

# KEHILATH JESHURUN BULLETIN

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## TWO HUNDRED ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DR. BELKIN DELIVERS LEARNED ADDRESS ETRA, LANCE, KOMMEL, WINER ELECTED

The social hall could hardly hold the unusual turnout of men and women who attended the annual meeting of the congregation last Tuesday night. The unofficial count is 200, although estimates place it at much higher. In every respect the evening by common judgment was "impressive", "delightful", "glorious".

Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva and Yeshiva College delivered an address that was a masterpiece of scholarship and inspiration. It left his audience with a feeling of profound pride that this distinguished scholar and leader is now a member of our congregation.

Thirty new members were inducted into membership and with but few exceptions all of them were there to take an official bow to make them part of the congregational family. In most cases the wife rose with the husband to be greeted by the applause of their fellow members.

A impressive moment was experienced when Rabbi Lookstein presented the Anniversary Celebrants and spoke about each one and his contributions to the congregation over the years and to the Jewish community at large. Then followed a most touching and informative speech by Mr. Harry Fischel who responded for all the celebrants. Mr. Fischel's reminiscences of the congregation's past and his observations on its present and future were most heartening and delightfully received.

Mr. Max Etra reviewed, in his presidential report, the significance and achievements of the year, and spoke of the need of expansion and the plans that were being prepared towards that end. Reports were also delivered by Mr. Saul J. Lance, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Ramaz School, by Mr. R. Winer, treasurer of the congregation, by Mr. Louis Singer, chairman of the Membership Committee who also introduced the inductees, and by Mr. George Jacobs,

chairman of the Cemetery Committee who proved that even the subject of cemeteries can be treated in an interestingly, gay manner. Mrs. Jack Rudd rendered a charming report for the Sisterhood of which she is president and appealed to the women present to join the organization. Mr. Ira F. Weisman spoke for the Men's Club and flavored his appeal for membership with a delightful humorous story.

Tribute was paid to our members who passed away during the year and all rose in reverence and in memory to Louis Robbins, Reuben Sadowsky, and Joseph Strauss.

The following trustees were elected: Abbott Bernard, Thomas Bornstein, Jacob D. Cohen, Samuel M. Kaplan, Dr. Henry A. Rafsky, Murray M. Rosenberg, Ira F. Weisman. Six of the number were re-elected and Abbott Bernard was elevated from associate trusteeship and represents a new and valuable addition to the Board. The officers for the new year unanimously elected are: Max J. Etra, president, Saul J. Lance, vice-president; Alexander Kommel, secretary; Abraham R. Winer, treasurer. Mr. Abraham Weiner, secretary for the last two years asked to be retired from office and in his place Mr. Alexander Kommel was elected.

The closing word was, as usually, delivered by the Rabbi who also indulged in personal reminiscences of the twenty years of his ministry. Some of these brought laughter and not a few brought tears to many an eye. He concluded with a prayer for the souls of the departed and for the well-being of the living and of course, for victory and peace.

Well into the late hours all remained enjoying the buffet that was prepared and the family spirit that prevailed. Another milestone in the annals of Kehilath Jeshurun.



### RAMAZ NEWS

In true Ramaz tradition, Theodore Redlich distinguished himself last Saturday in the rendering of his Bar Mitzvah portion. The Parents' Council congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Sol Redlich and extends its best wishes to Theodore on this significant occasion.

The Parents' Council will hold its next monthly meeting on May 2. The evening will be devoted to a discussion of important school problems and to conferences with teachers. Rabbi Lookstein, Dr. Brickman, and Mrs. Jacobs will make a series of important announcements that are of paramount concern to all Ramaz parents.

The Theatre Party of the Ramaz School will be held on May 10. So highly recommended is Lillian Hellman's play, "The Searching Wind", that Mrs. Lewittes is left with only a handful of tickets. Orders will be promptly filled by Mrs. M. Lewittes, 585 West End Avenue.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO YISKOR APPEAL COMING IN

Close to \$1,000 has already come in, in satisfaction of the pledges made at the Yiskor Appeal. Without letters or reminders, contributions continue to flow in daily. It is gratifying indeed to see this happen for it is an indication of the sense of moral obligation that our worshippers feel. We are confident that all who have made Yiskor pledges will send in their contributions without delay.

### SISTERHOOD NEWS

An Executive Board meeting was held on Monday, April 24 and the plans for the rest of the season were formulated.

Mrs. Cel Silberman was congratulated for her work on Red Cross. Our Sisterhood because of Mrs. Silberman's efforts and our support is right on top of the list of the Red Cross donors for this drive.

Our Bazaar is being held on the night of Monday, May 1st. All members and friends are welcome to attend and buy brand new merchandise at lower than wholesale prices. Don't miss this night. May 1st at 8:30 P.M. in the social hall of our synagogue.

The last meeting of the season will be held on Monday, May 22nd, for dessert luncheon at the home of our president, Mrs. Jacob Rudd at 1070 Park Avenue at 1 P.M. Formal induction of our new members by our Rabbi Lookstein will be one of the features of the afternoon.

Election of officers and a report of the year's work will be read by our president.

All members are welcome! Mark the date. Monday, May 22nd for dessert luncheon at 1 P.M. at Mrs. Rudd's home.

### PLAQUE INSCRIBED

Mr. Abbott Bernard arranged to have a plaque inscribed for his late uncle Max Phillips on the Memorial Tablet of our congregation.

**RABBI LOOKSTEIN WILL SPEAK THIS SATURDAY AT 10:30**

on

**"THE PLAGUES OF HUMANITY — WHO CAN CURE THEM?"**



## MEN'S CLUB NEWS

### OUR APRIL MEETING

Albert Kahn, co-author of "SABOTAGE" proved himself the best informed individual on Fifth Column activities we have yet had the privilege to hear. His address was at once enlightening and saddening. He maintains that the fountain-head of Fascism in America is located in the city of Detroit. The negro pogrom of last July, according to Mr. Kahn, was the result of ten years of careful and watchful planning and was inspired by Berlin. The scene as he paints it, looks dark and forboding and only our constant alertness can prevent a catastrophe. All groups who believe in and would preserve democracy must wage a ceaseless fight against the evil forces who would destroy it and at the same time, liquidate the Jews. For us it is a battle to the death, the Nazis or ourselves must be destroyed.

The Rabbi drew a graphic picture of the epic battle of the Warsaw ghetto and all that it symbolizes. The audience stood for a moment in respectful silence in honor of those unforgettable heroes and that lone leader, who refused to bow to the Nazi yoke, Rabbi Balaban.

As usual, we have to thank the generous Sam Bucher for the quality

and bountiful supply of his frankfurters. The attendance was perhaps the largest of the season.

### MEMBERSHIP

Jack Alpert, our Membership chairman gleefully announces and welcomes as new members, Dr. Erich Buechler, Meyer B. Picker, Bernard B. Price, Dr. Sigmund Klein, Harry Lowenthal, Dr. Joseph H. Friedman, Sylvester J. Liebermann. With the addition of Harry Lowenthal of New Haven, Conn., we now have members in eight states of the Union. That leaves us only forty more to go!

### OUR ANNUAL DINNER

Reservations for our Annual Dinner, Tuesday, May 23rd in the Social Hall, are coming in thick and fast, reports Dinner Chairman H.I. Bucher. We are practically at capacity now. The principal speaker will be Rex Stout, famous author, (creator of Nero Wolfe), radio narrator, chairman of the Writers' War Board and leading member of Freedom House. Our well known artist member David Immerman, will give a unique demonstration of his skill. Sam Levinson, the clever Hebrew dialectician will hold forth in his usual laugh provoking style. All this and more for the subscription price of five (\$5.00) dollars.

## CHARITY BAZAAR

MONDAY, MAY 1st at 8:30 P.M.

*in the*

SOCIAL HALL

This is a joint venture sponsored by the Men's Club and Sisterhood. It affords you an opportunity to purchase new merchandise at very low levels. All proceeds go to charity. After the completion of the sale, a collation will be served. Members of the congregation, Sisterhood and Men's Club are welcome.



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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### FRIDAY

Mincha Services ..... 6:30 P.M.

#### SATURDAY

Morning Services ..... 9:00 A.M.

Weekly Portion: Tazria-Metzora

Leviticus: 12:1-15:33

Haftorah: II Kings 7:3-20

Talmud Class ..... 6:15 P.M.

Mincha Services ..... 7:30 P.M.

#### Daily Services

Morning ..... 7:30 A.M.

Sunday morning ..... 8:30 A.M.

Evening ..... 6:30 P.M.

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