

MARCH 14, 1947

# GAY PURIM PARTY CLIMAXES HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES

**One Thousand Attend Megillah Services** 

The Purim Party sponsored by our Men's Club and Sisterhood last Sunday night, March 9th marked the culmination of the gayest Purim celebration in the history of Kehilath Jeshurun. It was an evening of holiday cheer and friendship and left a lasting impression upon the men and women who attended.

It took a lot of energy and effort to arrange this magnificent event and we are glad to say, that everything was planned and executed to the satisfaction of all. The fine buffet supper, the splendid service, and the excellent program of entertainment all helped to create the atmosphere of gaiety that prevailed throughout the entire evening.

# **Ramaz Chorus Performs**

The highlight of the party was the Ramaz Chorus of seventy voices which presented a most delightful and colorful Purim Operetta, "Gilbert and Sullivan in Shushan," that set the tone for the evening and charmed the entire audience. Rabbi Lookstein extended holiday greetings to all present and emphasized the religious and social values of these congregational holiday celebrations.

Cantor Gertler rendered several vocal selections and the audience then joined in the singing of Purim and Palestine songs. This was followed by the showing of a technicolor film on Palestine,

At the conclusion of the entertainment part of the program, the audience spent the rest of the evening dancing to the music of the Jeno Bartal Musicleers.

The Ramaz Chorus was under the direction of Mr. Julius Grossman, who

also led in the community singing. Jack Baras was the piano accompanist.

## **Our Ardent Workers**

Mr. Ira F. Weisman, President of the Men's Club and Mrs. Harry Etra, President of the Sisterhood, expressed their sincerest gratitude to all those who contributed to the success of the evening. They singled out Mr. Alex Garfein, chairman of the committee, who spared neither time nor effort in making the necessary arrangements for the party. His able co-workers were: Mr. Daniel Block, Mr. Hy Bucher, Mr. Eli Garfein, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel B. Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs.

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#### A SPECIAL SABBATH

This Saturday is known as Shabbat Parah and is the third of four special Sabbaths that precede the Passover holiday. On this Sabbath, Rosh Chodesh prayers will be recited for the month of Nisan—the month of redemption and freedom. There will be liturgical readings and a special portion of the Torah will be read. Rabbi Lookstein will speak at 10:45

We expect you and your family in our synagogue this Sabbath.

# BRING HAPPINESS TO THE DEPRESSED

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Last week we announced in this bulletin our annual Passover Relief Fund. Letters have also been sent to our congregants urging them to fulfill their religious obligations toward their needy fellow Jews both here and abroad.

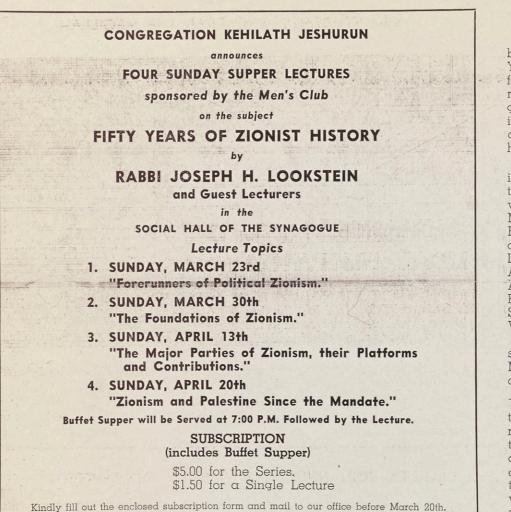
The immediate response to our appeal has been gratifying. We are particularly pleased to note that many of our congregants, having fully realized the life-saving object of the Passover Fund this year, have contributed more generously than ever before.

If you have not as yet sent in your contribution, please do so at once. The time is short and the need is great. We know that you give and give freely to many worthy causes throughout the year. This cause, however, is one that you cannot overlook, one that you must not overlook. Bear in mind the three-fold purpose of the fund: To provide for the needy of our community; to send packages of Passover food to our brethren in the DP camps in Europe, and to aid the aged and infirm Rabbis here and in Palestine.

Surely these causes deserve your warm-hearted and generous support. Let it be reflected in your contribution. Checks should be made payable to the Benevolent Fund.

Rabbi Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 10:45 A.M. on: "THE JUDAISM THAT CAN BEST SURVIVE IN AMERICA." On the occasion of the ordination of eighty-five rabbis at Yeshiva University.

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#### WITHIN OUR FAMILY

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Every year at this time we welcome the opportunity of congratulating our esteemed trustee Mr. Samuel Levy on the occasion of his birthday. Our heartiest greetings to him and Mrs. Levy who are also celebrating their wedding anniversary. Both happy events occur March 17th. We all join in wishing them many more years of good health and happiness.

Several other members are observing their birthdays this week. Sincerest greetings to: Mr. Solomon Hecht, Dr. Sigmund Klein, Mr. Leigh Robbins, Mr. Eric Aschkenasy, Mrs. Samuel B. Cooperman, Mrs. Jerry Coan, Mrs. Leon Gronowitz and Mrs. Benjamin Jacoby.

Congratulations to Mrs. Mona Kamerman on the Bar Mitzvah of her son Albert that will be celebrated in our synagogue this Saturday. Albert is a pupil of our Afternoon Religious School.

# GAY PURIM PARTY

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George Jacobs, Mr. Alexander Kommel, Mr. and Mrs. Saul J. Lance, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Leifert, Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein and Dr. and Mrs. Robert Wallach. A hearty thanks to all these for a most enjoyable and unforgettable evening.

#### **Record Throng Hears Megillah**

As mentioned above, the party was the culmination of holiday fes-

# WE SALUTE

Our congregants and friends will be delighted to hear that the Jubilee Year Book which is being prepared for the press has established a new record of accomplishment for our congregation. To all who had a share in its success—to the ad-getters as well as the ad-givers—we express our heartiest thanks and appreciation.

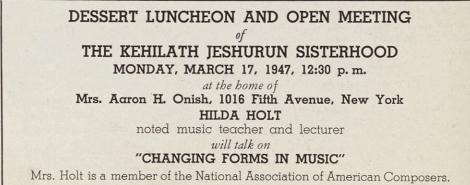
Now that the project is closed, it is fitting that we give special recognition to those who excelled in their work for the Year Book. We salute: Messrs. Thomas Bornstein, William B. Fischberg, Benjamin Jacoby, Alexander Kommel, Louis Lipschutz, Sol Lustbader, Harry Lowenthal, Samuel A. Marcus, Frederick Margareten, Aaron H. Onish, Jules Podell, Murray Rosenberg, Elliot W. Siegel, Aaron J. Simon, Ira F. Weisman, Abraham R. Winer, and Louis W. Yohann.

All have performed a noble and splendid service to the congregation. May God bless them for their efforts and devotion.

tivities which began Wednesday night, March 5th with the reading of the Megillah. This was attended by one thousand men, women and children who filled every seat on the main floor of the synagogue as well as in the balcony. The principal guests of the evening were the 300 gay youngsters of Ramaz and of the Afternoon Religious School who participated in the services in the traditional Purim manner.

The beautiful reading of the Megillah by eight students of Ramaz was greeted by the spontaneous outburst of applause by the entire congregation. (A dispensation for Purim.)

At the conclusion of the service, the adults partook of refreshments in the Social Hall and the children enjoyed a fascinating Purim show in the auditorium. Bags of Purim goodies were provided for all by the Sisterhood.



# **MEN'S CLUB NEWS**

# Scholarships for Ramaz

Our membership will be gratified to hear that in accordance with the established practice of our organization, we have again made a substantial contribution to the Ramaz Scholarship Fund. The Men's Club takes particular pride in the splendid work of the school which it helped to build, and is happy to express its appreciation, in word and in deed, for the fine progress that the school has made during the ten years of its existence.

It should be mentioned that the Men's Club fosters and supports the other educational activities of the congregation. It provides annual scholarships for the Afternoon Religious School and sponsors the Bar Mitzvah Minyan and Breakfast held Sunday mornings in the chapel.

#### Seventh Annual Dinner

The Seventh Annual Dinner of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday, May 20th in the auditorium of the Synagogue House. This year, the dinner will bear a special character and will undoubtedly be the outstanding event of our season. Full particulars about the program will be announced in the forthcoming issues of the Bulletin.

We announce the date sufficiently in advance because we know that all of our members, without exception, will want to attend this dinner. The price of a subscription is 10.00, which includes dinner, drinks, smokes and entertainment. No other charge will be made.

Reservations are now being accepted. Please make your check payable to the Men's Club and mail it to our office. The chairman of the dinner is Mr. Hy Bucher.

#### Welcome New Member

The worthiness of our organization is attested by its ever-increasing membership. We are indeed happy to welcome into our ranks Mr. Sidney Mills and extend to him our good wishes.

#### CONDOLENCES

We extend heartfelt condolences to Mr. Samuel Goodside on the passing of his dear brother in Pittsburgh. Mr. Goodside is assistant to the Supervisor at Ramaz. May he be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

# RAMAZ STUDENTS WHO READ THE MEGILLAH



From left to right: Norman Bernhard, Ari Icikovic, George Gruen, Jacob Blum, Mark Reiss, Haskel Lookstein, Marvin Teichman and Fred Zuckerman.

# YOU AND YOUR MEN FRIENDS ARE INVITED

to attend the

Men's Club

FRATERNITY NIGHT

TUESDAY, MARCH 18TH, 8:30 p.m.

in the auditorium of the Synagogue House

• GAMES

MOVIES

REFRESHMENTS

Everybody is welcome-There is no admission charge.

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#### Synagogue Officials

#### Officers of the Congregation

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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### FRIDAY

Lighting	of Candles	5:44

## SATURDAY—Shabbat Parah

Morning 9:00
Children's Services
Weekly Portion: Vayakhel-Pekude,
Exodus 35:1-40:38; Numbers 19:1-
22
Haftorah: Ezekial 36:16-38
Rosh Chodesh Prayers. Rosh Cho-
desh Nisan will be on Saturday,
March 22
Mincha 5:00
Sabbath Circle 5:15
Conclusion of Sabbath 6:37

#### DAILY SERVICES

Morning		7:30
Sunday	Morning	8:30
Evening		5:50

## YAHRZEITS

#### March

15—ANNEI EDELMAN
15-MOSES DAVIS
16—LOUIS TOPKIS
16—ANDREW VOGEL
17-JOSEPH KAILES
17—SAMUEL GOURARY
18—GITEL BACKER
18—ETTA SCHLANG
18—DAVID F. PHILLIPS
18—FANNIE LEWIN
19—PAULINA WAGNER
20—FRANZISKA
GOTTSCHALK
21—BARUCH DAVID
KAPLAN
21—ROSE GLASS
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# HOW WELL INFORMED ARE YOU ON ZIONISM?

There is no doubt that Zionism is the outstanding movement of our generation. Moreover, it is the major subject on the agenda of the world. In every country and in every parliament, it is discussed **pro** and **con**. Soon the United Nations will grapple with it.

What do you know of Zionism, its early history, its philosophy, its contributions to the upbuilding of Palestine? How familiar are you with the major parties of the Zionist movement, their platforms and their achievements? How fully enlightened are you as to the problems that confront the movement, and what opinions have you formed as to the solution of these problems?

How rich is your fund of knowledge concerning the Lovers of Zion, the Biluists, the Territorialists, and the **Ahad Ha'amists**? Are you one of those who regards Zionism as contradictory to Americanism?

What part did the following personalities play in the renaissance of the Jewish people—Kalischer, Mohilever, Hess, Pinsker, Nordau, Ben Yehuda, Bialik and numerous others?

Have you an unbiased picture of contemporary Palestine, its economic conditions, its social and cultural life, its heroic struggle against imperialism, its resistance to tyranny and betrayal? What does the future hold in store for the Holy Land and what part should you play in it?

These are some of the questions that should be answered by Rabbi Lookstein and guest lecturers in the course of four Sunday night supper lectures that will begin on March 23rd. Our Rabbi is well known to our congregants and to American Jewry. He is recognized not only as an active Zionist leader but also as an authority on the entire subject of Jewish nationalism. Students of Yeshiva University, at which he gives the course on Jewish Nationalism, and audiences throughout the country have been instructed by him on this subject. Now our own congregation will have an opportunity to receive from him a scholarly, yet popular, an academic, yet practical, presentation of this vital and all-important subject.

You cannot possibly afford to miss this series. We are especially anxious to have the membership of the congregation, Men's Club, Sisterhood, Ramaz and Religious School Parents' Councils attend this series of lectures. The Rabbi is particularly interested in getting the young people of the congregation to attend the lectures.

The dates are: Sunday nights, March 23rd and March 30th, April 13th and April 20th. A buffet dinner will be served on those nights at seven p.m. in the Social Hall. Then the lecture will follow with a period for questions and answers. The fee for the entire series is \$5.00 and for individual lectures, \$1.50 per person. Please use the enclosed reservation form and mail it to us without delay so that we may expect you. We ask you to remember that the space is limited and that we cannot accomodate too many. Please, therefore, make haste, and you will thank us for this advice.

