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CAMP BLANDING, FLORIDA

Wednesday, September 12, 1945

Jewish Soldiers To Observe High Holy Days

Jewish personnel of Camp Blanding will observe Rosh Hashonah (New Year) and Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement), the Jewish High Holy Day, with impressive ceremonies at the Field House, Chapel 18, this week-end, and the Civic Center at St. Augustine, Florida, Sept 16-17.

The following is a schedule of the services:

Rosh-Hashonah—New Year

- 7 Sept.—Friday Evening—2000—
Field House.
- 8 Sept.—Saturday Morning—0900—
Field House.
- 8 Sept.—Saturday Evening—2000—
Chapel No. 18.
- 9 Sept.—Sunday Morning—0900—
Chapel No. 18.

Yom Kippur—Day of Atonement

- 16 Sept.—Sunday Evening—2000—
St. Augustine.
- 17 Sept.—Monday All Day—0900—
St. Augustine.

Brigadier General Robert S. Israel, Jr., Camp Commander, has extended his best wishes to the Jewish personnel of his command, for a Happy New Year. The General has made it possible for personnel of the Jewish faith to attend their services. He joins in an expression of hope that the coming year will bring to fulfillment some of the ideals for which this war has been fought.

In accordance with an order issued by Brigadier General Israel, all personnel under his command will be relieved from duty in order to attend the New Year services at the Field House and Day of Atonement services at St. Augustine. Busses will depart from Chapel 18 on Sunday, 16 Sept. at 1400, transporting Jewish personnel from Camp Blanding to St. Augustine.

Chaplain Herbert Friedman will conduct all services and will be assisted by a choir of enlisted men. The Jewish Welfare Board under the direction of Marvin Schulman, Area Director, has cooperated in the planning of the services and has made available to military personnel, home hospitality in Jacksonville during the New Year observance.

For additional information, phone Chapel No. 18 Blanding 393 and ask for Chaplain Friedman or Corporal [redacted]

Solemn Ceremonies Mark Jewish New Year



Hundreds of IRTC men flocked to the Field House last Friday and Saturday for solemn ceremonies celebrating the Jewish New Year. This impressive scene shows Chaplain Herbert Friedman, who conducted the services and will be in charge of the Jewish pilgrimage to St. Augustine

this Sunday in front of the altar erected on the stage in the Field House. At the left in the picture are men of the choir that assisted the chaplain in the services. Left to right in the choral group are Pvts. Louis Kalig, Harry Rosenberg, Herman Malberg, Charles Cohen and David Sachs.

Hundreds Of Jewish Men Will Make Holy Day Pilgrimage To St. Augustine

Hundreds of Jewish men of the IRTC will observe Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, with services at the Civic Center in St. Augustine this Sunday night and all day Monday, Sept. 16 and 17.

Trainees and cadremen of the Jewish faith will be released from duty from Sunday noon to Tuesday reveille to enable them to attend the services. Passes will be issued in company and unit areas on Sunday at 12 o'clock. A convoy of busses will leave at 2 p. m. Sunday and will transport the men to St. Augustine, where they will be housed over night at the Army Recreation Center.

New Year Observed

Rosh Hashona, the Jewish New Year, was celebrated with services at the Field House last Friday and Saturday. The Friday night services saw over 600 men in attendance, and the Saturday morning service filled the Field House to capacity with an attendance of nearly 1,000 worshippers.

For those men who remained on the post Saturday night and Sunday morning, concluding services were held at Chapel 18.

Chaplain Herbert Friedman officiated at all four services and was assisted by a choir of six enlisted men of the IRTC under the direction of Pvt. Herman Malberg.

950 Men Attend Jewish Services

Services for Jewish personnel on Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year), conducted by Chaplain Herbert Friedman were held at the Field House last Friday night before 600 men, and on Saturday morning, when 950 men attended. Home hospitality in Jacksonville and St. Augustine was arranged by the Jewish Welfare Board.

Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) High Holy Day, will be observed next Monday, September 17, when special services will be held for military personnel in the Civic Center at St. Augustine. Special buses will leave Chapel 18 at 2 p.m. Sunday, September 16, for St. Augustine. A "breakfast" dinner will be served Monday night at the close of the holiday.

Post. H. Feldman [redacted]
Co C-207 Bn-64th Reg.
Camp Blanding, Florida

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Camp Blanding, Florida
Station Hospital

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ארכיון יהודי אמריקני

Oct 2, 1945

Dear Chaplain,

I just heard about your illness and I want to take this opportunity to wish you a speedy recovery.

I also want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for what you have accomplished for me. Yesterday, I went before the P.D. board. I didn't stay very long, as they seemed to know just what they were going to do. The very same afternoon, I was taken off training completely. I imagine in a short time I will be assigned to some work I am capable of doing.

It was quite a decision for me to make in regards to approaching you. You know the old Army saying "tell your troubles to the Chaplain." I didn't know you personally, but I had attended some

of your services, and somehow I felt you²
could help me. You most certainly did.

I can only say thank you, for I cannot
find the words to tell you how really
deeply grateful I am. If I hadn't spoken
to you when I did, and if you weren't
so understanding, I probably would have
done something rash, which in sure id
be sorry for later.

Once again may I say that I hope
your recovery is speedy, and that you will
be on your feet again in rapid time.

Thank you sir, for everything.

Sincerely

Pvt. Harold Feldman

Paul Horvitz
733 Garfield
Denver 6, Colo.

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Chaplain Herbert Friedman
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Camp Blanding,
Florida

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October 13, 1945

Dear Chaplain —

Greetings to you from our lately 70 Party where we're all having a wonderful time — and thinking of you!

We just heard that you're laid up — but remember "you can't keep a good man down". We all sincerely hope that you'll be up and around in no time.

Hello Mrs. Friedman! We're all waiting for you to come home and join in the job — that is the message "Take care of our man for us".

Hi Chaplain, hope to see you soon and Elaine again soon. Your best
Louis Stamos

Dear Chaplain,

Remember the only thing that can keep a "good fellow" down is gravity.

Hello, Elaine Friedman.

Always.

Janice Aaron
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Dear Chaplain,

Hope you will be back very very soon. Be well and don't do anything I wouldn't do. Hello to Mrs. (Elaine) Friedman.

Always,

Sue Schwartz

Dear Chaplain,
I don't know if you remember me, but never-
theless I'm thinking of you tonight. Did you know
that Arnold is going to Chicago U. now?

Always,
Diane Miller

Dear Chaplain,

I'm hoping to see you real
soon and get well quick.

As ever,
Sophie

Dear Chaplain: Regards from the B.M.H.
Bob Rothman

Dear Chaplain -

I hope to see you soon and
think of you and Mrs. Friedman
often.

As always,
Ruthie Tarkoff

Dear Chaplain,

We all miss you very
much and hope to see you
real soon. Remember - we all
want you back here in time
to "Mrs." us.

All my love,
Lois Herman

Dear Chaplain,

We all miss you very much.
Hurry home! Get well real quick.

Always,
Celeste

Dear C. Kaplan,

Your seat is back again - - I wish you were here - I've been getting into an awful lot of trouble, and now there's no one to get me out!!! I don't have your address, but I'm going to get it, and you'll be hearing from me very soon.

I was sorry to hear you're not feeling well. Get better soon, and come home just a little sooner ...

... we miss you, terribly.

Hello, Mrs. Friedman. Hope we'll see you soon. ...

Belles misses you.

Love,
Jay

See you in a hurry,
Guacs

Hoping to hearing from you soon.

Also hope you are recovering soon.

Guacs B.

I sure hope I'll see you soon. Get well fast.

Hennieta Fine

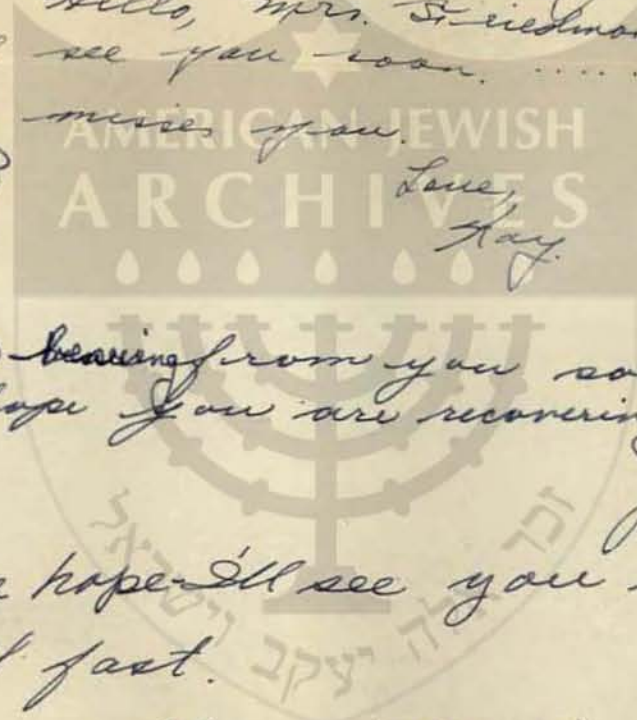
I sure have thought about you many many times. Hope to see you very very soon. (maybe I'll actually get off a whole letter to you one of these days as I have meant to do so.

Sincerely yours,
Dick Tucker

Hello! How is the army life treatin' you? Hope everything is O.K. - hope to see you soon!
etc.
Jay Lutz.

P.S. And see of my love too!!

See you soon
Fred R. Dawson



Dear Chaplain,

The Friedman Club got off to a pretty good start again this year, but we really miss our wonderful sponsor. Hope you are feeling ok by now. Say hello to Mrs. Friedman

Lots of Luck

Rushie Horwitz

Dear Chaplain-

I sure hope that you'll be back again soon. We all really miss you, and Mrs. Friedman

as ever -

Marilyn Allen

Barbara Ross

Feel real good real soon - as ever, May
and Myrna Samuelson

Come on back!!!

Barbara Pollack, ^{Olivia Daskin} Renee Lustig + Janice

Get well soon 0000

Joan Samuels

Come back for good my sister and her whole class want you to confirm them.

As Ever,

Dear Chaplain,

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We really miss you here in Denver, Get well quick and hurry back, Dick Robinson

H-E-A-D-Q-U-A-R-T-E-R-S
INFANTRY REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER

MEMORANDUM:

Camp Blanding, Fla.
29 Aug 45.

TO : All Unit Commanders this IRTC.

JEWISH HIGH HOLY DAYS

1. The following instructions are furnished for information and compliance:

a. The Jewish New Year Observance will begin at sundown, Friday, 7 Sep 45 and will continue through Saturday, 8 Sep 45, and Sunday, 9 Sep 45, to sundown. The Day of Atonement will begin at sundown, Sunday, 16 Sep 45 and end at sundown, Monday 17 Sep 45.

(1) All trainees of Jewish faith desiring to participate in the above Jewish High Holy Days will be released as follows:

(a) for the evening services on 7 and 8 Sep; except those on bivouac.

Evening services will be held at 2000; 7 Sep in the Field House, 8 Sep in Chapel 18.

(b) For the morning services on 8 and 9 Sep; including those on bivouac.

Morning services will be held at 0900; 8 Sep in the Field House, 9 Sep in Chapel 18.

(c) From Retreat, Sunday, 16 Sep, to Reveille, Tuesday, 18 Sep, including those on bivouac.

2. Organizations on bivouac will arrange for transportation through the Center S-4 for any of the personnel concerned desiring to attend the services outlined above.

3. Commanding Officers will release, insofar as possible, cadre personnel of Jewish faith, to be able to observe these holy days, consistent with the needs of training.

4. Passes to attend the Day of Atonement services in St. Augustine for period covered in (1)(c) above will be issued at 1200 on 16 Sep in company and unit areas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FALES:

All EM of the 1st Platoon give your name to your Platoon Sergeant T/Sgt MURMES
1st Sgt.

John H. Newnam
JOHN H. NEWNAM
Capt., AGD,
Adj.

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Jewish Men To Have Elaborate Holy Day Rites

Jewish personnel of IRTC will observe Rosh Hashonah (New Year) and Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement), the Jewish high holy days, with impressive ceremonies at the Field House, in Chapel 18, and in the Civic Center at St. Augustine.

Rosh Hashonah services will be held in the Field House at 8 p. m. Friday, Sept. 7, and at 9 a. m. Saturday, Sept. 8, and in Chapel 18 at 8 p. m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, and at 9 a. m. on Sunday, Sept. 9.

Yom Kippur services will be held in St. Augustine at 8 p. m. Sunday, Sept. 16, and at 9 o'clock the following morning.

To mark the occasion, Maj. Gen. E. W. Fales, commanding general of the IRTC, has issued the following message to the Jewish men in his command:

"Knowing well the deep spiritual significance of the Jewish New Year and the Day of Atonement, it is my desire that all Jewish men of my command shall have the opportunity to observe the holidays. On these occasions, they will be released from duty in order that they may attend religious worship.

"It is the prayer of all of us that this coming year will bring an era of justice and peace which will carry with it a new breath of democracy and that the training given all men of this command may be such as will help in preserving peace when once attained.

"My best wishes for a Happy New Year."

In accordance with an order issued by Gen. Fales, passes to attend the Yom Kippur services in St. Augustine will be issued to Jewish men in their company areas at noon on Sunday, Sept. 16. After the men have secured their passes, they will gather at Chapel 18, where they will board busses for St. Augustine. For Rosh Hoshanah services, Jewish trainees will be relieved from duty in order to attend the services at the Field House, and cadremen also will be freed from duty if their release does not interfere with training.

Chaplain Herbert Friedman will conduct all services and will be assisted by a choir of enlisted men. The Jewish Welfare Board, under the directorship of Marvin Schulman, area director, has co-operated in planning the service and has made home hospitality in Jacksonville during the New Year observance available to the men.

For any additional information, phone Chapel 18 at 383 and ask for Chaplain Friedman or Cpl. Kramer.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
Fourth Service Command
Camp Blanding, Florida

PSP/NLV/tg
29 August 1945

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MEMORANDUM:

TO : Directors of Divisions, Chiefs of Branches, and
Detachment Commanders, 1448 SCU, Camp Blanding, Fla.

JEWISH HOLIDAYS

1. In compliance with WD, Circular No. 244, dated 25 November 1941, and ASF, Weekly Directive No. 36, Section VI, Hq Fourth Service Command, dated 5 September 1944, Detachment Commanders of 1448 SCU, this station, are authorized to release Jewish personnel for the observance of the following holidays unless extreme necessity makes it impossible to do so:

a. Rosh Hashanah (New Year) from sun-down Friday, 7 September to sun-down Sunday, 9 September 1945.

b. Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) from sun-down Sunday, 16 September to sun-down Monday, 17 September 1945.

c. Day of Atonement services will be held in St. Augustine, Florida, Sunday evening, 16 September 1945 and Monday 17 September 1945. Wherever possible personnel will be released to attend those services in St. Augustine.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL ISRAEL:

Nettie L. West
NETTIE L. WEST,
1ST LT MAC,
Asst Post Adjutant.

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