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ANNUAL CHASANIM PARTY TO BE HELD SATURDAY

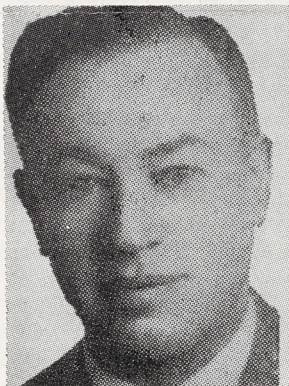
The entire congregation — both men and women — are cordially invited to the annual party given by the Chasanim of Simchas Torah. This year's Chasanim were Mr. Abraham Druckman, Chasan Torah, Mr. Jonas Leisten, Chasan Bereshis, and President Lester Udell, Chasan Maffir.

The party takes the form of a festive Seudah Shlishis, this Saturday immediately after Mincha services. Mincha is scheduled to be at 4:30 P.M., and the party will follow immediately thereafter.

We hope that as many of our congregants and friends as possible will attend this festive occasion, thus doing honor both to the Chasanim themselves and the Torah to which they were symbolically "betroted."

Opera Benefit Performance To Feature Verdi's "Aida" On Sunday, January 18, 1959

Committee Appointed to Head Disposal of 3,500 Tickets



Herman H. Cohen



Jacob Kaplan



Joseph Settler

Response To "Gemilas Chesed" Loan Campaign Encouraging

Wife pledges \$1,000 Loan for recovery of husband — member sends \$100 Loan with appeal for everyone else to pitch in — Reader advises that we stress contributions as well as loans.

It is indeed very gratifying that the appeal of our revered Rabbi and beloved President are not falling on deaf ears. Recently the wife of one of our congregants pledged a \$1,000 loan to help pay off our mounting bills resulting from our building project as a virtuous deed in addition to her prayers for the recovery of her ailing husband.

One also gets a very heartwarming feeling when apprised of the fact that one of our members sent in a \$100 loan with a letter to the Rabbi commending us all for our activities and noting at the end, "Now I read in the Bulletin that the Synagogue is giving **Promissory Notes** for such loans. I trust and I feel sure that the rest of the membership will pitch in and help along so as to lighten your burden in this undertaking."

To that we can only say "Amen." The Rabbi can not do it all by himself. Although we have all witnessed

incidences in which some of us believed it could not be carried out and the Rabbi did it.

In our appeals for loans it seems that we neglected to mention that those who haven't as yet contributed should do so. But our readers thank G-d are always on the alert and one of them asked us not to overlook this fact. Let us assure him and others of a like mind that we always prefer contributions to loans, but either one is very welcome.

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Address

The benefit performance of the W.S.I.S. this year will be the very popular opera "Aida" by Giuseppe Verdi on Sunday night, January 19, 1959. It will feature a cast of some of the most popular and outstanding stars of the "Met" according to the assurances of the Metropolitan management. In future issues we will announce the names of the cast.

To supervise the sale of the 3500 tickets, President Lester Udell has appointed an opera committee of three Co-Chairmen; Herman H. Cohen, Jacob Kaplan and Joseph Settler.

The opera committee, appeals to all the readers of this Review to participate in this tremendous undertaking. Tickets are priced to fit every purse. They range from \$2.50 to \$27.50 per ticket.

OPERA TICKETS

Boxes (8 seats) — \$100 and \$125
Orchestra — \$27.50, \$22.50, \$17.50,
\$12.50
Grand Tier — \$17.50, \$12.50, \$10
Opera Club) — \$10, \$7.50, \$5
Opera Guild)
Dress Circle — \$10, \$7.50, \$6
Balcony — \$5.50, \$5., \$4.50
Family Circle — \$3.50, \$2.50



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MEMBERSHIP DUES

We call your attention to the fact that our Board of Directors at a meeting in January of this year increased the membership dues from \$10 per annum to \$18. per annum. This went into effect as of February 1st, 1958.

Yahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

Table with 3 columns: Date (Oct. 25-31), Hebrew month (Cheshvan), and names of deceased members (e.g., Rose J. Blankfort, Sarah Greenstein, Aaron Wartels, etc.).

THE PRAYER BOOK
COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Thirteen Principles of The Faith

(Continued)

VI

"I BELIEVE WITH PERFECT FAITH THAT ALL THE WORDS OF THE PROPHETS ARE TRUE."

The first five Principles of the Faith as laid down by Maimonides deals with the Existence of G-d. The second group which we are now beginning to explain deals with Revelation.

Our Torah rises or falls with the acceptance of this principle, namely that G-d has communicated to man His will. If G-d is so transcendental, as the opponents of the Torah would make Him to be, so as not to communicate His will to humanity, then our Torah would have no binding force. Then too, the Universe becomes merely an aggregate of blind forces, which it is unfortunately today, — because mankind has left G-d out of its counsels. Those who do not regard the Torah, the Revelation, as the source of the human mind, have no binding reason, no categorical imperative for its observance. Why should one make sacrifices to observe if it is merely the figment of human imagination or reason which changes, as the times change? "All Revelation is supernatural. We cannot really know G-d except as He desires to be known, and make Himself apprehensible. No view of G-d that grew up 'of itself' in the human mind, owing nothing to G-d's self-disclosing action, could have any value." (Wobbemain).

G-d reveals Himself also in nature, in the power and wisdom displayed in its phenomena. He reveals Himself in the history of Israel. He reveals Himself in the intelligence of man. In all these cases the revelation is made to all alike. Those who have eyes may see; those who have ears may hear; and recognize, everyone according to his capacity, the presence of the Almighty, in the working of the laws of nations, and in the life of every individual person. In all these cases we can test and prove the revelation by ourselves, and need not exclusively rely on authority. When, however, a Divine communication is made to one privileged individual, through whom it is made known to a whole community, or to mankind, there is no other means of testing the correctness of the revelation than the trustworthiness of the privileged individual.

The first lesson or proof given to the Israelites of the fact that such revelation was not only possible, but had actually been vouchsafed by the Almighty, was the revelation on Mount Sinai, which became the foundation of the faith of Israel. "And the L-d said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and may also believe thee forever." (Exod. XIX 9). The trustworthiness of Moses having thus been tested and established "forever," his teaching remained the foundation of the teaching of all succeeding prophets, and a test of their truthfulness and genuineness.

Jesus said that he "came to fulfill and not to break the Law." In this way, superficially, he could not be condemned as a false prophet, or rebel. A prophet who taught anything opposed to the law of Moses could not be a true prophet, although he supported his words by signs and miracles (Deut. XIII. 2.)

GYM OPEN TO OUR TEEN-AGERS THURSDAY NIGHTS

Beginning with next Thursday night, October 30th, the "half-million dollar" gym at P.S. #87 will be available to all our teen-agers from 7:30 to 9:15 o'clock. Mr. Elliot Wohl will be in charge of the athletic activities.

All our young men who wish to join the program are required to wear sneakers on the gym floor. Membership cards may be acquired in the Social Department office or directly from Mr. Elliot Wohl, at the gym.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member, Mr. Emanuel Pressner, upon the passing of his sister, Mollie Schipper; and to Mrs. Jack Ehrman upon the passing of her mother Betty Minnie Strozenberg.

REMINDER TO OUR HEBREW SCHOOL ALUMNI

Don't miss the Jewish Information Hour on Sunday morning with Mr. Lawrence Kobrin. The session begins at 10:30 o'clock. Post Bar Mitzvah boys and Bas Mitzvah girls are welcome.

Women's League Activities

LAST CALL FOR RESERVATIONS

Mrs. Irving Balmuth, the dynamic Chairman of our Housewarming Luncheon and Card Party who is always "Johnny on the spot", is going all out to make this afternoon a most enjoyable, glamorous "Simcha".

Mrs. Joseph Friedman, Treasurer of this function is eagerly waiting for your reservations. Time is short. Send in your checks and reservations. "Lenore" will be especially happy if you will call the Synagogue (TR 7-8281) and leave additional reservations for her.

The success of this function depends upon you. Bring your relatives and friends. Your attendance will help us **raise \$1000 towards the equipment of our kitchen in one day, that is our Goal!**

We hope to see and greet all of you and your guest on Monday, October 27th at 12 Noon in our new Ballroom. Subscription \$5 per person.

OUR WOMEN'S LEAGUE

will act as hostesses for a meeting of the Womens branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations on Monday, November 10th at 1 P.M. They will honor our esteemed Rebbitzens, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein and Mrs. O. Asher Reichel. They have cordially extended an invitation to our entire Women's League.

ALBERT SCHMEIDLER NEW PRESIDENT OF STAMP CLUB — MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

Philatelists, old and young, are invited to join our Stamp Club.

The opening meeting of the season will be held this Monday evening, October 27th at 7:30 P.M., Mr. Albert Schmeidler, its new president, announced.

As an added attraction, all who will attend the first session this Monday evening and join the club will receive a gift packet of stamps, with the compliments of the new president and the outgoing president Mr. Jacob Goldberg. Need we say more!

NOTICE OF UNVEILING

The Spanbock and Ward families invite all our members and worshippers to attend the unveilings of the late **Belle Spanbock** and **David Schott** on Sunday, October 26 at 11:30 A.M. at Mt. Eden Cemetery grounds, of the West Side Institutional Synagogue, family plots of Ward-Spanbock. The unveilings will take place, rain or shine.

MEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES



Dr. Frank E. Fink

Chairman of the Publicity and Press Committee of the Men's Club

As Chairman of the Publicity and Press Committee of the Men's Club of the W.S.I.S., I wish to emphasize that each member has an obligation to make known his ideas, which will improve the Men's Club so as to make the club a better functioning organization. It is an opportunity for the members to contribute to a better spiritual and social life. Our new club room which will be beautifully decorated and furnished will greatly improve our desire to further the fine work for which the Men's Club has been noted. Truly we can say that we are a good cultural, charitable and social organization. We are formulating plans for the coming season which I am sure will be attractive to every member and we desire new members with new ideas to further our splendid work. It is my plan to keep the community informed of the splendid work of our Men's Club.

Dr. Frank E. Fink

SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NOTES

Senior League

Young men and young women of college age are invited to the first meeting of the season of our Senior League to be held this Sunday evening, October 26th, at 8 o'clock.

Join us on a tour of our new Annex and for a social evening. Come and bring your friends.

Young Adult League

Young folks over 22 are invited to become charter members of our Young Adult League at the "Getting to Know You" Evening on Sunday, November 2nd at 8 o'clock in our new Social Hall.

Kindly phone the Synagogue office and leave word for Rabbi Reichel that you plan to attend this "Big" event.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening up to5:44
Weekly Portion — Lech L'Chaw	
Genesis 12:1-17:27	Isaiah 40:27-41:16
Friday Evening Service5:55
Saturday Morning Service9:00
Junior Congregation10:30
Mincha4:30
Reader of Torah:	William Etra
Reader of Service:	Herbert Goldberg
The Sabbath Terminates6:35
Daily Services	
Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Daily Mornings	
Monday & Thursday6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Tuesday and Wednesday and	
Friday6:45, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha4:55
Followed by the Explanation of the	
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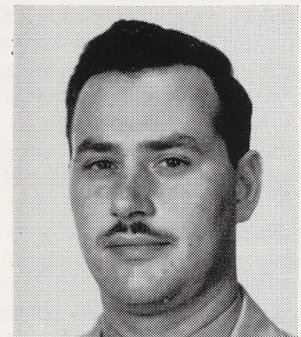
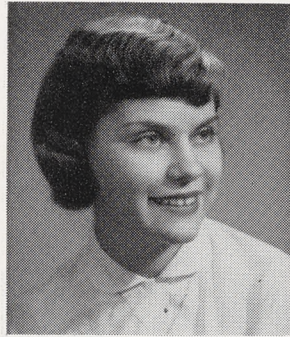
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GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Our Congregation was pleased to see United States Senator and Mrs. Estas Kefauver who attended in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of young Billy Gross, son of our Director and Mrs. Jess E. Gross . . . The elegance of the Gross Bar Mitzvah dinner was in a large measure due to our new Ballroom and magnificent kitchen. Our congregants now realize that our Synagogue is the place for all their simchas . . . It was also good to see at the services Harry Perlman after his recent illness. Our congregational congratulations and best wishes for successful futures in their chosen professions to Donald Robert Bergman, son of our members Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Alt, daughter-in-law of our members Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Alt upon her successful hurdling of the Bar Exams . . . Best Wishes to our members Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Presner in their new home . . . May business boom for our Senior League President, Helene Kalisch upon the opening in our neighborhood of her new store "Jeanmarie de Paris", specializing in oil paintings, hand bags, novelties, etc. . . . On the college front, we get news that ye columnists son, Steven, a Freshman at Brandeis University has made its' debating team and has already participated in an inter-collegiate tournament . . . Mazol Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Sol Weinstock of Allentown, Pa., the parents and Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Bayer the grandparents upon the birth of a baby boy Eric Hillel . . . Congratulations to our member, Mr. Henry L. Kessler on the appointment of his daughter Ruth Toch as assistant Solicitor General to State Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz . . . Our thanks to our member, Mr. Meyer L. Pargament for supplying Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class with new volumes of the tractate "Kidushin" which they have just begun to study. Congratulations to Norman Barasch, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Rosenberg upon his first play "Make a Million" which opened on Broadway, Thursday, October 23rd.

MR. AND MRS. LEAGUE — CARNIVAL NIGHT
Saturday night — October 25th



Renee Schwartz and Alfred Schwartz, Co-Chairmen

Would you recognize Groucho Marx without a moustache, Milton Berle with a beard? Come and test your skill on Carnival night, Saturday night, October 25th. "Unwig the bigwigs" is just one of the zany games that we've planned. Would you recognize your own wife's voice if you were blindfolded — come and hear if you can do it. Study!

A night full of fun, games and prizes is planned. We are especially anxious to have new couples come and meet the "old stalwarts". Please share your new friends with us. We look forward to welcoming you all to the first social event that the Mr. and Mrs. League will hold in the new building.

REMEMBER THE NIGHT!
CARNIVAL NIGHT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25th

Our prayerful wishes for a speedy recovery for Anna Dworkin.

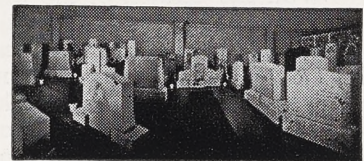
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 26—Michael Citron
 28—Roy Hines
 Mrs. Israel Kestenbaum
 29—Mrs. Arline Padawer
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 30—Mrs. Irving Bellsey
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 Samuel Tessler
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