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Ramaz Parents' Council Holds Cornerstone Ceremony for New Building

Impressive cornerstone laying ceremonies were held under the auspices of the Ramaz Parents' Council last Sunday morning for more than five hundred parents and friends of Ramaz School. They gathered in the Main Synagogue to commemorate the start of building activity on the plot adjacent to the Synagogue House. On that site a new eight story structure will rise, fully integrated with our present Synagogue House, which will house a substantial part of the Ramaz School both its elementary and high school divisions.

The indoor ceremonies began with an impressive procession of the Board of Trustees of Ramaz, the Officers of the Parents' Council and the Members of the Ramaz Faculty. This was followed by an invocation by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein and a number of selections by the Ramaz School Chorus.

Speakers at the morning ceremony included Sidney Scheinberg, the President of the Ramaz Parents' Council, A. Phillip Goldsmith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Ramaz, and Max J. Etra, who, as President of Kehilath Jeshurun, represented the sponsoring congregation.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein presided at the ceremonies and spoke movingly of the contribution which Ramaz has made to Day School education in America. Drawing his inspiration from last week's portion of the Torah, the Rabbi pointed out that prior to the conquest of the Promised Land, there were many who felt that such conquests would prove impossible while a small minority maintained that it could be done.

So, too, twenty-five years ago in our country, the majority felt that a full religious education — in the Yeshiva manner - was inconceivable on the American scene. Certainly it could never be made available to large segments of the American Jewish population. Ramaz School, has proven these prophets of gloom to be incorrect in their assessment of the American Jewish scene. Not only could it happen here; it did.

The Rabbi spoke of our hopes for the continuing growth of Ramaz School, for its continued developments as a rich source of Jewish education for the use of our community and as a wellspring of the principles of American democracy.

Outdoor Ceremonies

Following the Rabbi's talk, the assemblage proceeded to the site of the new structure where brief and symbolic cornerstone laying ceremonies were conducted. The cornerstone was set in symbolic fashion by the Rabbi and by Mr. Goldsmith, as the Officers of Ramaz and the Parents' Council, together with Mr. Etra and Mrs. Jacobs, Assistant to the Principal at Ramaz, looked on. Following the ceremonies, a buffet reception was held in the auditorium of the Synagogue House.

As was the case in the ceremonies held by the Congregation several weeks ago, the mood was a festive one and the words which were heard most often from everyone's lips was "Mazel Tov." We hope that these words will reflect the realities of our building program and the future progress of Ramaz School in the years

to come.

ACADEMIC MILESTONES

We are pleased to list in this column the academic milestones attained by some of the young people in our congregational family whose achievements have been brought to our attention. We congratulate them on these achievements and we express our collective hope that they will continue to climb the ladder of education in order to attain ever higher rungs of intellectual accomplishments.

Donald Etra was graduated from the Horace Mann School; he will attend Yale University in the Fall.

Lionel Etra was graduated from Columbia College, Phi Beta Kappa and Magna Cum Laude; he will attend Harvard Law School in the Fall.

Fannie Fox was graduated from the Bronx High School of Science and will attend Hunter College.

Harriet Garfinkel was graduated from Ramaz High School and will attend New York University (Heights).

Steven Gross was graduated from Ramaz High School and will attend Columbia College.

Leo Havran was graduated from Columbus High School and will attend Yeshiva University.

Norman Helman was graduated from the Music and Art High School and will attend Queens College.

Florence Kalischer was graduated from the Columbia Grammer School and will attend New York University (Heights).

Vivian Pik was graduated from Ramaz High School and will attend Barnard College as well as Yeshiva University's Teachers Institute for Wo-

Stuart Podell was graduated from Ramaz High School and will attend Queens College.

Joel Eichler, entering his fourth year at C.C.N.Y., will work in psychology at the Ministry of Social Welfare in Jerusalem this summer.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Saturday at 11:00 A.M. "EDUCATION FOR WHAT?"

A Sermon for the Commencement Season

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THE WEEKLY PORTION

"Motives of Dissension"

The accusation by the rebellious clan of Korach which is described in this week's portion, was as follows: "The whole people is holy (Korach said to Moses and Aaron); why, therefore, do you place yourselves above the people?" Rabbi Mendel of Kotsk draws attention to the fact that just two portions prior to this one, the Torah had testified to the fact that "the man, Moses, was very modest; more so than any other man on the face of the earth." Korach, then, in citing rebellion against Moses, ascribes to him characteristics which are the exact opposite of those which Moses, in truth, possesses. What motivates a man like Korach to argue so absurdly?

Rashi answers our question. Apparently Korach was disturbed because, when the high offices were distributed among the various tribes, the family of K'has, which was part of the tribe of Levi, was headed by a man other than Korach. It was this jealously of Elitsafan ben Uziel which prompted Korach to accuse Moses of pre-empting power for himself.

Had Rashi been a modern-day psychiatrist, he could not have understood human nature better. Frequently, the accusation which we make against others is merely a thin veiled projection of our own shortcomings. It was not Moses who was power hungry, but Korach himself. It was not Moses who unfairly seized the crown of leadership, but rather Korach who wished to seize political power among the ancient Jewish People.

Interestingly, Nachmanides points out that the accusation was not leveled at Moses immediately after the appointment of Elitsafan as Chieftain of the Family of K'has. It comes sometime later. One reason may be that Korach himself was aware that his accusation was merely a projection. Nachmanides offers an other reason: Korach waited until after the catastrophe of the spies and the decree of forty years wandering in the wilderness at which point the Jewish People were disgruntled and unhappy, discontented and restless. At that moment, Korach gathered his malcontents together and strove to upset the pattern of leadership among the Children of Israel.

Perhaps this is why our sages refer to Korach as a "wise man". He was wise

LEON DAVID BLACK BAR MITZVAH

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Black upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Leon.

The Bar Mitzvah celebrant is a student in the seventh grade at the Fieldstone School.

As part of the regular services this Saturday, Leon will chant part of the Torah reading as well as the prophetic portion. The entire congregation will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Black at the kiddush following the service.

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES

Saturday, June 13, 1964

Mrs. Samuel B. Goodman

Mrs. Samuel Gross

Mrs. Nathan Kalischer

Mrs. David Morgenstern

Mrs. Max Sadinoff

Mrs. Robert Wallach

Mrs. David Pik

Saturday, June 20, 1964

Mrs. Herman Greenberg

Mrs. Harry Heyman

Mrs. William Lebowitz

Mrs. Morris Morgenstern

Mrs. Joseph Schlang

Mrs. Irving I. Schnur

Mrs. George Weiss

enough to realize the flimsiness of his charge against Moses and equally wise to realize that he had to utilize the discontent of the people in order to make that charge stick.

Of course, the charge could not be maintained and the resolution of this political rebellion was a happy one for every one except for the rebels themselves. They lost their lives by a miracle; but, in reality, they had lost their lives even before their physical death. The comment of the Talmud in this connection is extremely appropriate "the wicked, even in life, are considered as dead."

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Births -

Our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham I. Holzer on the birth of a daughter to their children Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Minkowitz.

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Congratulations to our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann upon the birth of their first great grandchild, a great granddaughter.

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Michael M. Barany, Mrs. Samuel E. Garfinkel, Mrs. Alexander Gross, Jack Lefkowitz, Benjamin E. Levy, Mrs. Benjamin E. Levy, Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin, Charles Rapoport, Mrs. Joseph Roth, George Schneider, Mrs. George Schneider, Mrs. Leon Spilky, and Bertold Weinsberg.

Engagements —

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Citron upon the engagement of their son Philippe, to Doris Bleckman, daughter of Mrs. Benjamin Bleckman of Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Similar congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Silver on the engagement of their daughter Patricia Barbara to George Lawrence Levenson of Manhattan.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Breindel, Mr. and Mrs. A. Milton Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Charnow, Dr. and Mrs. Leo Edelman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Garfinkel, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Gourary, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grossman, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice N. Jaffe, Mr. and Mrs. David Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kagan, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Katz, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Lewittes, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Margareten, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Miller, Dr. and Mrs. Norman Orentreich, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Orwasher, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A., Rashbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wm. Rosenbluth, Mr. and Mrs. Max Sadinoff, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sarezky, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sonenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Steinmann, Mr. and Mrs. Simon J. Vogel, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wolf.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION ENDS SEASON WITH A "SPLASH"

The most successful season in its history was concluded last weekend by our Junior Congregation. The final service was held on Saturday morning and it marked the final opportunity for several members of the Junior congregation who have been regular in their attendance over the years to participate in a Junior Congregation service. Next year, they will have passed the age limit for participation in this program.

We would like to mention the following members who were, in effect, graduated from the junior service to the adult service last Saturday morn-

> Samuel Blumenthal Michael Jaspan Richard Kahn Nancy Linzer Joseph Low Roger Oppenheimer Richard Rem Marilyn Smilow Louis Trencher

Presentation of Kiddush Cup

Of special note is the gift of a Kiddush Cup for the Junior Congregation by Roger Oppenheimer and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Oppenheimer. Roger, a student in the 7th grade at Ramaz, felt that he wanted to show his appreciation for six years of education and training at the services of the Junior Congregation. We appreciate his gesture and we thank him for the lovely kiddush cup which will, henceforth, be used at the kiddush following every regular Junior Congregation Service.

The "Splash" at Shea Stadium

The biggest "splash" of the closing weekend came at the annual outing of the Junior Congregation to a baseball double-header. This time, the regulars of the congregation visited Shea Stadium for a double-header between the Los Angeles Dodgers and the New York Mets. Sad to say, the afternoon was met with mixed feelings by the regulars. They were able to see a first game, punctuated with intermittent showers, in which our New York heroes were emphatically defeated by the western intruders. The second game was a complete rain-out - perhaps that was for the best.

This is the first time that the weather has not shined upon our annual outing and we trust that it will be the last. About all we can say at this point is, in the immortal phrase of the baseball world, "wait until next year."

MEMBER IN THE NEWS

We extend our hearty congratula-tions to Dr. Maurice S. Sage on the honor which he recently received.

Dr. Sage, who is the economic adviser of the State of Dahomey, was presented with the Insigne de L'Ordre National du Dahomey. The presentation was made by Dahomey's Ambassador to the United States, the Honorable Louis Ignacio-Pinto, in appreciation for the productive efforts of Dr. Sage on behalf of the young State.

Among the guests in attendance at the Ambassador's home, where the presentation was made, were Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein and the President of the congregation, Max J. Etra.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN AND K.J. TEENAGERS ON RADIO THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday morning, from 8:10 to 8:30, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will conduct a discussion with four teenagers from our congregational family on the WNBC Radio program, "In Good Faith".

The teenagers who will be part of the program are:

Don Etra Harriet Garfinkel Steven Gross Robert Pik

The subject of the discussion will be "The Relevance of Traditional Judaism in Modern Times".

THE JEWRY BOX

WEEK OF MAY 31

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WEEK OF JUNE 14 NORMAN A. SHUTMAN ABRAHAM R. KIRSHON CHARLES RAPOPORT

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WEEK OF JUNE 21

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

HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST Nasser Speaks

[The following are excerpts from an interview given by President Nasser in Cairo to Dr. Gerhard Frey, publisher of Germany's leading Neo-Nazi organ, the "Deutsche National und Soldaten Zeitung", and published under the headline "War with Israel Unavoidable" in its issue of May 1st. Our source is a very reliable one. ed note]

Nasser: "Our nations, hand in hand, will shape a better future. Our mutual affection has an historical background, and I believe that our common interests in so many areas will draw us closer. Have you ever found an Arab, a Minister or a simple man in the street, who is not friendly to the Germans?"

Frey: "Certainly not!"

Nasser: "You will never find one because there aren't any. That would run counter to our mentality. Our sympathies in the Second World War were on the German side. The Speaker of our Parliament was then imprisoned for pro-German sympathies."

Frey: "Do you regard a peaceful solution of the Israel problem as possible?"

Nasser: "Absolutely not . . ."

Frey: "Your excellency, allow me to ask quite brutally: Will you crush Israel?"

Nasser: "I hope so . . ."

Frey: "Will you be able to clean up the Israel question within a generation?"

Nassar: "If Allah wills."

Frey: "If the German (reparations) payments (to Israel) should one day dry up..."

Nasser: "That is an especially sad chapter, a burden on our friendship. The Germans payments are the elixir of life for Israel. Israel is unthinkable without your supplies. I no longer understand the Germans."

Frey: "Those payments were based on the murder of Jews."

Nasser: "But the lie about six million murdered Jews is not taken seriously by anyone, not even the simplest man here in our country."

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Mr. Victor Binstock, Mrs. Joseph Friedman, Mr. Fred Kahn, and Mr. Eric Oppenheimer for chaperoning the 45 members of the Junior Congregation at their annual baseball outing.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

*Evening	 .6:30

SATURDAY

Morning9:00

Weekly Portion: Korach Numbers 16:1-18:32

Haftorah: I Samuel 11:14-12:22

Evening			8:20
Conclusion	of	Sabbath	9:00

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

*Evening	 6:30

SATURDAY

Morning9:00

Weekly Portion: Chuckath

Numbers 19:1-22:1 Haftorah: Judges 11:1-33

Evening			**********	8:20
Conclusion	of	Sabbath		9:05

DAILY SERVICES

Morn	ing	7:30
Sund	ay Morning	8:30
Even	ing	6.30

*Sabbath Candles are kindled twenty minutes before sunset. Those, however, who conform to our schedule of ushering in the sabbath at 6:30 P.M. should also light candles at that hour.

PLEASE NOTE

This issue of the Bulletin includes information for the forth-coming two weeks. The next issue will appear on June 26th.

YAHRZEITS

June

- 13-MAURICE CHAPMAN
- 14-ANNA MEHLMAN
- 14-HYMAN MARGOLIES
- 14-SAM WITKIN
- 15-GUSSIE WALD
- 15-ABRAHAM GOODMAN
- 16-EMANUEL KAPLAN
- 16-SARAH HOROWITZ
- 17-ABRAHAM GLASER
- 17—JOSEPH BRUCKNER
- 17—HELENA ALTER
- 17—YENTE GOLDSTEIN
- 18-IDA SOM
- 18-SARAH GOLDSTEIN
- 18-ISRAEL I. IVRY
- 18-LOUIS CLARK
- 19-GOLDIE GUDIS
- 19-LINA ADLER
- 20-JENNIE ZUCH
- 20-JEREMIAS GOLDNER
- 20-REGINA KLEIN
- 20-SAMUEL M. FREEDMAN
- 21-KOLMAN LURIA
- 23-HENNE KRAUSS
- 23-DEBORA LITWINS
- 23-SAMUEL J. ELETZ
- 23-ETHEL SOM
- 23-JACOB P. SHULMAN
- 23-JACOB GROSSMAN
- 24-ROSA D. WEISMAN
- 24-RAYE HEBALD
- 24-HANNAH B. WINER
- 24-BESSIE GERSHMAN
- 24-EDWARD STEIN
- 25-JACOB S. LOOKSTEIN
- 25-SARAH ETRA
- 25-SHEINE SARAH ADLER
- 26-SAMUEL GLASS
- 26-SALOMON KAHAN
- 26-DAVID ORENTREICH
- 26-LEW LUBIN
- 26-NATHAN FLAX

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CHARLES ROSENTHAL, Director

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

We would like you to consider a matter which deserves your attention. For various reasons many people shy away from it. Yet, it is one of the necessities of life that are best taken care of before tragedy strikes. We are referring, of course, to the arranging of one's cemetery needs.

Why A Family Plot?

- It is in keeping with Jewish tradition, a tradition that originated with our first Patriarch, Abraham, to provide a common burial ground for one's family. The first purchase of property of which there is a Biblical record is associated with a family plot.
- There is a gratification in meeting with one's kin in life; there is consolation to be found at the ancestral resting place where one may visit and perform his devotions in reverence to all who passed on before him.
- The acquisition of a family plot is economically more practical than the purchase of individual graves.

Why On Kehilath Jeshurun Grounds?

- The final resting place is a religious sanctuary. When located on the grounds of an old established congregation such as Kehilath Jeshurun it will be maintained with dignity and cared for with tenderness.
- Sordid commercialism, unesthetic environment, indelicate practices should never be associated with a Bet Olam, the place of eternal rest. Kehilath Jeshurun with a record of eight decades of spiritual ministration can be relied upon for good taste, propriety and integrity.

Our New Cemetery-

- A beautiful, completely modern Jewish cemetery, Beth El is only seventeen minutes from the George Washington Bridge and easily accessible by automobile and bus.
- Beth El rolls gently over land that is high and dry; that is uniformly graded to minimize the hazards of inclement weather and that is esthetically landscaped to be pleasing to the eye.

For further information contact our Ritual Director, Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg, at the Synagogue office, SAcramento 2-0800.

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