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HOLIDAY NOTES



Sabbath HaChodesh

The fourth of the Special Sabbaths prior to the Passover holiday takes place tomorrow. The Sabbath which precedes the first day of Nisan is known as Sabbath HaChodesh. The month of Nisan will begin next Thursday.

The special reading begins with: "This month (Nisan) shall be the first of months for you." The passage contains the laws of the Passover sacrifice.

Maath Chittim

"Maath Chittim" means literally money for wheat for the making of matzah. It has always been the duty of every member of the community to see to it that every fellow-Jew is able to observe Passover properly. Therefore, the leaders of community are charged with the duty of collecting, beginning immediately after Purim, the funds for this purpose.

SEDER RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE NOW

Only Two Weeks Remain for Preparations

The holiday of Passover is but a little over two weeks away. Proper preparations for this holiday are among the important aspects of the festival. Included in such preparations are the Sedorim for the first two nights.

Each year, our congregational family has joined in the observance of this historic and tradition-studded ritual. Under the leadership of our Rabbis, Herbert S. Goldstein and O. Asher Reichel, and assisted by our Cantor Zalman Yavneh, all those present have always been both inspired and instructed.

The Seder nights fall this year on

Congressman Davidson To Be Guest Speaker Tonight, March 18, At Forum And Oneg Shabbat

Sponsored by our Women's League, Men's Club and Mr. and Mrs. League

MEN'S CLUB

REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD THIS MONDAY EVENING

The next regular meeting of the Men's Club will be held this Monday evening, March 21. The meeting will include both a business meeting and a social program to which all the men members of our congregation are cordially invited.

The meeting is scheduled to begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock in our Synagogue building.

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Irwin D. Davidson

All our members and friends within walking distance of the West Side Institutional Synagogue are cordially invited to attend to-night, Friday evening, March 18th at 8:30 o'clock promptly, a Forum and Oneg Shabbat in our Synagogue.

The newly elected Congressman of our District, Irwin D. Davidson, graciously consented to be our speaker for this occasion. His topic will be "Experiences of a Freshman Congressman".

Congressman Davidson was a member of the New York State Legislature for 12 years, and a Justice of the Court of Special Sessions in New York City for the next 7 years.

Our sweet singing Cantor Zalman Yavneh, will lead us in group singing of Zmiros and Rabbi Reichel will conduct a Torah session.

Our Mr. and Mrs. League will serve as hosts for the refreshments which will follow the Forum.

Come one, come all.

SENIOR LEAGUE TO MEET SUNDAY NIGHT

Young adults over 21 are cordially invited to an Open Meeting of our Senior League this Sunday night, March 20th at 8:30 o'clock, in our Club Room. Interesting films will be shown.



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OF IMMEDIATE IMPORTANCE

The present New York State Penal Law, which requires that all stores, with certain exceptions, be closed on Sunday, has worked great hardships on many of our religiously observant Jewish brethren, who require Sunday business in order to make a livelihood. Aside from the economic considerations, it is essential to American democracy that each person have complete freedom to practice his religion without restriction by the State.

Both Governor Harriman and Attorney-General Javits have endorsed the amendment. However, we have learnt from past experience that it is most urgent to follow up the promises of both parties to see that their pledges are fulfilled.

You can be most helpful in seeing that we do not fail at the last minute because of lack of public support of this measure, which is of such vital importance to the interests of religious Jewry. You are therefore urged to contact the local state Senators and Assemblymen, personally and by mail, to enlist their support for the passage of the Calli-Rosenblatt Bill (Senate S-667, Assembly A-1507), which will amend the Sunday Closing Law on the desired lines.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Morning Blessings

**"IT IS THEREFORE OUR DUTY TO THANK, PRAISE AND GLORIFY"
"HEAR O ISRAEL"**

We are the world's spiritual middlemen. We are to proclaim His teachings to the world.

If one fears lest he will not be able to say the "Shmah" שמע on time, namely until 1/4 of the day, he should say this first Chapter early. (See Orach Chaim 58:2).

**"THOU WAST THE SAME ERE THE WORLD WAS CREATED
AND THOU WILT BE THE SAME IN THE WORLD TO COME"**

This is to indicate that G-d in His Essence remains the same. It is not affected by outward conditions. This is beautifully expressed by Elihu the inspired Disputant of Suffering Job. "If thou Sinnest" says Elihu,

"what doest thou against Him? If thou be righteous what givest thou Him, or what receiveth He of thine hand?" (See Job 35:5-7) Thus the Laws of the Torah were given to us only for **our** Salvation.

"SANCTIFY THY NAME"

We pray that His Name remain pure and unsullied, free from superstition and bigotry, which tend to change its essence, beyond recognition. At times Mercy is imputed to His Name, when its true attribute should be retribution, and vice versa. Thus we pray that all errors as to His true nature, be removed, whereby Israel and the world may be safer. During the days of persecution, we purposely, included the "Shma" in the early part of the Service, before our persecutors, would be on our tracks.

"When, as in the persecution that gave rise to this prayer, Israel suf-

fers, such suffering is misunderstood by the heathen. Instead of seeing in it a means to purify and lead Israel back to G-d, they take it as a sign that He is not able to save His people; in brief, that Might alone is right, and that there is no such thing as moral rule in the universe. Thus, the Name of G-d, the knowledge of His true Nature — that he is holy, righteous, and omnipotent — is inseparably linked with the destinies of Israel. Therefore Israel prays with the Psalmist, "Not unto us, O L-rd, not unto us, but unto thy Name give glory." (Psalms 115:1) (Hertz).

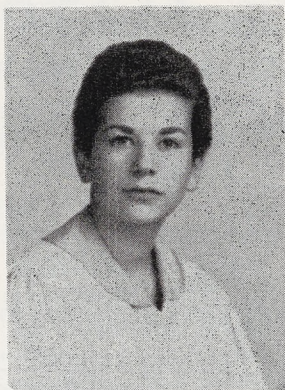
"BLESSED ART THOU O LORD BEFORE THE WHOLE WORLD"

Those who sanctify Thy name before the whole world, publicly, and in the face of martyrdom.

OUR PURIM CARNIVAL

The Purim Youth Carnival last Sunday in our Synagogue Building was the epitome of gaiety and enjoyment for the children. For the success of the affair, our Congregational Citation of Merit to Mrs. Henry Lindenbaum, President of our P.T.A., Mrs. Jules Citron, Chairman of the Carnival Committee and to the members of the committee, including Mesdames Abraham Cohen, William Foont, Monroe Gaines, Arthur Hoff, Rose Levinsky, and Herbert Tumpowsky, and to our Hebrew School staff, under the leadership of Miss Yocheved Fishbain. Among our younger set who

manned the booths and helped make our Carnival so successful were Gregory Alexander, Jay Bender, Jerry Berkowitz, Joseph Citron, Peter Eisenberg, Bernice Goldberg, David Goldberg, Marcia Greenstein, Ellen Herzog, Steve Jacobs, Ronald Jarmuth, Edward Leister, Michael Levinsky, Sharon Levinsky, Sheila Levinsky, Roger Lourie, Madi Jo Lowenthal, Neil Lowenthal, Jack Lubiner, Ceil Miller, Francine Pretner, Robert Shapiro, Steven Stern, Barbara Swersky, Marcia Tumpowsky, William Weinberg, Cyrus Yavneh and Jay Zimmerman.

MAZEL TOV**Yonina Yavneh**

Our heartiest Mazel Tov to our devoted Cantor and Mrs. Zalmon Yavneh, upon the engagement of their daughter Yonina, to Jackie Jaffe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Jaffe of Brooklyn.

Yonina is graduating from Julia Richman High School. She is an alumna of our Hebrew School and has been an active participant in our Social Department.

Jackie served with the U. S. Army in Korea. By profession he is an artist. He is continuing his studies at the Cartoonist and Illustrators School of New York.

CONGREGATIONAL APPEAL FOR WORLD ACADEMY

At our services recently, the worshippers present were appealed to, on behalf of the World Academy for Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. Judge David N. Edelstein spoke fervently of the work of the World Academy and President Lester Udell, followed with the appeal for funds.

We of the W.S.I.S. should feel a special bond with this important institution, for our beloved Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, is, in reality, the leader of this great project.

In recognition of Rabbi Goldstein's devotion to the project, it has been decided on the occasion of his 65th birthday, to name one of the buildings, the library, in his name. Funds are now being raised for the construction of this building as well as others of the group of beautiful buildings to be situated atop Mount Herzl in Jerusalem.

Contributions may be sent care of the Synagogue Office, payable to "World Academy for Higher Jewish Studies."

WAR VETERANS POST TO VISIT VETERANS' HOSPITAL FOR PASSOVER PREPARATIONS

The Buddy Friedman Post of the Jewish War Veterans, affiliated with our Synagogue, is going to visit the Castle Hill Veterans' Hospital, near Beacon, New York. The visit will take place on April 3, the Sunday before Passover. Its purpose is to bring Passover foods and materials to the hospital to enable the Jewish patients to observe the holiday.

Anyone wishing to accompany the members of the Post are urged to communicate with Marvin Padawer, Commander of the Post, at EN 2-8257, or at the Synagogue office.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE RUMMAGE SALE

Have you brought your package to the Synagogue? Please start your spring cleaning early and lighten your storage problem, by sending anything you cannot use to the Synagogue. We need more merchandise before announcing our Rummage Sale date. If your package is very large, we will arrange pick-up service through the generosity of our devoted member Ruth Davis. Won't you help? Your old discards bring good new money for our many worth-while undertakings.

OUR POST BAR MITZVAHS

Winners of the Ping Pong tournament which was recently concluded were Bernice Goldberg and Abraham Sassoon.

Boys and girls over 13 are cordially invited to the regular Monday evening meeting at 7:30 o'clock.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening up to5:50

Weekly Portion — Vayakheyl P'Kooday

Exodus 35:-to End of Book;

Exodus 12:1-20; Ezekiel 45:16-46:18

Friday Evening Service6:00

Saturday Morning Service8:30

Rosh Chodesh Bentchen

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4 to 610:30

Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls)3:00

Rabbi Reichel's Mishna Class4:25

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class4:25

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class4:25

Mincha5:25

Reader of Torah: Sanford Ward

Reader of Service: Herbert Perlman

The Sabbath Terminates6:38

Daily Services:

Sunday Morning7:15, 8:00, 9:00

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

Thursday Morning

(Rosh Chodesh Nisan)6:30, 7:30, 8:15

Mincha6:00

Followed by the Explanation of the
Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

GRAND BAZAAR

All our readers and their friends are urged to attend a Gala Bazaar at the Manhattan Day School, 110 Manhattan Ave., corner 104th Street, from Sunday through Wednesday, March 20-23. From 10:30 A.M. to 9 P.M.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

The melodious and dulcet tones waiving from our Social Hall and points outside, when the playing is vigorous enough, emanate from the piano presented to our Congregation by Mr. Herbert Crane, to whom and for which our heartfelt thanks . . . We have often had occasion to comment in this column upon the highly illuminating political talks of our Director Max Lazarus, but last week at a Political Forum on Rent Controls at the Amsterdam Democratic Club we had the good fortune to be called upon to give our views on that subject immediately following a most interesting talk on another aspect of the same subject by the same Max Lazarus . . . Our Rabbi Goldstein headed a delegation of national Jewish leaders who visited Undersecretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr. on the subject of calendar reform and met with an encouraging response . . . The host at our weekly Sabbath Seuda Shlishis tomorrow afternoon will be Director and Mrs. H. William Hirsch in honor of their thirtieth wedding anniversary . . . Welcome home from Florida to Mrs. Julius Bayer . . . We felicitate Mrs. Etta Jatin, upon the appointment of her daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Singer, as Judge of the Domestic Relations Court; and upon the marriage of the granddaughter, Sandra Singer, to Mr. Milton Washau. Happy to see Director David Cohen at our Purim Services . . . All best wishes to our member Abraham Krumbein upon his appointment as Vice President and Treasurer of the William Taube Travel Agency . . . Our Congregational Mazel Tov and best wishes to Mrs. Libbie Weitzman, the grandmother and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Weitzman the parents, upon the **engagement** of their daughter Janet to Morton Engle; to Mr. and Mrs. Max Chernofsky upon the **marriage** in Israel of their son Yakov to Ellen Jung, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Moses Jung; to Jack M. Nagle upon his **marriage** in California to Gitta Ehrenfreund; to Director and Mrs. Jacob Kaplan upon the **marriage** of their son Howard to Henrietta Kaufmann, daughter of Mrs. Dina Kaufmann; to Renee Mirken upon her forthcoming **marriage**

to Emil Kestenbaum; to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kass upon the **birth** of a daughter Ilene Karen to their children Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lapidus; and to Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Schwartz, the grandparents, upon the **birth** of twin daughters Susan Amy and Nancy Joy to their children Mr. and Mrs. A. Harold Schwartz . . . **Wedding anniversary** greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greenman, Director and Mrs. H. William Hirsch, Hon. Vice President and Mrs. Max E. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Scher, Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Sterkin and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Toch . . . Many happy returns of their **birthdays** to Margaret Ann Adelson, Mrs. Joseph Buchsbaum, Max Dabek, Mrs. David Don, Mrs. Abraham M. Druckman, Morris Edelson, Frederick S. Goldstein, Mrs. Samuel Greenfield, Herbert Hirsch, Louis Katz, Dr. Laurence J. Rosan, Mrs. Benjamin Shapiro, Mrs. Joseph Shulster, Director Harry Ward and Avigdor Ziskin.

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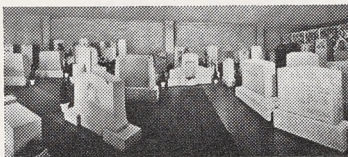
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