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RABBI GOLDSTEIN DECRIES SPIRITUAL DECADENCE OF OUR MATERIALISTIC ERA.

PLEADS FOR "RE-VALUATION OF VALUES" IN ROSH HASHONAH SERMON.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein preaching his sermon Tuesday morning, the first day of the Jewish New Year, at the Institutional Synagogue West Side Branch, 148 West 85th Street, on "Emerging from a Panic", said in part:

"Our economic depression is in reality a blessing. Americans are emerging richer and nobler spiritually in passing through this crucible of financial anxiety. Verily we are rapidly coming to re-value values, and to realize that "man does not live by bread alone, but by EVERYTHING that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live." We have over-extended ourselves, we have been bleated with self-pride and with personal assurance that our stakes were fastened beyond removal. We were so self-confident that we refused to pray. Sabbath observance, Kosher homes, humility and piety were unnecessary signs of personal and intellectual weaknesses.

As we look back we will note the moral decadence which physical comforts and

coarse pleasures,—the products of the materialistic age have brought upon us. The home is devoid of inspiration, the woman will not be discomforted by child-bearing, young men refuse to marry and lead a natural and chaste life, men are no longer interested in religious commandments, in daily spiritual duties. God's message is indistinct. Just as in the case of the telephone booth when the door is opened to the world the message is not clear, so when the doors of the mind are opened entirely to worldliness the imprint of God's Will on the human mind is faint and blurred.

Forsooth, we were successful men, but bankrupt souls. Now we are as bankrupt men, but our discharge from bankruptcy will bring us back as chastened souls, successful I hope, with God."

Gabriel Fischel Goldstein—Son of our Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, will be Bar Mitzvah at our West Side Branch, 148 W. 85th Street, Saturday, September 27th.

CALENDAR OF HOLIDAY SERVICES

	Harlem	West Side
Friday Evening	6:30	6:30
Sabbath Morning	9:00	9:00
Sabbath After.	4:00	4:00
Pilpul—By Dr. Z. Kapner,	4:30	—

YOM KIPPUR SERVICES

Wednesday Afternoon,		
Erev Yom Kippur		
—Mincha	2:00	2:00
Wednesday Afternoon		
—Mincha	3:00	3:00
Wednesday Evening,		
—KOL NIDRE	5:15	5:15
Thursday	6:30 A.M.	7:00 A.M.

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THE INSTITUTIONAL INVITES ALL INTERESTED TO JOIN STAFF.

Many I. S. Members have expressed their desire at one time or another to write for the "Institutional." The opportunity is now afforded those who have the ability and the inclination. The "Institutional" staff will receive intensive training in all phases of journalism; Lectures, visits to newspaper plants, practice in writing, proof-reading and layout, and sympathetic and intelligent criticism, will be some of the advantages accruing to those who make the grade.

Mr. Allan Dennison, of the Jewish Tribune, and a frequent contributor of poetry and short stories to magazines will be associated with the "Institutional" as literary advisor. Mr. Jack Silbert, now a columnist no less, will train the literati in sports reporting.

Clubbery

Appropriately the first report in this column should refer to the first dance of the season which is predicted to be the foremost social activity this year. The Jeshuruns will conduct their Fourth Anniversary Dance, October 11th in the I. S. Gym. Snappy entertainment, a fast-stepping band, and that congenial atmosphere which always identifies a Jeshurun activity will be dominant.

Ramble along to the Pawnee Dance. Lift that hot foot and scorch the floor to the torrid strains of burning music. Shake hands with your next dance partner just to show that their won't be any hard feelings involved if you step on his or her feet. Yes Sir, the I. S. is preparing for the best social night of the year, November 15th. Let's go.

"A Sailin' We Will Go" on the good ship I. S. for a pleasant voyage on the Sea of Pep, with our new Junior Naval Guards. These "Sea-Dogs" with their flashy uniforms add a pleasing touch of color and activity to the I. S. "Ahoy Mates and a pleasant time in the I. S. under your good skipper Mr. Pepper," say we.

We extend cordial welcome to the Emanuels. Their initial activity in the I. S. was a well attended membership entertainment at our West Side Branch. Mr. Sid Ashen, one of their very active organizers, tells your reporter that the Emanuels contemplate a very active program of activity in which literary and gymnasium championships are involved.

The Jesters, in spite of the facetious implication of their name, are a very serious group of seniors. They recently conducted a radio program through station W.P.C.H. under the auspices of the Social-Educational Department. They are now planning a dance which they assert will be the most novel dance yet conducted here.

By way of reminder, bear these dates in mind: October 11th, Jeshurun Dance; October 18th., Chi-Aeta Dance; October 25th, Ramblers Dance; November 1st, Variety Dance; November 8th, Tranquility Dance; November 15th, Pawnee Dance.

The Institutional Synagogue Aims to Give a Religious Education to Every Child.

Spirit of Forgiveness Keystone of Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, comes seven days after Rosh Hashonah. During the ten days of penitence, including the two holy days, many Jews offer special prayers at their early morning services, asking forgiveness for any sins committed during the past year. The Sabbath which falls during this period is called the Sabbath of Return, because on this day the worshippers in the Synagogue listen to the reading of certain portions from the prophet Isaiah urging the Jewish people to return to God.

Yom Kippur, which is kept as a fast day, is the most solemn holy day in the Jewish calendar. In old times it was set aside for special sacrifices in the Temple; here the High Priest appeared before the people dressed in the prescribed garments of linen, a coat and breeches, a girdle and a cap of peculiar design.

Yom Kippur at first marked by Sacrifices

First he offered up a young bull in the name of his own family; after praying for his fellow-priests in Israel, he sprinkled the purifying blood of the animal about the Holy of Holies, a room in the Temple which no man might enter except the High Priest, and forbidden even to him except on Yom-Kippur. From the two goats brought before him, one selected by lot, was set apart for the Lord and slain as a sacrifice; the other, the "scape-goat," was then brought forward; now, the High Priest confessed the sins of all Israel and prayed that his special sacrifice would be the sin-offering for the entire nation. Then, as a symbol of the desire of the people to drive all evil out of their midst, the scape-goat was driven out into the hills, the desolate places outside Jerusalem.

Prayer and Charity Now Indent Holiday

But the destruction of the Temple meant the end of sacrifices upon the altar. Prayer and charity, taught the rabbis, would take the place of sacrifice. Yom Kippur, from the day of special sacrifice, grew to be the day of special prayers.

From early morning until dusk the Jew spends Yom Kippur in prayer. Many wear shrouds to remind them of the shortness of life and the certainty of death and Judgment. On this Day of Judgment, when the Jew prays for forgiveness for sins of the past year, he remembers that he must first forgive his neighbors for an offense they may have committed against him as well as ask their forgiveness for any fault of his own. On this solemn day he resolves to do better in the year to come.

Seriousness and Introspection

Although a solemn day, Yom Kippur is not a day of penance or sorrow.

But Yom Kippur, with its assurance of forgiveness and a closer unity with God, brings a happiness unequalled by any other Jewish holy day.

Athletics



This department is deeply indebted to Mr. Maxwell Cohen, our genial S-E Director, for his kindness in setting aside this column for our use.

From time to time we will endeavor to fill it with worth while news, items, and suggestions, which we hope our kind readers will take time to read and even comment upon the idea perfect.

To start with—WHY NOT JOIN THE GYM AND POOL NOW!

For full information inquire at the desk.

Mr. Urieff, our Registrar, will aid you.

The yearly cost is nominal, the evenings many, the men congenial, the Gym spacious and adequate, the pool—perfection.

The regulation Gym costume can be bought new, reasonably cheap—or you can use one that you now have.

Locks and Lockers are assigned you.

Towels and Soap can be had for 5c.

Now just imagine that you are ready to step out on the floor for the evening.

Basketball—a regulation court—Handball—Two courts—Apparatus—Bars and Bucks, Ladders, etc.—Boxing—Any number of amateurs to accommodate you.

Pulleys, Sandbag and Punching Bag to develop your muscles and alertness.

Calisthenics—Join in the class at 8:30.

Then the big basketball game till 9:30.

Ready for a shower?

Then a swim.

Now we ask you what could be better—Try it and see if you won't thank us for the splendid workout and that "fine feeling."

You will want to write us about it? Why not?

How about your weight? Perhaps you want to reduce? Come on down and let us advise you.

AND NOW FOR THE BIG NEWS:—

BIG NEWS! BIGGER I. S.

Candidates for House Teams report in the Gym at 8:15, Wednesday evenings.

Seniors—Unlimited.

Intermediates—135 pounds.

Juniors try-out in the afternoon, daily between 6 and 7.

— JACK SILBERT.

Register Your Child At Once in One of our Talmud Torahs.

YAHREZEIT

"In memoriam,"
 Say the flickering lights in glasses.
 In memoriam
 Of a city that has lived.
 In memoriam
 Of eyes that have seen these lights flicker
 In memoriam.

—ABRAHAM AUERBACH.

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Name

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The above cards must be mailed in to
 the office before October 1st, preferably
 sooner, so that they may be had for the
 Memorial Services.

**WEST SIDE TALMUD TORAH TO HAVE
 MOVING PICTURE ENTERTAINMENT
 AT 81st STREET THEATRE.**

The great theatre party which was to be
 given by our West Side Talmud Torah to
 the Jewish children of that neighborhood
 on September 28th, was postponed and will
 take place on Sunday, October 12th, at
 9:30 A.M.

BIBLE TALKIES A FEATURE

This step was taken in order to secure
 a first rate Biblical talking picture. This
 excellent picture will cause the audience
 great delight and give them a real thrill.
 It will also be a fine way to celebrate the
 Succoth holiday.

All the children of the neighborhood are
 invited. Besides the celebration of Suc-
 coth there is another purpose to this rally.
 The Institutional Synagogue aims to popu-
 larize Jewish education on the West Side.

YOUR YOUNG FRIENDS ARE INVITED

Members and Seat-Holders of the Insti-
 tutional Synagogue are requested to extend
 an invitation to all their young friends and
 to urge them to attend.

Children may go accompanied by their
 parents.

Besides the Biblical pictures and excell-
 ent comedies, famous speakers will be
 heard, among them our president, Hon.
 Isaac Siegel, and Rabbi Herbert S. Gold-
 stein.

Tear off here and use as ticket for
 adults and children:

Admit bearer to the

MOVING PICTURE ENTERTAINMENT

To be held at the 81st STREET THEATRE,
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