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LOYALTY VIEWPOINT

TORAHCRATIC ZIONISM — THE TRUE ZIONISM

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We must change our Zionist outlook if Palestine is to be a permanent homeland for the Jew and a symbol of peace unto the world. At present Zionism is a movement of secular nationalism with religion trailing behind or ignored.

The mistake we are making is that we want to be a nation, a "goy" like the other "goyim," nations. I plead instead for the continuation of the Prophetic ideal for Palestine, namely, that we become an "Ohr l' goyim," a light unto the nations.

Is it merely political independence we have so long been seeking, or is it not rather a sanctuary for the Jewish soul? Secularize Eretz Yisroel, and you de-Judaize it. Even some of those who compromise with the precepts of Judaism in the Diaspora, want to bring it to pass that in Zion the Jew may again wear the full breast-plate of his faith.

The anomaly about Zionism as we have seen it practiced since the time of Herzl is that although it is a counter-movement to the threat of assimilation, it carries a similar infection in its own irreligious emphasis upon nationalism. The Zionist movement, as we have observed it, at no time has shown any sustained sincere desire to use Judaism as an active force in achieving its aims.

I quote from the late Doctor Schechter's "Some Aspects of Rabbinic Theology:" "We must also remember that Israel is not a nation in the common sense of the word. To the Rabbis, at least, it is not a nation by virtue of race or of certain peculiar political combinations.

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FATHER KERNAN, RADIO PRIEST TO ADDRESS FORUM MONDAY

WEDDING BELLS

On Tuesday, May 4th, Nanette Udell, daughter of our President and Mrs. Lester Udell will be married to Mr. Eddie Weinstein.



Nanette Udell

We shower the happy couple with blessings and good wishes for a long life of wedded bliss, and to their families—a most hearty Mazel Tov!

RECEPTION DRAWS NEAR

It's just around the corner—that red-letter day—when we will gather at a grand reception in honor of a grand man — our Vice-President Aaron Wartels.

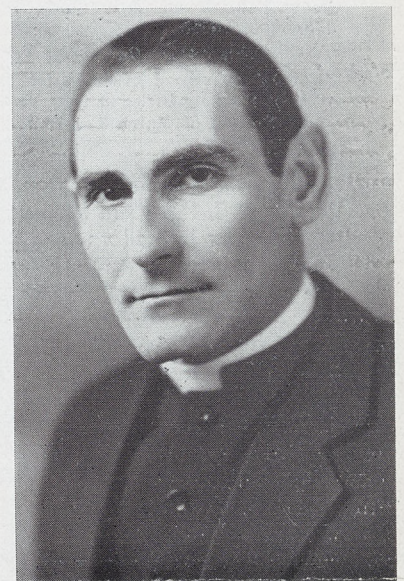
The committee is concentrating all its efforts towards making this reception on May 23rd an outstanding one in every way. Now that the holidays are over we hope you too will concentrate on making this testimonial to "Pop" Wartels a booming success.

You can help by making the Souvenir Album, which will be presented to Mr. Wartels on this occasion, a substantial token of our high regard for him. Let it be a weighty volume bulging with good wishes.

Tickets for the reception will be issued to all who insert greetings or advertisements in the Album.

Time is fleeting! Today is NOT too early, suggests Jess Ward, Chairman of the Souvenir Album Committee.

Rabbi Goldstein's Bible Class and Forum will have as Guest Speaker this Monday evening, the Radio Priest Father William C. Kernan, who will speak on the subject of "What Kind of a Peace Do We Want?"



Father Wm. C. Kernan

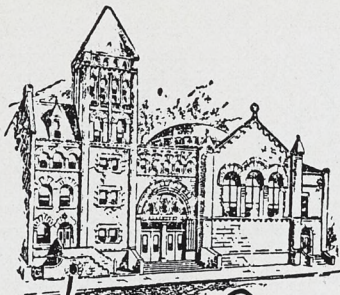
Father Kernan is director of the Free Speech Forum of Radio Station WEVD. His outspoken and vigorous attitude against race hatred and intolerance have made him a national figure. His subject is timely and of vital importance to all.

Be sure to be here early, if you want a seat. Do not miss this opportunity.

The Bible Class begins at 8:30 o'clock.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Women's League urges readers to send to the synagogue any article that can be utilized for their Rummage sale in May.



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GERMANY'S YOUTH A Post-War Problem

A forceful, thought-provoking play is "Tomorrow the World," which brings to the fore the tremendously important post-war problem of the re-education of Nazi children.

A twelve-year-old product of Nazi education has been nurtured on lies and reared to hate; even taught to despise his martyred father—a victim of Nazi sadism.

In this youngster is embodied all the evil—deceit, lies, hatred, and brutality—of Nazi tyranny. His re-education for the democratic way of life in this country is undertaken by a progressive school-teacher—a Jewess. When it becomes evident he will even murder for his "fuehrer," all lose hope for the child's re-orientation—all except his teacher, the Jewess he despises. She points out that there are twelve million such youngsters in Germany.

A way must be found to re-educate these twelve million children. The Nazis have done their job well. The rising German generation will indeed present a difficult post-war problem.

—B. K.

GETTING PERSONAL

This year's Passover will long be remembered by the many hundreds of men and women who participated in our Synagogue festival program. The spirit of freedom and joy pervaded and captivated us all, helping us relive the drama of Israel's deliverance from Egyptian bondage and giving us the courage to share in the present world struggle for freedom. . . . The record attendance at the Synagogue made it necessary to arrange for a supplementary overflow service. . . . Our much talked about Sedorim, presided over by Rabbi Goldstein, were held at the Riverside Plaza Hotel with 609 guests present, everyone uniformly enjoying them. To say they "raved" would not be an overstatement. Among our directors who were on hand with their families were: Mr. & Mrs. Isaac Goldman; Mr. & Mrs. Morris Jablow, Mrs. Jablow serving on the hostess committee; Mr. Elias Jacoby; Mr. & Mrs. Max E. Sanders Mr. & Mrs. Sam Silver (how pleased with his efforts must have been our modest Seder chairman). Josie and Naomi Goldstein served as usherettes. . . . Among our holiday guests were: Lt. Harold Gross; En.

Joshua Jacobs, son of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Jacobs; Pvt. Harold Levine; Pvt. Paul Shapiro; Sgt. and Mrs. Daniel Weiss; Sgt. Harold Wohl; Petty Officer Buddy Udell; Pvt. Irwin Zucker; Julius Bayer; Gabriel Davidson, Director of the Jewish Agricultural Society, and author of the recently published "On Jewish Farming"; Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel F. Goldstein; Mrs. Simeon H. F. Goldstein; Mrs. Jacob Marcuson, President, Greater New York Council Women's Branch of U.O.J.C. and Hy Schwartz. Last but not least, our old reliable Charlie Cohen, was on hand to help in the Seder "chores". . . . Thanks to Mrs. Annie R. Morris for providing the necessities for the children's Seder conducted by the Talmud Torah. . . . Cantor Yavneh officiated for some of the boys up at "Ossining" last Thursday. . . . Happy to announce the wedding anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Ben Landau. . . . Our recent new members are: Isadore Baskowitz; Mrs. Rene Bloch; F. Hausdorff; Kalman Kinzler; Bernard Kirsch; Mrs. Esther Lipshitz; Louis Lober; Abraham Silverman; Dr. F. S. Struck; Isidore Wiesenberger; Sigmund Zaub-

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"AS
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141st COMMANDMENT

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The Peace Offerings by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

There are four kinds of peace offerings: (1) The peace offerings of the community (called קדשי קדשים most holy) brought on the Pentecost holiday. (2) The peace offerings of the individual called קדשי קלים holy in a minor degree), including, (a) the חגיגה ושמחה holiday offerings which are mandatory. (b) The thanksgiving offering. In Psalm 107 we are given the four kinds of deliverance for which the thanksgiving offering or prayer is deemed proper.

The four letters of the Hebrew

word חיים life, each begins one of the words which indicate the four occasions for the thanksgiving prayer. The ה begins the word חבוי "imprisoned". The י stands for יסורים "sickness". The second י begins the word ים "sea". The מ stands for the word מדבר "desert". The Shulchan Aruch Oruch Chaim, Chapter 219, where it gives the mnemonic device for remembering these four instances also quotes the verse which we say three times daily in our prayer

וכל החיים יודך סלה

"And all the חיים 'living' shall give thanks unto thee."

Today since prayers have been substituted for sacrifices, If one is delivered from any of the four above - mentioned dangerous situations, he comes to the synagogue, is called up to the Torah, and pronounces the ברכת הגומל "the Gomayl Benediction."

(c) The peace offering נדר "a vow" or נדבות "free-will offerings" and (d) the peace offerings brought by the Nazarite when he completes the days of his Nazariteship.

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LOYALTY VIEWPOINT

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As Saadya Gaon expressed it,

אומתנו איננה אומה כי אם בתורתה

'Our nation is a nation only by reason of its Torah.' The brutal Torah-less nationalism promulgated in certain quarters would have been to the Rabbis just as hateful as the suicidal Torahless universalism preached in other quarters. And if we could imagine for a moment Israel giving up its allegiance to God, its Torah and its divine institutions, the Rabbis would be the first to sign its death-warrant as a nation. Maimonides said, "You can be a righteous man whilst singing in Arabic, and a wicked one though speaking Hebrew." Let me quote an editorial from "The Jewish Forum" of November 1942:

"Boris Smolar, in his syndicated column, 'Between You and Me,' quotes the Palestine labor leader, Jos. S. Sprinzak, from an article in the Yiddisher Kaempfer (New York) entitled "Danger from Within," as follows:— 'Bitter animosities within the Yishuv, and demoralization prevail among the Jews in Palestine which provoke anti-Semitic feelings among British and other soldiers coming into contact with the Yishuv for the first time.' Mr. Smolar continues: 'We understand that a delegation (of American Zionists to Palestine, 'to see things on the spot') is now in the process of formation . . . The names of Robert Szold, Louis Lipsky and Mrs. Edward Jacobs are mentioned as members of the delegation.' (Let me say parenthetically that there should be added a representation from Mizrachi and Agudath Israel).

"We must have more active participation in the management of the Zionist Movement by the religious Zionists."

A Palestine, to be Jewish, must be a God-governed Palestine. The way of the God-governed Palestine is found in our Torah. The constitution for a Jewish Palestine must therefore be the Torah, and judges in Palestine must be only those who qualify according to Jewish Law, in accordance with which they will make the decisions.

It is the uniqueness of Israel that our nationalism is based on the Torah. Our State will be a Torah-cracy, the laity will make up the Houses of the Legislature, while the Supreme Court or the Sanhedrin

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Eve. 7:36

Weekly Portion "Achrey-Mos"
Prayer for the New Moon

Friday Evening Services..... 6:30
Saturday Morning Service.. 8:45
Junior Congregation 10:00
Rabbi Hurwitz Talmud Class 6:40
Mincha Service 7:40
The Sabbath terminates 8:12
Sunday morning Service
6:30, 7:45, 8:45

DAILY SERVICES

Mornings 6:30, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha 7:45

will pass upon the Torah-constitutionality of all legislation. Our nation is an entity dedicated to the expression of the will of God through the way of the Torah in the Holy Land.

(To be continued next week)

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