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A LOOK BACK AT TISHA B'AV

The Tisha B'Av services in our congregation last weekend were moving and inspiring. A capacity congregation filled every seat in the chapel for the evening service on Saturday night. The highlights of the service, besides the reading of Lamentations and the discourse on the laws and significance of the fast day, were the special readings prepared for that evening.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein read from a volume of Rabbinic responsa which was composed in the concentration camps during the reign of Nazi terror in Europe. He cited one responsum in particular where the questioner asked for the proper formulation of the blessing over Kiddush HaShem. Knowing that he might be called to the gas chambers at any moment, he wanted to be prepared to make the proper blessing over the giving of his life as a Jew.

Another selection was read from the famous monograph, "Rome and Jerusalem", by Moses Hess. Hess, a sometime socialist and anarchist, who wrote his pamphlet urging the settlement of Palestine and the establishment of a Jewish State thereon, recalls with tenderness and considerable emotion the days preceding Tisha B'Av in his youth when his grandfather used to read to him from the Talmud, about the meaning of the day. The impression is left that, however far Hess may have strayed from the main stream of Judaism, these recollections kept alive

within him the ideal of Jewish nationalism.

Some 50 worshippers gathered for the morning service on Sunday at which appropriate dirges were read and also discussed. One might say that the most gratifying aspect of this year's Tisha B'Av observance in our congregation was the large group of women who attended on Saturday night and the many children who came both at night and in the morning.

Especially of the children it may be said, that if we were to look for some comfort from the entire experience of Tisha B'Av, the presence of the future generation of Jewry in this community constitutes such consolation. It indicates that our loyalties to our heritage and to our people are striking deeper roots and hold promise for a future of even greater commitment.

RAMAZ HONORS

We print from time to time honors which are received by students in the Ramaz Upper School. We are happy to note, this time, that three students in the Sixth Grade of the Ramaz Lower School were recently honored by the Histadrut Ivrit. One received the first prize in the Histadrut Ivrit Essay Contest on the subject "The Eastern European Jewish Shtetel". Two other students in the Sixth Grade received honorable mention. All essays were, of course, in Hebrew.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein Will Preach This Sabbath at 10:45 A.M.

"WHAT CONSOLATION AFTER TISHA B'AV?"

A Comment On Shabbat Nachamu

THE WEEKLY PORTION

VAETHANAN

"Ten Commandments"

On this coming Saturday morning, as part of the regular weekly portion of Vaetchanan, the Ten Commandments will be read. The Ten Commandments are found twice in the Bible, once in the Book of Exodus and once in the Book of Deuteronomy.

There was a time when the Decalogue was recited every morning as part of the morning service, much as the Shema is recited today. Already at the time of the Mishna, however, some 1800 years ago, this practice was discontinued because of certain sects which arose in Israel which placed primary emphasis on the Ten Commandments while denigrating the rest of the Torah.

Traditional Judaism has always felt that the Ten Commandments had special importance because they were the words which God revealed to the entire People of Israel at Mount Sinai. Their significance, as far as law is concerned, derives from the fact that they constitute the general principles of Jewish law. The details of that law, however, form the contents of the rest of the Torah. To emphasize the Ten Commandments while belittling the rest of the laws of the Torah runs contrary to the soul of Judaism.

Invariably, those sects which made this mistake in emphasis were not able to survive. People cannot exist on general principles alone. It is the details which make the general principles meaningful and which translate them into concrete action.

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A MODERN RITUALARIUM

is located in our community
at 158 West 97th Street
MOument 3-0300

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Births —

Our heartiest congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. David Joseph upon the birth of their first grandchild, a daughter born to their children Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Weinstein.

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Justin J. Bayer, Mrs. Maks L. Birnbach, Dr. Theodore R. Fink, Mrs. Herman D. Gimbel, Mrs. Isidore Grossman, Oscar Gudis, Mrs. Raymond L. Gura, Gedeon Heller, George Jacobs, Norman Jaskan, Mrs. Joseph Kagan, Mrs. Ida Golub Kitay, Mrs. Rose B. Kolker, Mrs. Manfred M. Magnus, Norman C. Ryp, Nathan Salzman, and Aaron Welish.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abramson, Mr. and Mrs. Michael L. Schloss, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Trencher.

Get Well —

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Abram Miller who is recuperating in the hospital from recent illness.

Academic Milestones —

Our best wishes to Mrs. Melvin Newman (nee Carol Kaufman) upon her graduation from Finch College. Mrs. Newman will specialize in the field of nursery education and will be on the staff of the 92nd St. YMHA for the fall term.

CONDOLENCES

We record with sorrow the passing of Eugene Roth, beloved brother of our esteemed Vice President, Joseph Roth.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Reuben Westerman, upon the passing of his beloved brother.

Our heartfelt condolences to Samuel Garfinkel, upon the passing of his beloved brother.

We pray that the families be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

K. J. TEENAGERS TO ATTEND YESHIVA SEMINAR

A fine delegation of teenagers from our congregational family has already been selected for attendance at the 1964 Summer Torah Leadership Seminar, which will be held under the auspices of Yeshiva University, from Wednesday, August 26th through Thursday, September 3rd.

The Seminar this year, will be held at Camp Morasha, the new and spacious camp grounds which are being used this summer for the first time by a Yeshiva University sponsored camp. We are confident that the extra space and facilities which this camp provides will make the Seminar even more productive and thrilling than it has been in the past.

The young people from our congregational family who are already enrolled for the Seminar are:

Don Etra	Robert Pik
Aaron Holzer	Bella Rosner
Pearl Moskowitz	Steven Silberblatt

Those who would still like to join this group may do so by contacting Rabbi Haskel Lookstein at the Synagogue Office. Scholarships are provided by the Men's Club and Sisterhood to make the cost of the Seminar within reach of everyone.

KASHRUTH NEWS

For the information of our readers we wish to report the supervision of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations over Schreiber Caterers' "kosher air trays". These are individual tray dinners including appetizer, borscht, main course of meat or poultry, vegetables, fruit salad, dessert and the usual condiments. The tray comes sealed and is merely reheated by the stewardess before being presented to the passenger.

These special air trays may be ordered through the various airlines' ticket offices.



HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST

Israel absent from Republican Platform for first time since 1944

Liberal Republicans expressed serious regrets last week at the action of the conservative-dominated Platform Committee which substituted a vague Middle Eastern plank for the strong pro-Israel policy statement which the Liberal advocated for the Republican platform.

Pro-Israel Republicans were annoyed by the departure from tradition which was evident in the platform. Since 1944 both major political parties had consistently adopted planks that contained warm and open support, first for the Jewish aspirations in Palestine and later for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the State of Israel.

Pro-Israel voices were raised during the closed sessions of the Platform Committee. They were, however, hopelessly outnumbered by conservative members. The elimination of specific reference to Israel leaves the Middle East plank obscure and virtually meaningless according to the liberal spokesmen.

HAPPY DAY FUND

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Sisterhood Happy Day Fund from Mrs. Leo Breindel, Mrs. Rose Etra, The Feinberg Twins, Mrs. Bernard D. Fischman, Mrs. Alexander Gross, Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon, Mrs. Ida Golub Kitay, Mrs. William G. Lebowitz, Mrs. Jack Lieberman, Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein, Mrs. Frederick Margaretan, Mrs. Abram Miller, Mrs. Oscar Perlberger and Mrs. Marvin C. Teicher.

Members are urged to share their joyous occasions with others by making a gift to the Happy Day Fund.

Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Jacob P. Shulman, 115 East 82nd Street, the Chairman of the Happy Day Fund.

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Elgin Shulsky	Treasurer
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William Lebowitz	Pres. Men's Club

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY, JULY 24th, Shabbat Nahamu**

*Evening 6:30

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00

Weekly Portion: Vaethanan

Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11

Haftorah: Isaiah 40:1-26

Evening 8:10

Conclusion of Sabbath 8:50

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FRIDAY, JULY 31st

*Evening 6:30

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00

Weekly Portion: Ekev

Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25

Haftorah: Isaiah 49:14-51:3

ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS

Rosh Chodesh Elul will be on Saturday, August 8th, and Sunday, August 9th.

Evening 8:00

Conclusion of Sabbath 8:45

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30

Sunday Morning 8:30

Evening 6:30

YAHRZEITS**July**

25—BERNARD FEIFER
25—ROSE LEVY
25—MAX LENT
25—ALEXANDER KOLKER
25—MINDEL REISER
25—CECELIA FRIEND
26—FRANK E. GOLDMAN
27—SIDNEY KAHAN
27—SAM ROSOWSKY
27—PAULINE RUBINFELD
29—JACOB MARCUS
29—JACOB LEBOWITZ
29—BETTY SCHIMEL
30—MALVINA JARAY
30—SARAH RUBINSTEIN
31—MORRIS LURIE
31—JOSEPH RIKER

August

1—DEREZNER ROSE BAB
2—LENA FEIFER
2—RACHEL PREGEL
2—MARY KLEIN
3—JACOB WOLFF SUSSMAN
4—ZIGMUND WECHSLER
4—ABRAHAM GREENBERG
4—DAVID SHEAR
4—DAVID ZIZMOR
4—JOSEPH LEVINE
5—MAX URIS
6—IDA (FEINGOLD)
NEWMAN
6—HENNIE POUST
6—FAIVEL FINKEL
6—FANNIE NACHTIGALL
7—MAX GOLDMAN
7—ADOLF JACOB ZUCKER
7—ROSE FRIED
7—ROSE LANDAU

*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.