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SAVE THIS COUPON AS A REMINDER FOR THE MR. AND MRS.
LEAGUE GET-TOGETHER THIS SATURDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 23rd
AT 8:30 O'CLOCK.

NOTED GUEST SPEAKER, LOUIS J. GRIBETZ.

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Cordially,

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BUDDY FRIEDMAN POST TO MEET WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

The Buddy Friedman Post of the Jewish War Veterans will meet this Wednesday night at 8:30 P.M. in the Men's Club Goldroom on the 4th floor of our building, Dr. Frank E. Fink, Commander of the Post announced.

All veterans of our neighborhood are invited to attend.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 26th, 3:30 P.M.

A.N.I. Bas Mitzvah Club
(for girls over 11)

Sunday, January 31st, 10:30 A.M.

Discussion group with
Mr. Lawrence Kobrin
(for teen-agers)

Children's Village Luncheon To Be Held On February 29th



Chairman

Mrs. Frank L. Taks

On Monday, February 29th, we will celebrate the Birthday of our beloved Rebbitzin, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein. In her honor, our Chair-

man, Mrs. Frank L. Taks, invites you, your relatives and friends to a **Luncheon and Card Party** to be held in our **Synagogue Grand Ballroom at 12 noon on February 29th**. The entire proceeds of this afternoon will be used for improvements in the **West Side Institutional Synagogue Children's Village in Israel** which is a project started by and very close to the hearts of our Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein.

Reserve this afternoon for a delicious lunch, gifts and surprises and an enjoyable afternoon of games of cards. Your contribution for admission is \$5.00 per person.

UNDERSTAND YOUR PRAYERS

Beginning with Monday, February 1st, Rabbi Goldstein will give a course in "The Understanding of the Prayer Book," between the hours of 7:45 P.M. - 8:45 P.M., which should prove to be informative, interesting and inspirational. The Course is free to members and worshippers. Please fill out the blank and mail same to Rabbi Goldstein.

My Dear Rabbi Goldstein:

I hereby enroll for your course, "The Understanding of the Prayer Book" which will be given on Monday nights, beginning with February 1st at 7:45 - 8:45.

Name

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HAVE YOUR CAKE AND EAT IT

We are all aware of the maxim that you can't have your cake and eat it too, in this world. Many people are also under the impression that since virtue is its own reward, they can not carry out a "Mitzvah" if they get paid for doing it. This is not so in the case of every "Mitzvah" or Commandment. The Mishnah, which we repeat every morning in our prayers, says, "These are the things the fruits of which a man enjoys in this world, while the stock remains for him in the world to come." Among the Commandments thus rewarded is the "Mitzvah" of "hospitality to wayfarers."

Thus if you rent out a room to an out-of-towner who is looking for a home in this city with a Jewish atmosphere, you are doing a good deed even though you are getting paid for it.

Our Synagogue has gotten several requests recently from out-of-towners who are attending college here and are seeking a room with people who are Jewish in the true sense of the word. If you have a spare room, please contact our Synagogue office and some lonely person away from home will be able to continue to live and act in an atmosphere similar to his home environment.

We are sure that you would like your own children, if they go to an out-of-town college or must be away from home for some reason, to find living quarters with a good Jewish family. Therefore, do the same for the children of other good Jews.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

The "Vah-Yitayn L'chaw" Prayer

(Continued)

"HE CREATETH THE FRUIT OF THE LIPS: PEACE, PEACE TO HIM, TO HIM THAT IT IS FAR OFF AND TO HIM THAT IS NEAR, SAITH THE L-RD." Isaiah 57:19

G-d will create a new language. It will be the language of peace. It will be a new way of speaking on the part of the nations. The Jewish People will also speak differently, and not be fearful.

"PEACE TO HIM THAT IS FAR OFF, AND TO HIM THAT IS NEAR."

G-d accepts all people, even if they be far from Him; if only they will repent.

"THE L-RD WILL GIVE STRENGTH UNTO HIS PEOPLE; THE L-RD WILL BLESS HIS PEOPLE WITH PEACE."

G-d will give us strength; but still better he will give us peace, without war.

"STRENGTH" another interpretation given by the rabbis in the Talmud is a metaphorical one, that the strength refers to the Torah. Israel's strength is in its Torah and with it comes peace of mind, peace of conscience, and above all peace of soul.

"RABBI YOCHANAN SAID, IN EVERY PASSAGE WHERE THOU FINDEST THE GREATNESS OF G-D MENTIONED, THERE THOU FINDEST HIS HUMILITY."

Just as there are in the mathematical world algebraic equations, so do we have in the spiritual world, spiritual equations. Inspired by our text I should like to offer the following equation — Ability + humility = greatness. There are many people who are able, but they are not great. The reason is that they are conceited because of their ability, and are not humble. It is only when ability is coupled with humility that we find greatness.

"FOR THE LORD YOUR G-D, HE IS G-D OF GODS."

There are no other gods but G-d, but there are powers or elements like the sun, the moon, the stars, the mountains, Nature, etc. which are worshipped as gods; but G-d rules them all.

"NOR TAKETH THE BRIBE"

Many people think that their gifts to charity cover all their sins. Not so, dear reader. One receives his reward for charity but his sins remain sins.

"HATH MADE A WILDERNESS LIKE EDEN AND A DESERT LIKE THE GARDEN OF THE LORD."

The Hebrew word for wilderness is "Midbar" which means, "entirely wasteland" and will become as Eden.

The Hebrew word for desert is "Aravah" which means "inhabited, but a thorny place" and even that will become as the garden of the L-rd.

"HAPPY IS EVERYONE THAT FEARETH THE L-RD, THAT WALKETH IN HIS WAYS."

This happiness comes to every individual from the spiritual feelings one attains in the proper observance of our religion. The Commandments then do not appear as a heavy burden, but rather as a yoke balancing our footsteps in life in the area of righteousness and contentment. Thus, those who really fear the L-rd meet life with an assured happy state of mind.

(To Be Continued)

Mrs. Goldstein's Diary (Cont'd)

to teach them the "know how" as it were. Burma sends many of its men to Israel to learn techniques, on the spot.

Shavuot news flashes; Flowers and greenery from Mount Zion the burial

place of King David, in Jerusalem, were distributed to representatives of synagogues, with the approach of the Shavuot holiday . . . The Ministry of Religious Affairs distributed Scrolls of the Law to the new immigrant settlements.

Was The Opera Benefit A Success?

A FINAL REPORT ON OUR OPERA BENEFIT PERFORMED ON JANUARY 17

All during the performance and the immediate days thereafter, all our congregants whom we chanced to meet kept asking us. "How does it look? Was the opera a success?"

The above questions are very general and it is therefore necessary to break it up into its component parts.

From a financial standpoint, it was not as successful as last year. In fact we netted several thousand dollars less than last year. This is so because some of our steady participants felt that the opera would be a success without them. This is impossible. We have a limited reservoir and if one fails his obligations there are no substitutes upon whom to draw.

However, this should not blind us to the very commendable and laudatory work done by our sellers, among whom we must mention the names of Alexander Rauchman, our champ seller, Director Herman H. Cohen, second and Director Jacob Kaplan who was third. The biggest surprise, however, was our own beloved President Lester Udell who though under the weather, did not allow such a matter to deter him from the task he set himself to sell a considerable amount of tickets which put him among the top five.

The Opera Committee also wishes to thank the other sellers, namely Directors Max Zimmer, Morris Levine, Harry Altman, 2nd Vice President, Max Moskowitz, Directors H. William Hirsch, Carl Grossberg, Joseph L. Rosenberg, Samuel K. Beier, A. M. Druckman, Abe Glaser, Maurice

Greenstein, Eddie Jacobs, Jack Spiro, Frank L. Taks and Harry Ward.

From a social viewpoint, the opera as usual was an excellent means of the getting together of the great W.S.I.S. family and exchanging pleasantries thus avoiding so much less talk during our services on the Sabbath.

Culturally, in "Cavalleria Rusticana" the great mainstay was that superb opera star Nell Rankin whose voice carried above the chorus and orchestra, while Richard Tucker gave us brilliant flashes of his great genius, ably supported by a very smooth performance of Walter Cassel.

In "Pagliacci" Cornell Mac Neill won the hearts of the audience with his very first song of the prologue. Jon Vickers had some very good scenes but still lacks the polish of an experienced performer. Surprisingly good performances were turned in by Calvin Marsh and Charles Anthony.

All in all it was a very memorable evening to be talked about and discussed wherever and whenever our people meet each other.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening Before 4:41
Weekly Portion: Shemohs
Friday Evening Service4:50
Chumosh and Rashi with
Mr. Israel Kestenbaum8:15
Saturday Morning Service8:50
Blessings of the new month of Shevat
Junior Congregation10:40
Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls)2:30
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class3:15
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class3:15
Mincha4:15
Reader of Torah: Stanley Klein
Reader of Service: Seymour Ukeles
The Sabbath Terminates5:32
Daily Services
Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Monday and Thursday
Mornings6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha4:55
Followed by the Explanation of the
Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

Condolences

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Sophie Wittenberg upon the loss of her sister, Minnie Epstein.

PLEASE NOTE!

A modern Ritualarium (Mikvah) is located in our community, at 158 W. 97th St., MO 3-0300.

BAZAAR IN MARCH

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!

Get after all your sources and bring in merchandise quickly. We are in urgent need of **all kinds of new salable merchandise**. If packages cannot be shipped direct to the Synagogue, call our office TR 7-8281 - 8251 and we will have them picked up. Please note packages for February Bazaar.

Cordially,

Mr. and Mrs. League

Men's Club

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Our Congregational Citation of Merit to Mrs. Louis Bernstein (nee Sylvia Livingston) daughter of our Director and Mrs. George Livingston upon her appointment by Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz as an Assistant Attorney General. Her assignment is in the Department of Law in the New York City office of the Labor Bureau . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath afternoon Seudah Shlishis tomorrow will be our Men's Club President, Leon Herman. The host last week was our 2nd Vice-President Max Moskowitz . . . Among our out-of-town collegiates at our services during the winter vacation whose name was inadvertently omitted in our recent column was Roy Tumpowsky . . . Welcome home from points South to our Director and Mrs. Isaiah Zucker, and Mr. David Wiener, and happy vacationing in California to our Director Abraham M. Druckman, and in Florida to our member Mannie Gluck . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to our Women's League member Mrs. Rachel Barowsky . . . Mazel Tov and all best wishes to our members Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Hirsch upon the birth of Debra Hilary to their children Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hirsch; and to our members Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spiro upon the birth of a son to their children Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goldstone.

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Birthday Greetings

January

- 22—Mrs. Sigg Eisenberg
Douglas J. Reichlin
Roy Stuart Tumpowsky
- 23—Mrs. Irving Balmuth
Emanuel Goldman
Mrs. Norman Grober
Director Jonas Leisten
Jeffrey Sheppard Yudkoff
- 24—Mrs. Jacob Kaplan
- 25—Jack Goodman
Donald Jay Moses
Mrs. Bertha Warshauer
- 26—Julian Jay Levy
- 27—Alexander Cohen
Henry L. Kessler

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Anniversary Greetings

January

- 23—Dr. & Mrs. Simon Dack
Mr. & Mrs. Herbert L. Ortner
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Pash
Mr. & Mrs. Warren L. Schnur
- 24—Director & Mrs.
Adolph Meirowitz
- 26—Mr. & Mrs. Milton Mirken

Diary Letter

By Mrs. Herbert Goldstein

June 10, 1959

(Continued from last week)

Rabbi Kahana of the Ministry of Religion, who is in charge of Mount Zion greeted the children and said a special prayer for the health of the Chief Rabbi, to which all the children responded with a fervent "Amen". Mr. Lebanon, the President of Yeshurun Synagogue, welcomed the children as well as the guests, among whom were Judge and Mrs. Leventhal of Philadelphia and some other people whom we had also met on the boat. Sara Lamport-Shapiro, wife of the prominent Zionist worker—Ezra Shapiro and daughter of the late Sol Lamport and Mrs. Herzog, who seems to be the head of almost every organization here. I don't know how she does it.

The ceremony of the morning was most impressive and stressed the significance of Shavuot as the occasion of the receiving of the Torah on Mount Sinai.

Ben Gurion caught up with us. He went to see the Agricultural Exhibition just before it was scheduled to close. One of the things about the exhibition which I did not mention, when telling about it, in a recent diary letter, was that there was a section there which had representatives of each of the multitude of different peoples who are living in Israel at present, and who, for the most part, seem to be living peacefully together. As an evidence of Ben-Gurion's democratic spirit, he went into the tent of the Negev Beduins and had coffee with them.

Yesterday the Prime Minister of Burma, General Ne Win, came to Israel and received a very hearty welcome. I saw his car standing outside the Hadassah Clinic. For the past few years there has been a very fine friendly relationship between Burma and Israel. The Burmese authorities feel that they have much to learn from Israel agriculturally, scientifically, industrially and otherwise and the Israel Government has been most generous in sending skilled men, in all fields to Burma

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Vahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

Jan. Teves

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| 23 | 23 | Abraham Reig
Jacob Braunstein
Louis Reisman |
| 24 | 24 | Moses M. Siegel
Sara B. Weinstein |
| 25 | 25 | Bezael Solomonica
Frank Kostant |
| 26 | 26 | Janue Udell |
| 27 | 27 | Hugo Perutz
Lena Stein
Jacob Wohlberg
Benjamin Steinberger |
| 28 | 28 | Gussie Goodman
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