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A GREAT DAY COMING



Mrs. William Foont

The Women's League look forward to another gala get-together on February 28th, 1955, when they will sponsor a Luncheon and afternoon of games at the Synagogue. Our gracious and capable Mrs. William Foont is Chairman of this function and is being ably assisted by our ever-willing and cooperative Mesdames Isador Friedman and Louis Shlansky, as Co-Chairmen, and Walter Freeman and Leopold Hirsch, as Treasurers.

All the proceeds realized will go to support our favorite project, the Children's Village of the W.S.I.S., in Israel. Tickets are nominally priced at \$2.

Won't you please save the date, February 28th, at 12 noon, in the Synagogue, and help us save lives.

AN INVITATION TO YOUNG ADULTS OVER 21

You are cordially invited to attend our next open meeting on Sunday evening, January 23rd, at 8:30 o'clock.

The program will consist of the viewing of color slides, taken by our member Mr. Leonard Steck during his travels in the Far East. Social hour will follow.

DAVID METSCH
Chairman, Steering Committee
W.S.I.S. Senior League

Men's Club To Sponsor Social Evening

Annual Event to Take Place January 29

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE RABBINICAL COUNCIL

"Dear Colleagues,

There is an important matter coming up in New York State which requires your attention and assistance.

For years we have been striving to change one of New York's discriminatory blue laws which prevented observant merchants who close their stores on Shabbos from keeping them open on Sunday. We have now heard from Governor Harriman's office that there is a good chance for a bill which would give local option to each community and thus permit the observant merchant to pursue his livelihood, to pass. To make this possible, however, a concerted effort is necessary. We therefore, request of you that you urge your congregants to communicate with Assemblyman Joseph F. Car-

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The Men's Club extends to all the men and women of the Congregation a cordial invitation to attend its forthcoming Social Evening and Card Party, on Saturday night, January 29.

This event has been held several times in the past and has proven to be very popular.

Under the chairmanship of Mr. Irving Silver, a very interesting program has been prepared providing for refreshments, and entertainment.

Admission will be \$1.50 per person. The party will begin at 8 o'clock and all our men and women are urged and invited to attend. In order to make the proper preparations, the committee in charge has requested that those planning to attend make their reservations early. Please contact either the Chairman of the event, Mr. Silver, or Men's Club President Mr. Abraham Eisenman, or Secretary Jacob Goldberg, or call the Synagogue Office.

RE M I N D E R

MEN'S CLUB FORUM — Monday Evening, February 7th

Speaker: HON. HULAN E. JACK,

President, Borough of Manhattan

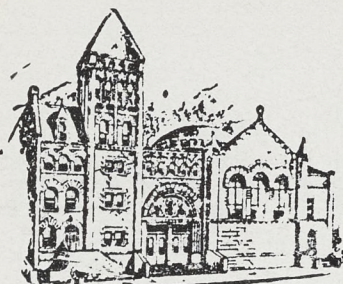
Highest elective office ever attained by a Negro,
in the History of the U.S.

Subject: "Unity Among All For The Sake Of Brotherhood."

Abraham Eisenman, Presiding
President of Men's Club

Max Lazarus, Moderator
Chairman, Speakers Committee

Question and answer period to follow



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HEBREW SCHOOL FILM TO BE SHOWN AT

P.T.A. MEETING THIS WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Henry Lindenbaum, President of our P.T.A., cordially invites you to attend a very important meeting of our P.T.A., Wednesday evening, January 26th at 8:30 o'clock. Plans for the forthcoming Purim Carnival will be discussed. Mrs. Jules Citron has been appointed Chairman of this gala annual affair. In addition one of the popular Hebrew School film strips will be shown on the machine which was presented to the Synagogue by the P.T.A.

Message From Rabbinical Council

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lino, leader of the Assembly, or State Senator, Oswald Heck, leader of the Senate, by letter or wire, as well as with your own State Senator and Assemblyman, and urge favorable action, on their part.

See to it that action by the laity in your community is organized and pursued. This is a very opportune time and we must not neglect it."

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Preliminary Morning Readings

"THE PRACTICE OF CHARITY"

This refers to Personal Service, where one's energy and not his money is called into service. The Hebrew term נְמוּלַת חֶסֶדִים "bestowal of lovingkindnesses," is much wider than the word צְדָקָה denoting "charity." Charity can be shown only to the living and the poor; and for charity, there is a maximum limit in rabbinic Law. A man should not devote more than one-fifth of his income to almsgiving. Not so is it with lovingkindness. It has no measure. It can be shown to all, even to the dead; and it can be shown by all for he that has no

money may possess the noble impulse to kindly action and charitable thought. In addition to the provision of food and raiment, it demands sympathetic consideration for the feelings of the needy, patience with their shortcomings, as well as all manner of tactful provision for the wants of those who are too sensitive to accept charity, in a word "Rachmonus — or Sympathy", the Talmud says, "Anyone devoid of Rachmonus and human fellow-feeling with sufferers, is not a descendant of Abraham."

"STUDY OF THE TORAH"

Another unlimited duty. The pious Israelite is a life-long learner. Since the Torah is, as fresh air is to the heart and lung, it is self-evident, that the more it is inhaled, the better it is for our body, mind and soul, — for our whole life. And such study of the Torah is vital to the continuance

of Israel as a spiritual entity in the world. Both Judaism and the Jew wither away, wherever this sacred study is not instilled in the home, the school and the synagogue.

Even the greatest scholar is termed תַּלְמִיד חָכָם "the disciple of the wise," "always learning."

"THESE ARE THINGS, THE FRUIT OF WHICH A MAN EATS IN THIS WORLD WHILST THE PRINCIPAL REMAINS FOR HIM FOR THE WORLD TO COME"

The following duties which will be enumerated herewith are largely of a social character and promote peace and good will, and these are

the fruits of these meritorious deeds. The tree, the stock or the principal, remains for us in the Hereafter.

"HONORING FATHER AND MOTHER"

For this act of merit the Torah promises long life (Exodus, Chapter 20, verse 12).

Every act of filial piety, reverence and good will makes the world a better place in which to live. And the man who performs such an act, shares in the moral amelioration that follows in the wake of noble

human conduct.

The ethical virtues here enumerated became ingrained in the Jewish character, largely owing, no doubt, to the prominence given them in this portion of the Daily Prayers. We may well say with the Psalmist, "Thy commandment is exceeding extended." (Psalm 119, verse 96).

"TIMELY ATTENDANCE AT THE HOUSE OF STUDY MORNING AND EVENING"

Study as a rule is part of the program of Synagogue attendance.

"HOSPITALITY TO WAYFARERS"

Every large community has or should have a shelter for strangers. Hospitality is a spiritual legacy bequeathed unto us by Abraham and enjoined in the Torah. The Bible bids

us 36 times not merely to tolerate, as does the Christian world at best, but "to LOVE the stranger." Well may the world take a leaf out of the Jewish way of life.

"VISITING THE SICK"

Our Rabbis say that when we visit the sick, we remove 1/60th of the person's illness. We break up the

day for him and take his mind away from his pains, or from his condition, and thereby improve his ability.

MAZEL TOV



Sandra Goodman

Our heartiest congratulations to our second Vice President, Mr. and Mrs. Max Moskowitz, and to our member Mr. Jacob Goodman, and our Women's League Executive Board member, Mrs. Hilda Goodman, upon the forthcoming marriage of their granddaughter and daughter, Sandra, to Herbert Ortner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ortner. May the young couple be blessed with a long and happy married life.

HILLEL USED TO SAY: IF NOT NOW, WHEN?

(Sayings of the Father — Chapter 1)

Every day, every hour that your children are estranged from an intelligent understanding and appreciation of our Jewish faith and tradition, the further are they drifting away from us . . . It will be that much more difficult for parents, teachers and spiritual leaders to show them the spiritual way of life. If not now, **when**, will you call our Principal and discuss with him the program of Jewish education for your child? New classes are beginning now.

CELEBRATING BAS MITZVAHS

On Saturday afternoon May 7th, we shall celebrate at an Oneg Shabbat the Bas Mitzvahs of the young ladies of our Congregational family who have reached their twelfth birthdays. The girls who wish to participate in the program should write to Rabbi Reichel by January 30th.

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PARENTS — "YES OR NO?"

In your opinion, should a girl get a Jewish education and as much Jewish education as a boy?

Hold on, now! Before you answer that question, better think over a few other basic preliminary questions!

Who predominates at most public events, men or women? Who bring up our children, mold the character of future generations?

Who set the tone of our homes and schools? Who are going to be the future leaders of our Jewish community — only men? Mostly men?

How are these future leaders, if they're women, going to develop intelligence, knowledge, Jewish interest, when they're young — just by feminine instinct? by "catching" it from the boys?

Does a girl gain anything personally from a Jewish education? Is she a happier Jewess, a happier American? Does she learn things that will help her later to be a good Jewish mother and home-maker? Does she meet Jewish boys and young men of a finer type?

All right, now that you've thought it over, go ahead and check off your answer to our original question:—

Should a Girl Get As Much Jewish Education as a Boy?

Yes.....No.....

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening up to 4:41
Weekly Portion — Vaw Ay-RAW
Exodus 6.2 - 9:35
Ezekiel 28:25-26; 29:1-21
Friday Evening Service4:45
Saturday Morning Service9:00
Prayers for the New Month
Junior Congregations10:30
Sabbath Kindergarten for Children
4 to 510:30
Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls from
9 to 12 years)3:00
Rabbi Reichel's Mishnah Class3:15
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class3:15
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class3:15
Mincha4:15

Reader of Torah: David Lax
Reader of Service: Joseph Neustadter
The Sabbath Terminates5:31
Daily Services:

Sunday Morning6:45, 8:00, 9:00
Monday (Rosh Chodesh Shevat)
6:30, 7:30, 8:15

Daily Mornings6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha4:45

Followed by the Explanation of the
Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein.

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member Ludwig Jesselson, upon the passing of his father, **Samuel Jesselson**.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Lea Pye, member of our Women's League, upon the loss of her son, **Elliott Pye**.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

Guiseppe Verdi may not have composed La Traviata specifically for the edification of W.S.I.S. Nevertheless, we shall remain eternally grateful to him for this truly grand opera which did so much last Sunday evening at the Met for the dramatic and musical inspiration of our members and friends who were fortunate enough to have been there, and also for the financial success of our annual benefit performance . . . Good to see Director Henry Blankfort in the City for a brief stint from California . . . Happy vacationing in Florida to Mrs. Anna Dworkin and her son, Benjamin, and to our members Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schwartz . . . The host at our weekly Sabbath Seuda Shlishis tomorrow afternoon will be our Second Vice President, Max Moskowitz . . . Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Katz upon the **Bar Mitzvah** of their son Stephen . . . We wish Irving W. Karpf and Mrs. Isidore Sterkin a speedy recovery . . . Glad to see at Services Mr. and Mrs. Abe Glaser and family from Oyster Bay . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cohen upon the arrival of a baby boy to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cohen and to the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Aladar Bernath on the birth of a daughter to Mr. and

Mrs. Irving Schwartz . . . Mazel Tov and all best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Joseph upon the **marriage** of their daughter Barbara to Philip Winter; and to our members Mr. and Mrs. Max Chernofsky upon the **engagement** of their son and our member, Yakov, to Ellen Jung, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Moses Jung . . . **Wedding Anniversary** greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Simon Dack, Director and Mrs. Adolph Meirowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Mirken, Mr. and Mrs.

Harold Pash, Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. Schnur and Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Silberstein . . . Many happy returns of their **birthdays** to Kurt Benjamin, Beth Esther Charney, Alexander Cohen, Allan Jeffrey Cohen, Mrs. Sigg Eisenberg, Emanuel Goldman, Mrs. Maurice Goodgold, Jack Goodman, Mrs. Norman Grober, Mrs. Jacob Kaplan, Henry L. Kessler, Jonas Leisten, Ben Lippman, Donald Jay Moses, Roy Stuart Tumpowsky and Jeffrey Sheppard Yudkoff.

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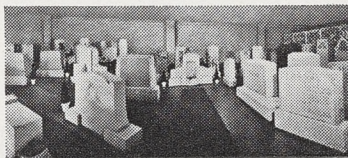
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