

YULETIDE SPIRIT HAILED BY RABBIS

Hope That It Will Be Kindled Anew Speedily in Europe Voiced in Sermons

The hope that the Yuletide spirit of peace and good-will, still enjoyed in the United States, would soon return to Europe was expressed by rabbis in sermons here yesterday. The Nazi sea disasters, the "moral" embargo of our State Department and a plea for a potent League of Nations were other sermon subjects.

"The Christmas spirit in the United States," said Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein at West Side Institutional Synagogue, 120 Seventy-sixth Street, "is an insurance for its inner peace. Jews are felicitating their Christian neighbors. All citizens of the land are allowed to worship God in their own way, 'with none to make them afraid.' What a contrast this is with godless Russian and pagan Germany. In Russia all days are profane and in Germany no day is godly."

Rabbi William F. Rosenblum at Temple Israel, 210 West Ninety-first Street, said:

"This is one Christmas season when the celebration of the birth of the man of Nazareth must be a foundation stone for renewed emphasis upon brotherhood among all men."

"Spring of Good" to Follow

Rabbi David de Sola Pool at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, 2 West Seventieth Street, declared: "Out of the Winter of evil is coming a Spring of good. Now that we see democracy threatened by forces of tyranny there is an awakening to the supreme values of that democracy which heretofore we have been too apt to take for granted."

Rabbi Nathan Stern to the congregation at West End Synagogue, 160 West Eighty-second Street, said:

"The words of the season are 'peace on earth, to man good will.' Peace and good will are human and civilizing words demanding human and civilizing reactions in the affairs of men and of nations, knowing no artificial boundaries, and breaking through all divisions. The blessing of peace and of good will, founded on understanding and truth, will set man free."

"Moral Embargo's" Effect

Discussing the Nazi naval disasters, Rabbi Louis I. Newman at Temple Rodeph Sholom, 7 West Eighty-third Street, said that the scuttling of the Spee and Columbus, together with the suicide of Captain Langsdorf, constituted a severe blow to Nazi morale.

"Whatever the verdict regarding the captain's act, it must be regarded as another instance of the holocaust of catastrophe which Hitler has visited upon whole nations and masses of individuals," he said.

The "moral" embargo of the United States Government directed against the sale of airplane parts and accessories to nations which

bomb civilians, said Rabbi Joseph Zeitlin at Temple Ansche Chesed, 251 West 100th Street, "affords us an opportunity to bring the preaching of peace on earth into practice."

Rabbi J. Howard Ralbag at the Jewish Center of Williamsbridge, 2,910 Barnes Avenue, the Bronx, urged the nations of the world to form "an international, mutually responsible governing body that would dispose of grievances without arms."

Rabbi Morris M. Goldberg of Congregation Shaare Zedek, 212 West Ninety-third Street, said to Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, 270 West Eighty-ninth Street, "The opportunity to bring about a happy and peaceful universe lies in the palms of our American people."

"At this season of the year we must set the example by eradicating hatred from our midst," he said.