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VETERANS' SABBATH

Saturday, April 6th, will be Veterans' Sabbath in our synagogue. A special service will be conducted in honor of the men and women who so nobly served our country and have now returned to civilian life.

In accordance with Jewish tradition when a person passes safely through an experience that is fraught with danger to his life or health, it is incumbent upon him to offer a thanksgiving prayer to the Almighty for having been spared from peril. This prayer is known as "Gomel Benschen."

The return of a serviceman to his family and friends is certainly an occasion for great rejoicing. We, of the synagogue, are particularly happy to welcome back into our midst our own sons and daughters, and to give expression to these sentiments, we have decided to dedicate a special Sabbath for that purpose. We invite the veterans and their families to come to our synagogue and participate in these impressive "Gomel" services.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETS MARCH 27

Mr. Abbott Bernard, chairman of the Religious School Committee has called a meeting of the committee for Wednesday evening, March 27, at 8:30 in the library of the synagogue.

At this meeting a full report will be rendered on the activities of the Religious School and its extension division. The organization of the school for next year will be fully discussed and a budget adopted. Every member of the committee is urged to attend this meeting.

PASSOVER RELIEF APPEAL

At this time of the year as we approach the Passover holidays, it is our religious obligation to announce our annual Passover relief appeal the quota of which is five thousand dollars.

As in the past, part of the proceeds will be used to provide the poor and needy of our community with Passover necessities. A substantial sum will be allotted for the purchase of special Passover packages to be sent to our stricken brethren in the DP camps in Germany. A portion of the fund must also be sent to the refugee rabbis who have managed to escape from war-torn Europe and are now safe in Palestine.

It is not necessary for us to elaborate on the worthiness of these causes. If you were asked to save the life of a Jew, we know what your response would be. That is exactly what we are asking you to do through our Passover Appeal.

We ask you in the name of mercy to make your contribution more generous than ever before. Remember that you are in a position to save the life of a fellow Jew. We cannot say more.

Checks should be made payable to the Benevolent Fund of the Congregation.

KAY JAYS PLAN SPRING DANCE

At its last meeting the Kay Jay Youth League discussed plans for a Spring Dance to be held in the Synagogue House on Saturday night, April 13th. Full details will be announced in the next issue of the bulletin.

You and Your Friends are cordially invited to attend
the regular meeting of the K. J. Sisterhood on

MONDAY, MARCH 25TH AT 1:30 P. M.
in the home of Mrs. Jack Sommers, 1120 Park Avenue

to hear

MISS ELEANOR A. NASH

Clothes Advisor of Bonwit Teller & Co.

discuss

"STYLE TRENDS"

Social Hour Will Follow

GAY PURIM

A Week of Festivities

All who participated in our Purim celebration will agree that this was a grand community festival in the full sense of the word. In addition to the customary synagogue services, which were well-attended, several celebrations were held in our Synagogue House. Young and old took part in these festivities giving full expression to their holiday feelings.

A capacity congregation of men, women and children ushered in the holiday with the traditional reading of the Megillah in the main synagogue last Saturday night. The beautiful rendition of the Book of Esther by our ritual director Mr. Joseph Adler, accompanied by the usual "gragers" and noise makers in the hands of the gay and orderly youngsters set the tone for the celebration. After the service, the entire congregation gathered in the Social Hall where holiday greetings and felicitations were exchanged over a cup of coffee and "hamantaschen."

On Sunday morning, the festivities were resumed with the regular Purim service and reading of the Megillah followed by a community breakfast.

At 10:30, a grand Purim Party was held for the children in the gaily decorated Synagogue House. Every

available seat in the auditorium, as well as on the balcony, was occupied by the eager and jolly youngsters of our Congregation, the Religious School and the Ramaz School. Many of them were dressed in colorful Purim costumes. The program of entertainment featured Peter Pan, the Magic Man whose bag of tricks and surprising stunts fascinated the young audience. He was followed by Norbets' Musical Puppet Show, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Judging from the tremendous applause and the merriment of the youngsters, this was a perfect Purim Party, one that will long be remembered by them.

On Monday night, the Adult Classes of our Congregation celebrated Purim in their own fashion. They sang holiday songs, led by Miss Gozela Adler, one of the students, and partook of the delicious Purim refreshments.

The culmination of the festival was marked by the Men's Club Purim Celebration on Tuesday night, March 19th. Acting as host to the Congregation and Sisterhood, the Men's Club greeted a record throng of men and women who filled every seat in the auditorium. Many of them brought "Shalach Monos" offerings in the form of packages of food and medical supplies for our needy brethren in Europe.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

OUR ANNUAL DINNER APRIL 30, 1946

Mr. Hy Bucher, Chairman of our Sixth Annual Dinner that will be held April 30th in the Synagogue House reports that the number of reservations that have already come in is highly gratifying. Judging from the enthusiasm of our members and their eagerness to participate in this function, there is no doubt that the dinner will be oversubscribed.

This annual event is usually held late in May. This year, however, due to the "Sephirah" period, it will take place in April. Since the time is short and accommodation are limited, we ask those who have not as yet made their arrangements to do so at once. Please call the synagogue office and let us know that you are coming.

The price of a subscription is Ten Dollars, (\$10.00) which includes dinner, drinks, smokes and entertainment. No other charge will be made.

As previously announced, the principal speaker of the evening will be the prominent attorney, Mr. Basil O'Connor, law partner of the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. The program of entertainment will feature the well-known actor and humorist Zvi Schooler in his repertoire of anecdotes and monologues.

The program of the evening opened with the showing of the latest March of Time film on Palestine through the courtesy of our esteemed member, Mr. Samuel Rosen. The guest speaker was Professor Salo Baron, who talked on the subject "American Jewry and Post War Settlement." After the forum, Purim refreshments were served to all in the Social Hall of the synagogue, thus bringing to a close one of the gayest Purims in the annals of Kehilath Jeshurun.

PROFESSOR SIDNEY HOOK TO ADDRESS APRIL FORUM

Our next meeting and forum will take place Tuesday evening, April 9th, in the auditorium of the Synagogue House. The guest speaker will be Professor Sidney Hook who will talk on the subject: "A Promise Without Dogma — A Social Philosophy for Jewry."

Professor Hook is Chairman of the Department of Philosophy at New York University. He has gained prominence as a penetrating thinker, writer and lecturer on social and political problems. His presentation is both stimulating and challenging.

RAMAZ NOTES

Ramaz children filled 55 American Junior Red Cross packages with sorely needed articles of various kinds to be shipped to Europe. . . . Simeon Berman of Grade 6 was the winner of the Senior Purim Quiz in which representatives of all grades took part. . . . The Jewish Education Committee Theatre for Children is presenting "The Cave of the King" on Sunday afternoons through April and May at the Master Institute on West 103 St. and Riverside Drive. Admission prices are: 35 c. for children and 75 c. for adults.

CLUB NOTES

The scouts of Boy Scout Troop 656 and Girl Scout Troop 3-126 are going on a joint hike to Tibbetts Brook on Sunday, March 26, 1946. . . . The Monday afternoon Recreation Group has places for girls and boys who would enjoy an hour in the gym learning new games and developing skill in old games.

GREETINGS

Many happy returns of the day to our member, Mrs. Benjamin Jacoby, who is celebrating her birthday this week.

Synagogue Officials

Joseph H. Lookstein *Rabbi*
 Victor Gold *Cantor*
 Joseph E. Adler *Ritual Director*
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Officers of the Congregation

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, March 23
 7:30—K. J. Athletic Club
 Sunday, March 24
 4:00—Kay Jay Youth League
 Monday, March 25
 1:30—Sisterhood Meeting
 3:30—K. J. Recreation Group
 8:00—Class in Hebrew I
 8:00—Class in Hebrew II
 8:30—Talmud Class
 9:00—Class in Jewish History
 Tuesday, March 26
 3:30—Cub Pack 656
 Wednesday, March 27
 3:30—Brownie Troop 3-273
 8:30—Religious School Committee
 Thursday, March 28
 7:30—Boy Scout Troop 656

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles5:50
 Mincha6:00

SATURDAY, Shabbat Parah

Morning9:00
 Children's Services10:00
 Weekly Portion: Tzav
 Leviticus 6:1-8:36; Numbers 19:1-22
 Haftorah: Ezekiel 36:16-38
 Mincha5:50
 Conclusion of Sabbath6:42

DAILY SERVICES

Morning7:30
 Sunday Morning8:30
 Evening6:00

Yahrzeits

MARCH

25 FANNIE VOGEL
 26 ANNIE EDELMAN
 26 MOSES DAVIS
 26 LOUIS TOPKIS
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