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RAMAZ SCHOOL CELEBRATES THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY AT GALA DINNER

More than seven hundred parents and friends of Ramaz School took part in the thirtieth anniversary celebration of Ramaz School. The event was held last Sunday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The Scholarship Fund of Ramaz School is the beneficiary of many thousands of dollars as a result of the dinner. Our devoted member, Mrs. Martin Markson, presided as President of the Parents Council.

Kehilath Jeshurun Well Represented

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Kehilath Jeshurun was well represented at the dinner, with close to two hundred members. Officers, members of the Board and a devoted membership participated in this gala anniversary event.

Accolades to Mrs. George Jacobs

The congregation congratulates and takes special pride in a daughter of Kehilath Jeshurun, Mrs. George Jacobs, on her twenty-fifth anniversary of affiliation with Ramaz School. Mrs. Jacobs received a warm round of applause from the dinner guests when Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, congratulated her publicly on her devoted service to the institution.

A Message from the Principal

We reprint below a message from Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, the Principal of the school, as it appears in the Souvenir Journal published in conjunction with the thirtieth anniversary dinner.

Kehilath Jeshurun, the sponsoring congregation of Ramaz School, takes pride in the school's thirty years of achievements. May the fruitful and untiring efforts of its Founder and Principal, its Trustees and its devoted staff, continue to bring glory to the school and service to the community.

THIRTY - AND GOING STRONG

Of Moses the supreme Lawgiver it is written that even at a ripe old age "his eyes were undimmed and his vigor was unabated."

For an individual, such a condition is a major blessing. For an institution, it is an absolute imperative. Many institutions, unfortunately, grow old instead of aging gracefully. They lose their vigor and are handicapped by lack of vision. An institution, especially one engaged in education, must remain youthful, flexible, adventurous.

Ramaz School is in its thirtieth year. By accepted standards it would be regarded as an old institution. Yet, on our thirtieth birthday we do not look to our past, proud as we may be of it, but to a beckoning and challenging future.

Three decades ago we launched our enterprise under the understanding and generous sponsorship of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. The educational philosophy that we adopted justified our being regarded as pioneers in Day School education. We blazed many new trails and we dared to do while others hesitated. Before long, however, the Ramaz Plan was adopted by many and today the landscape of America is dotted with Jewish Day Schools who adopted the Ramaz pattern.

What is it that we really did? First and foremost, we made Jewish Day School education fashionable and acceptable. Many parents and community leaders who doubted the validity of this type of education as viable on the American scene changed their minds and slowly became adherents and, before long, even advocates of this type of education.

Today there are almost three hundred Jewish Day Schools in the United States with a student enrollment of almost 75,000. In this fortunate development, Ramaz played an important role.

We believed that Jewish Day School education was essential to the survival of Judaism. Simultaneously, we contended that it represented a precious contribution to the culture and totality of American democracy. We were convinced that one can grow up proudly and nobly as an American while adhering faithfully and intelligently to the faith and culture of our people. We believed, and we continue to believe, that Judaism commands us to be good Americans and America expects us to be good Jews.

We did something else. We became a Progressive Jewish Day School. This meant for us, that we would not reject the old merely because it was old nor would we spurn the new merely because it was new. In that way, we felt, would we develop young men and young women who would experience no internal emotional or intellectual conflicts because they were growing up in two cultures. We demonstrated that it was possible to live in the twentieth century while maintaining allegiance to the ideals and principles of the Sinaitic tradition.

These truths by which we live have now become the accepted outlook of the vast majority of American Israel. Not isolation nor ghettoization will safeguard the existence of Judaism. We are convinced that it is possible to live with all others and yet to remain distinctively ourselves. Jews were never intended to be a sect but "a light unto the nations."

As we stand at our thirtieth milestone, we look prayerfully but confidently to the years ahead. What we have done we hope to continue to do. The years have taught us much. We hope to benefit by what we learned. Our richer experience will enable us further to enrich the lives of countless generations of young people. Through such enrichment we pray that we may bring strength, endurance and honor to Israel and to America.

"May the Lord our God be with us as He has been with us up to now."

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SABBATH AT 11:00 A.M.
''THE RECURRENT PLAGUES OF EGYPT—THERE IS A CURE FOR THEM''

THE WEEKLY PORTION BO

"Freedom and Redemption"

Our portion for this week contains the command concerning the slaughtering of the Paschal Lamb, which formed the basic institution of the seder on Passover in Temple times. Nachmanides, in his commentary on the Torah, points out that in the month of Nisan the astrologists consider the sign of the lamb to be in the ascendancy. By the act of slaughtering a lamb, the Jews were in effect saying that their deliverance from Egypt was not the result of magical powers, but rather the fulfillment of God's design in human history.

Nachmanides further indicates that the lamb was holy to Egypt (a "sacred cow" of sorts). By the act of slaughtering the lamb, the Jews were renouncing the gods of Egypt and accepting the supremacy of the one God over all other worldly powers.

Both of these comments have essentially one message. The exodus from Egypt was only initially a liberation of a people from slavery. Ultimately, it was a process of redemption. A people emerged from immorality and proceeded to accept Ten Commandments and the Torah. A people emerged from a society which knew not the dignity of man and proceeded to a promised land of the spirit, where the brotherhood of man could be a reality and where human dignity and equality could be more than a wishful dream.

This message is particularly timely at this season of the year when people are already beginning to make their plans for the coming Passover. I recall once receiving a notice from a popular resort hotel which utilized a special appeal for the Passover "vacation period." It showed a picture of a seder table with the father, son and

This particular appeal carries with it considerable persuasiveness. It touches on the "ease consciousness" of our society. If one can take care of a chore by means of having a machine do it or someone else do it, then why do it oneself? Inasmuch as Passover is a festival of freedom from hard work, the appeal is all the more convincing.

If, however, Passover is to be viewed as a festival in which we strive to recapture the traditions of Judaism and reject those facets of life around us which may clash with those traditions, then the appeal loses its persuasive character. The picture of the father and mother sitting at the seder table with their son and daughter, discussing the exodus from Egypt, reliving the drama of Passover and the liberation of a people, is worth far more than an eight-day vacation. The involvement of the youngsters in the preparations for Passover, in the ardent labors and in the emotional preliminaries, is far more desirable than is their assistance in the mere packing of suitcases.

The exodus to the mountains which takes place every spring is but a poor Jewish translation of the American ritual of making the Fourth of July into a four-day weekend, when people literally run for the hills (or drive to them). If we want to be "really free" this year, then let us observe Passover and its sedarim at home and in the House of God. In that way, we will not only be recalling how our people went out from Egypt; we will also be testifying that we have taken Egypt out of ourselves.

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The K. J. Sisterhood Philharmonic Concert

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ANDRE KOSTELANETZ

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WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Dr. Irwin Chabon, Adolph Citron, Martin E. de Graaff, Mrs. Joseph Friedman, David Gordon, Mrs. Eugene Hollander, Mrs. Philip Jadek, Mrs. Maurice N. Jaffe, Adolph Levy, Abe Newborn, Mrs. David Pik, Mrs. Louis Orwasher, Abraham Silver, Mrs. Isaac N. Trainin, and Miss Cecilie Weiss.

Anniversaries-

Warmest greeting to Mr. and Mrs. Israel Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Eletz, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Linzer, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mandelker, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Markson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Schenker, Dr. and Mrs. David Weisselberger, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann.

Engagement-

We extend hearty congratulations to our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Herman D. Gimbel upon the engagement of their daughter Stephanie to Mr. Steven Barry Prince, of Great Neck, Long Island.

Congratulations-

We extend hearty congratulations to our esteemed Trustee, James Clark, upon the recent honor he received.

Mr. Clark was named "Man of the Year" by Congregation Ohab Zedek at its annual dinner which was recently held at the New York Hilton Hotel.

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Condolence—

We extend heartfelt condolences to our devoted member, Sam Rubinsky, on the passing of his beloved wife.

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

HERMAN GOLDMAN OF BLESSED MEMORY

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun lost an outstanding Senior Member, in the passing of Herman Goldman. Funeral services took place at the Riverside Chapel on Friday, with Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein officiating.

Herman Goldman was the son of Frank Ephraim Goldman and Toby Theresa Goldman. It was in their home, more than ninety years ago, that the first Minyan was held, and which led to the founding of Kehilath Jeshurun.

Herman Goldman was one of the staunchest and most generous supporters of our congregation and of Ramaz School. His extensive philanthropies included also Yeshiva University, the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and practically every outstanding cause, Jewish and non-Jewish.

May his memory be blessed and may it abide forever in our House of God.

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will hold its next open meeting this

Saturday night, February 3rd, 8:30 oʻclock

in the home of

Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein

-Guest Speaker-

DR. CHARLES LIEBMAN

-Topic"ORTHODOX JEWISH
INVOLVEMENT IN
AMERICAN POLITICS"

SISTERHOOD NEEDIEST CASES

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Sisterhood Neediest Cases Fund from Mrs. Benjamin Mandelker, Mrs. Israel Wachter and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann.

Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Joseph Roth, 891 Park Avenue, Chairman of the Needest Cases Fund.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin is a publication in which we endeavor to bring to the attention of our members, interesting events which take place in our synagogue.

We also try to include in the Bulletin, items pertaining to our members and to their families. Unfortunately, we do not have a source for obtaining this information.

You can be of assistance by advising us of family events, which will be of interest to the other members of the congregation.

Thank you for your help.

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES

February 3, 1968

Mrs. Benjamin Kaufman

Mrs. Saul J. Linzer

Mrs. Milton Medwin

Mrs. Henry M. Rem

IT SNOW JOKE! Jerusalem, 1968



Did you find it hard to believe when three weeks ago, the city of Jerusalem was hit by a twelve inch snowfall? If you did, the picture shown above should clear up any doubt in your mind.

The picture shows our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Markson, who were part of the Kehilath

Jeshurun contingent at the World Conference of Ashkenazic and Sephardic Synagogues held in Jerusalem. The picture was taken in front of the Kings Hotel.

That white substance in the picture really is snow. The snowman's name?

— "Moshe Dayan."

AN EVERLASTING MEMORIAL

We bring to the attention of our members and worshippers that in our Main Synagogue there are Memorial Tablets upon which may be inscribed the names of dear departed ones.

On these Tablets, each name is inscribed on an individual plaque which bears the name of the deceased and the date of the yahrzeit in Hebrew and in English. Memorial lights are located on either side of the individual plaque. These lights are kindled on the yahrzeit and at every memorial service. On these occasions memorial prayers are recited for all those whose names are inscribed on the Tablets.

The dedication of a plaque in the House of God is a beautiful and appropriate memorial for a departed loved

Our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg, will furnish you with any information you may require in connection with ordering such a plaque.

ADULT INSTITUTE CALENDAR

Monday 10:00 A.M.

Advanced Hebrew

11:00 A.M.

Studies In Judaism

8:30 P.M.

Talmud Class

Tuesday 8:30 P.M.

Study Group
"Topics from the Psalms"

Wednesday 8:00 P.M.

Beginners' Hebrew Hebrew Literature

The Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon

will be held on

Tuesday, May 7th

at the Waldorf - Astoria

-Reserve the date-

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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Lighting of Candles	4:55
Evening	
ATURDAY	
Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation	
Pre-School Service	

Dining Hall Weekly Portion: BO EXODUS 10:1 - 13:1611:00

Haftorah: JEREMIAH 46:13 - 28

Evening	5:00
Conclusion of Sabbath	
FEKDAY SERVICES	

EEKDAY SERVICES

Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	
Father and Son Minyan	
Evening	

YAHRZEITS

February

- 3-HARRY B. KOCH
- 3-YETTA ARBEIT
- 3-GUSSIE CHARNOW
- 3-LOUIS SCHLEIFER
- 4-JOSEPH FEINBERG
- 4-IDA E. BECKER
- 4-REGINA MARGARETEN
- 4-AARON REINHOLD
- 5-RABBI SAMUEL SCHREIBER
- 5-JESSE WILTON GOLDMAN
- 6-BESSIE WALLACH
- 6-SAMUEL KLEPPNER
- 6-AKIVA SCHWEITZER
- 6-BLANKA ROSENAK
- 6-FLOYD KATSKE
- 7-MAX PHILLIPS
- 7-WILLIAM PRINCE 7-ARYEH L. ABELOW
- 8-ANNA HABER
- 9-JOSEPH FREED
- 9-DORA DERSHOWITZ

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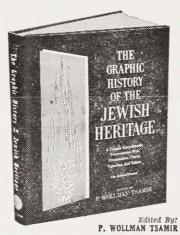
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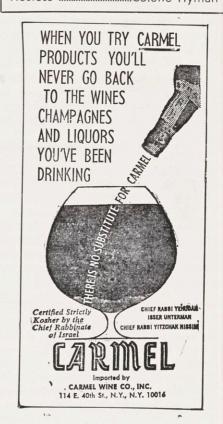
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