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From The Rabbi's Desk

As the structural steel of our new edifice is rising on 69th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, all of us cannot but feel great pride at the promise of fulfillment. Undoubtedly the coming weeks and months will be filled with hard work and important fundraising, but with God's help and sustained membership effort, our dream will soon be realized.

I am reminded, however, of an interesting dispute between Moses and Bezalel, artisan of the Tabernacle (Mishkan), cited by the Midrash. Moses instructed the architect to begin with the Holy Ark and the Menorah, and afterwards to construct the edifice itself. Bezalel demurred, insisting that it is "the way of the world to erect a building first, and only then to bring in the Ark and Menorah."

In effect, Bezalel is mirroring the "edifice" complex so representative in American Jewry. Large and spacious buildings are erected to house lavish catering halls, extensive health clubs and manifold social functions. Regular synagogue attendance, on the other hand, is barely minimal and is generally maintained only due to the Bar-Mitzvah factory fad and High Holy Day sentiment (two features of synagogue life mainly eschewed by the younger generation). Adult Education is mainly social and must rely on a popular Jewish name to insure attendance. The external edifice is erected first, but the Public Relations Judaism it packages is often ten miles wide and but one inch deep.

How different is Moses' approach. We must begin with the Holy Ark, he insists, with the Torah Scroll

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Schedule of Services

TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 1

Seach for the Chametz6:50 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2.....6:45 A.M.

Siyum B'chorim

The first born are invited to complete a Talmudic Tractate with Rabbi Riskin, which will enable them to eat on what would normally be a fast-day for the first-born.

The latest time to eat

Chametz9:35 A.M.

The latest time for

burning Chametz10:40 A.M.

Kindle Festival Candles.....6:01 P.M.

Mincha, Kabbalat Yom Tov.....6:10 P.M.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Morning Festival Service.....8:45 A.M.

(Exodus 12:21-51 Numbers 28:16-25
Joshua 5:2 - 6:1, 6:27)

Mincha6:10 P.M.

Kindle Festival Candles7:01 P.M.

Second Night Passover

COMMUNITY SEDER7:15 P.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Morning Festival Service.....8:45 A.M.

(Leviticus 22:-26 - 23:44 Numbers
28:16-25 II Kings 23:1-9, 21-25)

Kindle Sabbath Candles6:03 P.M.

Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:15 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 A.M.

(Exodus 33:12 - 34-26

Numbers 28:19-25

Ezekiel 37:1-14)

Talmud Class5:25 P.M.

Mincha6:10 P.M.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

Kindle Festival Candles6:08 P.M.

Mincha, and Kabbalat

Yom Tov6:20 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

Morning Festival Services.....8:45 A.M.

(Exodus 13:17-15:26

Numbers 28:19-25

II Samuel 22:1-51)

Mincha6:30 P.M.

Kindle Festival Candles7:08 P.M.

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President's Message

By the time you read this, the Annual Dinner and Journal will have come and gone. In anticipation of the spiritual as well as financial success I am sure it will be, I send my thanks to SIDNEY TROMPETER, WOLF REICHARD, ANNE ABRAMSON and all of their faithful Committee for the fantastic job they did. I also send my congratulations to our guests of honor, *Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Greenberg*, and thank them for their dedication to our endeavour.

Since Election time is near at hand and the nominating committee, headed by DR. ARTHUR STERN, is preparing a slate of officers to recommend for election for the coming year, I suggest that all members interested in serving on the Board of Governors contact him.

You may have noticed that the steel for our new building has arrived and the General Contractors have advised us that it will be erected this month. With God's help and with yours, our new address will soon be 200 Amsterdam Avenue.

Sisterhood Scannings

Our Traditional Purim Seudah —

We cannot let this opportunity pass without presenting at least a "bird's-eye view" of the beautiful impressive Seudah sponsored by the Sisterhood and held in the Synagogue on March 4th. We are so sorry not to have been able to accommodate all those who tried to make reservations. We hope to do better next year, please God.

Believe it or not! . . . every bit of the scrumptious food and delicious hamantaschen for one hundred and twenty reservations, were cooked and baked on the premises by our own **Hilda Morgenstern, Bess Bergman** and their fabulous committee. Our Synagogue was transformed into a most attractive banquet hall, the table settings were lovely and the service perfect. Truly a labor of love!

If this was not *dayenu*, **Edith and Nathan Woloch**, in celebration of their Thirty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary, contributed an ample supply of champagne which, of course, greatly enhanced the festivities. After appropriate toasts, the Sisterhood presented the "bride and groom" with a beautiful, delicious anniversary cake, which was enjoyed by all the guests. Our heartfelt thanks to you, Edith and Nathan, and we shall certainly hold you to your promise, God willing, to celebrate with us your thirty-sixth wedding anniversary in our beautiful new edifice, at which time you plan to contribute champagne for four hundred guests.

Our dear Rabbi, our talented Cantor (with his guitar), community singing and a Purim Shpiel, presented by the young people of the Synagogue and the Hebrew School students, rounded out a hilarious evening.

Not to be missed! Our Annual Spring Luncheon, Sunday, June 8th.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we were compelled to postpone our Luncheon date to Sunday, June 8th, at the Esplanade Hotel, West End Avenue and 75th Street. We hope this change will not interfere with your plans and that you and your friends will join us at this delightful event.

The purchase of a Fifteen Dollar subscription book, issued in conjunction with the Luncheon (a meat meal) entitles the contributor to be a guest at the Luncheon. We urge all members to attend and to dispose of as many subscription books as possible. The greater the co-operation of our membership, the greater the success of this, one of our main Fund-Raising Projects. A fabulous entertainer has been secured for the

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Seder Symbols and Customs

The Seder refers to the festive evening meal on the first and second nights of Passover. The entire family assembles around the table to relive the bondage as well as to re-experience the initial thanksgiving for freedom. It is obligatory on these two evenings to tell the story of the deliverance from bondage: "And thou shalt tell thy son on that day saying: It is because of that which the Lord did for me when I came forth out of Egypt." The word *seder* means order, for there is a prescribed ritual order which precedes and follows the traditionally sumptuous repast.

The Reclining Posture — was one customarily assumed in olden times by free men at a festive table. It is a symbol further emphasizing Passover as a festival of freedom.

The Three Matzot — are set on the table to symbolize the three classes of Israel: Kohanim, Levites and Israelites.

Moror — the bitter herbs, serve as a remembrance of the bitter life of our forefathers when they were slaves in Egypt. *Moror* in Hebrew means bitter.

Charoset — a mixture of apples, nuts, cinnamon and wine—represents the mortar and clay which the Israelites used in the making of bricks for Pharaoh. The dipping of the bitter herbs in the sweet mixture of *Charoset* is a reminder of that bondage.

Karpas — the parsley, potato or carrot which is dipped in the salt water is a characteristic relish used at festive meals in olden times. Eating it at the Seder is meant to arouse the children's curiosity and to remind them of the meager diet of our ancestors in Egypt and of the tears they shed.

Washing of the Hands (with a cup) — is symbolic of the purity with which one begins his meal, washing his hands before touching food.

Z'roa — a roasted meat bone, serves as a remembrance of the paschal lamb eaten by our forefathers when the Holy Temple was standing in Jerusalem.

Afikomen — is the bigger half of the middle Matzah put away by the head of the family at the beginning of the meal and eaten by all at its end. In the days of the Temple, it was forbidden to eat anything after partaking of the paschal lamb. Today too, no food is served after the *Afikomen* is eaten.

Four cups of wine — required for the Seder, symbolize the Almighty's four expressions of divine redemption. I shall bring them forth . . . I shall deliver them . . . I shall redeem them . . . and I shall take them to me as a nation . . . Exodus 6:6.

Fast of the First Born

Because the first born of the Israelites were spared when the Egyptians were smitten in the tenth plague, all first-born Jewish males fast on Erev Pesach until the Seder. This is called *Taanit B'chorim*. If, however, one attends a *Seudat Mitzvah* (a feast that accompanies the performance of a religious duty), one is not required to fast. It is, therefore, customary in all synagogues that a *Siyum* or conclusion of a Talmudic tractate follows the Morning Service on this day. The conclusion of a Talmudic book is an occasion of rejoicing and warrants a feast or *Seudat Mitzvah*. All first-born males should attend morning services on the day of Erev Pesach and stay for the *Siyum*.

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Search for Chametz

The house should be thoroughly cleansed of Chametz during the week before Pesach. All closets, cabinets, cupboards, and all other places where one suspects the existence of Chametz should be thoroughly examined. Even the pockets of clothing should be searched.

The final or formal search called B'dikat Chametz is conducted on the evening before Erev Pesach. This must be a real search for Chametz and not a perfunctory act. Since in most cases the house has already been thoroughly cleansed, crumbs of bread are placed in each room by a member of the household so that the benediction pronounced over the search is not said in vain. The benediction may be found at the beginning of any Haggadah.

The master of the house proceeds from room to room brushing any Chametz onto a wooden container (e.g. wooden spoon) with a feather that serves as a brush, his way lighted by a candle carried by a member of the household. The candle should have but one wick. Any Chametz found is gathered and, together with the wood, feather and candle, tied up in a cloth and bound with a string. This Chametz is to be burned the following morning, the morning of Erev Pesach.

After B'dikat Chametz, it is necessary to formally renounce ownership of, or desire to benefit from, any undiscovered Chametz in one's possession. This formula of renunciation begins with the words "Kol Chamira" and is found at the beginning of the Haggadah. It may be recited in any language one understands.

What is Chametz?

Throughout the eight days of the festival, we abstain from eating any Chametz or leaven, i.e. edibles which contain grains and have been subjected to even the slightest amount of moisture. Foods about which there is even a suspicion of Chametz must not be eaten, for the minutest amount (ma-shehu) renders an entire product unsuitable for Passover use.

Wheat, rye, barley, oats and generally speaking all grains and grain products, as well as foods and liquids made from them, are subject to the laws of Chametz. Grain products such as grain vinegar (used frequently in pickles and horseradish, etc.) and grain extracts are Chametz.

All baked articles such as Matzot, cakes, macaroons, etc., require reliable endorsement by a "Rav" — a Traditionally ordained spiritual leader who is reputable, observant, sincere and learned. The use of ordinary flour during Passover is prohibited. For home baking, only endorsed matzoh meal or potato starch may be used.

Endorsement is also required for candy, soft drinks, wines, liquors, milk, canned foods, and dried fruits. With the exception of peas and beans, green vegetables may be used.

Packed food products should be purchased only when the Kosher L'Pesach identification is accredited by a reputable rabbinical authority and is obviously a part of the brand label printed on the container by the manufacturer. In any questionable case, consult your Rabbi. He will be happy to advise you.

Children should not be fed Chametz during Passover unless a physician has so advised and after a Rabbi has been consulted as to procedure.

Dishes and Utensils

Since we are not permitted to have even a trace of leaven in our food during Passover, special attention must be given to the use of pots, pans, dishes and utensils. One should use special dishes and utensils set aside exclusively for Passover. Under certain conditions, however, some of the utensils used throughout the year may also be used on Passover. They must be Kashered, i.e., prepared in a special manner for Passover use.

The laws of Kashering are many and varied. If any utensils are to be Kashered, a rabbi should be consulted.

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Selling the Chametz

The Bible prohibits the possession of Chametz as well as its consumption during Passover. Furthermore, any Chametz owned by a Jew during Passover is unconditionally forbidden for use at any time from that date on. If, therefore, one cannot dispose of all Chametz before the approach of the Passover holiday, one must arrange for a formal Mechirat Chametz or sale of that Chametz to a non-Jew. The transaction is usually arranged by the Rabbi, who acts as agent for his congregants. Neighborhood Jewish grocers and bakers should be asked by their customers whether Chametz products were properly "sold."

Chametz such as bread and cereal should be disposed of. All Chametz dishes and utensils, after having been thoroughly scoured and cleansed, should be placed in a special closet or room until after Passover. This should be done no later than the time limit specified by the Rabbi. If the closet or room has no lock, the door should be fastened with twine as a reminder. After all Chametz is assembled, the Rabbi should be formally authorized to draw up a bill of sale and negotiate transfer to a non-Jew.

The transaction of selling Chametz is a completely legal one, giving the non-Jew all rights of ownership over the Chametz that has been sold to him. After the conclusion of the festival, your agent, the Rabbi, may repurchase the Chametz from the non-Jew. However, none of this Chametz sold to the Gentile may be touched until it has been repurchased. It is, therefore, necessary to wait an hour or two after Passover before using this Chametz, in order to give the Rabbi time for repurchase.

Burning the Chametz

All Chametz in one's possession (including that which was gathered the evening before through B'dikat Chametz) that has neither been sold nor destroyed should be burned in the morning of the day of Erev Pesach before the deadline announced by the Rabbi. The Hebrew term for this burning of the Chametz is Biur Chametz. Another Kol Chamira formula of renunciation of ownership is recited at Biur Chametz. The entire house should by now be clean of all Chametz and ready for Passover.

The prohibition of eating Chametz on Passover begins one hour prior to Biur Chametz.

Eruv Tavshilin

Because Sabbath (April 5th) immediately follows the first two days of Passover this year, food may be prepared for the Sabbath on Yom Tov if an Eruv is made. This is done by taking a piece of matzoh and some food, cooked prior to Yom Tov, and reciting the Blessing for the Eruv. The food is then put aside and eaten on the Sabbath.

This procedure should be followed on Wednesday Afternoon, April 2, prior to lighting the Festival candles.

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L.S.S. News and Notes

Purim is a joyous and high-"spirited" occasion at L.S.S. What with an overflow crowd to hear the Megillah (despite the Rabbi's gentle suggestion to the younger element that they will be most welcome in the new Synagogue next year (P.G.), two crowded minyanim the next morning and constant *mishlouch manot* messengers all day long, West End Avenue was beginning to resemble a street in Jerusalem. The early afternoon featured an Early Purim Seudah for the young adults, expertly catered by *Michael Reichard* and visited by the Elder Chassidic Patriarch, Reb Zev Reichard. The Bobbsey Twins (S & J — Inc.) cleverly spoofed the Rabbi, and a good time was had by all . . . The First Annual Purim Seudah of LSS was then launched underway, with a French-Yiddish Menu, Israeli mini-flags, and endless kosher Champagne (thanks to *Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Woloch*, who conveniently celebrated their 35th Wedding Anniversary on Purim. The Rabbi, his tongue slightly loosened by the generous liquor flow, gently chided the Congregants in Grammen-Rhymes. *Cantor Goffin* magnificently provided After-Dinner music, and Hebrew School students serenaded *Rabbi Cohen*: "Oh, someday, he'll married, married be." The highlight of the evening was a most original and witty Purim-spiel written, directed and acted by the Young LSS set: *Eddy Abramson, Peter Abelow, Sara Bergman, Eddy Davis, Kenny Davis, Bennet Bergman* and *Judi Riskin*. Costumes were provided by *Bergman Closets, Inc.* The play opened with the words: "Shalom, Lincoln Square Synagogue," spoken in flawless German-Jewish-English by a powder-haired M.C. Mordechai refused to allow a strip-tease for fund-raising, and Haman would willingly depose the Jew if only he could receive Maftir Yonah. The audience roared with laughter at the ingenious barbs (Let the religious women do it . . . We want a body, not a voice) and the playful impersonations. Thanks to *Hilda Morgenstern, Bess Bergman* and a Sisterhood Cast of

Thousands, Purim was made really meaningful at Lincoln Square . . .

Our Rabbi and Cantor have become Television Personalities overnight. In an NBC T-V Special Sunday Evening, March 2, Orthodox Judaism was ably presented by Rabbi Riskin together with a group of young people from Yeshiva University Youth Seminar. The hour-long program was entitled "New Faces in the Wilderness", and we can be justly proud that the religious leadership of LSS was singled out to represent Judaism meeting the challenge of 20th Century Youth . . .

An overflow crowd of twelve couples met in the home of Cantor and Mrs. Sherwood Goffin to discuss Elie Wiesel's *Legends of Our Time*. The reality of the holocaust was clearly depicted by this 20th Century Job, and our Young Couples Group searchingly debated the religious response to the cataclysm destruction of European Jewry. The next meeting will be held at the home of *Mr. and Mrs. Martin Weinberger* to discuss Portnoy's Complaint (For adults only).

From the Rabbi's Desk (Cont'd)

as the inspiration and mainstay of our external edifice. Let our values be fixed in the eternal teachings of our Torah, in the eternal light of our Menorah, and from these basic values let our building emanate. We must never sacrifice the internal for the external, the content for the form, truth for beauty.

It is in the direction of Moses that LSS is developing. We began literally with but an Aron Kodesh, and quickly made our apartment at 150 West End Avenue burst at its seams to accommodate the hundreds of people who attend services and come to Adult Education Classes. With Torah firmly established at its center, may LSS grow from strength to strength as a House of Prayer and Study for all who wish to enter.

*** PLEDGES ***

Please remember your pledge to the synagogue . . . An early check is appreciated.

Schedule of Services (Cont'd)**THURSDAY, APRIL 10**

Morning Festival Services.....8:45 A.M.
 Yizkor Memorial Service
 (Deuteronomy 15:19 - 16:17
 Numbers 28:19-25
 Isaiah 10:32-12:6)

FIRDAY, APRIL 11

Kindle Sabbath Candles.....6:11 P.M.
 Mincha and
 Kabbalat Shabbat6:20 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 (SHEMINI)

Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 A.M.
 (Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47
 II Samuel 6:1 - 7:17)
 Talmud Class5:30 P.M.
 Mincha6:15 P.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Kindle Sabbath Candles.....6:18 P.M.
 Mincha and
 Kabbalat Shabbat6:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

TAZRIA - METZORAH) ROSH CHO-
DESH)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 A.M.
 (Leviticus 12:1 - 15:33
 Numbers 28:9-15
 Isaiah 66:1 - 24
 Talmud Class5:45 P.M.
 Mincha6:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23**ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY****FRIDAY, APRIL 25**

Kindle Sabbath Candles.....6:25 P.M.
 Mincha and
 Kabbalat Shabbat6:35 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

(ACHARAY - KEDOSHIM)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 A.M.
 (Leviticus 16:1 - 20:27
 (Amos 9:7 - 15)
 Talmud Class5:45 P.M.
 Mincha6:30 P.M.

*** FRIDAY, MAY 2**

Kindle Sabbath Candles.....7:33 P.M.
 Mincha and Kabbalat
 Shabbat6:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, MAY 3 (EMOR)

Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 A.M.
 Talmud Class7:00 P.M.
 Mincha7:40 P.M.

TUESDAY, MAY 6 LAG BA'OMER*** FRIDAY, MAY 9**

Kindle Sabbath Candles.....7:40 P.M.
 Mincha and
 Kabbalat Shabbat6:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, MAY 10

(BEHAR-BECHUKOTAI)
 Shabbat Morning Services.....8:45 A.M.
 (Leviticus 25:1 - 27:34
 Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14)
 Talmud Class7:00 P.M.
 Mincha7:45 P.M.

*** FRIDAY, MAY 16**

Kindle Sabbath Candles7:47 P.M.
 Mincha and
 Kabbalat Shabbat6:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, MAY 17 BAMIDBAR

Shabbat Morning Service.....8:45 A.M.
 (Numbers 1:1 - 4:20
 Samuel 20:18 - 42)
 Talmud Class7:05 P.M.
 Mincha7:50 P.M.

* Those who usher in the Sabbath earlier with the Congregation (it is our custom to begin Mincha at 6:30 P.M. throughout Daylight Savings Time) must instruct their wives to kindle the Sabbath Candles by 6:55 P.M. Once the Congregation chants *Mizmor Shir LeYom Hashabbat* (The Psalm for the Sabbath Day), the Sabbath has officially begun for the worshippers and their families.

Pirkei Avot — Each Sabbath afternoon between Mincha and Maariv specifically between Passover and Shevuot, but customarily until the High Holy Days, a Mishna from *The Ethics of the Fathers* is taught and expounded upon by Rabbi Riskin. Men and women alike should greatly benefit from this intellectually enriching and ethically inspiring experience.

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 Sundays and Holidays8:30 A.M.
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Sisterhood Scannings (Cont'd)

occasion, and in addition to the valuable subscription gifts, we also plan to have a treasure chest of lovely gifts. Sarah Glickman, who will chair this function, together with her very hard working committee, are going all-out to make this a glorious afternoon. Again, please come and bring your friends.

We are happy to welcome the Misses Esther and Frances Berliner into our Sisterhood Family.

Mazal Tov to Martha and Stuart Herman on the engagement of their daughter Eva to Arturo Stern, and many thanks to Martha and Stuart for their generous donation to the Simcha Fund in honor of the happy occasion.

We also wish to express our gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Woloch for their generous contribution to the Simcha Fund in honor of their Thirty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary.

Welcome home—Bess and Leon Bergman, Doris Heller, Doris Sapper, Etta and Emanuel Weidberg as well as all other globe-trotting members and friends.

Refuah Schleimah — Mrs. Joseph Shapiro, and Mrs. Frances Haines.

Estelle Harris—do get well soon!

Pleasant trip to the balmy South — Sonia and Irving Chesnin.

A very happy Passover to you all!

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May 1—Doris Heller

Molly Glemby

6—Hilda Goldner

10—Miriam Schwartzman

11—Ruth Feiger

14—Helen Olshan

18—Ruth Turberg

28—Belle Cohen

30—Fay Katz

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April 1—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel

April 6—Mr. and Mrs. Abraham

M. Druckman

May 9—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman

May 29—Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rapoport

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7:30- 9:00 P.M.—ADVANCED HEBREW

9:00-10:00 P.M.—INTERMEDIATE HEBREW

AN ULPAN STUDENT WRITES:

My dear Fellow-members of
Lincoln Square Synagogue:

I have been attending classes for most of my life and have had innumerable teachers, but never have I enjoyed greater pleasure and more rewarding experiences than at the ULPAN class.

We have a teacher, who is firstly a gentleman, a scholar, a gentle understanding man with a most professional ability to transfer his knowledge to others. *Mr. Henry Kamri*, our teacher, has inspired my wife and myself to such an extent that, even when we have an engagement conflicting with our Hebrew class, we drop everything in favor of our ULPAN class.

I want to congratulate the Educational Staff for procuring such an excellent teacher, and I would encourage anyone who qualifies and can spare the time, to attend this class.

Joseph Jungreis.

New Members

We are pleased to welcome into the fellowship of LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE the following new members:

Miss Esther Berliner

Miss Frances Berliner

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Elbaum

Rabbi Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gordis

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Klein

Mrs. Morris Langer

Refuah Shleimah:

Miss Jean Golding

Mrs. Frances Haines

Mr. Norman Harris

Mr. Samuel Rachlis

Bon Voyage

to *Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Trompeter* on their trip to Israel.

Special Thanks

To *Mr. and Mrs. Mark Elbaum* for their gracious donation of a magnificent Sefer Torah to the Lincoln Square Synagogue. We will shortly have a Special Dedication Ceremony giving proper respect to the Torah and its donors.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Herman on the engagement of their daughter *Eve* to *Arturo Stern* of Mexico City.

Dinner News

Picture and story concerning our successful Annual Dinner in honor of *Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Greenberg* and so ably arranged by *Mr. Wolf Reichard*, will appear in the next bulletin.

Condolences:

Mr. Morton Langer, President of our Men's Club, on the loss of his father, a pious Jew and a noble benefactor of Torah institutions.

Miss Freeda Goodman, on the loss of her sister.

Mr. Norman Harris, on the loss of his beloved wife. Estelle was one of our most ardent workers on behalf of the Annual Journal as well as the various Sisterhood functions. May her courage in the midst of severe trials be a source of inspiration to us all.

May the Almighty comfort the families among the mourners of the Holy Temple.

YAHREZITS

ETHEL CHESNIN

Tuesday Evening, April 1

Wednesday, April 2

IRVING KOMISAROFF

Wednesday Evening, April 2

Thursday, April 3

HARRY SUKENIK

Saturday Evening, April 5

Sunday, April 6

HYMAN SANDLER

Tuesday Evening, April 8

Wednesday, April 9

BENJAMIN WIENER

Monday Evening, April 14

Tuesday, April 15

That the Jews of the Soviet Union may know that they have not been forgotten . . .

The American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry, an association of 25 national American Jewish organizations seeking the elimination of the wrongs inflicted on Russian Jews by the Soviet government, urges that the following statement be read at the Seder of every American Jewish household.

The leader of the service adds the following comments when distributing the matzoh after the blessing over the matzoh. He lifts a matzoh, sets it aside and says:

This is the matzoh of hope

This matzoh, which we set aside as a symbol of hope for the 3 million Jews of the Soviet Union, reminds us of the indestructible link that exists between us.

As we observe this festival of freedom, we know that Soviet Jews are not free to learn of their Jewish past, to hand it down to their children. They cannot learn the languages of their fathers. They cannot teach their children to be the teachers, the rabbis of future generations.

They can only sit in silence and become invisible. We shall be their voice, and our voices shall be joined by thousands of men of conscience aroused by the wrongs suffered by Soviet Jews. Then shall they know that they have not been forgotten, and they that sit in darkness shall yet see a great light.

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