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BAZAAR AROUSES INTEREST

Chairman Urges Greater Cooperation

Harry Appel, Chairman, announces a gratifying response to our appeal for merchandise for our Bazaar — but we need more, more and MORE merchandise. We plan to open on Saturday evening, February 1st and all merchandise must be in by that time. All of the work should not fall upon the shoulders of a few. We need the help of everyone. Give merchandise - get others to give merchandise. In addition we require cars to pick up packages which have been offered. You can help. Please do so without delay.

We extend our sincere thanks to the following who have already contributed merchandise:

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WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

MONDAY, JAN. 20th

On Monday afternoon, January 20th, at 12:30 P. M., the Women's League of the W.S.I.S. will hold its Annual Scholarship Luncheon in the Synagogue building. Mah-Jong, Bridge and other games will follow the luncheon. Tickets are priced at One Dollar. The proceeds of the affair will be used for the Scholarship Fund.

Mrs. Philip Gertner and Mrs. Samuel K. Beier are the co-Chairmen of the Committee.



DR. CLINCHY MAKES PRESENTATION

Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes is shown accepting a citation from the National Conference of Christians and Jews for his contribution toward the improvement of human relations.

Left to right, the photograph shows: Dr. Arthur H. Compton, Co-Chairman of the National Conference; Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, President of the Conference; and Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes.

FATHER and SON DINNER TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

The Men's Club of the Synagogue will hold a Father and Son Dinner in the Synagogue building on Tuesday evening, February 11th. Lou Pagliaro, National Ping Pong Champion will play an exhibition match; Benny Leonard, former boxing Champion, will appear; and a movie entitled "Winning Baseball" will be presented. Other features, including a magic show, are being planned.

Tickets are priced at One Dollar and all are urged to make their reservations NOW.

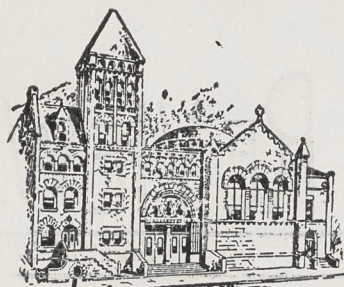
Hon Herman J. Mc Carthy, aid to Thomas Dewey, will be the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Men's Club, to be held at the Synagogue on Wednesday evening, January 22nd at 8:30 P. M. Mr. Mc Carthy handled the Bund case and was prosecuting attorney in the case against Fritz Kuhn.

DR. CLINCHY GUEST SPEAKER NEXT MONDAY EVENING

Next Monday evening, January 20th, we shall have the privilege of once again greeting Dr. Everett Ross Clinchy. Dr. Clinchy addressed Rabbi Goldstein's Bible Class and Forum last year and those who heard him were deeply impressed by his personality and sincerity.

Outstanding spokesman for the cause of religious tolerance and cooperation, Reverend Clinchy is President of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Dr. Clinchy served as Minister at Wesleyan University after a period of graduate study at Yale and Columbia in religion, social science and education. In 1928, he planned and led the Columbia seminar on "The Relations of Roman Catholics, Jews and Protestants".

The Bible Class and Forum will begin promptly at 8:30 P. M.



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JEWISH SCIENTISTS

CHAIM WEIZMANN

By Gabriel F. Goldstein

What is Chaim Weizmann noted for? Most people will tell you something to the effect that, he is the Jewish scientist and diplomat who obtained the Balfour declaration from the British government in return for his discovery of T N T. Although this statement is wrong in fact, it is very pertinent to say, in this connection, that where there is smoke there is fire. There are good reasons for linking the name of Chaim Weizmann with explosives and with the Balfour declaration.

Weizmann's activity during the war period was concerned with a method for the production of Acetone a vital chemical, of which there was an acute shortage. It was then produced largely by the fermentation of potato starch.

Fermentation processes are chemical transformations effected by living organisms. The best known examples of this type of change are the manufacture of alcohol from bar-

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THE 48th COMMANDMENT

By RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

The 48th Commandment bids us never to smite our father or mother even when they smite us, excepting only if they want to slay us. For "he who smiteth his father or his mother shall SURELY be put to death" (Exodus 21:15). The reason for such severe punishment is due to the fact that when one raises his hand against his parent, he does so against the representative of God. One is liable to capital punishment (by strangulation) for smiting his parents only if he spills blood. If no blood is spilled then he is guilty as in any other case and must pay civil damages for נזק "loss" צער "pain" רפוי "doctors bills" שבת "con-

finement to one's home" and בשת "shame".

Just as in capital punishment there is no monetary fine, so also where the punishment is civil there are no stripes, and where the punishment is stripes, no monetary or civil damages are to be paid.

As a matter of fact, the law has it that one is not supposed to operate on his own parents because in doing so he unwittingly spills some of his blood. Of course, if there is none other to operate, then the son may act as surgeon. A son may not act as a representative of the court to punish his father except in the case where he was a missionary for idolatry.

Why only חנק "strangulation" for smiting one's parent whilst for cursing one's parents פקילה "stoning", is the punishment? The answer is that smiting is an animal act. A human being has some animal in him והיה האדם לנפש חיה therefore when he employs this part of himself, he is not completely responsible. However, cursing comes not from the animal but from the soul of man. Therefore, we can understand that the punishment for a wrong done through the mind, or soul, or one's better self is to be of a severer nature than that which is prompted by the animal instinct of man (Zohar).

ley, the rising of dough in bread-making, and the ripening of cheese, and other milk cultures such as Acidophoulus and buttermilk. The efficiency of such reactions depends upon the careful control of the culture of organisms responsible for the particular transformation desired.

Many fermentation reactions resulting in numerous products are possible. Each one is caused by a separate organism or group of organisms which are widely distributed in nature. Frequently the organisms which are detrimental to the process desired occur together with those favoring the reaction. Many such processes have not been commercially exploitable because it has been impossible to obtain a pure strain of the required yeast or bacterium.

Weizmann achieved the noteworthy feat of isolating a single organism which was not only four times as effective as any previous culture used for the production to ferment all starches instead of only potato starch. The supply of raw materials for this process was thereby vastly ex-

tended and the shortage of acetone was then relieved.

This discovery was of particular value to the British government during the war because it made available sufficient quantities of acetone necessary for the manufacture of an important nitrocellulose explosive known as Cordite. The basic discovery of the organism is still being used by many large companies including the Commercial Solvents Corporation in this country.

At the end of the war this great scientist turned diplomat. In the favored position of having rendered valuable service to the British Government, he prepared, negotiated for, and succeeded in obtaining the adoption of the Balfour declaration in favor of making Palestine the National Homeland for the Jews.

Weizmann has always continued his dual role of Jewish diplomat and scientist. For a few years he assumed the presidency of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He is also head of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and of the World Zionist organization.

THIS AND THAT



ESCAPISTS

By RABBI EMANUEL L. LIFSCHITZ

Despite all the recent lessons learned concerning the utter futility for Jews to attempt to sever their religious, social, or ethnic relationship with their people, one observes that in the very heat of anti-semitic ravages, middle class Jewry consistently tries to minimize the religious content of its life. It seems to prefer anonymity when it comes to identification with Israel. It prefers to give little religious instruction to its young or at the most expose them to an Anglo-Jewish program of religious instruction in the Sunday School. One also observes the tendency to change names; to replace as it were the phonetics of one's Russian or Polish family name with one, more euphonic. As for given names, some go to the remotest pages of literature to discover an attractive name, one bearing a guarantee that it will not disturb the "Yankee" sensibilities of our neighbors, attractive because of its decidedly unhebraic sound. While in reality, one can choose such beautiful and poetic names, identified with loftiness of soul, character and service, names like Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, Ruth and Naomi.

The one driving fear is to remain un-American, which to some means the preservation of some distinguishing form of Jewishness. The spiritual atmosphere in these homes is so colorless and the occasional observance of tradition so perfunctory, that no sooner is the son or daughter married, than the scrupulously observant grandpa and grandma cannot 'eat' in the newlywed's home. They have become 'Americanized'.

We should understand that to be a genuine American one must be a genuine Jew; that the true America represents an ensemble of cultures,

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE	
Light Candles Friday Evening	4:42
Weekly Portion SHEMOS	
Friday Evening Service	4:50
Saturday Morning Service	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:00
Rabbi Hurwitz's Class in Talmud	3:30
Young Folk's Round Table	3:30
Minch Service	4:40
Sunday Morning Services	6:45; 7:45; 8:45
Daily Services:	
Mornings	6:45; 7:45; 8:15
Mincha	4:50
Followed by the Interpretation of the Mishnah by Rabbi Goldstein	

wherein every group is privileged to enjoy cultural pluralism. America is distinguished only because of its variety of racial and cultural patterns existing harmoniously side by side each one developing its individual heritage.

Let us not frantically seek 'likeness' but rather maintain, develop and contribute of our own unique historical, and spiritual experiences and thus fructify American life. Let us not be ashamed to be ourselves. Let us be Jews!

YOUNG FOLK'S ROUND TABLE

The Young Folk's Round Table, led by Rabbi Goldstein, will discuss the "Ethics of the Fathers" tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 P. M.

The participants in the Mincha service are as follows: Seymour Reichlin, Reader of the Torah; Simon H. F. Goldstein, Reader of the Service and Morton Langer, Speaker.

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W. S. I. S. PARTICIPATS IN PING PONG TOURNAMENT

Arthur Finkelstein, Nathan Nadien, David Nadien, Ira Jossen, Herbert Godfriend, and Merrill Wallach participated in the first round of a round robin ping pong tournament which will continue through the month of March. Six institutions are represented and the winners will be awarded prizes. The results of this competition with the Madison Square Boys Club are not available for publication in this issue of the REVIEW.

Our second match will be with The Academy on Tuesday afternoon, January 28th at The Academy.

GOVERNING BOARD PLANS MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

On Thursday evening, January 9th, 1941, the Governing Board of the Council held their regular meeting. At that time plans were made for a membership campaign. Each week we will publish in the REVIEW the results of this campaign.

In connection with their plan they will hold a dance on Saturday evening, February 8th. Further announcements of this function will be published in a subsequent issue of the REVIEW.

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Getting Personal

The stork took an express flight last week and dropped a bundle of joy into the home of Michael Blankfort, Hollywood scenario writer and son of Director and Mrs. Henry Blankfort. It's girl No. 2 (Mrs. Kaplan — How about making them the Hollywood representatives of the "Tiny Tots"). . . Why did so many of our friends choose to start the year, at one time or another with a wedding ceremony. We have five anniversaries to report this week. To Mr. and Mrs. Meyer L. Pargament, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Settel, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kobrin, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Kommel and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brand, we give a toast. . . Our regards to Mr. and Mrs. Mose Goodman. Hope you both enjoy reading the REVIEW on the sunny sands of the South. . . This week, two of our noteworthy debutantes celebrate their birthday — Mrs. Sam Siegel and Mrs. William Horwitz. Congratulations. . . (How many candles Ceil and Martha?). . . Speaking of birthday candles we have already sent two to Doug Weill, grandson of G.R. and Pa Rubenstein. . . In contrast we report with joy that Levi Hershfield celebrated his eighty-fourth. . . Last week our Synagogue was honored by the visit of numerous prominent personages. Dr. Louis Finkelstein, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary; Rabbi Max Artz, President of the Rabbinical Assembly of America; Rabbi Golovensky of Long Beach; and Rabbi Israel Goldfarb of Brooklyn, all attended the funeral services in our building

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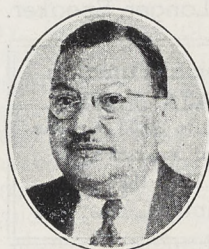
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for our beloved member Michael Sallit. . . On Saturday Rabbi C. Hillel Kauvar of Denver, Mr. Meyer Epstein of Ottawa, Canada and Mr. Marvin Finkelstein of Hartford joined our inspiring service. "From border to border and coast to coast" the WSIS is known. . . Warmest welcomes to Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ward and to Dave and Howard Moskowitz. . . This week the trains en route to Fla. carried three important members of the WSIS family, Mrs. Sam Michaels and Mr. and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim. . . Greetings to the Jewish University Club. They conducted a meeting in our building last Sunday evening and let us tell you, our own Joan Friedman does a remarkable job of presiding. Rabbi Goldstein made a rush trip to Washington on Monday on one of his many errands of mercy for our persecuted brethren abroad. . . Last Saturday afternoon we all joined our beloved President and his wife in their joy, when we saw Harold "bench gomer" after his recent operation. . . Speaking of operations it was good to see Bernard Appel back and smiling again. . . Good luck to the Landowne's in their new apartment. Is the editor invited to the house warming? Now they call him Lucky Larry. Last week Larry Mirken won first prize in the "Ask-it-basket" program on WABC. \$25 was the prize. . .

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CLUB NOTES

Due to examinations this week the Youth Forum has called off it's meeting. The next meeting of the club will be held on Sunday evening, January 26th at 8:30 P. M. The group has invited Dr. Papurt, noted psychologist, to speak on "The Value of Psychological Tests".

The members of the Jewish Art Circle are making final arrangements for the "Gershwin Afternoon" to be held on Sunday, February 2, at 2:30 P. M. A complete program of the concert will be published in the next issue of the REVIEW.

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