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LOYALTY VIEWPOINT

DIVINE KNOWLEDGE

By Dr. Samuel Belkin

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There was a time in the history of human thought when people hoped and cherished the belief that education would serve as a salvation to all the misfortunes which have befallen mankind. The twentieth century refuted this theory for never in the history of the world was human knowledge as widely spread as it is in our contemporary age and still all the resources of secular education and scientific discoveries are at the present, as never before, used for the most destructive and inhuman purposes. Does it necessarily prove that education has failed to serve its purpose? The truth is that secular education can never serve as the salvation for the spiritual ills of humanity.

The results of secular knowledge can be used for destructive as well as constructive influences. As human beings we are naturally interested in the mysteries of the universe and in the various researches and discoveries of the human intellect, but such a form of education, as important as it may be, will never serve by itself as *דבר החיים* and lift us up to higher spiritual and moral levels. It is only by an intensely religious education which emphasizes our faith in our Creator, in the sacred origin of mankind, and in the ethical values of the Torah that we can serve a higher moral purpose in life. The unfortunate part of our modern age is that it has over-emphasized the importance of human knowledge, and has overlooked and often ignored the vital influence of divine knowledge as found in the Torah.

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GALA WOMEN'S LEAGUE

CLOSING FUNCTION ON JUNE 7th

As a fitting climax to an unusually interesting, enjoyable, and successful year of activities, our Women's League is to hold a Dessert Luncheon, Mah Jong and Bridge on Monday afternoon, June 7th at 12:30 o'clock in the Millinery Men's Club Rooms at Hotel Abbey, Broadway and 51st Street.

The proceeds of this affair will complete a sizeable quota which our Women's League has pledged towards its Day School.

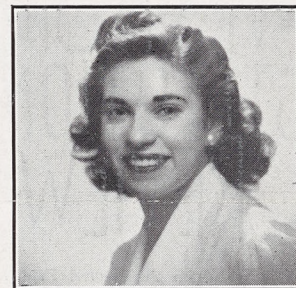


Mrs. S. W. Siegel, Chairman

In a characteristic W.S.I.S. spirit of cooperation all the women have promised to come and bring their friends. Hence the afternoon promises to be a real reunion. Handsome gifts have been presented for the occasion by Mrs. Irving Kobrin and Mrs. Anna Dworkin. The refreshments will be particularly delicious and the cost of a ticket is only \$1.50.

The following committee is working very hard to make the affair a social and financial success and want you to help by coming and bringing as many of your friends as possible with you: —Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, chairman, Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim, co-chairman, Mrs. Lester Udell treasurer and the Mmes. Samuel Beier, Samuel Greenman, Wm. Horwitz, Irving Kobrin, Moses Langer, Harry Mirken and Jess Ward.

A JUNE BRIDE



Marcia Stebbins

On June 6th Marcia Stebbins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving E. Stebbins will be married to Warren R. Goldsmith.

We extend our heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a long life of wedded bliss.

SHEVUOS NOTE

The head of the publicity department of the Columbia Broadcasting System recently advised his staff to read the Book of Ruth, "for beauty of phrasing, clarity and colorful expression."

Go thou and do likewise gentle reader.

YISKOR SERVICES

On the second day of Shevuos, Thursday, June 10, the Yiskor or Memorial Prayer for the repose of the souls of departed loved ones is offered with the solemn pledge to give charity in their memory.

Your pledge may be redeemed through the attached form.

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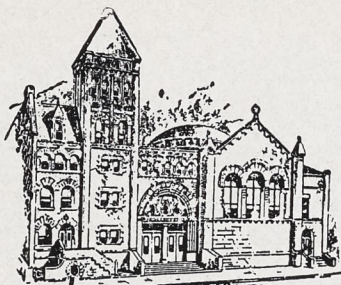
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THE TEN SLEDGEHAMMERS

The Ten Commandments which will be read on Shevuos are the ten sledgehammers of morality. Character cannot be dreamed or wished; it must be forged into one's self. It is significant that the Ten Commandments are depicted as being hammered into the Tablets of stone. This gives us Judaism's presentation of G-d's will. It is stern but merciful; it is legal but loving. Love without law leads to anarchy or to favoritism and even to persecution.

The Ten Commandments represent man's relationship to G-d and man. One without the other makes us incomplete. Together we are full men and loyal Jews. Too many of us are like wish-bones, wishing we could observe the Commandments but lacking the back-bone. Would that we could observe at least the Fourth Commandment, "Remember to keep the Sabbath day holy." The observance of the Sabbath leads to prayer and study and the unfolding of the way of the G-dly life.

GETTING PERSONAL

The installation of the Daily Synagogue's modern lighting fixtures are complete. Thank you Meyer Davis! They are beautiful and easy on the eyes . . . Week-end guests at services were Gabby and Bobbye Goldstein and Herman Gottesman . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. S. Ullman upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Leonard Paul. May he grow up to be a loyal son in Israel . . . Happy birthday to our faithful and ever-smiling Director Harry Appel, to our genial regular Shabbos attendant Mrs. Irving Kobrin, to Ruth Cohen and young Leisha Langer . . . Our congratulations and best wishes for many more happy wedding anniversaries are extended to Director and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim, Director and Mrs. Henry Blankfort, Capt. and Mrs. Michael Blankfort and Lt. Gerald and Mrs. Blankfort, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fasten, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Levine, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Snower and to our beloved President & Mrs. Lester Udell . . . Everybody is still talking in glowing terms about the Wartels Reception. Among the guests present who were especially proud of

Mr. Wartels were his fellow-directors Howard Markel and Maxwell M. Teicher, president and executive vice-pres. of the Merchants Bank. and his "mechutcnim" Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wm. Greenfield . . . Our member Mr. Levi Hershfield will be one of the invited guests at the \$500 dinner dedication of the Lebanon Hospital on June 6th . . . Elimination contests hold no terror for Mrs. Annie R. Morris who is still in the running for the New York Post prize in their picture puzzle contest. We're rooting for you Annie!

RALLY TO THE RALLY OF HOPE

MARVELOUS PAGEANT

Sunday, June 6, 3:30 P.M.

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148th COMMANDMENT

Laws Concerning Blood

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

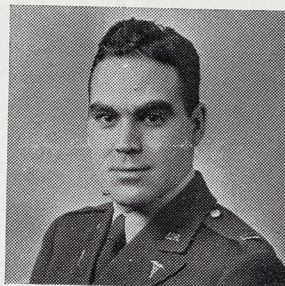
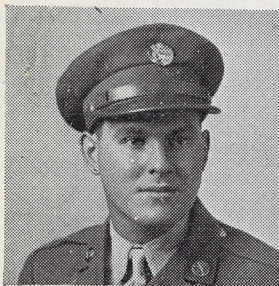
We are bidden "And ye shall eat no manner of blood whether it be of fowl or of beast," (Leviticus, 7:26). This law does not apply to fish.

According to the Torah we are what we eat, therefore not only are we forbidden to drink blood but we are not allowed to eat of any blood thirsty animal. Blood is the very life of the animal, therefore if we drink or eat its blood we take on the animal instincts. Therefore we "salt" the meat to extract the blood.

The only part of the animal where salting is insufficient is that of the liver, for this only broiling is permitted to extract the blood. After salting, whatever comes from the meat is not original blood but blood juice. The law is that all meat (other than liver) should be soaked for one half hour. This is done for the two-fold purpose; (1) to remove any original blood on the surface, and (2) to make it soft and prepare it for the working of the salt. It is then to be salted for one hour. Neither very thick nor very fine salt is to be used because the thick salt will not penetrate and the thin salt will be absorbed and lose its power of extraction. Thereafter the meat is to be taken and shaken so that the top salt is thus removed and then rinsed in water. The only substitute for salting meat is broiling.

One who intentionally partakes of blood as much as an olive-full, will be punished with excision. If one purposely took a piece of meat before it was salted and extracted the blood therefrom and drank of it as much as an olive-full received stripes. If he did so unwittingly he is free from punishment.

PROUDLY WE HAIL — THE SONS OF W. S. I. S.



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POST "FREE"

Mail from the Services

Cpl. Bernard Weiss, U. S. Air Corps, is training to become a laboratory technician at the Billings General Hospital Med. Tech. School, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. He writes: "... I enjoy reading the REVIEW ... It keeps me in touch with the whole W.S.I.S. family."

FOR G-D AND COUNTRY
Religion

Each and every one of us can hear the voice of G-d if only we want to listen.

AMERICANISM—BROTHERHOOD

If I were asked to define Americanism in one word, I would say it is "Brotherhood." I would start first in the family by being a brother towards brother, brother towards sister; then I would go to society and be a brother to black and white, Catholic, Protestant and Jew. If I failed to act brotherly, I would be derelict in my religious faith, and an unworthy example of what is an American.

— Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

AKDOMOS

Could we with ink the ocean fill,
Were every blade of grass a quill,
Were the world of parchment made,
And every man a scribe by trade—
To write the love
Of G-d above
Would drain that ocean dry;
Nor would the scroll
Contain the whole,
Though stretched from sky to sky.

(From the Hebrew of Meir ben Isaac Nehorai)

CUB PACK NEWS

Mr. Emanuel Fine, chairman of the Cub Pack Committee announces a Cub Pack outing on June 6. Mr. Harold Glatzer, Cubmaster, will be in charge.

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We congratulate Mr. Fine upon his appointment by the Manhattan Council as Neighborhood Commissioner. He assures us he will remain faithfully devoted to the interests of our own "Pack."

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The W.S.I.S. Cub Pack made a fine showing in the Memorial Day Parade on May 31

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Flag Day will be celebrated appropriately on June 14, by the Cubs.

IN OUR CLUBS

Through the cooperation of the American Friends of the Hebrew University many of the senior and junior groups which meet in the Isaac Settel Synagogue House have had opportunities to discuss the role of the Hebrew University in wartime.

Pamphlets were distributed telling of the Hebrew University's medical, agricultural, and chemical research in aiding the war effort.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Women's League Rummage Sale continues at 8 Amsterdam Ave. between 59th and 60th Streets.

Mrs. Annie R. Morris is chairman of the project.

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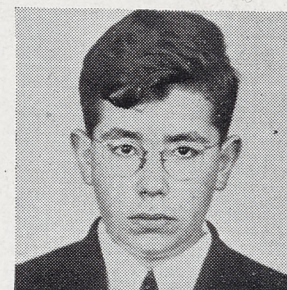
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Raphael Yavneh

Our heartiest congratulations to Cantor and Mrs. Zalmon Yavneh on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Raphael in our synagogue tomorrow.

The Cantor and his wife invite the members of the congregation to attend a kiddush after services.

CONDOLENCE

We extend heartfelt condolences to our director Morris Levinson upon the passing of his brother Julius.

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The great conflict which is raging today is in fact a struggle between purely secular knowledge which is being converted into pagan ideologies and spiritual values which have their origin and force in the Torah. Knowledge which is not de-secularized can often serve not as a blessing but as a curse to mankind.

The Yeshiva and Yeshiva College, the highest institution of Jewish learning in America, symbolizes that as important as the arts and sciences may be, they cannot by themselves serve as a guide for human conduct. The secular education must be supplemented by a Torah training—divine knowledge, which alone can give a higher spiritual and moral purpose to secular knowledge.

If we wish to raise a generation morally and spiritually fully developed, it is not sufficient to give them the opportunity to acquire human knowledge so that they may acquaint themselves with the creative ingenuities and theories as formulated by men, but we must inspire them with the word of G-d, with a way of life, based upon the teaching of the Torah. The Torah demands that every one should cleave to the Almighty, and the Rabbis commenting upon the Biblical command raise the question: "How can a man lift himself unto heaven and cleave unto Him?" They answer: "If thou desirest to recognize Him who by His word created the world, learn to understand what the Torah says about Him, for in this way thou canst recognize the Holy One and cleave unto Him and follow His ways." If we wish to be close to godliness we must acquire divine knowledge and only then will it be possible for us to use human knowledge for the good of humanity.

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Saturday Morning Service.....9:00

Junior Congregation 10:00

Rabbi Hurwitz's Talmud Class.7:10

Mincha Service8:10

Sunday Morning Service

6:30, 7:45, 8:45

DAILY SERVICES:

Mornings6:30, 7:45, 8:15

Mincha 8:15

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