

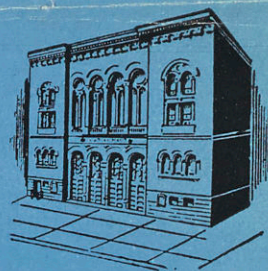
# Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin

*A Happy Chanukah*

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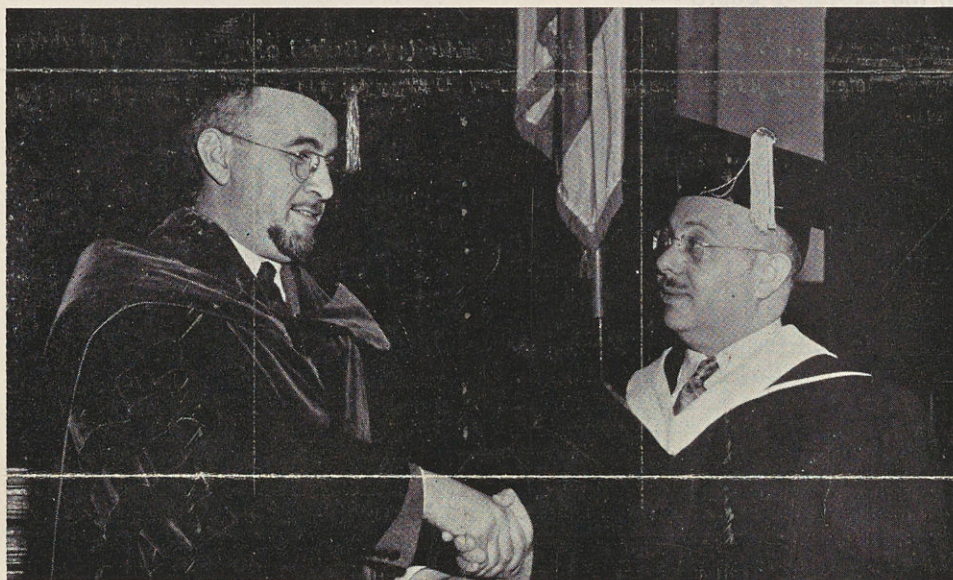
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## RABBI LOOKSTEIN APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF YESHIVA UNIVERSITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

### Synagogue Trustees Vote to Relieve Rabbi of Many Administrative Duties



Rabbi Lookstein (right) is shown with Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva University, who announced the Rabbi's appointment as Chairman of the University's Planning Committee.

The last Board meeting of the congregation provided an historic moment in the annals of Kehilath Jeshurun. Dr. Samuel Belkin, a member of our Board, speaking as President of Yeshiva University, announced the appointment of Rabbi Lookstein as Chairman of the Yeshiva University Planning Committee.

Dr. Belkin explained that Yeshiva University is now launched on a project of expansion and development unprecedented in its history and in the history of the American Jewish community. The new planning committee will be an over-all council which will have the responsibility of planning the whole expansion program with special emphasis upon the proposed medical school. The other members of the committee are Dr. Belkin, Dr. Harry Zimmerman, Director of the College of Medicine, and Mr. Michael Nisselson, Director of Development.

President Belkin explained that "Rabbi Lookstein as a Yeshiva alumnus, a Yeshiva professor and administrator, has a special understanding of the problems of the University. One of the foremost exponents of Traditional Judaism he is eminently suited to present Yeshiva to the world at large. The task of expansion is a tremendous one but the Rabbi of Kehilath Jeshurun has the unique gifts to help carry it through to successful achievement."

#### Great Honor to synagogue —

Max J. Etra, President of our synagogue and also Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University, elaborated upon Dr. Belkin's announcement. He explained that the piloting of such a project involves more than mere nominal chairmanship. It will involve considerable thought, a great deal of time and even

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### WITH THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE BENEVOLENT FUND

Once again, the Synagogue office has mailed to the membership boxes of Chanukah candles with the compliments of the Benevolent Fund.

Members — indeed all our readers — know full well of the work which is accomplished through the Benevolent Fund. It is from this Fund that hundreds of worthy charities and deserving individuals are helped to maintain themselves. The office has on file many letters of thanks which were received from countless individuals to whose assistance the Fund came. It has, too, many additional letters requesting further support and seeking

much-needed aid.

We cannot turn these requests down. We know that our members would not want us to turn a deaf ear to these pleas for help. It is therefore fitting that, in keeping with the spirit of the Chanukah celebration, you practice an act of kindness and respond generously to the Benevolent Fund. All contributions should be made directly to the Benevolent Fund and sent to the Synagogue Office.

The first Chanukah candle is to be kindled this Friday evening, December 12th, before the lighting of the Sabbath candles.

*Yeh Shalom*

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

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## SISTERHOOD AUCTION-BAZAAR OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

One of the most outstanding successes ever to be achieved by the Sisterhood in any of its functions, was scored at its Auction-Bazaar and Entertainment held last Saturday night. The affair was held in the Auditorium before an attendance which, early in the evening, caused the SRO sign to be posted, and necessitated using the lobbies and corridors to accommodate the crowd.

It was a success from every angle and from beginning to end. The program of entertainment was talent-packed, and included Miss Eleanor Duffy, vocalist *par excellence*; Edward Vallely, pianist of note; and Miss Susan Goodside and Norman Bernhard, who performed in accordance with the highest standards of pantomime artists. The raffle awards and door prizes — all valuable gifts — ranged from vacations at Grossinger's to expensive articles of wear to costly perfumes and jewelry.

The array of merchandise that was on hand for the auction sale, transformed the Auditorium to a high-priced department store. Literally thousands of dollars of goods were sold under the hammer of Nat Goodside, a professional auctioneer, and Martin Klein who kept sales going with equal professional skill, to purchasers who vied heatedly for the merchandise and who, indeed, left with unprecedented bargains. A few of the items were sold by Rabbi Lookstein — bolts of cloth which were to be sent to Israel to clothe some needy people there; and an original painting by the noted Israeli artist, Reuven Rubin.

To the very end, when our guests retired to the Social Hall to enjoy coffee and cake, bargain values were available. Tables laden with merchandise were arranged in bazaar fashion, and the goods was hastily snatched up by eager purchasers.

### Our Appreciation —

We are highly gratified by the results of the Auction-Bazaar, the proceeds of which will go to the many philanthropies which the Sisterhood supports. We are deeply grateful to the many, many individuals and concerns who responded so warmly to our request for merchandise.

Above all, we appreciate the efforts of Mrs. Benjamin L. Leifert, the

chairman of the affair, and the many Sisterhood members who cooperated so beautifully with her from the very outset. We wish it were possible for us to list the names of those who are deserving of "honorable mention", but space limitations prevent us from so doing.

If, however, you were one of those who helped in the success of our Auction-Bazaar, please accept our humble but sincere "Thank You."

### Attention, Members of the Executive Board —

A meeting of the Sisterhood Executive Board will take place this Monday afternoon, December 15th, at 12:30 o'clock, at the home of our president, Mrs. Harry W. Baumgarten, 1136 Fifth Avenue.

## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### New Members —

We extend a warm welcome to the following whose membership applications received favorable action at the meeting of our Board of Trustees: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lebowitz, Mr. Lewis D. Siegel and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stokar. *Special Members*: Mrs. Herman I. Schacter and Mrs. Bernard L. Shientag. *Junior Members*: Sarah Berman and Alan Hoffman.

### Birth —

A hearty Mazel Tov to our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron H. Onish, on the birth of a baby girl, Ellin Karen, to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe E. Stein.

### Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Vice-president Harry W. Baumgarten, Eugene Hollander, William Lebowitz, Jacob J. Lubell, Martin Markson, Abraham Poust and Mrs. Simon Vogel.

### Marriage —

Heartiest felicitations to our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Fischberg, on the marriage of their son, Bruce, to the former Miss Blanche Udren of this city.

### Speedy Recovery —

We extend our sincerest wishes for a complete and speedy recovery to our esteemed member, David Silver, who has been hospitalized following an automobile accident.

## RABBI HEADS YESHIVA PLANNING COMMITTEE

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a certain amount of travel. Therefore when Dr. Belkin first suggested the designation of Rabbi Lookstein it was obvious that the entire matter was of great concern to the synagogue. First and foremost it was a great honor to Kehilath Jeshurun that its spiritual leader received this call from the foremost Torah institution in America. Secondly, an undertaking of this scope will require a major adjustment in the Rabbi's program at the synagogue and at Ramaz School as well.

### Relieve Rabbi of Administrative Duties —

"Our congregation," said Mr. Etra, "will be happy to make the necessary provisions so that Rabbi Lookstein's talents and abilities may become available to Yeshiva University." Mr. Etra then presented a resolution to the Board embodying these thoughts. In part the resolution stated that "the Board receives with pride the announcement of Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva University. . . . The Board realizes that this office will involve a good deal of time, effort and labor and it therefore proposes to relieve the Rabbi of many of the administrative functions and auxiliary activities associated with the operation of a big and active congregation such as Kehilath Jeshurun is. The members of the Board realize further that the relief thereby granted to the Rabbi obligates them to greater effort and more faithful devotion to Kehilath Jeshurun. They happily assume that obligation."

This resolution was unanimously passed. Rabbi Lookstein in his response expressed gratefulness to the Board for relieving him of some of his congregational duties in order to be able to take up this new assignment. He was confident that his associates on the staff of the congregation and of Ramaz would carry the additional responsibilities that would now be theirs. "Kehilath Jeshurun," he said, "has grown over the years. It will continue to grow and all of us will share in that growth."

The entire Kehilath Jeshurun family extends good wishes to the Rabbi in his new endeavors and prays that his efforts will bring honor to Kehilath Jeshurun and glory to American Jewry.



## MEN'S CLUB NEWS

**New Members —**

We welcome Mandel Frankel, I. Robert Isaacs and Alex Lichtman into our Men's Club and we wish them a long and happy stay with us.

**Don't Forget our  
13th Annual Dinner —**

Hyman I. Bucher, chairman of the Dinner Committee, has announced that reservations for the affair have been coming in at a steady pace, with the result that the Committee has good reason to believe that this will be one of the most successful dinners in Men's Club history. We would like to point out, however, that arranging an Annual Dinner, such as the ones our members have enjoyed in the past, entails a good deal of thought and planning. Our task can be made considerably easier if we receive your reservations far enough in advance.

Please cooperate with the Committee by making your reservations NOW. Simply call the Synagogue Office and inform us of your coming and of the number of guests you would like to bring with you.

**HISTORIC CANDELABRA AGAIN  
ON EXHIBIT AT SYNAGOGUE**

Amid the gaily-decorated lobbies of the Synagogue House, reflecting the festive character of Chanukah, visitors to our building will notice a six-foot, bronze candelabra on display throughout the eight days of the festival. This beautiful work of art has a fascinating history behind it in which we know you will be interested:

The candelabra was presented to the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee by the Jewish Community of Budapest, Hungary, in 1948, in recognition of the services rendered by the JDC in rebuilding the Jewish community. Prior to its arrival in the United States, the menorah was for years used in the leading Hungarian synagogue. During the war and occupation, it was hidden for safe-keeping, then recovered after liberation, and presented "with grateful remembrance" to the JDC.

We know that visitors to our building will be thrilled to view this beautiful and historic candelabra, made available to us by the JDC, representing the touching gift of an appreciative community.

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Name .....

Address .....

**FATHER-AND-SON MINYAN TO HOLD  
SPECIAL SERVICE SUNDAY**

The Father-and-Son Minyan will hold a special service this Sunday morning in view of the Chanukah festival, it was announced by Haskel Lookstein, who is in charge of this Men's Club-sponsored activity. A number of the young men who are regular worshippers at the weekly Minyan, have undertaken to officiate at this Sunday's service — including the Reading of the Torah and the Hallel prayer.

Those who will officiate this Sunday are: Morris Amitay, Fred Ehrman, Franklin Holzer and Morton Schatzman. Franklin will also deliver a brief sermon.

We note with pride that the roster of young men who attend the Minyan is growing steadily, as is the list of our Minyan Patrons, those members of the Men's Club who attend two successive Minyan services, joining with the boys in prayer and in the breakfast that follows. Recent Patrons include Nathan Andrews, Harry W. Baumgarten, Abbott S. Bernard, Myer W. Blumberg, Jack Buvitt, William B. Fischberg, Joseph N. Friedman,

**THIS MONDAY EVENING . . .**

Following the study sessions in the Kehilath Jeshurun Institute this Monday evening, Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein will deliver his final lecture dealing with the historical background of the American Jewish Community. Dr. Grinstein's talk will be on "Religion and Religious Life in America" and will treat the history of the Reform, Conservative and Orthodox movements.

The lecture will begin at 9:00 o'clock and will be held in the Social Hall. A cordial invitation is extended to you and your friends to attend this lecture which, like those which preceded it in this series, will assuredly be both interesting and enlightening.

Dr. Frank Goodman, Benjamin L. Leifert and Harry Salvan.

A special invitation is extended to all young men (and their fathers) — to all men, in fact — to attend this Sunday's service. We are certain that if you join us this week, you will, of your own accord, become a regular worshipper at the Father-and-Son Minyan. Services begin at 9:30 and are held in the Chapel.



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#### Synagogue Officials

Joseph H. Lookstein ..... *Rabbi*  
Hyman Gertler ..... *Cantor*  
Joseph E. Adler ..... *Ritual Director*  
Jerome H. Rosenblum ..... *Exec. Director*

#### Officers of the Congregation

Max J. Etra ..... *President*  
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A. Phillip Goldsmith ..... *Treasurer*  
A. Milton Brown ..... *Secretary*  
Ira F. Weisman ..... *President, Men's Club*  
Mrs. H. W. Baumgarten  
..... *President, Sisterhood*

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

##### FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles ..... 4:10\*  
Evening ..... 4:20

##### SATURDAY, Shabbat Chanukah

Morning ..... 9:00  
Junior Congregation ..... 10:30  
Weekly Portion: Vayeshev,  
Genesis 37:1-40:23;  
Numbers 7:12-17  
Haftorah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7  
Rosh Chodesh Prayers: Rosh  
Chodesh Tevet will be on  
Thursday and Friday,  
December 18 and 19  
Evening ..... 4:20  
Conclusion of Sabbath ..... 5:05

##### SUNDAY

Morning ..... 8:30  
Father-and-Son Minyan ..... 9:30

##### DAILY SERVICES

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

\* On Friday evening, the Chanukah candles are kindled before the Sabbath lights.

#### CONDOLENCES

We record with sorrow the passing of Jacob Gourary, devoted brother of our esteemed member, Jules Gourary; and of Samuel Demofsky, beloved father of Mrs. Samuel Farbman, a member of the Ramaz administrative staff.

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the members of the bereaved families. May the Almighty spare them further sorrow for many years to come.

## THE AFTERNOON RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

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### CHANUKAH ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Sunday morning, December 21st, at 11:00  
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Thomas Bornstein — 1606 Second Ave. — RHineland 4-9792

Eugene Czeisler — 1520 York Ave. — RHineland 4-6483

Nochem Golomb — 1420 Madison Ave. — ATwater 9-2335

Eli Vizel — 1547 First Ave. — REgent 4-2280

Sam Witkin — 1200 Madison Ave. — ATwater 9-5461

#### YAHREZITS

##### December

13—CHARLES GOLDMAN  
13—MENASSE KAHN  
13—ADOLPH HAUPTMAN  
13—LISA GORDON  
14—SARAH GOURARY  
15—IGNATZ HEYMAN  
15—SARAH HERMAN  
16—JACOB S. POFCHER  
16—ABRAHAM JACOBS  
18—AMELIA LEVY  
18—JOSEPH SIEGEL  
18—VICTOR C. SCHONFELD  
18—KATHERINE  
GREENFIELD  
19—ETHEL GRONOWITZ  
19—SAMUEL FRIEDMAN  
19—JOSEPH LEVIN

#### THE K. J. CALENDAR

Monday, Dec. 15, 12:30 p.m. — Sisterhood Executive Board meeting — At the home of Mrs. Harry W. Baumgarten, 1136 Fifth Ave.

Monday evenings at 8:00 — Sessions in the Kehilath Jeshurun Institute — Synagogue House

Thursday evenings at 7:00 — Boy Scout Troop and Cub Pack — Gymnasium

Sunday, Dec. 21, 11:00 a.m. — Chanukah Assembly Program of the Religious School — Auditorium

Sunday, Dec. 21, 6:00 p.m. — Chanukah Dinner-Dance and Entertainment sponsored by the Sisterhood and Men's Club

Tuesday, Jan. 6 — 6:00 p.m. — Men's Club Thirteenth Annual Dinner — Social Hall

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