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Israel Diary

by Mrs. Goldstein

JUNE 11, 1955

It is really marvelous that Israel has made so much progress in spite of the fact that so large a portion of its immigrant population is made up of people who are backward, mentally, and almost uncivilized, in their conduct. Then too, there are the large number of so called "friendly Arabs", who have been allowed to live in Israel, and given all the privileges of Israeli citizens. They are absolutely primitive in their reactions to situations which displease them. Angered by a shortage of water, the other day, 200 of

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SENIOR LEAGUE SOCIAL TO BE HELD SUNDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 8th

Flushed by the success of its two previous engagements, the Senior League of the W. S. I. S. will open its new year activities with a gala COCKTAIL — SOCIAL this Sunday evening, January 8th, 1956 in our spacious auditorium.

The affair will commence at 8 P.M., and a nominal contribution of 50c. is all that is required to participate in the program that is planned for the evening. Music will be supplied by R. P. Minute.

This past year has seen the Senior League blossom into a substantially sized organization with many interests. The organization is presently

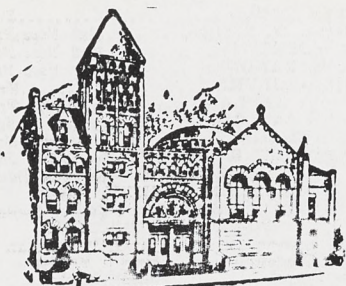
revising its plans for the coming spring, so as to conform with its new stature.

In charge of planning and organizing the activities of the League is an Executive Committee consisting of seven members. They meet with Rabbi Reichel, the spiritual leader of the group, and prepare the programs for their meetings. The rapid expansion of the organization has necessitated an increase in the membership of the committee. Therefore, anyone interested in taking an active part in the planning and organizing of the group should contact Rabbi Reichel, or Leonard Stecher, Chairman of the Senior League.

A Reminder...

May we urge all of our good friends who promised to purchase Israel Bonds on Shabbat Chanukah to bring their checks into the office where the necessary subscription blanks are ready to be filled out for the particular type of Bond desired.

Israel needs dollars to keep her factories going, her machinery running, her irrigation waters flowing to meet the challenge to her very existence. Israel Bond dollars will prevent the economic development of Israel from stopping. It must go on at a greater pace. Now more than ever we must rally to support and strengthen the people of Israel. Get your Israel Bond now.



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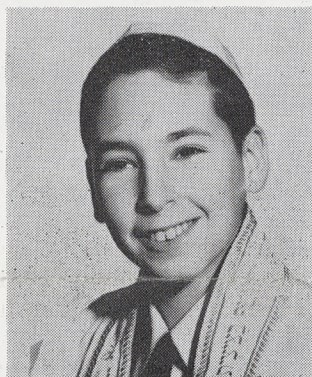
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TOMORROW'S BAR MITZVAH



Jonathan Allen

Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Allen, the grandparents, and Mr. and Mrs. Mordecai Allen, the parents upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jonathan, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning.

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OUR POST BAR MITZVAHS

It is most gratifying to see such a fine turnout of post Bar Mitzvah boys and girls attend Rabbi Goldstein's class on Mondays at 7:30 P.M.

Our readers are urged to bring this information to the attention of their teen-age children.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Psalms of Praise — Conclusion

"AND IN THY HAND ARE MIGHT AND POWER"

We declare that although G-d gives us honor or wealth, He is ever potent to withdraw it.

"AND IN THY HAND IS MIGHT AND POWER: AND IN MY HAND . . . TO GIVE STRENGTH."

Now we say of strength and power that man attains; are 'THINE'. So, too, to the one who does not have the strength, 'YOU' can give it to him in the future.

"NOW THEREFORE . . . WE GIVE THANKS UNTO THEE AND PRAISE THY GLORIOUS NAME."

The words "Mohdim Ah-nahch-noo" are also employed in the Daily Eighteen Benedictions, in the Thanksgiving prayer, the second of the last three benedictions. In Hebrew, when we want to say thanks, we say "Toh-daw," which means "recognition" or "confession." Thus when we thank G-d or any individual for good done unto us, we confess the debt we owe to them. In the Book of Joshua, we read how Joshua called upon Achan "Ten Toh-Daw" "give confession" for what you have done, for the Sin in taking of the devoted spoil. Therefore we say that thanksgiving or gratitude is the

mother of virtues, and ingratitude, the worst of vices. Ingratitude means, we fail to recognize the one who bestows good upon us. The Jewish people celebrate Thanksgiving not merely on the last Thursday of November, but on 365 days of the year, every morning, as we open our eyes, we say, "Moh-de Ah-nee" "I give thanks before Thee, living and existing King, that Thou hast returned unto me my soul, in mercy — great is Thy faithfulness." We thank G-d that He returned our soul to us, — to give us another opportunity to make good.

"THOU ART THE LORD, EVEN THOU ALONE: THOU HAST MADE THE HEAVEN OF HEAVENS . . . EARTH SEAS . . . AND THOU GIVEST LIFE TO THEM ALL"

This portion comes from Nehemiah, Chapter 9, verses 6 to 11. Generally the coming into existence of any agency does not imply also that the continuity of its existence is dependent on the same agency. A man may build a house, yet the house may survive its builder. Its continuity is dependent upon other causes. But it is not so in regard to creation. Not only is G-d responsible for its

coming into being, but to Him is due its continuity. Were it imaginable even for one second that G-d withdraws His life-giving influence, then the whole fabric of the world would collapse into abysmal nothingness. This is, what is called G-d's Imminence. In every phenomenon of creation, we behold a manifestation both of G-d's creative and sustaining powers.

"AND THE HOST OF HEAVEN WORSHIP THEE"

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Our Women's League

MRS. NATHAN COHEN TO BE HOSTESS

The entire Executive Board of our Women's League is invited to a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Nathan Cohen, 650 West End Avenue, on January 9th, at 12:30 o'clock.

A very important meeting of the Board will follow the luncheon, and all Board members are urgently requested to attend promptly.

Israel Diary

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these Arab refugee women stormed into the municipal headquarters of Ramallah, where this happened, smashing windows and furniture with stones. The aggravating part of this situation is, that these refugees had been repeatedly requested to move to a nearby camp, where they would be supplied with water and other necessities, but to no avail. Their slogan is: "We want what we want, when and where we want it". You can readily understand how difficult it is to do anything with this type of unreasonable individuals.

JUNE 12, 1955

I'm sure you will be interested to hear, as I was, of a course entitled, "The Jewish People — Its Spirit and its Destiny," arranged by the Educational Branch of the Army, the course is for wearers of "fig leaves," as officers from the rank of major

and upward are popularly referred to, because of their insignia.

The Israel Defense Forces feel that their Senior officers (many of whom, for various reasons, are not sufficiently versed in the values and the cultural heritage of their people) must understand the unique Jewish quality that preserved the nation thru the generations, and that they must have a knowledge of the values they are defending. It is for this reason that the General Headquarters is trying to draw its high-ranking officers close to the life of Israel, evolved during 2000 years. They are being led thru the pages of Jewish annals and being enlightened as to the essential qualities of each period and the vital principle which runs throughout our people's history.

The lectures are scientific but are delivered in a popular vein by members of the faculty of the Hebrew University.

BROADCAST FOR WORLD ACADEMY



(Left to right) Mr. Harvey Rosen, Rabbi Goldstein, and Barry Gray. Rabbi Goldstein spoke for one hour on Mr. Gray's noted program on behalf of the World Academy in Jerusalem. The Rabbi was also asked many questions concerning traditional Jewish practices.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Teves 22

Light candles before4:24
 Evening services4:35
 Mr. Kestenbaum's
 Chumosh Class8:15

Saturday, Teves 23

Weekly portion: Shemos

Exodus 1:1-6:1 Isaiah 27:6-28:13,
 29:22-23

Prayers for the New Month of Shevat

Morning services9:00
 Junior congregations10:30
 Sabbath Kindergarten10:30
 Oneg Shabbos (boys 9 to 12) 3:00
 Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class3:00
 Mr. Allen's Talmud Class3:00
 Mincha4:00
 Reader of Torah: Joseph Neustadter
 Reader of Service: Herbert Goldberg
 The Sabbath terminates5:15

Sunday, Teves 24

Morning services7:15, 8:15, 9:00
Daily Services
 Morning services6:45, 7:45, 8:30
 Mincha services4:35
 Followed by explanation of Shulchan
 Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. C. Joshua Epstein, our Women's League member, upon the loss of her sister **Aline Binger**;

And to Mrs. David Epstein upon the loss of her father, **Jacob Silverman**.

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

A delegation of our Women's League were the guests recently of the P.T.A. of the Manhattan Day School where, after a delicious luncheon, they were conducted by their gracious hosts on a tour of inspection of the building and the over three hundred children in their classrooms. Reports brought back were indeed rosy and enthusiastic, for the ladies saw for themselves how happily children can combine a Hebrew with a secular education, in an atmosphere that is so thoroughly American and Jewish. Rabbi Reichel delivered a short talk . . . Welcome to our Director Henry Blankfort on another of his flying visits from California . . . Happy vacationing in Florida to Mrs. Julius Bayer, Mrs. Anna Dworkin and son, Ben, and Director and Mrs. Joseph Settel . . . We welcome back from Florida our Director and Mrs. Abraham M. Druckman and Director and Mrs. Jacob Kaplan . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery for our member, Mr. Ben K. Eisenberg . . . The host at our weekly Sabbath Seuda Shlishis, tomorrow afternoon will be Mr. Stephen Klein . . . **Mazel Tov** and all best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pretner upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Marilyn, to Harry Skolnick; and to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Chrein upon the **birth** of Sherrie Signe. Mrs. Chrein is a presidium member of our Mr. and Mrs. League . . . A hearty congratulation to Solomon Rosenfield upon his 91st birthday to-day.

Birthday Greetings

- Jan. 6—Jack Bendheim
Solomon Rosenfield (91st)
Maurice Spanbock
- Jan. 7—Isadore Backowitz
Mrs. Albert H. Colin
- Jan. 8—Dir. Joseph Anderson
Daniel Jesselson
- Jan. 9—Dir. Abraham M. Druckman
Sarah Miriam Reichel
- Jan. 10—Mrs. Samuel Diamond
Richard Grossman
- Jan. 12—Liba Amin
Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel

Anniversary Greetings

- Jan. 10—Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Gottlieb
- Jan. 11—Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Chrein
Dir. & Mrs. Ben Glazer
Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Horowitz
Dr. & Mrs. Samuel Weiss

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