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CONCLUDING PORTIONS OF THE ISRAELI DIARY OF OUR LATE REBBITZEN, REBECCA F. GOLDSTEIN

Just came home from the annual 4th of July reception July 4, 1960 given by the American Consul and his wife in the gardens which lead to the Consulate Building. The grounds are bedecked with a mass of exotic tropical foliage of all kinds and they are adorned with a quantity of the most colorful and beautiful flowers. American flags wave at the entrance and soldiers in American uniform lead the visitors past the mass of iron gates, (for me they did more than that — they wheeled me in) and make all Americans feel very much at home. The American Consul and his wife, a most gracious smiling lady, absolutely radiated warmth and friendship — so did all the many attendants on the grounds. After signing the guest book and shaking hands with our many American compatriots from almost every State in the Union to whom we were introduced, we were invited to proceed to that part of the grounds where refreshments were being dispensed — and what refreshments — trays and trays of the most beautiful sandwiches, most artistically prepared, quantities of inviting looking petits fours, hard and soft drinks of many varieties and to top it all the most delicious ice cream.

Perhaps by means of a communication of this kind you can get a feel of the atmosphere, of what is transpiring, and the speed with which it is all happening in this wonderful country. This is evidenced by the fact that everybody who comes here on a visit, regardless of what country they come from always wants to come again.

Although we hear a lot about the irreligion of many Israelis which surprise American tourists, one cannot deny that a Sabbath spirit absolutely permeates the atmosphere in Jerusalem. All stores are closed on the Sabbath even drugstores, only one of which is open in a district. This is called an emergency drug-

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Richard Tucker To Star In Our Benefit Performance Of "La Forza del Destino" — Sunday, January 14th



Richard Tucker

ARE WE FAIR TO OUR CHILDREN?

If you are not providing a religious education for your children you should ask yourself, "Am I fair to my children?". Every child should receive a Jewish education along with the 3 "R's". Inquiries concerning our Hebrew School are welcome.

ADULT HEBREW CLASSES

We are making plans to resume our courses in Hebrew for adults in mid-November. Our readers who wish to join these classes should notify our office.

Richard Tucker will star in the role of Don Alvaro in this year's WSIS benefit performance of "La Forza del Destino" at the Metropolitan Opera, Sunday evening, January 14, 1962.

The road to world-wide celebrity has been travelled patiently but unflaggingly by Richard Tucker, the Metropolitan's brilliant Brooklyn-born tenor, who has sung twenty-four leading roles in Italian, French and English since his unheralded debut at the Opera House as Enzo in "La Gioconda" in 1945. In 1955 he again signed the Metropolitan contract, this time with a pen belonging to Enrico Caruso—a ten year period, which has seen him recognized in Italy as well as throughout the United States, thanks to his operatic and concert appearances and recording engagements. Since then he has toured the Far East under State Department auspices, and has made triumphant debuts at Covent Garden, London, and the Vienna State Opera.

In the role of Don Alvaro, Tucker plays the son of an Inca mother and a disloyal Spanish Viceroy in the troubled days of medieval Seville.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Before	5:42
Weekly Portion: Vayayraw	
Friday Evening Service	5:45
Saturday Morning Service	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:40
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class	4:15
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	4:15
Mincha	5:15
Reader of the Torah: Sanford Ward	
Reader of the Service: Seymour Ukeles	
<i>Seudah Shlishis</i>	
Host: Mr. Daniel Pressner	
The Sabbath Terminates	6:33
<i>Turn your clock back one hour this Saturday night.</i>	

Daily Services

Sunday Morning	7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Monday & Thursday	
Mornings	6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday	
Mornings	6:45, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha	4:45
<i>Followed by the Exposition of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein.</i>	
Friday, November 3rd	
Light Candles Before	4:33
Mincha	4:35
Saturday, November 4th	
Morning Service	8:45
Wednesday — Rabbi Pekier's	
Talmud Class	8:00

JUST FOR THE CHILDREN

Beginning with Saturday afternoon, November 4th, we will have "Oneg Shabbat" groups for boys and girls. We hope that our parents will encourage their children to participate in our Junior Congregation and in our Sabbath programs.

Condolences

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our late member **Simon Klein**.

HAGGADAH AND ITS INTERPRETATIONS

BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

GRACE AFTER MEALS

"EVERY DAY EVERY TIME AND EVERY HOUR"

G-d gives us our needs, every day, every part of the day, and every hour. Of course there may be varying opinions as to what our needs are.

"TAMID L'OHLUM V'AW-ED"

Why the addition of these words? Because there may be a break in the continuity. Therefore we add the words "forever and ever" to mean that there be no stoppage whatsoever.

"THE HOLY"

Some say that the word holy does not belong here in speaking of the "ample hand." They suggest the word should be "Hagdoshah" or the "over FLOWING hand or measure."

"THAT WE MAY NEVER BE PUT TO SHAME"

In this world.

"HUMILIATED"

In the next world because we have very few "mitzvahs".

"HACHALEETZAYNU"

from the verb Chalutz or "Chalitzah" which means "to put off or out." We pray that G-d may pull us out of "the Golus" because of the merit of the Sabbath.

"OF NO MANNER OF GOOD LET US BE IN WANT"

Some add the word "I'olum" for "the world to come." In other words, let us not be in want "in the world to come." We pray that the good we enjoy in this world should not cause any diminution of our reward in the world to come.

"A GREAT SALVATION"

This is said on week-days when the coming of the Messiah is regarded as gradual.

"A TOWER OF SALVATION"

As represented by the Sabbath, which is a foretaste of the Messianic era. This is lacking in the week-day.

"GREAT SALVATION"

The first "Magdil" is found in Psalm 18, Verse 51, and the second "migdol" is found in the Second Book of Samuel, Chapter 22, verse 51. The one in the Book of Samuel is read on the Sabbath because it is part of the Prophetic Books, the 2nd part of the Bible, and has a holier standing than the "K'suvim", in the "Holy Writings", than the third part of the Bible, which is least in inspiration. Therefore, the reference from the Psalms is read daily.

AN INVITATION

R. S. V. P.

All our members and friends are cordially invited to attend the EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL DINNER of the MANHATTAN DAY SCHOOL, on SUNDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 26th, at the HOTEL PIERRE.

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WOMEN'S LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

MRS. SAMUEL J. GOLDBERG TO BE SPEAKER ON OCT. 30th

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend an OPEN MEETING of the Women's League on **Monday, October 30th, at 12:30 P.M., in our Synagogue Clubroom.** Coffee and cake will be served.

Our own Della Goldberg will entertain us with readings and stories of our own people which will bring out many amusing customs. This promises to be a very entertaining afternoon. Please try to be present.

Israeli Diary (Cont'd)

store and its location is announced in the local papers. Sabbath "emergency drugstore" are changed from week to week.

Here too, there is a very stirring custom on Friday afternoons, just before sundown. Years ago a bearded man in a long white robe, walked through the streets of the city blowing a horn resembling a Shofar, which announced the approach of the Sabbath. In recent years a similar procedure is gone through by a similarly dressed and equipped individual. Instead, however, of going around on foot he passes by in an open car. As he passes your street you immediately hear the clanging of the iron shutters by means of which the shops are closed. Thus you get the feeling that the Sabbath is about to be ushered in.

TIME IS DRAWING NEAR TO MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON



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Round Table Discussion

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GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

The House of Gross tendered a lovely kiddush for the entire Congregation the morning Billy chanted the Haftorah. Our thanks also to Director Jess E. Gross for adding to the spirituality of our morning minyanim with some extra "spirits" . . . It took one of our own youths to discover that our streets are not paved with gold but with dimes. Marvin Sussman, grandson of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Aladar Bernath, was one of the Yeshiva University High School students who was heralded in all the city newspapers for returning the famed Brink's dimes which were scattered all over the East River Drive . . . We, not the least of all, ye columnist, missed our own lay Talmudic scholar, Mr. Isaac Allen, at our Sabbath services and afternoon Talmud class. Mr. Israel Kestenbaum served as a very effective pinch-hitter at the Talmud class . . . Glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Shatz, newcomers in our midst . . . Ye columnist was re-elected as National Secretary of the Yeshiva University Association of Men's Clubs at its recent convention in Lakewood . . . Congratulations to Eva R. Lukashok, granddaughter of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Hirsch, upon her receiving a State Scholarship and her matriculation at New York University; and to Elliot Wohl, son of Mrs. Anna Wohl, who graduated from New York Law School and passed the Bar examinations . . . Glad to have back Joseph Neustadter from his stint in the Armed Forces in Texas . . . Hoping that our Director Abraham M. Druckman is having an enjoyable trip out west . . . Mazel tov to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jacobowitz upon the birth of a boy to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rimberg . . . There is no secret on how to get an item in this column. Just leave your social item in our Synagogue office, for the attention of our Getting Personal Editor.

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November

1—Howard L. Horowitz

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October

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