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WORLD ACADEMY FOR HIGHER JEWISH STUDIES FORMED IN JERUSALEM

NEW YORK (WNS)—Formation of a world academy for higher Jewish learning, to be known as "The United Research Institutions for Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem," the result of a merger of four institutions of higher Jewish studies now functioning in the Holy City, was announced here by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein on the basis of a cabled report he just received from Moshe Shapira, Cabinet Minister of the Interior in Israel.

The union of the four institutions was effected at the recommendation of Israel's Chief Rabbi, Dr. Isaac Halevy Herzog. The merged institutions are: The **Mishpat HaTorah**, school for the preparation of religious judges in Israel; the **Encyclopedia Talmudit**, a research institution for the creation of an Encyclopedia of Jewish Law; the **Shaas Israeli**, an institution for the publication of a critical edition of the Talmud, representing the highest form of Jewish scholarship, and **Chakikah**, a research institute in Jewish Law as a basis for the formulation and development of the future laws for Israel. Until now, these institutions functioned under the Merkaz Olami Shel Mizrahi and the Harry Fischel Institute for Research in Talmud. The new body will function with Chief Rabbi Dr. Herzog of Jerusalem as president and with Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, of New York City, as chairman of a Board of Trustees which is to be composed of seventy-one leading Jews from all over the world.

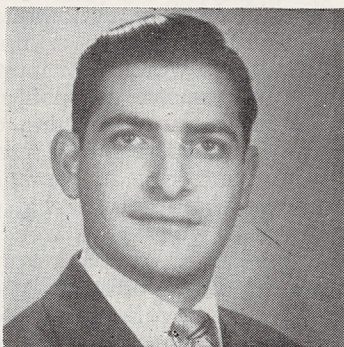
On accepting the post, Rabbi Goldstein, president of the Harry Fischel Foundation, declared; "We are now embarking upon a historic and monumental undertaking that will focus the attention of the world,

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OUR THEATRE BENEFIT "GUYS AND DOLLS" JAN. 31

A limited number of seats in the rear orchestra and boxes are still available. The time is short and the demand is great. Please call our office, TR. 7-8281 for further information.

W.S.I.S. SENIOR LEAGUE



Dr. Arnold Jacobs

Dr. Arnold Jacobs, President of the Senior League of the W.S.I.S., cordially invites all young people over the age of 20 to attend an Open Social Meeting on Sunday, January 14th at 7:30 P.M. The groups activities are social, cultural and philanthropic. For further information, please call the Social Department.

MEN'S CLUB NOTES

Mr. Frank L. Taks, President of the Men's Club, urges all members to attend a regular business meeting this Monday, January 15 at 8:30 P.M. Refreshments and social hour will follow the meeting.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE THRIFT SALE

How about sending those clothes in your closets which you can no longer use, or superfluous articles around the house which you would like to discard, to our THRIFT SALE.

If you can not bring it phone Mrs. Jules Shaftan, Thrift Sale Chairman, TR. 7-8281, and she will call for your package. Co-Chairmen, Mrs. Sol Bellsey and Mrs. Max Koch.

RABBI KASHER TO SPEAK AT THE SEUDA SHLISHIT

At the Seuda tomorrow afternoon following the Mincha service, Rabbi Menachem M. Kasher will speak on "Two Thousand Years of Bible Study." Rabbi Kasher is the author of the "Torah Shlaymah", Biblical Encyclopedia. He has recently returned from a scholarly tour of the libraries of Israel and Europe where he discovered many unpublished manuscripts on the Bible.

Director and Mrs. Max Moskowitz will be the hosts this Saturday in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Make the Synagogue your home every Saturday afternoon for Jewish study, fellowship and prayers.

NEW CLASSES TO OPEN FOR BEGINNERS IN OUR TALMUD TORAH FEB. 4

Call Our Office For Free Tickets For Your Children To Our "Punch and Judy" Show and Enrollment Rally on Sunday Afternoon, January 14.

It is your sacred responsibility to provide your sons and daughters with a Jewish education. If you want your children to be well adjusted and happy citizens of tomorrow, enroll them in our Talmud Torah.

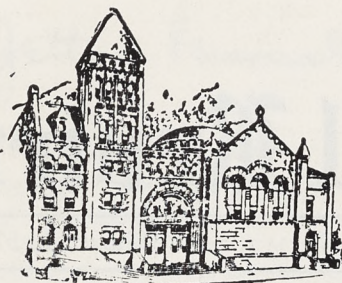
Many interesting extra-curricular social and recreational activities are conducted in our schools.

Partial and full scholarships are available.

Remember: **An informed Jew is a better American.** Do not delay—Register your children today for Kindergarten through High School age.

Spring term begins Sunday, February 4th.

Special beginners classes will be organized for the 6 and 7 year old level and for over 8 year olds. If you are interested, please contact our Talmud Torah office immediately.



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RABBI GOLDSTEIN CALLS FOR TEFILLIN FOR REFUGEES IN ISRAEL

To my beloved Congregants:

I have been requested by the former Secretary of the Chief Rabbi of Israel to collect Tefillin for the refugees in Israel.

He has suggested that Tefillin of deceased Jews be donated by their families for immigrants in Israel, or that they provide a pair in memory of the deceased. Ten dollars (\$10) which would cover the cost of a pair, would at the same time, give employment to the religious scribes in Israel.

All those interested may send their Tefillin or check to my Study at the West Side Institutional Synagogue, 120-138 West 76th Street, New York 23, N. Y. or to the Synagogue Council of America, 110 West 42nd Street.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN,

Chairman Religious Observance
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Blessed Be He, Is The Fashioner
And Master Of The Whole
Universe And Is One.

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

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Polytheism. This sublime pronouncement of absolute monotheism was a declaration of war against all polytheism, the worship of many deities, and paganism, the deification of any finite thing or being or natural force. It scornfully rejected the star-cults and demon worship of Babylonia, the animal worship of Egypt, the nature worship of Greece, the Emperor worship of Rome. Polytheism breaks the moral unity of man, and involves a variety of moral standards; that is to say, no standard at all. The study of Comparative Religion clearly shows that, in polytheism, "side by side with a High G-d of Justice and Truth, the cults of a goddess of sensual love, a god of intoxicating drink, might be maintained" (Farnell). Despite the love of beauty that characterized the Greeks, and despite their iridescent minds, they remained barbarians religiously and morally; and

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with regard to higher Jewish learning, upon the Holy City of Jerusalem. One of the vital problems facing Jewry in Israel today—which may also be of decisive impact on the Jewry of America—is the matter in which Jewish law is to be integrated into the life and thought of the new State. The restoration of Jewish Law to Zion, enshrining as it does divine wisdom, has been viewed, at all times of the exile, as the capstone in the process of national redemption. The United Research Institutions in Jerusalem will be Jewry's World Academy for Higher Jewish Learning."

The union of the four institutions was hailed here by Leon Gellman,

their race was held up by their pupils, the Romans of Imperial days as the prototype of everything that was mendacious, cruel, grasping and unjust. The fruit of Greek heathen teaching is, in fact, best seen in the horrors of the arena, the wholesale crucifixions, and the unspeakable bestialities of these same pupils, the Romans of Imperial days.

Quite other were the works of Hebrew Monotheism. Its preaching of the One, Omnipotent G-d liberated man from slavery to nature; from all creatures of man's infantile or diseased imagination. And that One G-d is One, who "is sanctified by righteousness". There may have been independent recognition of the unity of the Divine nature among some peoples; e.g. the unitary sun-cult of Ikhnaton in Egypt, or some faint glimpses of it in ancient Babylon. But in neither of these systems of worship was it essentially ethical, completely transfused with the Moral Law, and holding moral conduct to be the beginning and end of the religious life. Likewise, moral thinking and moral practices had indeed existed from immemorial times everywhere; but the sublime idea that morality is something Divine, spiritual in its inmost essence—this is the distinctive teaching of the Hebrew Scriptures. In Hebrew monotheism, ethical values are not only the highest of human values, but exclusively the only values of eternal worth. "There is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee," exclaims the Hebrew Psalmist. These words are but a poetic translation of the Shmah in terms of religious experience.

president of the Executive Committee of World Mizrahi, who decalred upon the signing of the articles of merger that the new institution was affording Jewry "a marvelous opportunity to develop and broaden its Torah literary creations." Jewry and, indeed, all mankind, he asserted, will be benefited by the United Research Institutions in Jerusalem whose function will be the dissemination of the message of Jewish contributions to civilization. "We hope to be able to say with the Prophet that 'from Zion shall come forth the Law and the word of G-d from Jerusalem'." he concluded.

FOR INFORMATION

about one grave or a plot in our Memorial Park at Mt. Eden Cemetery, telephone our office.

Bus Service for our Kindergarten

Parents who have been unable to send their children to our Kindergarten because of the transportation problem will be glad to learn that arrangements are being made for a bus service at a nominal monthly rate. For further information please contact our Kindergarten office.

TALMUD TORAH NOTES

Report cards have been distributed to our pupils. The parents are requested to study the comments of the teachers and to acknowledge them.

During the winter vacation our G. O. sponsored a series of tournaments in the Game Room including ping pong, checkers, chess and table games.

Our Talmud Torah Library is growing in popularity amongst our pupils. We have very interesting books, but we can still use more. Can you spare any?

On Thursday, Jan. 25, the Talmud Torah students will visit the Jewish Museum to see the special Israeli exhibit.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE CONTRIBUTES TOWARDS COST OF SOUND PROJECTOR TO THE SYNAGOGUE

The Women's League contributed one-half of the cost of a Bell & Howell sound projector.

This is a valuable addition to the many facilities which our Institution provides for the entertainment and enlightenment of the young people of our Synagogue, through our Social Department.

A sound projector will also be of great service to our Talmud Torah which will now be able to take advantage of the audio-visual aids which are so highly recommended by modern educators.

Parents Invited to Lox and Bagel Club Breakfast On Sunday Morning, Feb. 4

The Sunday Morning Youth and Breakfast sponsored by the Men's Club will be resumed beginning with the first Sunday morning in February. Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Taks will be the hosts in honor of their fathers' Yahrzeit.

At this occasion parents of our young people are invited to accompany their children to the services as well as the breakfast that will follow. An interesting program will be announced including a presentation of our Talmud Torah Choir.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

(Light Candles Friday Evening 4:29	
Weekly Portion: Boh	
Friday evening Service	4:40
Saturday Morning Services	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:30
Participants: Manny Schnur, Elliot Wohl, Joseph Moses	
Sabbath Kindergarten	
for Children 4 to 6	10:30
Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Class	3:05
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	3:05
Mincha	4:05
Reader of Torah: Aaron Tomares	
Reader of Service: David Beier	
Followed by the Seuda	
The Sabbath Terminates	5:17
Daily Services:	
Mornings	6:45, 8:00, 8:30
Mincha	4:45
Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein.	

Dates to Remember

Sunday night, January 21	
Mr. and Mrs. League Evening	
Film: "Preface to Life"; Elections;	
Weenie Roast	
Tuesday night, January 30	
PTA Meeting	
Film, Plans for Purim Carnival	
and Library	
Sunday night, February 25	
Annual Concert of our Cantor	
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"ALL ABOUT ISRAEL"

Every Sunday morning at 11:00 A.M. Miss Chana Fuss conducts a class on "All about Israel". Registration for this class is open to all girls, 13 years and older.

This Week's Bible Reading

Sat.Jan. 13—Isaiah, Chapter 49	☐
Sun.Jan. 14— " " 50	☐
Mon.Jan. 15— " " 51	☐
Tues.Jan. 16— " " 52	☐
Wed.Jan. 17— " " 53	☐
Thurs.Jan. 18— " " 54	☐
Fri.Jan. 19— " " 55	☐

EDITOR'S NOTE: For the benefit of our readers who have not kept up with our Bible schedule, may we suggest you start with this week's list. Better late than later!

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STAMP CLUB

We take pleasure in announcing that a Stamp Club is being formed at the WSIS. Our member, Mr. Alexander Kirsh has volunteered to supervise the group. Meetings will take place every Monday night at 7:30 P.M. promptly and membership is open to young and old. Mr. Kirsh donated a set of stamp catalogues and various stamp magazines for the use of the group.

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GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

The North won the Civil War, but in recent years during the winter solistices it has been the wont of the Southland to rise up in all its majesty and wreak a terrible vengeance upon our shivering northern brethren and carry them off into the so-called land of chivalry and mint-juleps. The most recent captives from our Congregation are Director Edward Jacobs, Director and Mrs. Harry Merkin, and Arthur Udell, who not only rejoice in their captivity but would have us give up the fight, leave our northern battle stations, and join them in sopping up the delicious Florida surf (turf is out) and sunshine. For the nonce, our journalistic attention has been diverted from the Southland to Japan, from where we were happy to hear from our Mr. Ludwig Jesselson who wrote: "best regards from a very interesting trip around the world." We were indeed delighted to greet him back in our midst in person last Saturday as well. We were genuinely thrilled to have back with us at our last Shabbos morning service our beloved Rebbitzen, Mrs. Herbert Goldstein, who thank G-d has recovered slightly from a recent illness. Rabbi Sidney Greenwald will read the Torah at tomorrow morning's Shabbos service. Another prospective member for W.S.I.S., Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shulster upon the birth of a beautiful bouncing baby girl (can't help it if all our babies are beautiful and bounce). Our heartiest congratulations and best wishes to Joel, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Burstein, upon his marriage in Israel to Evelyn Friedland; upon their **Wedding Anniversaries** to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kobrin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wohl; and upon their **birthdays** to Liba Amin, Louis J. Buch, Mrs. Louis Davis, Mordecai Feuerstein, Philip Gertner, Aaron Solomon Gertz, Harvey Robert Gross, Nathan K. Gross, Carol Maya Mirken, Max Rosenfeld, Mrs. Edgar Schraub, Susan Hope Schraub, Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, Mrs. Bertha Warshauer, Edward Weinstein. . . Our prayers for Rae Breiterman for a speedy return to good health. . . Cantor Jacob Goldstein from London was the guest speaker at the opening Seuda Shlishith last Saturday afternoon. . . Note to our West-Coasters: Director and Mrs. Harry Appel heading your way. We wish them a pleasant stay.

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