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

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The other day Mrs. Herzog took me on a sight seeing trip to some institutions completed during the last two years.

First we went to the Ritualarium, for which the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations gave a substantial contribution. I think this is the only Ritualarium of its kind in the world, being large enough to take care of 48 women at a time and having other attractive features. It has 10 individual ritual bath units, which contain, beside the Mikve, a bath tub and sink. It also has 12 units with 3 baths besides the Mikve, and one unit with a Mikve and 2 bath tubs. There is one Mikve solely for Tovelling. This was donated by Mrs. Nettie Bendheim. There is a beauty parlor with a hair drying machine and a very comfortable rest room with couches. The foyer has many beautiful plants scattered around and flower boxes alongside of the steps leading from the front entrance up to the foyer.

Next we went to the Fanny Williams Creche and Kindergarten which accommodates 150 children from the ages of 6 months to 6 years. The mothers, who are mostly working women, bring their children there at 7 o'clock. The children are given breakfast and supper and a bath so that when their mothers come from work and take them home they are ready to be put right to bed.

The Mizrahi Women of Great Britain provided the funds for this project. Each child has a hook on which it hangs the towel with which it washes itself. Since these children are too young to read, pictures of flowers and animals are painted on top of each hook so that they can tell their own towel.

When we came, the children were "baking cake" as they called it. They had a bowl with chocolate icing and put this icing between two crackers.

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HAMISHA ASAR B'SHEVAT SATURDAY

Hamisha Asar B'Shevav (the Fifteenth Day of the Hebrew month Shevat) is the Jewish "Arbor Day."

In Temple times this day determined the dating of the produce relating to tithes. The Mishna refers to this day as Rosh Hashonah L'Tlanos (New Year for Trees).

Hamisha Asar B'Shevav is observed by the eating of fruit products for which the Holy Land is noted, such as dates, figs, olives, pomegranates, grapes, almonds and carob, "bokser."

We set aside one of these fruits, which we have not as yet eaten during the year, for the purpose of saying the blessing of "Shehechyanu."

In Israel the observance of this day is set aside also for the planting of new trees. The schools organize outings and tree planting ceremonies on this day. Attired in white and crowned with wreaths of fresh flowers, the pupils go forth into the wide, open fields where they rejoice over the planting of the trees with song and dance.

TEEN-AGERS SUNDAY MORNING CLASS

Young people of past Bar Mitzvah age are invited to join our popular Sunday morning group in the study of conversational Hebrew, Jewish History and current events.

Sessions are held every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Don't be too formal . . . Just step by this Sunday morning and enjoy yourself.

REMEMBER OUR BAZAAR

Our Men's Club and Mr. and Mrs. League are again co-sponsoring a Gala Bazaar on the Sunday preceding Purim.

In the past many of our friends have been very generous in contributing merchandise for the Bazaar. The success of this event depends on your continued cooperation for an ample supply of varied new merchandise.

Packages may be sent to our Synagogue building, marked "Attention of BAZAAR COMMITTEE," — or call TR 7-8281 and leave word when our volunteers may pick up your packages.

Please note that gifts of merchandise, up to their retail resale price, is a permissible deduction for tax purposes.

HEBREW SCHOOL ASSEMBLY THIS SUNDAY MORNING

A special program for Tu-Beshvat has been scheduled for this Sunday at 10:30 A.M.

The children will perform and present recitations and songs honoring the "New Year" of the Trees. Filmstrips will also be shown.

All our children will receive bags of the traditional fruit and candy with the compliments of our Women's League, and special souvenirs of Israel through the courtesy of the Israeli Consulate General.

Pupils whose classes meet at 9:30 and 10:00 o'clock, respectively, are to come at the regular time. All others should meet in the Daily Synagogue at 10:30 A.M. for the assembly instead of their regular time at 11:15.

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MANY THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to the members and friends of the West Side Institutional Synagogue who were so gracious and kind in trying to find an apartment for us in the vicinity of the Synagogue.

We are glad that we have been able to move into the neighborhood at 150 West 87th Street.

Sincerely,

Cantor and Mrs. Joseph Ellner

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HAGGADAH AND ITS INTERPRETATIONS

BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Ki Lo Noh-E, Ki Lo Yaw-E

"For unto him it is proper, for unto him it is fitting."

MIGHTY IN KINGDOM

Chosen properly (by the people). All this refers, of course, to G-d and Israel. The Angels will always say, TO THEE AND UNTO THEE EVERYTHING BELONGS. THERE ARE THINGS WHICH THOU, G-D, ALONE CAN UNDERSTAND. UNTO THEE BELONGS THE KINGDOM OF THE WORLD. FOR UNTO HIM IT IS PROPER, FOR UNTO HIM IT IS FITTING.

RENOWNED IN RULERSHIP AND GLORIOUS ACCORDING TO LAW

This also refers to G-d.

THE PIOUS ONE WILL SAY UNTO HIM

This refers to Jews who are constantly praising G-d. WHO WILL SAY UNTO THEE, TO THEE AND UNTO THEE EVERYTHING BELONGS. THERE ARE THINGS WHICH THOU, G-D, ALONE CAN UNDERSTAND. UNTO THEE BELONGS THE KINGDOM OF THE WORLD. FOR UNTO HIM IT IS PROPER, FOR UNTO HIM IT IS FITTING.

PURITY IN KINGDOM

Strength through just law. The angels would say, TO THEE AND UNTO THEE EVERYTHING BELONGS. THERE ARE THINGS WHICH THOU, G-D, ALONE CAN UNDERSTAND. UNTO THEE BELONGS THE KINGDOM OF THE WORLD. FOR UNTO HIM IT IS PROPER, FOR UNTO HIM IT IS FITTING.

Diary (Cont'd)

They offered the finished product to us with great pride.

As young as these children are, they are taken care of spiritually as well as physically. This is apparent in the Sabbath Corner of one of the rooms where you see all the Sabbath symbols in miniature. Two little Challas with a Challa cover, two little candlesticks, one little bottle and a miniature Kiddush cup and also miniature symbols for Havdalah.

PLEASE NOTE

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

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

We would like to congratulate our January graduates in the Congregational family. Kindly send us the facts this week for publication.

MANHATTAN DAY SCHOOL DUTCH SUPPER

All our readers are invited to a Dutch Supper and Entertainment at the Manhattan Day School on Sunday evening, January 28th, at 6:30 P.M. The school is located at 110 Manhattan Avenue, corner of 104th Street.

Our own Mrs. Charles Goldner is Chairman of this event.



AN EVERLASTING MEMORIAL



Do you wish to memorialize your dear departed?

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Women's League Activities

Very Important Board Meeting January 22nd

Mesdames Emanuel Goodman, Rose Gura, Samuel Richenberg, Samuel Schneider and Harry Soffer cordially invite the members of the **Executive Board** of the Women's League to be their guests at a **luncheon** to be followed by a **very important meeting** on **Monday, January 22nd at 12:30 o'clock** in the Women's League **Clubroom**.

We are now ready to ask for your ideas and suggestions for our next project. **The Children's Village Luncheon** which will be held on Tuesday, March 6th. Also several other matters are to be discussed at this meeting. We need the help of everyone of you. Please make every effort to attend.

TEEN AGERS

Young men who wish to join our Teen-age Basketball Team to compete with the teams of our neighboring Synagogues are asked to contact Martin Foont, TR 3-3989.

W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, January 19th	
Light Candles Before	4:39
Mincha	4:40
Saturday Morning Service	
Sedra: Beshalach	8:50
Junior Congregation	10:40
Oneg Shabbat (Girls 9-12)	3:00
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class	3:10
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	3:10
Mincha	4:10
Reader of the Torah: Alan Cohen	
Reader of the Service: Larry Hecht	
Seudah Shlishis	
Host: Mr. Markus Gruss	
The Sabbath Terminates	5:33
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	4:50
Followed by the Exposition of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein	
Wednesday — Rabbi Pekier's	
Talmud Class	8:00
Friday, January 26th	
Light Candles Before	4:47
Mincha	4:50
Saturday, January 27th	
Morning Service	8:50

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A Vital Message To All Parents

SECURITY is a Big Word today. The whole world is looking for security from war and destruction, from fear and want, from oppression and domination.

THE TREMENDOUS ADVANCES of psychological knowledge in recent years have taught us that not only physical security is vital, but also inner security, the knowledge of — **who we are** and **what we are**. It has also taught us that inner security is based on the foundations established in childhood.

THAT'S WHY all modern educators and authorities on child-rearing agree that the child — and especially the young child — must grow up in an atmosphere of — **affection, warmth, happiness** — A good Jewish home helps to provide that, **BUT THAT'S NOT ALL...**

EVERY CHILD as he develops, needs to know what his place is — not only in his own family, but in the great and bewildering world outside his home. **A good Jewish school will give him this knowledge.**

VERY EARLY IN LIFE your child will learn that he is Jewish. He'll learn it from the things you do and

say at home. He'll learn it from other children and from adults outside your home.

HOW WILL HE FEEL ABOUT IT? That depends on what the word, "Jewish" will mean to him. If it is associated in his tender mind with unpleasantness, he will naturally begin to feel unhappy and resentful about it. If, on the other hand, being "Jewish" recalls happy experiences, warmth and pride, he will have a basis for a healthy acceptance of his Jewishness that will last him through his entire life. The crossroads come very early in life.

MOST JEWISH PARENTS are aware of the tremendous responsibility they face in providing for the healthy emotional growth of their children. Most know that the Jewish School can be their strongest ally because it can create an atmosphere conducive to significant and pleasurable experiences. As a result, the number of children enrolled in Jewish Schools throughout America keeps growing every year.

ENROLLING A CHILD in a Jewish school is only part of the answer. To provide a firm basis for wholesome development, your child needs

● **An early start** — his Jewish education should begin at home as soon as he is old enough to observe the things around him. His schooling ought to commence as soon as he is old enough to be helped by the social setting of other children learning together with him.

● **An adequate program** — enough time to absorb the basic attitudes and information which will provide him with the foundation for a healthy, social and emotional adjustment, and the desire to keep on learning all through his life. Parents who expect miracles from a brief, sketchy program of Jewish education are deluding themselves and their children.

TOGETHER — Your Home and the Jewish School can help your child discover the beauty and dignity of his Jewish heritage. They can make his Jewishness a tower of personal security and strength throughout his life!

YOU ARE WELCOME AT OUR HEBREW SCHOOL. MEET OUR PRINCIPAL AND TEACHERS. THEY WILL BE DELIGHTED TO SERVE YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

Nothing less than a benign destiny and the good solid work and effort of all those responsible made our Metropolitan Opera Benefit Performance of "La Forza del Destino" last Sunday evening, the great musical, social and congregational success that it was. It must rate as one of the major operatic coups by our own "Rudolph Bing", Director Herman H. Cohen . . . A hearty welcome into our Congregational Family to the following new members: Messrs. Hyman Hilf, Max Miller, Ephraim Propp, Joseph Zahler, and their families . . . Welcome home from Israel to Director and Mrs. Phillip Frankel, and Mr. and Mrs. Sol Redlich . . . Bon voyage on her visit to England to Mrs. Arnold Schonfeld; to Mr. Abraham Krumbein on his departure for the Far East; on their West Indian cruise to Mr. Louis J. Buch and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goodman; on their trip to the West Coast to Director and Mrs. Maurice Greenstein; and on their trips to Southern climes to Mr. Emanuel Gluck, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Gross, Director Jonas Leisten, Director Joseph Settel and Dr. Nathan Settel . . . We felicitate Stanley Kaplan upon his appointment as Manager of the Yeshiva University Co-Op Store . . . Ye columnist has his work cut out for him as the new Editor-in-Chief of the monthly bulletin of the Yeshiva University National Association of Men's Clubs . . . Wishing success to our member, Mr. Saul Bergman, upon the announcement of the formation of the New York Stock Exchange firm, Morse, Bergman and Company . . . Mazeltov to Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Brafman upon the engagement of her daughter, Barbara Silver, to Michael R. Warren . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery for Mr. Irving Parker and Alan Weiss . . . The host of our Seudah Shlishis last week was Mr. Samuel Klein.

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ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS

January

- 23—Dr. & Mrs. Simon Dack
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25—Dir. & Mrs. Adolph Meirowitz

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