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Rabbi's Pen

Hanukkah

On Saturday evening, December 2nd, the first Hanukkah candle will be lit. Every night an additional candle will be added until we complete the eight days of Hanukkah. Hillel, the great sage, who lived in the first century of the common year, explained this custom of lighting the additional candles by saying that, "We go up in religious observances and not down." Religiously we try to make progress and not to regress. There are times in Jewish history when the Jewish people fail to live up to the highest expectations of Judaism. However, we soon mend our ways and go forward again.

We have experienced the greatest tragedy of Jewish life in our generation. Many a person has said or thought in his heart that the end of the Jewish people is coming. Will Israel rise again out of the ashes of the European concentration camps? It is obvious that there is a resurgence of Jewish spirit in all countries where we live. Israel wants to live again and become creative. The result is that new communities in South America, and small communities in Asia and Europe cry out to us — "Help us build a new and beautiful Jewish life. We are lonesome. We want to come closer to our heritage." This we hear from Finland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Chile, Peru, Mexico, etc., etc. To my mind this is Jewish heroism repeating itself in practical, difficult, day-to-day Jewish living. It is not easy to be a Jew when you are a minority in a vast majority but it is the highest form of heroism to live up to the highest spiritual and ethical standards of Judaism.

A happy Hanukkah to you!

Schedule of Religious Services

Rabbi: DR. S. JOSHUA KOHN

Associate Rabbi: PAUL TEICHER

Hazzan: IRVING S. FELLER

Friday, November 24, 1961

Lighting of Candles — 4:12 P. M.

8:15 P. M.—SABBATH EVENING SERVICES, Friday, Nov. 24, 1961

UNITED SYNAGOGUE SABBATH

Oneg Shabbat — Convention Reports

9:00 A. M.—SABBATH MORNING SERVICES, Saturday, Nov. 25, 1961

Sidra — VAYISHLAH, Genesis 32:4 - 36:43

BAS MITZVAH — ETTA LEVIN

10:00 A. M.—YOUTH SERVICES

Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Levin cordially invite the members of the Youth Service for Kiddush in honor of the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Etta.

Friday, December 1, 1961

Lighting of Candles — 4:10 P. M.

8:15 P. M.—SABBATH EVENING SERVICES, Friday, Dec. 1, 1961

9:00 A. M.—SABBATH MORNING SERVICES, Saturday, Dec. 2, 1961

Sidra — VAYESHEV, Genesis 37:1 - 40:23

BAR MITZVAH — LANCE KOUNITZ

10:00 A. M.—YOUTH SERVICES

Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kounitz cordially invite the members of the Youth Service for Kiddush in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Lance.

Blessing Over Hanukkah Candles

*Boruch ato Adonoi,
Eloheynu melech ho-o-lom
A-sheer kid'sho-nu b'mits-vo-sov
V'tsi-vo-nu le-had-lik
Ner shel Hanukkah.*

*Boruch ato Adonoi,
Eloheynu melech ho-o-lom
She-oso nee-seem l'a-vo-seynu
Ba-yo-min ho-hem, ba-zman ha-ze*

*Boruch ato Adonoi
Eloheynu melech ho-o-lom
She-hech-yo-nu v'kee-ye-mo-nu
V'hig-yee-o-nu la-zman ha-ze*

Translation of Blessing

*Blessed art Thou, O Lord
Our God, King of the world
Who made us holy by His
Commandments, and commanded us
To kindle the light of Hanukkah.*

*Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our
God, King of the world
Who worked wonders for our
Fathers, in those days, at this Season.*

*Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our
God, King of the world, Who
Has kept us alive, and upheld us,
And enabled us to reach this Season.*

CELEBRATE HANUKKAH DECEMBER 2 - DECEMBER 9

Finland's Chief Rabbi to Lecture Nov. 27

Rabbi Mika Weiss, Chief Rabbi of Finland, will be the main speaker at the second evening of the Adath Israel Adult Lecture Series on Monday, November 27th. The lecture, to be given in the Lewis Auditorium at 8:15 P. M., will be entitled "Jewish Life in Finland."

Dr. Weiss is a native of Hungary where he earned his doctorate at the University of Budapest. He was ordained in 1941 at the Jewish Theological Seminary of Budapest and served as spiritual leader to the Jewish community of Oroshaza. He was arrested by the Gestapo, and along with other Jewish leaders, held hostage in the concentration camps until war's end.

After his liberation, Rabbi Weiss accepted the post of spiritual leader to the Jewish community of Debrecen. There he frequently voiced his opposition to the Communist domination of the country, thus incurring the wrath of government officials. During the Hungarian uprising in 1956, Rabbi Weiss escaped the country and fled to Helsinki, Finland, where he assumed the post of spiritual leader. In 1959 Dr. Weiss was elected Chief Rabbi of Finland.

Dr. S. Joshua Kohn will be chairman of the evening and will introduce Rabbi Weiss. Dr. Kohn has met Rabbi Weiss both in this country and in Stockholm, Sweden, and informs us that Rabbi Weiss is a dynamic speaker.

The series will conclude on December 5th with a lecture by Dr. Solomon Grayzel, entitled "Books, Bible and Modern Man." Dr. Grayzel is probably the foremost Jewish historian in this country. He is author of such books as *A History of the Jews*, *The Church and the Jews in the 13th Century*, and a recently published paperback entitled *A History of the Contemporary Jew*.

Dr. Grayzel is editor of the Jewish Publication Society of America, a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and received his Ph.D. from Dropsie College. He was president of the Jewish Book Council of America and is recording secretary of the Jewish Historical Society of America.

In 1957 Dr. Grayzel received the Frank L. Weil Award given by the National Jewish Welfare Board "for distinguished contribution to the development of American culture."

Bernard L. Green will be chairman of the evening and will introduce the speaker.

Mrs. Morris Miller is chairman of the Adult Education Commission which has arranged this Lecture Series. Aiding her are Dr. Robert Kunin, Mrs. Julian Goodstein, Leon Robinson, Mrs. Daniel Alexander, Morris Miller and Monroe Levy.

Tickets for these two lectures may be obtained at the synagogue office or at the door the night of the lecture.

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee has reported the following slate for officers and members of the Board of Trustees for the coming year. Additional nominations may be made by petition signed by twenty members and delivered to our recording secretary, Harry S. Ginsberg, on or before December 14th. These nominees will be voted upon at our Annual Meeting on January 14, 1962:

President: Benjamin H. Garb
1st vice-president: Isadore Miller
2nd vice-president: Bernard L. Green

Recording secretary: Harry S. Ginsberg

Financial secretary: Lester Kolman
Treasurer: Melvin D. Fromkin

Members of Board of Trustees: Mrs. Julian Goodstein, Emanuel Kaplan, Seymour D. Kaplan, Dr. Robert

Kunin, Samuel R. Lavine, Isaac Levy, Max Movshovitz Sol Phillips Perlman, Dr. Norman Linder, Leon Siskowitz, Herman Spiegel, Dr. Erwin Sacks-Wilner, Herman Wolfer, Dr. Samuel Bernstein.

Life Trustees remain as follows: Bernard Alexander, Hyman B. Garb, Hyman Urken.

Hyman Urken, Annual Meeting chairman, reports that the meeting will open on Sunday, January 14th, with a cocktail hour hosted by the Men's Club at 6:00 P. M. A delicious dinner will be served at 6:30. A fine orchestra has been engaged to play dinner music, and Miss Susan Rosenthal will render several vocal selections. Following dinner, the business portion of the Annual Meeting will take place. Election of officers and members of the Board of Trustees

SISTERHOOD ACTIVITIES

Everyone, but everyone, is doing their Hanukkah shopping in the Gift Shop and Book Shop. Have you seen the beautiful Kiddush Cups, the Menorahs, the exquisite jewelry? Even the wrapping paper is a sight to behold. The shelves are overflowing and there is something for everyone on your list. Make the Gift Shop your one and only stop for Hanukkah gifts. You will be pleased and so will the recipients.

SHOP THE GIFT SHOP NOW! Mrs. Jerome Levy and Mrs. Lester Kolman will be very happy to help you make your selections.

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Make the Sabbath "A Day of Delight"!

Join us at our Oneg Shabbat at the home of Mrs. Bernard Alexander, 840 Edgewood Avenue, on Rosh Hodesh Shabbat, January 6, 1962, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

For reservations call: Mrs. Louis Altman, EX 3-2978, or Mrs. David Rosenberg, EX 6-1919.

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DONOR: Thursday, November 30th, 12:30 P. M.

CATERER: White Gate Caterers.

PROGRAM: Juki Arkin, currently featured in the Broadway hit, "Milk and Honey."

CONTRIBUTION: \$12.50 for members and \$6.00 for guests.

RESERVATIONS: Mrs. Morris Mines, EX 4-1392; Mrs. Samuel Mines, EX 4-1374.

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! Such a program, such a luncheon, such decorations!

NOW is the time to make your RESERVATION.

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MAKE A NOTE: Rosh Hodesh meeting on December 7th.

Sisterhood meeting December 13th.

will be held, congregational reports will be made to the members, and the Man-of-the-Year will be announced and receive the award.

This should be one of our most exciting meetings. Members are urged to plan now to attend. Formal invitations will be mailed to the entire congregation shortly. Remember the date: January 14, 1962.