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Only Short Time Remains for Preparation of Souvenir Album; Book to be Presented to Man of Year at Reception on June 18

Only a very short time remains for the insertion of ads and greetings in our Souvenir Album for this year. In order for the Album to be ready for presentation to our Man of the Year, Director M. Jack Berlin, at the reception in his honor on Tuesday, June 18, we must send it to the printer several weeks in advance.

Our Souvenir Album Chairman, Herman H. Cohen, has called for a final **extra** effort on behalf of this important project by all our members and friends. If each reader of this Review would obtain only one extra greeting from a friend or business associate, in

addition to his own, this project would easily be a successful one.

The insertion of an ad in the Souvenir Album serves a two-fold purpose, Mr. Cohen pointed out. The funds derived from this project are an important part of our budget which is used to provide the many services to our community, religiously and culturally. Moreover, ads in the Album will serve to honor one of the stalwart supporters of our institution.

We hope that all our readers will take Mr. Cohen's exhortation to heart.

MEN'S CLUB

TO HOLD ELECTIONS

A regular meeting of our Men's Club will take place this Monday evening, May 20, at 8:30 P.M. in our Synagogue Building. This meeting will be of particular importance inasmuch as the election of officers for the coming year will take place.

The following have been nominated as the slate of officers to serve for the coming year: Bennett Carter, President; Leon Herman, 1st Vice President; Max Selsky, 2nd Vice President; Jacob Goldberg, Treasurer; Hyman Gottlieb, Financial Secretary; Louis Draiarsh, Recording Secretary; Alexander Kirsh, Sergeant-at-Arms.

In addition, the meeting will make the appointments to the newly created Board of Governors which is to help guide the Club in its many activities.

We hope therefore that as many of our men members as possible will attend this meeting.

BUILDING FUND DRIVE AIMS FOR \$110,000 TO COVER COSTS OF CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

The efforts of our Building Fund Committee to attain pledges for the remaining \$110,000 needed to cover the costs of our construction program were marked this week by the distribution of a colorful brochure describing the program.

AN INVITATION TO ALL OUR YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES

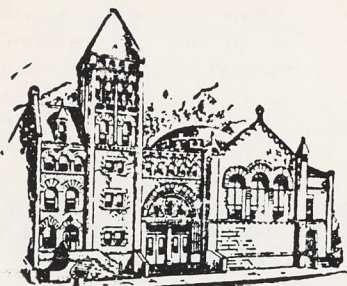
Our Mr. and Mrs. League will tender a closing Dinner of the season on Sunday evening, May 26th. This will be a grand opportunity for many couples in our Synagogue family to get acquainted with our League and to plan with them a dynamic program for the coming year. There will be a nominal charge of \$6.00 per couple which will include cocktails and a full course dinner. Kindly send in your reservations to the Mr. and Mrs. League by May 20th.

STAMP CLUB MEETING

The Stamp Club will hold its regular meeting this Monday evening, May 20, at 7:30 o'clock. All who are interested in this fascinating hobby are urged to attend the meeting.

In announcing the printing and mailing of the brochure, Directors Benjamin Glazer and Saul Linzer, Co-Chairmen of the Building Fund Committee, emphasized that their Committee hopes that this project will be supported by our entire membership. "The pledges to this point have been from a few of our affiliated organizations and members. We have not yet heard from the bulk of our members and worshippers. Their support is needed to reach our total goal of \$200,000. This represents an additional \$110,000 pledges."

We look forward to a generous response on the part of all our members and friends to this grand project.



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SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NOTES

Monday, May 20th, 7:30 P.M. —
Maccabees Game Night

Tuesday, May 21st, 7:30 P.M. —
Journalism Club

Thursday, May 23rd, 7:30 P.M. —
Teenagers Gym Night

Our Teenagers were victorious for the second time over the Ramaz Basketball team, at their recent meet.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

V'hoo Rachum

is said, as a call for repentance, as the contents of the prayers indicate. They are not said in the House of Mourning because we do not want to add a sad note to the already existing sadness. For this reason too, they are not said on Festive Days or Festive occasions.

These prayers, which are in 3 different sections dealing with Israel in Exile, and its hopes for redemption were composed by three different authors. This explains the repetition of certain phrases and ideas.

Despite the repetitions, the cries for forgiveness, for mercy and succor, are most stirring. They do not only represent the expression of the

soul of the individual, as for instance when we say, "O L-rd, if Thou mark-est sins, who can stand, (before Thee). But there is forgiveness with Thee. Psalm 130, verses 3 and 4, but also the cries of the Jewish people when we say for instance "Look we beseech Thee and speedily have mercy upon Thy people . . . And destroy not the remembrance of our remnant; but be gracious unto a people who in constant love proclaim the unity of Thy name twice every day saying; Hear O Israel the L-rd our G-d, the L-rd is One."

The name of G-d is mentioned 18 times in each section. These prayers are said whilst standing.

"FORGIVETH OUR SINS"

The word "Kah-payr" "to forgive" means to wash off or cleanse us of our sins.

"AND DESTROYETH NOT"

By means of punishment.

"YEA MANY A TIME HE TURNETH HIS ANGER AWAY"

Anger is a synonym for punishment.

"WITHHOLD NOT THY TENDER MERCIES FROM US O LORD"

When one is to be punished, and G-d is asked to delay the punishment, then the word "Rah-cha-mechaw" "Thy mercies" is used.

"LET THY LOVINGKINDNESS"

When one is not worthy of G-d's mercy, and receives it, it is called "Chesed", "lovingkindness" which we always need. That is why the word "Tamid" "always" is added. We are continually in need of G-d's love.

REPORT FROM OUR RECENT DINNER OPENING UJA CAMPAIGN



At our recent dinner opening our Synagogue's UJA Campaign, from left to right: Rabbi O. Asher Reichel; President Lester Udell; Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein; Director Jacob Kaplan, Chairman of our UJA Committee; Director Jacob Goodman, guest of honor at the dinner; Directors Herman H. Cohen and Joseph Settel, UJA Committee Co-Chairmen. Over \$290,000 was announced for the UJA as a result of the dinner. Those who have not yet sent their contributions may send checks to the Synagogue office.

Women's League

CLOSING MEETING OF SEASON THIS MONDAY

All the members of the Women's League and their friends are cordially invited to attend the closing meeting of the season to be held at the Synagogue Building on Monday, May 20, at 12:30 P.M.

Highlights of the afternoon will be the celebration of Mother's Day by our Program Chairman, Mrs. Michael Weingarten. Our own inspiring Rabbi O. Asher Reichel will officially install the new officers of the League.

Those who have promised to bring raffles for the Spring Luncheon should bring them to this meeting.

Last call for library books. Please return them at this meeting and join us for coffee and cake.

SPRING LUNCHEON TO TAKE PLACE IN TWO WEEKS ON MONDAY, MAY 27, AT HOTEL RIVERSIDE PLAZA

It is no secret that the Women's League of the W.S.I.S. has the highest regard and devotion for our President, Mrs. William Foont. One way of showing it is by greeting her personally at the luncheon to be given in her honor on Monday, May 27, at the Riverside Plaza Hotel.

The date of the luncheon draws closer. Have you made your reservation yet? Please write or call the Synagogue, TR 7-8281, or better yet, get in touch with our luncheon chairman, Mrs. Jacob Isseks, TR 7-1838.

The Committee has planned a delightful program for your pleasure. You will not want to miss it.

LAG B'OMER

This Sunday marks the 33rd day of the counting of the Omer. There are several events historically connected with this day and for that reason, certain special customs have grown up about the day.

Many sad events have taken place in Jewish history during the period between Passover and the Feast of Weeks, known as the Omer. For that reason, this period is observed as a period of semi-mourning with all public festivities forbidden.

On the thirty-third day of the counting of the Omer, equivalent in

Hebrew to the Hebrew letters, 'lag,' several significant events occurred.

Origins of the celebration

Bar Kochba defeated the Romans on that day in his unsuccessful revolt (132-35 C.E.).

During that same period, a plague broke out which raged among the disciples of Rabbi Akiva. Many thousands are said to have perished until the plague ceased on the 33rd day of the Omer.

The students then returned to Rabbi Akiva to resume their studies, which had been prohibited during the plague. This day is therefore known as the "Scholars' Festival" and is a memorial not to depart from the teaching of the Torah.

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our late member **Jacob B. Rothberg.**

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Irving M. Schuyler upon the passing of his mother, **Minnie Schuyler.**

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member, Mr. Saul Whitcup, upon the passing of his wife, **Bertha Whitcup,** member of our Women's League.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Iyar 16

Light candles before7:50

Evening service6:40

Those who usher in the Sabbath at this time should recite the full "Shma" after dark.

Count Omer Friday night—32nd day

Saturday, Iyar 17

Bechukosay, Leviticus 26:3-27:34

Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

Morning service9:00

Youth congregation10:00

Chazanim: Jack Koppel, Joseph

Muzayan, Lois Ten Brink

Junior congregation10:30

Participants: Larry Hecht, Seymour

Klein, Stanley Klein

Sabbath kindergarten10:30

Oneg Shabbos (Boys 9 to 12) 4:00

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class 6:20

Mr. Allen's Talmud Class6:20

Mincha7:20

Reader of Torah: Seymour Ukeles

Reader of Service: Herbert Goldberg

Ethics of Fathers Chapter IV

The Sabbath terminates8:44

Sunday, Iyar 18

Morning services 7:15, 8:15, 9:00

Daily Services

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

Mincha8:00

BAR MITZVAH



Ronald Jarmuth

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jarmuth upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ronald, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Our congregational citation of merit to Mrs. Harold (Pearl) Kaplan upon receiving the Beth Israel Hospital award for rendering volunteer service to it for 150 hours. Also cited for honorary mention for similar services are our past president of the Women's League, Mrs. Michael Weingarten, who is vice-president of the Volunteer Division; Mrs. Fred Goldstein, our incoming president of the Women's League; and Mrs. Joseph Klein, member of the Executive Board of our Women's League. We are indeed proud of these noble self-sacrificing women who give of their time and of themselves in PERSONAL SERVICE. As our beloved Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein says, "It is easy to write a check, but it isn't easy to render personal service" . . . Bon Voyage to Mr. and Mrs. Jules Cohen and to our Director and Mrs. Albert H. Colin upon their visit to Europe. Also welcome back from that continent to Mr. Sol Brandes . . . Congratulations to our Women's League Board Member, Mrs. Gittle Silverman, whose son Sidney has become Principal of Taft High School, and at the same time our best wishes to him in his beautiful new home . . . Happy to hear that Mr. Benjamin Bernstein is on the mend . . . Mazel Tov to our Women's League Board Member Mrs. Jennie Yabrow on the birth of Debra Ann to her children, Mr. and Mrs. William Reich . . . Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Stoll upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Lois to Martin Pepkin; and to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Applebaum upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Suzanne, to Harvey Drachman, whose "aufruf" will be held in our Synagogue tomorrow morning.

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OF COMMUNITY INTEREST . . .**AN INVITATION**

Rabbi Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, extends a cordial invitation to all of our readers to the dedication of the university's new \$1,500,000 Residence Hall — an event marking the first step in the development of a new campus area at Yeshiva's Main Academic Center in Washington Heights. The time and place: 3 P.M., Sunday, May 26, at Amsterdam Avenue and 184th Street in Manhattan.

The Residence Hall is a modern, seven-story structure standing on the north side of West 184th Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to Laurel Hill Terrace and will accommodate more than 300 resident students.

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HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES

Parents may join their children at our Lag B'Omer picnic at the Riverside Drive Park on 74th Street, this Sunday morning, May 19th.

All pupils should assemble in front of our building at 9:45 A.M., this Sunday. They must have their entry blanks signed by their parents in order to participate in the tournaments and in the inter-school baseball game. We will provide ice-cream for all our participants.

In the event of rain or inclement weather the tournaments will take place at the Jewish Center.

Birthday Greetings**May**

- 17—Mrs. Aaron S. Freudman
- 19—Samuel Diamond
Herschel E. Gold
Joseph Neustadter
Benjamin Spanbock
- 20—Edna Ester Bendheim
Mrs. Morris Segerman
- 21—Justin Bayer
Ronald Eric Bellsey
Mrs. John D. Garrett
Felice Reisman
Nat Trotzky
- 22—Ruth Davis
- 23—Kenneth Joseph Bernstein

Anniversary Greetings**May**

- 17—Mr. & Mrs. Harry Ackerman
- 19—Mr. & Mrs. Israel Kestenbaum
- 22—Mr. & Mrs. Morris Edelson
Rabbi & Mrs. Moishe C. Pekier
- 23—Mr. & Mrs. David Don

**UOJCA ANNUAL DINNER
SUNDAY, JUNE 2**

The annual national dinner of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America will be held on Sunday, June 2 at the Hotel Roosevelt in New York City. The event is expected to attract a record attendance of leaders and supporters of orthodox Jewry from all walks of life.

A major social function of the UOJCA calendar, the annual dinner is relied upon to provide the funds needed to maintain the Union's operations in the national strengthening of organized orthodoxy. Admission to the dinner is by contribution of \$75 or by insertion of \$100 worth of ads in its yearbook.

Greetings and reservations may be forwarded through our synagogue or directly to the UOJCA, 305 Broadway.

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**STUDENTS MAY APPLY TO
YESHIVA COLLEGE
IN JUNIOR YEAR**

High school students may now apply in their junior year for admission to Yeshiva University's Stern College for Women.

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of their three-year academic record and the results of the College Entrance Examination Board test for high school juniors.

The new procedure will provide the students, if accepted, with time to prepare for their collegiate careers, or if rejected to plan to attend other colleges.

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