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Kehilath Jeshurun Ambassadors of Yeshiva Honored at Brunch YESHIVA UNIVERSITY SABBATH MARCH 25

Thirty-two members of Kehilath Jeshurun, each of whom contributed last year at least \$1,000 to Yeshiva University, were the special guests of honor at a Brunch tendered to them by the Congregation last Sunday morning. These Ambassadors were each presented with a medallion by the University. The presentation was made by our esteemed member, Stanley R. Broff, a member of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva, and Chairman of the Ambassadors for 1960.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein spoke to those assembled about a new and mature realization of Yeshiva University's position as the foremost institution of Jewish learning in the world. The Rabbi documented this assertion by reference to both the quantity of Yeshiva's student body and the quality of its educational program.

Max J. Etra, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University, reviewed the salient features of the University's history through the past 75 years. He cited in a most moving fashion the growth of the institution from a small Yeshiva in 1886 to a full-grown University in 1961. He reported that, at present, 5,000 students, men and women, are pursuing courses in Yeshiva University at its 6 teaching centers in New York City.

The response of those present to the words of the Rabbi and the President, and to the presence of our esteemed trustee, Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva University was overwhelming. It was a tribute to the institution, and to the sensitivity of our congregants to the cause of Jewish education.

On Saturday morning, March 25, the Congregation will celebrate Yeshiva University Sabbath. At that time the entire membership of our congregational family will have an opportunity to consider the importance of this citadel of learning and, to participate in its advancement.

KEHILATH JESHURUN

SISTERHOOD AND MEN'S CLUB

invite you to attend
the first Sunday—Supper Lecture
This Sunday evening, 6:30 o'clock

— Topic —

"THE NON-TRADITIONAL APPROACH TO THE JEWISH FAITH JUDAISM AND SOCIOLOGICAL FACTORS"

— Lecturer —

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

Second Lecture will be held on
Sunday, April 16

Subscription \$5.00 for both lectures; \$3.00 for single lecture

For reservations Call SA 2-0800

K. J. TEEN AGERS HOST TO 300 AT YOUTH CONCERT

300 Teen Agers from a radius of 150 miles around the metropolitan area jammed every inch of space in our auditorium last Sunday for the Annual Youth Concert sponsored by the Youth Bureau of Yeshiva University. Our Teen Age Group was the host to this gathering and served as ushers to the extent that this service was possible. The concert was under the official sponsorship of the Yeshiva University Synagogue Council Youth, which conducts, among other activities, the Torah Leadership Seminars in December and late August.

The afternoon itself could best be described in a word coined only re-

cently — "Fantabulous". Naturally, the highlight was the inspiring folk singing of Shlomo Carlebach. The children sang with him, clapped with him, stamped with him and eventually danced with him as he lifted them to the heights of Hassidic ecstasy.

Children from as far north as Holyoke, Massachusetts and as far up as the Catskill mountains will never forget this afternoon; neither will our teen agers who coordinated the arrangements so beautifully and who enjoyed the program so thoroughly. It was a great program, sponsored by a fine and energetic organization.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 A.M.

"THE HOLINESS OF TIME"

A Jewish View of the Fourth Dimension

WEEKLY PORTION

Vayikrah, Leviticus, 1:1-5:26
"Sacrifices and Free Will"

The first three portions in the Book of Leviticus deal principally with the subject of animal sacrifices. It might be appropriate, therefore, to inquire at the beginning of this Book as to the rationale of the sacrificial ritual in Judaism. Why were sacrifices made a part of our ancient mode of worship?

One of the most interesting and daring explanations of this rite is offered by Maimonides. When the Jews emerged from Egypt, they were faced with a twofold task of passing from slavery to freedom and from idolatry to monotheism. In this latter task, they had to renounce the worship of concrete corporeal Gods in favor of the adoration of an invisible and incorporeal spirit. At the time of the exodus, the only mode of worship known in the world was that of sacrifices.

God, according to Maimonides, reasoned thusly. If the Jews are required to renounce the worship of idols and begin the worship of an incorporeal God, they cannot simultaneously be deprived of the only mode of worship to which they are accustomed and which they comprehend. In other words, while sacrifices were not the ideal form of worship, God saw the need to allow them as a concession to the Jewish People, in order to ease their adjustment from idolatry to monotheism. It should be added that many Jewish Philosophers criticize this theory and dissent adamantly from it.

Maimonides' theory begs a most significant question. If God is omnipotent, why did he have to grant the Jews the rite of sacrifices; why did he not change the nature of the people in order to enable them to worship Him in the ideal manner — through prayer? Maimonides answers this question by saying that while God could have done this, He did not and He would not because God never interferes with the internal personality and nature of man. This would contradict the gift of free-will which God has granted to humanity. It may be that sacrifices were a concession and not an optimum mode of worship. To avoid that concession, however, would have meant to deprive man of free-will which God considers to be an essential ingredient in man's make-up.

H. L.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays—

Many happy returns to Dr. Abram Abeloff, Stanley Broff, Mrs. Leon Gronowitz, Mrs. Oscar Gudis, Mrs. Benjamin Jacoby, David Pik, Gilbert Portnoy, Jack A. Rothenstein, Dr. Nathan Wachtel, Mrs. Nathan Warshaw and Reuben Westerman.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Adler, Dr. and Mrs. Mortimer J. Blumenthal, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gudis, Mr and Mrs. Benjamin Levy, and Mr. and Mrs. Isaac E. Okun.

Births—

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Ernst upon the birth of a son to their children Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Paley.

Get Well—

We wish a speedy recovery to our devoted member Mrs. Edward Lebowitz who is in the hospital, undergoing surgery.

Bon Voyage—

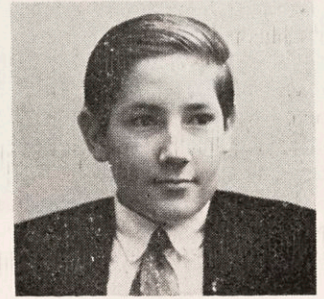
Best wishes for a pleasant voyage and safe return to Abraham Mandel who left on a trip to Israel.

New Home—

We extend best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Friedman who have recently moved into a new home.

Member in the News—

We congratulate our member Miss Mildred Feinberg, upon having two of her paintings exhibited as part of the permanent collection of the Rose Museum of Brandeis University.

ROBERT MARC BIEGELEISEN
BAR MITZVAH

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our members, Dr. and Mrs. Hyman I. Biegeleisen upon the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Robert.

The Bar Mitzvah, who is a student of the Park East Religious School, will read the prophetic portion at our services this Saturday.

The congregation will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Biegeleisen at the kiddush following the services.

WARM RESPONSE TO
PASSOVER APPEAL

We wish to thank the many donors who have already contributed to the Passover Relief Appeal. The total received so far is twenty-four hundred dollars.

If your contribution is to do the most good, it should be sent within the next few days. Please, therefore, do not delay. We plan to publish a list of all donors in next week's bulletin and can only include the names of those persons whose contributions reach us by Monday morning.

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Twentieth Service

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Saturday, March 18

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THIS WEEK

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Thank you for your cooperation in helping to maintain the Daily Minyan.

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY TO HONOR EARL WARREN

Rabbi Lookstein to present Chief Justice for Honorary Degree

The Honorable Earl Warren, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, will receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Yeshiva University at a special academic convocation on Sunday afternoon, March 26. Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, Professor of Sociology, Homiletics, and Practical Rabbinitics at the University, will present the Chief Justice for the degree which will be conferred by Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of the University.

30 Million Dollar Expansion Program

Following the convocation, Max J. Etra, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University, will preside at a symbolic cornerstone ceremony which will mark the beginning of a new 30 million dollar expansion program for Yeshiva, designed to meet the increasing needs for Jewish and general education. This ceremony will mark officially the start of work on a new 3 million dollar classroom — administration building at the University's

main academic center.

As part of the general expansion program, two additional buildings are scheduled for the main center — a gymnasium-recreation center and a dormitory. In addition, a second university campus is scheduled for consideration on a vast tract of land between 83rd and 86th Street on the west side of Manhattan. This center will include classrooms for the Stern College for Women, the Teachers Institute for Women, the Graduate School of Education, the School of Social Work, and the Graduate School of Science.

It may be that we are in the midst of a population explosion which is creating an unparalleled need for new educational facilities. If so, then Yeshiva University, America's first university under Jewish auspices, is prepared to meet that need and to ensure for ourselves and our children adequate opportunities for the acquisition of general knowledge and the study of the traditions of Judaism.

PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

The class in the Laws of Passover will meet this Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock under the leadership of Rabbi Haskel Lookstein. The Rabbi will discuss the specific methods for "koshering" the various types of utensils which are used during the year and which one may desire to use during Passover.

He will also discuss which foods may be used on Passover without rabbinic endorsement and will mention individual products whose rabbinic endorsement is unquestionable and trustworthy.

Sale of Chometz

In accordance with Jewish Law, all chometz must be disposed of before Passover, and should not remain in one's possession during the festival. Chometz which cannot be disposed of may be sold in accordance with traditional practice.

For those who cannot attend to this matter in person, there is a form provided on this page which authorizes Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein to sell your chometz. This form should be returned to the synagogue within the next week.



HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST

Jewish Groups Support Kennedy on School Aid

Major Jewish organizations have sent a joint telegram to the members of the United States Senate Sub-Committee on Education supporting the stand taken by President Kennedy that federal aid to primary and secondary schools should not be hamstrung by the introduction of the question of loans to parochial schools. Among the organizations that signed the telegram are the Rabbinical Council of America and The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

Rabbi Lookstein Speaks at J.E.C. Fiftieth Anniversary

The fiftieth anniversary of organized communal Jewish education in New York City was celebrated last Sunday at an all-day conference sponsored by the Jewish Education Committee of New York. Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein addressed the conference on the subject of the Jewish Day School. Citing the splendid growth of the Day School movement in the United States — there are approximately 150 such with a student population of 45,000 — the Rabbi spoke of the Day School as representing "the realization on the part of American Jews that a culture and a faith that is four thousand years old, can be conveyed to succeeding generations only along maximalist lines."

"An intensive Jewish education, which will introduce our youth to the vast culture that is Judaism and to the great traditions of our people, will train our children to be better Jews and, consistent with the ideals of cultural pluralism, simultaneously better Americans", the Rabbi said. He asserted that "the fusion of the sacred and the secular, the synthesis of religious knowledge and worldly wisdom to which the Day School is committed, will encourage young people to understand that study is a form of worship, that learning is a Divine enterprise and that knowledge should be used for the improvement of character and for the betterment of society."

I,, hereby authorize Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein to dispose of all Chometz which may be in my possession wherever it may be; at home, place of business, or elsewhere in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Jewish Law.

Name

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REMINDER

**Young Adults Square Dance
Sunday night, March 26th**

**CONGREGATION
KEHILATH JESHURUN**
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles 5:45
Evening 5:45

**SATURDAY, SHABBAT HACHODESH
SHABBAT ROSH CHODESH**

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15
Weekly Portion: Vayikra
Leviticus 1:1-5:26
Numbers 28:9-15
Exodus 12:1-20
Haftorah: Ezekiel 45:16-46:18
Evening 5:50
Conclusion of Sabbath 6:40

SUNDAY

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

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30
Evening 6:00

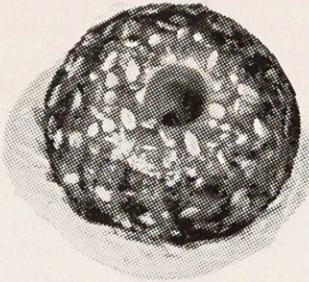
CONDOLENCE

We extend our sincere condolences to our devoted member, Mrs. Hyman I. Bucher, upon the loss of her beloved brother, Victor Shanman.

Similarly, we extend our condolences to our member, Joseph B. Rossant, upon the loss of his beloved sister, Carolyn Kolodny.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families. We pray that the Almighty may spare them further grief for many years to come.

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Sabbath Afternoon Class
Laws of Passover

SUNDAY 1:30 P.M.
K. J. Teenagers Meeting

6:30 P.M.
Supper Lecture
— Lecturer —
Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein

MONDAY — 11:00 A.M.
Women's Class in Prayer

8:00 P.M.
Am HaSefer Group II

WEDNESDAY — 8:00 P.M.
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