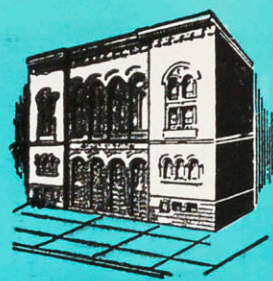


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RABBI LOOKSTEIN ON MISSION TO ISRAEL

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, accompanied by Mrs. Lookstein, will leave for Israel on December 22nd. There is a twofold purpose to this journey. On December 28th, the first Graduation Exercises of Bar-Ilan University will take place in Israel. The Rabbi is the President of the Board of Governors of the University and he must naturally be present at that historic function.

The Zionist Actions Committee, composed of one hundred leading Zionists from the world over, will convene in Jerusalem beginning with December 28th. The Rabbi is a member of the Actions Committee and is therefore obliged to be present at the sessions.

We wish the Rabbi and Mrs. Lookstein a pleasant journey. They are expected to return during the week of January 10th.

SABBATH CLASS TO STUDY CHANUKAH LAWS THIS WEEK

The regular Sabbath afternoon class, which meets weekly on Saturday, fifty minutes before Mincha, will turn its attention, to the laws and significance of Chanukah.

The class has been occupied for the past six weeks with the study of the "Sefer HaChinuch," a compendium of the six hundred and thirteen Commandments of Judaism. A general introduction to the concept of mitzvah was given by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein who conducts the class.

Following the introduction, the first two commandments which appear in

Vacation Sabbaths To Feature Youth Collegiate Sabbath Dec. 26th — Youth Sabbath Jan. 2nd

A gala youth program is in prospect for the winter vacation period coming up in the next fortnight.

Many of our young people from out of town colleges will be back in the city for this period. All of the younger set, freed from formal scholastic obligations, will no doubt be able to attend Sabbath Services in the Synagogue.

With this in mind, Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun is devoting two Sabbaths to our young people. Plans are already formulated for what promises to be two most memorable weekends.

"Why I Want to Remain A Jew"

Collegiate Sabbath on December 26th will be, as usual, a gala occasion. As has been our custom in the past, we will distribute corsages to all "collegiettes" and Torah honors to as many of the boys as possible.

After services the congregation will adjourn to the auditorium of the synagogue house for an unusual panel dis-

cussion. Three of our college students will grapple with the question: "Why I want to Remain A Jew." This is a question which few bother to ask and even less take the trouble to answer. We have every reason to believe that our panelists will provoke considerable discussion through their presentations.

After the conclusion of this program the entire congregation will be invited to an elaborate Kiddush sponsored by the Sisterhood and Men's Club of the synagogue.

A "One Night Stand"

Another special feature of the day will be a one time Sabbath Seudah Seminar. This Seminar, which used to be conducted regularly in previous years, has been replaced this year with the regular Sabbath Class in the Commandments of Judaism.

On Collegiate Sabbath, however, a special Seminar will be held. Naturally, the Mincha service will be conducted by our "young cantors." Following the service, tea and cookies will be served in the social hall.

Then our collegiates will take over the program. Two of them will discuss "Out of Town Colleges — Yes or No?" We have every reason to expect that these analyses from out of town students will be most illuminating.

Sunday Reception

This year we are adding a special feature to the homecoming weekend. On Sunday afternoon, December 27th, from four until six o'clock, Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein will be hosts to the collegiate and post collegiate set in the synagogue social hall.

The assistant rabbi and his wife are very anxious to meet this group socially, in an informal setting. They expressed the hope that all young men and women, age 18 through 28, would accept their invitation.

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**Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 A.M.
"ISRAEL AND AMERICAN JEWRY"**

**A Reply to the Conservative United Synagogue,
and the Orthodox Union**

NEW MEMBERS APPLY

We are happy to announce that applications for membership in the congregation have been received from the following:

Dr. Raymond S. Megibow
Gilbert Portnoy
Frederick Rotter

These applications will in due course be acted upon by the Board of Trustees of the congregation.

In the meantime, we wish to extend to these applicants and to their families a cordial and hearty welcome into the Kehilath Jeshurun family.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY**Birthdays —**

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Abram Abeloff, Mrs. Irving Angel, Dr. Samuel Gross, Israel Jacobs, Mrs. Saul J. Lance, Mrs. William Lebowitz, Mrs. Jack Nash, Mrs. Isaac E. Okun, Mrs. Jack A. Rothenstein, Mrs. Eugene R. Sarezky, Mrs. Julius M. Sax, Mrs. Raymond Schwartz, Dr. Max L. Som, Miss Vilma Weiss, and Mrs. Robert Zessman.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Norman H. Jaspan, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Kaplan, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. David L. Lippoff, and Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Zuckerman.

Bon Voyage —

We wish a pleasant voyage and safe return to our esteemed member, and Treasurer of the congregation, Mr. Samuel Marcus and Mrs. Marcus who are leaving on a trip to the Virgin Islands.

Our best wishes for a safe voyage and pleasant stay to Mr. and Mrs. Simon J. Vogel who are leaving on a trip to Europe.

New Home —

We should like to extend our best wishes to our esteemed members Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gross who have recently moved into a new home.

Academic Note —

Ronald Schotland, the son of our new members Mr. and Mrs. Murray Schotland, recently received a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from the Brooklyn Polytechnical Institute. We wish the recipient of the degree and Mr. and Mrs. Schotland our heartiest congratulations on the occasion of this significant achievement.

DR. AGUS EXPLAINS THE WHYS AND WHEREFORES OF SPANISH JEWRY

Dr. Irving Agus addressed over one hundred adult students of Jewish History who attended his second lecture in the series "One Thousand Years in the Development of Judaism." The series, sponsored by the Kehilath Jeshurun Adult Institute has proven to be a success both in attendance and in content.

Not "What" But "Why"

Dr. Agus, professor of Jewish History at Yeshiva University, is undoubtedly the main factor in the success of this program. His listeners have learned to expect from him not a mere rehashing of facts and figures available in any history text, nor a popular discussion of "people, places, and things," but rather an organized presentation of the causes and reasons which lie behind the facts of history.

Last Wednesday evening was a very good example of this fascinating approach. Professor Agus, discussing Spanish Jewry from the 8th century until the 15th, began by describing where the Jews in Spain came from, why they came, and what type of Jew migrated to the Iberian Peninsula.

Our lecturer showed how the Jews became deeply involved in the affairs of state in Arab Spain. He explained how the extreme mobility of the Jew-

ish population and its ties with world Jewry supplied the Jews with the most important commodity necessary in political life — knowledge of world conditions.

Dr. Agus explained that in the Dark Ages, when a man's knowledge of the world frequently ended at the gates of his city, the Jew, had access to information about places thousands of miles away. Such was the case because of the stream of Jewish merchants and travellers who were granted hospitality by their fellow Jews wherever they went.

A bulletin is not the place in which to summarize a one hour lecture which covered some 700 years of history. The insights and interpretations offered by our lecturer are too extensive to repeat in these columns. As a matter of fact, the finest history books do not contain the material given at these lectures. Most historians do not have access to the Talmudic and Rabbinic sources which are so familiar to Dr. Agus.

The only suggestion we can make is that you attend the next Adult Institute Lecture yourselves. The topic will be: "Franco-German Jewry — The Talmud Applied to Life." The date: Wednesday evening, January 13, at 9:00 o'clock.

You and your friends are cordially invited
to attend the

PRE-CHANUKA DANCE AND DINNER PARTY

sponsored by the

SISTERHOOD

on Sunday evening, December 20th, 1959

in the Social Hall

MUSIC — DANCE

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THE JEWRY BOX**LAST WEEK**

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

AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE RABBI

Dear Congregants:

Circumstances make it necessary for me to depart for Israel for a stay of approximately two weeks. I will be away from the congregational family during the Chanukah period, during Collegiate Sabbath and Youth Sabbath.

I regret that very much. I want to assure the entire Kehilath Jeshurun family, old and young, that my thoughts will be with you during the Chanukah season. To the collegiates especially, I wish to express a hearty welcome upon their return home. They know how warm my feelings towards them are and how I would love to greet them all in person.

To the participants in the forthcoming Youth Sabbath I extend in advance my heartiest congratulations. To all in Kehilath Jeshurun my best wishes and blessings for a happy Chanukah.

Very cordially yours,

Joseph H. Lookstein

KIDDUSH HOST

We wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Kaufman for sponsoring the kiddush this past Saturday following the close of services.

The Kaufmans were celebrating the return from Morocco of Mrs. Benjamin Kaufman who was there to witness the birth of a granddaughter.

At the same time the kiddush was in honor of Mrs. Gerald S. Kaufman who celebrated her birthday last Saturday.

Those who would like to sponsor a Kiddush to celebrate a happy occasion may do so by calling the Synagogue Office.

PARK EAST RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHANUKA PROGRAM

On Wednesday, December 23rd at 4:30 P.M., the students of the Park East Religious School will assemble in the auditorium of the synagogue house for their Chanuka program. All the classes in the school have prepared interesting presentations for this event. Included in the program are plays, dances and songs.

All parents and friends are cordially invited to attend this Chanuka festival. An enjoyable time is assured to all participants.

YOUTH PROGRAM AT KEHILATH JESHURUN Two Groups To Be Launched This Week

SABBATH AFTERNOON GROUP FOR JUNIORS 9-12

This Saturday, at 3:00 P.M., the K. J. Juniors will hold their first meeting of the season in the auditorium of the synagogue house.

A junior group was first organized last year under the leadership of Menorah Lebowitz. The group ran successfully for some twenty weeks.

This year, the group will be under the joint leadership of Carol Kaufman and Naomi Lebowitz. Carol and Naomi, both seniors at Ramaz High School, are regular worshippers at Sabbath services. They have both had experience in group leadership and as camp counselors.

The program of the K. J. Juniors will consist of stories, songs, and games designed to serve the needs of this age group. From time to time, the club will visit a nearby museum or zoo. On occasion the children will meet for a special activity on Sunday afternoon.

The group is intended for all neighborhood youngsters who are in the 9-12 age group. Parents are urged to encourage their children and their friends to attend this weekly group beginning this Saturday at 3:00 P.M.

VACATION SABBATHS

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Program For Youth Sabbath

With the advent of the new year, our first sabbath will feature the youngsters as participants in the service.

On this occasion the spotlight will be directed on the high school set. These students will read the Torah, chant the Haftorah, and officiate as cantors.

In the evening, the boys will also conduct the Mincha service. We expect to have close to twenty boys involved in this youth sabbath.

"Honor Thy Father and Mother"

As a special feature, the Sabbath afternoon class will discuss the commandment: "Honor Thy Father and Mother." Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will discuss the Jewish legal viewpoint on the parent-child relationship with particular reference to problems in this relationship today.

TEEN AGE GROUP FOR GIRLS 13-16 AND BOYS 14-17

This Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 P.M., a new group for teen agers will hold an organizational meeting in the synagogue library.

As presently contemplated, the group will be designed to serve the needs of girls from the age of thirteen to sixteen and boys of fourteen to seventeen.

The purpose of this first meeting will be twofold. We are anxious to plan a tentative program for the year and to determine how best to fill the needs of the teenagers associated with our congregational family.

At the same time, the group will meet Daniel Kirschblum who, with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, will supervise the activities of this club.

Daniel comes to us highly recommended by the Youth Bureau of Yeshiva University. A senior student at its Rabbinical School, Daniel has had many years of experience in the field of youth work. His father, Rabbi Max Kirschblum, past president of the Mizrachi Organization of America, was largely responsible for the creation of the Mizrachi Youth movement which now numbers over one thousand members.

We are looking forward eagerly to an active teen age group under Danny's leadership. All we ask is that the youngsters come down this Sunday at 2:30 to help us launch this project. All who fit into the proper age category are urged to come and bring a friend.

FATHER AND SON MINYAN

Seventh Service: December 20th,
9:30 a.m.

Cantors: David Popkin, Ivan
Greenstein, Daniel Beller,
Jon Mills

Sponsor: Abraham R. Kirshon

Two Chanukah-Sabbaths

Of course, the Jewish calendar this year gives these two sabbaths an extra feature. As it turns out, the first and last days of Chanukah fall on these two Sabbaths. This merely adds to the natural gaiety which prevails when our youth is the center of attraction.

Make your plans now to be with us for the full programs on Saturday, December 26th, and January 2nd.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles 4:10
Evening 4:20

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15
Weekly Portion: Vayishlah,
Genesis 32.4-36.43
Haftorah: Obadiah 1.1-21
Evening 4:20
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:00

SUNDAY

Morning 8:30
Father-and-Son Minyan 9:30

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30
Evening 4:20

YAHREZITS**December**

19—MARIE FREUND
19—ABRAHAM JACOB
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19—M. JESSE HENRY
20—HANNAH BERNHARDT
21—BELLE WEISMAN
21—ALICE BLUVER
21—CHANAH WEILER
22—RACHEL GOLDSTEIN
22—HYMAN USHER
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SISTERHOOD HAPPY DAY FUND

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Happy Day Fund by Mrs. Nathan Andrews, Miss Mildred Fineberg, Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein and Mrs. Israel Rosenberg.

The Happy Day Fund is used by the Sisterhood to bring happiness and assistance to those in need.

Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Robert H. Zessman, 12 East 87th Street, the Fund Chairman.

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K. J. Juniors
Auditorium

3:30 P.M.

Sabbath Afternoon Class
Laws and Significance
of Chanukah

SUNDAY — 2:30 P.M.

Teen-Age Group
Synagogue Library

6:30 P.M.

Sisterhood Pre-Chanukah
Dance and Dinner Party
Social Hall

TUESDAY — 7:00 P.M.

Cub Scout Meeting
Gymnasium of Synagogue House

WEDNESDAY — 8:00 P.M.

Talmud Class
Rapid Hebrew Class
Basic Hebrew II
Intermediate Hebrew I

**SUNDAY — DECEMBER 27th
4:00 P.M.**

Collegiate Reception
Social Hall

**MONDAY EVENING —
JANUARY 18th**

Men's Club Annual Dinner

**SUNDAY EVENING —
JANUARY 24th**

Ramaz Annual Dinner

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW

FOR THE

MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL DINNER

which will be held on

Monday, January 18th, at 8:30 P.M.

in the Social Hall