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FROM THE JEWISH CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION

"We need families who are seeking a rewarding experience — to serve as foster parents of children whose homes have been temporarily disrupted by misfortune.

We pay a monthly board rate to foster parents, depending on the age of the child. A higher board rate is paid for children with special needs. Medical and dental care are also provided by the agency, plus a cash allowance for clothing.

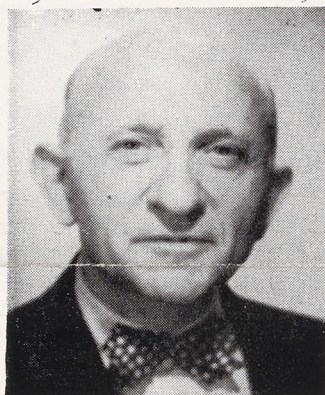
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Answer our call today. Please telephone TEmpleton 8-4500.

Our own P.S. — This is an opportunity to rear a child to become a loyal Jew or Jewess.

Preparations for Congregational Sedorim Begin;

Treasurer Samuel Silver Appointed Chairman



Samuel Silver

We are happy to announce that our Treasurer, Mr. Samuel Silver, has again been appointed to serve as the Chairman of the Synagogue Committee for Passover Sedorim for this year.

Passover will begin this year in April with the first Seder on Monday night, April 15 and the second Seder the following night, Tuesday-April 16. While this may seem some time off, we may point out that the many detailed preparations for these important events need all the time that can be given to them.

Within a short time, details concerning reservations for either night will appear in the Review. Those who have attended in the past will, we are sure, look forward to attending once again. The Sedorim are conducted by Rabbi Goldstein and Reichel, assisted by Cantor Yavneh. We urge you, therefore, to keep this important Synagogue function in mind when making your plans for the Passover holiday.

The event is, we believe, of special importance to the younger generation. The manner in which the Sedorim are conducted enable our youth to understand and appreciate the real significance of the traditional celebration of Passover. We hope you will give the matter your serious consideration soon as we find each year that we cannot accommodate all who want to be with us.

STAMP CLUB MEETING

The Stamp Club meeting will take place this week on Monday evening, February 4, at 7:30 P.M. in our Synagogue building. All who are interested in this fascinating hobby are cordially invited to the meeting.

REMINDER

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Sunday, February 10th, at 8 P.M.

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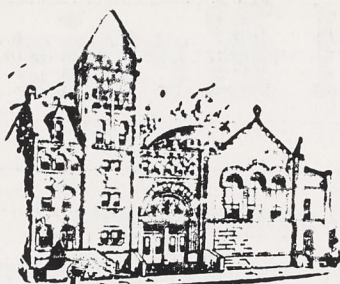
Sing the old melodies and learn the new ones.

Refreshments.

MEN'S CLUB TO MEET

The next regular meeting of our Men's Club will take place this Monday evening, February 4, beginning at 8:30 P.M. in our Synagogue building.

All the men members of our congregation are cordially invited to attend the meeting and participate in the activities of this group.



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MAZEL TOV



Beverley Anne Bellsey

We are happy to extend our hearty congratulations to our Director and Mrs. Sol Bellsey upon the announcement of the engagement of their daughter, Beverley Anne, to Mr. Samuel Leonard Lipman, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lipman.

The prospective bride is a graduate of the Leonard School for Girls and has attended the University of Michigan and Finch College.

Mr. Lipman, an alumnus of the Columbia Grammar School, studied at Tulane and Bucknell Universities. He expects to enter the United States Armed Forces at the end of January.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Shemonah Esreh

"TO OBSERVE THY STATUTES"

The return of the exiles is not merely for the purpose to enjoy it as a refugee land, but as a Torahcracy, a state based on the Torah.

"(We give thanks) FOR THE MIRACLES, THE REDEMPTION, ETC."

This is a declaration of our thanksgiving for the miracles in connection with our checkered historic career. It is placed here in the benediction of thanksgiving for this reason. (See Talmud Shabbat 24 A Tosofot).

"AS WELL AS FOR THE WARS THOU DIDST WAGE FOR OUR FATHERS IN DAYS OF OLD"

As for instance in the cases of David, who fought mightily and prevailed over Goliath; of Jehoshaphat who did not have the strength, but was victorious; of Hezekiah, who also did not have the strength to pursue, and to be victorious over Semnacherib and his hosts, but was successful only through a miracle alone. In regard to Chanukah, G-d helped us to subdue our enemy, and also helped us with the miracle of the pitcher of oil.

"IN THE DAYS OF MATTATHIAS . . . THOU DIDST RISE UP FOR THEM IN THE TIME OF THEIR TROUBLE"

All the miracles are spoken of or foretold in the Torah, but in regard to Chanukah, where "freedom of choice" was involved, as to whether or not the Jews would consent to the decree of the Syrians and give up Shabbat, Kashrut and circumcision, only then, when they **CHOSE** to remain loyal to the Torah, could the miracle of the victory over the Syrians, occur. They were outnumbered 20 to 1, — a band of zealots facing a regular army. Therefore, the text reads "In the time of their trouble." We are witnessing this miracle in our own day. May we be worthy of G-d's continued protection and ultimate victory and peace.

"AND FOR THY PEOPLE ISRAEL THOU DIDST WORK A GREAT DELIVERANCE"

The deliverance is called "great" because of such an outstanding victory over the Syrian hordes.

"KINDLED LIGHTS"

G-d's light is within the Torah, as we read in Proverbs chapter 6 verse 23. "For the commandment is a lamp, and the Torah is a light," and our light, the soul, is with G-d, as we read in Proverbs chapter 20 verse 27, "The soul of man is the candle of the Lord." If we guard G-d's light,

He will guard our light, as we read in the Midrash Rabbah — on the Portion "My lamp is in your hand. If you guard My lamp, I will guard your lamp." Bar Kapparah said "Thy lamp is in my hand and my lamp is in Thine hand."

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If you want to make a provision for the W.S.I.S. in your last Will and Testament, make sure that you use the following wording.

"I give and bequeath to the West Side Institutional Synagogue 120-138 West 76th St., N.Y.C., a domestic religious corporation, the sum of \$....."

ARTS AND CRAFTS

On Sunday mornings our Hebrew School pupils enjoy Arts and Crafts and participation in a Choral Group.

Visitors to our Hebrew School and at our special activities are cordially welcome.

W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Shevat 30 — Rosh Chodesh

Light candles before4:55
Evening service5:05

Saturday, I Adar 1 — Rosh Chodesh

Trumah: Exodus 25:1-27:19

Numbers 28:9-15

Haftorah: Isaiah 66:1-24

Morning service8:50

Youth congregation10:00

Chazanim: Mervyn Frankel, Larry

Hecht, Stanley Klein

Junior congregation10:30

Participants: Adam Kertezs, Abraham

Kraushar, Michael Steinlauf

Sabbath kindergarten10:30

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class 3:30

Mr. Allen's Talmud Class3:30

Mincha4:30

Reader of Torah: Joseph Neustadter

Reader of Service: Lawrence Kobrin

The Sabbath terminates5:45

Sunday, I Adar 2

Morning services7:15, 8:15, 9:00

Daily Services

Morning services6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Mincha5:05

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This challenge of history is now being met by the "WORLD ACADEMY FOR HIGHER JEWISH STUDIES IN JERUSALEM."

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GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Our Congregation was honored by the presence at our last Sabbath Morning Services by the Honorable Jacob Greenberg, Deputy Minister of the Keneset of Israel . . .

. . . Happy cruising on the West Indies waters to our W.S.I.S.'ers Mrs. Eva Margolis, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Neustadter, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Stoll, Director and Mrs. Jess Ward, and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Weisenfeld . . . Pleasant vacationing at Palm Beach to Mrs. Frances Bayer . . . The Journal of Taxation has a most instructive article on stock options by a foremost authority on the subject, our own Director Herman H. Cohen . . . Happy to hear that Mrs. Frank Taks is on the mend . . . All best wishes to Mr. Edward Ukeles on the opening of his new jewelry store on 72nd St. . . . All best wishes to Rabbi and Mrs. Moishe Pekier, our sexton, in their new home . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath Afternoon Seuda Shlishis tomorrow will be Mr. William Foont . . . Mazel Tov and all best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Schreiber upon the birth of a son to their children Mr. and Mrs. Irving Eisenman; and to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Ehrenfeld and to Mrs. Louise Brown upon the birth of Suzanne Gean, to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ehrenfeld.

Birthday Greetings

Feb.

- 1—Mrs. Rebecca H. Becker
Carol Ann Bernstein
Mrs. Ben Glazer
- 4—Jay M. Cohen
Richard Weinstein
- 5—Mrs. Isidor Ehrman
- 6—Ronnie Gail Cohen
Buddy Diamond
Linda Fran Levine

Anniversary Greetings

- 1—Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Klein
- 2—Mr. and Mrs. David Epstein
- 5—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kaufman
- 6—Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Z. Shapiro
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Spanbock

Our Women's League**MRS. IRVING BALMUTH TO BE HOSTESS**

The entire Executive Board of our Women's League is invited to a luncheon on Monday, February 4 at 12:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Irving Balmuth, 441 West End Avenue.

Come and join in the plans for honoring Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein's birthday at the Children's Village luncheon on Monday, February 25.

CHILDREN'S VILLAGE LUNCHEON ON MONDAY FEB. 25

Mrs. Max Chernofsky, Chairman of the Children's Village luncheon, requests that you keep Monday, February 25 open, so that you too can join in honoring our own Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein's birthday on that day. The luncheon will be held in our Synagogue building. More details to follow.

PLEASE NOTE

Our Congregation has undertaken the mitzvah to be the "שושבינין" bride's and bridegroom's friends who offer gifts to make the wedding possible, to two Hungarian refugees who recently came to Camp Kilmer. The chupah will take place in our Synagogue Sunday, Feb. 10.

Kindly send gifts in kind or money to the Synagogue for "Hungarian Wedding Couple."

Israel Diary

by Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein

I started out, this morning, wearing a coat and sweater, as it was very cold. (Last night I slept in a flannel nightgown under a heavy blanket.) As we progressed on our way, I peeled off first my coat, then my sweater and as we approached Tel Aviv (about two hours from Jerusalem) I was perspiring, as is natural for me, the last day of May. Our first stop was at NETIVA, a settlement to which Dad had brought a substantial amount of money several years ago.

The inhabitants there are from Transylvania. They look well and seem content, as they do not have a very high standard of living. They specialize in raising and selling ducks.

We passed through Rechovot and saw the beautiful tomb which has been erected around the grave of Israel's first president, Chaim Weizman.

KOSHER LUNCHEON CLUB IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT

The Wall Street Synagogue has opened its new Glat Kosher Luncheon Club, at 47 Beekman Street, New York, near William, for your luncheon needs.

Luncheons, a la carte from \$1.00 and up, and sandwiches, served Monday thru Thursday, from 11:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. All friends welcome! Nominal prices for catering of dinner meetings, weddings and small parties.

Our chauffeur pointed out to us, the new railroad tracks which have recently been laid from Tel Aviv direct to Beersheba, the entrance to the Negev. When we came here in 1949 there was practically no railroad system in Israel.

We passed large orange groves. Since these are right along the road, one can see hundreds, maybe thousands (I could not count them), of oranges on the ground, under the trees, where they had fallen. If you chose to, you can sit down on the roadside, and indulge yourself, in consuming oranges to your heart's content.

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