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Israeli Diary Letter

By Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein

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Last night Rabbi Shlomo Yoseph Zevin, the editor of the Talmudic Encyclopedia, which is one of the World Academy projects and his charming wife, gave a very lovely reception in honor of Dad and me. Several hundred people attended. Practically everybody who is anybody in Jerusalem, on the rabbinic or political scene here as well as others in many walks of life, kept coming continuously, to pay their respects. Some guests even came from as far as Tel Aviv, besides which there was a mass of telegrams and letters from those who were unable to attend for one reason or another. It was interesting for us to see what a large coterie of friends we have built up here, in the course of our many visits to Israel.

The reception was catered and very well done. The waiters of whom there were a large number, must have been trained in the School now conducted in Israel for hotel personnel. They did a perfect job. I don't think I ever saw such a large, varied and attractive assortment of cookies anywhere. Besides all kinds of drinks, hard and soft, there was a type of hors-d'oeuvres, which was different from the usual variety. Instead of being on bread it was in small pastry patties and the ingredients which are usually on top, were filled into the opening of the patties, in colorful looking little cones. It made a very pretty and unique appearance.

Herman H. Cohen To Report On His Israeli Visit At Open Meeting Of Men's Club

GYM PROGRAM

Our young men are most welcome to participate in our athletic program at the Jewish Center Gymnasium 131 West 86th Street.

Boys between the ages of 12 and 15 may join the gym program on Sundays from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Young men over 16 may visit the gym on Thursday evenings at a reduced fee.

For further details you may call our Social Department office.

SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION HOUR FOR OUR YOUTH

Mr. Lawrence Kobrin will meet his discussion group this Sunday morning, February 7th, at 10:30 o'clock. The book currently being discussed is "This is My G-d" by Herman Wouk. All our teen-agers are welcome. Come and bring a friend.

Attend

Rabbi Goldstein's Course on
**"THE UNDERSTANDING OF
THE PRAYER BOOK"**

Given on

**Monday Evenings
7:45 P.M. — 8:45 P.M.**

The course is free to members
and worshippers.



Frank L. Taks
Chairman of Program

On Monday evening, February 15th, we shall have the privilege of hearing a first-hand report of his visit to Israel by our Director Herman H. Cohen, preceded by a talk by Rabbi Goldstein on the "Meaning of the Prayer-book."

Mr. Cohen, who is a gifted public speaker, will present a graphic portrayal of present day Israel.

At this open meeting, ladies are cordially welcome.

Our former Men's Club president Frank L. Taks who is the Program Chairman urges our readers not to make any other plans for that evening. A treat is in store for all.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY

A great opportunity is afforded to all veterans of World War I and World War II to render timely service to make America safe for Democracy.

All veterans are cordially invited and urged to attend the next meeting of our own BUDDY FRIEDMAN POST No. 297 of the JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF AMERICA, which will be held in our building on

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1960
at 8:30 P.M.**

You are assured of a hearty welcome and good fellowship.

In honor of our beloved
**RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN'S
70th BIRTHDAY**
the Synagogue is tendering him a
KIDDUSH on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6th
after the Sabbath services.
All worshippers attending the Sabbath Services
are invited to the Kiddush.



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MAZEL TOV



Annette Wurman

Our heartiest congratulations to our gracious and ebullient book-keeper, Miss Annette Wurman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wurman, upon her marriage this Sunday afternoon in our Synagogue Grand Ballroom to Mr. Sol Forst, son of Mrs. Chaja Forst of Washington Heights.

LAST CALL FOR REGISTRATION IN OUR SUNDAY KINDERGARTEN

We are glad to see a number of our parents who are taking advantage of our Sunday morning Kindergarten. We hope that more parents will take advantage of this group by enrolling their children (4 to 5½) this Sunday morning.

Our Hebrew School office is open every day. Our principal will be happy to discuss the Hebrew and religious educational programs of your children. Phone for an appointment — the sooner the better.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

The Blessing In Regard To The New Moon

(Continued)

"UPHELD FROM THE WOMB" This is a metaphor describing Israel. We are patterned after the moon. The moon is sometimes small or weak and becomes large and full. On the other hand, the sun never sets. If it sets in one place, it shines in another. Not so is it with the moon.

"THEY ARE TO BE RENEWED LIKE HER" Just as the moon will be reborn so we say that the Kingdom of Israel will enjoy a rebirth.

"BLESSED BE THY CREATOR" The blessing is to thy Creator, to G-d, and not to the moon.

"BLESSED BE THY POSSESSOR." One should not think that G-d created the moon and then left it out of hand, as it were; but no, every day the Possessor, G-d, directs it.

"SHALOM AH-LEYCHEM, PEACE BE UNTO YOU." We say this because of Israel's enemies. Therefore, it is highly proper to declare a "peace be unto you."

"THE VOICE OF MY FRIEND" Refers to the Schechina, or the Messiah.

"BEHOLD HE COMETH" The Messiah is to come, we hope, soon.

"LEAPING" This means to skip over.

"SKIPPING" This means to run quickly, but not to skip.

"MY BELOVED IS LIKE A DEER" (in swiftness) The deer, even when he sleeps, keeps one eye open. Here we have a metaphor describing G-d's protection, as the Psalmist put it, "Behold the Guardian of Israel. Neither sleepeth or slumbereth;" (Psalm 121 Verse 3) or as King Solomon put it in his Song of Songs, (Chapter 2, Verse 9), "My beloved is as the deer . . . behold He standeth . . . looketh out of the windows, he peepeth through the lattices." One looks through the window sees and is seen, but one who looks through the lattice sees, but is not seen. So is it with the Almighty. His protection is sometimes evident and sometimes imperceptible.

"MY HELP IS FROM THE L-ORD, THE MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH." (Psalm 121, Verse 2)

One may think that his help may come from this or that cause, but the base of it all is G-d.

"PRAISE HIM WITH THE SOUND OF THE HORN" When in trouble the Shofar is blown to arouse the people. The lyre is played for a joyous song. At all times we must thank G-d.

After this Service we say the "Aw-ley-nu" prayer and why? The answer is because, up to now, we have been speaking of the moon. One might think we were worshipping the moon. To offset this notion we say "Aw-ley-nu", wherein we declare "it is our duty to praise the L-rd of all things, to ascribe greatness to Him who formed the world in the beginning . . . He is our G-d . . . and thou shalt know this day, and lay it to thine heart, that the L-rd, He is G-d in heaven above and upon the earth beneath: there is no other (to serve)."

"THE DISCIPLES OF RABBI YISHMAEL SAID": (This is a Baraisa) Rashi says that if it were only for this Mitzvah, it would be sufficient to keep the Jewish People alive as a people. With the performance of this Mitzvah we accept G-d changing the moon every month, showing us His marvelous handiwork.

Abaya said that this prayer, because of its importance, should be said while standing.

"יָדָא" With the "Yod" at the end of this word it implies yes, and with the "Aleph" at the end of the word it implies no.

(To Be Continued)

Vahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

Feb. Shevat

6	8	Mose Goodman
		Solomon Landowne
		Nessie Rubin
8	10	Simon Davis
		Herman Jacobs

9 11

11 13

12 14

Gussie Mayerowitz

Rose Berliner

Ida Helen Silver

Morris Kornfeld

Tanya Shaftan

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Women's League Activities

HELP THE CHILDREN IN OUR VILLAGE IN ISRAEL

COME TO OUR LUNCHEON ON FEBRUARY 29th



Rabbi and Mrs. Goldstein surrounded by the children

Take a good look at the happy faces on this picture. These are the orphaned unfortunate children who are being fed, educated and loved in the W.S.I.S. Children's Village in Israel. To keep them well and happy, **come to our Children's Village Luncheon on Monday, February 29th**

at 12:00 Noon in our Synagogue Grand Ballroom. Please make your reservations, at **\$5.00 per person** immediately, to Chairman, Mrs. Frank Taks, in care of the Synagogue. This will be an afternoon of delicious food, gifts, and games, which we are sure that everyone will enjoy.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION NOTES

Every parent should feel it a moral obligation to see to it that his child attends Sabbath services.

Our Junior Congregation welcomes all youngsters of pre-Bar Mitzvah age on Saturday mornings at 10:40 o'clock. We know of many youngsters who are missing an important aspect of life because their parents do not bring them to Junior Congregation or to the Synagogue on the Sabbath Day.

Following the Junior Congregation services delicious refreshments are served.

The officers of the Junior Congregation this month are Alan Cohen, President, Melvin Moed, Vice-President and Sandra Moed, Hostess.

Reminder

Bazaar

in

March

We still need quantities of new saleable merchandise. Send direct to Synagogue or we will have packages picked up. Let us know quickly.

Cordially,

MR. AND MRS. LEAGUE

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening Before 4:58

Weekly Portion: Bo

Exodus 10:1-13:16 Jeremiah 46:13-28

Friday Evening Service 5:10

Chumosh and Rashi with

Mr. Israel Kestenbaum 8:15

Saturday Morning Service 9:00

Junior Congregation 10:40

Chazanim: Charles Hecht

Uriel Messa

Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls

from 7 to 11 years) 3:00

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class 3:30

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class 3:30

Mincha 4:30

Reader of Torah: Albert Schmeidler

Reader of Service: Stanley Kaplan

The Sabbath Terminates 5:46

Daily Services

Sunday Morning 7:15, 8:15, 8:45

Monday and Thursday

Mornings 6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Tuesday, Wednesday, and

Friday Mornings 6:45, 7:45, 8:15

Mincha 5:10

Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

A THINKING MAN

is prepared for eventualities and makes his Will. In doing this name this Synagogue as a beneficiary in the following language "I hereby give devise and bequeath to West Side Institutional Synagogue the sum of

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

All our Congregation rejoices in the return to our midst of our beloved Rebitzen, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, after her recent illness. At the conclusion of our last Sabbath morning services she held an informal reception in our Synagogue . . . Also good to have back with us our Director Maurice Greenstein after his recent infirmity . . . Welcome sights at our last Sabbath morning services were Susan Gross in for a brief stay from her out of town college and Eva Margolies who has not been with us for some time . . . Our sincerest wishes for every success in his law career to Leonard E. Fink, son of our Men's Club Vice-President Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Fink, on his passing of the New York Bar Exams . . . Ye columnist's son, Stephen has been accepted for admission by the London School of Economics for his Junior-next-year for which he will receive credit as a student of Brandeis University . . . We are happy to have back with us Director Abraham A. Druckman from his recent trip to the West Coast. He was recently in Washington where he conferred with Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, Earl Warren, to whom he dedicated his sponsorship of the 5th Volume of the American Biblical Encyclopedia . . . Happy vacationing in Florida to our Director and Mrs. Maurice Greenstein . . . Good to have back from points South to our Director and Mrs. Jess Gross . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath afternoon Seudah Shlishis tomorrow will be Mr. Leo Jacobowitz . . . Our welcome mat is spread out for Mr. Ahron Gross upon his return from his trip to the Far East, where in Tokyo he was pleasantly surprised to meet at Sabbath services our member, Mr. Stephen Klein . . . Congratulations to Joe Padawer upon his selection as Illustrious Potentate of New York Mecca Temple.

We are proud of our Women's League member, Mrs. Gabriel Neustadter, who was awarded the "Woman of Valor" title by the Women's Division of the Israel Bond Drive. With this title went a symbol which indicated the sale of an outstanding number of Israeli Bonds.

Birthday Greetings

Feb.

- 5—Mrs. Isidor Ehrman
- 6—Ronnie Gail Cohen
Buddy Diamond
Linda Fran Levine
- 8—Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein
Mrs. Myron Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Nat Trotzky
- 10—Audrey Roberta Adelson
Michael Goodman

Anniversary Greetings

Feb.

- 5—Mr. & Mrs. Henry Kaufman
- 6—Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Z. Shapiro
Mr. & Mrs. Max Zahler
- 8—Mr. & Mrs. Norman Ostrow
- 9—Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Druker
Mr. & Mrs. Max Selsky
- 11—Mr. & Mrs. Mayer Rosenholz

GOOD NEWS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Jimmy Herlands and Stanley Kaplan are happy to announce that our next Youth Minyan will be held on Saturday morning, February 13th.

Young men and young women between 13 and 21 are most welcome at this service. Make a date to come with your friends.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO BUDDING CANTORS

Beginning with Saturday afternoon, February 20th, Mr. Lawrence Kobrin will conduct a class in preparing readers for the Saturday afternoon Mincha services.

This series will be held one-half hour before the scheduled Saturday Mincha services.

Young men who are interested in this group are asked to advise Rabbi Reichel.

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