



Max J. Etra

MAX ETRA ELECTED PRESIDENT OF UNION OF ORTHODOX CONGREGATIONS

The biennial convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Convention, which was attended by delegates representing every Jewish community in the United States, elected Max J. Etra, our esteemed president, to the office of National President for the next administration.

A graduate of City College and Fordham University Law School, Mr. Etra is a prominent member of a prominent family, which has long been identified with every worth-while cause. Mr. Etra has devoted virtually his entire career to serving some of the outstanding institutions which soon recognized his qualities of leadership and elected him to offices of high trust. Vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees

of Yeshiva University, he is also Chairman of Yeshiva's Synagogue Council. Mr. Etra devotes time, too, to Beth Israel Hospital as a member of its Board, and, as our readers already know, he has rendered faithful and devoted service to our own Congregation for more than a decade.

The new position to which Mr. Etra was elected, will bring him to the forefront of Jewry on a nationwide scale. The Union comprises some 600 congregations all over the country, and serves thousands upon thousands of orthodox families in a variety of ways. It provides Kashruth supervision; organizes new synagogues; strengthens existing synagogues; trains youth leaders and provides them with material for the enhancement of youth programs; it maintains an armed forces division which renders inestimable aid to orthodox men and women in the service of our country. In a word, it is the recognized voice of orthodoxy in America.

Under Mr. Etra's administration, Jews the country over can look forward to an intensification of its position and to the wider expansion of its influence within and without the Jewish race. The Union is to be congratulated upon its astuteness and wisdom in choosing a man of Mr. Etra's qualifications and calibre to guide its destinies during the next two years.

The entire congregational family joins in extending its felicitations to its esteemed president on the signal honor which orthodox Jewry has conferred upon him — an honor which reflects, too, upon our Congregation. We know he will bring to his new office the same brand of leadership and the forcefulness of action that has marked his tenure as the head of our Congregation. We pray that the Almighty grant him many years of good health and fortune, that he may continue to serve his people in the future as he has in the past.

JULES PODELL NAMED CHAIRMAN OF 1952 YEAR BOOK

Max J. Etra, president of the Congregation, has announced the appointment of Jules Podell to head the campaign for the 1952 Year Book, now getting under way. Named as Vice-chairmen of this drive were Martin Klein, Aaron H. Onish, Elliott W. Siegel, Aaron J. Simon, Abraham R. Winer and Louis W. Yohann.

In accepting the appointment to head this all-important project, Mr. Podell expressed the hope that the Committee would receive the wholehearted cooperation of the entire membership. "This is one activity," said Mr. Podell, "in which every member of the congregational family can participate — irrespective of his profession or occupation, and regardless of his personal means. All we ask are those two elements which **everybody** possesses: a little time and some measure of cooperation. With these, we cannot help but succeed in our efforts to benefit the younger generation through the

Educational Scholarship Fund, which receives the entire proceeds of our Year Book campaign."

Fund's Scope Broadened —

The scope of the Educational Scholarship Fund has been broadened this year to permit additional assistance to an increasing number of boys and girls. In addition to scholarship aid to children attending Ramaz School and the afternoon Religious School, a Summer Camp Fund and College Scholarship Fund have also been set up. This means that children who come from families with financial difficulties, will be able to enjoy a period at camp during the summer months. The latter Fund would make support available to promising high school students to enable them to attend college.

The success of this year's Year Book drive is, therefore, an absolute must.

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Rabbi Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 10:45 a.m. on

"THERE IS NOTHING ORTHODOX ABOUT THE NAME 'ORTHODOX' "

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Don't Forget This Monday —

This Monday, December 3rd, is an important date for our members. At 12:30 that afternoon, we will hold our next Open Meeting, which is important for two main reasons:

First, we will have an outstanding social worker as our guest speaker — Sanford S. Sherman, the assistant Executive Director of the Jewish Family Service — who will bring to us some vital information regarding "Marriage Relationship and Emotional Health." Mr. Sherman's remarks will be well worth hearing, for not only is the subject an interesting one, but Mr. Sherman is the type of public speaker you won't want to miss.

Secondly, at this meeting we will hold the drawing for the Portrait Painting Study, the major prize (among others to be awarded at the Luncheon) of the raffle which was conducted in connection with our annual Luncheon.

We cannot stress too much the importance of returning all outstanding raffle books before the meeting, so that you may participate in the drawing for the portrait. As we mentioned earlier, other valuable prizes will be awarded at the Luncheon, the lucky winners to be drawn from among the raffle stubs that are turned in. So return the books and stubs by Monday. Yours may be the lucky one to be chosen!

Will You Be at the Luncheon? —

While we're on the subject — will you be at the Luncheon? It is the major function of the Sisterhood year which deserves your cooperation. Besides, you'll have a great time, for an outstanding program of entertainment has been arranged. The co-chairmen of the Luncheon, Mrs. Hyman Abrams and Mrs. A. Milton Brown promise you something you'll remember for a long, long time.

It's not too late! Dispose of a book of raffles, valued at \$15.00, and earn a ticket to the Luncheon at no cost to yourself. And, besides, you'll have a chance at winning some of many prizes to be awarded.

Remember the dates: Tuesday, December 11th, at the Hotel Plaza, for the Luncheon; Monday, December 3rd, for the Open Meeting in the Social Hall.

THIS MONDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, at 12:30

the Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood

will present

SANFORD S. SHERMAN

who will speak on

"MARRIAGE RELATIONSHIP AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH"

PLEASE NOTE: All raffle books must be returned before the meeting gets under way in order that the stubs may be included in the drawing for the Portrait Painting Study which will take place during the afternoon of the 3rd. Bring the raffle books with you!

THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW

if you have not as yet arranged to attend the Sisterhood

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL LUNCHEON

Tuesday, December 11th, at 12:30

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JOHN ROY CARLSON ADDRESSES THANKSGIVING SERVICE

One of the largest congregations ever to be present at a service of this kind — one, which by its very size paid tribute to the calibre of our annual Thanksgiving service — was on hand last Thursday morning to join in giving thanks for the bounties we enjoy and to hear our guest speaker, John Roy Carlson, speak on his experiences "Behind the Iron Curtain of the Arab Countries."

Vividly describing the social and economic conditions of such countries as Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and the others in the Middle East, Mr. Carlson put particular emphasis on the forces at work in these countries, both within officialdom and underground, that are bent on retaining the existing feudal system, on preventing "western civilization" from seeping into their lands — in short, the sinister hands of the Arab League, of the Mufti and his ilk busily engaged in undermining the democratic influences.

In contrast to what he found in the Moslem states, Mr. Carlson described briefly his stay in the Jewish-controlled areas of Palestine, at a time when the

PODELL HEADS YEAR BOOK

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The records we achieved in the past must be surpassed, for the needs are greater than ever. The participation of more and more of our members is essential in order to accomplish what we are setting our sights on. And the demands that will be made upon our congregational family are not so strenuous that they cannot be met.

You will shortly be contacted through the mails in connection with the Year Book. You will be asked to talk to your friends, local dealers and business associates, to ask them for a contribution in the form of an ad. Please do what we ask. It is an easy task, and certainly the beneficiaries of our efforts are worthy of our interest.

fighting for survival and for the establishment of Israel was at its bitterest. He echoed the findings of every visitor to Israel — that the young republic represented the nearest thing to the ideal democracy that exists today.

The service was conducted by Rabbi Lookstein, and Cantor Gertler officiated with the assistance of a choir under the direction of Oscar Julius.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

New Members —

We extend a hearty welcome to Albert Berliner and to Dr. Moritz Simon who joined our Men's Club this week, and we wish them many years of happy affiliation with us.

Executive Board

Meets December 11 —

The first meeting of the newly elected Executive Board will take place on Tuesday, December 11th, at 8:30 p.m., in the Library of the Synagogue. Invitations have already been sent to members of the Board, who are asked to make it a point to attend.

Next Forum Meeting to Feature Symposium —

The next Forum Meeting, which will be held on Tuesday evening, December 18th, will hear a symposium on "What is a Jew?" The participants in the symposium are two outstanding men, who have individually graced our Men's Club platform in the past, Professor Sidney Hook and Dr. Bernard Lander.

At their previous appearances before our audience, both Prof. Hook and Dr. Lander left unusually favorable impressions with us as regards their depth of perception and clarity of position on the issues they discussed. Having them together at the same time in a symposium on a challenging topic, promises to be a highlight of the Forum Meeting season.

Further details will be announced in forthcoming issues of the Bulletin. This advance notice of what lies in store for you is given so that you can arrange now to attend on the 18th. The meeting will be held in the Auditorium, and the ladies are cordially invited to join us that evening. As usual, a collation will follow the program.

Welfare Fund —

We acknowledge with thanks the generous contribution of our devoted member, Aaron J. Simon, to the Welfare Fund.

HOLD THE DATE

The Sisterhood and Men's Club will once again join in sponsoring the annual Chanukah Party. The date is Sunday, December 23rd; further details will be announced shortly.

Reserve the date for us and plan to join us that evening. We promise you a grand time!

KEHILATH JESHURUN MEN'S CLUB

takes pleasure in announcing that at its next

FORUM MEETING

which will be held

Tuesday Evening, December 18th, at 8:30

we will hear

PROF. SIDNEY HOOK and DR. BERNARD LANDER

in a

SYMPOSIUM

on

"WHAT IS A JEW?"

All are welcome

Plan to Attend

OVER 100 ATTEND OPENING SESSION OF ADULT INSTITUTE

Over one hundred men and women were present Monday evening in the Synagogue House to attend the first session of the Kehilath Jeshurun Institute for Adult Studies, and the attendance at each of the classes was truly something to behold. Whether for the elementary course in Hebrew or the advanced Talmud class, each classroom had a large group of students eager to advance themselves in a field of learning of their choice. At the close of sessions, teachers reported an unusual display of interest on the part of their students, and the corridors literally reverberated with the sound of cheerful voices coming from an enthusiastic group of adults, the likes of which will be difficult to duplicate.

As the evening rolled on, the number present was increased still further by those who came specifically to attend the "second part" of the sessions — the lecture by Rabbi Lookstein on "The Book of Genesis". A well-filled Social Hall heard the first talk of the series, entitled "The Biblical Story of Creation: Scientific Treatise or Spiritual Pattern", in which the Rabbi presented the opposing points of view of the scientist and the Bible scholar, showing, in certain instances, that the conflict is difficult to reconcile, in others that no real difference of opinion exists. Many impressions that were carried

over since childhood were clarified, and many new ideas were advanced.

Sessions will continue on Monday evenings hereafter at 8:00 o'clock. The Bible lectures will be given on specified Mondays at 9:15. This coming Monday evening is one of these "specified" days, and Rabbi Lookstein will discuss "Adam and Eve: Chapter One in the Biography of Mankind."

It is still not too late to register. There is still time to start learning the language, in Basic Hebrew I; or to continue Hebrew study, in Basic Hebrew II; or to join in a discussion of one of the tractates of the Talmud; or to become adept at prayers and at chanting a Haftarah, which is the aim of our course in Liturgical Procedures. And there are another four stimulating evenings ahead of you if you enroll in the Bible Lecture course.

So join the many who have decided to devote one evening each week to cultural advancement. Their names would read like a "Who's Who" of the members of the Congregation, Men's Club, Sisterhood and Parent Organizations. To list them all would require more space than can be spared here, but you may well be assured that by enrolling in the Institute you will be among some of the illustrious members of our congregational family.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles 4:10
Evening 4:20

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:00
Weekly Portion: Toledot,
Genesis 25:19-28:9
Haftorah: Malachi 1:1-2:7
Evening 4:20
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:05

SUNDAY

Morning 8:30
Young People's Minyan 9:30

DAILY

Morning 7:30
Evening 4:20

Y A H R Z E I T S

December

- 2—ISAAC LEHMAN
- 3—BEATRICE ROBBINS
- 4—NATHAN HUTKOFF
- 5—SAMUEL KLEIN
- 6—FLORENCE LAYE
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FOR THE ATTENTION OF OUR YOUNGER READERS

We should like to call the attention of our young boys and girls to some of the activities that are conducted solely for them. We hope they will take advantage of these activities in larger and larger numbers:

The Young People's Minyan: meets every Sunday morning at 9:30 in the Chapel for a service at which the young people themselves officiate. This is followed by breakfast and a period at basketball in the Gymnasium.

The Junior Congregation: conducts the regular Saturday morning service (at a level and rate of speed suited to the ages of the young worshippers) in the Chapel at 10:00 o'clock every week. Under the supervision of Manfred Rechtschaffen, a graduate of Ramaz and now a student at Yeshiva University, the children are trained to participate in the services — to sing the congregational melodies, to recite the Torah blessing, and to learn the meaning and significance of the Sabbath prayers. A kiddush follows the service.

The Scout Troop: for boys between 11 and 16, and our Cub Pack for boys from the age of 8, hold weekly meetings on Thursday at 7:00 o'clock. Experienced leaders give our youngsters a full scout training, and several of our scouts have, in the past, distinguished themselves in city-wide contests sponsored by the Scout movement. Although a comparatively new unit, our troop is fast becoming one of the best in the city.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

New Member —

We extend a hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. George Schneider who joined the Congregation this week, and we wish them a long and happy association with us.

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to A. Phillip Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gottesman, Herman Odell, Mrs. Max Scheidt and Seppy I. Silberman.

Engagement —

Mazel Tov greetings to our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Austin, on the engagement of their daughter, Jeanne, to Mr. Maxwell Kaufer of Los Angeles.

THE K. J. CALENDAR

Monday evenings at 8:00—Sessions in the Adult Institute — Synagogue House.

Monday, Dec. 3, 12:30 p.m. — Sisterhood Open Meeting; Sanford S. Sherman, guest speaker—Social Hall.

Thursday, Dec. 6, 8:30 p.m.—Meeting of the Board of Trustees—Library.

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 12:30 p.m. — Fifteenth Annual Luncheon of the Sisterhood—Hotel Plaza.

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 8:30 p.m. — Men's Club Executive Board Meeting — Library.

Tuesday, Dec. 18, 8:30 p.m. — Men's Club Forum Meeting—Auditorium.

Sunday, Dec. 23 — Annual Chanukah Party—Social Hall.

CONDOLENCE

We record with sorrow the passing of our devoted member, Albert Levey, and we extend our heartfelt sympathies to the members of the bereaved family. May the Almighty spare them further sorrow for many years to come.

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