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Annual Dinner Honors Leaders

by Esther Gropper

On March 21st, at our Annual Testimonial Dinner and Dance at the Hotel Lincoln, we pay tribute to Irving A. Green as our outgoing President and Hyman Jobrack, our new President. Our Congregation acknowledges that we have been richly endowed with the contributions of these two men.

To Irving Green, whom we honor, goes sincere gratitude for accomplishing what others claimed was not possible at the time — the building of our Temple. A review of the financial circumstances at time contracts were signed, evokes wonder at the resourcefulness of the man who many had declared brash, but nonetheless fulfilled his promises. Had we had a less determined leader, we might still be floundering and dreaming of a permanent home of worship in Elmont. Setting the machinery in motion, Irving practically watched each brick put in place and with each spadeful of mortar cemented his ties and dedication to Judaism.

Our New President

Just as Irving Green took inspiration from Lou Blackman, presiding before him, so others have been inspired to follow the pattern set by Irving. Among these is Hyman Jobrack, our next President, who doesn't hesitate to relate that it was due to the tolerance, the willingness to cooperate, the basic sincerity among our members that he allied himself with our Congregation. The story of his resignation from leadership of another community center after repeated attempts to unite both groups is well known. To Hy, there was no difference between either congregation and he advocated and worked towards a union. How much richer we have been made by his services can be measured by the honor we now bestow upon him — President of Temple B'nai Israel.

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First Temple Seder To Inaugurate Passover

Passover is the Jewish festival of freedom. It begins this year on the evening of March 30th. Our Temple will mark the occasion with services after sun-down and it's first community Seder. Services will be held in the Temple on the morning and evening of the 31st. Services will also be held on the evening of April 6th and the morning and evening of April 7th. At the morning service of April 7th, yizkor or memorial services will be held.

Passover (Pesach) commemorates the exodus of the Hebrews from bondage in Egypt under the leadership of Moses. It ties in the motif of Spring with man's search for freedom. It binds the Jew to his past and to all peoples who today are struggling for freedom.

The Seder is observed on the first evening of the holiday by all Jews. It is a family meal during which the narrative

of the Egyptian saga in Jewish history is recited. Matzah is the characteristic food of the period, to remind us that our ancestors left Egypt in haste and could not prepare proper food. Bitters are part of the meal to help us identify ourselves with our father's suffering. It is the grand moment of the year in the religious observance of the Jew.

The Bible only commands that the first and last day of the great festival be observed as holidays, but European Jews made holy the first two and last two. Many Jews observe the Seder on the first two nights. Rabbi Baumgard is encouraging those who attend the Temple Seder on the first night to hold a home Seder on the second night. Passover is traditionally a home holiday.

As a Liberal Congregation following the Biblical tradition, we encourage all our children to observe the first and last days as public school holidays (March 31st and April 7th). Parents and children should attend Religious Services on these days as necessary minimum of the holiday observance. The public schools have been informed that some Jews in our community will observe the first two days and the last two days as holidays.

"Another County Heard From" Promises to be Hit

by Bernice Lane

Gala musical comedy, "Another County Heard From", this season's show, co-sponsored by the Sisterhood and Men's Club, will be shown at the Valley Straem High School on Saturday night April 25th and Sunday night April 26th, 1953.

Last May, Bernice Lane as Co-ordinator of Variety Show, with her committee, came to the decision to produce a musical comedy instead of Vaudeville. Monte Margoshes and Herman Frank got to

work and prepared a loose adaption of a humorous book. The 'Libretto' of "Another County Heard From" is delightful.

With this skeleton, the next thing was music. Fortunately, Ray Edelman was willing to work with us again. You're going to hear something terrific arrangements as well as original material in "Another County Heard From."

Esther Gropper has gone to work directing and staging and we are all thrill-

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Rabbi's Column

As we approach the Passover holiday we think of a people enslaved. Slavery can mean many things. It can mean iron shackles around the ankle, a whip across one's back, serving in an army for a cause one opposes, the inability to express one's belief in a certain political or religious system. The various peoples of our world are at the moment involved in different struggles to free themselves from diverse types of slavery. The intelligent student of the world will see common bonds in the upward surge of the peoples of each country.

In the Arabic countries the peasants are just beginning to organize to oppose their autocratic masters. Iran is the scene of a conflict for power which does not yet express in the clearest terms the interests of the people, but the unrest is an indication that the various political factions are beginning to try to please the people. In Indo-China the people have two factions claiming to represent them, the Chinese Communists and the French. In Korea, it is the Communists and the United Nations forces who claim to be serving the people. Yet in both Indo-China and in Korea the native peoples are enslaved by the demands of war, "the mother of all evils". Not yet have the natives been able to organize themselves so that they can express their most fundamental wishes democratically.

In the United States we are slowly succumbing to a reign of "subversive inquisitions" whereby liberal teachers and politicians are being removed from office. In Russia the rules grow tighter against the exercise of opinions deviating from the line of the Communist Party. Each of these restrictions, in each country, is a form of slavery which restrains the forward march of mankind. The sensitive Jew must identify himself with any human being who is held in thrall by the circumstances of his particular country. We must come to understand that Egypt is any situation where men are not free to liberate their greater selves.

Union Holds National Assembly

New York City will be the site of the national assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations during April 17-25. Also meeting during this period will be the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, The National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, and the National Federation of Temple Youth, all affiliates of the UAHC. Our Temple will send delegates to each of the conferences and meetings.

At the various assemblies discussions will be held on the future of Liberal Judaism and the problems facing liberal congregations throughout the nation. Over 400 congregations will be represented. Speakers will include some of the outstanding figures on the national Jewish scene.

Calendar of Events

MARCH

- 19 - Choir Practice
- 21 - Temple Dinner Dance
- 24 - Sisterhood Meeting
- 25 - Variety Rehearsal; Temple Affairs Committee; Adult Education.
- 26 - Youth Group; Choir Practice
- 30 - Passover—First Seder Night—Temple
- 31 - First Day Passover

APRIL

- 1 - Second Day Passover
- 2 - Youth Group
- 7 - Yiskor Services Passover Ends Youth Group; Men's Club
- 8 - Variety Rehearsal Adult Education
- 9 - Youth Group; Choir Practice
- 12 - PTA Party
- 14 - Board of Trustees
- 15 - Variety Rehearsal Adult Education
- 16 - Youth Group; Choir Practice :
- 17 - PTA Afternoon Party
- 20 - Sisterhood Board Meeting
- 21 - Men's Club; Youth Group
- 22 - Variety Rehearsal
- 23 - Youth Group
- 25 - Variety Night
- 26 - Variety Night
- 28 - Sisterhood Meeting
- 30 - Youth Group; Choir Practice

Happy Passover

SCOOP!!

Another Sisterhood First

At our regular meeting Tuesday, March 24th, we are happy to have as our guest Ruth Mondschein. She will give us her condensed musical and dramatic version of the Broadway hit show "The King and I." Don't miss this unusual performer.

Tales Out of School

by Seymour Bloom

Our staff of volunteer teachers is so enthusiastic that there is no task too difficult, and all are ready to perform any task in the interest of the children.

Our nine year olds are taught by Arthur Hiller and Sam Krupnick. The ten year olds are taught by Maury Kershaw and Vivian Furer. These "eager beavers" have certainly encouraged their pupils to enjoy Sunday School.

Arthur Hiller was our mainstay substitute teacher for several years when he decided that it was better teaching the same class all the time instead of someone else's every week. Sam Krupnick and Maury Kershaw answered the call for volunteers and have been enthralled ever since. Vivian Furer had been so inspired by Rabbi's Bible Course that she decided to make the time to help us out.

We hope this enthusiasm permeates to the rest of us. Well, what are you waiting for?

Purim Spiel

Over 400 children eagerly listened to the Magillah being read by our Rabbi and grogged noisily every time Haman's name was mentioned. The noise alone would have stunned and shocked him. The younger group sang songs led by Bea Link. They saw Sherry Weinberg's Kindergarten class sing two nursery rhymes. And they enjoyed Moe Kanner's class performance of a Purim Play. Then the Rabbi's class put on an original modern version of the Purim Story. This was acclaimed by the audience.

All were given groggers, humantashen and bags of candy, making the day highly successful. To the refreshment committee consisting of Co-chairman Eve Jobrack and Millie Fenton aided by Rita Sabeson, Ceil Weinhaus, Sylvia Kanner, and Erwin Jobrack, many, many thanks.

U A H C

United Campaign Drive

Our Temple is in the midst of its annual campaign to raise funds for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The UAHC sponsors two rabbinical schools in New York and Cincinnati, the only cantorial school in the world, an inter-nationally famous library and museum, and various inter-faith projects such as the sending of speakers to Christian colleges and camps. Every family in our congregation is expected to make at least a token contribution to the UAHC which organized our own congregation, lent us money for our building, trained our rabbi and our cantor, and is the mother of all Liberal Judaism in its fight to claim the adherence of American Jews.

San Nadler and Helen Speier are co-chairman of the local campaign.

Sisterhood News

by Jean Kaufman

At last, tickets are now on sale for our Fourth Annual Show, entitled "Another County Heard From." (Wait until you see and hear — me! — Me!!)

Donor Information

If you want to find out how much Donor Credit you have, contact Betty Smoke, Valley Stream 5-1727. To make table reservations for the Donor Dinner, call Helen Rochester, PRImrose 5-2768, and give the names and number of women to be seated at your table. (Tables seat ten)

Bouquets of Thanks TO

Ruth Domin, her Co-chairman, Anne Green, and the Interfaith Committee for a very wonderful February meeting. Blanche Wainer, her Co-chairman, Doris Kleigman, and the Hostess Committee for the delicious refreshments at the same meeting.

Anne Lerner, her Co-chairman, Anne Green, and their committee, for the swell-elegant Luncheon, March 3rd at the Temple.

Selma Packer, her Co-chairman, Dotty Sharlin, and Eva (the Fabulous) Jobrack, Shirley Montner, and the entire committee representing the Sisterhood at the terrific Purim Party. Again Eva Jobrack, her Co-chairman, Millie Fenton and their committee for another delightful Children's Party on Purim Day.

Speaking of Eva (the Great) Jobrack, at the end of March there will be a children's Seder for all the children of the Temple's religious school. Eva received a load of fish (about 25 pounds) and has already scraped, cleaned, filleted, and frozen it, and will, when the time comes, "Gefulte" it. (I'm such a lazy thing, I buy the stuff in the jars.)

P. S.'s

I hope you are all selling (or buying) our Raffles. What's the matter, a week-end in the mountains is so bad? Mada-shen ba mir (you should excuse the spelling.) Don't forget to bring in your old nylon hose to the March Meeting for the Service Committee.

Jewish National Fund Collections

The Temple Religious School children contributed approximately \$220 to the Jewish National Fund after their tag day drive. Lillibelle Feingold sold the most Tags, amounting to \$8.50. Many other children sold four and five dollars worth of tags.

The money raised in this manner goes to the building up of Israel. While the total amount is insignificant, Rabbi Baumgard reports that many children contributed little or nothing, and the school as a whole raised considerably less than in previous years.

Annual Dinner

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Rabbi Baumgard has many commendatory words to say about each man for their assistance, from menial carpentry work to the more noble tasks. However he feels that their dedication to Judaism is evident in their consistent attendance at services, their constant presence in the Temple itself, their greatness of devotion and their goodness of deed.

Because of such men Judaism flourishes and progresses. We of Congregation B'nai Israel have been richly endowed! We look forward to the toast to these two men at the Testimonial Dinner.

Installation Officer

Then new board of Trustees will be installed by Mr. Sidney Roos, who is President of the New York Federation of Reformed Synagogues. He is a resident of Nassau County, and was one of the organizers of the Nassau Community Temple.

In Memoriam

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3	IYAR	Ben Weiner
11	IYAR	Ida Millman
13	IYAR	Rose Ann Nadler
14	IYAR	Anne Pitchenick

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P T A News

by Mollie Kopolowitz

Now that Purim is pleasantly passed, it is time to prepare for Passover. We'll help you do just that at our March 18 meeting. Rita Sabesan will have a large selection of Passover items for sale—things you'll want for your home and for gifts. Chairman Betty Jacobs will present the Nominating Committee's slate, and election of officers will take place. We'll expect you there at 1:00 P. M. at the Temple.

Children's Fun Fest

Parents, mark April 12 on your calendars for an afternoon of fun for your youngsters, planned by your Temple PTA. There will be a ventriloquist act, magic show, games, square dancing, and fun galore—all under the capable direction of Eddie Hyman. All of you young in heart see Rita Sabesan for tickets. The day to remember is Sunday, April 12, at 2:00 P. M., the place, our Temple, and the price of admission, just 65 cents.

Men's Club News

by Michael Kleigman

Actors, singers, and dancers of the Men's Club who will perform in "Another County Heard From" on April 25 and 26 are assured a measure of glory when the curtain falls and the crowd breaks into applause. Prop and scenery men who have the unenviable task of building sets for this production may not win so much audience acclaim that night, so we'll deliver a few early plaudits now.

The job for the Men's Club is being shouldered by Milton Goldschmitt, Arnold Levy, Fred Soefer, and Isidore Mintz. These four gentlemen are all that's left of a nine man committee.

Milt and Arnold come to us as old stage hands. Last year's experience as carpenter, prop-mover, painter, telegram boy and off stage voice, have not kept them from swinging hammers again. Fred Soefer and Isadore Mintz are helping them. Any of the five missing committee men who are still around and who would like to chip in — it's not too late yet! If you can hold a paint brush or zig a saw, contact Doris Kleigman, FLoral Park 2-0204 after 7:00 P. M.

Little bits.....Nobody paid to get into the Purim Party — should have charged them to get out.....Somebody said, "I guess the price was right.".....Fite Nite Pro bouts—Eastern Parkway Arena, May paid-up membres can participate in any athletics sponsored by the Men's Club.

Hit Show

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ANOTHER COUNTY

ed with the results. Come and see for yourself.

Terry Saunders is our Dance Director and has done a remarkable job with routines that are gay and peppy. Choreography has been worked out by Terry, Sue Ronson and Garie Millman. Remember to look for Sue's Solo!

Something else that's new has been added. Sets — beautiful changing sets. Just like in the movies. And that's how they have come out thanks to Doris Kliegman, her co-chairman Blanche Wainer and the wonderful crew of workers on her committee.

Frieda Farbstein is designing and cutting patterns for all the costumes, and never has there been such color and glamour!! Working with her, supervising the sewing committee and the million and one details are Vivian Furer and Betty Smoke.

More about Who's Who in the Cast next month. Remember to get your tickets early. All seats are reserved and may be ordered from Pearl Blank and her committee.

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On The Beam

by Elaine Holczer

Our bright "sun-rays" are getting tarnished and somewhat the worse for wear with the kind of news we've been picking up on our "beam." Let's hope the spring-time is not "far behind", and that it will bring gladder tidings with it. We know lots of folks who sure could use a break. Pearl Kreisler, who's been quite ill, but is bravely trying to look after her family; the Spector families, the Marlowes, have all had illness in their homes. Freda Operer's brother was seriously ill, and so was the Stanley Franklins' little son. We wish them all well and pray that they are fully recovered.

Then there is Esther Horowitz who has had more than her share of sorrow and illness in the past year. She recently lost a niece, and she's due for a large bucket of real sunshine. That grandson of hers is probably the right dose! Sylvia Peiken, newly arrived in Elmont, had the misfortune to lose her father in February. And last but not least our sympathy to the Maze's because of their recent trials. **The Silver Lining**

Ruth and Jack Schwartz of Hoffman Ave. make us feel so much better, for we can rejoice with them in the birth of their baby daughter. Congratulations too, to Tillie and Arthur Breidbart on the Bar Mitzvah on their son Teddie, and to Ruth (Sunshine) and Al Domin on their daughter Barbara's Bas-Mitzvah. That's the kind of news we LIKE to hear.

Reminder

But whatever the news, we want to hear about it. Call Primrose 5-3224 when you have an item for this column.

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