

**COME TO SERVICES. THERE WILL
BE A SERMON ON "MOTHER'S DAY," TOMORROW.**

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CORNERSTONE LAYING, A MOST IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY

The Laying of the Cornerstone for our new community centre impressed all those who attended it. It was a memorable occasion that will remain imprinted in the hearts and minds of the many men, women, and children who were present.

The holiday spirit of this great joyous occasion was already beginning to be felt when our congregants came for the Sabbath Services. The building was bedecked with bunting of the colors of our country's and Jewish flags. Everyone felt proud that we had reached this milestone in the history of our Synagogue.

Sunday morning way before the appointed time, there were already streams of families, grandfathers, grandmothers, parents, and their children, their faces beaming, walking briskly, in spite of the weather, to our Synagogue. At 10:30 our Synagogue was full. Some of the oldtimers, members of the I. S. in Harlem, showed a determination in their faces as if to say: "This time we are not giving up easily. This time we are staying and improving.

We are inviting our neighbors to do likewise. Let us make our community, a neighborhood of which to be proud."

At 10:30 A.M. the Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, Director Joseph Buchsbaum, opened the program by introducing our Associate Rabbi, O. Asher Reichel, who invoked Divine Guidance and Blessings on our work. Then Director Buchsbaum introduced our popular and beloved President, Lester Udell, his face glowing with joy, caught the right spirit and summed up in a few words the characteristics of each speaker.

DR. BELKIN LAUDS WORK OF W. S. I. S.

First, he introduced the two men who were among the prime movers in getting this project started, Directors Al Colin, Chairman of the Building Committee and Saul Linzer, Chairman of the Building Fund Committee. Then Dr. Belkin, President of the Yeshiva University, in his message woven of passages from brilliant sayings of our Sages, ex-

tolled the work of the W. S. I. S. and its spiritual leaders, Rabbis Goldstein and Reichel. He said that the reputation of Yeshiva University is enhanced by such a graduate as Rabbi Reichel.

RABBI GOLDSTEIN'S INSPIRATIONAL ADDRESS

Then Rabbi Goldstein followed with a fervent address. He lashed out at the "pernicious influences of television upon our children. It brings to their attention fighting, shooting, and gang warfare which leaves unfortunately a destructive imprint upon these youthful minds." He also stressed the fact that "No boy or girl, no young man or young woman, coming from a Yeshiva or All-Day School, or a Talmud Torah where religious education is a basic part of its program, has been involved in any of the recent juvenile crimes." He urged very strongly that parents should be deeply concerned about the spiritual nourishment of the child, as well as the physical. That is exactly what the W. S. I. S. has in mind with its building project. He asked for the aid of all because, if you are helping your neighbor's children improve, you are removing a bad influence on your own child.

"IN STRESSING THE FUTURE, ONE MUST NOT OVERLOOK THE PRESENT"

ALBUM COMMITTEE EMPHASIZES.

The drive for ads for our Souvenir Album is progressing. However, most of the activity is confined to a **few devoted workers**. As a result the Album Committee finds that we are still far short of our goal. We only have about a month more to get all the ads for this year's volume so that it can compare favorably to those of the past years.

We are all aware of the fact that our Synagogue project for the future is very important. But "in stressing the future, let us not overlook the present," Co-Chairmen Herman H. Cohen and George Gersony emphasized. The proceeds of the Souvenir Album project go to cover the pre-

sent financial needs of the Synagogue. We must secure the present as well as the future, the Committee pointed out.

In addition we must remember that the purpose of the Souvenir Album is to honor Harry Altman as "Man of the Year." We have to do it properly. Director Harry Altman has merited this honor through his loyal devotion to our Synagogue for many years. Let us show him that the members and friends appreciate his services to our Synagogue. Let us fill the Souvenir Album with greetings of every member and friend of the Synagogue.

COLORFUL CEREMONY

BY SYNAGOGUE VETERANS

Rabbi Goldstein's impressive talk was followed by the colorful ceremony of the presentation of the colors by the Buddy Friedman Post no. 297 of the Jewish War Veterans of America.

Then came the highlight of our program, the speech by the Guest Speaker, his Excellency the Governor, Hon. Averell Harriman.

GOVERNOR'S SPEECH

ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED

The governor in his speech praised the W. S. I. S. for its noble
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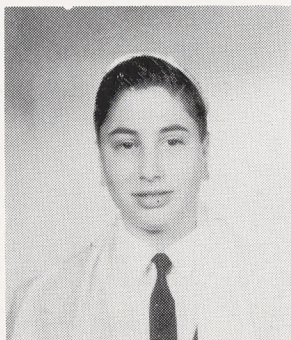
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BAR MITZVAH



David J. Goldberg

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham M. Goldberg and to the grandama, Mrs. Fannie Zornberg, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son and grandson, David, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning. David is a pupil in our Talmud Torah.

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THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

PSALM 27 (Continued)

"AND I WILL OFFER IN HIS TABERNACLE SACRIFICES OF JOYFUL SHOUTING; I WILL SING, YEA, I WILL SING PRAISES UNTO THE LORD"

We should not spend our time merely in physical, pleasurable pursuits, but find our greatest joy in the House of G-d. The nations of the world, when they want to express their joy, find it in orgies. After a victory in battle, the Army returns and finds its joy in revelries. When the Maccabees returned from their successful battles against the Syrians, they marched into the gates of the Temple singing, "O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good; for His loving kindness endureth forever."

When we celebrate the Tabernacles, the in-gathering of the Harvest, we march around the Torah singing "Hoshana", "O Lord save us." Israel seeks its material being but spiritualizes it with religious joy.

"HEAR O LORD, WHEN I CRY WITH MY VOICE"

The emphasis is placed upon "My Voice." The individual who is in trouble, his prayer is the greatest. No one can pray as sincerely and genuinely as the one who needs it. We read in the Book of Genesis, Chapter 21, Verse 17, "And G-d heard the voice of the lad (Ishmael); and the angel of G-d called to Hagar out of Heaven, what aileth thee, Hagar?" "Fear not for G-d hath heard the voice of the lad where he is." Though Hagar was weeping and praying also, yet Ishmael's voice was heard because the prayer of the one who is mostly concerned, is more efficacious than that of others. So too does the Psalmist say in Psalm 91. "When He calleth upon me, I will answer Him; I will be with Him in trouble." In other words, it is the individual who is involved whose prayer is most precious.

"HAVE PITY UPON ME AND ANSWER ME"

The Hebrew word for have pity upon me can be translated, "show your love upon me." In other words, David is asking G-d to indicate His love for him, by showing His salvation unto him, even for those things for which he doesn't ask.

HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES

The pupils of our Talmud Torah will join our neighboring Hebrew Schools at a post Lag B'Omer outing on Sunday morning, May 18th, at the Riverside Drive Park at 74th Street.

Our parents are asked to sign their children's permit slips in order that they may be allowed to join in the games and fun.

Vahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

May	Iyar	
10	20	Isaac Cohen Philip Coble Ada Sedwitz
12	22	Kiva Cohen
13	23	Julius Levinson
14	24	Mayer Mirken
15	25	Charles Joachim Bergman Joseph Baruch Lax Mollie Siegel

UJA CAMPAIGN OFF TO GOOD START AT DINNER WEDNESDAY

We are indeed happy that those of our members who attended the opening UJA dinner in honor of our Director Abraham M. Druckman, last Wednesday showed, by their response, that they understood the nature of the emergency facing the United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish people all over the world. We hope, however, that those who missed this important Dinner will not overlook their duty as Jews to support this world-wide drive.

It is especially important, too, that those connected with our Synagogue make their donations through our WSIS-UJA committee so that it will be evident that the religious groups of Jewry support this important appeal. Checks should be made out to "United Jewish Appeal" and may be sent to our Synagogue Office.

Women's League Activities

NOVEL PROGRAM TO BE A FEATURE OF CLOSING LUNCHEON

We have a date to be together at our closing function
— Our Spring Luncheon —

Monday, May 12th at 12 Noon

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For last minute reservations, phone our Chairman, Mrs. William Foont, TR 3-3989. As promised, our surprise program for the Luncheon can now be announced. **Merle Norman of 238 West 72nd Street** is sending Miss Adrianna Spiesman of his staff to our Luncheon. Someone in the audience will be selected at random for a free complete make-up. Favors will be distributed to each guest present.

— Bea Weingarten

Please remember to save Monday, May 19th for the last Open Meeting of this season. A very interesting Mother's Day program is being prepared for you.

THE STATE OF ISRAEL, ITS PRESENT AND ITS FUTURE"

Sermon in honor of

Israel's 10th Anniversary

by Rabbi Herbert L. Goldstein

We must always remember that Israel is not a nation in the common sense of the word. It is not a nation by virtue of race or of certain political combinations. It is a nation by virtue of its Torah. Therefore frankly and truthfully speaking if the State of Israel is to be true to its destiny, it must be a Torahocracy. It is not merely a Democracy. It is not a Communistic nor a Fascistic State. The Jewish State should represent its own theory and practice of life, namely the Torah, the Bible and its Traditional Law. "If we could imagine for a moment Israel giving up its Torah, our Prophets would be the first to sign its death-warrant as a nation," wrote the late Dr. Schechter.

The prophet Jeremiah declared, "and the Lord sayeth because they have forsaken my Torah which I have given unto them, and have not walked therein, I will scatter them among the nations whom neither they nor their fathers have known." A State of Israel to be Jewish must be a Torah governed one. Its constitutional basis must be the Torah. This is the uniqueness of Israel, that its nationalism is closely interwoven with its Torah. Let me say with the late Professor Andrews in his lecture discussing "The Social Question and the State" at Yale University, "There is in human affairs one order which is the best. That order is not always the one which exists, but is the order which should exist, for the greatest good of humanity. The constitution of the Hebrew Commonwealth, (the To-

rah), which, of all, in ancient or modern times, is the best ideal of a State."

I have been to Israel every year since the State was founded and I am amazed to see on all sides the great strides that have been made in agriculture, in building, and in science. However, I believe that we have lost our idealism to a large extent in failing to make Israel the laboratory of the soul. Whilst it is true that the soul cannot live on this earth without the body, it is also true that the body cannot live without the soul.

Mr. Ben-Gurion meeting the press last Sunday quoted from the Bible, "For from Zion shall come forth the Torah and the word of God from Jerusalem." The Prime Minister then said, "The Torah means instruction, and the word of God, means scientific research, etc." This is a far cry from what is meant by the expression, "The word of G-d." The word of G-d certainly has religious connotations and is the basic premise for the State of Israel. I dare say that we have not matched the religious development with the material progress of the State of Israel.

We are making a mistake in history when we want to be a nation like other nations. We are too quickly forgetting that in the days preceding the founding of the State, we always spoke of the prophetic ideal for Palestine, namely, that we become not merely a nation but as Isaiah put it, "A Light unto the Nations."

It is not merely political independence that we have so long been seeking, but more important even than that, a sanctuary for the

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening before 7:40

Weekly Portion — Emor

Leviticus 21:1-24:23 Ezekiel 44:15-31

Friday Evening Service6:30

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

Counting of Omer — 35

Saturday Morning Service9:00

Junior Congregation10:30

Chazanim: Daniel Jesselson, Aaron Reichel

Hostess: Peggy Ten Brink

Sabbath Kindergarten10:30

Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Class6:15

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class6:15

Mincha7:15

Reader of Torah: Milton Beller

Reader of Service: Roger Linker

The Fourth Chapter of the Ethics of the Fathers

The Sabbath Terminates8:31

Counting of Omer — 36

Daily Services

Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45

Daily Mornings6:45, 7:45, 8:15

Monday & Thursday6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Mincha7:50

Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

Jewish soul. Secularize the State of Israel and you de-Judaize it. Even some of us who compromise with the precepts of Judaism in the Diaspora, want to bring it to pass that in Zion, the Jew may again wear the full breast-plate of his faith

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Bon voyage to our Reverend Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein upon their annual pilgrimage to the Holy Land, which this year has particular significance in view of the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the birth of the new State of Israel . . . Our congregational congratulations and best wishes for successful careers to the following youth of our congregation who won New York State High School scholarships: Marcia Goldberg, Hillel Gross, Elliot Lebowitz, and Doris Linker . . . Welcome home from Europe to our Director George Gersony and from Florida to our Directors Abraham M. Druckman and Frank Frohman and Director and Mrs. George Pauker

As usual the Men's Club Sabbath was in its best tradition. Many thanks to Bennett Carter, David S. Elkins, Dr. Frank Fink, Fred Heiser, Leon Herman, H. William Hirsch, and Morris Jablow for providing the "spiritual" uplift for the Men's Club Kid-dush.

Many thanks to David S. Elkins, Chairman of the Ushers Committee at the Laying of the Cornerstone and his very fine staff consisting of: from the Women's League, Mmes. David Elkins, William Foont, Joseph Friedman, Morris Jablow, George L. Livingston, Herman Livingston, Frank Taks, and Harry Ward; from the Men's Club; Messrs. Jacob Goldberg, Hyman Gordon, Fred Heiser, H. William Hirsch, Max Selsky, and Harry Ward; from the Mr. and Mrs. League, Mrs. Herbert Rudnick, Mr. Alfred Schwartz; and from our young people: Paul Foont, Evelyn Gitter, Herbert Goldberg, Evelyn Goldstein, Helen Kalisch, Joe Moses, Selby Novack, Herbert Perlman, Ellen Schwartz, Susan Verakus, Annette Wurman, Marline Wurman.

Birthday Greetings:**May**

- 8—Director George Gersony
- 9—Mrs. Pauline Barnett
- Mrs. Estelle Baskowitz
- Judy Greer
- 11—Ira Bellsey
- Mrs. Anna Stoll
- 12—Mrs. Saul Bergman
- Iris Leslie Goodgold
- 13—Mrs. Frances Cohen
- 14—Mrs. Joseph Anderson
- Peter Michael Bellsey
- Susan Jane Goldsmith
- 15—Harry Ackerman

Anniversary Greetings:

- 10—Director & Mrs. Sol Bellsey
- 14—Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Greenfield

Laying of Cornerstone

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work in stemming the tide of Juvenile delinquency, and helping to maintain the family as a unit. "Our family life is the unit of the nation. There is no better way of getting together than under religious auspices." He then showed that the work we are doing does not only help on the home front, but also insures the final victory over the G-d-less Kremlin and all dictators including Nasser. Israel could be of help to its Arab Neighbors. It is now, only the influence of Dictator Nasser abetted by the G-dless Kremlin that prevents a getting together in this sphere.

**FEDERAL JUDGES EDELSTEIN
AND HERLANDS CONCLUDE
PROGRAM ADDRESSES**

The two addresses by our Directors, Judges Edelstein and Herlands concluded the day's addresses. Both showed the importance of this momentous occasion.

After their addresses Mrs. Fred Goldstein, President of the Women's League, Mr. Bennet Carter, President of the Men's Club and Mesdames Garfiel and Goodgold, Presidium of the Mr. and Mrs. League were introduced and took a bow.

The honor of laying the cornerstone was given to President Lester Udell and vice presidents, Samuel W. Siegel and Max Moskowitz.

The ceremonies closed outside of the building with Rabbi Reichel delivering the Benediction, and Cantor Yavneh leading the singing of Hatikvah.

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