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FAITH AND REASON

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By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

The Thirteen Principles of the Faith

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"I believe with perfect faith that the Creator, blessed be His name, is a Unity, and that there is no unity in any manner like unto His, and that He alone is our G-d, was, is, and will be". *see my notes* (2)

This principle is the cornerstone of the Jewish religion. It is expressed most clearly in the words, "Hear O, Israel, the L—d our G-d, the L—d is ONE, (Deuteronomy, Chapter 6, verse 4). Not two or three as others would have it, but as we have it in Isaiah, Chapter 48, verse 12, "I am the First, I also am the last". He is unending in His Unity. He is ONE, and not PART of any ONE (as over against a trinity). Without this firm belief in His Oneness there is no binding authority.

Otherwise one may command, and the other may countermand. Hence, the binding authority of the Hebrew Scriptures is inconceivable without this premise.

The doctrine of the Unity of G-d distinguishes the Jewish people from other religious Sects and nations. The Jewish people were the first nation of Monotheists. The Jewish people have been persecuted because they refused to accept any substitute or fractionalization of G-d's Unity. They have outlived their persecutors. We hope still for the day when all mankind shall accept the words of the Scripture, "The L—d shall be ONE, and His name ONE."

Let us remember the first two of the Ten Commandments, the first of which the so-called New Testament omits, namely, (1) "I am the L—d thy G-d, who brought thee out of bondage; (2) Thou shalt have no other gods before Me".

(3)

I believe with perfect faith that the Creator, blessed be His Name, is not a body, that corporeal relations do not apply to Him, and that there exists nothing that is in any way similar to Him.

G-d is incorporeal. Our Rabbis say in the Talmud that when physical terms are used in reference to
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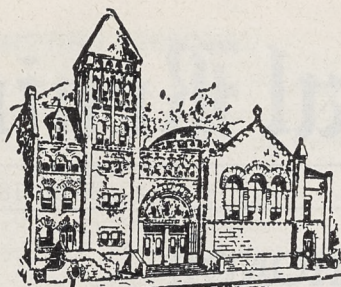
DINNER DANCE TO HONOR GEORGE L. LIVINGSTON

THIS TUESDAY EVENING, WALDORF ASTORIA, 7:00 P.M.



GEORGE L. LIVINGSTON

Our big night is here! Every friend of the Congregation and of Mr. Livingston will join us this Tuesday evening in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria when we shall hold our Tenth Anniversary Dinner Dance. In recognition of George Livingston's outstanding service during the past decade, we will present to him this year's Souvenir Album at our Celebration. Tickets which are still available, may be obtained at our office. We trust that all our readers will be with us. Those who have not yet made their reservations may do so at once.



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CITY COLLEGE CELEBRATES ITS 100th ANNIVERSARY

This year, 1947, City College celebrates the one-hundredth year of its existence. Starting as an experiment in the "Education of the Masses," with an enrollment of less than one thousand, it has grown to be one of the largest institutions of higher education in the world, with an enrollment of over 20,000. The college, starting with a small building downtown, now occupies a 23 story building at 23rd Street and Lexington Avenue, plus a beautiful campus at 137th Street and Convent Avenue.

The Alumni of the College are as illustrious as any the world over: to mention but a few, Bernard Baruch, Senator Robert F. Wagner, Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter and the late Rabbi Hertz, Chief Rabbi of England, plus countless others.

For a hundred years American Youth have passed through the halls of City College. Many of those young men and women could not have had a higher education, but for City College.

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292nd COMMANDMENT

Not To Offer As A Sacrifice
 An Animal of the Gentiles
 Which Is Blemished

By RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

We are not to bring a blemished animal from the Gentiles for it is written in Leviticus, Chapter 22, Verse 25, "Neither from the hand of a foreigner shall ye offer any of this . . . because there is a blemish in them; they shall not be accepted for you". The Gentiles are permitted to bring a sacrifice. The Rabbis point out that in view of the fact that the Gentile is not commanded to bring any sacrifice, we might think that any kind would be permissible, therefore our verse declares that all offerings must be as

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free of blemish as those which an Israelite brings. This we derive from verse 18 which reads, "WHOSOEVER איש איש "any man" that bringeth his offering whether it be in their vows or any of their free offerings which were brought unto the L—d . . ." The repetition of the word איש "whosoever," includes any person, be he Jew or non-Jew.

The purpose of this commandment is to show that the glory and the respect for G-d and the Temple must be maintained. We are not to bring any defective gifts.

The laws of this commandment are similar to those relating to the offerings of the Jewish people, namely that anyone of the 173 blemishes disqualifies an animal for offering. In other words what the perfect gift represents must be maintained, whether it be offered by Jew or non-Jew.

These laws prevailed for the Priests at the time when Israel lived in the Holy Land and in Temple times. All the Priests who trespassed this commandment and brought a defective offering even though it belonged to a non-Jew, received stripes.

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G-d, in the Bible, it is to put it, "as man were speaking." The Bible says in Deuteronomy, Chapter 4, Verse 15, "Take ye therefore good heed of your souls for ye saw no manner of similitude", or see Isaiah, Chapter 40, Verses 18 and 25, "To whom then will ye liken ME, that I should be equal to? Saith the Holy One (25) "Corporeality, or physical being, implies ipso facto decay and imperfection. This principle, enunciates G-d's SPIRITUALITY.

— To Be Continued —

WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Closing Luncheon

The final Board meeting of the season will take the form of a Desert Luncheon at our building on Monday, June 9th at 12 o'clock sharp.

All the members of the Board are urged to attend and to join us in paying a tribute to our very conscientious and capable President, Mrs. Maurice Greenstein.

CONDOLENCE

We extend our sympathies to Mrs. Joseph Landowne upon the loss of her mother

MOLLIE BLOOM

and to Mrs. Eddie Jacobs upon the loss of her brother

MEYER S. SPECTOR

and to our member Alex Pruzan upon the loss of his wife

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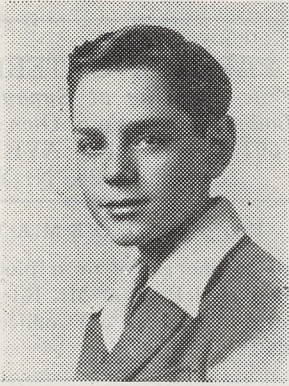
and to our member Philip Rothenberg upon the loss of his father

SAMUEL ROTHENBERG

UNVEILING

The family of the late SARAH MIRIAM GOLDSTEIN will unveil the monument to her memory on Sunday morning, June 8th at 11 o'clock at Washington Cemetery.

BAR MITZVAH THIS WEEK



Donald Robert Bergman

We extend our heartiest congratulations to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Bergman, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Donald Robert, in our Synagogue this Saturday.

TALMUD TORAH REGISTRATION

New classes are now being formed

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening
 Not later than8:03
 Weekly Portion: Behalos'chaw
 Friday Evening Service6:30
 Saturday Morning Service9:00
 Junior Congregation10:00
 Rabbi Hurwitz's Talmud Class 7:15
 Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class 7:15
 Mincha Service8:15
The Sabbath terminates8:51
 Sunday Morning Service6:45, 8:45
Daily Services:
 Mornings6:45, 8:00, 8:30
 Mincha8:10
 Followed by the Explanation
 of the Shulchan Aruch

for the Fall term.

Registration will take place from June 11th to June 18th.

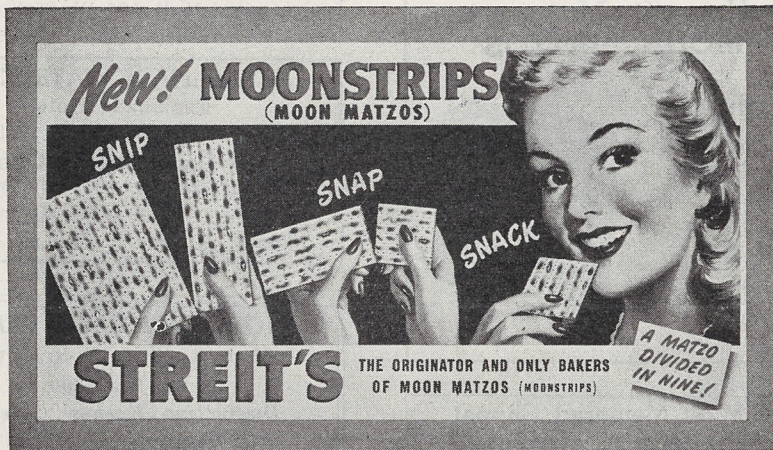
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**RABBI SIMON I. KONOVITCH
 RECEIVES CALL
 TO NORTHAMPTON**



Rabbi Simon I. Konovitch

Rabbi Simon I. Konovitch who has been our head teacher and principal of our Talmud Torah since we were organized, and who has recently received his ordination as Rabbi from the Yeshiva University, has accepted the call from the Jewish congregation at Northampton to be its spiritual leader. He will assume his duties on August 1st.

We congratulate him and extend our very best wishes to him.

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GETTING PERSONAL

Welcome home to Mrs. Maurice Greenstein, the president of our Women's League. . . We extend our best wishes to Mr. Isaac Naiditch who left for Europe on an extended tour. . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Ruth to Max Goldstein in our Synagogue this Sunday night. . . We extend to Lester A. Lazarus, our Assistant Editor, our prayerful wishes for a speedy recovery. . . We were glad to hear from Charley Cohen from Houston, Texas. We're lonesome for you Charley. Get home soon. . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Warren R. Goldsmith upon the birth of a second daughter and to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Stebbins. . . Wedding anniversary congratulations to Director and Mrs. Henry Blankfort and to their children, Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Blankfort and to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Blankfort. . . also wedding anniversary congratulations to Cantor and Mrs. Zalmon Yavneh. . .

LAST CHANCE to attend our Tenth Anniversary Dinner Dance at the Waldorf Astoria, if you have not already arranged to do so. Call up the office of the Synagogue, TR 7-8281. DRESS IS OPTIONAL.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

As a result of the appeal made in our Synagogue on the second day of Shevuos on behalf of the UJA, the following have sent us their contributions:

Stuart Alan Blair, Rebecca Band, Mrs. R. Barowsky, William Basser, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bendheim, Mr. and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein, Meyer Brownstein, Joseph Buchsbaum, A. M. Davis and Family, H. Druker, S. M. Druker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Elefant, Isidor Ehrman, Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Fink, Abraham Friedberg, Gertrude Friedlander, A. R. Gabe, George A. Gold, Alexander M. Golden, Jean Goldwurm, Carl Grossberg, Max Grossman, Max Harris, Mrs. Louis Herbst, Max M. and Mitchell A. Horowitz, Clarence Horwitz, William Horwitz, Rabbi and Mrs. S. Hurwitz, David Kamerman, Jacob Kaplan, Irving Kobrin, A. Kronfeld, Mrs. Fannie Levine, Herman Levine, Levitch Bros., Abraham Levy, Max Levy, Jean D. Lilien, Bernat Mayerowitz, Mrs. L. Meisel, Harry Miller, Mrs. Sarah F. Moss, Isaac Naiditch, Louis Reisman, Bertha W. Rosett, Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Chester H. Roth, Grete Schmetterling, J. Schreiber, Kurt Schreiber, M. Segerman, Elmer Settel, Isa Shapiro, Samuel Silver, Mrs. B. Spieler, Abraham Slade, Mrs. Ada Turczan, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Wartels, Benjamin Weiner, Zygfryd B. Wolloch.

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