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**BETH MIDRASH GEVOAH
TO HONOR SAMUEL SIEGEL**



**Samuel W. Siegel,
Our Second Vice-President**

On Nov. 11th a Dinner will be tendered to Mr. Samuel W. Siegel at the Hotel McAlpin by the Beth Medrash Gevoah of Lakewood, N.J.

Mr. Siegel is well known in this community for his unselfish and tireless devotion to the cause of Traditional Judaism. He is the President of Manhattan Day School (formerly Jewish Community School), the only Yeshiva on the middle west side. In addition to being our Second Vice-President, Mr. Siegel is actively interested in many educational and philanthropic institutions.

We are confident that his many friends will attend this dinner and thus show their great admiration for Mr. Siegel's fine qualities.

Mr. Lester Udell, our President, is Chairman of the Dinner Committee, and will be happy to receive your reservation.

MONDAY NIGHT FORUMS TO BEGIN THIS WEEK

**MERLE MILLER, NOTED AUTHOR, PRESIDENT
OF AUTHORS' GUILD — FIRST SPEAKER**



Merle Miller

Israeli Diary

By Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein

From Bnai Brak we went to visit the W.S.I.S. Children's Village — known in Hebrew as S'DAY CHEMED, which means, "Pleasant Fields. Isn't that a picturesque name? It is situated at NACHLAT YEHUDAH,

As I have explained in past years, there is a quarter of a mile sandy stretch from the main road to the center of the Village. Since we were here last, the children have constructed a lovely road made from bricks (discarded by a nearby brick

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We are pleased to announce that Merle Miller, noted author and lecturer, will be the guest speaker for the opening session of Rabbi Goldstein's Bible Class and Forum. These forums, which are held on Monday evenings, attempt to bring to our members and friends noted speakers on topics of general interest, in addition to Rabbi Goldstein's talk on the Social Messages of the Prophets.

Mr. Miller will speak this Monday night, November 10, on the topic: The Two Dangers to Democracy.

Mr. Miller is the author of several books, including his most recent work, "The Judges and the Judged." He is also a contributor to such magazines as the Saturday Review of Literature, Readers' Digest, and Colliers. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the American Civil Liberties Union, President of the Authors Guild, and a member of Town Hall.

We are sure that all who attend will be assured of an interesting and informative evening.

AN INVITATION TO YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES

You are cordially invited to enjoy a social evening and a delicious wholesome midnight snack at the opening affair of the W.S.I.S. League, composed of young married couples of our Synagogue Family and Community, on Saturday night, November 15th.

Admission will be by paid-up membership for the coming season, which is \$5.00 per couple. Reservations should be made in advance, addressed to Dr. Gustave Oremland, President, W.S.I.S. League, care of the Synagogue Office.

Announcement BENEFIT PERFORMANCE OF THE WEST SIDE INSTITUTIONAL SYNAGOGUE

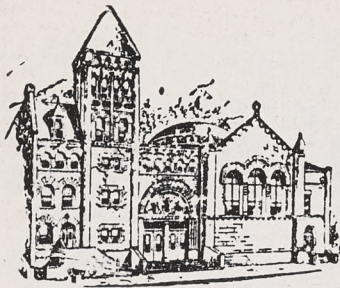
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A Bird's Eye View

By Aryeh Seagull
W.S.I.S. Social Director

"Gnop-gnip" is Hebrew for ping-pong — but in plain English, ping-pong means our Game Room will be open to all "card" holders Sunday and Monday nights from 8-10. There are also chess, checkers, nok-hockey and table games.

The Youth Dovining Breakfast continues on Sunday mornings at 9:10. Mrs. Harold Kaplan is helping with the arrangements, with the assistance of a number of girls of our Youth groups.

Mrs. Rachel Bergman Lieff is taking her "Bnos" on a trip to see the Israeli Exposition. All young people (including our Talmud Torah pupils) are invited to join. The group will leave at 2:30 from in front of the Synagogue this Sunday, November 9th. Please bring carfare and admission money, — total 45 cents.

This Sunday there will be the first meeting of a co-ed social club for young men and women about twenty years of age.

See you at the Synagogue.



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521st OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS

"Not To Have Mercy For The Murderer"

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We are commanded not to be merciful to one who removes a limb from, or slays another person. Concerning this we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 19, verse 21, "Thine eye shall not pity: life for life . . ." This prohibition is repeated twice in this chapter. In verse 13, we read, "Thine eye shall not pity him but thou shalt put away the blood of the innocent from Israel so that it may go well with thee."

The purpose of this commandment is evident. If we do not remove from the community those who shed blood, then we are all in danger.

This law refers to the times when the Temple stood. A judge who trespasses this law and who hides his eyes from the wickedness and from punishing the evil-doer, trespasses this negative commandment. His punishment is great because he causes the whole world to be in

danger. While, of course outside of Israel, there can not be any form of capital punishment, nevertheless the Jewish Court should impose, as it sees fit, any penalty it has in its power to employ.

522nd OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS

"Not To Remove A Landmark"

We are commanded not to remove a landmark between oneself and his neighbor. Concerning this we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 19, verse 14, "Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark . . ." In Deut. XXVII, 17, it is said, "Cursed be he that removeth his neighbor's landmark," in order thereby to enlarge his own estate. Such removal is equivalent to theft.

The Sifri points out, have we not already a commandment, namely, "Thou shalt not rob"? Therefore, it says, "to remove the landmark means one breaks two negative commandments, one, 'not to rob' and the other, as indicated in our commandment, 'not to disturb the division of the land.' Besides this being a form of robbery, the Rabbis say, that it is also an injunction against depriving anyone unduly of his long established right or status, — as applying, for instance, for a position whilst another still holds it, or to encroach upon another's sphere of activity.

This commandment prevails at all places and at all times and refers to male and female. He who trespasses it, is punished by heaven.

Israeli Diary

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factory) to cover most of this sandy part. There is still one section which cannot be traversed either by an auto or by my wheel chair. For this part of my trip, the good old fashioned donkey and cart were called into service, as in previous years. I drove around the grounds in the donkey cart with all the children in front, in back and on both sides of the cart. Some of the girls I met here last year greeted me with great delight and stayed close to the cart. When I asked them what they are studying they mentioned, among other things, English. I asked one of them, "What can you say in English and she bashfully replied, "Hello". The children brought out 2 new little calves, a few of their cows and one of their

dogs to greet us. We left them the tools which the Senior League of the W.S.I.S. had sent for the carpentry shop, which will soon be opened here and also the large quantity of stockings which are the gift of our own Mr. Max Moskowitz. Although they urged us to stay for supper we did not take time for more than coffee and cake as we did not want to get back too late to Jerusalem, a good 2 hours ride from our Children's Village. As it was we didn't get home till 9 o'clock.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Max Freudman and to Mrs. Mark Linker upon the passing of their beloved husband and father, our late member, **Max Freudman**.

BAR MITZVAH



Robert Jaye

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Congratulations to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Jaye and to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Youran, upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Robert, in our synagogue, tomorrow morning. Robert is a pupil in our Talmud Torah.

Women's League Notes

OPEN MEETING — NOV. 10

Diary of Anne Frank" To Be Reviewed

Mrs. Michael Weingarten, the versatile Women's League Program Chairman, who has set for herself the goal of making every Women's League meeting both interesting and enlightening, has arranged one more most attractive program.

For the Open Meeting which is to be held at the Synagogue Building on Monday afternoon, November 10th at 12 o'clock, she has secured Helen B. Wolff, the very charming and delightful reviewer of the new plays and of current literature.

Mrs. Wolff's program will include numbers which will satisfy diversified tastes.

All the women of the congregation and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

WSIS CONTRIBUTORS TO HOMES FOR CHILDREN

We are happy to continue below the listing of all our members and friends who have generously contributed to the Homes for Children in Israel in answer to the appeal made in our Synagogue on Shemini Atzeres:

Sidney Rothenberg, Mr. and Mrs. O. Saretzky, H. Schetzen, Zack Schloss, L. Schneider, Hyman Schwartz, Max Schwartz, Samuel Schwarzman, M. Segerman, Rev. Herman Shapiro, M. G. Shapiro, Gertrude Sobel, Max D. Spitzer, Mrs. Alvera D. Waldman, Mrs. F. Wasserman, Mrs. H. Weiss, and Ely Wohl.

LAYMEN'S INSTITUTE

Dr. Philip Biberfeld To Lecture This Tuesday

"The Hammurabi Code and the Bible" is the topic of our guest lecturer, Dr. Philip Biberfeld, who will speak this Tuesday night, November 11, at 8 o'clock in the Club Room.

Dr. Biberfeld, who is the author of "Universal Jewish History" will throw light on a subject which requires painstaking study in ancient laws. Dr. Biberfeld holds a Doctorate in Law, and is therefore in a position to discuss this topic from a legal point of view, as well. All our members and readers are invited to attend the Tuesday night lectures regularly.

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Hebrew Classes Being Offered

Classes meet regularly for men, and women on Monday nights at 7:30, and for women only on Tuesdays, at 10:30 A.M., for students who can read Hebrew and have some Hebrew background.

Visit these classes this week.

Our Laymen's Institute is offering a class for adults who cannot read the Siddur in the original. This course will be given on Tuesday nights at 7:15.

Arrangements will also be made for a class in Conversational Hebrew on Tuesday nights at 7:15 if there will be sufficient Registration.

Please call or write Rabbi Reichel at the Synagogue office before November 14 concerning these classes.

AARON GROSS TO SPEAK AT OPENING FRIDAY NIGHT FORUM OF COLLEGIATES

The Midtown Jewish Collegiate Council, which is composed of the college age young men and young women of the West Side synagogues, will have its opening Friday night Forum of the season at the W.S.I.S. tonight, Nov. 7th at 8:15 o'clock.

The guest speaker will be Mr. Aaron Gross who will lead a round table discussion on, "What is the Jewish Vote?" Mr. Gross was special assistant to Senator Estes Kefauver during the National Democratic Convention. His active and devoted interest in Jewish and civic affairs make him well qualified to stimulate thinking on this vital subject on the part of all who will attend.

Our own collegiates will be the hosts for the evening. Refreshments will be served.

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WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening 4:27

Weekly Portion: Vayera

Genesis 18:1-22:24 II Kings 4:1-37

Friday Evening Service 4:40

Saturday Morning Service 9:00

Junior Congregation 10:30

Sabbath Kindergarten for Children 4 to 6

Oneg Shabos (Boys and Girls) 3:45

Talmud Class in English 3:10

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class 3:10

Mincha Service

Reader of Torah: Jason Jacobowitz

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The Sabbath Terminates 5:15

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by Sanford Solarz

Of one thing we were always certain, regardless of the outcome of the election, that as long as our Constitution and the democratic principles upon which our government is founded remain unsullied, our compatriot Jews can be free to freely practice our faith unafraid. We were both happy and proud to learn that our esteemed Rabbi Reichel's brilliant sermon contribution to the Annual Sermon Manual, published by the Rabbinical Council of America was included in this volume . . . Our good friend and member, Sam Burman, not content with being one of our hard hitting assistant U.S. attorneys was recently elected president of the West Side Lions Club. Lots of luck, Sam, and we fully expect to hear still bigger things of you in the world of affairs . . . A hearty welcome back home from Europe and Israel to Director Harry Mirken and to Mr. and Mrs. Simon Fuchs and from the West Coast we are happy to have back with us our good members, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Allen and Mrs. Frank L. Taks. We note that going in opposite directions, however, en route to California, is our director Henry Blankfort, to whom we wish our best . . . Our heartiest Mazel Tov and congratulations to Estelle G. Sandler and Robert H. Smith, and to Doris Mandel and Howard Stanley Friedman, who were joined in holy wedding at the nuptial altar of our Synagogue last Saturday evening. While it is not part of our duties to match up husbands and wives we, at least, feel fully justified in recommending our Synagogue as a most spiritual and beautiful place for the performance of the marriage ceremony . . . May **Wedding Anniversary** bells continue to ring for Mr. and Mrs. Solomon M. Strausberg . . . Many happy returns of their **Birthdays** to Mrs. Samuel K. Beier, Sylvia Livingston Bernstein, Moses Jack Berlin, Ellen Joyce Cohen, Jules S. Cohen, Miriam Herman, Nathan Kamerman, Harold Kaplan, Henry Kaufman, Jeanne Sara Pash, Laurence David Rebhun, Anna G. Robinov, Mrs. Max Stakar . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Joseph Liebergall . . . Our Men's Club will be the hosts at the Youth Service and Breakfast this Sunday morning at 9:10. All boys and girls

over 13 are invited — Our readers are urged to relate this message to the youngsters . . . We were glad to see Norman Kamerman the other night . . .

TALMUD TORAH BIRTHDAY PARTY

On Saturday afternoon, November 22nd, there will be a birthday party for all the pupils of our Talmud Torah who had their respective birthdays in September, October, and November. In their honor, special refreshments will be served and party games and songs will be featured. Parents are cordially invited

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