock. A very interesting program has been prepared.

The guest speaker on this occasion will be Rabbi O. Asher Reichel.

All the women of our Synagogue are cordially invited to be present.



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A RECURRING PROBLEM

The Jewish festival of Shevuoth will fall on school days, Monday and Tuesday, May 22 and 23 this season.

Whilst this is no problem to students of the Jewish All Day Schools and Yeshivoth, the vast majority of Jewish youth, who attend secular schools, will have to absent themselves these two days.

Students should bring to the attention of the school authorities (who are usually not familiar with Judaism) **well in advance** that there are many students of the Jewish faith—in some classes a majority—who should not be penalized by missing examinations and "special" lectures, because they cannot attend school or write on Biblical Festivals. If necessary, do not hesitate to call upon your rabbi to assist you.

Our young people must realize that this situation, serious as it may be, is but one of the many challenges in life that they will have to face as Jews. They should grasp this as another opportunity they have as loyal Americans to establish their rights to Freedom of Religion, one of the cornerstones of our great country. O. A. R.



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392nd OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS "To Redeem the First Born Male." By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein II

The following represents the service at the redemption of the first born. The father, presenting the child to the Cohen, makes the following declaration, "This, my first born son is the first born of his mother, and the Holy One, blessed be He, hath given command to redeem him" as it is said, "And those that are to be redeemed of them from a month old shalt thou redeem according to thine estimation for the money of five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary," as it is said, "Sanctify unto Me all the first born, whatsoever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and of beast, it is Mine."

The father then places before the Cohen five silver shekels, (dollars) and the Cohen asks, "Which wouldst thou rather, give me, thy first born son, the first born of his mother, or redeem him for five shekels, which thou art bound to give according to the Torah?" The father replies, "I desire rather to redeem my son, and here thou hast the value of his redemption, which I am bound to give according to the To-

rah." The Cohen receives the redemption money, and returns the child to his father, whereupon the latter says the "Shehecheyanu", "Blessed art Thou, L-rd our G-d, Sovereign of the Universe, who hast kept us in life, and hast preserved us and enabled us to reach this season." The Cohen then takes the redemption money, and holding it over the head of the child says, "This is instead of that, this in commutation for that, this in remission for that. May this child enter into life, into the Law and the Fear of Heaven. May it be G-d's will, that even as he has been admitted to redemption, so may he enter into the study of the Torah, the nuptial canopy, and good deeds. Amen." The Cohen places his hand upon the head of the child, and pronounces the benediction. "May G-d make thee as Ephraim and Menasheh. May the L-rd bless thee, and keep thee. May the L-rd make His face shine unto thee, and be gracious unto thee. May the L-rd turn His face unto thee and give thee peace." The L-rd is thy guardian; the L-rd is thy protection upon thy right hand. For length of days and years of life and peace shall they add to thee. The L-rd shall guard thee from all evil; He shall guard thy soul. Amen."

This law prevails at all times and in all places. The woman is not obliged to redeem her son. For the same reason, the child of a Cohen or of a Levite or if the mother is of a Cohen or Levite family, does not have to be redeemed, because they are not redeemed. One who trespasses this law and has not redeemed his son, has broken a positive commandment.

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ARTS AND CRAFTS

Spurred on by the success of their Passover project, the Arts and Crafts group reaches the final part of the season in high spirits.

This active group meets every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon from 3:10 until 4:30 under the guidance of Miss Ruth Kranz. Youngsters of elementary school age are invited to join.

PIONEERS AND GIRLS GROUP TO HAVE OUTING THIS SUNDAY

The Pioneers and corresponding age Girls Group will have an outing this Sunday morning. They will meet in front of the Synagogue at 11:15 o'clock. The groups intend to hike in New Jersey.

All boys and girls in their first two years of High School (15 year age level) are invited to join these groups.

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EXCERPTS FROM LAST SUMMER'S DIARY OF MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

We stopped to pay a short visit at the Poale Mizrahi Kibbutz — YAVNEH. This seems to be a highly successful and unusually well developed Kibbutz. It has acres and acres of well cultivated grounds, quantities of fruits, vegetables and flowers, everything plentiful and colorful. It boasted of 250 children, 250 adults, 8,000 chickens and 150 cows. A new synagogue is in the process of erection.

In one section of this Kibbutz stands a memorial to the late Rabbi Meir Berlin. It was a dream of this great leader and scholar, of blessed memory, that a Yeshivah should be erected at Yavneh, where the famous Yeshivah was, in the olden days. As a tribute to Rabbi Berlin the Mizrahi organization erected a beautiful building which looks like a temple with many domes and cupolas. However, the project itself, of conducting a Yeshiva there, was never carried through. It is temporarily being used to fill the urgent need for Youth Aliyah children.

Although we were urged to stay on at Kibbutz-Yavneh, we had to rush away as Dad was expected at the Agudah Kibbutz Kohmemieyut, where a reception was to be given in his honor on the occasion of the presentation of two Scrolls of the Law by the Zeirei Agudah of New York.

The ceremony began with a Rabbi carrying the two Torahs, standing under a CHUPPAH. All the children in the Kibbutz marched, two by two, around the Chuppah. Then they made a large circle and danced around the Chuppah. There were many speeches, all in Hebrew, including one by Dad.

Kibbutz KOHMEMIEYUT was host to ninety children from different parts of Israel for a six weeks summer camp. The prize children from different Talmud Torahs are chosen to attend the summer camps. If they are poor, they don't have to pay anything. If they can afford it, they are charged a nominal amount.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Count 41 days in Omer tonight

Light Candles Friday Evening up to 7:42

Weekly Portion: Behar-Bechokosei

5th Perek—Sayings of Fathers

(Those who follow our Synagogue Calendar and usher in the Sabbath at our Services should light their candles before our Mincha Services).

Friday Evening Service6:30

Saturday Morning Services9:00

Rosh Chodesh (Sivan) Benshen

Junior Congregation10:30

Sabbath Kindergarten10:30

Oneg Shabbos (Girls)3:45

Rabbi Hurwitz's Talmud Class6:45

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class6:45

Mincha Service7:45

The Sabbath Terminates8:38

Sunday Morning Service6:45, 8:30, 9:00

Daily Services:

Mornings6:45, 8:00, 8:30

Wednesday morning

(Rosh Chodesh)6:30, 7:50, 8:20

Mincha8:00

Followed by the Explanation of the

Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Reichel.

This Week's Daily Bible Readings:

Sat.May 13 Judges, Chapter 19 ☐

Sun.May 14 " " 20 ☐

Mon.May 15 " " 21 ☐

Tues.May 16 Samuel I " 1 ☐

Wed.May 17 " " 2 ☐

Thurs.May 18 " " 3 ☐

Fri.May 19 " " 4 ☐

MR. AND MRS. LEAGUE NOTES

Another round table meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. League will take place at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lionel Rebhun, 26 West 74th St., Wednesday evening, May 17th at 8:30 o'clock. All young married couples are urged to attend this session.

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GETTING PERSONAL

We welcome into our Congregational family the following new members: Miss Sylvia Benson, George Eiberson, Abraham M. Grossman, Clarence Lieberman, Morris L. Martz, Mortimer J. Propp, and Charles Subin. . . . **Mazel Tov** to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Golden who joined the grandparents parade. Congratulations to their children, the H. Donn Goldens. . . . **Welcome home** to Director Joseph Shapiro from Israel, and Rev. Chaim Shapiro from Florida. . . . A **refuah shalemah** to our Director Moses Langer and to our member, Charles Sabin, and to Mrs. Bernard Appel. . . . We **felicitate** Laurence Kobrin who was admitted to Columbia College. Keep it up, Laurence! . . . **Happy Birthday** to Harry Ackerman, Mrs. Joseph Anderson, Mrs. Meta Bayer, Mrs. Saul Bergman, Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein, Mrs. Frances Cohen, Roger Fox, Susan Jane Goldsmith, and Stephen Ira Greenman. . . . **Anniversary Greetings** to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ackerman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Altman, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. I. Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Greenfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Jaffin. . . . As we go to press, we **congratulate** Mr. and Mrs. Isak Haselkorn upon the birth of Anna K. to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hoffman.

W.S.I.S. YOUTH SABBATH

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Harvey Shapiro, Michael Silberman, Arthur Udell, Jack Verschleiser, Samuel Ward, and Jack Wohl. Murray Yavneh will read the Haftorah. The prayer for the Government will be given by Morty Cohen. The ushering staff is to be led by Marshall Gerntner and Herbert Perlman and will include Elliot Herskowitz, Bernard Israel, Ned Kirsh, Eli Pretner, Arthur Rosett and David Weisenfeld. Jacob Golden and Samuel Ward will be the gabboim. At Mincha, Harvey Shapiro will read the services, and Aaron Tomares will read the Torah.

After the services the young people will meet at a reception at which girls of our youth groups will act as hostesses. On the committee with Cecile Censor and Helen Hoppenfeld are: Judy Beier, Annette Burkos, Sondra Goodman, Monica Jaksohn, Judy Neustadter, Elsie Oelberger, Roberta Rapaport, Michele Siegel, Fannie Steinmetz and Maxine Udell.

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