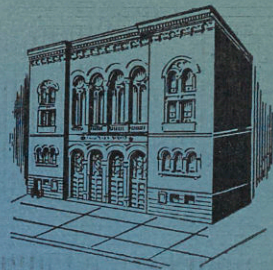


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RABBI TO DISCUSS RECONSTRUCTIONISM AT SUPPER LECTURE SUNDAY NIGHT

In the third Supper Lecture of the current series on the general subject, "The Religious Complexion of American Jewry," Rabbi Lookstein will speak on "Reconstructionist Judaism." Like the two preceding lectures, this will be held at the Ramaz High School building, 22 East 82nd Street; supper will be served at 7:00 and the lecture will follow.

Those who were present at the first two lectures, know how enlightening and entertaining they have been. The Rabbi is exceptionally well versed in the field; his knowledge of every facet of Jewish religious life is truly expert. It goes without saying that the manner in which the Rabbi clarifies the question and presents the various points of view, is such that it challenges each and every member of his audience. This has been more than borne out by the calibre of the questions that follow the Rabbi's lecture.

Next Sunday, April 11th, the Rabbi will speak on "The Religious Future of American Israel," the concluding lecture of the series. In it, too, the Rabbi will touch upon Orthodox Judaism—the only phase of Judaism not as yet discussed.

A few more reservations for both lectures can be accepted. The subscription is \$2.00 for the evening, including the supper. If you want to spend an enjoyable evening—replete with sociability, enjoyment and valuable information—contact the office and place your reservation.

With this issue, we begin a new policy of issuing a bi-weekly Bulletin in large form. We hope you will enjoy reading its contents, and we hope, too, that the new format will add to your enjoyment.

OVER 200 PRESENT AT PURIM PARTY CAPACITY CONGREGATION HEARS MEGILLAH Religious School Purim Program Received by Full Auditorium

The foregoing headlines reflect, in substance, one of the most outstanding week-ends in K. J. history. Beginning with the Reading of the Megillah and continuing through the last minutes of the Party Sunday night the festivities attendant upon the proper celebration of Purim were, each and every one of them, outstanding from both the qualitative and quantitative points of view.

In the Synagogue —

Wednesday evening found the synagogue and balcony filled to capacity. After Maariv services, at which Cantor Hyman Gertler officiated, the congregation listened to a rendition of the Megillah Reading which will long remain with them. Eight students of Ramaz read the Megillah—each better than the other. So overwhelmed was the congregation, that, taking advantage of a special dispensation granted by Rabbi Lookstein, congregants burst into applause. Said Rabbi Lookstein, "If we can make noise of derision at an ancient enemy of Israel, we can noisily acclaim eight Jewish youngsters upon their reading of the Megillah." The names of those boys who participated—and whom we thank most heartily—are: Morton Berger, Warren Brown, Ari Ickovic, Lawrence Kobrin, Haskel Lookstein, Arthur Stein, Marvin Teichman and Fred Zuckerman.

In the balcony were present over 100 children of Ramaz and the Religious School, who, supervised by their teachers, joined in the evening's service. The traditional Purim accoutrements—groggers and Hamen-tashen—made the evening even more memorable to those children present.

Religious School Assembly —

On Sunday morning, the Religious School presented its annual Purim Assembly Program. On this occasion, too, the Auditorium was filled to capacity, with pupils, their parents and friends occupying every available seat. The program was highlighted by the Dramatics Club presentation of "A Merry Purim," a two-act play in which the "actors" gave ample evidence of their histrionic abilities. Poems, songs and recitations, plus the showing of a comedy motion picture, rounded out the morning's program.

Rabbi Lookstein took the occasion to speak briefly to those parents present. He announced the formal beginnings of a Parents' Club—an association of parents who are interested in Jewish education, with membership open to all alike (not necessarily parents of children now attending. The first meeting of the Parents' Club will take place on May 5th; details will be announced shortly.

Purim Party an Outstanding Success —

Sunday evening, the Purim Party, sponsored by the Sisterhood and Men's Club, took place with a sell-out subscription present. Every feature of the evening—the supper; Reuben Varga, who displayed uncommon virtuosity on the violin in spite of his blindness; the Ramaz Chorus presentation of "Purim Streamlined"; the all-too-short time listening to Sam Levenson and his side-splitting reminiscences of his upbringing—EVERYTHING, in brief, was just swell.

We cannot thank too warmly those members of the Purim Committee, headed by Ira F. Weisman and Mrs. Robert Wallach, who made the Party so grand an affair.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Neediest Cases Committee Seeks Your Cooperation —

In the short space of time it has been in existence, the Sisterhood Neediest Cases Project, of which Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman is chairman, has surpassed the record of achievement which it set out to accomplish. Almost countless are the number of deserving cases which the Sisterhood, through this project, has already assisted, and commendation is reaching the committee from many many sources.

In rendering the assistance it has already given, the committee has always managed to do so quietly, unassumingly, and in such manner as to reflect credit upon their sense of philanthropy. There is, however, one case before the committee which requires the cooperation of our entire membership.

Through the Foster Home Department of the Jewish Child Care Association, the committee learned that the Edenwald School for Boys, a school in our city whose program is geared for the manually-minded, is in need of three radios. It is a modest request—one which, after investigation by the committee, should receive our consideration. The sources available to the committee have been tapped, but to no avail.

We are therefore calling upon our entire membership for aid: If you have a spare radio in good condition, or if you know of someone who does, please call the synagogue office. We will arrange for its transportation to the Edenwald School.

Help us maintain our record of accomplishment.

Happy Day Fund —

Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel, chairman of the Happy Day Fund, is happy to acknowledge with gratefulness the generous contribution of Mrs. Louis J. Singer.

In this pre-Passover period of giving to those who are in need, we are certain there are many members who are anxious to do their bit. The Happy Day Fund is as good a medium as any for the alleviation of some of the anxiety and worry of some worthy cause. Your contribution, therefore, will be doubly appreciated.

Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood

OPEN MEETING

Monday, April 5th, at 1:00 p.m.

at the home of

Mrs. Samuel Rosen

1185 Park Avenue

New York City

Rabbi JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

will speak on

"THE FATE OF THE JEWISH STATE"

Guest Artist: Miss Sylvia Cyde

PASSOVER RELIEF QUOTA REACHES HALF MARK

Close to \$1500 came in during the course of one week in response to our Passover Relief Campaign. The Kehilath Jeshurun family deserves every commendation for a prompt and generous response. Apparently, our membership and friends are impressed by the special significance of this year's appeal and by the causes to which our monies are going.

As a result of the fine headstart that we were given we already sent our cheque of \$1,000 to the Yorkville Passover Relief Committee. That agency distributes matzoth and other Passover necessities to the needy of our community. It also advances special money grants to deserving families and to needy rabbis and scholars who do not come to the attention of public charity.

Our friends will also be pleased to learn that, confident of their generosity, we have made arrangements for a goodly sum to be distributed among families who are trapped in Jerusalem and whom outside help can reach only with great difficulty. We should like to send them more and we shall be able to do so if the standard of giving established by the early contributors will continue.

Once again, therefore, we call upon all our friends to remember the Passover Relief Campaign. Just as soon as you have read this notice, make out your cheque payable to the Benevolent Fund of the congregation and mail it off at once. We have \$1500. We need that much more. Please help!

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

New Members —

We are happy to welcome Louis I. Kaplan and Max Petroff into membership in our Men's Club, and we wish them many years of happy association with us.

Birthdays —

Many Happy Returns of the Day to the following members on their forthcoming birthdays: Henry Astor, Harry Bachrach, Dr. Morris Bien, Alexander Feifer, Mrs. William B. Fischberg, Isidore Grossman, Aaron H. Onish, Jules Podell, Morris Ratnoff, Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann.

Marriage —

We express our heartiest congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Sigmund Klein on the occasion of the marriage of their daughter, Alice, to Dr. Murray Sherwin. To the newly-weds go our very best wishes for a long and happy life together.

Anniversaries —

Congratulations to the following members who celebrate their wedding anniversaries, soon: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Astor, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fine, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Levey and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rudd.

Speedy Recovery —

We were disturbed to learn of the operation which Samuel Lewis, Jr. recently underwent. We are happy, however, that he is now recuperating, and we pray that his recovery be complete and speedy.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS**Executive Board
Meets April 6th —**

The next meeting of the Men's Club Executive Board will take place this Tuesday evening at 8:30 p.m. in the Lounge of the Synagogue House.

The season of activity is rapidly drawing to a close. There remain, after the Forum Meeting of April 13th, only two more affairs: the Annual Dinner and the Annual Membership Meeting. However, in addition to making the arrangements for these functions, there remains much to do with regard to the philanthropic work in which the Men's Club engages. Accordingly, the little remaining time must be spent in active work in rounding out the year's activities. All Board members are urged to be present at this meeting.

**Annual Dinner Set
for May 18th —**

The Annual Men's Club Dinner, another of the outstanding affairs sponsored by the group, has been set for Tuesday, May 18th. The program has not as yet been announced, but we have been assured that this year's dinner will be one that will be long remembered by all who attend.

Reservations are now being accepted in the Synagogue office. Since only a limited number can be accommodated, time is of the essence. Get your reservation in now! Plan to be with us on May 18th.

**JEWISH WAR VETERANS
PARADE THIS SUNDAY**

Protesting the reversal by our government of its Palestine policy, the Jewish veterans of the last two wars will parade this coming Sunday morning. The parade will end at Madison Square Park where a huge protest rally will be held with prominent speakers addressing the audience.

This demonstration by Jewish war heroes is of great value. Those who fought for a just and honest world are demanding of our own government that it remain just and that it practice honesty. Let us join this demonstration, not only by taking our places along the line of march but by attending the rally at Madison Square Park. The rally will begin at twelve noon.

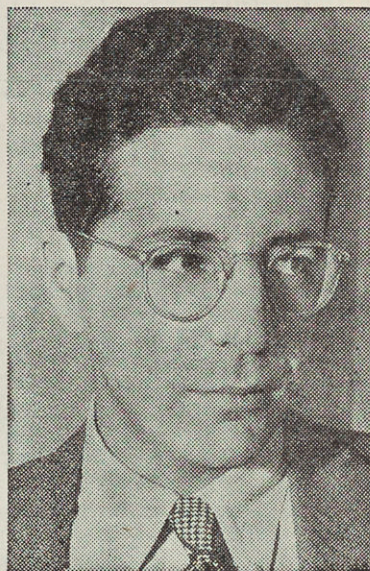
THE MEN'S CLUB

cordially invites you and your friends to its

Last Forum Meeting of the Season

Tuesday, April 13th, at 8:30 p.m.

in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House

**ALVIN ROSENFELD**

correspondent of the New York Post

will speak on

"THE NEXT SIX MONTHS IN PALESTINE"

Ladies Invited

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles..... 6:00
Mincha 6:10

SATURDAY, Shabbat Parah

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:00
Weekly Portion: Shemini,
Leviticus 9:1-11:47;
Numbers 19:1-22
Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:16-38
Rosh Chodesh Prayers: Rosh
Chodesh Nisan will be on
Saturday, April 10
Mincha 6:10
Conclusion of Sabbath..... 6:55

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30
Sunday Morning 8:30
Evening 6:15

TWIXTEENERS TO DISCUSS

COMMUNISM AT NEXT MEETING

At its next meeting, this Sunday afternoon, the Twixteeners will conduct a discussion group on Communism. Members of the group anticipate lively discussion of the subject, and Mr. Samuel Goodside, director of the Twixteeners, is confident of a comprehensive and intelligent analysis. It should be interesting to hear these teen-agers develop a comparison between the democratic and communistic ways of life. An invitation to all young people between the ages of 15 and 17 is hereby extended.

A similar invitation is extended teen-agers to join the Twixteeners on their trip to the Robert Merrill Radio and Television Show, which will take place next Sunday, April 11th. Arrangements have been made to accommodate an additional number of guests; interested parties are urged to contact Mr. Goodside of the synagogue office.

The first major social function of the group—its Membership Dance and Entertainment—has been set for Saturday evening, May 8th. An evening of well-rounded enjoyment is planned, and the Arrangements Committee is looking forward to capacity attendance.

It is apparent that the Twixteeners, in the short time of its existence, has mapped out a program of cultural and social activities that will be hard

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 4, 3:00 p.m.—Meeting of the Twixteeners—Room 301.

Sunday, April 4, 7:00 p.m.—Third Supper Lecture; Rabbi Lookstein will speak on "Reconstructionist Judaism"—Ramaz High School, 22 East 82nd Street.

Monday, April 5, 1:00 p.m.—Sisterhood Open Meeting; Rabbi Lookstein will speak on "The Fate of the Jewish State"; at the home of Mrs. Samuel Rosen, 1185 Park Avenue.

Tuesday, April 6, 8:30 p.m.—Meeting of the Men's Club Executive Board—Lounge.

Thursday, April 8, 8:30 p.m.—Meeting of the Board of Trustees—Lounge.

Sunday, April 11, 7:00 p.m.—Concluding Supper Lecture; Rabbi Lookstein will speak on "The Religious Future of American Israel"—Ramaz High School, 22 East 82nd Street.

Tuesday, April 13, 8:30 p.m.—Men's Club Forum Meeting; Alvin Rosenfeld will speak on "The Next Six Months in Palestine"—Auditorium.

to parallel. All boys and girls within the age limits of the group are asked to drop in at one of the Twixteeners' meetings and participate in the goings-on. We are sure that after the first visit, they will join as active members.

YAHREZEITS

April

3—ANNIE EDELMAN
3—MOSES DAVIS
3—LOUIS TOPKIS
6—ETTA SCHLANG
6—GITEL BACKER
8—FRANZISKA GOTT-SCHALK
9—BARUCH D. KAPLAN
11—JENNIE THEAMAN
11—ANNA SCHARF
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