

# Social & Personal

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**FIRST** girls to become Bas Mitzvah at Shaare Torah Congregation are (left to right): Sherry Speer, Alice Block, Donna Arlene Kweller, Marlene Sirocca, and Barnette Small. Ceremonies are scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 19, 8 p.m., at Horelick Hall.

## Shaare Torah Congregation Plans First Bas Mitzvah Ceremonies

**S**HAARE TORAH CONGREGATION will hold its first Bas Mitzvah ceremonies Sunday, Jan. 19, at 8 p.m., in its Horelick Hall.

The first girls to become Bas Mitzvah will be: Alice Block, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Block; Donna Arlene Kweller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kweller; Marlene Sirocca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Sirocca; Barnette Small,

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Rabbi Bernard A. Poupko's address and presentation of Sabbath candlesticks to the girls, and musical selections and group singing led by Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.

A social hour with a reception in honor of the Bas Mitzvah girls will follow.

Shaare Torah's adoption of Bas Mitzvah is based upon the recent decision of the chief rabbinate of Israel favoring this practice, provided its timing and place do not violate in any manner Torah law and Jewish tradition.

In Israel, Bas Mitzvah, which marks the Jewish girl's religious maturity at the age of 12, has become a popular and widespread practice and is observed on week-days at home or in a social hall in the company of family, relatives, and friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Morrison of Hollywood, Fla., formerly of Pittsburgh, were visited by their son, Dr. Philip Morrison, and his wife, Emily. Dr. Morrison, professor of physics at Cornell University, is giving lectures in California and New Mexico.

Mrs. Samuel Osgood of the Dithridge Apts. has left Pittsburgh to spend the rest of the