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Editorial

The coming of Rosh Hashonah this year should fill all of us with a spirit of faith and optimism. We speak not only of ourselves or of our immediate community. There is a general feeling that the Jews of America are at last waking up to their religious and cultural responsibilities. Communities are showing greater interest in Jewish education. New synagogues and centers are springing up in all parts of the Country. Adult groups are asking for more guidance on Jewish History and religion. Organizations of every type want to know what Jewish life is and what it expects of them.

We are fully aware that the rising currents in themselves do not spell victory. We are similarly aware that interest alone does not mean achievement. At the same time we cannot help but feel encouraged by this search which is going on throughout the Jewish Community.

For those of us who are not new to Jewish life these widening horizons mean added responsibilities. It is we who must encourage the new adherents. We must enlarge our activities to meet the growing community needs. If we have been lax in our efforts this is the time for us to get back in step.

The challenge is great. May the New Year prove our optimism to be well founded.

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES

At long last arrangements for groundbreaking ceremonies have been set to take place Sunday afternoon, September 18th at 3 P.M. The event is scheduled to be held at the site of our proposed building, 1375 Virginia Avenue, near Wood Avenue.

Prominent guests have been invited for this occasion. Outstanding is the Hon. James J. Lyons, Borough President who has promised to address the audience. All of the principal officers of the National Council will be present including Elijah Stein, National President, Norman Cohen, Vice President in Charge of the Bronx, and Rabbi Dr. Samson R. Weiss, National Director. In addition, Rabbi Harry D. Silver will participate in the program.

This occasion is one that should thrill the heart of every Young Israelite. We have all striven long and hard for it. Let us all be there - men, women and children to make this an outstanding event in Parkchester.

SYNAGOGUE ORDINANCES

Many worshippers will be with us for the first time these High Holy Days. For their benefit, as well as for the benefit of our regular worshippers, we make known the following ordinances:

(1) Admission to the services during the High Holy Days will be by card only. This rule will be strictly enforced.

SYNAGOGUE ORDINANCES (Continued)

(2) We do not expect to have any vacant seats during the holidays. We, therefore, ask our worshippers not to bring children to the Synagogue unless seats have been reserved for them. To do otherwise, will crowd and inconvenience those who have a right to their seats. Special services will be held for children between ages 8-14.

(3) The doors are closed during the sermon. Please, therefore, be in your seat before the sermon begins.

(4) The Synagogue ushers do their job voluntarily and devotedly. Please cooperate with them by respecting their wishes.

Please note that in keeping with Young Israel decorum, services will begin promptly on the time indicated above. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

OUR OUTLOOK FOR THE NEW YEAR

Elsewhere in this Bulletin is listed the announcement of our Ground-Breaking Ceremonies to be held on September 18th. It is an occasion for a real "Shehechyanu." After long years of struggle and hope we have finally taken the first concrete step in putting up our own building. We must remember, though, that this is only the first step. Much has to be done before we can reach the final goal - a Building.

If anything is to be done it has to be done this year. And if it is to be done we must have the manpower and the money with which to do it. Our members and friends have risen manfully to our help on previous occasions - such as the Bazaar - and we know they will do it again.

During this coming year each and every one of us will be asked to give of our time and our money. It is our hope

that we may all respond in a spirit of real sacrifice. For what we seek is a Center that will be an answer to our spiritual needs. We all have those needs and we want to help answer them through the means of a spiritual center.

All of us together can make our outlook for the New Year a happy one indeed if we but do our part.

RECOMMENDED READING

THE SON OF THE LOST SON
by SOMA MORGENSTERN

The Jewish Publication Society
(Ed. Note-available at Parkchester
Branch of Public Library)

"Wolf Mohilevski, the big landowner, was going to Vienna. He was a delegate to the Congress of the Sons of the True Tradition, the second Congress of its kind, which was to assemble in Vienna on the first week of August of this year of 1928.

"For Mohilevski there was no joy in the prospect. Vienna was the home of his only brother's family, his brother's widow and son. The boy would be about twenty years old now, but Velvel knew nothing of him - and wished to know nothing. He could think with fear of his nephew growing up in the great city, estranged from his people, estranged from his God, even more estranged surely, than his renegade brother had been in the last years of his disjointed life."

Thus begins Soma Morgenstern's novel, which has for its main theme Man's eternal search for an heir. In this case Wolf seeks the son of his brother, an apostate to the Jewish faith, whose name has been blotted out from the rolls of the living and the dead. Rich in descriptions of the vast Polish countryside, cosmopolitan Vienna and the Jewish Congress, this magnificent first novel unfolds in the spacious

RECOMMENDED READING (Continued)

literary tradition of the Old World. It has the depth and grandeur commonly associated with the Russian classics. A host of minor characters, all seen in the round and presented with tenderness and humor, covers the canvas of epic proportions with the deft touches of rich and eloquent detail that reveal the true artist. When you close the book you feel that you have for a time lived close to the universal verities; you have come through a great emotional experience; and have made friends with a whole new gallery of vivid, passionate human beings.

HOSHANA RABBA

Friday, October 14th, 6:30 A.M.

SHEMINI ATZERETH

Friday, October 14, 5:15 P.M.
 Saturday, October 15, 9:00 A.M.
 (Yizkor at about 11 A.M.)

SIMCHATH TORAH

Saturday, October 15th, 5:15 P.M.
 Sunday, October 16th, 9:00 A.M.
 Sunday, October 16th 5:15 P.M.

SCHEDULE OF HOLIDAY SERVICESRCSH HASHOMAH

Slichos, Saturday Eve. Sept. 17, 1 A.M.
 Friday, September 23rd, 6:45 P.M.
 Saturday, September 24th, 8:00 A.M.
 Saturday, September 24th, 6:45 P.M.
 Sunday, September 25th, 8:00 A.M.
 Sunday, September 25th, 5:45 P.M.

SHABBOS SHUVA

Saturday, October 1st, 9:00 A.M.
 Sunday, October 2nd 8:30 A.M.
 (breakfast)

YOM KIPPER

Sunday, October 2nd, 5:30 P.M.
 Monday, October 3rd, 8:00 A.M.
 (Yizkor at about 11:30 A.M.)

SUCCOTH

Friday, October 7th, 5:30 P.M.
 Saturday, October 8th, 9:00 A.M.
 Saturday, October 8th, 5:30 P.M.
 Sunday, October 9th, 9:00 A.M.
 Sunday, October 9th, 5:30 P.M.