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HAVE WE A PLACE IN

PARKCHESTER?

In the 3 years of our organization, Young Israel of Parkchester, has been an integral part of the religious and spiritual life of this Community.

It has conducted in the true spirit of Judaism the beneficial bounties of good fellowship and religious services for young and old.

It has given its full cooperation in the National emergencies, such as the Blood bank of which our membership has gone out 100% -- it has bought War Bonds, our recent rally at our auditorium yielded a total of \$25,000.00 worth of Bonds and gave us the honor of donating a fighter Plane to our gallant Air Force. It has contributed to the many charitable appeals. Our own Pres-

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TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Tickets for High Holiday services, it was announced by the Synagogue Committee, were placed on sale September 1. In order to avoid the last-minute rush, the Committee recommends that you, our members and friends, reserve your seats immediately. A committee is in attendance nightly, from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M. to serve you.

As in previous years, Young Israel decorum will dominate the services, conducted as usual in traditional orthodox manner. In keeping with uniformity, an integral part of a decorous service, white skull-caps will again be distributed free to every seat-holder, with the compliments of the Young Israel of Parkchester. Similarly, the National Council monthly magazine, the Viewpoint, will be given to each of our patrons, in order to give you an insight into

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RESERVE OCTOBER 7th FOR AN OUTSTANDING YOUNG ISRAEL EVENT AT CARNEGIE HALL.....

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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS —

The world has finally been relieved of the greatest holocaust in the history of mankind. We face this relief with mixed emotions; that of happiness and of sorrow. Happy for the return to our homes of our children, brothers, sweethearts and friends from the armed forces. Sorrow, for those who made the supreme sacrifice and for those who gave their limbs that this world can be a better place to live in. Better! do we say! What was wrong with the world that G-d created? Mortal man with his shortcomings magnified a thousandfold has turned his creation into a veil of tears.

A quarter of a century ago we finished a World War to end all wars. By our errors and omissions, we, in the same generation, have been inflicted with a second World War of such proportions that with its technological discoveries and advances threatens even the existence of the world and civilization as we now know it.

Our benevolent creator in his infinite wisdom sent us a leader in the form of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, blessed be his memory, whose leadership based upon righteousness kept us out of the caldron created by the devil himself, until we were so cowardly attacked while we were talking peace.

Who can forget Roosevelt's plea to Hitler to stop before it would be too late! It was from sheer exhaustion due to his super human effort in guiding the destiny of our country thru its darkest hours, that he passed to his final reward, before he could see the fruition of his efforts.

What has happened to our people, the Jewish people? Five million were slaughtered shamefully without a chance to fight back. Shall they have died in vain:- died in the crematories, poison laboratories, by fire, by the sword, by starvation and by mutilation. They died at the scene of our greatest culture, in Poland, Austria and Germany. Why did this happen? because we did not take heed of our sages and teachers, of their words of guidance brought to us in the Talmud in the Mishna and in the Torah itself.

The most prophetic and timely of all are the words of Samuel the younger in Mishla as we find it also in the "Ethics of our Fathers" in the fourth portion: "Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thy heart be glad when he stumbleth; lest the lord see it, and it displeases Him, and He turn away His wrath from him."

When we rejoice we become tranquil, and in our tranquility we permit our guard to drop - and our defense to crumble, giving our enemy the opportunity to attack again.

Our defense is our Torah, our Houses of learning, our Yeshivas, Talmud Torahs, our customs and ceremonies, our daily prayers and our daily good deeds.

Ours is the heritage of these millions of honored dead. They have been sacrificed for human decency and freedom but the cause they died for remains as our living and vital inheritance. It is our sacred duty to make sure that their gallant sacrifice shall not have been in vain.

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the multifarious activities carried on by the Council.

The services this year will again be held at our spacious quarters, in the auditorium at 2137 Ellis Avenue, recently re-decorated to add to the beauty of the services. Officiating will be William Posner and Kalman S. Winkler, with the aid of the congregants in ever-welcome Congregational Singing. A roster of eloquent speakers who will deliver inspiring and interesting sermons, rounds out the arrangements as planned by the Committee, and which, you may be assured, will offer you a Holiday you will long remember.

The Committee requests that for our mutual benefit, you place your reservations at the earliest possible moment.

DID YOU KNOW THAT.....

.....Maryland was the last American State to grant complete religious equality to the Jews?

.....Less than 5% of the population in America is Jewish; about half live in New York?

.....Over 1,300,000 Jews fought in the armies of the United Nations? Four million Jews were murdered in Europe during the Nazi siege, destroying three quarters of the Jews in Nazi occupied Europe and wiping out one third of world Jewry.

.....Palestine wines produced in the colonies of Rishon l'Zion and Zichron-Jacob, were werved to the late President Roosevelt and former Prime Minister Churchill during their conference in Cairo?

.....October 7th will witness a major event in Jewish life, at Carnegie Hall?

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS...

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Out of the destruction of over half of our Jewish people, we the remaining shall construct a new vista of Torah True Judaism, we shall strive for the establishment of a Jewish nation with Jerusalem as our guide post - and for an interim sound Jewish life in our homes, and in all our endeavours, with the knowledge that enduring peace cannot be had by might by thru the spirit of G-d.

Let us therefore in these solemn days of the approaching high holy days give thanks to the Almighty for the Victory, and for the lives of our men who have been spared. To the memory of those who will not return, let us dedicate ourselves to the end that war may not come again to the earth.

That with the firmness in the right, as G-d gives us to see the right, let us finish the work of Israel, to bind up the world's wounds, to care for them who shall have borne the brunt of battle, and for his widow and his orphans; to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations.

AD Kirchenbaum

From one man to another -- a Message from the Editor:

This issue of the "Young Israelight" is the last to be published by the current Editor. He has enjoyed his association with the paper, and regrets that he can no longer assume the responsibility of putting out this periodical due to the press of time.

He wishes to express his appreciation to Messrs. Bernard Friesler and Barnett Harris (and Mr. Harris' co-workers) for their kind assistance.

THE NEXT ISSUE, THAT OF OCTOBER, WILL BE WORTH WATCHING FOR. LOOK FOR IT!

HAVE WE FOUND OUR PLACE?

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ident, Mr. A. I. Kirschenbaum, acting as chairman for such appeals as the U.J.A., J.D.C., clothing drive for the needy in war-torn Europe, etc.

This alone should be answer enuf for the question "Have we found our place, etc." --

It isn't enuf, you say. -- Let us look at the record --

In the past 2 years, the Men's Club has been formed to create a Social forum where all our members and their friends enjoy a communal Jewish activity -- Here are some of the things it has done --

It has been successful at its New Years Affairs -- it has held two annual Spring Festivals and Barn Dances, and we're going to make it an annual event -- it is the talk of Parkchester, and its future plans have been conceived already, whereas all its members and friends will wholeheartedly join in its activities to make the social life of the Men's Club a subject to enjoy and discuss.

We know that with the terrible war over and our loved ones coming home once again, we can thank G-d and pray that this terrible thing is over. NOW is the time to ACT - We should seek our place among young men by encouraging their active participation with our group so that our goal of building our own temple will be a reality --

We do NOT want any leaners -- we want men that will give us of their time and knowledge. We want men who will ACT and we will give them the green light to go ahead for the good of Young Israel and of the Community.

Did we answer the question - "HAVE WE FOUND OUR PLACE IN PARKCHESTER?" We think so.

SCHEDULE OF HOLIDAY SERVICES

Slichoth:

Saturday, September 1st, midnight

Rosh Hashonah:

Friday, September 7th, 7:00 P.M.
Saturday, September 8th, 8:00 A.M.
Saturday, September 8th, 7:00 P.M.
Sunday, September 9th, 8:00 A.M.
Sunday, September 9th, 7:00 P.M.

Shabbos Shuvah:

Friday, September 14th, 7:00 P.M.
Saturday, September 15th, 9:00 A.M.

Kol Nidre:

Sunday, September 16th, 6:30 P.M.

Yom Kippur:

Monday, September 17th, 8:00 A.M.
(Yizkor Services - 11 A.M.)

Succoth:

Friday, September 21st, 6:30 P.M.
Saturday, September 22nd, 9:00 A.M.
Saturday, September 22nd, 6:30 P.M.
Sunday, September 23rd, 9:00 A.M.
Sunday, September 23rd, 6:30 P.M.

Shemini Atzereth:

Friday, September 28th, 6:15 P.M.
Saturday, September 29th, 9:00 A.M.
(Yizkor Services - 10:30)

Simchath Torah:

Saturday, September 29th, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, September 30th, 9:00 A.M.
Sunday evening, September 30th -
Victory Celebration &
Installation

Please note that in keeping with Young Israel decorum, services will begin promptly on the time indicated

SUNDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 30th, STARTS OUR YEAR OF MEMORABLE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.