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### MEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES Men's Club Meeting This Monday, November 3rd

Mr. Leon Herman, President of the Men's Club announces that this coming Monday night at 8 P.M., the Men's Club will hold a regular meeting in our new clubroom.

At this meeting Mr. Harry Ward, chairman of the Planning Committee, will render a comprehensive report of the activities which they have planned for the coming season.

The planning committee urges all members to attend this meeting and contribute constructive criticism so that our future meetings and activities will attract our co-religionists in our neighborhood.

Our Club room is now on the 4th floor of our Synagogue Building and can be reached by the new automatic elevator which has just been installed.

Some added attractions at this meeting will be a movie of our Building Cornerstone Laying that

# OPERA TICKETS FOR "AIDA" ALREADY AVAILABLE ORDER NOW FOR CHOICE TICKETS - AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT-OPERA DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 1959!

Mr. Harry Ward took and Refreshments at the end of the meeting.

#### **Clubroom To Be A Beehive** Of Sociability

Our clubroom is to be beautifully decorated and furnished. Mr. H. William Hirsch, chairman of this committee was given the green light to proceed immediately. We are confident that we will have a very fine, comfortable social room where we can really get together, not only on meeting nights but on other nights to view television, play a game of cards, read or just have discussions.

#### Family Minyan And Breakfasts To Be Renewed

Mr. H. Wm. Hirsch, Chairman of the very popular Sunday Family (Continued on Next Page)

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Your children — they will be what you make of them. If you will let them understand

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Do this for the sake of your children's future happiness. Do this for the sake of their well-being and self-respect. Do this for the sake of their training in good American citizenship.

Give your child a Jewish education. Register him or her NOW in our model Hebrew School.

Our benefit performance on Sunday, January 18, 1959 at the Metropolitan Opera House will be attended by every friend of the W.S.I.S. Have you ordered your tickets yet?

Verdi's popular and colorful opera "Aida" will be presented at that time as our annual Benefit Performance with a leading cast of the most popular "Met" Stars which will be announced in future issues of the "Review".

Messrs. Herman H. Cohen, Jacob Kaplan, and Joseph Settel, co-chairmen of the Opera Committee, are hopeful that everyone of our readers will cooperate by taking several tickets not only for themselves, but also for their friends and business associates as Chanukah gifts .

Prices of tickets as well as an order blank appear below. Fill it in and mail it to us so that you will be assured of getting the best seats in each price range.

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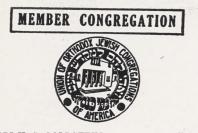
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# "THE TOWER OF BABEL AND THE PIONEER, AND THE SCIENTISTS"

#### by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

"I suggest that the scientists of the world declare a ban upon themselves in regard to the creation of weapons of destruction. In all the professions there are canons of ethics. I urge that scientists, also, accept humanitarian rules among themselves.

This morning in every one of our Synagogues throughout the world, the section of the Bible dealing with the Tower of Babel is read. This week the world stood aghast at the marvelous feat performed by the "Pioneer" in soaring up to an altitude of 80,000 miles to the moon. Similarly, do we find that people, in the days following the Flood, tried to soar up to the Heavens through the Tower of Babel.

God has made man upright, but, as King Solomon put it, "he has sought out many inventions" for the destruction of his fellow man. Certainly, our conscience must be pricked by the many inventions that our leading scientists have marvelously discovered for the devastation of mankind. Before Albert Einstein THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

#### Thirteen Principles of The Faith (Continued)

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#### "I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THE PROPHECY OF MOSES, OUR TEACHER, PEACE BE UNTO HIM, WAS TRUE, AND THAT HE WAS THE CHIEF OF THE PROPHETS, BOTH OF THOSE THAT PRECEDED, AND OF THOSE THAT FOLLOWED HIM." THERE HATH NEVER YET ARISEN IN ISRAEL A PROPHET LIKE UNTO MOSES."

This too is a cardinal principle upon which our religion rests. Thus the Eternal character of Judaism is assured. Otherwise if a greater prophet than Moses can arise, he can and my abrogate and nullify the Torah. Therefore, the Torah in its concluding verses in the Pentateuch, Deuteronomy, Chapter 34, verses 10-12 tells us that there never was or will be a greater prophet than Moses.

Maimonides in "The Guide for the Perplexed" (chap. xxxv), and in the Mishneh Torah Hilchos Yesode haTorah, Chapter 7, section 6 and in his commentary on Perek Chelek of the Talmud Sanhedrin (where he explains the 13 Principles of the Faith,) fully describes the difference between Moses and other prophets. He enumerates four points:—

(1) Moses spoke without any intermediary, (2) Moses received his prophecy during the daytime, directly, and not in a vision, in a trance, in a dream, or in a state of suspended animation, like other prophets, (3) Moses spoke to G-d "as one speaks to a friend" without any special exertion, while the other prophets were exhausted after receiving divine messages as Daniel said, "And there remained no strength in me" after Gabriel had spoken to him, (4) The other prophets had to wait for their prophecies to come to them, as we read in regard to Elisha. Moses, however, could go to seek prophetic vision whenever he required it, as we read in the Book of Numbers, Chapter 9, verse 8, "And Moses said unto them, wait ye, and I will hear what the Lord will command concerning thee."

died, he expressed his deep regret that he was one of those who made it possible to build the atom bomb, which, I believe, was a great sin against humanity and against the noblest strivings of science. It would be well to remember the words of the prophet Obadiah, who said: "The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee . . . though thou exalt thyself as the eagle and though thou set thy nest among the STARS, thence will I bring thee down, saith the Lord."

God has given man a mind that can invent good or evil. Thus, to me, the announcement of the tremendous flight toward the moon on the part of the "Pioneer", was a marvel on the one hand at God's gift of ingenuity of the mind, and, on the other hand, it made me sad to realize that God's glorious gift of the mind, is being employed for the eventual destruction of man. I daresay the atom bomb, the nuclear missile, the "Sputnick" and now the "Pioneer" may be considered as Frankensteins to the world, or, as Goethe put it in his "Faust", "the spirit which I called upon, I cannot Control."

The old savage fought with his hands, his bow and arrow and his

rifle. We however, have progressed to the gun, to the bomb, to the "Sputnick" and now to the "Pioneer", representing a new savagery which threatens to destroy the world. The old savagery was tame along side of the present savagery of our modern much vaunted civilization.

# A LETTER FROM SENATOR KEFAUVER

'Dear Rabbi Goldstein:

I just wanted you to know how glad I was to get to meet and see you when I was in New York attending the Bar Mitzvah of Billy Gross.

I certainly did enjoy the sermon and services and everything was very nice.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely, Estes Kefauver, USS (A similar letter was sent to Cantor Yavneh.)

#### Men's Club Activities (Cont'd)

Minyan and Breakfast, announces that these popular gatherings will be renewed in our new annex. The first such affair is scheduled for **Sunday, November 23rd.** Watch our Review for further news.

## Women's League **Activities** OPEN MEETING ON **NOVEMBER 3rd**

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend an Open Meeting of the Women's League on Monday, November 3, at 12:30 P.M. in the Lounge of the Ballroom in our new Building. Take the elevator to the third floor to reach the room in which the meeting is taking place.

Our Program Chairman, Mrs. Michael Weingarten, has arranged a very interesting program in which many of our members will take a prominent part. Come and cheer for your fellow members.

Also, I know that you will be interested in hearing a financial re-port on our recent "Housewarming Luncheon".

Coffee and cake will be served promptly.

#### WOMEN'S LEAGUE NOTES

We made it!!!

We reached our goal and even went over the top at our House Warming Luncheon and Card Party in our new Ball Room at the Synagogue on Monday, October 27th. To quote Mrs. Irving Balmuth, the Chairman, whose contagious enthusiasm inspired all her co-workers with an almost uncanny desire to help us reach our goal; "the cooperation which I received was abso-lutely out of this world." At the head of the list was our most capable and conscientious President, Mrs. Fred Goldstein, who applied her seemingly boundless energy, all day and every day, to taking care of a multitude of necessary details. Mrs. Joseph Friedman as Treasurer handled our funds very scrupulously. Our devoted Mrs. Max Chernofsky was in charge of the culinary phase of the Luncheon, from securing the voluntary services of a professional chef (Mr. Louis Schwartz) to manning the voluntary kitchen staff. Our loyal Eva Margolis gave us a fabulous donation of filet de sole for our more than 200 guests. Mrs. David Kamerman, Mrs. Edward Horowitz and Mrs. David Elkins were most generous sponsors for this function. Then there were those dedicated women on the Committee who gave untiringly of their time and energy to make this Luncheon an outstanding success: Mesdames William Foont, Jacob Isseks, Lillian G. Levine, Jen Schreiber and Harry Ward.

A special vote of thanks to the following women who served in many diverse helpful capacities:

Mesdames Mannie Alt, David Elkins, Walter Freeman, Isidor Friedman, Emanuel Goodman, Rose Gura, Leopold Hirsch, Max Koch, Joseph Klein, Lillian Kirsh, Minnie Lehman, Miriam Morse, Morris Marcus, Winnie Pack, O. Asher Reichel, Harry Soffer, Gittle Silverman, Samuel Schneider, Fanny Vogel, Michael Weingarten, Jennie Yabrow.

We are very grateful to the following generous members and friends of our Women's League who helped us keep down our expenses by their liberal donations in kind: Mesdames Irving Balmuth, Rachel Barowsky, Fred Goldstein, Isidore Friedman, Morris Marcus, Jen Schreiber, David Ullman and Harry Ward. Also to Mrs. Papilsky of the West Side Caterers; Mrs. Belle Silver of the Patrician Caterers; Stern's Kosher Pastry Shop, Alfredo Florist, and David Chopp, Printer.

#### **REBBITZEN GOLDSTEIN TO BE HONORED**

A well-deserved tribute to Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, the wife of our esteemed Rabbi, will be accorded at an Israel Bond luncheon to be held on Wednesday, Novem-ber 12 at the Croydon Hotel under the combined sponsorship of Mizrachi Women's Organization, Women's Branch, UOJCA and Yeshiva

University Women's Organization. Michael Shillo, Israel's foremost dramatic actor and film star, currently visiting the United States for the British film "Dunkirk", will be the distinguished guest speaker.

Admission to the gala luncheon will be by purchase of State of Israel Bonds — the principal source of investment capital for the development of Israel's economy.

Mrs. Goldstein, one of America's foremost leaders of Orthodox Jewry, is a member of the National Board of Mizrachi Women's Organization, a founder of the Yeshiva University's Women's organization and Honorary President of the Women's Branch, UOJCA..

#### DONORS HOMES FOR CHILDREN IN ISRAEL (Continued)

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Light Candles Friday Evening before 4:35 Weekly Portion — Vayera Genesis 18:1-22:24, 2 Kings 4:1-37 Friday Evening Service ......4:45 Chazanim: Irving Faust, Aaron Reichel .....4:10 Mincha ..... Reader of Torah: Seymour Ukeles Reader of Service: Elliot Lebowitz Daily Services Daily Mornings Monday and Thursday ......6:45, 7:45, 8:30 Tuesday, Wednesday and Mincha ..... 4:45 Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

# Yahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

| Nov. | Cheshvan |                     |
|------|----------|---------------------|
| 1    | 18       | Yetta Haselkorn     |
|      |          | Esther Rauch        |
|      |          | F. Esther Friedman  |
| 2    | 19       | Israel Isaac Kramer |
| 3    | 20       | Judith Druckman     |
| 4    | 21       | Morris Goldstein    |
| 5    | 22       | Israel Stein        |
|      |          | Minnie Horowitz     |
| 7    | 24       | Hinka Braunstein    |
|      |          |                     |

#### **GETTING PERSONAL**

#### by Sanford Solarz

Our annual Simchas Torah Chasanim Party last Sabbath afternoon, fully maintained, despite the inclemency of the weather, its tradition of being one of the outstanding annual events of our Congregation. If we may judge by the splendid turn-out, delicious food, drinks and the various shades and flavors of oratory that emanated from the many speakers. The hosts for the occasion were our Simchas Torah Chasanim: President Lester Udell, Mr. Abraham M. Druckman and Mr. Jonas Leisten. Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein was Master of Ceremonies. The speakers were Rabbi Reichel, Hon. Jacob Greenberg, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset in Israel, Rabbi Pekier, Messrs. Isaac Allen, Herman H. Cohen, Jacob Goodman, Leon Herman, Morris Jablow, Lawrence Kobrin, Albert Schmeidler, Mrs. Harry Ward, Mr. Jonas Leisten, and Mr. Abraham M. Druckman . . . We are happy to welcome into our Congregational Family the following new members: Dr. Samuel Greenberg, Mr. Samuel J. Goldberg and Mr. Joseph J. Greenberg . . . The host of our Seudah Shlishis tomorrow afternoon will be Mr. Nat Lebowitz . . . Our congregational citation of merit to Sidney Silverman, son of our Women's League Executive Board Member, Mrs. Gittle Silverman, upon becoming a Doctor of Philosophy . . . In last week's issue we announced the passing of the Bar Examination by Donald Robert Bergman and Mrs. Stanley Alt. Inadvertently the printer left out a few lines. It should have read as follows: Our congregational congratulations and best wishes for successful futures in their chosen professions to Donald Robert Bergman, son of our members Mr. and Mrs. Saul Bergman upon his graduation from Brooklyn Lay School and his passing the Bar Examination: and as much as same to Mrs. Stanley Alt, daughter-in-law of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Alt, upon her successful hurdling of the Bar Exams . . . All best wishes in their new home to our members Mr. and Mrs. M. Morton Rubenstein . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to our Director, Mr. David Cohen and to Mr. Abe Leibowitz Mazel Tov to our Director, Judge and Mrs. William B. Herlands upon the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Eleanor, to Myron Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Smith, of Brooklyn. Mazel Tov also to the grandparents, our Director

and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Herlands. The prospective bride is a junior at New York University. Mr. Smith was graduated from Brooklyn College. He has completed graduate studies in political science at Columbia . . . Our last week's notice about our catering facilities brought some requests as to whether we are able to cater smaller parties as well as large celebrations. We are therefore happy to inform one and all that we have in addition to our large Ballroom, smaller rooms to cater to small and more intimate groups.

#### **Birthday Greetings:**

#### Oct.

25—David Heiser 31—Mrs. Sol Redlich

Nov.

- 1—Howard L. Horowitz
- 3—Arthur M. Aibinder Mrs. Sam Ehrman Janet Ellen Rimberg Sanford Solarz
- 4—Deborah Jane Goldstein Nathan Kirsh Alan Lee Rimberg
- 5—Mrs. Julia Richter 6—Dr. David A. Buchsbaum
- Mrs. D. S. Gershweir Mrs. Seymour Silberstein

#### Anniversary Greetings:

Oct.

- 31—Mr. & Mrs. Leon Kantrowitz Nov.
- 1—Mr. & Mrs. Jules Citron 2—Mr. & Mrs. Kalman Kinzler
- 3—Mr. & Mrs. Charles Fiedler
- 5-Mr. & Mrs. Morris Segerman

#### MR. ALLEN'S TALMUD CLASS SIYUM NOVEMBER 8th

In celebration of the completion of the Tractate "Gittin", the Talmud Class of Mr. Isaac Allen, invites the entire Congregation to the "Siyum" on Saturday afternoon, November 8th. Mr. Jacob Goodman, a member of the class, will be host at the Sabbath.

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#### YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE MEETING SUNDAY EVENING

To start off our Young Adult League season with a "bang" we are having a "Getting to Know You Evening", in our new Annex on Sunday evening, November 2nd, 1958, at 8 o'clock.

The program will include a tour of our new Building and Facilities, and a Social with refreshments.

Young adults over 22 are cordially welcome to become "Charter Members" at this Sunday's meeting.

#### NOTICE OF UNVEILING

All members and friends of the Synagogue, Men's Club and Chevra Tilem, are invited to attend the unveiling of the monuments of the late **Yetta and Isak Haselkorn** which will take place on Sunday, November 2nd, at 11:00 A.M., at Beth David Cemetery, grounds of the Gips family circle. In event of rain, it will be postponed for the following Sunday.





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