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SABBATH SERVICES

This Friday Evening, December 21st, at 8:15

REV. L. M. BIRKHEAD

of the Friends of Democracy

will speak on

"NEW FASHIONS IN FASCISM"

This Saturday Morning, December 22nd at 10:15
"CHRISTMAS TREES IN HOMES,
SCHOOLS AND THE COMMUNITY?"

This Sunday Morning, December 23rd, at 10:15 PROF. MAX M. LASERSON

of Columbia University and Riga

will speak on

"RUSSIA, POLAND AND THE WESTERN WORLD"

Thursday Evening, December 27th at 8:00 MR. MANHEIMER'S CLASS IN JEWISH HISTORY

Prof. MAX, M. LASERSON

This Sunday Morning, we shall have the privilege of welcoming to our pulpit one of America's leading authorites on Russia and Poland, Prof. Max M. Laserson, Visiting Professor of Legal Philosophy at Columbia University. Prior to coming to the United States Prof. Laserson was Professor of Constitutional Law at St. Petersburg University. He is the author of "Russia and the Western World" (MacMillan), and has collaborated with Prof. James T. Shotwell of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace on a book entitled: "Poland and Russia, 1919-1945" which is being widely reviewed. There will be an opportunity for written questions following Professor Laserson's discourse. We know it will be of interest to our Congregants and their friends. We trust that you will bring midwinter visitors to Services while they are in New York, This Sabbath Morning, Rabbi Newman will discuss the Jewish attitude toward Christmas Trees in the Home, the School and the Community.

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IN MEMORIAM

Congregation Rodeph Sholom extends heartfelt sympathy to the family of

who has passed away.

The page in the Book of Life dedicated to the memory of ANNIE LEVY

will be opened on Friday evening and the page dedicated to the memory of

MARTIN DAVID LEEDS will be opened on Saturday morning.

The Yahrzeits of the following departed will also be observed and the Kaddish recited in their memory at the coming Sabbath Services:

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May the Memory of the Righteous ever be a Benediction!

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"THE JEWISH HOME BEAUTIFUL" A Memorable Presentation

Tuesday Evening, December 11th, will remain a red-letter date in the annals of the Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood and the Congregation. The presentation of the pageant "The Jewish Home Beautiful" was without doubt one of the most pleasing and inspiring enterprises ever undertaken in our Temple. The tables representing the Sabbath and the Tewish Festivals had been adorned with utmost care and discrimination, and each one was a creation of extraordinary beauty. The participants in the pageant rendered their lines with true spirituality and the great audience was enthralled by the message of the production. "The Jewish Home Beautiful" has done much to impress still further upon the hearts of our Congregants the meaning and the appeal of our Jewish home observances. Aesthetically, culturally, educationally and spiritually, the pageant was in every way a triumph. Our abundant gratitude goes out to Mrs. Samuel Falk, Chairman of the Committee and her many co-workers; to Mrs. Cecil B. Ruskay who directed the pageant, and to the multitude of persons who shared in its preparation and presentation. congratulate the Sisterhood President, Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, upon this great accomplishment of her Administration.

COLLEGE HOMECOMING DANCE

Sunday afternoon, December 30th, from 3 to 7 our newly-organized College Society will be hosts to our

young people home from college during the vacation period. Harry Muller's Orchestra will furnish music for the occasion. Invitations for this function are being mailed through the Temple Office. Cards of admission are available through Mr. Max Feder, our Executive Secretary.

IN APPRECIATION

Mrs. Newman and I wish to thank the Congregants and friends of Rodeph Sholom for their friendly attention to us at the Anniversary Service last Friday Evening. In addition to an acknowledgment which will be sent to each of the many wellwishers who have greeted us, we take this opportunity to express a general and collective word of appreciation. We will long cherish the recollection of the good will and generous sentiment shown us. Let us all receive from this Service a renewed measure of dedication to the cause of our Temple, our faith, our country and our fellow-men.

LOUIS I NEWMAN

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

All the men in our Congregation are cordially invited to join our Men's Association. This outstanding Temple Auxiliary will furnish you with an opportunity to give personal service to the Temple. Though the meetings of the Association your under standing of Jewish life will be improved, and your application of religion's role in the community will be strengthened. Application for membership are available through the Temple Office at all times, or thru Mr. Arthur J. Schwartz, 473 West End Avenue, or Mr. Herman G. Schwarz. of the Men's Association Membership Committee.

MR. MANHEIMER'S CLASS

Thursday Evening, December 27th, at 8 o'clock, Mr. Monheimer will hold his next class in "A Thousand Years of Jewish History" covering the period from the Destruction of the Second Temple to Jehuda ha-Levi. The lecture on December 27th will be: "The Scene Shifts to Babylon; The Gemara". Those attending the class are asked to note that this lecture is to be on Thursday evening, but that on January 8th, and thereafter the course will be given on Tuesday evenings as heretofore; the dates are January 8th, January 22nd; February 5th; February 19th; March 5th: March 26th. Each lecture is a unit and we trust that Congregants and friends, even though they have not attended until now. will avail themselves of the privilege of enriching their lewish knowledge through Mr. Manheimer's Course.

DEAN ARNOLD'S ADDRESS

In his notable address last Friday Evening, Den Samuel T. Arnold of Brown University remarked: "And may I point out the remarkable likeness between the Hebrew Commonwealth and the American Republic, as expressed by Dr. Henry M. Field: 'At the bottom there is one radical principle that divides a republic from a monarchy or an aristocracy. It is the natural equality of men. The fact that 'all free men are born equal' is fully recognized in the laws of Moses as in the Declaration of Independence. The principle is carried still further in the Hebrew Commonwealth than in ours, for not only was there equality before the laws, but the laws aimed to produce equality of condition in one vital point—the

tenure of land—of which even the poorest could not be deprived. So that in this respect the Hebrew Commonwealth approached more nearly a pure democracy'."

REV. L. M. BIRKHEAD

This Friday Evening, Rev. L. M. Birkhead, Director of the Friends of Democracy will be our guest preacher, taking as his theme: "New Fashions in Fascism." Rev. Birkhead is a dynamic and rousing speaker, who is doing an historic work on behalf of democratic ideals in this country. No man knows more of the activities of the Neo-Fascists in the postwar period, and we are certain that a large congregation will come to hear his discourse.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

This Saturday Morning at Sabbath Morning Services, a Special Ritual of congratulations will be held for boys and girls whose birthday occurs in December. We trust that the pupils will come with their parents. The P.T.A. will present the boys and girls with a floral token after the Service and Benediction at the Altar before the Ark of the Covenant.

OUR RETURNING YOUTH

It is a joy to welcome the young men and women who are returning to Congregation Rodeph Sholom, now that their service in the armed forces has ended. Among the first places these young people visit is the Temple, where they can renew the happy associations of pre-war days. We are endeavoring to do our utmost in our youth organizations to give these young people an opportunity to identify themselves with the activities of Rodeph Sholom. We trust that they will come to our Religious Services and join heartily in the life of our synagogue.

THE CAMP UPTON PARTY

Because of the storm, the Camp Upton Holiday Party has been postponed until a later date.