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EXCERPTS FROM THE DIARY OF MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN FROM ISRAEL, 5710 - 1950

Thursday, June 29th, 1950

Our weekly date with the Moskowitzes in Tel Aviv, yesterday, had as the main item on our agenda, a visit to Rosh Haayin. This is a refugee transit camp approximately an hour's ride from Tel Aviv, which, at the present time, is housing 15,000 refugees—all Yemenites. These refugees arrived in such large numbers, at one time, that there was no other way of housing them except in tents, of which there are thousands in this one Camp. These tents are quite large and each one accommodates several families, with many children, so that there is not even a semblance of privacy. As for quiet—that is out of the question and if their nerves are not shattered to pieces, it is little short of a miracle. The majority of the men and women were squatting on the ground, outside of their tents, with their feet crossed, under them. Long lines of children were standing in front of the several barracks which contained the dining rooms.

Food supplies distributed to families, in immigrant camps, are the same as the rations given to everyone in Israel, though extra rations are supplied for children, in some camps. Inquiries made recently revealed that in the Yemenite camps, particularly at Rosh Haayin (where we were yesterday), the head of the family had usually eaten the most nourishing foods, such as meat and eggs before passing the remainder to his wife. She picked the starchy food, leaving what remained, for the children. For that reason it was decided some time ago to feed the children separately, in large dining halls. In another refugee camp — Pardessia, where the children had been fed separately, they gained about 10 lbs. in two months.

Since this is a young country, building, particularly for the future, an abnormal amount of care and

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FIRST SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER

Mrs. Harry Ward, President of the Women's League, and Mr. Frank L. Taks, President of the Men's Club, invite all men and women of the congregation to the first Social Get-Together on Sunday, February 11th at 8:00 P.M. The Committee headed by Mrs. Al Braff and Mr. H. William Hirsch, has arranged an entertainment packed program including, an outstanding professional orchestra and square dancing, plus delicious refreshments. Subscription is \$1.50 per person. Please notify the Synagogue office that you will attend.

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HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! New Classes to Open for Beginners in our Talmud Torah This Sunday Morning

We salute the parents in our community who are taking advantage of our facilities and are enrolling their children in the special beginners' classes which will open this Sunday morning.

We urge our readers to bring this notice to the attention of their relatives and neighbors who have children between the ages of 5½ and 12 years who do not attend any Talmud Torah as yet.

There will be three groups on three age levels, including a Sunday morning session for children 5½ to 6½.

Jewish knowledge will be combined with play and group activities including arts and crafts, group singing, etc.

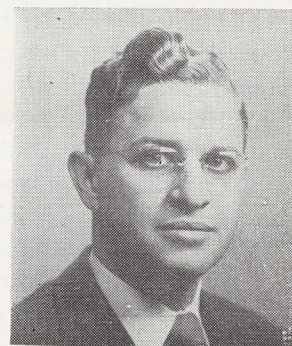
MR. AND MRS. LEAGUE ELECTS NEW OFFICERS Pre-Purim Gathering and Installation, Sunday Evening, February 18th



Dr. Gustave Oremland

At the last meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. League the following officers were elected for the coming year: Dr. Gustave Oremland, Pres.; Herbert Rudnick, 1st Vice President; Leon Kantrowitz, 2nd Vice President; Mrs. Louis Wexler, Treas.

The new officers will be installed at a special ceremony on Sunday evening, February 18th, when they will take over the duties of the pres-



Dr. Lionel E. Rebhun

ent officers headed by Dr. Lionel E. Rebhun and including Seymour Silberstein, Mrs. Herbert Rudnick and Mrs. Leon Kantrowitz.

We look forward with great interest to the future activities of the Mr. and Mrs. League and trust that the young married couples of our congregation will make this group their own.



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YESHIVA UNIVERSITY CHARTER CHARTER FOR MEDICAL DENTAL SCHOOLS

The first medical school to be established in New York City in fifty-two years has been chartered by the State Board of Regents, authorizing Yeshiva University to open a Medical and Dental School.

"Yeshiva University will now move ahead with its plans to open the first Medical School, in the entire world excluding Israel, under Jewish auspices," said Rabbi Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva University.

Excerpts from the Diary

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attention is given to children. Thus we were not surprised when we saw one bright spot in the well-nigh completely dark picture, at Rosh Ha-ayin. In part of the camp was a large inviting-looking house. The ground in front of it was landscaped with a mass of multi-colored flowers. On the porch was a long row of cribs, and nurses, in immaculate uniforms, were hovering back and forth—Yes, this was the nursery.



"AS
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IT"

417th OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS

**To Declare That The Holy One,
Blessed Be He, Is the Fashioner of
The Whole Universe and Is One.**

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

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Conclusion. 'It was undeniably a stroke of true religious genius—a veritable prompting by the Holy Spirit, — רוח הקודש — to select as Prof. Steinthal reminds us, out of the 4,875 verses of the Pentateuch this one verse, שמע ישראל ה' אחד.

'Hear, O Israel, the L-rd our G-d, the L-rd is ONE', (Deut. VI, 4) as the inscription for Israel's banner of victory. Throughout the entire realm of literature, secular or sacred, there is probably no utterance to be found that can be compared in its intrinsic intellectual and spiritual force, or in the influence it exerted upon the whole thinking and feeling of civilized mankind, with the six words which have become the battle-cry of the Jewish people for more than twenty-five centuries' (Kohler).

The laws of this commandment are that if we are persuaded or forced to deny G-d or to serve idols or to serve any other being, one is to allow himself to be slain rather than to deny the unity of G-d.

SCOUT NEWS

The Scouting Program of W.S.I.S. at the mid-season mark shows an increase of activities as well as steady progress. The 4 dens of Cub Pack #530 (boys between 8 and 12) competed in Indian War Games at their last meeting on January 24th. Dens 1 and 2 led by Kishor Dave and Leon Kestenbaum were tied for first place. Dens 3 and 4 are led by our own George Rosinger and Larry Rothberg. The Den Mothers are doing an admirable job this year.

Scout Troop #530 (boys over the age of 12) doubled its enrollment in the last month. Most of the scouts are students of the W.S.I.S. Talmud

Torah. The Troop sponsors regular

The letters of אהר numerically add up to thirteen, (1, 8 and 4). Thus when a boy reaches the age of thirteen, he becomes one with G-d, — א בר מצו' Bar Mitzvah, "a son of commandments", and is duty bound to carry out the will of G-d for the rest of his life.

In the Hebrew the "Ayin" of שמע and the "Daled" of אהר are written large. The reason for the "Daled" is evident; it is to distinguish אהר 'one' from אהר 'another' god, just as the "Resh" of אהר (Exod. XXXIV, 14) is written large, in order that by error one should not utter the blasphemy אהר לא תשתחו' 'thou shalt not bow down to the one G-d.' The reason that induced the Scribes to write the "Ayin" in שמע large may possibly be due to the fear of an interchange in their day with שמא 'perhaps,' and avoid the resulting infidel statement of 'Perhaps, O, Israel, the L-rd is our G-d' (Hirsch). Another reason is that these two letters "Ayin" and "Daled", make the word which means "witness." Israel is G-d's witness, as we read in the prophet Isaiah, Chapter 43, verses 10 and 13, "Ye are my witness, saith the L-rd . . . that I am G-d".

Further details of this commandment are spread all over the Talmud and Midrash, illustrating the martyrdom of Israel for the 'אחדות ה' for the unity of G-d.

These commandments prevail at every place and at all times, and refer to males and females. He who trespasses this commandment is called כופר בעיקר "Denier of the root" or "fundamental of the faith" and is not considered as one of the children of Israel, but is regarded as a sectarian.

hikes with Kosher cooking.

The Girl Scout Troop under the able leadership of Mrs. Harold Kaplan is a pride to our Institution. This Troop meets every Tuesday afternoon at the W.S.I.S.

For further information about our Scout Activities please call Rabbi Sidney Greenwald, TR. 7-8281.

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READING

Sat.	Feb. 3—	Jeremiah, Chapter 4	☐
Sun.	Feb. 4—	"	5 ☐
Mon.	Feb. 5—	"	6 ☐
Tues.	Feb. 6—	"	7 ☐
Wed.	Feb. 7—	"	8 ☐
Thurs.	Feb. 8—	"	9 ☐
Fri.	Feb. 9—	"	10 ☐

MRS. MOSES LANGER TO BE HOSTESS

On Monday afternoon, February 5th at 12:30 o'clock sharp, Mrs. Moses Langer will be hostess to the entire Women's League Executive Board at a Dessert Luncheon which she will give at her home.

An important meeting of the Board will follow the luncheon. All Board members are therefore urged to attend promptly.

MEN'S CLUB NOTES

Mr. Frank L. Taks, President of the Men's Club invites all members to attend a regular business meeting this Monday night, February 5th. Complete plans for the forthcoming Social will be discussed. Refreshments and social hour will follow.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE THRIFT SALE

We can turn your discarded clothes, bric-a-brac, etc. into money. Bring it to the W.S.I.S. marked THRIFT SALE, or phone Mrs. Jules Shafan, Thrift Sale Chairman, TR. 7-8281, and she will see that your packages are called for. Mrs. Sol Bellsey and Mrs. Max Koch, are Co-Chairmen.

LOX AND BAGEL CLUB

The Lox and Bagel Club, Sunday Morning Service and Breakfast, sponsored by the Men's Club will be resumed this Sunday, February 4 at 9:30 A.M. All boys and girls of our community are invited to attend. Following the Services, which are conducted by the boys, a delicious breakfast is served. At the breakfast table this Sunday our Talmud Torah Choral Group, under the leadership of Mr. Michael Hirsch, will present a series of Hebrew songs and chants. A discussion on current Jewish topics will be led by the girls. A special invitation is extended to the fathers of our youth. We shall also have the pleasure to welcome and listen to Arnold Wald, a law student, from Brazil.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Taks will be the hosts in honor of their fathers' Yahrzeit.

For a pleasant Sunday morning, we look forward to greeting the youth and their parents at this Sunday's Breakfast.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Rosh Chodesh (Adar I) Benchen	
Light Candles Friday Evening	4:53
Weekly Portion: Mishpatim	
Friday Evening Service	5:05
Saturday Morning Services	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:30
Sabbath Kindergarten	
for Children 3 to 6	10:30
Rabbi Reichels Talmud Class	3:20
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	3:20
Oneg Shabbos (Girls)	3:30
Mincha Service	4:20
Reader of Torah: Sammy Ward	
Reader of Service: Bernard Israel	
The Sabbath Terminates	5:41
Special Young People's Service and Breakfast (Lox and Bagel)	9:30
Daily Services:	
Mornings—Sunday, Monday, Thursday & Friday	6:45, 8:00, 8:30
Tuesday & Wednesday (Rosh Chodesh)	6:30, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha	5:05
Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein.	

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION ON CURRENT PROBLEMS IN JUDAISM

Young people over the age of twenty-one are cordially invited to attend a Round Table Discussion on Current Problems in Judaism this Friday night, February 2nd at 8:15 o'clock at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Reichel, 135 West 84 Street, Apt. 3B.

STAMP CLUB NEWS

Philatelists, young and old, are cordially invited to visit a display of Israeli and a Biblical theme stamp collection, set up by Mrs. Esther Ehrenfeld, at the regular meeting of the Stamp Club this Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

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The host at our weekly Sabbath Seuda Shlishith at our Synagogue tomorrow afternoon will be our very good and active member, Mr. Markus Nathanson, and the principal speaker will be Mr. M. Morton Rubenstein who will discourse on the work and accomplishment of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. . . . Our beloved Rabbi Goldstein delivered one of his usual brilliant talks at the Midwinter Conference of the Rabbinical Council of America held in our community last week. . . . Our ranks continue to be depleted by the lure of the soothing southern sunshine and surf. Most recent vacationers are Director and Mrs. Joseph Landowne who have already left for Florida, and Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Pargament and Mrs. Annie Eisenberg who will be leaving very shortly. . . . The nuptial altar of our Synagogue House was recently graced by the joining in holy wedlock of two very happy young couples; Evelyn M. Pinkenfeld and Lester A. Cohen, Zeni Wiseman and Jacob Opperman. . . . The Torah at tomorrow morning's services will be read by our young friend, Jason Jacobowitz. . . .

S.O.S. Our Social Department needs a piano. Which member of friend will be the first to come to its rescue? . . . Our weekly quota of glad tidings from our members and friends continue, thank G-d, to be filled. Our felicitations and very best wishes to the Hon. and Mrs. Albert Wald (and all parties concerned) upon the birth of a baby boy to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Moses; to Dr. and Mrs. Sam Goodman upon the birth of a baby girl to their children, Dr. and Mrs. Morton Meisels, and to our music teacher, Michael Hirsh, upon joining the Parents Parade. . . . Our heartiest best wishes in honor of their wedding anniversaries are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ostrow, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Spanbock; and upon their birthdays to Jay M. Cohen, Ronnie Gail Cohen, Buddy Diamond, Mrs. Isidore Ehrman, Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, Barbara Herlands, Linda Fran Levine, Seymour Silberstein, Mr. and Mrs. Nat Trotsky, Richard Weinstein. . . . Welcome home to our Director and Mrs. Albert H. Cohen from Florida.

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