

JACK TELL'S NEWSPAPER

LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE

OF NEVADA

Published Every Friday in Las Vegas, Nevada
 Price per copy 15c — Per Year \$6 — 2 Years \$10
 P.O. Box 549, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101
 Phone 870-1255

Editor and Publisher Jack Tell
 BUSINESS MANAGER..... BEA TELL; 870-1255
 VEGAS NEWS..... HELENE STADLER, 384-3685
 TEMPLE NEWS..... CLAIRE DASE, 382-8283
 AND Barney Glazer in Hollywood, Harry Golden covering America, and more to come.

Application to mail at second-class postage rates is pending at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Member of Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

VISITING RABBI



RABBI EISEMANN

BY Jack Tell
 In your meanderings around town last week you may have spotted a medium, slightly heavy set, young man with bright, inquisitive eyes, usually alone, seated at a front row table enjoying a stage offering at one of the Strip hotels. You couldn't mistake the man we refer to. He had neat, short, square trimmed beard, and wore a yamalka.

In case you saw him, he attended practically every one of the shows, he is a visiting Rabbi from Minneapolis, on one of the trips he has been making annually since 1958. No, he wasn't here on vacation. If he were, he would have been accompanied by his wife and at least two of his children, Sholom, who will be Bar Mitzvah in July and Channa, 6. The eldest daughter, Judith is a student at Girl's Hebrew College in England.

Due to the thoughtfulness of Shikey Tushon, we were privileged to make the acquaintance of this most unusual Rabbi, who does not have a pulpit or a congregation. He is a man who has dedicated his life to the enhancement of Jewish Day Schools in America.

He is Rabbi Meier S. Eisemann, principal of Torah Academy in Minneapolis, one of 300 Jewish Day Schools in America. Rabbi Eisemann is a veritable fountain of authenticity on Jewish education, which he believes is the

greatest source in the creation of future Jewish leaders. Makes sense, but this man, who is also on the national board of the National Association of Hebrew Day Schools, has facts and figures to back up his contentions. For instance, in 1944 there were but 15 Jewish Day Schools in the country. Today there are 297 serving the needs of 60,000 students.

Rabbi Eisemann is on a speaking tour of Southwestern states with stopoffs at Phoenix and Tucson to establish schools and then on to Los Angeles to talk to students at West Talmudical College. He will also speak at Oakland, Billings and Great Falls.

Rabbi Eisemann, who was born in Frankfurt, Germany, 41 years ago, came to America via England in 1953. He is 100% Orthodox, but kindly disposed towards Conservative and Reform practice. His eyes light up when he reports the Conservative Faith, which he said resented day schools years ago, now has 15 full fledged institutions.

You may ask, how is it possible for a strictly Orthodox person to travel so extensively and still maintain his conformance with the dietary laws? With Rabbi Eisemann it's easy. Before he leaves home, his wife prepares enough Kosher frozen dinners to last until he returns. Advance preparation is made to transfer the package of frozen foods from the freezers on the planes to the freezers of the hotels at which he stops.

In Las Vegas he stays at the Sands as guest of Jack Entratter. Rabbi Eisemann's annual visits are to collect the money which each hotel subscribes for two scholarship funds to his Torah Academy. There are quite a few prominent Las Vegas who were former residents of Minneapolis. And so we discover another silent noble deed being performed by the gentry of our fair city.

We welcome the refreshing visit of Rabbi Eisemann and look forward to his return next year.

but it was one little innocuous statement that showed beyond any shadow of doubt that our Rabbi is a man among men.

After discrediting in no uncertain terms, as only he knows how, the actions of the Rabbi who disclaimed belief in God, Rabbi Gold very thoughtfully remarked to the effect that, once the other Rabbi comes out of his brainstorm, he'll be welcome back into the Jewish Faith.

It's this kind of sentiment that cements a lasting endearment for Rabbi Gold in the hearts and spirits of his congregants. The door is open for one who strays to return. After all, when religion is concerned, who is any man to be judge of another? That privilege rests in God. Rabbi Gold knows it better than anyone.

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



SEND GREETINGS

PASSOVER

Saturday, April 17



First Seder, Fri. NT. Apr. 16

In honor of Passover the Las Vegas Israelite is preparing a SPECIAL EDITION Friday, April 16, in which all businesses and private individuals may send Passover greetings to all Jewish families in our community.

Deadline for the Edition is Monday, April 12.

Kindly use order blank and mail with check to:



LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE

P O. Box 549

Las Vegas, Nevada

Please insert in Passover Edition:

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Phone _____

Please circle the greetings amount you desire.

Personal Greetings \$4.00
 Display Greeting (all sizes)

\$5 \$10 \$15 \$25 \$50 \$100 UP

call 870-1255

GOOD AS GOLD

When you get into the subject of whether or not there is a God, it becomes a conflict of differences of opinion, in the broadest scope, between belief and conjecture with fact playing little or no part on either side.

An agnostic, who says he doesn't know, and an atheist, who denies the existence of God, along with a freethinker, who has lost faith and is seeking rational proof -- all have no fact on which to base their assumptions. Large portions of lifetimes by members of these three groups are spent in research, study and investigation to come up with any germ of proof, the slightest thread of evidence, the vaguest interpretation of a passage, to enhance their own views.

Without any reflection on the personal character of any of these individuals, in some respects they resemble Communists, John Birchers, anti Civil Rights groups and the hate organizations. The sad part is they have dates, names, places and figures at their fingertips and in any argument with an ordinary Joe, like you or us, we have little or no knowledge to dispute their claims. We can only maintain that we believe, and that's that. We do not question or delve to prove we are right. We just believe in Adonai (my Lord) and try to conform to His principles.

We've related before the story of the famous atheist who preached and lectures his theory all over America and always wound up his talks with: "If there is a God in heaven, let Him strike me dead on this spot." He waited a few seconds, then turned to his audience with: "There, that proves it."

The majority of persons who heard this professional atheist, never were informed that on his deathbed, the last words he spoke on this earth were: "God help me."

During last Friday evening's Sermon at Temple Beth Shalom, "Can a Rabbi be an Atheist, and can an Atheist be a Rabbi?" our good Rabbi Aaron S. Gold spoke of another Rabbi who stated to his congregation he did not believe there is a God. That Rabbi's opinion of course, was conjecture, because he had no facts to back up his claim. The only facts of the entire matter was that the Rabbi and congregation were heaved out of the Masonic Temple where they were meeting because such kind of preaching was against the principles of the owners of the hall.

Rabbi Gold, who is no ordinary Joe in the tenets of the Jewish Faith, explained the whys and wherefores of our belief in God and how the practices of our belief unquestionably led to our well being insofar as our own personal lives and relationship with others were concerned. As usual, Rabbi Gold's talk was a delight.

Readers of this space are very well aware of this writer's opinion of Rabbi Gold and everything he has to say. The outstanding talent of our Spiritual Leader, coupled with his dedication and devotion, have been described and translated into words until we ran out of superlatives. Was there anything else Rabbi Gold could say or do that would be reason for comment by us without being redundant? There was.

Rabbi Gold's elegant discourse covered a lot of territory,

By the way, don't forget Oy Vey

OY VEY

— I FORGOT TO SEND MY SUBSCRIPTION IN TO
 LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE — P. O., BOX 549,
 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89101

Dear Jack:

I am deeply interested in the welfare and growth of our Jewish Community.

Please add my name to your fast growing list of subscribers:

Name (Print Clearly) _____

Address _____ Apt. No. _____

City _____ State _____ Phone _____

One year (52 issues) \$ 6.00

Two Years (104 issues) 10.00

(Please make checks or money orders payable to Las Vegas Israelite)

Payment enclosed Bill me later

Optional: Good luck. Get lost.

LETTERS

Dear Jack:
 Good luck:
 Ned Bortman

Dear Jack:
 Just keep up the good work and you won't need luck. P.S. Rita and Elaine are in Miami so I will say good luck for them also
 Dave Bliss

Dear Jack:
 Good Luck
 Rabbi M.S. Eisemann
 (Minneapolis)

Dear Jack:
 Lots of luck.
 Gil Sutton
 (Reno)

Dear Mr. Tell:
 Much mazel from us for your important paper.
 Bernard Libster
 (Exposition Press, N. Y.)

