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# RABBI LOOKSTEIN RETURNS FROM SURVEY OF CONDITION OF EUROPEAN JEWRY

# TO ADDRESS MEN'S CLUB SEPTEMBER 9th

In its first meeting of the year, the Men's Club is honored to act as hosts to the Congregation. The Sisterhood. and the entire Kehilath Jeshurun family in welcoming Rabbi Lookstein upon his return from Europe. At this meeting, arranged for Tuesday, September 9th at 8:15 p.m., the Men's Club expects a capacity crowd in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House to give a rousing welcome to the Rabbi who is returning with Mrs. Lookstein from a brief but exciting visit to the Continent. Speaking on the subject "The Fate of Europe and its Jews-an Eyewitness Report." the Rabbi will bring to his audience a first hand account of his experiences during a short trip replete with touching and thrilling moments.

The Rabbi's prime motive in making this trip was to attend a special consultative conference of the General Mizrachi movement, called for August 15th in Zurich, Switzerland. The purpose of this conference was twofold: first, the formulation of proposals for the reconstitution of the present structure of the Mizrachi movement; secondly, deliberation upon methods of strengthening Mizrachi throughout Europe. Rabbi Lookstein, as a member of the national Administrative Board of the American Mizrachi, was one of the American delegates to the conference,

## THE MEN'S CLUB

cordially invites the Congregation, the Sisterhood and the entire Kehilath Jeshurun family

to join in welcoming

# **RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN**

Tuesday Evening, September 9th at 8:15 p.m.

in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House

Rabbi Lookstein will speak on

"THE FATE OF EUROPE AND ITS JEWS - AN EYEWITNESS REPORT"

## Refreshments will be served

which was also attended by representatives of the movement in England, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland, Palestine and Jewish DP camps in the United States zones of Germany and Austria.

As an auxiliary mission abroad, the Rabbi volunteered to serve as representative of the Joint Distribution Committee in surveying European institutions supported by JDC funds. With particular emphasis on child-care centers, Rabbi Lookstein visited most of the eighty-five institutions in his whirlwind tour that carried him through three European capitals and hundreds of smaller cities and towns.

During the course of his itinerary, the Rabbi had occasion to talk in personal interview with Jan Masaryk, Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia; leaders of the Haganah and the Jewish Agency, including Moshe Sneh; and outstanding personalities in Jewish diplomatic and national circles. In Carlsbad the Rabbi was accorded

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## SISTERHOOD NEWS

With the summer recess now nearing its close, the members of the Sisterhood are looking forward with eagerness to a program of activity to surpass that of all previous years. The new administration, headed by its President, Mrs. Alexander Kommel, is anxiously anticipating a very active and promising season of events and activities.

We are informed that the Sisterhood is embarking on a project that will write a new page in the annals of our Sisterhood, and is, in fact, a totally new enterprise, never undertaken by any Sisterhood in the country. Once more, we will be able to point with pride at our Sisterhood, and share in the glory that will be theirs.

The first meeting of the Sisterhood will take place the end of September. The exact date, place of meeting and other details will be announced in forthcoming issues of the Bulletin.

We hope our members have enjoyed a healthy and refreshing summer vacation, and that they will join in our work with renewed vigor. A good time to start is with this first meeting of the season.

## **Happy Day Fund**

Under the capable leadership of its Chairman, Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel, the Happy Day Fund is becoming one of the favorite "pet charities" of our members. Many worthy causes will benefit, as in the past, from the generosity of our contributors, and we express our heartfelt thanks to our donors for their thoughtfulness.

Recent contributions to the Happy Day Fund were received from the following: Mrs. J. Kohn and Mrs. A. Kirshon, in commemoration of their respective wedding anniversaries; and Mrs. Harry Fischel, as a farewell gesture upon her departure with her husband for Palestine.

Contributions were also received from Mrs. George Jacobs and Mrs. Rose Alpert, in memory of Jacob H. Alpert.

## **RABBI LOOKSTEIN RETURNS**

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a welcome which was heart-warming and fraternal. Not the least exciting of the Rabbi's experiences, was the unfolding of the "inside story" of the Jewish refugee ship, **Exodus 1947:** the action taken by the French government, and that of the Jewish Agency.

The meeting of the Men's Club on September 9th which Rabbi Lookstein will address, promises, therefore, to be a highlight of the year. As a source of enlightenment, interest and first-hand information, this meeting will doubtless prove to be a longremembered occasion.

As all of our congregants know, Rabbi Lookstein, upon his return from a War Department mission to Europe in 1946, gave us the benefit of his experiences and reactions. Conditions in Europe, particularly among the remnants of our people there, have undergone considerable change since the close of the war, and we are fortunate in being able once more to have our Rabbi, who is an astute observer, give us his account of the world scene as it is today.

Remember the date: Tuesday evening, September 9th, at 8:15 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House. A collation will be served at the conclusion of the meeting. The nature of the meeting has prompted the Men's Club to throw open its doors and invite one and all.

Let's turn out in numbers to greet Rabbi Lookstein and, in addition, benefit from the action-packed month in world Jewish affairs in which our Rabbi has participated.

## HAVE YOU RESERVED YOUR SEATS?

With the High Holy Days rapidly approaching, and the already small number of choice seats diminishing daily, we suggest that those seatholders and new worshipers who have not as yet reserved their seats place their reservations NOW.

Those who wish to reserve seats may come to the Synagogue Office in person between 9:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. daily. Or, if more convenient, arrangements may be made by calling the Office at SAcramento 2-2272.

Our Office staff will be glad to assist in the selection of seats.

## **MEN'S CLUB NEWS**

The Men's Club is off to a flying start! With its first meeting of the year on September 9th scheduled to greet the Rabbi on his return from abroad, The Men's Club is manifesting its eagerness to make this a banner year in its history. As still another indication, the roster of members in the Men's Club has never been as extensive as it now is.

Pending the completion of the alterations our buildings are now undergoing, many of the plans for the new year cannot be fully realized. However, a number of activities will be carried on, as in the past, such as the Tuesday evening Forum Meetings, the Sunday morning Father and Son Minyan and Breakfasts, and numerous benevolent projects.

In particular, the Men's Club plans to stress the Jacob Alpert Memorial Scholarship Fund. This fund, created this past spring, provides scholarships to Ramaz School and our afternoon Religious School. It is to be hoped that the Men's Club will be highly successful in this venture, so that more and more children may have the opportunity to partake of the education we have to offer.

Continuing its practice of the past year, the Club will sponsor the Sunday evening Supper Lectures. This year, this series of lectures will be under the supervision of the Rabbi and the Congregation, and we are confident that our efforts will meet with as much success as in the past.

If the enthusiasm of the members of the Men's Club is any indication, this year will indeed be one of great achievement. We are confident that the efforts of this affiliate of our Congregation will be crowned with success.

## **Executive Board**

The first meeting of the Executive Board of the Men's Club will be held on Wednesday evening, September 3rd, at 8:30 in the Lounge of the Synagogue House. At this meeting, the Budget Committee, which is now meeting, will submit a budget for the coming fiscal year.

#### **Congratulations**

We are truly proud to number among our members Arthur Raphael, who was recently elected President of Freedom Lodge of Bnai Brith. Best wishes for a successful administration.

# WITHIN OUR FAMILY

## Birth-

... Congratulations to our dear members, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Etra, upon the arrival of a son.

... Our best wishes are also extended to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Herman upon the birth of a son. To our esteemed Trustee, Mr. Isidore Schlang, the grandfather, a Hearty Mazel Tov on this occasion.

#### Marriage-

... Sincerest wishes to our worthy members, Mr. and Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman upon the recent marriage of their son, Sidney, to Miss Marjorie E. Rosh of Weehawken.

## Birthdays-

... Heartiest birthday greetings to Mrs. Max Cooper, Dr. David E. Hyman and Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman.

#### Anniversaries-

... We wish many many more happy years of wedded bliss to the following members who recently celebrated their wedding anniversaries: Dr. and Mrs. Wolfgang Casper, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob A. Kaplan, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Lipsitz, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Onish, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sacks.

## Speedy Recovery-

... We offer our prayer that our worthy member, Henry Astor, recover speedily from his illness. Mr. Astor, incidentally, is to be congratulated upon his election as President of Yorkville Lodge of Bnai Brith.

## CONDOLENCES

We offer our deepest condolences to the following members who suffered irreparable losses during the summer months:

... Messrs. Harry and Phil Bachrach, upon the loss of their beloved sister, Mrs. Isaac Cohen;

. . . Mrs. Harold Freedman, upon the loss of her beloved mother, Mrs. Zenaide Brandstein;

. . . Mrs. O. Garfein, upon the loss of her beloved brother;

. . . Mrs. J. C. Herman, upon the loss of her beloved son;

. . . Mrs. Emanuel Jacobs, upon the loss of her beloved mother, Mrs. Bella C. Warnstadt;

. . . Mrs. D. Harry Kleinfeld and Mrs. Lillian Leifert upon the loss of their beloved father, Zigmund H. Wechsler;

. . Mr. and Mrs. Norman Livingston,

# WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

We are glad to welcome into our growing family the following new members, whose memberships were received during the course of the past few weeks.

Particularly are we glad to greet the first "charter" members of our new category of affiliates — Junior Membership. This classification pertains to the children and grandchildren of our members, whose ages range from 13 to 21 (or until marriage). Special benefits are bestowed upon our Junior Members, including seats for the High Holy Days.

#### **Regular Members:**

Mr. Arthur T. Bernstein, Mr. Charles M. Brandstein, Mr. A. Milton Brown, Mr. Nathan D. Brown, Mr. Theodore Brown, Mr. Julius Charnow, Mr. Max Cooper, Mr. J. J. Einhorn, Mr. Leo R. Goldman, Mr. Isidore Grossman, Mr. Louis Kanarek, Mr. David L. Lippoff, and Dr. Leslie Logan.

#### **Junior Members:**

David Bernard, Fred Bernard, B. Warren Brown, Lawrence Cooper, Mimi Etra, Naomi Jacobs, Aaron Billy Kommel, Arthur M. Rosen, Charles T. Rosen, Helen N. Rosen, Herbert Rothstein, Lewis D. Siegel, and Walter J. Vogel.

## **Special Membership:**

At one of the last meetings before the summer, a Special Membership category was established. This group is open to widows of former members, who are interested in joining in our work, and, simultaneously, deriving the benefits which this type of membership has to offer.

We welcome into this new group Mrs. Jacob H. Alpert, whom we wish many years of continued active participation in the work of our Synagogue.

As we go to press, we learn that membership applications have been received from the following: Mr. Joseph Backer, Mr. Morton Kamerman, and Mr. I. Jerome Riker.

Gerald Backer, Elliott M. Gross, Martin Marcus, Elliott Messing, Fred Zuckerman and Matthew Zuckerman have applied for Junior Membership.

To all, we extend our wishes for many many years of fruitful affiliation with us.

upon the untimely loss of their daughter, Dian Pauline.

We pray that the Almighty spare them from further sorrow for many years to come.

## SELICHOTH SERVICES TO BE CONDUCTED SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

On Saturday, September 6th, at 12:45 a.m. the traditional Selichoth Services will be conducted. Cantor Hyman Gertler will officiate, and a brief sermon will be delivered by the Rabbi. In view of the alterations now taking place in our main Synagogue, these services will be held in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House.

Come and bring your friends to Selichoth. Come in order to usher in the season of prayer and penitence and in order to attune yourself to the mood of reverence and piety of the High Holy Days.

## CONGREGATIONAL SINGING GROUP TO MEET

Our High Holiday Services have always been a source of great inspiration and dignity to our worshipers. The atmosphere that pervades the Synagogue and the decorum which obtains, add immeasurably in enhancing the services, lending to them a feeling of awe and reverence during this period of introspection, penitence and prayer.

One of the outstanding and most beautiful features of our services is the Congregational Singing, during which our worshipers add their voices to that of the Cantor, in supplication and prayer. In order to coordinate the Congregational Singing into the regular service, and, too, in order to be able to bring to our worshipers the different portions of the service in which the congregation participates, our Cantor, Rev. Hyman Gertler, has arranged a class in Congregational Singing for Tuesday evening, September 2nd, at 8:00 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House.

We feel certain that under the direction of our Cantor, this class will go a long way toward assuring the beauty and dignity of the forthcoming Holiday services. Make every effort to attend this class, and thereby help in making our services as outstanding as they have been these past years. Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun 117-25 East 85th Street SAcramento 2-2272

#### Synagogue Officials

Joseph H. LooksteinRabbi
Hyman GertlerCantor
Joseph E. AdlerRitual Director
Jerome H. Rosenblum. Executive Director

## Officers of the Congregation

Max J. Etra	President
Saul J. LanceVice	President
Abraham R. Winer	Treasurer
Alexander Kommel	Secretary
Ira F. Weisman President, M	en's Club
Mrs. Alexander Kommel Pres. S	isterbood

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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Mincha	6:30
SATURDAY	
Morning	9:00
Weekly Portion: Ki-Tetzay, Det	uter-
onomy 22:10-25:19	
Haftorah: Isaiah 54:1-10	
Mincha	7:20
Conclusion of the Sabbath	8:10
DAILY SERVICES	
Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	8:30
Evening	6:30

## YAHRZEITS FOR THE WEEK August

30-	-DAVID MATUSOW
31-	-AIDLE GROSS
31-	-ANNIE FRIEDMAN
31-	-RACHEL GOTTFRIED
31-	-IDA CUMMINGS

#### September

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- 4-RACHEL BACHRACH
- 5—CHARLES SCHLANG
- 5-RACHEL HYMAN

#### 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.

# **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION IN PROGRESS**

# **Classes begin Sept. 8th**

Our afternoon Religious School, which has earned for itself an enviable reputation in Jewish educational circles, is now in the process of registering new children for the school year 1947-48. Under the guidance of its new principal, Jerome H. Rosenblum, the Religious School looks forward to a year of further achievement in the direction of giving the young boys and girls of our community a thorough Jewish education.

Under the recently instituted program of the School, we are able to provide for the educational needs of children from Kindergarten level through the high school. In small, homogeneous classes, our pupils are afforded individual attention at the hands of a highly qualified welltrained staff of teachers.

Our program of studies includes Prayers, Bible, Language, History, Laws and Customs, and impart an appreciation of Jewish values and Jewish living. A unique feature of our Religious School is our Club program for our pupils. Serving to supplement classroom work; as a medium for the self-expression of the children; and as a source of meaningful enjoyment, the club program offers a wide variety of activities for the children to choose from. This past year the Religious School sponsored Arts and Crafts, Dramatics, Dancing, Newspaper, Puppets, Current Events and Yiddish Clubs, and the outlook for

the future indicates the addition of a number of new groups. Other extracurricular activities include the Junior Congregation at which the children of the Religious School conduct their own services under the guidance of a trained supervisor; dramatic presentations and assemblies; and trips to points of Jewish interest.

• Realizing the importance of beginning a child's Hebrew education at the same time as he starts his secular training, we formed a Kindergarten class during the past year, with facilities for children between the ages of 4½ and 6. Under the watchful and loving eye of a trained Kindergartner, these tots attend once weekly —on Sundays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.—and participate in all Kindergarten activities of Jewish content.

Throughout, classes are conducted in a modern manner, and the progressive methods and techniques used in language teaching are employed. Classes meet twice each week from 4 to 6 and on Sundays from 9:30 to 12:30. Sessions for the new school year will start Monday, September 8th.

Registration is now in progress and will continue throughout the month. We urge parents to enroll their children early so that classes may start on time. The principal will be glad to confer with parents regarding the Hebrew education of their children and assist in planning an adequate program of studies for them.