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GRATIFYING RESPONSE TO PASSOVER APPEAL

We are pleased to announce that our annual Passover Relief Appeal, just launched, has met with a gratifying response. As always, friends of Kehilath Jeshurun understand the need connected with the Passover Appeal.

We stress again how great the need is on the part of individuals and institutions, both in America and in Israel.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein has already explained how important the Appeal is this year. It is imperative that each one responds to this Appeal with greater generosity than ever before.

Do Not Delay

It is important that the contributions for Passover Relief be received now, in order that assistance may be given in advance of the festival. Please be as generous as possible. Contributions should be made payable to the Kehilath Jeshurun Benevolent Fund.

In accordance with our past practice, we will publicly thank all donors by publishing their names in the next issue of the Bulletin.

REMINDER ABOUT CONGREGATIONAL SEDARIM

In accordance with our practice for many years, the congregation will once again sponsor Passover Sedarim. They will take place on Friday night, April 12th, and Saturday night, April 13th. The Seder is open only to members of the congregation and their families. The subscription for each Seder is \$18.00 per adult and \$12.00 per child under twelve years of age.

In order to retain the family character of the Seder, we must limit the number of reservations. We ask those who wish to avail themselves of this opportunity to make their reservations without delay. The deadline for all reservations is Sunday, April 7th.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun

cordially invites you to attend the

Annual Yeshiva University Brunch

This Sunday morning, March 24th, 10:00 A.M.

in the Social Hall

The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood

cordially invites its members and friends to participate in

A Tour of the

American Israel Cultural House

This Monday afternoon, March 25th, at 1:00 o'clock

at 4 East 54th Street

New York City

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We will assemble in the lobby

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— Program —

A film presentation

A lecture on paintings and arts and crafts

An inspection of the gallery

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The facilities at the American Israel Cultural House do not permit for a collation to take place.

**RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SABBATH AT 11:00 A. M.
"FAITH AS A FORM OF DISCIPLINE"**

THE WEEKLY PORTION

Parshat Parah

"Passover Preparations"

This is the third of the special Sabbaths which dominate the pre-Passover season — "Shabbat Parah," the Sabbath of the red heifer. The meaning of this Sabbath is traced back to Temple times when, toward the end of Adar, the people took care to cleanse themselves of any ritual defilement — Tumah — which might have come upon them during the year, due to their contact with the dead.

The law provides that contact with or proximity to a deceased person renders one ritually unclean, a state which precludes his entering the Temple or partaking of the layman's portion of any sacrifice. Inasmuch as Passover was a pilgrimage festival on which all the Jews came to Jerusalem and during which they partook of several kinds of sacrifices, it, was necessary for them to be cleansed ritually. This was accomplished through the sprinkling of ashes from a cremated red heifer upon them, a practice whose rationale remains a complete mystery to the present day.

What is not mysterious is that the people began to prepare for Passover early. The red heifer episode was only one vital aspect of that preparation. The study of the laws of Passover was traditionally begun on Purim. The thorough cleansing of the household was similarly started before the beginning of Nisan. Many rigorous tasks had to be performed, culminating with the final search for Chametz on the evening before the first Seder. Only then could the festival be ushered in properly.

It is not an accident that Passover, despite its stringent regulations, has always been the favorite festival on the Jewish calendar. One suspects that the exhaustive preparations, far from detracting from the joyousness, are most responsible for the splendor of Passover. To paraphrase a rabbinic remark describing the Sabbath: he who works on the eve of Passover, enjoys Passover all the more.

This coming Sabbath is symbolic of the effort required on the part of each individual in preparing for the Festival of Freedom. It is this effort which ensures the appropriateness of the traditional greeting for Passover — Chag Kasher v'Sameach — a happy and Kosher holiday.

H. L.

DR. HOENIG WRITES ABOUT

RABBI LOOKSTEIN'S BOOK

Dr. Sidney B. Hoenig wrote about the Rabbi's book, "Faith and Destiny of Man", which he received. The learned scholar from Yeshiva University said, in part, "I was delighted to receive the inscribed copy of your new book and I want to thank you most heartily for it. Often have I been inspired by your oral word; now the written word brings permanence.

"Truly, I found pleasure in reading your messages. They were not mere sermons but rather lessons conveying direct guide-lines. Indeed, many a paragraph contains a full philosophy of faith, belonging, etc. I feel that an index of topics (though unusual in such a volume) would have made it one of constant reference, as it should be."

"Faith and Destiny of Man" is an important addition to one's library. The volume makes an appreciated gift.

SISTERHOOD

KIDDUSH HOSTESSES

Saturday, March 23, 1968

Mrs. Benjamin L. Leifert
Mrs. Joseph Greenberg
Mrs. David Pik
Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Harry Heyman, Gabriel J. Robbins, Mrs. Nathan Salzman, Mrs. Nathan Warshaw and David Warshavsky.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bartel, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Baumgarten, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer G. Engel, Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Epstein, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kolb, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac E. Okun, Rabbi and Mrs. Isaac N. Trainin, Mr. and Mrs. George Weiss and Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Zessman.

Engagement—

We extend hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kahn, upon the engagement of their daughter Ruth to Mr. Ronald Summer, of Forest Hills, New York.

SISTERHOOD NEEDIEST CASES

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Sisterhood Neediest Cases Fund from: Mrs. Herman Greenberg, Mrs. Samuel Gross and Mrs. George Postel.

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

The Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon

will be held on

Tuesday, May 7that the *Waldorf-Astoria*

SYNAGOGUE

—Reserve the date—

**MEN'S CLUB SYMPOSIUM ON
ORGAN TRANSPLANTS,
APRIL 2nd**

A novel and exciting program will be offered on Tuesday evening, April 2nd, in the Social Hall of the congregation by the Men's Club of Kehilath Jeshurun. The program will consist of a medical, legal and religious symposium on the subject of recent developments in the field of organ transplants.

The speakers for the occasion will be Dr. Theodore R. Fink, Martin R. Rochlin and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein. Each will deal with his field of specialization. The moderator for the program will be Dr. Charles I. Cohen.

Readers of the Bulletin are, no doubt, aware of some of the implications in recent research in the field of organ transplants. Our panel will present further implications which have not as yet been discussed in newspapers or popular magazines.

A cordial invitation is extended to men and women to attend the forthcoming symposium on Tuesday evening, April 2nd, at 8:30.

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Wednesday evening, March 27th, at 8:30 o'clock

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"DIRECTIONS IN ORTHODOX JUDAISM ON THE AMERICAN SCENE"

—Guest Speaker—

RABBI WALTER WURZBURGER

Visiting Professor of Philosophy,
Yeshiva University.

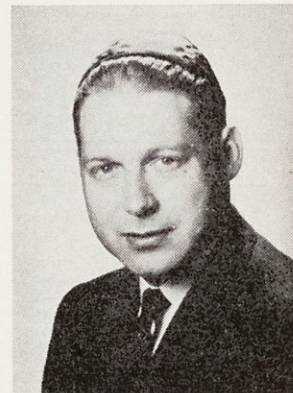
Editor, Tradition

Spiritual Leader,
Cong. Shaare Tefila, Far Rockaway

—Topic—

"WHITHER ORTHODOX JUDAISM?"

— All are welcome —



**ENTHUSIASTIC AND ENERGETIC LISTENERS
HEAR MEGILLAH READINGS FOR PURIM**

Purim 1968 was another unforgettable experience in the annals of Kehilath Jeshurun and its daughter institution, Ramaz School.

On Wednesday evening over 800 worshippers — young and very young — jammed the main floor of our main sanctuary and overflowed into the balcony to hear ten Ramaz students read the Megillah and another officiate as cantor.

The mood was gay and happy, boisterous and yet dignified. Of course, the center of attraction were the more than 250 children who administered the kind of blows to Haman, from which we have a feeling he will never recover.

In the morning, at 7:00 o'clock, the chapel was crowded with worshippers who joined the special Purim service, and who heard our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg, read the Megillah with record speed and breathtaking clarity.

Several hours later, at 10:30, over 100 women and children assembled in that same chapter to hear the Megil-

lah read again by Ramaz students, several of them rookies who were reading for the first time in public. The joy of this service consisted in its informality, with children beginning from age 1½, feeling free to be part of this kind of service, and with all participating in it enjoying it to the fullest.

We are grateful to many who helped to make this Purim the kind of experience that it was. First and foremost, our thanks to Mr. Isaac B. Rapaport, instructor of religious studies at the Ramaz Upper School, who prepared the young men for their reading.

Secondly, our thanks to the young men, themselves, whom we list below. Included in this list are the readers for both Wednesday night and Thursday morning:

Samuel Blumenthal, Norman Chideckel, Samuel Friedman, David Grossman, Jeremy Hyman, Alan Kalischer, Robert Kurzweil, Robert Levine, Steven Lorch, Asher Miller, Roger Oppenheimer, Jeffrey Retig, Steven Schaeter, Alvin Smilow and Lewis Trencher.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles5:50
Evening5:45

SATURDAY, SHABBAT PARAH

Morning9:00
Junior Congregation10:15
Pre-School Service
Dining Hall11:00

**Weekly Portion: VAYAKHEL - PEKUDE
EXODUS 35:1 - 40:38
NUMBERS 19:1 - 22**

Haftorah: Ezekiel 36:16 - 38

ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS

Rosh Chodesh Nisan will be on
Saturday, March 30th.
Evening5:50
Conclusion of Sabbath6:45

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning7:30
Sunday Morning8:30
Father and Son Minyan9:30
Evening5:45

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

Saturday, March 23

Cantors

George Blumenthal
Jonathan Javitt
Henry Zimet

Sermonette

David Orwasher

Teenage Torah Reader

Claude Alpert



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March

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24—ELSE LEVY
24—GERTRUDE OSTOW
25—JOSEPH KAILES
25—BENJAMIN RYP
25—SARAH KUSTIN
25—JOSEPH B. GIMBEL
25—BEATRICE HARRIS
25—MICHAEL GREEN
25—HYMAN BABICH
25—MALKA ZIPPEL
26—GITEL BACKER
26—ETTA SCHLANG

26—DAVID FRANK PHILIPS
27—PAULINE WAGNER
27—JOSEPH RITTER
27—IDA RAPPOPORT
28—FRANZISKA GOTTSALK
28—SAMUEL LEVY
28—JACOB KOPIT
28—MOSHA A. MORRIS
28—JACOB WOLF BAB
29—BARUCH DAVID KAPLAN
29—ROSE GLASS
29—SAMUEL FINE
29—SIMON BROZ
29—ISRAEL DAVID LASCOFF
29—SHAGE FISCHEL
29—ROSE KANAREK
29—ADROEMME L. PROPP

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David Druckman

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