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YEAR BOOK ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED 1955 Volume Completely Redesigned

Another year, another Year Book, another feather in our cap. That briefly has been the tale for many years now — ever since the Congregation instituted the publication of its Annual Year Book.

The 1955 volume not only continues the excellent tradition established in the past but has added new lustre to the already growing reputation of the Year Book. Redesigned from cover to cover this edition is the first one to be completely printed in two colors. Reaction to the Year Book was unanimously favorable and came from many of the hundreds of people who received the volume.

Again there were many features both new and old that made the Book of value to the reader — member and non-member alike. Of interest to all groups, as well as to the historian of the future, is the illuminating article written by Rabbi Lookstein, "The Synagogue Year in Review" which summarizes all that transpired in Kehilath Jeshurun in the 1954-1955 season. Events ranging from our religious services and our educational and youth activities, to a roster of the Bar Mitzvahs and marriages that took place in our Synagogue, are all recorded in this informative article.

Pictorial Album Highlight —

As in the past the highlight of the Year Book is our Pictorial Album — that section which deals pictorially

with some topic of Jewish interest. Since this past year the Jewish community celebrated its 300th anniversary of life in the United States we devoted this section to the Tercentenary celebration. Photographs (many of them rare), sketches and paintings were brought together in a magnificent color layout to present a brief but remarkable record of the highlights of Jewish life during the past 300 years. Many of the laudatory letters received commented especially on the calibre of this section.

Beth Alpha Mosaic —

Another unusual feature of the Year Book is the layout of the Calendar section. Introduced into this section for the first time are reproductions of the mosaic which form part of the floor design of the Beth Alpha Synagogue in the Valley of Esdraelon in Israel. Constructed in the early 6th century this Synagogue was paved with mosaic floors depicting many colorful representations, part of which includes the signs of the Zodiac.

Our members were again pleased with the recording of the Yahrzeit dates for the coming year in the section devoted to the Jewish Calendar. In this section, there appear brief interpretations of the holiday as well as a "history" of the Jewish Calendar and how it differs from the general calendar. Then, too, on a page devoted

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Rabbi Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 a.m.

"THE ARKS WE BUILD AGAINST THE FLOOD OF HISTORY"

STANDING ROOM ONLY AT SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON MEETING

"Novel" Program Called "Best Yet"

A large turnout of Sisterhood members and friends attending the opening Luncheon meeting this past Monday afternoon in the Social Hall. The dignity of the meeting itself in addition to the discussion conducted by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein made for a long but memorable occasion which many termed "the best yet".

The highlight of the program was, of course, Rabbi Lookstein's review of "Marjorie Morningstar" the best selling novel by Herman Wouk. The Rabbi has been outstanding in his previous appearances before the Sisterhood, but this time he outdid his previous performances. His analysis of the book was brilliant and he deeply impressed his listeners. The book itself is one that strongly affected the audience since it deals with life in the upper middle class Jewish community. Many had come to the meeting with set ideas that were contrary to the spirit of the book. The Rabbi in his talk not only clarified many points in "Marjorie Morningstar", but he gave those present added insight into what the author was attempting to accomplish.

The question and answer period that follows a presentation is usually a good indication of its effectiveness. At this meeting there was almost a total participation in the discussion of the book, and the level was unusually high. This period was so stimulating that hardly anyone noticed the passing of time and the program ended up being the longest, and certainly the most stimulating, Sisterhood program on record.

The meeting that preceded the Rabbi's talk set a fine tone for the afternoon. After luncheon was served Mrs. Hyman Abrams, President, got things under way by opening the meeting and welcoming the members and guests. Mrs. Bernard D. Fischman, secretary, then read the minutes of the last meeting which were a resume of last year's activities. Afterwards Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein introduced the wives of the new members of the

congregation and presented each of them with a corsage. Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman, chairman of Neediest Cases, then gave an inspiring report on her work. Mrs. Oscar Perlberger, chairman of the Donor Luncheon, asked the members to please cooperate in making this year's luncheon a financial and social success.

Mrs. Marcus Lederer, chairman of Federation, gave her report on the Federation Appeal. Mrs. Lederer would like to bring to the attention of our readers the Second Annual Conference of the Department of Jewish Women's Organizations which will take place on Monday, October 31st from 9:45 A.M. to 3 P.M. in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor. This conference will be on the urgent topic "Science for Survival — The Impact of the Atom on our Community".

The Honorable Cecile Ruth Sands, member of the Board of Education, will act as conference chairman while Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein is chairman of arrangements. Some of the outstanding personalities who will address the conference are Dr. Benjamin Fine, Education Editor of the New York Times, Dr. William M. Hitzig, attending physician at Mt. Sinai Hospital and Dr. Millicent C. McIntosh, President of Barnard College.

There will be no fund raising at this conference. The registration fee which includes luncheon is only \$3.00. Reservations may be made by telephoning Mrs. Lederer at SAcramento 2-4465.

Gift Shop Meets Mondays —

Mrs. Edgar Trautman, Gift Shop Chairman, asks all ladies who are interested in making items for sale in the Gift Shop to please join the group which she leads on Monday afternoons from 1 to 3 o'clock in the Social Hall.

Happy Day Fund —

We acknowledge with thanks a contribution to our Happy Day Fund from Mrs. J. D. Cohen and Mrs. Anna Robbins.

If You Have Made Your Reservation
We are expecting you at our

MEN'S CLUB SUPPER MEETING

This Tuesday evening, October 25th

at 6:30 P.M. in the Social Hall

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RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

will speak on

"INSIDE ISRAEL"

An Eye-Witness Report of Conditions and Problems

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Additional Reservations can be made by calling the
Synagogue Office — SA 2-0800. TODAY!

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to each month, there are listed the Yahrzeits of deceased parents for that particular month. The calendar pages continue until Rosh Hashanah of 1956.

Activity Reports —

Those who read the volume carefully will learn a great deal about Kehilath Jeshurun from the articles and reports by the president of the Congregation and the heads of our Men's Club, Sisterhood, Religious School and the Ramaz School. In his report our president, Max J. Etra, reflected the theme of the Tercentenary by presenting a picture of our Synagogue within the context of the 300 years of Jewish life in America.

In the past the pictorial album was divided into two sections, one of which consisted of photographs taken on special occasions. These pictures showed in visual terms some of the many activities which take place during the year at our Synagogue. In this edition these pictures were effectively introduced into the actual articles which they illustrated.

In all the 1955 Year Book is another link in the long chain of Synagogue

projects of which we may well be proud. From the literary and artistic standpoints it is a fine achievement. No other Synagogue in the country, to our knowledge has such an annual publication.

Mr. Theodore Comet was editor of the Year Book. Miss Ruth Dossick was assistant editor, and Mr. Marc Heine acted as designer consultant.

Essentially the Year Book is a fund raising project with all proceeds going to our Educational Scholarship Fund. We are happy to report that this year we almost doubled the revenue from the Year Book and so we were able to provide many more scholarships. For this remarkable increase we are indebted to the chairman of the Year Book Committee, Mr. Jules Podell, and to his hard working committee. We would also like to thank here many members and friends of the Synagogue who responded so well both in the solicitation of ads as well as in the giving of ads. To all who worked so diligently for the success of this project the Scholarship Fund and the Year Book stand as fitting tributes.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles	5:45
Evening	6:00

SATURDAY

Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:30
Weekly Portion: Noah Genesis 6:9-11:32	
Haftorah: Isaiah 54:1-55:5	
Evening	5:50
Conclusion of Sabbath	6:45

SUNDAY

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

DAILY SERVICES

Morning	7:30
Evening	5:50

YAHREZITS**October**

22—JULIUS ISRAEL
22—MAX N. AKABAS
23—JACOB STOKAR
24—REBECCA BROZ
25—AARON KOMMEL
26—ESTHER FELDMAN
26—MORRIS GOODMAN
26—KATHARINA WEISS
27—MORRIS WEISS
28—JACOB ADLER
28—SAMUEL LEVY
28—TZIRLE BROZ

K. J. CALENDAR

Tuesday evening, October 25th—6:30
P.M. Men's Club Supper Meeting—
Social Hall.

Monday afternoon, November 7th —
12:30 P.M. Sisterhood Executive
Board Meeting — Social Hall.

Monday evening, November 14th —
Men's Club Theatre Party.

**EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
DEDICATION THIS SUNDAY**

We would like to remind our readers that the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University will be dedicated in outdoor ceremonies this Sunday afternoon, October 23rd, at 2 o'clock on the College grounds at Morris Park Avenue and Eastchester Road, the Bronx.

Some of the outstanding personalities who will address this dedication are Governor Averill Harriman, Senator Irving M. Ives, and Mayor Robert F. Wagner. In addition our esteemed trustee, Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, will address the group as will our devoted president, Max J. Etra, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University.

Tickets for the dedication can be acquired at the Synagogue Office.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY**Birthdays —**

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Alfred S. Casner, David Joseph, Mrs. Alex Lichtman, Abraham L. Marcus, Smuel Rosen, Max Scheidt, Abris Silberman and Mrs. Maurice Weigier. Wegier.

Anniversaries —

Greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kommel, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Ochacher, and Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Reinhard.

Speedy Recovery —

Best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery go to our devoted member, Dr. Samuel Gross.