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BOY SCOUT TROOP TO BE SPONSORED BY MEN'S CLUB

At the last meeting of the Executive Board of the Men's Club, favorable consideration was given to the motion to sponsor a troop of the Boy Scouts of America in our building.

Mr. Ira F. Weisman, President of the Men's Club appointed Mr. Benjamin D. Gold as Chairman of the Troop Committee. Assisting Mr. Gold are Messrs. Hyman I. Bucher, Alex Garfein, Benjamin Leifert, Dr. Ned Wachtel and Dr. Robert Wallach. Mr. Martin Klein will act as Scoutmaster.

Mr. Gold announced that a meeting has been held with a field executive of the Boy Scout movement, and that after a preliminary discussion, steps were taken toward the formation of a local scout troop.

The first meeting of interested boys was held Wednesday evening, and a large number of boys was present. From the eggerness and enthusiasm evidenced that evening, a successful group is in the offing.

The Troop is open for membership to all boys of the age of twelve and up. A Cub Scouts unit is planned for boys between the ages of ten and twelve

All boys who are interested in joining either troop are asked to call the synagogue office. Further information will be forwarded to them.

SIMHAT TORAH SERVICES THRILL WORSHIPERS

GROOMS OF THE LAW HONORED

Once again, Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun engaged in a successful experiment of religious pioneering, the effects of which will be long remembered. We refer, of course, to the exceptional Simhat Torah services that were held on Monday night and Tuesday morning in our synagogue.

On Monday evening a large congregation turned out to participate in the Hakafoth ceremonies. As the service was about to begin, the children of the Religious School, with American and Jewish flags in their hands, marched into the synagogue to the tune of "Boruch Elokenu" and took their places in a special section reserved for them. The Ma'ariv Service was read by Cantor Gertler and the congregational chants in the course of that service formed a medley of synagogue melodies sung throughout the year.

The Hakafoth processions were most impressive. Each of the seven processions was headed by a marshal. The marshals were: Mr. Abbott Bernard, Chairman, Religious School Committee; Mr. Max J. Etra, President of the Congregation; Mr. George Jacobs, Chairman, Board of Ushers; Mr. Saul J. Lance, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Ramaz School; David Rosen, newest Junior Member of the Congregation; Mr. Isidore Schlang, Gabbai of Daily Services, and Mr. Ira F. Weisman, President of Kehilath Jeshurun Men's Club. The trustees as

well as many of the worshipers were dressed in evening attire.

As each procession ended excerpts from the Cantata, "What is Torah?" were recited by four students of Ramaz School. At one point, a group of Ramaz boys danced the Hora to the tune of Hava Nogila. The congregation caught the mood of the song and dance and joined in the melody which was punctuated by characteristic and rhythmic hand-clapping. This provided not only a Palestinian but also a Hasidic touch to the occasion.

A special Simhat Torah booklet as well as a printed Order of Service was placed in the hands of every worshiper so that all could follow intelligently and participate enthusi-

astically.

On Tuesday, Simhat Torah morning, an attendance not much smaller than that of the High Holy Days, joined in the day's festivities. In small and orderly groups the worshipers were called to the Torah in accordance with the traditions of the day. After all the adults received their honors, the children were called to the reading-desk, a tallis spread over them in Chupah fashion and all of them in unison recited the blessing over the Torah. Then almost intuitively, the youngsters turned to the Rabbi and stood with their heads bowed as the Benediction was pronounced over them with the entire congregation standing. It was an im-

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Rabbi Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 10:45 A.M. on

"EVEN GOD STARTS AT THE BEGINNING"

A Shabbat Bereshith Sermon

ANNUAL DONOR LUNCHEON

and

FASHION SHOW

sponsored by the

KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD

Tuesday, December 7th, 12:30 p.m.

Wedgewood Room - Waldorf-Astoria

Gowns

Furs

Jewels

by

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by

Trigere Maximillian

Van Cleef & Arpels

Donor Subscription: Twenty dollars

Guest Subscription: Fifteen dollars

MRS. HARRY FISCHEL TO REPORT ON PALESTINE FOR SISTERHOOD

Mrs. Miriam Fischel, the wife of our late esteemed Harry Fischel, has just returned from Palestine for several months stay in America. During the entire war period in the Holy Land, she lived in the new part of the city of Jerusalem. She was, therefore, an eye-witness of all the fighting that took place, of the heroism of the Haganah, of the establishment of the state of Israel, and of all that transpired since the Jewish government came into existence.

The Sisterhood of the congregation, of which Mrs. Fischel was for many years a member, immediately invited her to be the guest speaker at the meeting of the organization which will take place on November 8th, at one p.m. in the Social Hall. Her subject will be, "Eye-Witness Impressions of Palestine."

A rare treat is in store for the ladies of the Sisterhood. From an intelligent observer they will hear a fresh report of the events in the Jewish state. No woman ought to miss this meeting. The organization will gladly welcome not only its members but all who may care to come to this unusual gathering.

SIMHAT TORAH SERVICES

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pressive and emotional moment and tears were seen glistening in many an eye.

Finally, the Chasan Torah, Mr. Frederick Margareten, the Chazan Bereshith, Mr. Isidore Grossman, and the Chazan Maftir, Mr. Simon Vogel were called for their honors. A special citation was read to each of them, first in Hebrew, then in English. They were each escorted to the reading-desk by the Rabbi and the President.

The closing feature of the day was the elaborate buffet-kiddush after services in the Social Hall in honor of the Grooms of the Law.

Very gratifying, indeed, were the comments on the entire proceedings of Simhat Torah. People were accustomed to see them either as dull or as noisy and disorganized. They were surprised and delighted that the old observances without modification or change could be made so dignified, so attractive, and so inspiring.

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD

cordially invites its members and friends

to hear

MRS. HARRY FISCHEL

just returned from Palestine

speak on

"EYE-WITNESS IMPRESSIONS OF PALESTINE"

at the next

OPEN MEETING

Monday afternoon, November 8th
at 1:00 o'clock
in the Social Hall

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Marvin Lowenthal Addresses Forum Meeting —

At the last Forum Meeting of the Men's Club, Marvin Lowenthal, noted author, lecturer and historian, spoke to a highly receptive audience on the provocative subject, "The Gamble of Jewish Life." Tracing the life of the Jews under various regimes in numerous countries since the exile, Mr. Lowenthal submitted that for the most part, the lot of the Jews was a happier one when they lived in countries which we would consider "non-democracies."

Mr. Lowenthal continued with this thesis to the contemporary scene, depicting briefly the status of citizens living in democratic America, with emphasis on the condition of the Jewish people.

The result, said Mr. Lowenthal, compels right-thinking Jewish Americans to be on the alert—to align themselves with liberal elements and to stand ready to meet the challenge which threatens not only the minorities in the United States, but imperils

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You and Your Friends are Invited to Attend the

THIRD FORUM MEETING

sponsored by the

MEN'S CLUB

on

Tuesday, November 16th at 8:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Synagogue House

Our Guest Speaker will be

Professor NATHAN REICH

Noted economist

Editor, Encyclopaedia of Social Sciences

who will speak on

"THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR AMERICAN JEWRY" — Jews and Jobs —

Collation

Ladies Invited

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN PARENTS' CLUB

invites its members and friends to attend its

FIRST OPEN MEETING

Wednesday, November 10th, 1948

at 8:30 p.m.

in the

Auditorium of the Synagogue House

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

will speak on

"WHAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD KNOW ABOUT JEWISH EDUCATION"

Collation

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birth __

A hearty Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bucher on the birth of a grand-daughter. Similar greetings to Hyman I. Bucher, the proud uncle.

Birthdays -

Many Happy Returns of the Day to the following members who celebrate birthdays this week: A. Milton Brown, Mrs. Maurice Finkelstein, Mrs. Gedeon Heller, Mrs. Jacob A. Kaplan, Mrs. Paul Lehman and Benedict I. Lubell.

Anniversaries —

Anniversary Greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph J. Elkeles and Mr. and Mrs. Hyman J. Messeloff.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathies are expressed to Mrs. Saul J. Lance on the loss of her beloved brother. May the Almighty spare her from further sorrow for many years to come.

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| Mrs. Alexander Kommel Pres. Sisterhood |

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

| Lighting | of Candles | .4:40 |
|----------|------------|-------|
| Evening | | .4:45 |

SATURDAY, Shabbat Bereshith

| Morning | 9:00 |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Weekly Portion: Bereshith, | Genesis |
| 1:1 - 6:8 | |

Haftorah: Isaiah 42:5-43:11

Rosh Chodesh Prayers: Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 3 and 4

| Evening | | | | | .4:40 |
|------------|----|---------|--|--|-------|
| Conclusion | of | Sabbath | | | .5:30 |

DAILY SERVICES

| Morning | | | | | | 7:30 |
|----------------|--|--|--|------|--|------|
| Sunday Morning | | | | | | |
| Evening | | | | | | 4:45 |

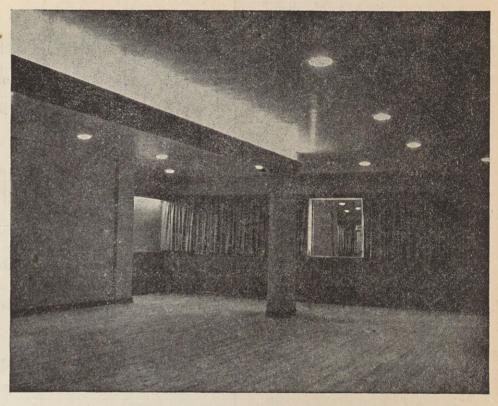
YAHRZEITS

October

- 31—REUBEN SIMON
- 31—MORRIS S. JACOBS
- 31—NATHANIEL A. DANIEL
- 31—ROSE FISCHMAN

November

- 2—PEARL L. LANCE
- 2—ANNA RATNER
- 2—JULES PREGEL
- 4-FRANCES GOLD
- 5—JACOB PERLMUTTER



View of the Social Hall on the entrance level of the Synagogue building

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

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the very essence of our democratic way of life.

Collation served in Succah -

An unprecedented event followed

the Forum Meeting. All present were invited to partake of the collation in the beautiful and spacious Succah, and in spite of the chill in the air, the Succah was crowded with men and women obviously enjoying the novel experience.

"Services at The Riverside" . . . words you read so often because we serve so well.



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