

# West Side Institutional Review

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## A DISSENTING OPINION

By Dr. Magnes

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To the Editor  
of The New York Times:

I hope that what I am writing now may not be too late. According to statements in the Palestine press, practically all American newspapers, including The New York Times, are for the Majority report, which proposes the partition of Palestine. Mr. Marshall is also reported as having indicated the favorable attitude of the United States toward the Majority report for partition.

Nevertheless I feel it to be my duty to warn against adopting any such "solution." Partition will not stop the terrorist activities of Jewish groups. To the tension and warfare which now exist, partition will add the Arab front, which hitherto has been quiescent. Partition will arouse the resentment of large numbers of Jews, of almost all the Arabs of Palestine, and of the Arab world. The Majority report itself says that force "on an extensive scale may be necessary for some time . . . Imposing a solution on both Jews and Arabs would be a basic condition of any recommended proposal."

### Fostering Cooperation

There is no other way of peace here and in the Middle East except through a clear-cut policy which fosters Jewish-Arab cooperation. This is easier to "impose." Here we are together, Jews and Arabs, and the attempt to hold us apart through artificial boundaries will indeed require extensive force.

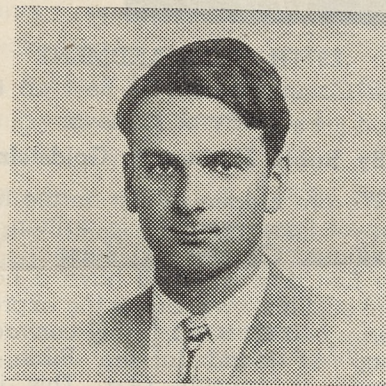
There is much more good-will and readiness to cooperate between Jews and Arabs than the Majority report seems to be aware of. Even the intransigent Jewish and Arab political leaderships have not been able to destroy this. The effort to arrive at cooperation and understanding in a unitary Palestine requires less force and is much more practicable and workable and less mechanical than drawing these elaborate borders and thus precipitating the irrepressible conflict, which today does not yet exist.

The UNSCOP majority admit that partitioning the country is not entirely to their taste. They seek to mitigate the evil by the formula: political partition-economic union.

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## SENIOR - INTERMEDIATE

Friday Evening Group



Erich Freudenstein

Mr. Erich Freudenstein will begin his lectures on the Psalms for College students Friday night, October 10th, at 8:00 o'clock, in our building. Mr. Freudenstein's scholarly and traditional approach to the Bible and the Commentaries should be of especial interest to young men and women who would like to study the Bible in its true form and spirit.

Mr. Jacob Breuer conducts our senior classes for Upper High-School and College students, on Sunday Mornings and Wednesday evenings.

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## OUR Talmud Torah

We shall be happy to start a class for boys and girls from fourteen to nineteen years who would like to learn how to read Hebrew and to know more about our religion and Holy Torah. Kindly contact Rabbi Reichel immediately in order to arrange convenient meeting hours.

### Kindergarten

Registration is now open for our Sunday morning Kindergarten class.

Our Daily Kindergarten meets Mondays to Fridays from 1:30 to 4:30 P. M. We have engaged Miss Susan Woods as head teacher.

### IT IS NOT TOO LATE YET

May we again urge our mothers and fathers (and grandparents) to enroll their children in our Religious School. Do this for the sake of Israel's future—and your children's happiness and self-respect. It is your duty!

### ACTIVITIES

The children of our Talmud Torah and many prospective pupils of our neighborhood enjoyed a puppet show in our building on Sunday morning, Erev Succos.

In the course of the Festival of Tabernacles, our pupils met in the Succah where they made blessings over the Ethrog and the Lulav, joined in singing Hebrew melodies, and were given refreshments.

We are planning such programs of religious interest and entertainment, as well as an all-rounded curriculum of Jewish education and Character Building, for the coming season.

Rabbi Reichel is available week-day afternoons and Sunday mornings to help you plan your child's religious program.

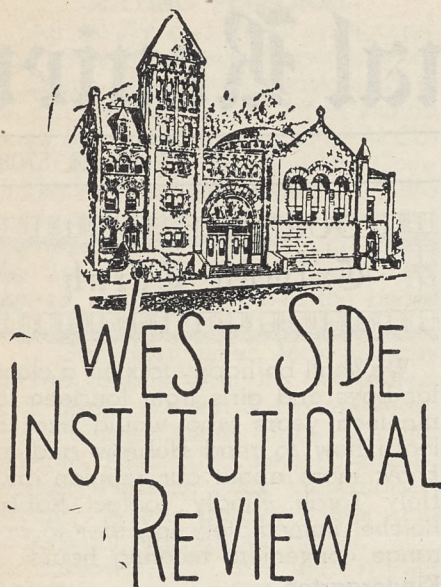
### MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club will hold its first meeting of the season this Monday evening, October 13th, 1947 at 8:30 P.M. All members are invited to attend and bring their friends.

Refreshments will be served.

### AS A GOOD CITIZEN —

DID YOU REGISTER YET?



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### ANOTHER SUGGESTION

President Truman is asking all of us to eat less. If each one of us will eat one slice less of bread daily, we can ship millions of bushels of grain to those in Europe who have little or no bread.

We should like to offer **another suggestion**. We believe that there would be enough food for European consumption, if we did not waste food. Let us consume all that we buy instead of throwing into the garbage heap bread and other food-stuffs that could otherwise be eaten. It has often been said that our refuse-heaps could feed millions of people.

It is incumbent upon every American, who has any religious spirit, either to share our bounty, or to be scrupulous in not wasting food, so that Europe might eat wholesomely. In addition, this may cause a break in the exorbitant prices now prevalent. By doing good to others, we may unconsciously bring relief to ourselves from the spiral inflation now in vogue everywhere.

Whatever may be the motive, share, and save food to help humanity.



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### 297TH COMMANDMENT

The Commandment to Rest on the First Day of Passover

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We are bidden to rest on the first day of Passover as it is written, in Leviticus, Chapter 23, Verse 7, "In the first day we shall have a holy convocation." Whenever the expression מְקַדֵּשׁ קֹדֶשׁ "holy convocation," is found in the Bible, it means to sanctify G-d. This implies first of all that no servile work shall be done on such a day, except as it refers to the preparation of food, as we read in Leviticus, Chapter 12, Verse 16, "And in the first day there shall be unto you a Holy Convocation and in the 7th day a Holy Convocation (Festival). No manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every

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They call this "partial partition."

Economic union is indispensable. But so is political union. The one without the other is almost meaningless. The board which is to run the economic union is, for example, charged with establishing the tariff policy of the two hostile states. Who knows better than the citizens of the United States what basic political conflicts are at the bottom of every tariff policy? The Arab state will be primarily agricultural, the Jewish state primarily industrial—in that fact alone there are the germs of political conflict.

### Arab Deficit

The UNSCOP majority admit that the Arab state is bankrupt from the very start. The Arab state begins, in accordance with the majority's figures, with a deficit of over £9,000,000 in a total expenditure of over £18,000,000. The Jewish state, therefore, will have to help cover this Arab deficit.

What a Jewish state—without Jerusalem! Jerusalem, the heart and soul of our tradition. Nominally a Jewish state—without Judaism. A Jewish state without Judea, without

man must eat, that only may be done by you." One exception, however, the Bible makes in regard to the Festivals, namely that preparing food for man and beast is permitted. This stresses the main difference between the Sabbath and Festival. We are not permitted, however, to cook on one day of the Holiday for the next.

If a man does no servile work on the Festivals but does not rest, he transgresses our commandment which is a positive one, calling for a holy festival and all that it implies.

The purpose of this commandment is that one is to have the time on the holiday to consider the miracle that was performed, for which we observe the Festival, and to praise G-d and to show our gratitude for His intervention.

The laws of this commandment refer to all times and places, to male and female and one who transgresses it and works thereon for anything other than that is necessary for the preparation of food which is called אוֹכֵל נֶפֶשׁ transgresses two commandments, the positive and the negative. The positive to keep the day as "a holy convocation" day, and the negative commandment that no servile work shall be done thereon.

the greater length and the outlet of the Jordan, without western Galilee, where even today you can see the ruins of the beautiful synagogues built in Roman and Byzantine times.

(To be continued)

Unveiling of monument in memory of our late esteemed ardent co-worker, ANNIE R. MORRIS, on Sunday, October 12th at 11:30 o'clock at Old Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

### SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

The Senior Basketball Team has started its activity at the P. S. 87 School Gym at 77th Street and Amsterdam Ave. Tryouts will be held on October 15th at 7:30 P.M. Those interested in joining will please bring their sneakers.

Ned Kirsh, Ray Yavneh, Co-captains.

**THE W. S. I. S. SUCCAH**

The beautiful spirit of cooperation, which is characteristic of our fine band of co-workers at the W.S. I.S. accounts for the fact that our Succah was so attractive, so inviting and so completely homelike in its atmosphere.

For the beauty of the decorations, for the speed and facility of the service, for the handling of the hundreds of men, women and children who enjoyed the hospitality of our Succah we are indebted to the following men, women and young people to whom we herewith publicly express our appreciation:

Mr. and Mrs. Ben K. Eisenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Lax, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weiner.

Mesdames Harry Cohen, Maurice Greenstein, O. Asher Reichel, Louis Reisman, Jules Shaftan and Bertha Warshauer.

Misses Naomi Goldstein, Ruth Kranz, Helen Langer, Tillie Lewton, Zonia Prochnik, Minette Verschleiser, and Yonina Yavneh.

Morty Cohen, Stephen Eisenberg, Judah Gottlieb, Moses Gottlieb, Lester Lazarus, Max Lazarus, Herbert Perlman, Rubinfeld Brothers, Harvey Shapiro, Aaron Tomares, Jack Verschleiser and Harry Ward.

**WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE**

Light Candles Friday Evening .5:05

Weekly Portion: B'raysish

Prayers for New Month.....  
Marcheshvan

Friday Evening Service .....5:15

Saturday Morning Service .....9:00

Junior Congregation .....10:00

Mincha Service .....3:45

*The Sabbath Terminates* .....5:53

Sunday Morning Services .6:45, 8:45

*Daily Services:*

Mornings .....6:45, 8:00, 8:30

Rosh Chodesh Tuesday and Wednesday Mornings, ..6:30, 7:45, 8:15

Mincha .....5:05

Followed by the Explanation of the Schulehan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

**CHASANIM****HOSTS TO CONGREGATION**

This Saturday afternoon, after the Mincha Service (3:45), the Chasanim will be hosts to the entire Congregation, at a party to be held in the Daily Synagogue. All are welcome.

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We shall be happy to tell our friends of your simchas if you just inform the editors — a phone call or a letter are all that's necessary . . . Our number is TR. 7-8281.

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