

FEBRUARY 14, 1947

YEARBOOK CAMPAIGN CLOSES

Volume Being Prepared for Press

The Jubilee Yearbook campaign which was begun late in November has now been brought to a successful conclusion. Thanks to the efforts of our able committee and our efficient ad-getters, the financial results of this project have broken all previous records.

The Yearbook Committee, headed by Messrs. Marcus, Lustbader and Siegel is highly gratified with these results and extends its hearty thanks to all the ad-getters for their splendid efforts and to all the ad-givers for their generous cooperation.

The 1947 Yearbook being the Diamond Jubilee Yearbook of the congregation, will naturally reflect the historic character of the occasion. In form as well as in content it will surpass all the previous Yearbooks published by the congregation. Because of the wealth of material to be included in the Jubilee Yearbook, the committee has decided to publish it in two separate volumes. The first volume will contain a historic survey of Kehilath Jeshurun, pictures of the early founders and of some of the most significant events in the congregational history. In addition, it will include a comprehensive account of the objectives and activities of the Men's Club and Sisterhood.

The second or supplementary volume will contain the highlights of the congregational year and the calendar. In it will also be featured the compliments and greetings of the many friends and well-wishers of Kehilath Jeshurun. The material for this volume is now being prepared and will soon go to press.

SUNDAY SUPPER LECTURE SERIES WILL BE INAUGURATED

Fifty Years of Zionist History to be Discussed

A new feature of cultural activity will be inaugurated next month. It will take the form of a Sunday night supper to be followed by a lecture and discussion period. The subject to be discussed will be, "From Basle to Basle—Fifty Years of Zionist History." The lectures will be given by Rabbi Lookstein and guest

SHABBAT SHEKALIM The First of Four Important Sabbaths

This Sabbath is known as Shabbat Shekalim and is the first of four important Sabbaths that precede the Passover festival. In ancient days it was the practice to announce on the first day of Adar the collection of a poll tax. This consisted of half a shekel which was used for various public services in the Temple.

The other three significant Sabbaths are known as Sabbath Zachor immediately preceding Purim, Shabbat Parah and Shabbat Hachodesh. On each of these Sabbaths special prayers are recited and a special portion of the Torah is read appropriate to the occasion.

On this Shabbat Shekalim, in addition to the special services, Rosh Chodesh prayers for the new month of Adar will be recited. Rosh Chodesh will be on Thursday and Friday, February 20 and 21.

Come with your family to the synagogue this Sabbath to usher in the season of joy and festivity. lecturers whom he will invite

SHEVAT 24, 5707

The lecture series will begin on Sunday evening, March 23rd. The second lecture will be on March 30th; the third on April 13th and the fourth on April 20th. It will be open to men and women, young and old. Naturally, we are especially anxious to have members of the congregation, its affiliates and their families.

Full details will be published in forthcoming issues of the **Bulletin.** The general program, however, can already be set down. At seven o'clock on the Sundays of the Supper Lectures, a buffet supper will be served. Then, the lectures will be delivered and a general discussion with questions and answers will ensue. The titles of the lectures for the four weeks will be:

- 1. "Forerunners of Political Zionism."
- 2. "The Foundations of Zionism: A Discussion of Early Zionist Congresses."
- 3. "The Major Parties of Zionism, their Platforms and Contributions."
- 4. "Zionism and Palestine Since the Mandate."

Here is an opportunity for our congregants and their friends to become

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RABBI LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SABBATH at 10:45 A.M. on

"THE CLIMATE IN WASHINGTON"

Reflections on the Hearings of the Atomic Energy Control Committee

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD

Cordially Invites the Women of the Congregation to the

DESSERT LUNCHEON AND OPEN MEETING

Monday, February 17, 1947, 1 P.M.

at the home of

Mrs. Samuel A. Marcus, 1185 Park Avenue, New York

Guest Speaker

MRS. BENJAMIN GOTTESMAN

National Vice President of Hadassah and Delegate to the World Zionist Congress

THIS SATURDAY'S SERMON

The hearings before the Atomic Energy Control Committee, which have been continuing for three weeks, have gained nation-wide, if not world-wide, attention. The assassination of the character of David Lilienthal, one of the foremost public servants in this country, is hurting the sensibilities of every democratically minded American. There are elements and aspects in these hearings that touch upon the very foundamentals of democracy. What is taking place in the committee room is, therefore, of concern to American citizens of all faiths and nationalities.

During a recent visit to Washington, Rabbi Lookstein attended a session of the Committee and heard the testimony presented by Dean Acheson, Under-Sec'y of State. He also heard the examination of the witness by Senator McKellar of Tennessee. It should, therefore, prove very interesting to hear the Rabbi's sermon this Saturday on this subject and to get his first-hand reactions to what is taking place before the Atomic Energy Control Committee. Those who are familiar with the Rabbi's method and attitude may expect a fearless and forthright statement of the issues involved. Do not miss this Saturday's sermon and please be sure to be in your seats before 10:45.

HEROES OF ISRAEL TO BE DISCUSSED AT SABBATH CIRCLE

Beginning with Saturday afternoon, February 22nd, we will resume the Sabbath Circle which met for the last several seasons. Now that the day is a little longer, we are happy to bring back that welcome institution which met with so much approval in the past.

The afternoon will begin with Mincha Services at an hour to be announced. Then, tea will be served in the Social Hall of the Synagogue, and while sitting around the tables a lecture on an outstanding spiritual hero of Israel will be delivered by Rabbi Lookstein. Occasional guest lecturers will be invited. Discussions will be encouraged.

The Sabbath Circle is for the families of the Congregation. Of course, men and women will be welcome. Among the heroes to be discussed will be: Hillel, Akiba, Ben Zakai, and other outstanding Talmudic personalities. As the weeks go on the saints, sages and scholars of the mediaeval period will be presented. Among them will be Maimonides, Gabirol, Halevi, Rashi and others. If you want to spend a lovely Sabbath afternoon in a religious and social atmosphere, you will arrange to attend the Sabbath Circle.

SISTERHOOD VOTES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR RAMAZ Extends Many Other Benevolences

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee held Monday afternoon, February 10th, the Sisterhood in accordance with its established practice again voted to provide five scholarships totaling \$1,000 to the Ramaz School.

In addition, the Sisterhood voted generous contributions to many other worthy causes and institutions. Among them are the American Jewish Conference, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and the New York University — Bellevue Medical Center. It also doubled its treasury contribution to the United Jewish Appeal.

These are just a few of the benevolences extended by the Sisterhood. Throughout the year, the organization is alert and helpful to every noble cause, whether it be congregational, communal or national.

The record of the Sisterhood on behalf of the SOS Food and Clothing Drives is well known throughout the city and has earned the commendation of the Joint Distribution Committee. Right now, the organization is actively engaged in the SOS Knitting Project and many knitted articles have already been completed. Within a few days, a special committee will begin to prepare Passover boxes for overseas as well as for the Yorkville Passover Relief.

All of these activities would of course be impossible without the fullest support of its membership. The Sisterhood is proud to proclaim that this year its membership is not only the largest but also the most active in its entire history. In everyone of its undertakings thus far, the organization has enjoyed the unstinted and whole-hearted cooperation of every member.

RABBI INSCRIBED

IN J.N.F. GOLDEN BOOK

During his recent visit to Mexico, Rabbi Lookstein was invited by the Zionist leaders to address a board meeting of the Jewish National Fund in Mexico City. After the Rabbi's inspiring words, the board voted to inscribe his name in the "Sefer Hazahav"—The Golden Book of the J.N.F. as a token of admiration and esteem. The Rabbi expressed his sincere gratitude to the Zionists of Mexico for the honor bestowed upon him.

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KEHILATH JESHURUN BULLETIN

BARMITZVAH BOYS GREET RABBI

Those who attended the Father and Son Minyan and Breakfast last Sunday morning were deeply impressed with the enthusiastic "Welcome Home" reception accorded Rabbi Lookstein by the Bar Mitzvah boys of the congregation. Seated around the breakfast table, the boys and their fathers eagerly listened to the Rabbi who related some of the experiences he encountered on his trip to Mexico. They were particularly inspired by his vivid description of "prayer above the clouds." The words of the Psalm-ist, "The heavens declare the wonders of the Lord," the Rabbi said, "can best express my feelings as I put on my tefilin and said my prayers at dawn. We were then flying at 8,000 feet over the mountains of Mexico. The sun was beginning to rise and bathed the whole landscape below with an orange hue. Here was a sight for the artist, a thought for the philosopher and an inspiration for the religionist. How great are thy works,

O Lord." Ira F. Weisman, President of the Men's Club introduced the Rabbi and fittingly called him "the traveling salesman of Judaism." He extended to him the cordial greetings of all present.

The Bar Mitzvah Minyan and Breakfast is a weekly feature of the congregation and is conducted entirely by the boys each Sunday morning in the chapel of the synagogue. On this occasion, Fred Zuckerman officiated as Chazan and George Gruen led in the saying of grace at the breakfast table.

SUNDAY SUPPER LECTURE SERIES

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oriented in the most dynamic movement of modern Jewish life. This opportunity should be welcomed by all alert and intelligent Jews. A syllabus of the course is being prepared by the Rabbi, which, in addition to an outline of the course, will also have a reading list for those who may want to pursue further independent study of the subject.

There will be a charge of five dollars for the entire series, to cover the cost of the supper. Admission to a single Supper Lecture will be \$1.50. Reservation blanks for the series will shortly be in the mail.

YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS ARE INVITED

to attend the

FORUM MEETING OF THE MEN'S CLUB

Tuesday, February 18th, 1947 at 8:30 P.M.

in the

Auditorium of the Synagogue House

to hear

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

speak on

"JEWS AND JUDAISM IN MEXICO"

The meeting will begin promptly at 8:30 with the showing of the two latest films:

"MEXICO CITY" and "TOURING MEXICO"

Collation

Ladies are Cordially Invited to this Forum

PURIM IS NEAR

Reserve Sunday, March 9th

The joyous holiday of Purim will be celebrated this year on Thursday, March 6th. The Megillah—Book of Esther will be read on Wednesday night, March 5th.

Purim has always been observed by our congregation in a gay and festive manner. This year we are planning an elaborate program for the Megillah Night as well as for Sunday night, March 9th when the Men's Club and Sisterhood will hold their annual Purim Party. In the next issue of the **Bulletin**, we shall announce full particulars about the celebrations.

We are informing you far in advance so that you may reserve these dates and arrange to spend the holiday together with our congregational family.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

The congregation and its affiliates join in extending hearty greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob D. Cohen ("J.D.") who are celebrating their fortieth wedding anniversary this week. May they observe many more in good health and happiness. . . . Similar greetings are extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. Leserson on their wedding anniversary.... We are happy to greet Lt. Mervin Sacks, a member of our Men's Club who has recently returned to civilian life after four and a half years of active overseas service.... Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Alex Lichtman who is now in the hospital.

Good wishes for a speedy recovery to our esteemed member, Mr. Maurice Bergman, who is convalescing at his home...Mr. Bergman was thrown from a horse while vacationing on a ranch near Los Angeles. Get well and "Keep 'em Riding!" Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun 117-25 East 85th Street SAcromento 2-2272

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Mrs. Harry Etra Presid	dent, Sisterbood

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting	of	Candles	5:10
Mincha			5:20

SATURDAY, Shabbat Shekalim

Morning 9:00
Children's Services10:00
Weekly Portion: Mishpatim, Exodus
21:1-24:18; 30:11-16
Haftorah: II Kings 12:1-17
Rosh Chodesh Prayers. Rosh Cho-
desh Adar will be on Thursday
desh Adar will be on Thursday and Friday, February 20 and 21

DAILY SERVICES

Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	8:30
Evening	5:20

YAHRZEITS

February

17—CHARLES BOGDANOFF
17—CHARLES I. LEFF
17—AARON B. JACOBY
18—ABRAHAM K. FLESHNER
18—HYMAN ALPERT
19—ELIAS GOTTFRIED
19—HERMANN ELKELES
20—HERMAN KAHN
20—REUBEN ÄLPERT
21—LEA D. ASTOR

INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH STUDIES BEGINS NEW TERM

The Kehilath Jeshurun Institute for Jewish Studies has just completed a successful winter term. The men and women who attended regularly during this session have made fine progress in their studies and are proud of their achievements.

The new spring term will begin Monday, February 17th. Those who wish to enroll for one or more of the courses offered by the Institute are urged to do so no later than Monday. There are classes for beginners as well as for advanced students. Sessions in each subject are held once a week. This should make it convenient for every adult to enroll in at least one class.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The congregation acknowledges the receipt of a very generous contribution to its Benevolent Fund by Mr. Isidore Etra in memory of the late Isaac H. Adler, brother of Mr. Joseph E. Adler, and in memory of Mrs. Sofi Caesar, mother of Irving Caesar. . . .

The Sisterhood Happy Day Fund, of which Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel is chairman, gratefully acknowledges the donations of Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann, Mrs. Harry Fischel, Mrs. Joseph E. Adler and Mrs. Jacob H. Alpert...

The Men's Club Benevolent Fund extends its thanks to Messrs. Abbott Bernard, Hy Bucher, Alexander Kommel, Saul J. Lance, Sol Lustbader, Samuel Rosen and Aaron Simon for their generous contributions.

RAMAZ ROUNDUP

Tu Bi-Shevat was observed by the children of Ramaz last Wednesday in an appropriate manner. They enjoyed the latest technicolor film on Palestine, "Home Are the Hunted," as well as the bags of Hamisha Asar fruit and candy given to them by the *i* Parent's Council. . . . Ramaz is proud to announce 100 per cent pupil participation in the recent drive for the March of Dimes. . . . On Sunday, March 2nd, Ramaz pupils will see the new play, "Rich Man, Poor Man" staged at the Hecksher Theater by the Children's Theater of the Jewish Education Committee.... The Ramaz Chorus will take an active part in observing Jewish Music Month (February 7th to March 6th) which has been proclaimed by the Jewish Music Council, sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board. . . . On Saturday night, February 15th, the Ramaz Alumni Society will hold a dance in the school gymnasium. A basketball game between the Ramaz Alumni and the Kay Jay Youth League will precede the dance. Admission is by invitation only.

On Wednesday, February 12th, Lincoln's Birthday, Grade VI-I, English, presented an original play entitled, "A Fight for Freedom". In between scenes Grade VI-II, English, sang Negro songs.

APARTMENT FOR CANTOR

Our Cantor Hyman Gertler is in need of a three room apartment, within walking distance of the Synagogue. Should you know of any vacant apartment, please inform us at once. You will thereby render a valuable service to the congregation.

