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RABBI REICHEL

will preach tomorrow on

"The Realism of Sinai"

LOYALTY VIEWPOINT

*"And you shall teach (G-d's words)
to your children,"
(Deuteronomy XI, 19)*

By Rabbi O. Asher Reichel

There is no agency in Jewish institutional life, which can wield a more penetrating and constructive influence in Jewish living, as the religious school.

Education, is teaching how to live. Jewish religious education sets out to impart the whole of Judaism; not only a knowledge of, but a living adherence to Judaism. The minimum goal of Jewish education should be to provide our children with enough knowledge to make them appreciate their heritage, give them a religious orientation with regard to modern problems, and to inspire them with a healthy Jewish self-consciousness as loyal American citizens.

The curriculum should serve to enable the pupil to live a dignified Jewish life on the American scene, to participate actively in the life of the Jewish community in all its significant manifestations, and to develop in him the desire to take part in the rebirth of the Jewish people, in the Holy Land.

In the Talmud Torah system, we are ever in need of personalities who can transcend the demand-and-supply formalities of "religious" education. The Talmud Torah, next to the Jewish Day School, should be the powerhouse not only to supply the child's immediate need for "attendance in a religious school," but also to serve as a dynamic force and spirit in helping pupils find their way within their Jewish pattern and destiny.

By the virtue of the fact that parents entrust their children to the religious school, it has the greatest responsibility for the restoration of religious life in our midst. The officials and teaching staff of such institutions must be made to realize that unless they resolve to assume

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SAMUEL W. SIEGEL TO BE HONORED BY OUR CONGREGATION

Our newly elected second vice president, Samuel W. Siegel, has been chosen for the honor of having the annual Synagogue Souvenir Album tendered to him. Mr. Siegel has been a sincere and loyal worker for the interests of the W.S.I.S., as well as in many local and national religious activities. In recognition of his invaluable services, the Synagogue is paying him this most deserved tribute. We shall have an opportunity to show our affection and appreciation for our good friend and for the Synagogue by making the 1948 Souvenir Album an outstanding success.

WASHINGTON CAN HELP AVOID BLOODSHED

We urge our readers to write or telegraph President Truman and the members of Congress to use their powers in curbing the nefarious action of the Arabs. This can be done by implementing immediately the U.N. decision regarding the Holy Land.

DO NOT DELAY—WRITE TODAY!

OUR Talmud Torah

Our new term began this week. Our members and friends can make a lasting contribution to Judaism by procuring prospective pupils. If you know of any children who should attend our school, please phone Rabbi Reichel at TR. 7-8281.

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The annual observance of Boy Scout Sabbath will take place at our Synagogue this Saturday. Members of all Scout groups meeting at our Synagogue are expected to attend in their uniforms. They will also take part in the services. Parents of our Scouts are invited to the services.

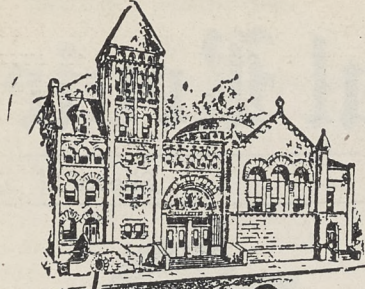
Among the leaders of our Scouts are: Dr. Frank E. Fink, Emanuel Fine, Albert M. Cohen, Morris Jablow, Jimmy Levitt and Alfred Shapiro.

SPECIAL ONEG SHABBOS FOR SCOUTS AT 3:30

Rabbi Reichel will conduct a special Oneg Shabbos for the Boy Scouts of our neighborhood tomorrow afternoon at 3:30. A very interesting program is being prepared. Refreshments will be served.

DR. FINK HOST AT SUNDAY SERVICE AND BREAKFAST

In honor of Boy Scout Week, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Fink will be hosts at this Sunday's Youth Service and Breakfast at 9:10 o'clock. Boy Scouts and their fathers are also invited.



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GANDHI

Mohanda Karamchand Gandhi met his death by his spiritual enemy—violence. Gandhi, a very successful lawyer in South Africa gave up a lucrative practice to devote himself to the cause of justice for India. He removed his western garb, for the Oriental dress of India.

There is much we can learn from the life of Gandhi. First and foremost he truly lived, even unto death, his precepts. He certainly believed in the words of the prophet Zechariah: "This is the word of the L—d. Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the L—d of Hosts." Second, it would be well for Jews who have acquired material wealth, to devote their lives to the Cause of Justice to the Jew and all oppressed; to espouse the Cause of Zion, in such a way that will bring about, as the prophets Isaiah and Micah envisaged it—universal disarmament. This will come about as these prophets declared, when "From Zion shall come forth the Torah, and the word of the L—d from Jerusalem."



"AS
R'CHASH
SEES
IT"

312th COMMANDMENT

To Bring the Musaf Offering on Rosh Hashonah.

By Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

We are commanded to bring an "additional" or "Musaf" offering on Rosh Hashonah, as we read in Leviticus, Chapter 23, verses 24 and 25, "In the seventh month, in the first day of the month . . . ye shall bring an offering made by fire unto the L—d."

This is described in greater detail in the book of Numbers, Chapter 29, verse 2.

313th COMMANDMENT

To Fast on the Tenth Day of Tishri.

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The tenth day of Tishri is called the day of Atonement, for it is said in Leviticus, Chapter 23, verse 27, "And also on the tenth day of this month there shall be a day of Atonement."

LOYALTY VIEWPOINT

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the "missionary" phase as an integral part of their duties, they are unwittingly, if not deliberately, committing an unforgivable crime. They are cheating their pupils of their birthright.

The school must serve as headquarters for living Judaism. Within its four walls there are many opportunities for encouraging observances. For with our limited time, studying must be a means for living and thinking, rather than for theory and fancy.

There is a time honored precept in Jewish religious thinking: "An ignorant person cannot be truly pious." Judaism requires knowledge and intelligence. The curriculum, therefore, must center around the practical aspects of learning for Jewish living. A true understanding of Judaism is a prerequisite to becoming a self-respecting loyal Jew.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD THIS WEEK
FOR THE NEW TERM

ment: and ye shall afflict your souls." In the Tanaitic Midrash on Leviticus, the Sifra, we read that affliction means fasting. Our Rabbis have added also the prohibition of bathing, anointing,, wearing shoes and cohabitation. The repetition of the word Sabbath, in שבת שבתון indicates that this day is to be a complete rest from all corporal or physical sustenance or pleasure. No other nation, ancient or modern, has an institution approaching the Day of Atonement in religious depths.

The Day of Atonement, in Hebrew, is "yom kippurim," the plural form, because it represents two streams of love. As soon as the desire for reconciliation has awakened in the sinner's soul, and wings its way heavenward, G-d's grace comes down to meet it, calming his breast with the assurance of Divine pardon and forgiveness' (Zohar).

We are commanded to fast, because eating and drinking and the pleasures of touch awaken within man lust and sin. And it is not fit when we come before G-d for judgment, to have our minds clouded spiritually. It is, accordingly, for our best interest to subdue the physical on this great Day of Judgment, so that we may be entirely spiritually minded, and be worthy to be forgiven.

YOUNG WOMEN — JOIN HEBREW TEACHERS' TRAINING SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Graduates of Talmud Torahs and girls with adequate Jewish training may register this week for the new term. Special Courses in Jewish Kindergarten are being offered. Scholarships are available. There is a branch in our Building. For further information, phone the main office, at GR 5-8901.

IN YOUR WILL

You can insure the future stability of our Institution by making provision for a bequest to the Synagogue in your last will and testament. If you are interested in making such a bequest kindly use the following wording.

"I give and bequeath to the West Side Institutional Synagogue, 120-138 West 76th Street, N.Y.C., a domestic religious corporation, the sum of \$....."

RESERVE SUNDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY
29th FOR CANTOR YAVNEH'S CON-
CERT.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE PROMOTES SYNAGOGUE FRIENDSHIPS

Last Sunday night marked the first of a series of social functions which our Women's League is planning, primarily, for the purpose of welding our congregants into one big family.

The following committee did a very fine job in connection with the lovely Get-Together Dutch Supper and Evening of Games held at our building on Sunday night; Mrs. Walter Freeman and Mrs. Harry Ward, Co-chairmen; Mrs. Ben K. Eisenberg, Treasurer, Mesdames Al Braff, Allen Fox, Maurice Greenstein, Jack Goodman, Morris Jablow, Harold Kaplan, Charles Karasik, O. Asher Reichel, Jules Shaftan, Sanford Solarz, Jess Ward, Ben Wiener, also Pam Horwitz and Helene Freeman.

For the financial success of this affair we are indebted to Mrs. Morris Levinson, who made a liberal contribution in honor of her golden wedding. We are also grateful to Mrs. Hattie Davis for the beautiful silver tray she donated, and to Mrs. Jacob Kaplan for the door prize.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

Rosh Chodesh Bentschen (Adar I)
Light Candles Friday Evening 4:59

Weekly Portion: Mishpatim

Friday Evening Service 5:10
Friday Evening

Young People's Study Circle 8:15

Saturday Morning Service 9:00

Junior Congregation 10:00

Chazan: Herman Gold

Speaker: Martin Sage

Gabboim: Lester Hyman and

Arthur Lieberman

Oneg Shabbos

(Boys and Girls 8-12) 3:30

Rabbi Hurwitz's Talmud Class 3:50

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class 3:50

Mincha Service 4:50

Reader of Torah: Judah Gottlieb

Reader of Service: Herbert Perlman

The Sabbath Terminates 5:45

Sunday Morning Service 6:45, 8:45

Special Young People's

Service and Breakfast 9:15

Daily Services

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

Tuesday and Wednesday (Rosh
Chodesh) 6:30, 7:45, 8:15

Mincha 5:10

TELEVISION SET PRESENTED TO SYNAGOGUE

We are happy to announce to our members and friends—young people and adults—that we have a television set for their entertainment. It was donated to our Social Department by the Men's Club, Women's League, Buddy Friedman Post of the J.W.V., and the Congregation. We trust it will offer many pleasant hours to all.

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SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Young People's League is headed by the following officers who were recently elected: Herman Bosbom, Chairman; Dan Katz, Vice Chairman; Doris Ritter, Secretary; Mel Marks, Treasurer.

The Young People's League for young people over 21, meets regularly on Sundays at 8 P.M. On February 8th, Herman Bosbom will talk on the "Romance of Diamonds". Young people are invited.

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GETTING PERSONAL with

Hank Epstein and Eddie Weinstein

Looks like I'll have to do a Solo this week, as my partner Wrong Way Corrigan Weinstein who with his lovely wife were supposed to be in Lakewood for the week and back with me to write this column, passed Newark Airport and next thing I learned they were in Miami having a wonderful time . . . The response to our Baby Contest is actually tremendous, so if any of you want to enter yours, let's hurry as our picture bulletin board is filling up . . . Minette Verschleiser just hid her tonsils removed, and requests that her friends refrain from calling her Tonsils—cause adenoids her . . . Welcome home to Daniel Brod who just returned from the hospital . . . Birthday greetings to Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, Audrey Adelson, Barbara Herlands, Gary Lasdun, and to Mr. as well as Mrs. Nat Trotsky. . . Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kaplan and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ostrow. . . Rabbi Reichel is trying to exchange his 3½ room apartment on East 72nd Street for one closer to the Synagogue—we remember when Rudy Vallee wanted to go West, but Fleishman brought him Yeast . . . A Box of Matzo's to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kramer who presented our Youth Groups with copies of the famous Kramer Family Song Book . . . What ever happened to Alex Moskowitz?? We used to see more of him during our single days, would like to see him around again . . . Congrats to Simeon H. F. Goldstein, on his nomination for Assembly in the run-off elections . . . and to Alex Bistrisky upon becoming an uncle . . . and to Naomi Ruth Goldstein, who was salutatorian, and Donald Bergman who was valedictorian at their respective graduations. . . Glad to see Robert Hofbauer in his usual seat Shabbos after Shabbos, and Leonard Feinstein who has a long walk . . . Welcome home to Mr. and Mrs. Max Moskowitz and to Mr. and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim . . . The Young Married Folks of our Synagogue made a good showing last Shabbos in the running of the Service . . . Thanks to Ben Wiener, Charles Karasik and Harry Ward, who helped so chivalrously at the Dutch Supper last Sunday night . . . It is a girl in the home of the Seymour Bernsteins . . . And we leave you with the thought, don't put words into your friend's mouth—it isn't sanitary . . .

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