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An Extract Of Address Delivered By

MR. SAMUEL S. SCHNEIRSON
At The Conference Of
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Federations And Welfare Funds

What are our responsibilities? As Americans? As Jews?

It seems to me that they can be described in simple terms. We must plan to give greater Jewish substance to our communal institutions, to instill more Jewish spirit in our group activities. We must raise the status of our religious institutions, heighten the importance of the Jewish cultural factors in our common history, literature and tradition. In short, we must fill up the gap in Jewish life which exists as a consequence of the youthfulness of our community and of our necessary pre-occupation with the emergency problems of Jews in other lands.

All too often there seems to be a lack of spiritual relationship between the basic institutions of Jewish life in this country. Our religious institutions and their leaders seem to be hardly on speaking terms with our philanthropies. Both of them seem willing to give lip service but little actual help to our Jewish educational efforts.

In recent years I have personally become increasingly concerned over the trends in Jewish philanthropic institutions. We Jews have many old, dignified, well established and well conducted hospitals and a fine variety of social service agencies, covering the gamut of the community's needs. Nevertheless I have on more than one occasion, been compelled to ask myself what is the JEWISH CRITERION for these agencies? In a period when philanthropic burdens of the community as a whole are diminishing, when so many services have become the province of government agencies, one may well ask, what do these agencies CONTRIBUTE TO THE GROWTH OF JEWISH LIFE?

There seems to be a determination to maintain some sort of a "separation between church and state" within the Jewish community, with our philanthropic institutions play-

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THE MAN WE WILL HONOR

LAST CALL — RESERVE NOW FOR OUR CONGREGATIONAL SEDORIM

There are only a few days left before the books will be closed for Seder reservations. The Sedorim will take place at the Esplanade Hotel. The price of \$9.00 per person, each night, includes all gratuities.

PASSOVER RELIEF

If you have not already made your contribution towards Passover Relief for the needy this year, won't you please make out your check at once to Women's League—W.S.I.S. Passover Relief Fund, and mail to Mrs. Jacob Goodman, Chairman, c/o Women's League, 120 W. 76th Street.

MECHIRAT CHAMETZ

A Jew may not have in his possession any Chametz whatsoever during the Passover Holiday. Such chametz which was not disposed of before Pesach, should be sold in the manner prescribed by Jewish Law.

The attached coupon may be used for those who are unable to personally come to the Synagogue, and send a contribution to the W.S.I.S. Charity Fund.

For those who desire to come to the Synagogue for the Sale of Chametz, Rabbi Pekier will be available till Passover, between the hours of 6:30 and 10 A.M. and 6:00 to 10:00 P.M.

I (we)
hereby authorize Rabbi Goldstein
to dispose of all Chametz that
may be in my possession, where-
ever it may be, at home, place of
business or elsewhere in accord-
ance with the requirements of
Jewish Law.

Signature

Address



Ben Glazer

In recognition of his outstanding loyal service to the Jewish Community and to our Synagogue, our President Lester Udell announced that our Director Ben Glazer has been selected as the man of the year.

The 1952 Souvenir Album will be presented to him at a reception in his honor.

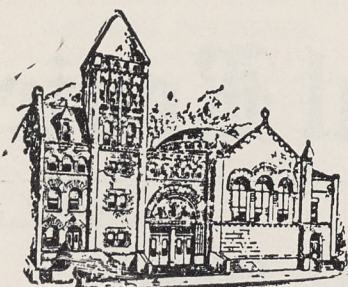
YESHIVOTH APPEAL

On Shabbos Shekolim, our Congregation responded generously to the appeal made for forty-eight Yeshivoth and religious institutions. If you were not with us when the appeal was made, you are urged most strongly to send in your contributions. Checks should be made payable to the W.S.I.S and ear-marked "Yeshiva Appeal." The following names are continued from last week: Julius Bayer (from Florida), M. Bienstock, Abraham Eisenman, Leon Herman, Lester Udell, Philip Wohl, Jack Wolf.

SHABBOS HAGODOL DISCOURSE

The traditional Shabbos Hagadol Halachic Discourse will be delivered by Rabbi Reichel this Saturday afternoon following the Mincha Service at 4:30 P.M.

The Lecture will be in English.



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ing the role of the state. I submit that proud as we may be over their achievements through the years, of their leadership in the general field of Social Service in America, the time has come when our social service agencies must develop a closer identification with Judaism, with a positive, a spiritual Jewish life. They must do this, or run the risk, in my opinion, of a DIMINISHING usefulness TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY.

Thus, it is for this reason, that I firmly believe that any agency which identifies itself primarily as Jewish, must, in addition to the broad-gauged community wide social or medical service it renders, have SPECIFIC JEWISH purpose and orientation.

I have the deep conviction that Jews in the United States will survive only as a religio-cultural community, and that those institutions which will resist Jewish spirituality and Jewish tradition will in time DISAPPEAR as Jewish institutions—per se.

Can Federations and welfare funds begin to give thought to some planning in behalf of local religious institutions? Are there any contributions they can make toward the improvement of synagogue status in the community? Can we through our community council and other over-all communal bodies carry a spiritual message to those who have no synagogue affiliation?

Religious institutions, Jewish education, Jewish cultural institutions, these in my opinion must become the areas of concentration of our communal efforts. Our record is brilliant in many fields of communal achievement. We have produced



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486th OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS "Not To Leave Anything Of The Meat Of The Holiday Offering Of Erev Pesach"

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

On Passover we were to bring in addition to the Paschal offering, the "Chagigah", an offering brought on every holiday so that there was enough meat for the people to eat, so as to increase the enjoyment of the holiday.

The Holiday offering for Passover was to be eaten on the 14th and 15th day of Nissan, but no part of it was to be left over. Concerning this we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 16, Verse 4, "neither shall any of the flesh which thou sacrificed the first day at even, remain all night until the morning." The words "at even" are not to be understood as meaning that the sacrifice was offered at night but rather towards the evening. This prohibition referred not only to the Paschal Lamb, but to the "Chagigah" as well.

This law prevailed only in Temple times. It referred to male and female. Women too, were obliged to

miracles in terms of assistance to Jews abroad and for many years to come this will undoubtedly take first place on our communal agenda. We have been highly efficient in the organization of our philanthropies and communal service. But if we are to build a real future for Judaism in this United States, we must build up our spiritual life. We must encourage those movements which grow out of the Jewish religious spirit, which have in them a Jewish vitality. We must help these movements and institutions achieve recognition in the community, even if it might mean some displacement of old line agencies which have been holding a pre-eminent position by virtue of their long history.

We who have a commitment to Jewish life must face the fact that it is upon our generation that a great historic duty has developed. Let us build for our future.

eat much and to enjoy the holiday. One who trespassed this law and left meat over, for after the holiday, was to burn whatever remained.

487th OF 613 COMMANDMENTS "Not To Bring The Paschal Offering On A Private Altar"

We were forbidden to bring the Paschal offering on a private altar even during the period of our history when each individual was allowed to build his own Altar, namely, the forty-seven years after the Tabernacle at Shiloh was destroyed, until the Temple was built.

The Paschal Lamb was never sacrificed except upon an Altar which belonged to the people, namely, in the Tabernacle or in the Temple, as we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 16, verse 5, "Thou mayest not sacrifice the Passover offering within any of thy gates, which the L-rd thy G-d giveth thee", verse 6, "But at the place which the L-rd thy G-d shall choose". The observance of Passover is not to be a hidden observance, but a public demonstration of G-d's will in regard to the Exodus, namely, His selection of Israel to be the Chosen people.

The commandment prevailed only at the time when the Temple stood. For then only, was the Paschal Lamb offered. It refers to male and female, for women were also obliged to participate in the consumption of the Paschal offering. Today, if one were to bring a sacrifice, a lamb, in honor of Passover, he would receive stripes.

DISHES AND UTENSILS WHICH CANNOT BE "KASHERED" FOR PESACH USE

(a) Chinaware, pottery and all earthenware.

(b) Utensils that may be damaged by hot water, e.g. where a utensil is glued together.

(c) Knives and utensils with handles of wood, plastic, etc.

(d) Vessels that cannot be thoroughly cleansed, such as a sieve. Utensils that are used for frying and broiling require direct fire to the glowing point for kashering.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to our members Jess E., Harold, Nathan K., Seymour M., Herman B., and Aaron W. Gross and to Phillip F. Frankel upon the loss of their beloved mother and sister

MEN'S CLUB SPONSORS PASSOVER SEMINAR THIS MONDAY EVENING

Prof. Sidney B. Hoenig,
Guest Lecturer

For the benefit of our members, worshippers, and parents who wish to be fully prepared for the coming Festival, the Men's Club has invited Dr. Sidney B. Hoenig of Yeshiva University to explain the meaning of Passover and the Sedorim at its Open Meeting this Monday evening, April 7, at 8:30 o'clock. Dr. Hoenig, who is Professor of Jewish History at Yeshiva University is also editor of a scholarly edition of the Hag-gadah. Following the lecture and discussion period there will be refreshments. Everybody welcome.

A WORD OF CAUTION

Special care should be taken by all our co-religionists to verify the Passover kashruth of bakeries and other food stores. Such signs as "Holiday", "Festival" or "Passover Cakes" do not mean kosher for Pass-over. If in doubt, we urge you to contact our rabbis.

CURRENT CHECK LIST FOR PARENTS

Yes ☐ We have already seen to it that our children will not attend school during the Passover Festival. The children will inform their teachers in advance so that they will have an opportunity to make up any lost work.

Yes ☐ Of course we are going to attend services on Yom Tov and bring our youngsters to the Junior Congregation.

Kashering of Vessels

Monday, April 7th
10 A.M. 'til 2 P.M.

Siyum For First Born at this

Wednesday Morning's Services

ERUV TAVSHILIN

The Law does not permit the cooking or baking of food on one day of Yom Tov for the next day of Yom Tov or Shabbos. Inasmuch as this year the days of Pesach fall on Thursday and Friday (followed by Shabbos) the ceremony of Eruv Tavshillin must be performed on Erev Pesach. The symbolic Eruv Tavshillin meal prepared on Wednesday enables the housewife to complete the cooking of this meal on Friday.

A Matzah and a piece of meat or fish are placed on a plate. The master of the house lifts the plate and recites the blessing which can be found in a Siddur or Hagadah. On Saturday afternoon the food is to be eaten.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening6:03
Weekly Portion: "Tsav"

Leviticus 6:1-8:36 Malachi 3:4-24

Friday Evening Service6:10

Saturday Morning Service9:00

Junior Congregation10:30

Sabbath Kindergarten for Children

4 to 610:30

Mincha Service4:30

Followed by Shabbos Hagadol Halachik

Discourse by Rabbi Reichel.

Reader of Torah: Jay Kobrin

Reader of Service: Hershel Gold

The Sabbath Terminates:6:51

Daily Services:

Mornings — Sunday6:45, 8:00, 8:30

Monday & Tues.6:45, 7:20, 8:00, 8:30

Wednesday (Erev Pesach)

6:45 followed by Siyum 7:10

7:10 followed by Siyum 7:35

7:45 followed by Siyum 8:10

Mincha6:10

Followed by the Explanation of the

Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

This Week's Bible Readings:

Proverbs 3 to 7

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Getting Personal

By Sanford Solarz

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Congratulations to Mrs. Rebecca Dack upon the birth of a son, Leonard J., to her children, our member, Dr. and Mrs. Simon Dack, and to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Lorberbaum upon the birth of a daughter, Audrey Elise, to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Grossman. A Kosher and Happy Passover to you all.

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