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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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ROSH HASHONAH NOTES

At sundown Friday night, Jews throughout the world will usher in the Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashonah. This day, called 'Yom HaZikaron,' the Day of Remembrance, in the Bible, is a time for serious deliberation of our deeds during the past year.

The Rabbis of the Talmud point out that the Bible does not specifically refer to this day as the "Day of Judgment." Rather the Bible alludes to it as the "Day of Remembrance" or the "Day of the Shofar Blowing." This was intended, it is said, to prevent all a man's penitence, self-examination, and correction to be limited by him to one day. By leaving the time of the actual 'Yom HaDin,' The Day of Judgment, in some doubt, the Torah placed man on his spiritual guard, so to speak, for the entire year.

Two Day Rosh Hashonah

Rosh Hashonah is observed for
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A MESSAGE FROM ISRAEL

brought by

MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

August 1952

Living in a land of plenty, as we do here, in America, it may be difficult for us to believe that there are many vital, every day necessities, which even money cannot buy, in Israel, but such is the case.

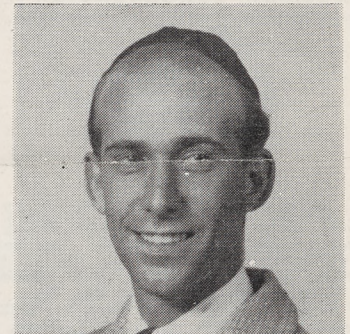
Our sisters and brethren in that small historic land are stoically bearing the burden of helping to feed, clothe, house and rehabilitate the hundreds of thousands of refugees who have come from all parts of the world, to find a haven of refuge — a place where they will be free from persecution — a true home.

The people in Israel are bravely playing their part, in the fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah, 'with regard to the "Ingathering of the Exiles."

If you will open your Bible today, and read what Isaiah wrote 2,500 years ago, and then look at Israel

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MEET OUR NEW SOCIAL DIRECTOR



Aryeh Seagull

We take pleasure in announcing that Aryeh Seagull has been engaged as Director of Cultural and Youth Activities for the coming year.

Mr. Seagull has had extensive experience in working with youth. He was the recipient of a scholarship for a year's study in Israel in youth leadership. He has also been affiliated with the Young Israel Chapter in Newark in the capacity of Director of Youth Activities.

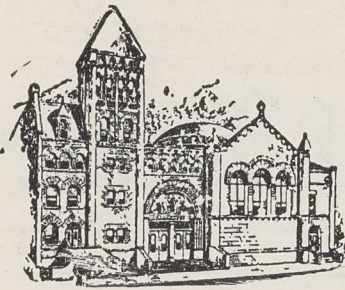
A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Rosh Hashonah means a New Year is coming up. We trust that a New Year will mean a new, fresh start — new ideas — new programs and new groups in the W.S.I.S. Social Department. I am anxious to meet as many young people as possible within the next week or two, in order to organize the various hobby, social and athletic groups for the coming season.

You may reach me in the Social Department office, evenings after 8 (including Saturday and Sunday evenings), and Sunday afternoon after 3.

A GIFT SUGGESTION

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Message From Mrs. Goldstein

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and see the realization of these promises, you will surely feel an urge to join the participants in that age old, and at the same time modern, saga.

For us, in America, there are reserved some minor, though very vital, parts to play, in this great historic drama of our generation.

Here is your cue! You are being called upon to step forth on the stage of this momentous performance and to place your free-will offering upon the altar of the upbuilding our land, for our people.

You ask "What can you or I do?"

Answer: You can secure from your friends or acquaintances —

Need No. 1 Clothes — old, if in good condition — as well as new. Prices for clothing are well-nigh prohibitive for new comers in Israel, besides which, ration points are required for every article of wearing apparel.

Need No. 2 Food: Food Certificates are most desirable. These obviate the expense of shipping charges as well as of duty.

Need No. 3 Medicines. I have been asked specifically for the following:

1) Auromycin, 2) Polivitomin, 3) Eledon, 4) Cortisone (ACTH).

Need No. 4 Toys

Need No. 5 Hand towels for kin-



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506TH OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENT

To Give The Shoulder, The Jaw
And The Maw To The Priest.

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

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These gifts were given only from a kosher cattle but not from a beast. One may not eat from the animal until these three gifts have been set aside. These three gifts were not to be given from any animal set aside for holy purposes, because from them other parts were given to the priests.

A Cohane did not have to set aside these gifts for another priest or Levite because our Commandment has it, "and this shall be the Priest's due from the **people**" (not from the Levitical tribe). These gifts were given to the families in the priestly family, even though the female may have been married to an Israelite. Although she may not eat Trumah or any holy thing, if she is married to an Israelite, yet these three are called מתנות "gifts", but not holy things.

If there be no priest around or in the community, then these three portions should be exchanged for money and the money should be given later to any Cohane he desires.

507th OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS

"To Separate Trumah"

We are commanded to separate Trumah from corn, wine and oil, and to give it to the priest. This is called תרומה גדולה concerning which we read in Deuteronomy,

dergartens and day nurseries.

Need No. 6 Sweaters and clothes of all kinds for 3-6 years olds.

More anon

I know that the members of our Congregation and their friends, who read the W. S. I. S. "Review," are big hearted and generous and as they become aware of these needs, they will surely do whatever lies in their power to fill them.

Chapter 18, verse 4, "The first fruits of thy corn, thy wine and thine oil, shalt thou give him." This is what is generally called "trumah." After the grain or the fruit had been sorted and cleaned, ready for use, the owner had to set aside **something** for the priest. As for the word "corn", it is rather to be understood as a general word for "grain," including wheat, barley, rye, oats and spelt. Biblically even one grain would free a whole heapful. The Rabbis declared, that at least two per cent of the total was to be given. If one was liberal, he was permitted to give one out of forty. For the miserly, a minimum of one out of sixty was permitted.

The purpose of this commandment is to indicate that the main source of food for human beings comes from grain, wine and oil. Therefore it is proper for man to remember his Creator for His blessings and he should share some of them with His servants, namely, the priests. This should be done before the owner himself derives any pleasure from it. In this way every person was awakened spiritually. This commandment refers to grain that was already at least one-third ripe, otherwise it was not proper food. One could appoint a שליח a "messenger," to set aside the Trumah and the tithes for him. The Trumah could be eaten not only by the adult priest, but by his children, even minors, his wives, even his Canaanite servants and also his cattle. If Trumah, the "heave offering," fell into חולין "secular" foods, if there was one hundred times the amount of holy food against the secular food, it annulled the force of the secular food and it was permitted to be eaten.

The laws of Trumah and Massar prevailed only in Israel.

One who trespassed this commandment and did not give his Trumah, the "heave offering," of the grain or of the wine or of the oil, broke this negative commandment and his punishment was very great.

In regard to produce, other than the grain, as for instance, fruits, they are tithed **only** Rabbinically. As a matter of fact, today in Israel, a small part of all grain, produce and fruits is set aside for Trumah and Maasar. Outside of Israel, none of these laws prevail.

THIS WEEKS BIBLE READINGS

Book of Ruth 1-4

Lamentations 1-3

LAST CALL FOR YOUR CHILDREN TO LEARN ABOUT OUR FESTIVALS IN OUR TALMUD TORAH



We are happy to see many more younger children enrolled in our Talmud Torah this year. It is an indication that our parents appreciate the importance of starting the Jewish education of their children at a young age — at a time when they are not confronted with Bar Mitzvah or advanced school work. In the younger classes, beginning with the age of 4 through 9, Jewish learning is combined with play and activities, in line with modern pedagogy. We hope that still more parents will take advantage of our facilities and register their children without delay in our Talmud Torah.

Start the Jewish New Year right by registering your children in our progressive Hebrew School and Kindergarten. You will have the satisfaction that comes with seeing your children grow up to be both good Jews and loyal Americans.

It will be the pleasure of our Principal, Rabbi Reichel, to meet the parents of prospective pupils in our Talmud Torah and Daily Kindergarten.

Please call TR 7-8281 and arrange for an appointment at your convenience.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

For the convenience of the parents and for the enlightenment of the children, there will be a Junior Congregation Service for the Talmud Torah age children during the High Holidays.



Cantor Lauer

MEN'S CLUB TO SPONSOR MANHATTAN TOWER'S SERVICE AGAIN THIS YEAR

We are happy to report that the Manhattan Towers is filling a need in the community. Services will be held in the Main Ballroom the same time and in the same decorous manner as in the Main Synagogue. We are indeed grateful to the Men's Club and its Committee for their co-operation and able assistance in the handling of the many details.

We are also happy to announce that Rev. I. Lauer will be the Cantor for Mussaf at these services.

GOOD NEWS FOR BOYS OF POST BAR MITZVAH AGE AND GIRLS OF POST BAS MITZVAH AGE

For the benefit of the young men of our congregation who are over the age of 13, we have organized an extension course of the Hebrew School which will meet on Thursday afternoons from 5:30 to 6:30 and on Saturday afternoons from 2:00 to 3:30. This is a wonderful opportunity for our young people to become informed and proud of our Jewish heritage.

A similar group for girls who are Bas Mitzvah will meet on Wednesday evenings from 5:20 to 6:20.

Those interested in these courses should contact Rabbi Reichel as possible.

TALMUD TORAH TO BE HOST TO YOUR CHILDREN SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Boys and girls of our Congregation are invited to observe "Tashlich" (see Rosh Hashona Notes) with our Talmud Torah. We will assemble in front of the Synagogue building on Sunday afternoon, the second day of Rosh Hashona, at 5 o'clock, and will proceed to Central Park. Sweets will be distributed. Parents may accompany their children.

DAILY NURSERY AND KINDERGARTEN TO OPEN

This year we shall again sponsor a progressive Daily Afternoon Kindergarten, meeting from 1:30 to 4:30 P.M. for children 4 to 5½ and a Daily Morning Nursery, meeting from 9:30 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. for children between 3 and 4 years of age.

Our Kindergarten and Nursery are licensed by the Day Care Unit of the Department of Health of New York. These classes will open right after the holidays — Wednesday afternoon, October 15. For further information please contact our Hebrew School office at once. There are a limited number of openings in both groups.

SUCCOS PREPARATIONS

As the New Year season approaches each year, we must begin to think of arrangements for the Festival of Succoth. The two essentials for a proper ritual observance of this holiday are the Esrog and Lulav and Succah meals.

May we urge all our readers, therefore, to make arrangements as soon as possible for meals during the Succoth Holiday in our beautiful Succah. Please call the office, TR 7-8281, for further information.

Esrogim and Lulavim may be obtained through our Sexton, Rabbi Pekier who may be reached either at the Synagogue office or at his home, SC. 4-5163.

YIZKOR SERVICES

On Yom Kippur, Monday, September 29, Yizkor services will be recited at our Synagogue. If you wish to have Special Memorial Prayers recited for your dear ones, please fill out the form below and mail it to us.

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Register for the new term on Tuesday 4-5 P.M. at the West Side Institutional Synagogue. For further information call the Principal, Dr. M. Elias, any weekday between 1 and 2 P.M. UN. 4-5933.

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DR. STANLEY F. SCHWAID
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of 2700 Broadway (cor. 103rd St.) N.Y.C.

is happy to extend his greetings and best wishes
 for a Happy New Year to all his relatives, friends and patients.

Rosh Hashonah Notes

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two days, both in Israel and in the Diaspora. The two days of the Rosh Hashonah holiday are a result of a Rabbinical decree dating to the days of the prophets, and these two days are considered one long and sanctified day, a 'Yoma Arichtah.'

Shofar

The most significant and awe inspiring ceremony is the sounding of the Shofar. The clear and sharp notes of the Shofar serve to arouse the inner soul of the Jew to better himself before G-d and Man. The Midrash comments that the ram's horn out of which the Shofar is fashioned serves to remind us of the supreme sacrifice which Isaac and his father Abraham were prepared to give and make. This Sacrifice took place on the first day of Tishre. Thus the section of the Torah in Genesis which deals with that incident of faith and devotion is read on this holiday.

Greeting

Jews greet each other with the traditional blessing of **Leshona Tova Tikasevu**, 'May you be inscribed in the Book of Life.' This form of greeting alludes to the Midrash which tells of the three books open before G-d on the New Year: the Book for the Wicked, condemned to punishment, The Book for the Righteous, promised a reward, and the third book for the average man whose fate hangs in the balance until Yom Kippur. Then, his fate for the New Year is finally sealed by the Almighty.

Tashlich

On the first day after Mincha, unless that day fall on the Sabbath, in which case, on the second day after Mincha, (this year on Sunday) it is customary to go to a river or stream and recite certain psalms and prayers. In the Tashlich prayer, the word "Tashlich" is derived from the Hebrew of the first word of the verse, "And thou shalt cast all thy sins into the depths of the sea."

Tzom Gedaliah

The day after Rosh Hashonah

ROSH HASHONAH PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening	6:41
Friday Evening Service (All Services)	6:30
Saturday Morning Service	7:30
Junior Congregation	10:30
Mincha Services from	4:30 — 6:15
and Reading of Psalms	

Maariv Service	6:45
Sunday Morning Service	7:30
Junior Congregation	10:30
Mincha and Reading of Psalms followed by Taslich	4 until 5:00
Holiday Terminates	7:30

Selichos Monday	
Fast of Gedaliah	6:15, 8:00

Monday Morning Services —	
Fast of Gedaliah	6:45, 7:15, 8:30
Monday Mincha	6:30

Daily Services

(Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.)

Selichos	6:20, 8:00
Mornings	6:45, 7:15, 8:25
Mincha	6:40

(Monday) is observed as a Fast Day. This fast commemorates the assassination of Gedaliah ben Achikam, the last Jewish governor over Israel, after the destruction of the Temple. His assassination brought much sorrow to the Jewish people of the time, and marked, in addition, the end of one period of Jewish home rule in their own land.

Ten Day of Penitence

The ten days of Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur and the days in between are known as the Ten Days of Penitence. This period is an especially opportune time for prayer, self-examination and penance. Special prayers, called S'lichos are said during these days. These prayers help us to express our desire for forgiveness and to resolve to accept the Torah and all its Laws as our way of life, for the future.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE ARMED FORCES OR AT COLLEGE

We would like to send the W.S.I.S. Review to your children who are serving in the Armed Forces, or who are away at College. We believe that they would welcome it because they would want to know what is happening back home and at the W.S.I.S.

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GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

A most Happy and Prosperous New Year to all our members and friends everywhere. Since during the Ten Days of Penitence we can only hope to make our peace with G-d, we here and now beseech the forgiveness of all readers of this column for our weekly sins of commission and omission in its composition . . . We are happy to award citations of merit to Dr. Seymour Reichlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reichlin, upon his receiving the Commonwealth Fund Fellowship for two years of Medical Research in England; to Jack Verschleiser, upon receiving a scholarship at Harvard Law School for the Senior year (he also served on the staff of the President of the City Council); to Felix J. Bilgrey upon the opening of his new Law Office . . . Our heartfelt gratitude to Director and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim for their donation of Prayer Books to our Synagogue and to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Pincus, for a similar contribution, in addition to the large fans which they gave to our Daily Synagogue . . . Welcome home to Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Burstein and Norman Kamerman who attended the N. Y. U. Summer Workshop in Israel . . . Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Kalker in their new home . . . Heartiest congratulations upon the marriage of our staff member, Rachel Bergman to Rabbi Jacob D. Lief, and upon the betrothal of Lorraine Ulman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ulman, to Harvey Drachman . . . A hearty *mazel tov* to our President and Mrs. Lester Udell and to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Feld upon the birth of a daughter, Nancy Jane, to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Udell; also to Mr. and Mrs. Irving W. Karpf and to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Schwartz (of Frederica Furs) upon the birth of a son, Richard J. to their children Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Karpf . . . Wedding anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rudnick and Director and Mrs. Joseph Shapiro . . . Birthday Greetings and many happy returns of the day to Director Julius Bayer, Judith Livingston Bernstein, Director Samuel K. Beier, Mrs. Felicia Dym, Mrs. Morris Edelson, Isidore Ehrman, Gabriel F. Goldstein, Mrs. Bertha Leister, Daniel H. Lindner, Judith Neustadter, Rosanne Gene Schnur, Ira Bruce and Marcia Therese Tumpowsky, President Lester Udell and Patricia Jan Weiss . . . It is with great happiness and pride that we record the scholastic achievements of so many of the sons and daughters of our members and friends. To each of them we wish loads of good luck and ever higher educational attainments: Judith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gold,

who graduated from Manhattan Day School — Yeshiva Ohr Torah, and is entering Central Yeshiva High School for Girls, which is sponsored by the Yeshiva University; Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Golden, who received his M.A. Degree from New York University and is entering the N.Y.U. College of Dentistry; Barbara, daughter of the Hon. and Mrs. William B. Herlands and granddaughter of our Director and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim, who graduated from Ramaz School, and will continue her studies at the High School of Music and Art and the Hebrew Teachers Training School for Girls; United States Air Force Lt. Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Housman, who has been accepted for admission to Columbia Law School and has been honored with Beta Gamma Sigma at Pennsylvania University; Robert, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Alexander Kirsh, who received his B.B.A. from the University of Oklahoma; Edward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Klagsbrun, who graduated from Columbia Grammar School and is matriculating at Princeton University; Tillie Lewton who received her M.A. Degree in Psychology from C.C.N.Y.; Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weisenfeld and grandson of Rabbi Flatow who graduated from Manhattan Day School - Yeshiva Ohr Torah, and was honored by being awarded the School Citizenship Award and by delivering the invocation. He is entering the Ramaz High School; Yonina, daughter of Cantor and Mrs. Zalmon Yavneh, who graduated from Joan of Arc Junior High School and is entering Julia Richman High School . . . We welcome Mr. Max Haber, brother-in-law of Mr. Mark Linker, just arrived from Israel.

HOW GOOD ARE YOU ON YOUR SYNAGOGUE ETIQUETTE

- (1) While the Chazan is repeating the Amidah one may speak freely to his neighbor.
Yes No
- (2) It is proper to bring your pocket-book, newspapers, packages, etc. on the Sabbath to the Synagogue.
Yes No
- (3) Intermission periods are listed in your Prayer Books.
Yes No
- (4) On rainy Sabbath days one should wear a raincoat and rain hat as a substitute for an umbrella.

Yes No
Correct Answers: (1) No. (2) No.
(3) No. (4) Yes.

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