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**RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN**

will preach this Sabbath at 10:45 a.m.

on the third of his four-lecture series on

**"Previewing the Jewish State"**

The topic this week is

**"Religion and the Jewish State"**

**1947 YEAR BOOK LAUNCHED**

**Elliott W. Siegel Appointed Chairman**

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees held last week, the final plans for the 1947 Year Book were announced. Elliott W. Siegel, a champion ad-getter last year, was designated as chairman for this year's publication. The names of the members of his committee will shortly be announced.

**DR. SAMUEL FRIEDMAN  
OF BLESSED MEMORY**

Our congregation sustained a great loss in the passing this week of Dr. Samuel Friedman, a very esteemed member of the congregation.

For a number of years during which he could spare the time, Dr. Friedman served as a member of the Board of Trustees. His association with our synagogue dates back many years. Every one in Kehilath Jeshurun respected him for his deep Jewish scholarship and his great service to our people.

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Encouraged by the reaction to the 1946 issue — the Diamond Jubilee Year Book — which received highest commendation from all who read it, efforts will be made to assure a similar reception for this year's volume. As an outstanding literary volume, as a valuable documentary record of Kehilath Jeshurun activities, and as a beautiful esthetic product, the 1947 Year Book will maintain — if not surpass — the standards set by year books of previous years.

The material results from advertisements, greetings and compliments of last year's book were so gratifying that an even higher quota was set

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### SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON AN UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS

Words cannot possibly describe the Annual Donor Luncheon sponsored by the Sisterhood which took place this past Tuesday at the Waldorf-Astoria. A subscription which filled the Wedgewood Room to overflowing, participated in an affair unparalleled in Sisterhood history—we dare say in the history of **any** Sisterhood—and left an impression that will be difficult to equal.

The Luncheon was high-lighted by a Fashion Show in which such outstanding names as Trigere in gowns, Maximilian in furs and Van Cleef and Arpels in jewels, displayed their latest fashions in a most magnificent exhibition. Guests were given Hattie Carnegie lipsticks as gifts, and were treated to a delightful program which included a brief but inspiring talk by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein; greetings from Max J. Etra and Ira F. Weisman, presidents respectively, of the Congregation and Men's Club; and music by Meyer Davis.

In an appropriate manner, Mrs. Alexander Kommel, President of the Sisterhood, presented a beautiful gift to her predecessor, Mrs. Harry Etra, and expressed the congratulations of the organization to Mrs. Jacob Rudd, Chairman of the Luncheon, Co-chairman Mrs. Harry Bonat, and the entire committee, whose efforts were mainly responsible for the success of the affair. The afternoon was rounded out by the awarding of valuable prizes to the luckier quests present, through the efforts of the Raffle Committee, headed by Mrs. Aaron H. Onish.

In a word, the affair was superb. The glamour, exquisite beauty and festive impressiveness which permeated the occasion will live long in the memories of all who attended. Indeed, this Luncheon was **the** affair of the year, and no expression of thanks to those who worked toward its success could suffice.

### WITHIN OUR FAMILY

#### Birthdays—

Many Happy Returns of the Day to the following members who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Mrs. Irving Angel, Mrs. Oscar Gruen, Mrs. Saul J. Lance, Dr. Paul Lehman, Mrs. Frederick Margareten, Mrs. Henry A. Rafsky and George Ratner.

#### Anniversaries—

We are happy to extend our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin D. Gold and to Mr. and Mrs. David L. Lippoff, on the occasion of their wedding anniversaries. May you celebrate many many more happy anniversaries.

#### Speedy Recovery—

We are happy to learn that Mrs. Aaron H. Onish has recuperated from her recent illness, and we wish her a speedy return to her active work for our Sisterhood.

### CONDOLENCE

It is with sorrow that we record the passing of the beloved father of Mrs. Louis Lipschutz, and we extend to her and her family our hope that they be spared further grief for many years to come.

### DR. SAMUEL FRIEDMAN ע"ה

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In his eulogy at the funeral service, Rabbi Lookstein said in part: "Dr. Friedman, or as he was generally known, 'Shabbos' Friedman, was more than an individual, more than a learned person, or a skilled physician. He was a type, indeed, an institution in himself."

We extend to all the members of his family, and especially to his son, Joseph N. Friedman, a devoted member of our congregation, the heartfelt sympathy of the entire membership. We assure them that the ideals cherished by their father and the service he rendered to Israel will long live in the hearts and minds of the Kehilath Jeshurun family.

**MEN'S CLUB NEWS****Hear Rabbi Heilpern  
at Forum Meeting—**

Those who were not present in the Auditorium last Tuesday evening missed one of the finest talks ever heard at a Men's Club Forum Meeting. Those who came were thankful for having had the opportunity of hearing Rabbi C. L. Heilpern relate what goes on "Behind the Iron Curtain in Cyprus."

In a brief but eloquent address, Rabbi Heilpern described conditions in the Cyprus Camps as he saw them during his six-months' stay there. But even more interesting was his translation into words of the innermost feelings of the internees. From their debarkation from boats ironically named "Empire Comfort," to their joyous celebration at having received certificates for entry into Palestine, the conditions, attitudes and reactions of our brethren there were experienced by the Rabbi, and told to us in a vivid, dynamic talk that was replete with moments of humor and heart-rending pathos.

It was a rare treat to hear of the "political" division of the Camps; the soccer games between the Jewish and British teams—games in which the honor and prestige of the Jewish people were at stake—and of holiday celebrations—spontaneous outbursts, heart-warming songs and dances, and spirited to an unparalleled degree.

Rabbi Heilpern was most warmly received; his message will remain with us for a long long time.

**New Members—**

Welcome, Jacob H. Leff and Morris Lustbader! We wish you many happy years of association with us.

**Welfare Fund—**

We acknowledge with gratitude receipt of generous contributions from Max J. Etra and Louis W. Yohann, and express our heartfelt thanks at this added manifestation of their devotion to our organization.

**"NO THEOCRACY IN  
JEWISH STATE" SAYS  
RABBI LOOKSTEIN**

Before a capacity congregation last Saturday, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein continued his addresses on the general subject of "Previewing the Jewish State." The subject of last Saturday's sermon was "The Character of the Jewish State."

Many are expecting a theocracy to be the form of government of the new Palestine, the Rabbi said. He explained that the word, theocracy, was first used by the Jewish historian, Josephus. After defining that word as referring to a government in which God was king and in which the affairs of government were under the immediate direction of religious functionaries, such as priests or rabbis, the Rabbi said: "Such a theocracy hardly ever existed in ancient Palestine. It is, therefore, scarcely probable that that will be the form of government of the future Palestine." He explained that he would deal with that phase of the subject more exhaustively in his third lecture, entitled, "Religion and the Jewish State."

Above all we must remember, the Rabbi said, that whatever the form of government in Palestine, it will be determined, directed, and controlled by the Jewish citizens of the land. This is as it should be. American Jewry, however great its contribution to the establishment of the Jewish State, and however generous its future support may be, should not at any time determine the nature or dictate the policy of the state.

"Undoubtedly Judea will be a democracy" said the Rabbi. "We are confident that it will be an ideal democracy. The pattern for such a democracy has long ago been set by and outlined in the Torah of Israel. Ours will be a democracy which will improve upon the errors and shortcomings of other democracies. Ours will be not a Jeffersonian, a Jacksonian, or even a Rooseveltian democracy, but a Mosaic democracy."

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles..... 4:10  
Mincha..... 4:20

#### SATURDAY

Morning..... 9:00  
Children's Services..... 10:00  
Weekly Portion: Vayigash, Gene-  
sis 44:18 - 47:27  
Haftorah: Ezekiel 37:15 - 28  
Mishnah Class..... 3:30  
Mincha..... 4:15  
Conclusion of Sabbath..... 5:05

#### DAILY SERVICES

Morning..... 7:30  
Sunday Morning..... 8:30  
Evening..... 4:20

### 1947 YEAR BOOK

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for this year. The proceeds will be used, of course, for subsidization of scholarships in the Ramaz School and the afternoon Religious School, as well as for the other important religious, educational and philanthropic projects of the congregation.

Already the ad-getters are at work and many of them are assuring us that they will go well beyond their last year's accomplishments. It is not improbable in the light of certain promising developments that we will more than double last year's income from this source. As in the past our objective will be to have every member secure at least several ads from friends or business associates. Ad blanks will shortly be mailed out to every member of the congregation.

We are confident that every member of the Kehilath Jeshurun family will extend every cooperation to the 1947 Year Book, to its Chairman, Elliott W. Siegel, and to his committee.

### YAHREZITS FOR THE WEEK

21—MENDEL GOTTESMAN  
22—MORDECHAI  
ROSENBERG  
22—JOEL RESNICK  
22—PAULINE W. LURIE  
23—HARRIS MAYER  
23—ANNE RUBINSKY  
23—HERMAN HELLER  
25—SAMUEL ABELOFF  
25—SARAH GOTTESMAN  
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