

SABBATH SERVICES 9:00 A.M.
COME WITH YOUR FAMILY

West Side Institutional Review

Vol. XXIV, No. 11

November 25, 1960

Kislev 6, 5721

ADULT HEBREW COURSES

THIS TUESDAY IS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN OUR CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW CLASS FOR ADULTS, THE GROUP MEETS AT 8:00 P.M. ON THE FOURTH FLOOR. BE OUR GUEST.

YOU MAY STILL VISIT OUR BEGINNERS CLASS IN HEBREW FOR WOMEN ON WEDNESDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30 O'CLOCK.

NELL RANKIN TO STAR IN "LA GIOCONDA" AT OUR OPERA BENEFIT ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 1961

MEN'S CLUB NOTES

A special memorial will be held for our late devoted officer, Alexander Kirsh, at our next open meeting, Monday evening, December 5th. Mr. Kirsh's many friends will surely want to attend the program that evening.

Dr. Frank E. Fink, President



Nell Rankin

Nell Rankin will be one of the stars in the Metropolitan Opera's production of "La Gioconda", our Opera benefit performance on Sunday evening, January 15, 1961.

The leading Mezzo-Soprano will sing the role of "Laura Adorna" in the opera by Amilcare Ponchielli.

Miss Rankin, born in Montgomery, Alabama, made her New York recital debut at Town Hall in 1947. Going abroad for further training, she was engaged to appear in Opera at the Zurich State Opera where she sang 126 performances of 16 roles in one season.

In 1948 she became the first American singer to win the famous international Concours de la Musique in Geneva. She made her Metropolitan debut in 1951.

In addition to Miss Rankin, Robert Merrill, Eileen Farrell and Eugenio Fernardi will have starring roles in "La Gioconda."

Tickets for this performance are available in the Synagogue office. Prices range from \$27.50 in the front of the Orchestra to \$2.50 in the family circle. Special Boxes of eight seats are available at \$100 and \$125. Please secure your tickets early to insure your receiving the best seats available in your desired price range. Our phones are TR 7-8281, 8251.

YOUTH SABBATH TO BE HELD TONIGHT AND TOMORROW

Rabbi Joel Schreiber, Preacher; Seymour Ukeles, Lionel Etra,
and Roger Linker, Cantors.



Seymour Ukeles



Lionel Etra



Roger Linker

This Sabbath will be dedicated to the young people of our Congregation. They will conduct the complete services tonight and tomorrow.

Those leading the services are: Seymour Ukeles, Cantor for Friday Evening; Stanley Kaplan, Cantor for "Pesukay Dezimra"; and Lionel Etra, Cantor for Shacharis. Readers of the Torah include Daniel Beller, Robert Beller, David Greer, James Herlands, Jonathan Levine, Joseph Neustadter, George Linker, Roger Linker, Levi Pekier, Albert Schmeidler, Stephen Texon, Seymour Ukeles, Raimund Ward, Sanford Ward. The Gaboim

will be James Herlands and Stanley Kaplan.

The Preacher will be Rabbi Joel Schreiber who was recently ordained at Yeshiva University. The Cantor for Mussaf will be Roger Linker. Abraham Kraushar will conclude the services.

At Mincha Services Stanley Kaplan will be Cantor and Levi Pekier will read the Torah.

The Ushers include Joseph Gottlieb, Mervin Lindenbaum, Jay Zimmerman, Nathan Mire.

Our Junior Congregants are urged to attend the Services in the main Synagogue with their parents.



West Side Institutional Review

Published weekly from the Second Friday in September to the Second Friday in June by the West Side Institutional Synagogue, 120-188 West 76th Street, New York 23, N.Y. Tel. TRafalgar 7-8281. Subscription: One Dollar Per Year. Entered as second class matter Sept. 22, 1938, at the Post Office at New York, N.Y. under the act of March 3, 1879.

RABBI H. S. GOLDSTEINEditor
RABBI O. A. REICHELAssociate Editor
MILTON BELLERAssistant Editor
HAROLD KAPLANManaging Editor

Vol. XXIV, No. 11 Nov. 25, 1960

CIRCLE SATURDAY NIGHT
DECEMBER 17th
ON YOUR CALENDAR



YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS OUR CONGREGATIONAL HANUKKAH SOCIAL EVENING LIVE MUSIC ***

*** DELICIOUS FOOD ***

*** GRAND ENTERTAINMENT

JEWISH WAR VETERANS

Our Buddy Friedman Post will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, November 30th at 9:00 P.M. All neighbors as well as members are cordially invited to attend this meeting and to join our Post.

SUNDAY MORNING TEEN-AGE CLASS

Our good friends, Messrs. Harry and Louis Brandt, have presented us with worthwhile prizes to be distributed to the young people who attend our Sunday morning Hebrew High School classes regularly.

Our next session will be held on Sunday, December 4th at 10:00 A.M. Come and bring your friends.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

HAGGADAH

The most popular book among our people, next to the Bible, I take it, is Pirkei Avoth, "The Ethics of the Fathers." Next to it, I believe, comes the Haggadah — the Passover story-book. The Hebrew University has in its library over 1,000 separate editions of the Haggadah which indicates its popularity. It is a prayer and story book all in one, guiding us through the Sedar of the first two nights of Passover.

The word Haggadah is derived from the Hebrew word Haggayd which means to tell. Thus the word Haggadah means story or telling. The tale* that is recited is that of the historic deliverance of the children of Israel from Egypt — a tale that has been elaborated and retold in the Bible itself — in the messages of the Hebrew prophets and kings and in the poetry of the Psalms. It is a central and eternal theme of Judaism. But it has an extra special relevancy on Passover, when every Jew, so our Rabbis observe in the Haggadah, is obliged to regard himself as if he himself had gone forth from Egypt, re-enacting the drama of the Exodus within his own four walls. Each epoch in Jewish history has added its own contribution to the Haggadah. The Temple ritual and the feasting customs of the ancient Greek and Roman world and the way the Bible was taught before the dawn of Christianity, expounded homiletically verse by verse, are reflected in the oldest parts of the Haggadah. The recital of the Hallel Psalms 113 to 118 before and after the meal is an echo of the Temple rite when the Levites chanted the Hallel as each group of Israelites entered to sacrifice its paschal lamb.

At Greek and Roman banquets we know it was the custom to offer the guests appetizers before the main meal in the form of dipping or "dunking" vegetables and salads in a savoury of vinegar or salt-water accompanied by the serving of wine. There was an elaborate banqueting ritual with names for each course. There was wine before, during, and after the meal, and the guests reclined on couches and were served on small trays or tables. All these ways of dining in the ancient world are reflected in the form and the customs of the Haggadah. The poorest Jew was a free man on the Passover and had to act the part, behaving for all the world like an aristocrat, reclining on his left side on a banqueting-couch partaking first of the gustatio, or savouries, and having to drink no less than four glasses of wine. But with all this, it was to be a Jewish and not a heathen feast. After the fourth glass of wine and after the meal, nothing more was to be partaken of. It was not to degenerate into a drunken carousal.

* This article is based chiefly upon Aryeh Newman's "The Story of the Haggadah."

Condolences

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member, Mr. David Kamerman, upon the passing of his sister, Rose Spiro.

UNVEILING

The unveiling of the monument in memory of our late member, Mannie Alt, will take place on Sunday, December 4th at 10:30 A.M. at Mt. Hebron Cemetery, Block 23.

Our beautiful synagogue cemetery plot in

Mt. Eden Cemetery

is available to members of the W.S.I.S.

Single graves and family plots

Call the Synagogue Office

WOMEN'S LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

DONOR LUNCHEON TO FEATURE MOST LAVISH TREASURE CHEST
Co-Chairmen



Mrs. Walter Freeman



Mrs. Emanuel Goodman



Mrs. Frank L. Taks

One of the anticipated features of the Women's League Donor Luncheon is the attractive, festive Treasure Chest. Thanks to the constant untiring efforts of the truly devoted co-chairmen, **Shirley Freeman, Kate Goodman and Sophie Taks**, costly, desirable and beautiful gifts are accumulating for our "Big Day". If you have not already done so, they urge you to bring yours or send it to the Synagogue as soon as possible so that they may be beautifully wrapped in our outstanding color scheme.

Help your Treasure Chest Co-chairmen do a better job than ever before.

DON'T FORGET—MONDAY, DECEMBER 5th at 12 noon
EMPIRE ROOM OF THE WALDORF ASTORIA
ADMISSION—Sale of one Subscription Book or \$18.00.

EXCERPTS FROM MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN'S ISRAELI DIARY

When we came to Afula we stopped at a Children's home to which Dad (Rabbi Goldstein) had made a substantial contribution, from his "Homes for Children in Israel Fund." Mrs. Isaac Herzog is head of the Institution as she is of so many others. The boys and girls in the Afula Home are of the lower teen age level and there seems to be a fine spirit of harmony among them, even though they come from many different countries. I understand that this group is particularly fortunate because the Menahal — the supervisor of the Afula Home is a rare type of man. He makes sure that they get not only the physical and emotional attention which children get from normal parents, in a normal home, but he also helps them solve their day by day problems with a psychological approach which is absolutely remarkable in its effect upon them.

We had a nice lunch there and proceeded on our way. We soon came to the Valley Of Jezreel, one of the first pieces of land bought by the Keren Kayemet (Jewish National Fund) from the Arabs. It is the oldest agricultural center of Israel and is the mecca of the Kibbutzim. It includes, among other settlements, Ein Harod, Nahalal and Tel Yosef. The Valley of Jezreel is the longest con-

tinuous stretch of cultivated land in all of Israel. As you pass through this section of the country you truly feel that you are in the land of the Bible. You see before you Mt. Gilboa, where you read in the Book of Samuel that David was killed. Then you see the Hills of Efraim, Mt. Tabor and Mt. Carmel, each of which is rich in historical background. It was most interesting to pass Tsirori — one of the largest Jewish settlements in the days of the Second Temple. This was one of the oldest towns in Israel. Here Yehudah Hanassi lived and had his school. In the winter he was in Tiberias; in the summer here, for climatic reasons.

Agriculture around Jerusalem was not worth while because the land was full of stones and it was very difficult to bring water there for irrigation purposes, but some people always had to live on the Hills of Judea for security reasons. After the destruction of the Second Temple, Jews were not permitted to live in Jerusalem, so they moved to Galilee. As we drove along we saw many large flocks of cattle, cows, sheep and goats. It was interesting to see young Arab shepherdesses, as well as shepherds, some of them as young as 12 or 13 years of age. In some places the flocks were grazing around old fashioned wells, like in

(Continued on Next Page)

OFFICERS

LESTER UDELLPresident
SAMUEL W. SIEGEL1st Vice-President
SAMUEL SILVERTreasurer
HAROLD KAPLANAss't. Treasurer
MORRIS JABLOWSec. & Exec. Dir.
DR. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN, Senior Rabbi
DR. O. ASHER REICHEL, Rabbi
ZALMON YAVNEH, Cantor
CHAIM GREENFIELD, Associate Cantor
RABBI MOISHE C. PEKIER, Sexton

Harry Altman	Morris Jablow
Joseph Anderson	Edward Jacobs
Harry Appel	Harold Kaplan
Wm. L. Basser	Jacob Kaplan
Samuel K. Beier	Jacob Kinzler
Sol Bellsey	Henry L. Kraushar
Henry Blankfort	Joseph Landowne
Joseph Buchsbaum	Moses Langer
David Cohen	Jonas Leisten
Herman H. Cohen	Morris Levine
Albert H. Colin	Saul Linzer
Abraham M. Davis	George L. Livingston
Sam Davis	Adolph Meirowitz
Abraham M. Druckman	Moe Oltarsh
Hon. David N. Edelstein	George Pauker
William Foot	Martin Romerovski
Phillip F. Frankel	Joseph L. Rosenberg
Frank Frohman	G. Richard Rubenstein
George Gersony	Joseph Settel
Ben Glazer	Joseph Shapiro
Abraham Goldman	Samuel W. Siegel
Deszo Goldner	Samuel Silver
Jean Goldwurm	Jacob H. Silverstein
Jacob Goodman	Irving Streit
Maurice Greenstein	Frank L. Taks
Jess E. Gross	Lester Udell
Carl Grossberg	David H. Ullman
Hon. Wm. B. Herlands	Harry Ward
Leon Herman	Jess Ward
H. William Hirsch	Joseph Weinstein
Henry Hirsch	Max J. Zimmer
William Horwitz	Isaiah O. Zucker

W. S. I. S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday
Evening Before4:14
Weekly Portion: Vayetzte
Friday Evening Service4:20
Saturday Morning Service9:00
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class2:45
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class.....2:45
Mr. George Klein's Mishnah Class.....2:45
Mincha3:45
The Sabbath Terminates5:07
Daily Services
Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Monday and Thursday
Mornings6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
Mornings6:45, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha4:20

RABBI GOLDSTEIN'S LATEST BOOK

Several weeks ago a reprint of a review of our beloved Rabbi Goldstein's latest book appeared in these columns. The full title of the book was omitted in the original article. It is BETWEEN THE LINES OF THE BIBLE: A MODERN COMMENTARY ON THE 613 COMMANDMENTS. It was published by Crown Publishers, New York City, in 1959.

RABBI AARON KOTLER

will deliver an address at the
Annual Dinner of the

BETH MEDRASH GEVOHA OF LAKEWOOD

Tuesday Eve., Nov. 29 at the Park
Royal Hotel. For reservations call
CH 2-0590.

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

We gratefully thank our congregant, Miss Carolyn Brenner, a member of the Broadway cast of "The 49th Cousin," and her co-stars, Robert Davis, Yossi Graber and Mike Sawyer, who performed for us on Sunday evening, November 13th at our Friendship Night, sponsored by our Men's Club and Women's League. Their choice of skits and their outstanding and most delightful presentations, made this an evening that will long be remembered with pleasure by the record number of guests who filled our Ballroom . . . Our Congregational Citation of Merit to our Director Henry L. Kraushar who was chosen to be the guest of honor at the annual dinner at Yeshiva Torah Vodaath. This event will be held on January 8th . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to our Director William Horwitz . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jules Edelstein upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Robert . . . We were glad to welcome at our Sabbath services, Lt. Paul Foont, during his recent visit home . . . We hope to see Robert Levine back in good health . . . The host at our Seudah Shlishis tomorrow will be Mr. Morris Pressner . . . The correct title of Norman Barasch's play mentioned last week is, "Send Me No Flowers" . . . Our hearty felicitations to our Director H. William Hirsch, the very successful chairman of the sixtieth anniversary dinner of the Sochotzower Young Men's Society, to be held this Saturday night at the Roosevelt Hotel . . . We are indeed proud that the Niagra Society has honored our Director Herman H. Cohen and our patron Mr. Irving Feld as their "Men of the Year."

Excerpts (Cont'd)

Bible times, and pails of water were being drawn up by cords to water the flocks. Two sure signs that this was basically Arab territory were pointed out to us. First, we were told that wherever you see olive trees you can be sure this is Arab land, because olive trees take a very long time to grow — even as long as 50-75 years and Jewish people have not been in the land long enough for that. Similarly, where you see tobacco growing you will find Arabs because tobacco has to be planted by hand and is consequently done by Arabs, who like to work slowly, whereas the Jews prefer modern and speedy methods.

Birthday Greetings

Nov.

- 25—Mrs. Gittle Silverman
Joseph Shulster
Patricia Soll
28—Director Joseph Buchsbaum
29—Michelle Liza Gershbein
Lawrence R. Hecht
Mrs. Sheldon Kalker
William Label
Doris Linker
Terry Shulster
Jeffrey David Smith
30—Norman Grober
Jay Kobrin
Barbara Faith Stoper
Marc Alan Weinstein

Dec.

- 1—Director Morris Levine

Anniversary Greetings

Nov.

- 26—Mr. & Mrs. Dave Gertz
27—Rabbi & Mrs. Jason Jacobowitz
29—Mr. & Mrs. Henry Zimmern

Dec.

- 1—Mr. & Mrs. A. Schlegman

PLEASE NOTE!

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

SU 7-6000 Herman L. Goldenberg
TR 3-7129

STAR CATERERS

"Distinctive Glat Kosher Catering"
Hotel, Synagogue and Home Catering
HOTEL BOLIVAR
230 Central Park West
New York 24, N. Y.

ORegon 5-7473 - 7474

FIEDLER ROOFING CO. Inc.

Charles Fiedler & Son
Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors
514 W. 25th St., New York 1, N. Y.

LIPSTADT MEMORIAL CO. Monuments

Closed Saturdays Open Sundays
370 Amsterdam Ave.
Near 78th St. New York 24, N.Y.
Tel: TRafalgar 4-6843

RIVERSIDE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Comply with strictest orthodox requirements
76th St. & Amsterdam Avenue ENdicott 2-6600
Carl Grossberg, Director

SUB-LEASE until May 1st, 1961

Unfurnished Two Room Apartment
16th Floor in Schwab House

RIVER VIEW

Call any time from Monday
SU 7-4392

Don't neglect your valuable oil paintings. I undertake the most complicated restorative work. No charge for consultation. Call any-time. **FISCHER STUDIO**
119 W. 71st St. EN 2-9668

HECHT & MINKOWITZ

Highest grade and finest quality
STRICTLY KOSHER MEATS & POULTRY
263 COLUMBUS AVENUE (72nd St.)
TR 7-9722

Supervision of West Side Board of Kashruth

STERN'S BAKE SHOP

490 AMSTERDAM AVENUE
Bet. 83rd and 84th Streets

Supervision of Rabbi Dr. J. Breuer

We carry a full line of Finest Quality
Cakes and Cookies For The Holidays
FOR DELIVERY CALL — TR 3-2040

MEAL MART

"YOUR PERSONAL CHEF"

Caterers to All Social Functions

2189 BROADWAY

SUsquehanna 7-4720

We Deliver

HOME MADE KOSHER DELICACIES

SOL SINGER, INC.

All Standard Make

TIRES, BATTERIES AND ACCESSORIES
IGNITION AND REPAIRS

384 AMSTERDAM AVENUE

Bet. 78th-79th Sts.

TRafalgar 7-8910-11

Phone SEdwick 3-5400

Their Memory Deserves the Finest
Bronx & Lauer Memorials Corp.
BEN PEARLBERG
Monuments of Every Description

2020 Jerome Avenue

Bronx 53, N. Y.
Near Burnside Avenue