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„כל המתאבל על ירושלים זוכה ורואה בשמחתה“

(תענית ל')

**"HE WHO MOURNS THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM
WILL YET REJOICE IN ITS RESURRECTION". (Ta'anit 30b)**

TISHA B'AV SERVICES

Tisha b'Av Eve

Monday, July 29

Mincha 8:00

Ma'ariv and the reading of
Lamentations will follow.

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Tisha b'Av

Tuesday, July 30

Morning Service 7:30

Evening 6:15

Conclusion of Fast 8:45

The fast of the ninth day of Av brings to a climax a three week period of mourning for the destruction of the first and second Temples in Jerusalem and the first and second Jewish Commonwealths in the Holy Land, in 586 B.C.E. and 70 C.E. respectively.

Tradition also tells us that on that day the Children of Israel heard the decree that they were destined to wander forty years in the wilderness; the Bar Cochba rebellion against Rome in 135 C.E. was finally crushed, and the site of the Temple was ploughed under.

The ninth of Av has, therefore, become a day of national mourning dur-

ing which we remember all the tragedies which befell the Jewish People throughout its long history. The week of Tisha b'Av will begin in our synagogue on Saturday, July 27th, Shabbat Chazon. On that day, the prophetic portion will be read in the same melody used for Lamentations. Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will preach the final sermon in his three part series about Tisha b'Av, at 10:45.

On Monday evening, July 29th, the Tisha b'Av service will be held following Mincha at 8:00. Lamentations will be read, selected dirges will be recited and special readings and interpolations will be rendered in accordance with our accepted practice, in order to make the mood of the day more meaningful and inspiring.

On Tuesday morning, as part of the regular service, additional readings and dirges will be recited by the congregation.

Make a special effort to be with us in the synagogue for the services which mark the day of Tisha b'Av. May our observance of this saddest day on the Jewish calendar render us worthy of being comforted among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH ON SABBATH AT 10:45 A.M.

Saturday, July 20th — "The Observance of Tisha b'Av"

Saturday, July 27th — "Tisha b'Av and Jewish Nationalism"

THE WEEKLY PORTION MATTOTH

"The Holiness of the Word"

In the beginning of this week's portion, we find a commandment which reads in part as follows: "He shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that comes from his mouth." In Jewish law this command refers specifically to a vow which a man makes or to an oath which he utters. The commandment, however, has a more general connotation. The expression "lo yacheil devaro" has within it the Hebrew root "chulin" which means "profane" or, more generally, "unimportant". The command, therefore, states that a man must not make his word profane or unimportant. When he speaks he should mean what he says and people should come to realize that his words are a matter of great seriousness.

The holiness of a man's word is founded upon several root principles in life. Man's relationship to God is, to a large extent, a matter of words. We praise God; we thank Him and we petition Him to fulfill our needs. If our word is not holy, if we speak lightly and with little sincerity, then our relationship with God is rendered profane and made an unimportant part of our lives. Just as God's revelation to man is phrased in words of the utmost gravity, so must man's prayer to God be uttered in words of complete sincerity and fundamental importance.

Our social relationships, too, are governed by words. A marriage is consummated by the word of the husband to his wife rather than by any document which he may give her. Similarly, the dissolution of that marriage in Jewish law is achieved by a word — the expressed wish on the part of the husband that a bill of divorcement be written. Contracts between individuals are also as binding and as stable as are the words of those individuals. Much time is spent in the courts in trying to resolve differences which result from a

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY'S YOUTH BUREAU

Last week, the busiest summer in its history was begun by the Youth Bureau of Yeshiva University, when 103 students departed on the "Summer in Israel and European Extension trip," which is conducted annually under its auspices. The group is divided into three contingents in terms of ages and background. The young people left for an eight week trip which will include tours of Israel and Europe and a full course of study, part of which will be conducted on the campus of Bar-Ilan University.

In the meantime, plans are coming to a conclusion for the fourteenth session of the Torah Leadership Seminar, which will be held from August 23rd to September 2nd, at Camp Monroe,

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contract being written while the word of one or both of the parties was not uttered seriously or with honest intent.

At the very moment that this message is written, we are aware further that peace on earth is largely a matter of words. A test ban agreement, partial or complete, can only be confirmed in writing. Its ultimate validity and permanence depend upon the word of an American President and the sacredness of the promise of a Russian Premier. Truly we can understand the words of our tradition, that "life and death are dependent upon the tongue."

Finally, a man's word must be sacred because the world itself exists only because of God's word. The entire story of creation is punctuated by the expression "and God said". Perhaps it has been necessary for the world to come to the brink of atomic disaster before mankind can truly understand that the holiness of God's word is what brought the world into existence and the sacredness of man's word is the only force which can insure its peaceful continuity.

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WITHIN OUR FAMILY**Birthdays —**

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Justin J. Bayer, Dr. Theodore R. Fink, Samuel E. Garfinkel, Mrs. Joseph S. Gershman, Mrs. Gerald M. Goldstein, Solomon E. Green, Mrs. Isidore Grossman, Oscar Gudis, Neil Hecht, Gedeon Heller, Samuel H. Hofstadter, George Jacobs, Norman Jaspán, Mrs. Ida Golub Kitay, Mrs. Manfred M. Magnus, Mrs. Samuel A. Marcus, Joseph B. Rossant, Nathan Salzman, Mrs. Bruno Scheidt, Mrs. Michael L. Schloss, Mrs. Samuel Schreiber and Herbert Steinmann.

Marriage —

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Isadore Givner upon the recent marriage of their daughter Barbara Lynn to Mr. Allan S. Goodman.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abramson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Einhorn and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gourary.

Y.U. YOUTH BUREAU

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New York. Close to four hundred teenagers, from all over the United States and Canada, representing over seventy-five communities, are already registered for the program.

Quite a number of our youngsters, between the ages of fourteen and seventeen, are going to participate in this activity. There still may be time for a reservation to be made for one or two more. Those who are interested are asked to contact the synagogue office immediately.

Best Wishes —

We extend our best wishes to Elliott Lebowitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lebowitz, who left this week for a tour of duty as a lieutenant in the United States Army.

We look forward to Elliot's speedy and safe return to our midst.

DEMOLITION COMPLETED

Before long, the new building will rise on this site

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY, July 19th**

*Evening 6:30

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00

Weekly Portion:**Mattoth-Mase****Numbers 30:2-36:13****Haftarah: Jeremiah 2:4-28, 3:4****Rosh Chodesh Prayers**

Rosh Chodesh Av will be on Monday, July 22nd.

Evening 8:15

Conclusion of Sabbath 9:00

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FRIDAY, July 26th

*Evening 6:30

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00

Weekly Portion:**Devarim, Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22****Haftarah: Isaiah 1:1-27**

Evening 8:10

Conclusion of Sabbath 8:55

Daily Services

Morning 7:30

Sunday Morning 8:30

Evening 6:15

*Sabbath Candles are kindled twenty minutes before sunset. Those, however, who conform to our schedule of ushering in the Sabbath at 6:30 P.M. should also light candles at that hour.

YAHREZITS**July**

20—MAX M. GOODMAN
21—MAX FREEDMAN
22—ZENEIDA BRANDSTEIN
22—HENRY A. RAFSKY
22—MAX KAUFMAN
23—HYMAN KARLIN
23—NORMA PRINCE BINDER
24—RAE UNTERMAN
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25—ISRAEL J. WACHTER
25—SOLOMON FASS
26—LIBBY R. MARCUS
26—TOBY LEBOWITZ
26—ANNA ZUCKERMAN
27—AARON ETRA
27—SABINA ESTHER FASS
28—LEOPOLD GROSSMAN
28—JACOB ROTH
28—SARA BELLA ROSSANT
29—ABRAHAM I. WOUK
29—MORRIS HELLMAN
29—ABRAHAM ELI LOOKSTEIN
29—DAVID W. PETEGORSKY
30—HARRIET S. COHEN
30—MORRIS KLEIN
30—LEAH SAREZKY
30—JOSEPH SCHWARTZ
31—JOSEPH STRULOVITS
31—MAX LAX
31—JEANNIE KEAN

August

1—MORRIS MEHLMAN
1—SARAH LURIA
2—LAZAR BREINDEL

SISTERHOOD HAPPY DAY FUND

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Sisterhood Happy Day Fund from Mrs. Bernard D. Fischman, Mrs. Alexander Gross, Mrs. Jack Lieberman and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein.

Members are urged to share their joyous occasions with others by making a gift to the Happy Day Fund.

Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Jacob P. Shulman, 115 East 82nd Street, the Chairman of the Fund.