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OUR GAME ROOM?

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EXCERPTS FROM THE DIARY OF MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN FROM ISRAEL, 5711 - 1951

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MISHMAR DAVID is a Kibbutz named for David Ben Gurion.

A KARAITE settlement of 200 people who came from Egypt one year ago is beginning to get a foothold here.

At SARAFEND, the Army Camp, we saw large numbers of our boys in training.

In RAMLEH, formerly one of the largest ARAB cities, now, all Jewish, there is a church built in the year 816. It is said that Napoleon visited this church. Ramleh now has a great many modern houses and stores, besides a very large SHIKUN. A SHIKUN is a large accumulation of apartment houses or dwellings, built by the government or by an organization and sold to immigrants. Ramleh can also boast of a large civil (not military) air-school. When our chauffeur (a very pleasant native of Holland, who spoke a perfect English) turned around and saw me taking notes of what he told us, he said, "You are writing. That's fine". He then told us about the President of some group in Canada, whom he had taken on a tour of Israel for several days. Every night he had to sit down with her and help her write speeches about what they had seen. He helped her write 12 speeches which she said she would use upon her return to Canada. When I asked our chauffeur how long he had been in Israel, he got reminiscent and went back to the days of his youth. His father was a wealthy fur dealer. His parents begrudged him nothing. "If", he said, I want to take a trip to Switzerland or to England" he would find a ticket for the trip on his dresser, the next day. When he finished secondary school at the age of 18, he got a terrible urge to leave home and since he had always been interested in Zionism, he picked Israel, (then, 16 years ago, Palestine) as his destination. He went thru a great many hardships and difficulties, having spent many years both in the British and Israeli armies. He is now a member

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WOMEN'S LEAGUE OPEN MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 21



Mrs. Jacob Kaplan
Program Chairman

RABBI GOLDSTEIN TO ADDRESS COLLEGIATES

The Midtown Jewish Collegiate Council will have Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein as its guest speaker this Friday night, January 18, in the Club Room of the W.S.I.S.

Rabbi Goldstein, who is chairman of the Board of Directors of the United Research Institutions of Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem, will speak on "The Fulfilment of Jewish Prophecy."

All college people of our community are cordially invited to attend the forum.

OUR TALMUD TORAH P. T. A. NEWS

A very important meeting of our P.T.A. will be held Wednesday night, February 6th. Parents are urged to keep that evening open.

RESERVE

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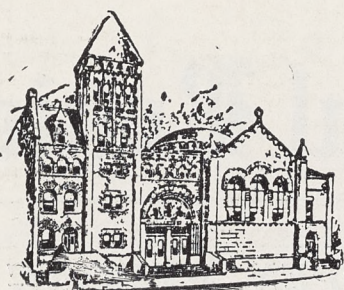
Mrs. Jacob Kaplan, Program Chairman of our Women's League, announces an Afternoon of Unusual Interest for Monday, January 21st, 1952. The program will include an intriguing talk on the subject "What Have They Found?" by Mrs. Harrison Rothfield, formerly on the faculty of the University of Cincinnati. Vocal selections will be rendered by our own Mrs. Lewis Wall.

Mrs. Irving Silver, Chairman on Hospitality, invites all the women of our congregation and their friends to come for coffee which will be served promptly at 1 o'clock that afternoon preceding the meeting.

AN OPEN INVITATION TO YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES OF OUR COMMUNITY

Dr. Gustave Oremland, president of the W.S.I.S. League, extends a cordial invitation to young married couples to attend a Social Evening of the League on Sunday, January 20th at 8:30 o'clock. The program for the evening, which includes, Games and Bingo will also afford the members an opportunity to plan socials and projects which are of immediate interest to the group.

For further information about the W.S.I.S. League, you may call Dr. Oremland, its president, at TR. 3-7556.



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WHAT ONE ORTHODOX JEW —
CAN DO — IF HE WILLS IT —

NEW YORK CITY (AJP)—An Orthodox Jew yearning for traditional Judaism in a suburban community took to the classified pages of a daily newspaper here last week to gather a minyan.

Mr. Rappaport got more than he bargained for: at last reports a new Orthodox synagogue was being organized via a full-scale campaign.

The story began three weeks ago when Rappaport moved into the small Long Island community of Hempstead. No Orthodox shule was within miles.

Anxious to continue the organized religious life to which he was accustomed in the Big City, but still somewhat of a stranger in the neighborhood, Rappaport decided upon placing this somewhat unique classified ad in Newsday, a leading daily on Long Island: "Nine Orthodox Jews Wanted For Minyan. Call Hempstead 2-239W."

Apparently Rappaport wasn't alone in his desire for organized Orthodox Jewish life in the area. He was swamped with replies.

Now, with a helping hand from the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, Rappaport and his fellow minyanites are knee-high in a drive to raise funds to build an Orthodox synagogue.



"AS
R'CHASH
SEES
IT"

467th OF THE 613 BIBLICAL
COMMANDMENTS

"Ye Shall Not Cut Yourself"

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We are not permitted to cut ourselves or to injure our body, as those do, who practice idol worship. Concerning this we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 14, verse 1, "Ye are children of the L-rd your G-d, ye shall not cut yourselves." Firstly, because any deliberate disfigurement of the body was forbidden, and secondly, because as children of G-d they were to regard a bereavement as His decree, to be accepted with resignation.

The Sifri gives a homiletic interpretation to the

לא תתגורר לא תעשו אנודות אנודות
"Ye shall not cut yourselves up" into factions, i.e. a holy people must be a united people.

The purpose of this commandment is to keep us distant from the customs of those who worship idols. It is not fitting for a people under the Torah to grieve concerning any of the acts of G-d. We may mourn, but not grieve.

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of a cooperative taxi company and is leading a normal life with a wife and a boy of 10 whom he hopes to raise in such a way, that he will not want to run away from home, when he grows up.

Upon reaching Tel Aviv, we picked up Mrs. Schlesinger and her son-in-law, Mr. Roth, who is the general manager for Agudah Women's Activities here. We stopped for a few minutes at their Girls Home, in Jaffa, where they are housing 70 working girls and also a small scale factory where they are teaching girls how to weave underwear, as a means of earning a livelihood. The proceeds from the sale of the articles they make, are used towards the upkeep of this institution. The government has recently contracted to take part of their output for export purposes, which speaks well for the quality of their products.

The Rambam points out that this commandment לא תתגורר means that we are not to divide a community into different customs, for this causes strife and disunity.

This prohibition concerning grief and/or disunity prevails at all places and at all times. It refers to male and female. One who transgressed and disfigured his body received stripes.

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468th COMMANDMENT

"Not To Tear Out The Hair From
The Head In Mourning For
The Dead"

We are bidden not to make any baldness of the head in mourning for the dead as those do who are deficient in understanding. Concerning this we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 14, verse 1, "Ye shall not make any baldness between the eyes for the dead. The words "between the eyes" of course refers to the forehead, see Deuteronomy Chapter 6, verse 8. This disfigurement was a heathen mourning custom, the hair being sometimes buried with the corpse as an offering to the dead. In Lev. XXI, 5 a similar prohibition had been addressed to the priests; in Deuteronomy, the law is given a wider application, in order to embrace the whole of the people who were "a kingdom of priests."

One who transgressed this law would receive stripes. Of course he had to receive warning concerning the punishment. This purpose of this is to do away with any taint of any heathen practice.

CANTOR YAVNEH'S
ANNUAL EVENT

Sunday evening, February 3rd, our outstanding Cantor will hold his annual concert at the W.S.I.S. The evening will feature a Special Maariv Service and a program of Liturgical Music and Folk Songs. Tickets may be purchased at the W.S.I.S. office.

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Condolences

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our late member Mr. Alex Wein; and to the family of the late Mr. Louis Kaufman.

BAR MITZVAH



Clifford Jacobson

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Jacobson upon the forthcoming Bar Mizvah of their son, Clifford, which will take place in our Synagogue tomorrow morning.

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WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening up to 4:34	
Weekly Portion: Sh'mohs	
Exodus 1:1-6:1 - Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23	
Friday Evening Service	4:45
Saturday Morning Service	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:30
Sabbath Kindergarten for Children 4 to 6	10:30
Rabbi Reichel's Class for Young People	3:15
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class	3:15
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	3:15
Mincha Service	4:15
The Sabbath Terminates	5:22
Daily Services:	
Mornings	6:45 7:20, 8:00, 8:30
Morning Sunday	6:45, 8:00, 8:30
Mincha	4:45
Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein.	

AN IMPORTANT CLASS ON THE PRAYER BOOK THIS WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Upon the request of a number of our members and worshippers, Rabbi Reichel will offer a seminar on the Prayer Book, on Wednesday night, January 23 at 8:15 o'clock, at the W.S.I.S. The purpose of this class will be to acquaint our worshippers with the background, meaning, and significance of the various prayers.



YOUTH ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 19.

Oneg Shabbas (Boys)	3:00 P.M.
Oneg Shabbos (Girls)	3:40 P.M.
Game Room	8:00 P.M.

Sunday, Jan. 20.

Seminar in Jewish Studies for Post Bar Mitzvah boys	10:15 A.M.
"Gem" girls over 14	11:00 A.M.
"Tags" Post Bar Mitzvah Frat.	
Gym	11:45 A.M.
Macabees (Boys over 12) Gym	1:00 P.M.
Collegiates Gym Session	2:00 P.M.
Game Room	8:00 P.M.

Monday, Jan. 21.

Macabees (Boys over 12)	7:30 P.M.
Stamp Club for young and old	
Speaker: Mr. Alexander Kirsh	7:30 P.M.
Game Room	7:30 P.M.

Wednesday, Jan. 23.

Cub Pack No. 530	7:30 P.M.
Scout Troop No. 530	7:30 P.M.
Game Room	7:30 P.M.
Choral Group	8:30 P.M.

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GOOD NEWS FOR YOUR YOUNGSTERS



We are happy to announce that new Beginners Classes have been organized in our Talmud Torah for girls and boys 8, 9, 10, as well as 6 and 7 year olds. A Daily Morning Nursery class for 3 year olds and a Sunday Morning Kindergarten for 4 and 5 year olds will also be opened.

For further information about all our facilities for your youngsters, please call Rabbi Reichel, Principal, at TR. 7-8281.

Please Note!

A modern Ritualarium is located in our community, at 158 W. 97 St. MO 3-0300.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

A princess has been born to Israel—and to the proud and happy parents, our beloved young Rabbi and Mrs. O. Asher Reichel. The name is Miriam Sarah. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, our beloved Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, and to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Reichel . . . A hearty welcome into our congregational fold of the following new members: Dr. Maxwell H. Kaiden, Buba Lebowicz, Kalman Leviant, Arthur Maier, Harry Meirowitz, Arthur R. Stein . . . Despite the departure of so many of our members and friends for their mid-winter vacations to the sunny south and elsewhere, it seems that there is no decrease in the customary capacity attendance at our Sabbath Morning Services. We were happy to see at these services last week Mr. and Mrs. Abe Glazer and their daughters Mosette and Miriam . . . If you want to hear the singing of traditional Jewish Folk songs the way they should be sung, we heartily recommend attendance at our weekly Sabbath afternoon Seuda Shlisith — all free, including delicious refreshments . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Anna Gross . . . On reaching another happy milestone in each of their **wedded** lives our heartiest congratulations to the following: Dr. and Mrs. Simon Dack, Director and Mrs. Adolph Meirowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pash, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wohl . . . Many happy returns of their **Birthday** to the following: Kurt Benjamin, Sol Brandes, Beth Esther Charney, Sandra Phyllis Goodman, Abe Cohen, Allan Jeffrey Cohen, Mrs. Sigg Eisenberg, Emanuel Goldman, Minette Verschleiser Horowitz, Mrs. Jacob Kaplan, Jonas Leister, Tillie Lewton, Bea and Sondra Lippman, Roy Stuart Tumpowsky . . . Obviously, we can't share your Simchas and report them in this column unless you keep us informed, so please keep in touch with us always . . . The host at next week's Seuda Shlisith will be our Director Mr. Max Moskowitz . . .

Congratulations to Robert J. Auman of Brooklyn, graduate of the Joseph Golding High School of the Rabbi Jacob Joseph School, recipient of a Fellowship given by the Atomic Energy Commission at Oak Ridge. He is at present attending The Mass. Institute of Technology and is an observant Jew.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Sol Goldstone, one of our "new" parents of two of our Talmud Torah pupils, for his many voluntary efforts and services to our Talmud Torah and Scout Troop.

NEWS OF MIDTOWN ASSOCIATION OF RELIGIOUS PARTIES

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