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LAST CALL FOR ENROLLING YOUR CHILDREN

Our members and friends are urged to enroll their boys and girls in the new Beginners' Groups that have commenced this past week in our Talmud Torah. If you know of children between the ages of 5½ and 12 years who still do not attend any Talmud Torah, this is definitely the final call for the season.

We blend Jewish knowledge with group play and progressive methods. Many parents are not aware of our facilities. Help them to take advantage of these new classes by sending their names to Rabbi Reichel who will be glad to contact them personally regarding our school.

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

Thursday, June 29th, 1950

If you meet people who have to be convinced of the urgency of sending as much money as possible here so that settlements, houses, children's homes, etc., can be built with all possible speed, to take these unfortunate souls out of the Refugee camps, you might tell them the following story which haunted me all of last night.

When the rainy season began last fall, there was one night on which a terrific wind storm accompanied the rain. Most of the tents were uprooted from the ground and blown over so that the helpless occupants of the tents were exposed to the beating rain. The earthen ground, under their cots, quickly turned into mud and those who attempted to move found themselves, up to their knees, in mud. It seemed to them that, like Korach and his company, in Bible times the earth was swallowing them up, and that their end had come. They shudder at the thought of having to spend another rainy season in the refugee camp. Can we blame them?

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WOMEN'S LEAGUE AND MEN'S CLUB SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER THIS SUNDAY NIGHT



Mrs. Al Braff



H. William Hirsch

All men and women of our Congregation are expected to attend the Gala Social Get-Together of the Women's League and the Men's Club this Sunday, Feb. 11 at 8:00 P.M. The Committee headed by Mrs. Al Braff and Mr. H. William Hirsch have arranged an entertainment packed program, including an outstanding professional orchestra, rhumba and square dancing plus delicious refreshments. The other energetic members of the committee are: Abe Eisenman, Pam Hurwitz, Mrs. Harold Kaplan, Alexander Kirsh, Isidore Lauer, Harold Sandler and Max Selsky.

Mrs. Harry Ward, President of the Women's League, and Mr. Frank L. Taks, President of the Men's Club, are looking forward to greeting all their members this Sunday night. Subscription is \$1.50 per person.

CONGREGATIONAL SEDORIM

We are happy to announce that once again our Board of Directors has appointed Mr. Samuel Silver to head the Sedar Committee to arrange our popular annual Congregational Sedorim on April 20th and 21st, 1951.

The price is \$9.00 per night including all gratuities.

You are urged to make your reservation at the earliest possible moment.

CANTOR YAVNEH'S SILVER JUBILEE CONCERT

Our beloved and popular Cantor Zalmon Yavneh will celebrate his Silver Jubilee as Cantor at his Annual Concert on Sunday evening, February 25th. He will be accompanied by a well known choir. Our readers are urged to attend this important event as a gesture of good-will.

Hurrah!!

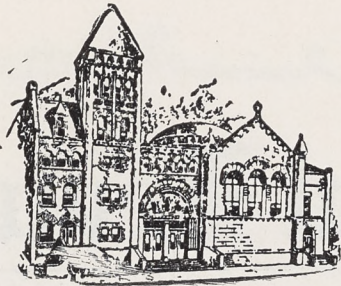
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DESECRATING TRADITION WILL NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM

This is no cause for joy—but we could say "We knew it all along!"

According to a report printed in the New York Times, a national survey of synagogue attendance conducted with the cooperation of the Columbia University Bureau of Applied Social Research shows that attendance at services in Conservative congregations is waning.

All the so-called "Modern" gadgets and tricks which were supposed to make the "Service" more "intelligible" or "meaningful" in order to "save" Judaism have thus availed its saviors very little.

Judaism will live—not with those who seek to fit it into every late fashion as it becomes fashionable—but for those who see in it eternal values and truths, exemplified and realized through traditional Jewish living that unites past, present and future to the end of all generations.

from UOJCA Jewish Action

BOOKS !!

If you have any books, (English or Hebrew) on Jewish subjects which you no longer want, won't you please bring them to the synagogue?

We will put them to good use.



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BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS

"To Love G-d"

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein
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We are bidden to love G-d, as it is written in the book of Deuteronomy, Chapter 6, verse 5, "And Thou Shalt Love the L-rd thy G-d."

The Sifri points out that the way to love G-d is to carry out His Commandments as is indicated in the verses following the command to love G-d.

We are bidden to love the L-rd G-d "with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might". It is significant, the command is not merely to love G-d. Most people love G-d in some way, but we are bidden to love the L-rd our G-d with ALL our heart and ALL our soul, and ALL our might. The worshipper lovingly and unconditionally surrenders his mind and heart to G-d's holy will. Such spiritual surrender is called, "taking upon oneself the yoke of the kingdom of heaven".

קבלת עול מלכות שמים If the Unity of

Excerpts from the Diary

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The State of Israel, the Jewish Agency and the U.J.A. are really doing a stupendous job in taking refugees out of the camps and putting them in work colonies. Since one week ago, when we last traversed the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv Road, a large number of new developments and settlements have appeared. Many are prefabricated homes and log cabins which are being used on a large scale for the rapid setting up of work colonies. But no matter how rapid the rate of absorption of the refugees into the normal life of the people of Israel will be it is humanly impossible without a tremendous amount of considerable outside help to keep up with the astounding rate of immigration. 12,000 to 15,000 immigrants are now coming in every month and judging by the vast number of Jews who are just waiting

G-d is the basis of the Jewish creed, the love of G-d is to be the basis of the Jewish life. And the noblest spiritual surrender of love of G-d, the Rabbis held, was so to live and act toward our fellowmen as to make G-d and His Torah beloved in their eyes.

The meaning of the love of G-d is that a man should be longing and yearning after the nearness of G-d, blessed be He, and striving to reach His holiness, in the same manner as he would pursue an object for which he feels a strong passion. He should feel that bliss and delight in mentioning His name, in uttering His praises and in occupying himself with the words of the Torah, which a loving father feels towards his only son. The earlier saints attained to such disinterested love of G-d; as King David declared in Psalm XLII, 2, "As the heart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O G-d" (Moses Chaim Luzzatto). Everything in the world, wealth, dominion, all of these are nothing against one's love of G-d. Every moment of the day and of the night should be concentrated for this purpose.

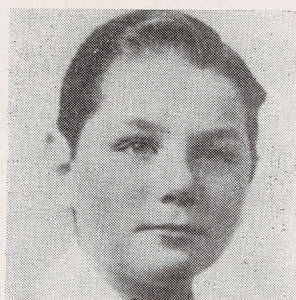
The eager performance of G-d's commandment indicates one's true love of G-d. Our commandment requires that one should concentrate his mind and all his efforts after the love of G-d. One's continual striving should be to perpetually remind himself of the love he owes the Holy One, Blessed be He, G-d.

for their turn to come to Israel from Persia, Iraq, Rumania and other countries, this abnormal situation will continue for a long time to come. The most remarkable part of all is that the ideal and self-sacrificing State of Israel has no intention of closing its door, while there are Jews, in any part of the world who want to come here. A member of the Knesset said the other day, "We will have to continue to tighten our belts (referring to stricter rationing) but we may not close our doors." We, in America, **may not close our hearts** to their crying need for our help.

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES
A DATE TO REMEMBER

All young couples are urged to reserve Sunday night, February 18, for a very interesting Get-Together. The Installation of Officers will be featured.

BAR MITZVAH



Harold Samuel Wittner

Congratulations to Mrs. Fannie K. and Mr. George J. Wittner upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Harold Samuel, which will take place in our Synagogue tomorrow morning.

W.S.I.S. YOUTH PURIM CARNIVAL TO BE HELD SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 18th

Young and old are cordially invited to participate in the annual Purim Carnival which will again be sponsored by our active Parent-Teachers Association.

The general chairman of the event, Mrs. Julius Citron, who was appointed at the last well attended and interesting P.T.A. meeting, has issued a call for inexpensive toys and gadgets which will be needed in the dozens for the many prizes to be distributed on that day.

Our junior youth groups and Talmud Torah classes are preparing their own booths which they hope will attract more and more of their friends to join in the festivities. The Girl Scout Troop, headed by Mrs. Harold Kaplan, will be in charge of the delicious refreshments. More anon.

SCOUT SHABBOS

Saturday, February 17 will be observed as Scout Shabbos at our Synagogue. All Cub Scouts of Pack #530 and Boy Scouts of Troop #530 will meet in the Junior Congregation at 11:00 A.M. for the Shachris Service and then attend the Musaph and special Scout Service in the Main Synagogue. Parents are cordially invited to attend.

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READING

Sat.	Feb. 10—	Jeremiah, Chapter 11	☐
Sun.	Feb. 11—	" "	☐
Mon.	Feb. 12—	" "	☐
Tues.	Feb. 13—	" "	☐
Wed.	Feb. 14—	" "	☐
Thurs.	Feb. 15—	" "	☐
Fri.	Feb. 16—	" "	☐

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening	5:03
Weekly Portion: T'rumah (Book of Exodus)	
Friday Evening Service	5:15
Saturday Morning Services	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:30
Sabbath Kindergarten	
for Children 3½ to 5	10:30
Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Class	3:25
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	3:25
Oneg Shabbos (Girls)	3:30
Mincha Service	4:25
Reader of Torah: David Lax	
Reader of Service: Moishe Gottlieb	
The Sabbath Terminates	5:51
Daily Services:	
Mornings	6:45, 8:00, 8:30
Mincha	5:15
Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein.	

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION FOR YOUTH THIS FRIDAY NIGHT

A very interesting and provocative evening is in store for young men and young women over seventeen who will join the Round Table Discussion in the Synagogue House this Friday night, February 9th at 8:30 o'clock.

The subject for the evening will be "Jewish Movements in Germany". The participants will include Lawrence Kobrin, Paula Manasse, Judy Neustadter and Thea Schloss.

Group singing and refreshments will round out the evening. ALL young people are cordially invited to attend.

SENIOR LEAGUE SOCIAL MEETING THIS SUNDAY NIGHT

Dr. Arnold Jacobs, President of the Senior League invites all young folks over the age of 21 to attend an open social meeting this Sunday February 11 at 8:00 P.M. A highly interesting program including the showing of a private Israeli film, refreshments and social hour, is scheduled for the evening. The program committee will announce the launching of two major activities at the forthcoming meeting. A good time is in store for all those who will attend.

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GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

The Women's League and the Men's Club have joined hands and talents in preparing for their second Social Get-Together of the season at the Synagogue House on Sunday Eve., Feb. 11th. Music, dancing, (including square), refreshments — all promised in the best taste. So come one, come all! . . . The hosts of our weekly Sabbath Seuda Shlishith at the synagogue tomorrow afternoon will be Mr. Markus Gruss and Mr. Max R. Meisels,—the latter in celebration of his golden Bar Mitzvah anniversary. The principal speaker will be our Rabbi Sidney A. Greenwald . . . The Torah at tomorrow morning's Sabbath services will be read by our Samuel Ward . . . Our young and charming Rebbetzin, Mrs. O. Asher Reichel, had the honor of bestowing the diplomas to the graduates of the Beth Jacob Seminary at their Commencement Exercises last Sunday night . . . The Halls of Higher Learning are about to be graced by our Richard Corwin and Helen Sommerstein who have just graduated from Stuyvesant High School and Bronx High School of Science, respectively . . . Hope we are not presumptuous in plugging your columnist's son, Stephen, who we learn from authoritative sources has been re-elected President of his fifth grade class . . . Talking of presidents, the young married couples who are members of our Mr. and Mrs. League need have no dental problem. Both its outgoing President, Dr. Lionel E. Rebhun and its recently elected President, Dr. Gustave Oremland, are both highly rated practitioners of dentistry — although the only extractions permitted at meetings are of camaraderie and good times . . . The W.S.I.S. to Florida shuttle continues as busy as ever. Most recent departures are our Director and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim and Mrs. Annie Dworkin; just returned from the Southland are Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Schreiber . . . Our prayers for a Refuah Sheleyma to Mrs. Max Moskowitz . . . Our heartiest congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Lazaro Gottfried upon the engagement of their daughter Edythe to Marvin Leonard Kleinman of East Chicago, Illinois; upon their **wedding anniversaries** to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Drucker, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kaplan; and upon their **birthdays** to Audrey Roberta Adelson, Irving Bellsey, William

Jacobs, Alexander Kirsh, and Morton Langer. We were delighted to have with us our former Sea Scout Leader, Sidney Harris from Minneapolis . . . Congratulations to Director Max Lazarus upon receiving a Medal of Honor from the C.C.N.Y. Alumni for extraordinary services rendered.

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