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## A Happy Passover

#### PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

There are several important matters that should be borne in mind during the Passover season, and we take this means of bringing them to the attention of our readers.

#### "Kosher for Passover" -

A label bearing the inscription, "Kosher for Passover" is not necessarily a guarantee that the article so labeled is permissible for Passover use. Unfortunately, there are the unscrupulous who take advantage and the credulous who fall prey. Whatever food article, therefore, that is purchased for Passover and which require endorsement, should indicate that it has the approval of a recognized rabbi or rabbinic organization. When in doubt, phone the Synagogue office.

#### Search for Chometz —

On the evening before the eve of Passover (this year, Tuesday evening, April 12th) every Jewish home is inspected to make sure that all "chometz" has been removed. Like every religious practice there is a ceremony connected with this inspection. It is well to observe that ceremony, not alone because it is a religious requirement, but because it affords an opportunity to impress the children of every household.

#### Sale of Chometz -

The Rabbi will be available for the sale of chometz during the entire week preceding Passover. He may be reached at the Synagogue office. For those who are unable to take care of this important ritual in person, the enclosed card may be used. It must be properly filled out, signed, and returned to the Rabbi no later than Tuesday, April 12th.

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#### THE PASSOVER K'ARAH

On the Seder table, a special "k'arah" (plate) is placed, which contains certain symbolic food articles, the arrangement and significance of which follow:



- A. Betzah—a roasted egg; symbolic of the festival sacrifice (korban chagiga) offered in the days of the Temple.
- B. Zroah—a roasted shank-bone; a symbol of the special Passover offering (korban Pesach) and a memorial of the hasty meal eaten by our ancestors on the eve of their departure from Egypt.
- C. Maror—bitter herbs, usually horseradish; symbolizing the bitter toil imposed upon our ancestors in the "house of bondage."
- D. Karpas—a vegetable, in keeping with a custom that the Seder table resemble an ancient banquet. A vegetable, dipped in salt water, used to be eaten in olden times as "hors d'oeuvres."
- E. Charoses—a mixture of chopped apple, nuts, cinnamon and wine; symbolic of the mortar with which

## HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN THE POOR?

In several days you will be sitting round the Seder table. In your opening statement of the Seder Service, you will read: "Whosoever is hungry, let him come and eat." Will you be able to say that in all sincerity?

To enable you to answer that question in the affirmative we ask you to respond to the Passover Relief Appeal if you have not done so as yet. We regret to say that a number of our members have not yet made their contributions. Undoubtedly this is the result of oversight. It cannot possibly be intentional.

You may not be aware of how many poor people there are who depend upon our help for their Passover needs. Some of us are not aware of the heartrending appeals that come to us from institutions here, overseas, and in Israel. They look to us for special grants during this season of the year. The impoverished students in the Yeshivoth of Israel are especially in great need. Who will care for them save their brethren in more fortunate circumstances in this land of plenty?

Before you put this Bulletin away, make out your check payable to the Benevolent Fund. Send in your contribution before other matters crowd this most important matter out of your mind. In the name of mercy and Jewish charity act now.

the Israelites were forced to build "treasure cities unto Pharoah."

F. Chazereth—a stalk of bitter herb, symbolizing, as does the Maror, the bitterness that was the lot of our forefathers.

Rabbi Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 10:45 a.m. on
"THE VANISHING 'GREAT SABBATH'"

### SUCCESSFUL SUPPER-LECTURE SERIES CONCLUDES

Last Sunday evening, with the Rabbi's talk on "Abraham Isaac Kook—the Composite Jewish Personality," the third annual Supper-Lecture Series, sponsored by the Men's Club, was brought to a successful conclusion. This year's series enjoyed even greater success than those of the past, and provided the opportunity to an even larger number of our members and friends to partake of an educational feature that defies comparison.

In previous talks on the general theme of the series, "The Making of the Modern Jewish Mind," Rabbi Lookstein discussed three of the major streams of thought that have influenced Jewish thinking, Rationalism, Hassidism and Rabbinism, and spoke of the leading exponent of each. In this final lecture, the Rabbi spoke of the outstanding figure of our time, who synthesized in thought and in action the principles of these movements, adding to them his own forceful, magnetic personality that endeared him to world Jewry.

The Rabbi described the ancestry and early childhood of the former Chief Rabbi of Palestine, and outlined the historical setting into which he was born. Then we were taken via a word-picture beautifully furnished by Rabbi Lookstein through the years until the passing of Rabbi Kook in 1935. At the conclusion of his talk, Rabbi Lookstein spoke of Rabbi Kook, whom he had met and known personally, as a man moved by great loves: love of G-d, love of Israel and its land, and love of Torah.

Thus was the curtain brought down on the most warmly-received and best-attended Supper-Lecture series. Those who attended were rewarded with an intellectual experience they will never forget. As proof of the enthusiasm which the series evoked, we need only point to the numerous reservations already received for next year's lectures.

#### WELCOME HOME, MR. PRESIDENT

A hearty welcome to Max J. Etra, President of the congregation, and to his dear mother on their return from Florida. We missed you during your absence, Mr. President, and we are delighted with your return.

#### SCHEDULE OF PASSOVER SERVICES

(April 13th - April 21st)

WEDNESDAY, Passover Eve	
Morning	7:30
A special service for the first-born (Siyum) will be conducted	
following the regular service.	
Evening	6:15
THURSDAY, Passover I	
Morning	9:00
Rabbi Lookstein will preach at 10:45 a.m.	
"A Religious Definition of Freedom"	
Evening	6:15
FRIDAY. Passover II	
Morning	9:00
Lighting of Candles	6:15
Evening	6:15
SATURDAY, Shabbat Chol Hamoed	
Morning	9:00
Rabbi Lookstein will preach at 10:45 a.m.	
Evening	
Conclusion of Sabbath	7:15
WEDNESDAY, Passover VII	
Morning	9:00
Rabbi Lookstein will preach at 10:45 a.m.	
Evening	6:30
THURSDAY, Passover VIII	
Morning	
Memorial Services	
	0.30
SERVICES DURING THE WEEK OF CHOL HAMOED	
Sunday Morning	
Morning	A CONTRACTOR OF STREET
Evening	6:20

#### PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

Doors will be closed before the Sermon begins and before the

Memorial Service starts. Please arrange to be in your seats

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## Disposal of Chometz —

No chometz may be eaten after 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, April 13th. All chometz should be completely disposed of by 10:45 that morning.

## Service for the First-Born —

It is obligatory upon every first-born who cannot observe the fast on Wednesday, April 13th, to attend the special service on that day and to participate, at its conclusion, in the light collation that is served. Service for the first-born will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday, April 13th, as part of the regular morning service which begins at 7:30.

#### Eruv Tavshilin -

An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared on Wednesday, April 13th, before sun-down in order to permit the preparation of food on the holiday for use on the Sabbath which follows the first two days of the festival.

#### MEN'S CLUB NEWS

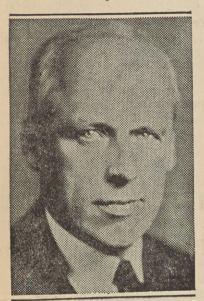
#### New Members -

A cheerful welcome to Messrs. Marcus Baumgarten and Samuel Bloom, who recently joined our Club. Glad to have you with us.

#### Norman Thomas to Address Next Forum Meeting -

The next Forum Meeting of the Men's Club, which will take place on Tuesday evening, April 26th, will have as its guest speaker Norman Thomas, well-known lecturer and public figure, who will speak on the subject, "American Foreign Policy—Toward Peace or Toward War."

Mr. Thomas, five-time candidate for the Presidency on the Socialist ticket, is recognized as one of the most astute political observers of the American scene today. A graduate of Princeton University and the Union



Norman Thomas

Theological Seminary, Mr. Thomas has been successively a social worker, pastor, editor, Executive Director of the League for Industrial Democracy, and the Chairman of the Post War World Council. He is the author of many books, including "America's Way Out," "Human Exploitation," and "What is Our Destiny?" He writes a weekly column for the "Call" and is one of the most frequent participants in radio columns.

This will be the last Forum Meeting of the current season. It should be one of the best, and, judging from the calibre of the speaker and the subject of his talk, it will be.

#### RESERVE MAY 5th FOR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Annual Membership Meeting of the Congregation will be held this year on Thursday, May 5th.

As in past years, this meeting will be a most interesting and memorable event. The program is at present being prepared, and invitations will shortly be in the mails.

We urge our members (and their wives) to set the date aside and plan to be with us.

#### MAZEL TOV TO THE ADLERS

This Sunday afternoon, Gozela Adler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Adler will be married in our synagogue. The groom is Mr. Berle Bonner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. Bonner of Brooklyn.

The bride was brought up within Kehilath Jeshurun from early childhood. The groom saw service in the Navy during the war. The marriage is, therefore, in a true sense a simcha within the congregational family.

The entire membership offers its heartiest wishes to the young couple. Special greetings and mazel tov are extended to our esteemed Ritual Director and to Mrs. Adler as they prepare to lead their elder child to the chupah. Their joy is our joy and their fondest wishes for the well-being and happiness of their children are echoed by every member of Kehilath Teshurun

#### Reserve Now for the Annual Dinner, May 17th -

Just a reminder: Now is the time to make your reservations for the Men's Club Annual Dinner on Tuesday evening, May 17th. The per cover charge is \$10.00—in return for which you receive a full-course dinner, a most entertaining program, including an excellent speaker, and, of course, that atmosphere of good fellowship and sociability that always permeates Men's Club affairs.

Don't delay. Reserve now!

#### Welfare Fund -

Our thanks to William B. Fischberg for his kind contribution to our Welfare Fund.

#### RAMAZ AND RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TO CONDUCT MODEL SEDERS

The children of Ramaz and of the Religious School have arranged to conduct Model Seder services once again this year.

As in the past, parents are cordially invited to attend and see the children conduct the Seder in the traditional manner. The schedule is as follows:

Religious School Seder: Sunday, April 10th, at 11:00 a.m. in the Gymnasium. (Luncheon will be served by the Parents' Club.)

Ramaz Seder for the children of the Kindergarten and Grades I and II: Monday, April 11th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium.

Ramaz Seder for the children of Grades III through VI: Tuesday, April 12th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium.

#### RAMAZ NOTES

Monique Censor of Grade 5 won the annual Good Speech Contest, with her talk on Franklin D. Roosevelt. Congratulations, Monique.

The Upper School Good Speech Contest, for pupils of Grades 7 and 8, will be held during the first week in May.

The Ramaz Varsity Basketball Team deserves another round of applause for its stunning 44 to 38 victory over Talmudical Academy. Congratulations are in order for the team and its coach, Mr. Paul Nodell, who is the Health Education instructor at Ramaz

Parents who have costumes which their children have outgrown, can render a service to us by presenting them to our school. Please contact Mr. Goodside at the school office if you have a costume which is no longer of use to you.

Our school is represented in the Sixth Annual Exhibition of Art in Jewish Education, on the theme, "The March of Jewish History." The exhibition will be held at the Jewish Museum, Fifth Avenue and 92nd Street, from March 30th to May 15th.

In a basketball game played last week between the Varsity Girls of the High School and the Faculty Women, the girls earned a 17-10 victory. Better luck next time, teachers!

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#### Synagogue Officials

Joseph	H. Lookstein	Rabbi
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#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### FRIDAY

THUMI
Lighting of Candles 6:10 Evening 6:00
SATURDAY, Shabbat Hagadol
Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation10:00
Weekly Portion: Zav, Leviticus 6:1-8:36
Haftorah: Malachi 3:4-24
Evening 6:15
Conclusion of Sabbath 7:05
SUNDAY
Morning 8:30
Young People's Minyan 9:30
DAILY
Morning 7:30
Evening 6:20

#### **YAHRZEITS**

#### April

- 9—HERMAN SCHIMEL
- 11—ISIDORE M. GROSSMAN
- 12—FANNIE BERZIN
- 12—MAX ABRAHAMS
- 12—SOLOMON BELKIN

- 13—MENDEL LIPSITZ 14—ANNE SCHARMAN 14—KALIE SCHLUSSEL
- 15—SAMUEL SILBERSCHUTZ
- 15—MORRIS A. GOLDSTEIN
- 16—MIRIAM L. KRAM
- 16—LEAH ONISH
- 16—DANIEL ROTHSTEIN
- 16—JACOB FABIAN
- 17—NACHMAN ABRAMS
- 18—SIMON ROEDER
- 18-MATHILDA R. MESSELOFF
- -CARRIE LEVY
- 19—CHAYE VERMUS
- 22—EVE GRIFFEL

#### PARENTS' CLUB HEARS TALK ON JEWISH BOOKS

A large number of men and women-most of whom, we note with satisfaction, were parents of children attending our Religious School were present on Tuesday evening, March 29th, when the Parents' Club Open Meeting was held. All of them showed great enthusiasm for the guest speaker of the evening and the subject of her talk.

Mrs. Sylvia Goldman of the Jewish Education Committee was the speaker. Mrs. Goldman kindly consented to take the place of Mrs. Augusta Saretsky, who was suddenly taken ill. It was an ample substitution, for Mrs. Goldman presented a most interesting and informative discussion on "Jewish Books for Jewish Children." The speaker pointed out the importance of developing a good library of books dealing with Jewish subjects, not only in the school, but, what is even more advantageous, at home. This would bring about a Jewish environment for the child, which would be of invaluable benefit to him.

Rabbi Lookstein spoke briefly at the meeting about attendance at the Sabbath Junior Congregation and the Sunday Young People's Minyan. Mr. Myer B. Appleman, Principal of the Religious School, extended a cordial invitation to all parents to attend the Model Seder which the School is ar-

#### WITHIN OUR FAMILY

#### Birthdays -

Many Happy Returns of the Day to Henry Astor, Alexander Feifer, Mrs. William B. Fischberg, Mrs. Harry Fischel, Jules Podell, Morris Ratnoff, Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann.

#### Anniversaries -

Anniversary greeting to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Astor, Dr. and Mrs. Myron M. Bogdonoff, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Etra and Dr. and Mrs. David E. Hy-

#### Good Luck -

Our best wishes to Abbott Bernard for the best of luck in his new business establishment.

#### THE K. J. CALENDAR

Monday, Apr. 11, 8:15 p.m.—K. J. Choral Society—Auditorium

Monday, Apr. 11, 8:30 p.m.—Meeting of the Men's Club Executive Board -Library

Tuesday, Apr. 26, 8:30 p.m.—Men's Club Forum Meeting; Norman Thomas, guest speaker-Auditor-

ranging for Sunday, April 10th at 11:00 a.m.

The evening was brought to a close with coffee and cake, during which time parents were given the opportunity to confer with the teachers about the progress of their children.

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