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Dear Marc:

It was good to learn that you have recently assumed the ministry of the North East Hebrew Congregation in Washington, D. C.

May I express my heartiest congratulations upon your appointment to this post. May it be a source of much gratification to you and an opportunity for ever greater service to American Judaism.

If there is any way in which I can be of service to you, by all means feel free to call upon me.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Joel S. Geffen

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum  
North East Hebrew Congregation  
Washington, D. C.

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December 12, 1952

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## COMMITTEE TO ENGAGE A RABBI

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
4012 Hilton Road  
Baltimore 15, Maryland

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

Your letter of the 11th instant has just come to me and I hasten to answer your questions.

- a) We use Silverman's prayer book.
- b) One of our members, Mr. David Kaye will discuss with you before the services the procedure we follow. Mr. Kaye does most of the Cantorial prayers. You will lead in the responsive readings, and say the Kiddush.
- c) Our Friday night services commence on 8:30 and includes the sermon. It usually terminates at 11:00 at which time we have some refreshments.
- d) I suggest that you call at my office at 3:00 p.m. on that Friday. 805 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
- e) Your major sermon, in fact perhaps the only one, is for Friday night service. We usually have no sermon on Saturday services.
- f) Your weekend residence is optional as you prefer: one of our members may put you up, or ~~you~~ <sup>we</sup> may reserve a room for you at a nearby hotel.
- g) When you arrive at my office, someone will take care of you from that time on.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
ABRAHAM ROCKMORE  
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December 15, 1952

## COMMITTEE TO ENGAGE A RABBI

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
4012 Hilton Road  
Baltimore 15, Maryland

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

Supplementing my letter to you of the 12th instant, I find unforeseen circumstances will take me out of town on Friday the 26th.

I have arranged, however that our President, Mr. A/B. Kapplin will receive you at his office 1003 K Street, N.W. at 3:00 p.m. that Friday.

With kindest personal regards,

I am  
Sincerely yours,



ABRAHAM ROCKMORE  
Chairman



Feb 12/53

Dear Mr. Kapplin,

Thanks greatly for your note of the 9th--which I would have answered much before this, but I was out of town the past two days.

You clearly stated all the conditions of our agreement and I endorse them.

I have already begun receiving the cards on Sabbath service. I admire your efficiency. After all, you're probably only doing 300 things in addition to being president of the congregation...

Re the sermon topics:

Feb. 21: My introductory remarks to Rev. Howie's talk will be titled (if you wish a title),

"Brotherhood, A Needed Ritual"

Feb. 28: ~~Another Example~~  
"Stalin-tashen"

March 7: "The Sign of the Sabbath"

I cannot in good conscience submit the titles of sermons subsequent to these, because I have not thought that far ahead. But I will make it a practice to send you them several weeks in advance.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

Marc H. Tanenbaum  
Rabbi

4012 Hilton Rd.  
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February 9, 1953

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
4012 Hilton Road  
Baltimore 15, Maryland

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

Thank you very much for your cordial letter of February 2 confirming our Congregation authorization for your services on a part-time basis reported to you over the telephone by Mr. Abraham Rockmore, first vice president and chairman of our special committee on the selection of a Rabbi.

We all meant the nice things we tried to say at the Sabbath services last Friday evening and we are all sincerely confident that we will have a happy and fruitful association together in the months ahead. Personally, I am deeply pleased that the arrangement was finally worked out satisfactorily for all of us.

In order to avoid any possible misunderstanding in the future, I should like to repeat at this time the agreement authorized by the Congregation at its quarterly meeting January 25. For your services each Friday evening and Saturday morning, from February 1 to May 31, the Congregation has agreed to pay you \$200.00 per month. Shortly before the conclusion of this part-time arrangement, we have agreed to consider your services on a full-time basis, with the understanding that in the event we are unable to come to an agreement, you will nevertheless serve as our Rabbi for the High Holy Season next fall, the salary for which you have set at \$600.00. Of course, I am hoping that everything will move along favorably and that we will be able to agree on a permanent arrangement long before June 1. As I explained to you last Saturday, we will appreciate receiving the subjects of your sermons two or three weeks in advance, so that we can include the titles in our weekly postcard bulletins. We have placed your name on our mailing list, so that you will receive copies of the Northeaster and the weekly bulletins from now on. As you know, we are observing United Synagogue Sabbath this Friday evening and National Brotherhood Week the following Friday evening, February 20, when the Rev. Carl G. Howie, Pastor of the Sherwood Presbyterian Church will deliver the sermon. Also, the Bar Mitzvah of Barry Sussman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sussman, is scheduled for the Sabbath services at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 21.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



A. B. Kapplin  
President

ABK:tlm

cc: Abraham Rockmore  
Irving Van Grack

*Affiliated with the United Synagogue of America*

February 2, 1953

Dear Mr. Kapplin,

I was very much pleased to learn from Mr. Rockmore of your and your congregation's decision regarding myself.

I deeply appreciate your generous understanding and I look forward hopefully and with pleasure toward my relationship with you, the officers and the members of the Northeast Hebrew Congregation.

I will call you on my arrival in Washington this coming Friday late afternoon. My sermon topic will be;

"The Meaning of A Congregation".

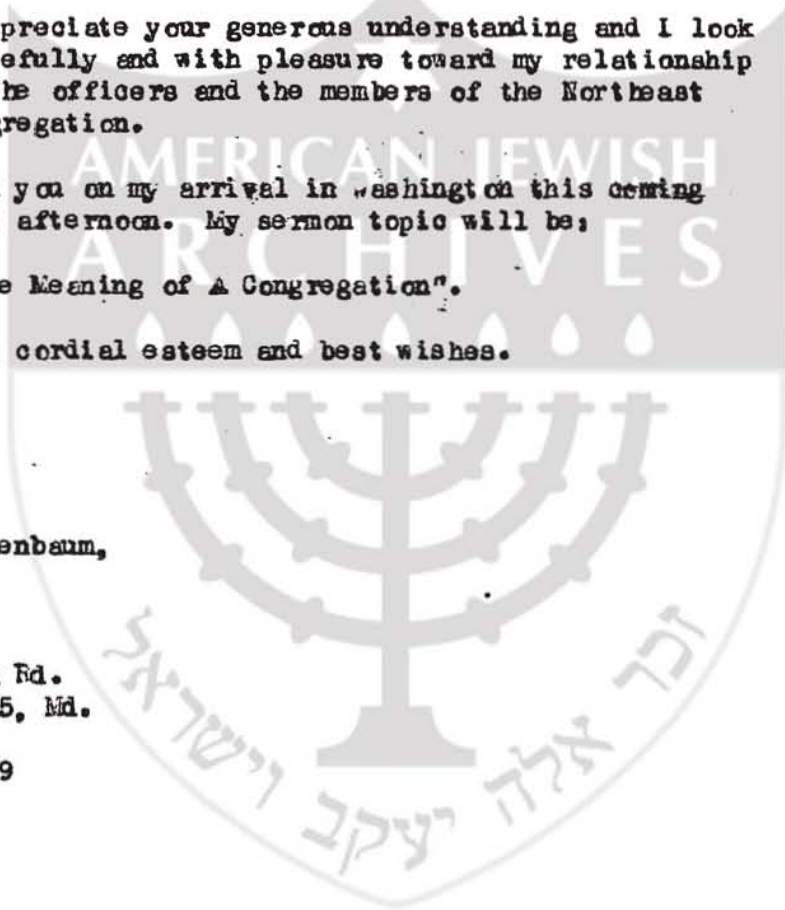
Again, with cordial esteem and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Marc H. Tanenbaum,  
Rabbi

4012 Hilton Rd.  
Baltimore 15, Md.

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Jan 21, 53

Dear Mr. Rockmore,

It was extremely pleasant speaking with you. Indeed, my entire experience to date with you and your congregation and Mr. Kapplin has been singularly enjoyable and I look forward to its deepening and enrichment.

On the question of your kind invitation to accept your group's pulpit, may I restate my position in these terms:

I am eager to accept a weekend post between now and June with your congregation. I could at this time commit myself to a full-time arrangement with you after June, but I prefer not to make such a binding commitment until we have had a chance to know and understand each other's attitudes and temperaments more thoroughly. Isn't this a reasonable approach to such a situation whose success depends so much more on spirit than on letter?

As I have said previously, regardless of what obtains between now and June in respect to the issue of full-time rabbi, I would now assume responsibility for the conducting of your High Holiday services.

I trust these paragraphs meet with your understanding to the end that you will be free to inform me by next Monday morning of your final decision. This is made necessary because I must give advance notice to the people with whom I am presently involved.

Incidentally my expenses for the weekend spent with you - covering train, taxis, hotel, meals, tips, etc. - was approximately \$25.00

Again, many thanks for your generous interest.

Sincerely,

Marc H. Tanenbaum  
Rabbi

4012 Hilton Rd., Baltimore 15, Md.  
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Jan 21, 53

Dear Mr. Rockmore,

Thanks very much for your recent communication.

My position regarding accepting your pulpit is quite clear and remains unchanged from that which I presented to members of your Board during my last visit with you.

I am free to accept a weekend post between now and June. I am quite inclined to accepting a full-time position in June, but I cannot at this moment commit myself because I would prefer a honeymoon period during which it is possible for both your congregation and myself to find how well suited we are for each other. (Understand, please, I do not advocate "free love" as a general principle; experience has indicated though in this type of negotiation it is usually foolhardy to bind people with contracts before they know each other. Once they do become acquainted and are mutually agreeable contracts become secondary, which, of course, I know you understand.)

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December 29, 1952

Rabbi Marc H. Tannenbaum  
4012 Hilton Road  
Baltimore 15, Maryland

Dear Rabbi Tannenbaum:

We were all sorry to learn from your sister of your illness, which prevented your visit with our Congregation over the past week-end. It is our hope that this was only a temporary disability and that you will be fully recovered by the time this note reaches you.

I am writing in the absence of Mr. Rockmore, who is spending the holiday week in New York City, and will be back with us again next Monday. I am wondering if you will be able to occupy our pulpit for the Sabbath services Friday evening, January 9 and Saturday morning, January 10. Will you please be good enough to advise me by return mail, or telephone me at my office, Executive 3-5288, or at my home in the evening, Union 4-1588, so that we can make our plans accordingly.

With kind regards and best wishes for a speedy recovery, I am

Sincerely yours,



A. B. Kapplin  
President

ABK:tlm

cc: Abraham Rockmore

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Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
4012 Hilton Road  
Baltimore-15-Maryland

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of the 28 ult. We will be very happy to have you come to us for the Friday night and Sabbath Services for the week-end of December 26, 1952.

You might telephone me at my office at National-6120 a day or two before that date for final details, or if you wish to write to me about any other questions you may have in mind, please feel free to do so.

If you have a topic for your sermon which you would wish us to mention in our notices, please let me know what it will be.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Prayer book - Order Services  
Dorothy Sherman?

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM ROCKMORE  
Chairman

P.S. It would be advisable, if you care to reply to this letter to write me at my office, the address is:  
805 G. Street N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

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December 11, 1952

Mr. Abraham Rockmore  
805 G. Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rockmore,

Many thanks for your courteous note of Dec. 2.

I'll be very happy to accept your invitation for the Dec. 26 weekend.

The only preliminary information I should like to have is:

- a) What prayer book do you use? (The Rabbinical Assembly's or Silverman's?)
- b) Do you have a standard prayer service which you follow; if not, shall I resort to my own procedures?
- c) What time does your Friday evening services get under way?
- d) What time shall I meet with you on that Friday?
- e) Is my major sermon on Friday night (I assume it is, but would like to know for a certainty)?
- f) The matter of weekend residence?
- g) Brief instructions on how to arrive at the congregation. I'll be driving in, from Baltimore.

My topic will be: "On Being a Jew: A Sermon for this Time of the Year".

Again, many thanks.

Sincerely,

Marc H. Tenenbaum, Rabbi  
4012 Hilton Rd.  
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## COMMITTEE TO ENGAGE A RABBI

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum  
4012 Hilton,  
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

Your name has been suggested to us by Rabbi Wolfe Kelman of the Commission on Rabbinic Placement of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, as one who might have the necessary qualifications to accept a position as permanent Rabbi for our Congregation.

Our present temporary Rabbi, Louis Barish, is awaiting orders as Army Chaplain to go to the Far East. We are terminating our relationship with him the end of this month.

We would like to have you come to our Synagogue as a visiting Rabbi for the Friday night and Sabbath Services for December 26, 1952. We will gladly pay travel and other incidental expenses.

We would also appreciate it if you could send to us a brief biographical sketch and indicate what salary you would consider if we could agree on all other terms.

We shall deeply appreciate your response to this invitation at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,



ABRAHAM ROCKMORE  
Chairman

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NORTHEAST HEBREW CONGREGATION

Weekly Bulletin No. 20

February 3, 1953

MARC H. TANENBAUM IS OUR NEW RABBI  
ENGAGED AT QUARTERLY MEETING OF CONGREGATION JAN. 25

RABBI TANENBAUM WILL OCCUPY OUR PULPIT

As our New Spiritual Leader at the Weekly  
Sabbath Services at 8:30 p.m. this Friday  
and 10 a.m. Saturday

JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR NEW RABBI THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Bring your Family, Friends and Neighbors

Informal Reception After the Services Friday Evening

\* \* \* COMING EVENTS \* \* \*

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 4- Monthly meeting of Men's Club. Color movie

THURSDAY, FEB. 12- Sisterhood All-Day Bake Sale. Food Town.

FRIDAY, FEB. 13- United Synagogue Sabbath, 40th Anniversary.





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. Dora Mazur  
338 Ingraham St., N. W.  
Washington 16, D. C.

November 28, 1952

Mr. Abraham Rockmore, Chairman  
Northeast Hebrew Congregation  
4601 Eastern Avenue  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rockmore,

Thank you indeed for your kind note of November 24 regarding your pulpit vacancy.

I am currently involved in writing a book and am therefore only free to accept a weekend position. I am not clear whether your congregation is considering this type of candidacy or only that of full-time candidates. If the former, I shall be glad to visit with you on the stipulated date of December 26.

My rabbinical experience includes the conducting of services on weekend pulpits at the following congregations during the past six years: Temple Beth El, Baltimore; Congregation Adath Jeshurun, Philadelphia; Congregation Beth Am Israel, Philadelphia; Temple Beth El, Utica, New York; Temple Beth El, Boston, Md., Congregation Kehillath Jeshurun, Boston, among others.

My non-rabbinical career, which may or may not be relevant, includes: literary editor, Farrar, Straus, and Young Publishing Co., New York; literary editor, Henry Schuman Publishing Co., New York; contributing writer, TIME Magazine; Staff member, Eternal Light radio program, NBC, New York; et cetera. I am 27, unmarried, hold ordination and a master's degree from the Jewish Theological Seminary, and am currently studying for an advanced degree at Johns Hopkins University.

Forgive me, but I do not easily discuss "salary" and much less so in a letter. Could we save this for a conversation?

If you wish, in light of these reservations mentioned above, that I meet with you at the suggested time, please let me know by return mail.

Again, thank you for the courtesy of your letter and your thoughtful invitation.

Sincerely,

Marc H. Tarnbaum, Rabbi

4012 Hilton Road  
Baltimore 15, Md.

Telephone: FCrest 8639

May 12, 1953

Dear Mr. Kaplin,

First off, the remaining sermon topics:

May 22: The American Jewish Tercentenary: A Feasible View

(I've changed this subtitle)

May 29: Memorial of the Millennium

June 5: Summer 1953: A Jewish Guide

In re the Shavuos services: I should like to arrange for a room in a nearby hostelry for Tues and Wed evenings, because I would prefer not imposing on the wonderful Claymans who have already been too kind. If it meets with the approval of your board and yourself, I will make the arrangements myself. I don't think the arrangements for room and meals for ~~Esau~~ Wed, Thurs (Tues night, no meals, just room) should amount to more than 12-15 dollars. (Incidentally, may I mention here that the traveling expenses for April and May amounted to ten dollars for each month?)

Now for the most difficult part of this writing. No letter has come with such difficulty for me in recent memory as this. I've been trying to see my way clear to dispose of my complicated and personally distressing family situation, to finish my increasingly-neglected book, and to accept the position with your wonderful people.

The more I have tried to work this out, the less am I able to see how I can manage it. It is a certainty that I cannot make a final dissolution of my family affairs before the next six or eight months, if then. Knowing how trying all of this has been until now, I am quite convinced that when, please God, I have finally unraveled this, I shall be more emotionally drained than I already am, which is hardly a background out of which to launch immediately into such an important effort as the developing and helping grow of a new congregation.

At another time, under more apposite circumstances, we undoubtedly would have made a first-rate shiduch. As it is, it would be little less than unfair to you and your congregation's future to have me attached to you while a heavy umbilical tugs me elsewhere. I am afraid, and I say this with infinite personal chagrin, that I cannot accept the privileged position of rabbi which your cherished people have honored me with in their offering. If I were free to accept any pulpit at this time, assuredly it would be yours.

Sincerely,

Marc H. Tanenbaum, Rabbi



March 6, 53

THE JEWISH TIMES

## Baltimore Rabbi Appointed Spiritual Leader, Northeast Hebrew Congregation

Appointment of Rabbi Marc H. Tannenbaum as spiritual leader of the Northeast Hebrew Congregation, 4601 Eastern avenue, Mt. Rainier, Md., was announced by A. B. Kapplin, president of the congregation. Rabbi Tanenbaum succeeds Rabbi Louis Barish, (Capt. U.S. Army) assistant chaplain of the military district of Washington, who had occupied the local pulpit on week-ends as a guest rabbi for the past two years and who left last week for his new assignment with the troops in Korea.

Rabbi Tanenbaum, who has assumed his new duties, was guest of honor at an informal reception of the members, Sunday, March 1, at

the synagogue home. The congregation also celebrated its recent victory in the citywide Israel bond sale contest for selling the largest number of bonds under the leadership of its captain, Mrs. Irving Jacobs.

Rabbi Tanenbaum, who makes his home with his parents in Baltimore at 4012 Hilton road, is a graduate of the Jewish Theological seminary and the Yeshiva university in New York. He holds a master's degree in philosophies of religion at the former institution and is now studying for his doctorate at the Johns Hopkins university in Baltimore. He has been a staff member of NBC's "Eternal Light" prize-winning radio program and has served as literary editor and public relations counselor for several New York book-publishing firms, and as a contributing editor to Time magazine.

The Northeast Hebrew Congregation was organized six years ago this spring and held its services, religious school sessions, meetings and social affairs in public halls in the Northeast area until the purchase of its own home last March. About 250 families are now enrolled in the Congregation from Northeast Washington and adjacent Maryland communities, with 125 children attending both week-day and Sunday morning sessions of the religious school.

Adas Israel, Connecticut ave. at Porter st. nw., today, 8:15 p. m., Rabbi David H. Panitz, "What Soviet Anti-Semitism Means to American and Israeli Jewry"; Saturday, 7 p. m., reading of Book of Esther, followed by Purim ball for teen-agers; Sunday, 8:30 p. m., Purim costume ball for adults.

Arlington-Fairfax Jewish Center, 2920 Arlington Blvd., today, 8:30 p. m., Mrs. Sarah Ezekiel, administrative assistant of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, to speak on "What Makes a Jewish Heroine" in service dedicated to Purim and the women's league of the center. Some of the league's members will take part in the service; Sunday, 8:30 p. m., demonstration by Dave Rosenberg and Washington Folk Dance group of American, Israeli, Greek, Yugoslavian, Swiss and Scandinavian folk dances, with audience participation, in honor of Purim and Brotherhood Week.

Temple Beth El, 206 North Washington st., Alexandria, today, 8:30 p. m., Rabbi Arlei Goldberg of Richmond to speak in service dedicated to combined campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College.

Beth El of Montgomery County, 3 Pooks Hill rd., Bethesda, today, 8:30 p. m., service conducted by Rabbi Morris Gordon, followed by discussion of the Book of Esther, led by Mrs. Jean Lewis; Saturday, 7 p. m., reading of the Book of Esther with children taking part; Sunday, 10 a. m., Purim carnival.

Beth Israel, 3408 C st. se., today, 8:45 p. m., Michael J. Bernstein, chief counsel, Senate Labor Committee, "Communism and Anti-Semitism."

B'nai Israel, 15th and Crittenden sts. nw., today, 8:30 p. m., Rabbi Henry Segal, on "Small in Size But Great in Contents," Officers and members of the Washington Chapter of the Council of Jewish Women will be in charge of the Oneg Shabbat program dedicated to Purim.

Temple Bai Jacob, 2304 Naylor rd. se., today, 8:30 p. m., Sanford Bolz of the American Jewish committee, "Civil Liberties in 1953."

Temple Emanuel (Reform), All Saints' Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase cir., today, 8 p. m., Rabbi Hillel Gamoran to conduct special Purim service for children.

Har-Tzeon, Highland School, Claridge rd. and Milton avs., Wheaton, Md., today, 8:30 p. m., Lester Tepper, vocalist and student of Jewish music, "Liturgical Music Throughout the Year," with recital of Purim songs by Har-Tzeon children.

Langley Hebrew Congregation, Maryland University Chapel, today, 8:30 p. m., Rabbi Meyer Greenberg, "Jews Behind the Iron Curtain"; Saturday, 7 p. m., Purim service with reading of the Story of Esther; Sunday, 9 p. m., Purim night of fun at Ohav Sholom Congregation, 8th and Shepherd sts. nw.

Montgomery County Jewish Community, 8402 Freyman dr., Chevy Chase, Md., today, 8:30 p. m., Myer Freyman, first president of community, to preach sermon on third anniversary of construction of building; Saturday, 9:30 a. m., religious service followed by Kiddush and refreshments; 8:30 p. m., family Purim service; Sunday, 9 a. m. to 1 p. m., Purim carnival for small fry, with prizes for best costume (of ancient Persia); afternoon, motion picture, "The Story of Esther"; 9 p. m., annual MCJC Purim ball.

Ohav Sholom, 500 I st. nw., Saturday, 9 a. m., religious service; 11 a. m., Rabbi Albert Joseph Davis, "The Memories of the Past in the Light of Today's Experiences"; 7 p. m., service; 7:30 p. m., reading of the Book of Esther and sermon by the rabbi, "The Obligation of True Joy"; Sunday, 8:30 a. m., service; 9 a. m., sermon, "Reservoir of Courage."

Temple Sinai, Bethlehem Chapel, Washington Cathedral, today, 8:30 p. m., Purim service by young people with choral reading of the Story of Esther; also observance of National Council of Jewish Women Sabbath with a presentation by Mrs. Donald Walters and prayer by Mrs. Jerome Alper.

Washington Hebrew Congregation, 816 8th st. nw., today, 8:15 p. m., Rabbi Norman Gerstenfeld to conduct service and Miss Harriet Stone of the Religious School to give sermonette, "Significance of Purim," followed by pantomime, "The Downfall of Mighty Haman."

Washington Highlands Jewish Center, 141 Kenia st. nw., today, 8:30 p. m., Rabbi David Massis, "The Significance of Purim for Our Times"; Purim services Saturday, 6:45 p. m., Sunday, 8 a. m. Young People's Synagogue, 3147 15th st. nw., today, 8:45 p. m., Chaplain Maurice S. Kleinberg, assistant chaplain of the Military District of Washington, "Korea—Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

The creative workshop of the Montgomery County Jewish Community Center, East-West hwy. and Meadowbrook lane, Chevy Chase, Md., will extend its activities to teen-agers and adults which it begins its spring semester next week. Young children will be taught modern dance, ballet and dramatics; teen-agers, ballroom dancing, and women, modern dance.

Speaker at the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, George Washington University, 2129 F st. nw., Wednesday, 8:15 p. m., will be Prof. T. P. Chang, Georgetown School of Foreign Service, who will talk on "Beliefs of China."



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# Northeast Synagogue

## Names Tanenbaum As Spiritual Leader

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Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum has been appointed spiritual leader of the Northeast Hebrew Congregation, succeeding Army



Rabbi Tanenbaum, 4601 Eastern avenue, Mount Rainier, Md.

Capt. Louis Barish, who has been assigned to the Korean theater of operations as a chaplain.

Rabbi Tanenbaum will be honored by the congregation at a reception at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow at the synagogue,

Rabbi Tanenbaum, 27, makes his home in Baltimore with his parents. He is studying for his doctorate at Johns Hopkins University, and is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and Yeshiva University. He has occupied week-end pulpits in several eastern cities while still a rabbinical student.

The congregation, organized in 1947, serves about 250 families. A membership drive is being prepared to enroll another 100 families in northeast Washington and nearby Maryland.

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# Congregation Names Rabbi Tanenbaum

Appointment of Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum as spiritual leader of the Northeast Hebrew Congregation, 4601 Eastern ave., Mount Rainier, Md., was announced yesterday by A. B. Kapplin, president of the congregation.



Rabbi  
Tanenbaum

Rabbi Tanenbaum succeeds Capt. Louis Barish, assistant chaplain of the Military District of Washington, who after serving as guest rabbi for two years left last week for a new Army assignment in Korea. A reception will be given for the new rabbi, who has assumed his duties, at the synagogue Sunday at 8:30 p. m. A graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and Yeshiva University in New York, Rabbi Tanenbaum is studying for his doctorate at Johns Hopkins University. Baltimore is his home. Northeast Hebrew Congregation was organized six years ago and purchased its new home a year ago. About 250 families are enrolled in the congregation, which recently won a \$2000 automobile for selling the largest number of Israel bonds in a city-wide contest.

Telephone, REpublic 7-1234

# TANENBAUM NAMED HEAD OF CONGREGATION

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum has been named spiritual head of the Northeast Hebrew congregation, at 4601 Eastern Ave., Mt. Rainier.



Rabbi Tanenbaum guest rabbi for the last two years. Barish left last week for assignment in Korea.

His appointment was announced today by A. B. Kapplin, president of the congregation. Tanenbaum succeeds Rabbi Louis Barish, assistant chaplain of the military district of Washington who has been serving the congregation as guest rabbi for the last two years. Barish left last week for assignment in Korea.

Rabbi Tanenbaum, a graduate of the Jewish Theological seminary and Yeshiva university in New York, lives in Baltimore, where he is studying for his doctorate at Johns Hopkins university. He will be guest of honor at an informal reception of the congregation members at the synagogue home at 8:30 p.m. Sunday.





## CALENDAR

- March 1 - Sunday, 8:30 p.m.  
Membership Party to welcome Rabbi Tanenbaum, celebrate our great Israel bond victory and open the spring membership campaign. Social hour and refreshments.
- March 2 - Monday, 8:30 p.m.  
Sisterhood Board meeting.
- March 4 - Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.  
Monthly meeting of Men's Club. Social get-together.
- March 6 - Friday, 8:30 p.m.  
Weekly Sabbath Service.  
Sermon by Rabbi Tanenbaum, "The Sign of the Sabbath".
- March 7 - Saturday, 7:30 p.m.  
Junior YPL meeting.
- March 8 - Sunday, 7:30 p.m.  
Regular YPL meeting.
- March 9 - Monday, 8:30 p.m.  
Sisterhood Spring Membership party, Synagogue.
- March 11 - Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.  
Monthly meeting of Board of Trustees. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Strauss, hosts.
- March 21 - Saturday, 8:30 p.m.  
Monthly Sisterhood Discussion Forum. Mrs. Miriam Selker Dodek, author, guest speaker. Social hour, refreshments.
- March 21 - Saturday, 7:30 p.m.  
Junior YPL meeting.
- March 22 - Sunday, 7:30 p.m.  
Regular YPL meeting.
- March 23 - Monday, 8:30 p.m.  
Monthly Sisterhood meeting. Special Passover program.
- March 25 - Wednesday, 9 p.m.  
Closing date of second Monthly Report Period in Spring Membership Campaign.
- March 30 - Monday evening.  
First Passover Seder.
- March 31 - Tuesday, 8 p.m.  
Second Seder night and sixth annual After-Seder Party, Synagogue.

## MEET OUR NEW RABBI



Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum

As announced in the February issue of *The Northeaster*, Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum assumed his new duties as our spiritual leader at his first Sabbath service on Friday evening, Feb. 6. The Chapel was crowded to capacity that evening and the attendance at subsequent services during the month has been most heartening.

Rabbi Tanenbaum, whose home is in Baltimore, is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of New York, where he was ordained two years ago and where he also holds a master's degree in philosophies of religion. He has a bachelor's degree in biological sciences from the Yeshiva university in New York. During the past six years he has filled week-end pulpits in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Boston and Utica, New York.

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## *Spring Festival and Dance on March 14 at Coral Hills Hall*

Everything is set for the Spring Festival and "Night of Fun" at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 14, at the Coral Hills Hall, 4723 Marlboro Pike, Coral Hills, Md. And all for the benefit of the Congregation Building Fund.

This is our major social event of the year and is being sponsored by the ways and means committee, of which Dr. Irving Jacobs and Sanford Witkowski are co-chairmen. A grand committee of men and women has been busy for weeks preparing for a real floor show, an interesting dance program and the serving of refreshments.

The Spring Festival also celebrates the sixth birthday of our Congregation, which was organized on March 11, 1947.

The large beautiful hall will be set up in cabaret style and major features of the floor show will include original skits by the Men's Club, Sisterhood and Young People's League. There will also be several musical numbers during the evening.

Dancing to a 5-piece orchestra will start at 8:30 p.m. and continue until the wee hours of the morning. There will be plenty of food and set-ups for all. And, oh yes, many door prizes!

Mark March 14 on your calendar, arrange for a baby sitter and bring your friends and neighbors to our biggest party of 1953!



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### JEWISH HOLIDAY CALENDAR

Purim.....March 1  
Passover.....March 31-April 7\*  
Shavuoth.....May 6 and 7\*  
\*Yiskor services Apr.7 and May7

## CONGREGATION WINS \$2,000 AUTOMOBILE AS TOP AWARD IN CITYWIDE ISRAEL BOND DRIVE

The Congregation is mighty proud and happy over the rare victory of Mrs. Estelle Jacobs and her team of 20 men and women workers in winning the \$2,000 automobile awarded in the citywide Israel bond campaign, which ended on Feb. 16.

Mrs. Jacobs was scheduled to receive the prize automobile from Jack Benny, famous stage and screen star, at a victory bond dinner at the Woodmont Country Club Feb. 28.

The Congregation team of 20, headed by Mrs. Jacobs, sold 135 bonds totalling \$14,000, some \$4,000 above the second ranking contestant, Mrs. Tillie Berry of the Pioneer Women. They garnered 2,348 points, almost double the total of Mrs. Berry and her associates.

Congratulations to Mrs. Jacobs and her wonderful team, and to all the members who bought the bonds and helped us win the \$2,000 car! We're right proud of all of you! And we're going to celebrate our victory at the Membership Party Sunday, March 1, at the Synagogue.

### NEWS AND NOTES FROM NORTHEAST

Eight new families have been added to our membership rolls during the past month. Warm greetings are extended to the following new members: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Papier, Mr. Rainier; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stuts, Mt. Rainier; Mrs. Gertrude Marcus, Hyattsville; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Scharff, Mt. Rainier; Mr. and Mrs. William Joffe, West Hyattsville; Mr. and Mrs. Max Mosesman, West Hyattsville; Mrs. Elizabeth Wattay, Avondale, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gordon, Mt. Rainier.

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The "chain card parties" for the benefit of the building  
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## (Continued from Page 1) MEET OUR NEW RABBI

Currently Rabbi Tanenbaum is studying for his doctorate at Johns Hopkins university and is also writing a novel.

He has been a staff member of NBC's Eternal Light prize-winning radio program and has served as literary editor and public relations counselor for leading New York book publishing firms. He also has been a contributing editor to Time magazine and other national periodicals and newspapers. On a number of occasions Rabbi Tanenbaum has served as a writer for New York and Baltimore radio and television stations, where he has also appeared as a guest speaker.

Rabbi Tanenbaum is 27 years old, single and lives with his family at 4012 Hilton Road, Baltimore 15.

The Rabbi will be an honored guest and speaker at an informal reception at our Spring Membership party Sunday evening, March 1.

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### PARENTS URGED TO PAY UP THEIR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FEES

Several families, still delinquent in the payment of the Religious School tuition fees for their children, are presenting a serious problem for the officials of the Congregation.

These fees for the current operation of the school are needed to pay the salaries of the teachers. While the fees were due with the opening of the school last fall, the committee has permitted installment payments when requested.

All fees should be fully paid up by March 15 to insure the salaries for teachers to the end of the school year. You may penalize your children and the school by failing to meet your obligations.



## SISTERHOOD NEWS

By Mrs. Maurice Love  
APpleton 8389

At the regular monthly meeting Monday, March 23, at 8:30 p.m., Sisterhood members will enjoy a Passover program, which has been arranged by the program chairman, Mrs. Edna Van Grack. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

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The Spring Membership Party will be held on Monday evening, March 9 at 8:30 p.m., at the Synagogue. As a reward for all good members, who have paid their 1952-53 dues, the admission will be free. Dues will also be accepted at the door entitling Sisterhood members to enjoy a delightful program and luscious refreshments "on the house." This applies to all new members who would like to join the Sisterhood at this time. Remember, you still get "donor" credits for all new members you bring into the Sisterhood: 8 members, a full ticket; 5, ticket, plus cost of plate, and 4, a half-ticket.

Please call Sylvia Blumenthal, Chairman, NO 7-0811, and make your reservations with her. It's nice to know how many to prepare for. Sylvia will also send personal invitations to any new member prospects that you have.

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On Saturday night, March 21, at 8:30 p.m., at the Synagogue, Mrs. Helen Michnik, chairman of the education committee, is very proud to announce that she has obtained Mrs. Miriam Selker Dodek as guest speaker. Mrs. Dodek can well be named "The Jewish Woman of the Year." Her book, "Yeor Haplim," or "The River of Wonders," is the

first to be written by an American woman to make its original debut in Israel. The text is in Hebrew. It is a volume of Egyptian legends based on biblical incidents, and a copy of the book has been accepted by the Library of Congress.

Mrs. Dodek, the wife of Dr. Samuel Dodek, has been active in civic life in Washington for many years, and is affiliated with many women's organizations.

We feel very honored to have her speak to us, and it is an event that we are all looking forward to. The Sisterhood extends an invitation to all Congregation members, Men's Club and Youth Groups to join us in this truly eventful evening. There will be no admission charge.

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The Sisterhood is very happy to report that both the dinner and the Bake Sale held recently were very successful, thanks to the cooperation of everyone.

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We are all looking forward to the Spring Festival and Night of Fun to be held on Saturday night, March 14, at Coral Hills Hall. The Sisterhood will sponsor one of the skits. There will be dancing and refreshments, all for \$1.50 per person.

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See Helen Kaye, UN 4-2047, for your religious supplies. She has many items on display at the Synagogue and will be glad to order anything for you, if you will call her.

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Spring is almost here and May is not as far away as you might think. How are you doing on your "donor" tickets?

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The new Progress Chart that Donor Vice-Chairman Pearl Besterman has prepared is really slick. Be sure your name gets on the chart soon, and keep that line a-growing. For further information on Donor

## Y. P. L. NEWS

By Frances Lee Harris  
DUpont 7-7475

The next meeting of the Young People's League of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Synagogue. For further information call Dotty Winer at AD 2-6294.

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Y.P.L. is looking forward to celebrating Purim and the Congregation's 6th anniversary at the Spring Festival and dance on March 14 at Coral Hall. Y.P.L. will present a musical play entitled "Haman, the Would-be Killer".

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Congratulations and best wishes to Babs Rapoport and Jay Kaplan on their recent engagement. Jay is now stationed overseas with the Air Force....Morty Nasoff and Jerry Cohen sharing their birthdays with some pretty important men, Morty with Abraham Lincoln, and Jerry with George Washington....In case anyone thought they recognized a car and its driver in the Inaugural Parade, they were right — it was Sidney Katz....Harolyn Bers' new address is 1362 Sheridan Street, N.W., and she says she'd like everyone to come and see her....Sondra Brown is now working at the Navy Department....Also working there part time is Shirley Phillips....Jerry Cohen is now attending George Washington university....Lots of luck to Sondra Brown in the Queen Esther contest.

credits, call Harriet Sterman, JU 7-6584, or Pearl Besterman, RA 6-4018.



## Men's Club "Menshun"

By Richard L. Herrnsstadt

Harrison 2-8003

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Wednesday, March 4. In response to many requests, the program committee has planned an informal get-together for that night. Following the business meeting there will be a game of charades (this was an extremely successful innovation last year) to be followed by card-playing and the customary refreshments. We must unfortunately, ask you to bring your own cards. Prospective members and guests are, of course, more than welcome.

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As has been announced elsewhere, check off the night of March 14 on your calendar for the Congregation's Spring Festival. The Men's Club Repertory Theater, which gained such wide notoriety last spring, will give a repeat performance with new material, new faces, and new legs. The Festival will be cabaret style, so get together with your friends and reserve tables.

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### NEWS AND NOTES

fund are spreading throughout the area and several have been held every week-end since they were started by Dr. and Mrs. Irving Jacobs. Close to \$80 has been collected to date.

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Before Rabbi Barish left for Korea on Feb. 15, he donated 25 Talesim to the Congregation. The \$20 donated by David Strumpf, Henry Turner and Jos. Kipnis to help pay for the Talesim has been turned over to the Building Fund.

## BIG MEMBERSHIP PARTY AT SYNAGOGUE SUNDAY EVENING, MARCH 1

Invitations went out last week to all members and friends of the Congregation to our first annual Spring Membership Party to be held at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, March 1, at the Synagogue Home.

The three-fold program includes a welcome and reception for our new Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, who took over the pulpit on Feb. 7, a celebration marking the Congregation's victory in the recent citywide Israel bond campaign, and the organizing of our own grand army of men and women for the spring 90-day membership drive, which opened Jan. 25 and which will continue to April 25. A social hour and excellent refreshments will follow the program, with Mrs. Morris Lurch, chairman of our social activities committee, in charge.

Mrs. Sara Koretz, chairman of the membership committee, and her splendid team of workers is in charge of arrangements for the Membership Party. There will be several selections by Cantor Sidney Hedrich of Washington, well known in local and New York pulpits, a special tribute to Mrs. Estelle Jacobs and her Israel bond team of 20 men and women, who won the \$2,000 first prize in the campaign, which ended Feb. 16, an address on membership by Rabbi Tanenbaum, and the awarding of the three prizes to the top "member-getters" at the close of the first monthly report period extended to March 1. Mrs. Koretz will make the awards and her committee will distribute prospect cards to those joining the membership team. The three top grand prizes will be presented at the quarterly meeting of the Congregation Sunday, April 26.

Every member is asked to enroll in the drive for 100 new families. Each person signing up at least one new member will be eligible to attend the "reward party" to be held early in May, Mrs. Koretz announced. A special one-day drive is planned for Sunday, March 1, when several teams will start out at 9 a.m., following a breakfast of coffee and rolls at the Synagogue. Call Mrs. Koretz, UNion 4-7848, if you want to join a team.

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## CALENDAR

- Feb.1 - Sunday, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sisterhood dinner and farewell to Rabbi Barish.
- Feb.1 - Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Regular YPL meeting.
- Feb.2 - Monday, 8:30 p.m. Sisterhood Board meeting.
- Feb.4 - Wednesday, 8:30 p.m. Monthly meeting of Men's Club. Sound color film.
- Feb.7 - Saturday, 8 p.m. Jr. YPL membership party.
- Feb.11 - Wednesday, 8:30 p.m. Monthly meeting of Board of Trustees. Mr. and Mrs. Irving Besterman, hosts.
- Feb.12 - Thursday. All-day Bake Sale, Food Town, 11th and Rhode Island, N.E.
- Feb.13 - Friday, 8:30 p.m. United Synagogue Sabbath.
- Feb.14 - Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Jr. YPL meeting.
- Feb.15 - Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Regular YPL meeting.
- Feb.20 - Friday, 8:30 p.m. Brotherhood Week Sabbath. Men's Club in charge.
- Feb.21 - Saturday, 10 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Barry Sussman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sussman.
- Feb.21 - Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Jr. YPL meeting.
- Feb.21 - Saturday, 8:30 p.m. Musical program in observance of Jewish Music Month.
- Feb.22 - Sunday, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Smorgasbord at home of Mrs. Henrietta Levin, 4410 Eastern Avenue. \$1.50 per plate. Benefit of Torah Fund.
- Feb.23 - Monday, 8:30 p.m. Monthly Sisterhood meeting. Purim program.
- Feb.27 - Friday, 8:30 p.m. Bas Mitzvah of Sharon Kohm.

## 12 Merchandise Prizes Offered in 90-day Membership Campaign Opened on Jan. 25; 100 New Families Sought in Spring Drive

The 1953 membership campaign of the Northeast Hebrew Congregation got under way at the quarterly meeting of the members Sunday evening, Jan. 25, at our Synagogue Home. The goal for the 3-month drive ending April 25 has been set at 100 new families. In 1952 the total enrollment was 113 families.

Mrs. Sara Koretz, general membership chairman, outlined plans for the drive and enrolled a number of workers to assist her and her committee during the next three months. A new revised edition of our "Question and Answer Guide" has been prepared for the campaign and copies were distributed to the "membership team", who also received cards of prospects living in the Northeast area.

### 12 MERCHANDISE PRIZES TO "CHAMPIONS"

As a special inducement to the members of the Congregation to sign up their friends and neighbors, Mrs. Koretz announced that twelve merchandise prizes will be awarded to the "Champion Member-Getters" in the 1953 campaign. Included in these 12 prizes are three grand awards to be presented at the quarterly meeting of the Congregation Sunday evening, April 26, and three prizes at the end of each 30-day report period set for Feb. 25, March 25 and April 25.

Here are the three grand prizes: 1st, Mazur Masterpiece; 2nd, Ritz Black Angus rotisserie and broiler, and 3rd, 26-inch Lady Baltimore Pullman travel case.

The three prizes offered at the end of the first 30-day report period on Feb. 25 include: 1st, GE Toastmaster; 2nd, Jewel portable radio, and 3rd, GE electric iron, with thermostat control. The winner of the first prize at the end of each report period must sign up at least five families.

The contest is open to both men and women, including those who joined the Congregation this fall and winter, up to the quarterly meeting Jan. 25. Please remember, annual dues for a family are \$25, and for single persons, widows and widowers, \$15. Call Mrs. Koretz, UNion 4-7848, for prospect cards and "Question and Answer Guides". Incidentally, she is not a contestant for any of the prizes this year, since she is the chairman, and also because she won the Miami trip in the campaign a year ago. The prizes are on display at the Synagogue.



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\*Yizkor services Apr.7 and May 7

Our second Bar Mitzvah of the  
year is scheduled for the Sab-  
bath service Saturday morning,  
Feb. 21, at the Synagogue.  
The services will start at  
10 a.m. Barry Sussman, son  
of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Suss-  
man, is the Bar Mitzvah boy  
this time and will participate  
in the services that morning.  
His parents will serve re-  
freshments at an informal re-  
ception after the services.

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Greetings are extended to the  
six new families, who joined  
our Congregation last month.  
They are Mrs. and Mrs. Eugene  
Goldhagen, Mt. Rainier; Mr. and  
Mrs. Harry Rose, West Hyatts-  
ville; Mr. and Mrs. J. Herbert  
Hoffman, Mt. Rainier; Dr. and  
Mrs. Morris R. Best, Hyattsville;  
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Rose, Mt.  
Rainier; Mr. and Mrs. William  
Fleisher, Brentwood, Md.

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Mrs. Estelle Jacobs and her  
wonderful team of workers,  
captained by Samuel Strauss,  
are really going places in the  
current citywide Israel bond  
campaign. There is even a  
telephone squad assisting the  
solicitors. Mrs. Jacobs has  
promised to donate the \$2,000  
prize to the Congregation, if  
she lands in first place. Let's  
all help during the final two  
weeks of the drive ending Feb.  
16. Call her at WARfield  
7-6428.

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Another Bas Mitzvah is sched-  
uled for one of our girls this  
month. Sharon Kohn, daughter  
of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kohn,  
will be honored at our Sabbath  
services Friday evening, Feb.  
27. Her parents will be hosts  
at a reception after the ser-  
vices.

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"Chain card parties" for the  
benefit of the Building Fund  
were started Jan. 17 by Dr.

Rabbi Louis Barish, who has  
been associated with our Con-  
gregation since the fall of  
1950, and who is leaving Feb.  
15 for Korea, will be the  
guest of honor at a farewell  
party at the Sisterhood dinner  
Sunday evening, Feb. 1, at the  
Synagogue. Rabbi Barish is an  
Army Chaplain.

Members of the Congregation  
and their families are all in-  
vited to the party. Dinner  
will be served from 5:30 to  
8:30 p.m. The price for adults  
is \$1.75-per-plate and for  
children under 12 years of age,  
\$1.00.

Mrs. Barish and their two  
children will remain in Wash-  
ington during the Rabbi's  
service overseas.

Irving Jacobs, Chairman of the  
ways and means committee, and  
Mrs. Jacobs. They had 14  
guests at the first party at  
their home, each person paying  
\$1, including the hosts. Each  
of the five couples must now  
give a party and continue the  
"chain". The first three  
parties brought in \$33.

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Morris Katz, member of the  
Board of Trustees and member-  
ship chairman last year, under-  
went surgery last month, and is  
now recuperating at his home,  
319 Oneida Street, N.E.

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Collection boxes for the Jewish  
National Fund, turned in re-  
cently by the children of the  
Religious School, netted a  
total of \$68. Congratulations,  
boys and girls!

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Copies of the newly revised ed-  
ition of our "Question and An-  
swer Guide" are available at  
the Synagogue.

SABBATH SERVICES EVERY  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY



## SISTERHOOD NEWS

By Mrs. Maurice Love  
Appleton 8389

February, though a short month, will be crammed full of activity for the Sisterhood Ladies.

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We had so many requests for a repeat performance, that on Sunday, Feb. 1, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., the Sisterhood will sponsor its second dinner, to be cooked and served by our own members, as a farewell to Rabbi Louis Barish, who is leaving Feb. 15 for Korea. The price will be \$1.75 for adults and \$1.00 for children for a full-course meal. Please make your reservations with either Cele Robbins, LA 6-2213, or Eva Love, AP 7-8389. Enjoy a Sunday evening out in the congenial atmosphere of our Synagogue, among your friends, eating a delicious dinner, and joining with the Congregation in a farewell to Rabbi Barish.

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Everyone will run to the Food Town at 14th and Rhode Island Avenue, N.E. on Feb. 12, because that is the date the Sisterhood will have its Bake Sale. With all due modesty, I must say we have some of the best bakers in town in our membership. Call Ethel Colodny, chairman, CO 5-1172, and tell her what your contribution will be. We all have favorite recipes for cakes, cupcakes, cookies, etc. The more "merchandise" we have, the more money we'll make, and money is what we need.

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At the regular monthly meeting Monday, Feb. 23, at 8:30 p.m., Sisterhood members will enjoy a Purim program featuring the reading of the "Book of Esther,"

which has been arranged by program chairman, Edna Van Grack. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

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On Saturday evening, Feb. 21, at 8:30 p.m., the Monthly Discussion Forum will present a musical program in celebration of Jewish Music Month. Helen Muchnik, chairman, is assembling the best of our local talent, and promises a most enjoyable evening, featuring Jewish music. There will be no admission charge, and everyone is welcome to attend.

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A Smorgasbord will be held on Sunday, Feb. 22, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Levin, 4410 Eastern Avenue, across the street from the Synagogue, for the benefit of our Safer Torah Fund. Sara Koretz, chairman, is determined that enough funds will be raised to purchase a Safer Torah this spring to be presented to the Synagogue by the Sisterhood. The price will be \$1.50 per person, and Mrs. Levin, in addition to so graciously lending her home for the occasion, is also planning a feast of all the favorite Jewish delicacies. All members of the Congregation, Men's Club and the Sisterhood, are invited to attend. A delightful evening is in store for you. Call Sara Koretz, UN 4-7848, for reservations.

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We were indeed fortunate in having the Choral Group of the Washington Chapter of Hadassah, under the direction of Mrs. Sol Wolloch, present a program of Jewish music at our January meeting.

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Hostesses are still needed for the Oneg Shabbat following Friday night services. Be a hostess once during the year. Call Rae Schoenfeld, LA 6-1070 and set a date with her. She will be glad to assist you in any way possible.

## Y. P. L. NEWS

By Frances Lee Harris

DuPont 7-7475

The next meeting of the Young People's League will be held on Sunday, Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Synagogue. The social committee has many new ideas which will be discussed. Come and meet our new advisor, Mrs. Jacobs. Many of you have already met her at our December and January meetings and at our Drehdal Spin. For any information about YPL, call President Dotty Winer at AD 2-6294.

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Chanukah and our Drehdal Spin have long since passed, but Dotty Winer hasn't forgotten it. You see, she won the door prize, a sterling silver mazuzah. The evening was crammed full of activities, such as dancing, games, entertainment, refreshments, not to mention a movie of Israel that was shown. The entertainment included Marvin Silverman's pantomime version of "It's in the Book", which was terrific.

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The Army has claimed another YPLer, George Rosenfeld, who left early in January. We'll miss you George.... Congratulations and best of luck to Moby Ribner and Sharlene Cohen on their recent engagement.... Congratulations are also in order for Harolyn Bers, who is moving very shortly. Everyone in "the Village" will miss you, Harolyn.... Last week was a happy time for Sondra Brown, Jerry Cohen and Jay Estrain, who were all graduated from high school. Congratulations, I knew you could do it!.... Last week was also very important to Fred Pintus. On Jan. 26, Fred was discharged from the Air Force. Lots of luck in the future, Fred! YPL is losing a good member.



## Men's Club "Menshun"

By Richard L. Herrnsdorf

Harrison, 2-8003

Before talking about anything else, we would like to correct an error in the new schedule of meetings, as reported in this column last month. Men's Club meetings are now held on the first Wednesday of every month.

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The next monthly meeting will be at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, at the Synagogue. At that time the members and their guests will view a sound technicolor film entitled "Your Flight to Israel". In addition, the program committee hopes to have a short animated color cartoon on a topic of great interest to us all. Of course, there will be the usual refreshments and social hour following the meeting.

### SIXTH BIRTHDAY PARTY AND DANCE AT CORAL HALL MARCH 14

Plans for a gala Spring Festival and birthday party to celebrate the sixth anniversary of the Congregation at Coral Hills hall, Saturday evening, March 14, were announced at the quarterly meeting last week by Sanford Witkowski, co-chairman of the ways and means committee of the Congregation.

There will be a splendid floor show with professional acts and three skits to be presented by the Congregation, Men's Club and Sisterhood. And plenty of door prizes. Dancing will bring the festivities to a close.

Save the date, March 14, and watch for more details later.

## RABBI TANENBAUM ENGAGED ON PART-TIME BASIS, WILL OCCUPY PULPIT FRIDAY, FEB 6

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum of Baltimore was engaged at the quarterly meeting of the Congregation Jan. 25 to serve on a part-time basis until the end of May. He is expected to assume his new duties Friday evening, Feb. 6.

Officers of the Congregation were authorized to negotiate with Rabbi Tanenbaum on a full-time basis after June 1 and to occupy our pulpit during the High Holy Day season next fall.

Abraham Rockmore, first vice president and chairman of the special committee to select a Rabbi, reported on the six candidates who occupied our pulpit during December and January. The committee gave the highest indorsement to Rabbi Tanenbaum and recommended his appointment. He is now studying for a doctorate at the Johns Hopkins University and is unable for that reason to assume full-time duties until June 1.

Rabbi Tanenbaum is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York and while a student there occupied

## JUNIOR Y.P.L.

By Deanne Zaas

Appleton 7-8389

A committee headed by Deanne Zaas was appointed to plan a social affair for February. This event will be for new members and those who join this month.

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Jr. YPLers are looking forward to an increased membership during this month. For further information call WA 7-4479.

week-end pulpits for several years in Baltimore, Philadelphia, Utica and Boston. He has served as literary editor for Time magazine and several book publishers. He is 27 years old and lives with his parents in Baltimore.

Members of the Congregation and their wives filled the Synagogue to capacity for the quarterly meeting Jan. 25. A social hour followed, with refreshments served by Mrs. Morris Luch, chairman, and members of her social affairs committee. President Kapplin presided at the meeting.

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Mr. A. B. Kapplin  
4601 Eastern Avenue  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kapplin:

You will be pleased to know that at the meeting of the United Synagogue, Seaboard Region, it was unanimously decided to form a Youth Commission for this area.

We are most anxious to implement this resolution without delay as there are a number of important matters that this Commission has to consider including the Summer Institute at Wildacres.

Our meeting decided that the Commission should be composed of at least one representative from each of our affiliated Congregations in this region. I am, therefore, writing to ask you to appoint your representative to the Youth Commission without delay and advise me of the name and address of your appointee.

Please let me have your immediate cooperation in this matter.

Thanking you in anticipation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Reuben Goldman  
President

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CC:- Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum



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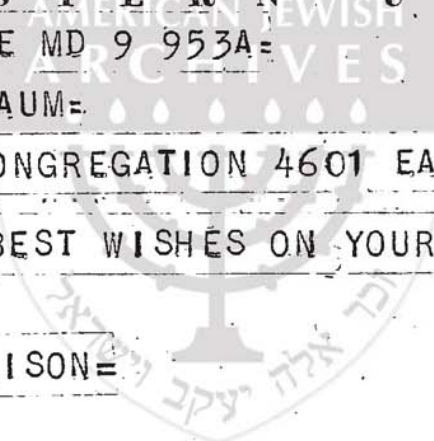
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Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum

of Baltimore, Md., ~~22~~ was ordained <sup>by</sup> and holds a masters' degree <sup>in philosophy of religion</sup> from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York. He holds a bachelor's degree in biological sciences from the Yeshiva University, New York.

He has held weekend pulpits in Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, and Boston.

He has been a staff member of NBC's Eternal Light prize-winning radio program, has served as literary editor and public relations counsellor for leading New York publishing firms, and has been a contributing writer to Time magazine, among other national publications. He has ~~appeared on radio~~ ~~and~~ been involved frequently in radio and TV both as guest panelist and writer.

In addition to assuming the pulpit at the Northeastern Hebrew Congregation, he is currently writing fiction and is studying at the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

He was recently nominated for "Who's Who In America" and "Who's Who In World Jewry". During his undergraduate college years, he was elected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities".

He is 27, unmarried, and lives with his parents in Baltimore.