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♦ President Udell, Messrs. Zimet and Neustadter Chosen as Chasanim; Children Especially Invited to Simchas Torah Services

Simchas Torah is a most important holiday for the children.

We cannot urge you too strongly, therefore, to bring your children and grandchildren to our Simchas Torah services this Thursday night. Services will begin at about 6:45.

The children, who are always welcome in our Synagogue, are our special guests on this night. In honor of the occasion, they will receive a small Torah which they can carry

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LAYMEN'S INSTITUTE TO OFFER COURSES IN HEBREW

Our members and readers again have a wonderful opportunity to study the Hebrew language as it is spoken in the land of Israel. Adult classes will be available for beginners, intermediate and advanced Hebrew conversation on Monday evenings.

Inasmuch as these classes will be offered only on such levels of study for which there will be sufficient registration, our readers are urged to mail the attached coupon at once.

Special Class for Mothers

By popular request, a special class in Beginners' Hebrew will be offered on Monday afternoons at 3:30 o'clock. Mothers who call for their children at our Hebrew School — as well as all our readers who are interested — are urged to enroll for this course at once.

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☐ Monday Afternoon Class
☐ History ☐ Jewish Philosophy

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Henry Zimet



Aaron Neustadter



Lester Udell

We are very happy to announce the names of those chosen by our Synagogue to represent us all at the Annual Ceremonial of closing out the year's reading of the Torah and beginning it anew immediately.

Mr. Henry Zimet has been chosen as Chasan Torah, the honor of receiving the closing "aliyah" in the Book of Deuteronomy. Mr. Zimet, though a new member, has already shown a great interest and cooperation in the activities of our Synagogue.

Mr. Aaron Neustadter, The Chasan Breishis, who will receive the first "Aliyah" in the Book of Genesis, is a member of the Synagogue since its founding in 1937. Mr. Neustadter is always "in," when the Synagogue calls upon him.

Last, "Achron, Achron Chaviv" "the last, the last is beloved," is our own beloved President Lester Udell who has been chosen "Chasan Maftir", the one who reads the prophetic portion from the Book of Joshua. Mr. Udell as our lay leader is indeed an inspiration to all of us. In every activity of the Synagogue we find Mr. Udell at the forefront and we can truly say "Ashrei," blessed is the Congregation which has such a lay leader at its helm.

Women's League Executive Board Meeting and Luncheon

Monday, October 21st

Mrs. Fred Goldstein, president of the Women's League, announces that the next Executive Board Meeting will be held at the home of our board member, Mrs. Jacob Goodman, 40 West 77th Street, on Monday, October 21st at 12:30 P.M.

Please come on time as lunch will be served promptly.

Kindly make every effort to attend

as we need your suggestions and cooperation. If you cannot attend, please notify your hostess.

The entire Congregational Family
is cordially invited to
the home of
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HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN**
for their annual Shemini Atzeres
"At Home"
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229 W. 78th St., Apt. 31



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CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathy to our Director Moses Jack Berlin upon the loss of his brother; to our member, Mr. Daniel Hoffert upon the loss of his father, our late member **Charles Hoffert**; to Mrs. Fred Margareten upon the passing of her sister, **Mrs. Morris Gross**; and to the family of our late member **Abraham Solomon**.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Taking The Torah Out Of The Ark (Cont'd)

"BLESSED BE HE WHO IN HIS HOLINESS GAVE THE TORAH TO HIS PEOPLE ISRAEL"

G-d gave to Israel, not only the Torah, but also of His very Essence — Holiness. Next to the Godhead of the World, G-d is known as the HOLY ONE. We read in Leviticus Chapter 19 verse 1, "Be ye holy as I am HOLY". The prophet Isaiah in Chapter 6 verse 3 declared, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, is the Lord of Hosts; the whole world is full of His glory".

"WHO HAS GIVEN US THE LAW"

When the Torah is read to us it is G-d's Torah. After it is read unto us, then it becomes our Torah, not merely as a matter of belief, but as a matter of reasoned truth. We have the same thought in the first Psalm, verse 2, "His delight is in the Torah of the Lord, and in His law" (at first the Torah belongs to G-d). After one reads it (and studies it) it becomes "his" or "one's" own Torah, able to explain it, as if it were his own.

"BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE SOVEREIGN OF THE UNIVERSE"

The Zohar declares "when the congregation takes the Torah out from the Ark, to read it, the Gates of Mercy are opened in Heaven, and Love predominates, therefore this prayer should be uttered." It is a fitting and propitious moment to pray for the fulfillment of our innermost longings and desires. Thus we close the prayer "May it be Thy will . . . to fulfill the wishes of my heart, and of the hearts of all Israel, for good, for life and for peace."

"MAGNIFY THE LORD WITH ME AND LET US EXALT HIS NAME"

(1) "Magnify" implies the greatness of G-d, in covering of the dimensions of the earth, and (2) "And let us exalt". He is in Heaven, transcendental. Yet, He looks down upon us mere earthly mortals. As the Psalmist put it "Who is like the Lord, our G-d, that dwelleth so high; and yet looketh down to see what is in the heavens and upon the earth (Psalm 113 verses 5 and 6).

"AT HIS FOOTSTOOL"

G-d is exalted, and the Holy Temple is His footstool.

"HIS HOLY MOUNT"

is a reference to the Holy Temple.

HOLIDAY SEASON ENDS

Shmini Atzeres and Simchas Torah end the holiday season which began at Rosh Hashonah and we celebrate them with the greatest joyous intensity. Rashi in explaining the word "Atzeres" which has been translated as "Solemn Assembly" gives the following parable. "A king invited his children to a feast lasting several days. When the time came to take leave, the king said to his children please remain yet another day. It is very difficult for me to be separated from you." So it is with Israel and the L-rd.

An additional reason for this extra holiday is given by Maimonides. He explains that since our rejoicing could not be complete sitting in a succah (booth), we were told to celebrate an additional holiday in our comfortable and well built homes.

The last day of the holiday is the most joyous of all. It is Simchas Torah, the Festival or Joy of the Torah,

for the Torah is our life. The Jews without the Torah could not exist as a people. This has been borne out in every generation and we had living proof of it in Hitler's days. We, therefore, begin immediately at the beginning, when we end the Torah, to indicate that the Torah is not something outdated but something fresh and vital which we renew each year.

ONEG SHABBAT NOTES

We are delighted to announce that beginning Saturday afternoon, October 26th, at 3:30 o'clock, we will have groups for boys and girls on all levels between 6 and 13 years of age. Capable leaders will conduct special Sabbath programs which will include songs, games, stories and refreshments.

Tell your youngsters about this. They may bring their friends to these exciting Sabbath afternoon programs.

Children Invited To Services

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with them in the procession as well as sweets, both made possible through the generosity of our Women's League. The children will also be presented with flags with the compliments of Barton's.

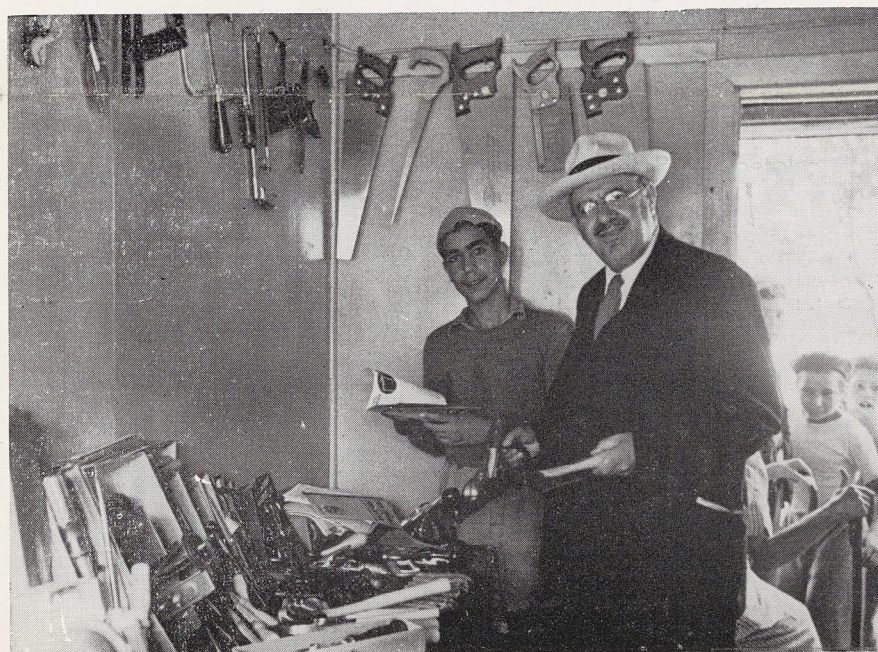
The children are asked to assemble in the Daily Synagogue at 6:45. There they will receive their Torahs and will march into the main Synagogue together.

Pictorial Visit to Children's Village in Israel

"Sday Chemed" in Nachalat Jehudah, Rishon L'Zion.



Mrs. Goldstein being presented with flowers by some of the children of the village.



Rabbi Goldstein examining some of the handiwork made by the children in the carpentry shop of the W.S.I.S. Children's Village.

W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, TISHRE 21 — HOSHANA

RABBAH, ERUV TAVSHILIN

Light Candles 5:57
Mincha 6:00

THURSDAY — SHEMINI ATZERES 6:00

Morning Service 8:45

Youth Congregation 10:00

Junior Congregation 10:30

Holiday Kindergarten 10:30

Rabbi and Mrs. Goldstein at home to
the Congregation from 3:30 to 6 P.M.

Light Candles 5:56

Mincha 6:10

FRIDAY, SIMCHAS TORAH

Morning Service 8:30

Light Candles Before 5:54

Mincha 5:45

SATURDAY, TISHRE 24

Weekly Portion: Bereshis

Genesis 1:1-6:8;

Isaiah 42:5-25, 43:1-10

Blessing for the New Month

Morning Service 8:50

Junior Congregation 10:30

Youth Congregation 10:00

Sabbath Kindergarten 10:30

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class 4:30

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class 4:30

Mincha 5:30

Reader of Torah: Jay Zimmern

Reader of Service: Stanley Kaplan

The Sabbath Terminates 6:47

DAILY SERVICES

Sunday, Tishre 25

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

Daily Services

Morning services 6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Mincha 6:00

Friday, Tishre 30 — Rosh Chodesh

Morning services 6:30, 7:30, 8:15



The hennery which is being taken care of by the children themselves.

GETTING PERSONAL**By Sanford Solarz**

Many thanks to the family of the late Mayer Mirken for their donation of a beautiful Paroches and new table cover for our Daily Synagogue. We are also grateful to our members, Dr. Stanley Eiss and Dr. Leon Merkin for their professional services to some of our worshippers who needed their ministrations on the Yom Kippur fast. Ye columnist was privileged to conduct the four overflow Yom Kippur yizkor services in our Synagogue and he wishes to thank Jules Cohen for his helpful assistance . . . Our member Henry Kessler's daughter, Ruth Toch, had herself a time in Europe this summer. She attended the American Bar Association convention in London, the Queen's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace and the American Ambassador's receptions in London and Paris. Incidentally, Ruth was one of the authors of a brief filed in the U. S. Supreme Court in a recent case which upheld the constitutionality of the N. Y. law against the publication of indecent literature . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath afternoon seudah shlishis in the Succah will be our Men's Club first Vice-president, Leon Herman . . . Mazel Tov and all best wishes to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Alt (our Women's League Corresponding Secretary), upon the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Fern, to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Alt; and to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Hirsch (a Women's League Vice President) upon the birth of Amy Lee to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur I. Moll . . . We were glad to see with us at our Yom Kippur services, our new member Dr. Niel Wald, Consultant to the Health Physics Division at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, son of our member, Senator Albert Wald . . . A speedy recovery to our Women's League Board Members, Mrs. Isidor Friedman and Mrs. Harry Perlman, and to our Women's League member, Mrs. Becky Rosenberg . . . As usual, Mr. Gabriel Goldstein, son of our beloved Rabbi and Mrs. Goldstein, distinguished himself by the inspirational manner in which he chanted the Koheles on Shabbos Chol Hamoed.

YOUNG MEN CONDUCT SABBATH MINCHA SERVICES

The young men of the congregation will resume the leadership of the Sabbath Mincha services as chazanim, and readers of the Torah.

Rabbi Reichel will be glad to add the name of any young man who

is interested in joining in this important activity to the list of participants.

Birthday Greetings Oct.

- 16—H. Don Golden
Lawrence Charles Moskowitz
Rev. Chaim Shapiro
Mrs. Bernard Weiss
18—Cantor Zalmon Yavneh
20—Jane Leslie Greenfield
Mrs. Louis Wexler
21—Vivian Fay Korngold
Mrs. A. Rossett
Joyce Shulster
22—Mrs. Harold Kaplan
Mrs. Joshua Levine
Michael Henry Sahn
23—Lois Jane Ullman
24—Mrs. Michael Weingarten

Anniversary Greetings

- 16—Mr. & Mrs. Sheldon Kalker
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kirsh
18—Mr. & Mrs. Harold Gross
19—Mr. & Mrs. Isidore Ehrman

SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NOTES**The "76" Club**

Beginning with Thursday, October 24th, the W.S.I.S. "75 Club" (for members between the ages of 15 and 17) will have the use of the new P.S. 87 gymnasium at 160 West 78th Street. The club season will include a stimulating program suited to our members' varied interests.

The sessions are scheduled between the hours of 7:30 and 9:15.

All interested are cordially invited to attend the opening meeting. Those who plan to play on the gym court should bring along sneakers.

The Junior League

On Monday evenings at 8:00 o'clock, boys and girls between 14 and 16 are welcome to participate in the club program of our Junior League. Members of this group may also attend the Gym program at P.S. 87 on Thursday evenings.

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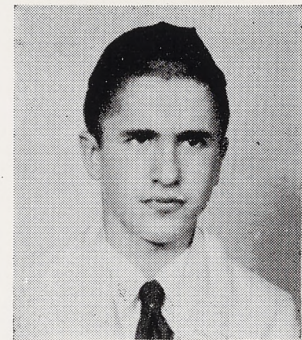
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BAR MITZVAH**Adam Kertesz**

Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene L. Kertesz, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Adam which will be celebrated in our Synagogue on Saturday morning. Adam is a pupil in our Hebrew School.

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Talmud Torah classes are in session. Every day gone, makes it more difficult for the children to catch up.

For the benefit of late newcomers in our beginners classes, we are arranging private coaching for them in order to help them adjust to their respective groups. If you have not registered your child yet, you can do so this week.

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