

SABBATH SERVICES, TOMORROW
SHABBATH PARAH, AT 8:50

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Holiday Notes

SABBATH PARAH

Tomorrow, Saturday, is the third of the series of Special Sabbaths preparatory to Passover. It is known as Sabbath 'Parah,' or the Sabbath relating to the red heifer of purification.

At this time during the days of the Temple in Jerusalem, when Passover was approaching, it was time for the unclean to become ritually clean in order to be permitted to partake of the Passover sacrifice. The law of purification is contained in the special reading for this Sabbath from Numbers 19.

The Red Heifer

The basic part of the ceremony of the ritually unclean ("tameyim") in the Tabernacle of the Temple was the slaughtering and burning of a red heifer which had never been worked and had no blemish whatsoever. The ashes of this burnt animal were used to make a mixture which was stored in the Temple.

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SEDER RESERVATIONS

Our Rabbis have said that thirty days before the Passover holiday, one should begin to busy himself with preparations for that holiday, both by studying the laws of the holiday and making preliminary arrangements for the proper observance of the holiday.

In that connection, may we remind our readers that the Synagogue office is now accepting reservations for our Congregational Sedorim. These Sedorim will be held both nights at the Hotel Esplanade, West End Avenue and 74th Street. They have always been a most dignified and inspiring celebration of the Passover holiday. Under the direction of Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, Rabbi O. Asher Reichel, and Cantor Zalmon Yavneh, the Sedorim are made both traditional and completely intelligible to all, with a maximum of participation by all present.

The charge, which includes all extras and gratuities, is \$10 per person per Seder. Contact the Synagogue office at once for your reservation.

Cantor Yavneh's Annual Concert This Sunday



Cantor Yavneh

Our popular Cantor, Zalmon Yavneh, will hold his annual concert at the Synagogue this Sunday evening, March 8. He will be assisted by the renowned choir of Samuel Sterner.

Those of our readers who have attended these concerts in the past can attest to the fact that the Cantor's concerts have always been most dramatic and inspiring. In a program of both Liturgical and Folk selections, the Cantor achieves heights that are seldom surpassed.

We know that all the friends and admirers of Cantor Yavneh will want to attend this event. Those who have not secured their tickets as yet, may still do so, this Sunday, in the Synagogue Office.

The Concert will start promptly at 8 o'clock.

ANNUAL YESHIVOS APPEAL

On Shabbos Zachor, our congregation responded to the appeal for 32 noted yeshivos and religious institutions. If you were not with us when the appeal was made, you are urged to send in your contribution. Checks should be made payable to the W.S.I.S. marked "Yeshiva Appeal". The names of the contributors will be printed in the Review.

Women's League Israeli Project Afternoon Of Games, Monday, March 9th



Mrs. Louis Shlansky
Co-Chairman

The boys and girls of the W.S.I.S. Children's Village in Israel sent affectionate greetings through Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein to their adopted "Daddies" and "Mommies" in our synagogue.

Many additional children have come to live in our Children's Village.

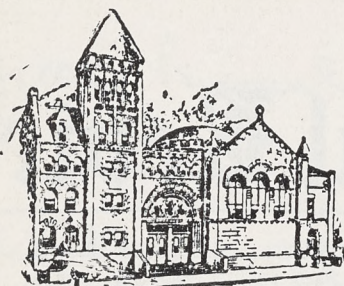


Mrs. Isidor Friedman
Co-Chairman

This would be a source of great satisfaction to us if it were not for the fact that the kitchen facilities at our Children's Village have become woefully inadequate.

The good women of our Women's League, whose experience as moth-

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Israeli Diary

By Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein

JERUSALEM,
FRIDAY, JULY 4th, 1952

We had a car at our disposal yesterday, for the entire day, and we took full advantage of it. We left Jerusalem early in the morning. The air was pure, fresh and cool. The roads are simply marvellous and are kept in perfect condition. We never go out on a trip without coming upon bands of road workers. We picked up a young lady who asked for a hitch. She was a teacher going to a MAHBAHRAH. The teachers here are really making sacrifices. They go to scattered Mahbarot, on foot, usually hitch-hiking most of the way. After we left the teacher at her destination, we picked up another hitch-hiker — an old Yemenite man, with his grandchild, a cute little fellow of four, whom we took as far as Ramle. You just can't, and shouldn't ride with an empty seat in a car in Israel these days, so we immediately got our next passenger, a Sabra young lady who was in the Israeli air-force. We took her as far as Tel Aviv, where Mrs. Schlesinger, head of the Aguda Women's Organization in Tel Aviv, and one of her co-workers, a Mrs.



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545th OF THE 613 BIBLICAL COMMANDMENTS "The Laws Sparing The Mother Bird"

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We are commanded to send away the mother bird, from the nest before we take the young birds therefrom, as it is written in Deuteronomy, Chapter 21, verse 7, "Thou shalt in any wise let the mother go, but the young thou mayest take unto thyself". The purpose of this commandment is to indicate G-d's individual Providence over every one of His creatures. Our Sages say, "One will enjoy measure for measure", — namely, — for protecting G-d's creation, he will be worthy, that his children's lives will be protected.

What we call mercy, is not necessarily mercy before G-d, as for instance, in regard to the slaughtering of animals. Superficially, this is not a merciful act to the animal, but in G-d's scheme of creation this is a means of sustaining mankind

and the animal reaches its highest level, as it serves mankind. Thus, we cannot always properly understand and explain the ways of G-d. For what difference does it make to G-d whether man slaughters an animal, and then eats it, or kills it and then eats it, or if he eats trefa? It is to enable us to secure our food, in the most painless way to the animal, and to give us the power of restraint, to free us from blood thirstiness, and so forth. Our Sages say, that the intent in giving us all the commandments is for our good alone.

This commandment refers only to cases in a public domain, where the nest of the mother and the children do not belong to anyone. They include, fowl, because fowls belong to the family of birds. As a matter of fact, in the poultry industry they speak of fowls as so many birds. However, the commandment does not refer to a nest that has broken eggs or where the mother flutters around the nest. There is a high moral sense evidenced among birds. The parent bird will never enter the nest of another parent's birds.

This commandment prevails at all times and all places and refers to male and female alike. He who trespasses and takes the mother while she is with her brood, trespasses this positive commandment in addition to the negative one preceding this one.

Fink, were awaiting us. They went with us to ROSHAYIN, an immense **Mahbahrah**, where, among other activities, they are running a BABIES' HOME, as it is called. Here 30 children between the ages of 3 months and 2½ years are being taken care of.

Israeli Project

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ers and as housekeepers gives them a sympathetic understanding of the situation, have taken the rehabilitation and modernization of our Children's Village kitchen as their project, for this year.

To raise funds for this purpose, the Women's League will have a Luncheon and Afternoon of Games at the Synagogue House on Monday, March 9th at 12:30 o'clock.

Tickets are \$2.00 per person. Phone the Synagogue, TR 7-8281 and make your reservation without delay. We trust that every woman in our congregation will participate in this important activity.

The Co-chairmen of this function

are our cooperative and conscientious Mrs. Isidor Friedman and Mrs. Louis Shlansky. The Co-treasurers are our ever loyal Mrs. Leopold Hirsch and Mrs. Joseph Liebergall.

Following are the generous patronesses of this function: Mesdames Mannie Alt, Saul Bergman, Al Braff, David Brown, Miss Ruth Davis, Annie Eisenberg, Ben K. Eisenberg, Isidor Friedman, Joseph Friedman, Herbert S. Goldstein, Maurice Greenstein Leopold Hirsch, Jacob Kaplan, Joseph Kirsch, Max Koch, Moses Langer, Lillian Levine, Joseph Liebergall, George L. Livingston, Sadie Lippman, Louis Meisel, Meyer Pargament, Eddie Schreiber, Jules Shaftan, Ann Soffer, Frank L. Taks, Bertha Warschauer, Harry Ward, Michael Weingarten, Jennie Yabrow.

Condolences

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member Mr. Irving Kobrin, upon the loss of his father, **Bernard Kobrin**.

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member, Mr. Max J. Etra upon the passing of his brother **Israel Etra**.

A Bird's Eye View

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

A meeting of the Thespians, that co-ed Collegiate play-reading group, will be held this Friday, March 6, at 9 P.M. in the Social Hall.

On Sunday, March 8, at 8:30 P.M., the Collegiates will have a skating party at Wollman Memorial, on the terrace overlooking the rink. Bring your own pillow. Skates can be rented.

This Monday the Game Room will be open from 7 o'clock on.

Junior Congregation News:

Jeffrey Lindenbaum was elected President and Victor Ringel Vice-President, with the term of office being one month.

Those children who get one hundred points by attending Junior Service will go to Radio City Music Hall free.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The pupils of our Talmud Torah and the young people of our Junior Youth Groups, who celebrate their birthdays in February and March will be the guests of honor on Saturday morning, March 14th, at the Junior Congregation in the main Synagogue, together with their parents.

We heartily suggest that parents send us the names of their children who are among the celebrants so that they will receive invitations.

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OUR REBBETZIN TO BE HONORED



Mrs. Goldstein

The Hebrew Teachers Training School for Girls will celebrate its 25th Anniversary, on March 18, 1953.

To mark this historic occasion, their Silver Anniversary Dinner is being dedicated to our beloved Rebetzin, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, one of the nations outstanding Jewish women, whose life-long achievements and devotion to Jewish communal life are nationally known. Mrs. Goldstein, is founder of this school.

"Since its inception the school has made a definite contribution to the welfare and progress of Jewish education. Its graduates have become teachers and communal leaders of distinction throughout the country."

Reservations for the Dinner, which will be held at the Commodore Hotel on March 18th, may be made either through Mr. Ben Glazer or Mrs. Harry Ward, care of the W.S.I.S. — TR 7-8281. There will be no appeal for funds.

FOR YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES

The W.S.I.S. League welcomes young married couples of our community to participate in its program. Dr. and Mrs. A. Hanania will be the hosts of the group at their home, 35 West 92nd Street, on Sunday night, March 15, at 8:30 o'clock. Featuring the evening will be a talk by Mr. David Dolinsky, an interior decorator, on "Physical Aspects of Color in Home Decorating". For further information about our League, you may call its president, Dr. Gustave Oremland, TR 3-7556, or our Rabbi Reichel.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening before.....5:23

Weekly Portion: "Ki Seesa" and

Parshas Parah

Exodus 30.11-34.35 Numbers 19.1-22

Ezekiel 36.16-38

Friday Evening Service5:40

Saturday Morning Service8:50

Sabbath Kindergarten for Children

4 to 610:30

Junior Congregation10:45

Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls)3:40

Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Class4:00

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class4:00

Mincha Service5:00

Reader of Torah: Samuel Ward

Reader of Service: Hershel Gold

The Sabbath Terminates6:22

Daily Services:

Sunday mornings6:45, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00

Daily Mornings6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Mincha5:40

Followed by the Explanation of the
Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

The 21st of Adar will mark the Yahrzeit of one of the greatest spiritual personalities in Jewish history — Reb Yitzchok Elchanan — whose name is enshrined in this country by the school bearing his name at Yeshiva University. In commemoration of the Yahrzeit, Sunday, Mar. 8, 1953, the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary will hold a Semicha Convocation at which time some 100 rabbis will be ordained to serve the Jewish community with the same nobility of purpose and devotion as did their great master.

Getting Personal

by Sanford Solarz

The Festival of Purim was celebrated at our Synagogue House last Saturday eve by a truly gala and memorable party jointly sponsored by our Men's Club and Women's League. Reservations for the party were booked solid in advance, and there was just no room for late comers. This should serve as a gentle hint that for all our future affairs our wiser members and friends should make their reservations in advance. The success of the party was due in no small measure to the Co-chairladies, Mesdames Myron Friedlander and Frank L. Taks and the Co-chairmen, Al Braff and Alexander Kirsh, with the able assistance of Mmes. Al Braff, Al Kirsh, Morris Jablow and Harry Ward; Messrs. Abraham Eisenman, Myron Friedlander, Jacob Goldberg, Hyman Gordon, H. William Hirsch, Frank L. Taks; Mr. and Mrs. Ben K. Eisenberg and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Weiss. And lest we forget, our citation of merit goes to Harry Fischer for his cooperation and donation . . . Our very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Finkelstein and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Finkelstein in their new Home Sweet Home . . . The host at tomorrow afternoon's Seudah Shlishith will be our good and noted vocalist member, Isidore Lauer, in memory of the yahrzeit of his father . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Etta Jaffin and Harry Slayton. We are always happy with reports that our inbound transportation exceeds the outbound. Although Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goidel are leaving for Florida . . . We welcome back home to our Congregational Family from Florida, Director Abraham M. Druckman and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron W. Gross; from out West, Herbert Tumpowsky; from Lakewood, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Hirsch; and from Europe, Abel Finkelstein. There are no territorial limits to the influence of W.S.I.S. . . . We have just heard from our former Talmud Torah student, Joseph N. Tilem that he has opened law offices in Beverly Hills, California, and our sincerest wishes for his success are with him . . . Our good member, Samuel S. Burman has recently resigned as Assistant United States

Attorney to become associated with the law firm of Keesing & Keesing. Lots of luck, Sam and let's see lots of you. Our Rabbi Reichel was the guest Speaker at the Brotherhood Meeting of the Odd Fellows Welfare Guild . . . **Wedding Anniversary** greetings to Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Levy, Director and Mrs. Moe Oltarsh and Director and Mrs. Jacob H. Silverstein. And many happy returns of their **birthdays** to Mrs. Jules S. Cohen, Mrs. Selig Edelman, Charles Fiedler, David Nafthali Kahn, Barbara Kaplan, Howard Kaplan, Norman Kamerman, Leonard Lunitz, Joyce Reisman, Samuel Maurice Ward, James L. Wohl and Raphael Yavneh.

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The priests would sprinkle some of this mixture on the one who was ritually unclean.

This commandment is a "chok," an ordinance for which no direct reason is given in the Torah. Some of the Rabbis regard this heifer as an atonement for the Golden Calf.

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