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BAZAAR ENDS ON A PERSONAL NOTE

In true W. S. I. S. spirit, the whole family joined forces once again in Synagogue work. . . . At the Bazaar we had a mother and daughter contingency including Mrs. Udell and Nanette, Mrs. Reichlin and Natalie, Mrs. Friedman and Harriet, Mrs. Langer and Renee, Mrs. Cohen and Jeanette, Mrs. Max Frank and Vera, Mrs. H. S. Goldstein and Josephine and Naomi. Mrs. Charles Cohen not having a daughter, enlisted the services of her son Jay. Ditto Mrs. Harry Appel and Bernard, Mrs. Bendheim and Charlie. . . . Among the many and varied acts of personal service and sacrifices made by our ever co-operative band of men and women in connection with the Bazaar were Mrs. Langer's providing us with fresh baked doughnuts for our lunch counter in less than an hour when she discovered we had none on hand. Dorothy Anderson modelling house coats and jewelry. Harry Appel modelled hats and Charlie Cohen modelled everything. Max Frank acted as chauffeur, delivery boy and what not. Reggie Livingston made pounds upon pounds of that delicious orange peel which was one of the best sellers at the grocery counter. Max Sanders and Dave Ullman squeezed oranges and grapefruits by hand for the patrons of the restaurant. Danny Weiss had his scouts of every variety, sea, land and air, deliver packages and man some of the counters. In this group, special mention should be made of Sid Harris, Morty Langer, Norman Friedman and Leon Weiss. . . . Like a faithful ship-captain, Bessie Abrams was on deck in the kitchen from start to finish. She never tired nor lost her temper. What a gem! To her delicious sandwiches, coffee and hot dogs, none can compare. Mesdames Lillie Levine and Jennie Jablow are close seconds in this connection. . . . We are prepared to give Ruth Davis a reference as a bakery sales-lady, Mrs. Sam Davis credentials as a price marker, Mrs. Louis Davis as a restaurateur and Mrs. Benjamin Davis as an all around saleslady. This last applies equally to Mes-

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GUEST SPEAKER



MISS RACHEL K. McDOWELL

Monday Evening, Rabbi Goldstein resumes the Men's Bible Class. As a fitting speaker for the renewal of our attractive open forums which follow the Bible Class, we shall have the pleasure of listening to Miss Rachel K. McDowell who, for the past 19 years, has been Religious News Editor of the New York Times. Her topic is "Different Roads But One Goal".

Miss McDowell is a prominent broadcaster, her program being "Religion Today" over Station W E V D Sunday evenings. She is the author of a weekly article, "Presbyterian News of New York and Vicinity" for the national weekly, "The Presbyterian". Miss McDowell for 11 years occupied a similar position with the former New York Herald. She has had two audiences with the late Pope Pius XI.

Unquestionably what Miss McDowell will have to say to us will be instructive and most interesting.

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WOMEN'S LEAGUE DUTCH SUPPER

Never let it be said that the Women's League isn't on its toes and up to something or other for the entertainment or betterment of the spirit of its members and friends.

For this purpose a special meeting was called last Monday morning, right in the midst of all the bazaaring, and in the Lorraine building so as not to lose sight of a prospective bargain hunter at the same time. Yes, something is brewing. This time it is a Dutch Supper. So reserve the date, Sunday, March 19th, at 7 P. M. in the Social Room of the Synagogue Building. A good meal will be had by all, plus lots of fun, at \$1.50 per.

Keep this date in mind and file an early reservation. Quota accommodations will soon be reached. Last minute reservations will be difficult to fill.

JEWISH PHILOSOPHY

Starting this Monday afternoon, Rabbi Goldstein will give a course for women in "The Philosophy of Judaism". Don't miss this opportunity. Bring your friends. Class starts promptly at 2:30.

FROM HIPPODROME TO W. S. I. S.

The Young Folks League present Bernie Grimes, leading contender for U. S. Table Tennis Championship vs. Louis Pagliaro, N. Y. State Champion, in exhibition match.

Our building — Sunday — 9 P.M. (courtesy of Olympic Table Tennis Centre, 92nd St. & B'way.)

All welcome — Admission Free

Light Candles Friday Evening 5:18 SHABBOS SHEKO'IM

Weekly Portion — MISHPATIM Prayers for the New Month

Friday Evening Service	5:15
Saturday Morning Service	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:00
Rabbi Hurwitz Class in Talmud	4:00
Children's Story Hour	3:30
Mincha Service	5:00
Sunday Morning Service	7:00, 8:00
Sunday A. M. Youth Service	8:45
Daily Services:	
Mornings	6:45, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30
Mincha	5:15
Followed by the study of the Mishnah	



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ELEMENTARY TRUTHS

In a recent sermon, Father John B. Harvey, of the Church of St. Paul the Apostle, made the following statements: "Any Catholic who believes he can be steadfast in his faith and at the same time have sympathy for some alien political dogma not only deludes himself but is a traitor to the church."

"With the false and pagan philosophies of communism, fascism and nazism riding high, it was unavoidable that some Catholics would fall victim to propaganda."

"The impossibility of reconciling with Catholicism a creed that includes in its principles the banishment of religion, should be apparent to every one."

If we but substitute the word "Jew" for "Catholic" in the first two of the above paragraphs, and "Judaism" for "Catholicism" in the last, the statements of of the eminent divine are equally true and to the point.

We Jews must realize that Communism is just as much our enemy as the enemy of Catholicism and, equally so, the enemy of democracy, freedom of speech and press and all the other freedoms implicit in democracy.

IN MEMORIAM

The death of His Holiness Pope Pius XI, while not unexpected, comes to us as a severe shock. His was a voice of tolerance and sympathy, crying out of the wilderness of brutality.

Last September, Pope Pius expressed his abhorrence of anti-Semitism to a group of Belgium Catholics as follows:

"Anti-Semitism is incompatible with the idea of the sublime reality of the Biblical text. It is an anti-pathetic movement in which we Christians are unable to participate. Naturally, it is impossible for Christians to share in anti-Semitism. We concede to anybody the right to defend himself and to take measures to safeguard his interests. But anti-Semitism is inadmissible. Spiritually we are all Semites."

The Christianity of the Nazis, he denounced, as "false Christianity" and the persecution as "frightful" and "violently brutal."

How well does the description of "false Christianity" fit the Nazi inspired mouthings of Coughlin, the American prototype of Goebbels.

The Pope (saintly spirit) died with the word "peace" on his lips. Let us hope that peace on earth will be his monument; that an overwhelming peace will descend to silence the vicious utterings of those who would incite neighbor against neighbor; that the Coughlins and their ilk will pass into well merited oblivion.

WISE WOMAN

Lady Reading is here. True to the great traditions of her great family, her mission is the amelioration of the tremendous refugee problem.

She speaks for the Palestine Foundation Fund which is dedicated to the upbuilding of Palestine. There she sees the homeland and final resting place of the wandering tribes of Israel. Palestine to her is the logical solution of our problem.

Asked about the possibilities for Jews in Russia, she said: "I don't think we can pin any faith on the possibility of their immigration into Russia. After all, there is another kind of tyranny there. Most Jews are not communists and we can't send people from one kind of death into another."

Well and nobly said. Let us see and understand the goal towards which we should strive to solve the refugee problem and then concentrate on attaining it.

"AS
R'CHASH
SEES
IT"



By RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

FAITH

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Faith is the electricity of God. It builds civilizations. It spins the world and the men upon it to greater heights of glorious achievement. Cold and barren is man without the generous glow of faith. The men of faith move mountains, build bridges, raise dams, launch ships, and rule worlds.

Give me a giant without faith and you place at my service a dead bulk of uninspired clay. Put the spark of faith into the lowliest of man and you have exalted a prince with boundless power to wield. This is evidenced in the story of David and Goliath. If God has a gigantic task to be performed FAITH gets the contract. Faith does for man what he cannot do for himself. The possession of immense stores of knowledge or unusual ability have not always been enough to assure success without the impetus of faith.

All of us, in our own lives or in those about us, have seen faith triumph over despair. It is faith that permits us victims of our own narrowness, of disease, of poverty, and of defeat to pass through our years, with moments of aspirations and accomplishments that are almost divine.

Theodore Roosevelt, was born a weakling, but through unswerving faith in God's goodness, he built himself a stronger body, an inflexible spirit, and became a great president, and world leader. These miracles of faith are happening every day in the midst of life.

William James has so well said, "If your heart does not want, your head will assuredly never make you believe." He asks, "May we not help to create the truths of religion by believing them? I cannot see my way to accepting the AGNOSTIC rules for truth-seeking, or WILLFULLY agree to keep my willing nature out of acknowledging certain kinds of truth if these kinds of truth were really there, would be an irrational one."

OUR BRETHREN THE WORLD OVER (From Jewish Telegraphic Agency Dispatches)

LONDON— The Dominion of South Africa is rapidly approaching a political crisis which is bound to have serious and far reaching consequences for the 100,000 Jews residing there. Reports indicate that General Herzog, The Prime Minister leans to the pro-German view and there is being urged on him coalition with Afrikaander pro-German forces. This merger contemplates friendship and close cooperation with the Third Reich and would be heavily tinged with anti-Semitism.

LONDON— Voicing a new anti-Semitic slogan "no more cake for Jewish children until each Slovak child has some," Sano Mach, Chief of the Slovak Propaganda Press Service, declared that strong anti-Semitic measures would be instituted soon according to reports here today.

DUBLIN— Large inscriptions calling upon the public to boycott the Jews, suddenly appeared today throughout the city. The wall of a Hebrew School was daubed with anti-Semitic slogans. The outburst was attributed here to the arrival last week of an official of the German Propaganda Department who reported he has been charged with the "enlightenment" of Irish public opinion.

MIAMI— Four members of the Commission arranged by President Roosevelt's Advisory Committee on Refugees to survey prospects for refugee settlement in British Guiana left for Georgetown by plane, among them Dr. Joseph A. Rosen, Colonization Expert.

LONDON— Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald informed the House of Commons that Governor Sir Mark Young of Tanganyika has submitted a preliminary report on the possibilities of Jewish settlement in that British-mandated territory.

AMSTERDAM— Twenty-one German Jewish children without necessary documents were taken to the German frontier for deportation.

BUCHAREST— The Piatria-Neamt Bar Association notified Jewish Lawyers, whose citizenship has been recognized after the current revision, that they will not be admitted to practice for five years, the waiting period normally required for naturalization.

BRATISLAVA — Laws restricting participation of Jews in the economic life of all Czechoslovakia are being drafted.

THIS AND THAT

by Rabbi Emanuel L. Lifschitz

According to a 13th century manuscript map in the British museum, Eretz Israel was in the center of the universe which appeared to them as a flat surface.

Similarly, the Rabbis of old have said: "The Land of Israel is in the center of the world. Jerusalem is in the center of the Land of Israel. The Temple is in the center of Jerusalem. The Holy of Holies is the center of the Temple, the Holy Ark is the center of the Holy of Holies, and the Stone of Foundation is in front of the Holy of Holies."

"Why was it called Eben-ha She-thiyah, the Stone of Foundation? Because it is the foundation stone of all the world."

Similarly, in these dark days, Palestine is the focal point of all Israel, the center of all Israel's aspirations and prayers. Whatever be the outcome of the already unpromising Arab-Jewish round-table (indeed a misnomer, because the conference started out not as a round table discussion, but as a conference between the English and the Arabs and a separate conference between the English and the Jews) Eretz Israel will forever be the spiritual, religious and historical cohesive force in Jewish life.

Dr. Granovsky, land authority, writes concerning the effect of the recent Palestine disturbances both on Jews and Arabs:

"Not only have the riots not had the effect of reducing the amount of land on the market, but new opportunities involving large stretches of land have been opened up. Two years of rioting have impoverished the Arab economy, affecting the large landowners as well as the peasantry. No money circulates among the Arabs, there is a restricted market for their produce, the way to the cities is full of dangers, and what little they have left is squeezed out of them by terrorists. The large landowners who run away from Palestine are obliged to spend much money but have no way of collecting rents from their tenant-cultivators. The only possible way for the Arabs to improve their position is by selling their land, or a part of it, to the Jews. Unoccupied land is being offered for sale in all parts of the country which can be bought without any need to 'displace' the owners."

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Who competed with each other collecting merchandise for the Bazaar?

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Who is the great "vitzling"?

CHARLIE.

Who is her husband's best audience?

SADYE.

Her hobby? Haunting antique shops. Some say she met Charlie there.

His hobby? Another kind of antiques - jokes.

Mrs. Cohen is active in many charitable and religious undertakings, including our Women's League and the Riverside Group of Hadasah.

They have a couple of chips off the old block, Mortimer and Jay. All good things come in three's, say we.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Me, Him & I

BAZAAR ENDS ON PERSONAL NOTE
(continued)

dames Brown, Elfenbein, Greenstein, Hiller, Lifschitz, Messing, Meyer Mirken, Neufeld, Swisgold, Tilem and Julia Stich. . . . Whoever didn't taste Joan Friedman's many cakes, certainly missed a treat. . . . Other cakes for the restaurant were donated by Mesdames Meyer Pargament, Greenfield, Jack Levine, Herbert S. Goldstein, Harry Ward, George L. Livingston, Moses Langer, Benjamin Davis, Isidor Reichlin, David Elfenbein, David L. Messing, Isaac King and Steinbergs. . . . Happy to learn that Mrs. H. Steuer is recuperating from her recent accident. . . . Many of the families of the W. S. I. S. will, for weeks to come, be partaking of the groceries Mrs. Moses Langer, Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, Mrs. Simon Kommel and Mrs. Ben Spanbock sold them at the Bazaar. . . . Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Fasten provided those of us who couldn't go South this winter with a real taste of Florida, by sending us a most generous donation of delicious grapefruits, oranges and bananas. . . . We are deeply indebted to Mrs. David Scherer for the beautiful coffee percolators she has donated to our Women's League. . . . Gus Rubenstein's car was really the property of the Synagogue last week. . . . Our handsome President, Lester Udell, performed his duty by coming around frequently and encouraging everyone in his friendly, charming manner. . . . Certificates for perfect attendance not forgetting their multitude of other invaluable services have been rightly earned by Annie R. Morris and Morris Jablow. . . .

Men who deserve special mention
Eli Jacoby at men's wear counter
Mr. Holoschutz's Men's hats
Moe Langer - sweaters
George Blumenthal - At the wheel
Max Frank - At the wheel
Mr. Pargament - piece goods
Mr. Greenstein - counter of despair
Mr. Kaplan - counter of despair
Mr. Langer - counter of despair
Mr. Landowne - containers
Max Sanders - presiding officer of all Bazaar parties

Others generally helpful were:

Manny Gluck, Hank Epstein, Joe Anderson, Joseph Sedwitz, Max Moskowitz, Aaron Wartels, Herbert Gosset, Benjamin Tilem, Isidor Reichlin, Harry Ward, Morris Levine, Siegfried Bendheim, Morris Cohen, Samuel Silver, Henry Ripin.

Harry Rogen fully recovered and

at Shule is the Harry Rogen we like to see. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Meyer H. Fishman upon the engagement of their daughter. . . . On February 21st a great event will take place - the wedding anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Max Frank, two of our most popular members. Congratulations! . . . We extend our best wishes to Mr. Harris Claster that his son shall have a speedy recovery. . . . The Jewish Morning Journal had a very attractive edition the other day, it being particularly ornamented by the picture of our Rebetzin and Governor Lehman, the occasion showing the presentation to the Governor of a replica of the Palestine Pavilion at the World's Fair. . . . Mrs. Joseph Anderson has been appointed chairman of the World's Fair Palestine Pavilion Committee of the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. . . . Mrs. Lillian R. Silver "Aunt Lil" paid a visit to our Synagogue after her long illness. . . . Dr. Nathan Settler and Harold Kaplan left for Florida. Germs and bugs beware. . . . Mrs. R. Michaels of 172 West 79th Street was very helpful at the Bazaar. Her son is president of Weber & Heilbronner. . . .

TALMUD CLASS

Because of the popular response to the Shabbos afternoon class in Talmud, a new group has been formed. It meets on Wednesday nights at 9 o'clock. All those who wish to delight in Talmudic principles and thought are invited to join. The class is conducted by Rabbi Hurwitz.

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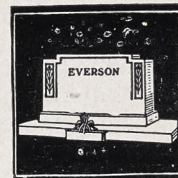
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