

# EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE BULLETIN

CLEVELAND

Vol. X

MARCH 27th, 1931

No. 28

## SERVICES

Sunday Morning, March 29th, 10:30

**RABBI BRICKNER**

will speak on

**"IF I WERE UNEMPLOYED—WHAT WOULD I DO?"**

Friday Evening - 5:30 to 6:00

Saturday Morning - 11:00 to 12:00

## PASSOVER SERVICES

Thursday, April 2nd, - 10:00 A. M.

Rabbi Brickner will preach

## TRIANGLE DEBATE

On a most timely question

**"Communism, Socialism and  
Capitalism—To Whom Will  
the Future Belong?"**

The closing event of the Course  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 31st, 8:30 P. M.**

V. Orval Watts on "Capitalism"

Norman Thomas on "Socialism"

Wm. Z. Foster on "Communism"

(Single Admissions—75c)

## SUNDAY LECTURE SERVICE

Next Sunday Rabbi Brickner will speak  
on "If I were Unemployed, What Would  
I Do?"

On the basis of the returns of the  
United States census taken in the latter  
half of January 1931, it is estimated that  
over six millions people were out of work  
in the United States, and close to a hun-  
dred thousand jobless in Cleveland, consti-  
tuting one-fourth of all the gainful work-  
ers in the city, and 11% of the entire popu-  
lation.

This subject is of primary importance  
today.

**RABBI BRICKNER** speaks over Radio Station WHK  
every Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock

Hebrew Union College Library,

A. S. Oke, Librarian,

Cincinnati, Ohio.

## EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE BULLETIN

Published Weekly from September to June at S. E. Cor.  
Euclid Avenue and East 82nd St., Cleveland, Ohio.

by the Anshe Chesed Congregation  
Telephone, CEedar 0862-3 Subscription 50 cents per Annum

BARNETT R. BRICKNER, Rabbi

NATHAN BRILLIANT, Editor

Entered as second-class matter April 9th, 1926 at the Post  
Office, Cleveland, Ohio, under the Act of March 3rd 1879.

### Men's Club

#### Reserve May 5th

Members of the Men's Club! Take out  
your date book and in red ink under Tues-  
day, May 5th, set down the following:

Reserve for the Men's Club big event.

More news in subsequent issues of the  
Bulletin.

### Sisterhood

#### "Books and Authors"

Friday, April 3rd.

Speaker: Mr. Joseph Remenyi.

Subject: Maxim Gorki:

"Night Lodging,"

"Mother,"

"Creatures Who Once Were Men."

### Alumni

#### Temple Members Invited

The Alumni Association takes pleasure  
in extending an invitation to temple mem-  
bers to attend their annual formal dance  
Saturday evening, April 11th, at the Lake  
Shore Hotel. Confirmants of the temple,  
dating back no matter how far, will par-  
ticipate in this grand reunion of old-  
timers.

Admission will be \$2.50 per couple;  
budget-ticket holders are entitled to one  
free admission, and may purchase a  
couple ticket for \$1.50.

### "The Royal Family"

A very competent cast, some of whom  
have contributed to the success of previous  
plays, has been selected for the forthcom-  
ing production of the Broadway success,  
"The Royal Family" to be presented in our  
Auditorium on Wednesday evening, April  
22nd. You cannot afford to miss it.

## DEAR MEMBERS:

*In the changes which Reform Judaism made  
in its early beginnings some of our more tra-  
ditionally beautiful and significant customs  
were inadvertently omitted.*

*Pursuant to my policy to reintroduce these  
customs, and thereby bring back to the temple  
some of the lost warmth and meaning, we  
brought back for Yom Kippur the traditional  
Kol Nidre Ceremony and for the last day of  
Succoth we introduced the Consecration Ser-  
vice which initiated the children who began the  
study of Judaism in our Religious School.*

*On the last day of this Passover which oc-  
curs on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8th, we will  
have again as part of the Service, another  
beautiful custom, namely: that of memorializ-  
ing our beloved departed. This beautiful cus-  
tom called Yiskor is observed not only in the  
Orthodox Synagogues, but also by most of the  
Reform Congregations of Europe.*

*This service which was introduced by us  
for the first time last year, met with a very  
welcome response from the membership of the  
congregation who attended in large numbers.*

*A special Memorial Service is being pre-  
pared, which will be distributed to the mem-  
bers as they enter the temple.*

*I urge upon members to revive the custom  
of memorializing their dear beloved, and to  
attend services on this seventh day of Pass-  
over, Wednesday, April 8th.*

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)



## "WHY I AM A JEW"

BY EDMOND FLEG

(Dedicated to his grandson, who is not yet born)

"And tell me if in this unique history you do not feel the eternal presence of a mind and a will that have ordained its mission to this people and have made its fulfillment possible, in trying it through suffering, in saving it through trials, in guiding step by step, from its unhappy past due to its triumphant future. As for me, my child, who have so long sought for the evidence of the existence of God, I have found it in the existence of Israel.

"I am a Jew because born of Israel and having lost it, I felt it revive within me more alive than I am myself.

"I am a Jew because born of Israel, and having found it again, I would have it live after me even more alive than it is within me.

"I am a Jew because the faith of Israel demands no abdication of my mind.

"I am a Jew because the faith of Israel asks every possible sacrifice of my soul.

"I am a Jew because in all places where there are tears and suffering the Jew weeps.

"I am a Jew because in every age when the cry of despair is heard the Jew hopes.

"I am a Jew because the message of Israel is the most ancient and the most modern.

"I am a Jew because Israel's promise is a universal promise.

"I am a Jew because for Israel the world is not finished; men will complete it.

"I am a Jew because for Israel man is not yet created; men are creating him.

"I am a Jew because Israel places Man and his Unity above nations and above Israel itself.

"I am a Jew because above Man, image of the Divine Unity, Israel places the Unity which is divine.

"And I said to myself; from that far distant father to my very own father, all these fathers have transmitted a truth to me, which ran in their blood, which runs in my blood; and must I not transmit it with my blood to those of my blood?

"Will you accept it, my child? Will you transmit it? Perhaps you will want to desert it. Then it may be for a greater truth if there be one. I could not then reproach you. It would be my fault; for I could not have handed it on to you as I received it. But whether you abandon it, or whether you treasure it, Israel will march on unto the end of days."

## SCANNING THE NEWS

The Hitlerites have launched an intensified anti-Jewish terrorist campaign in the High Schools of Berlin.

The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) has taken over the emergency kosher kitchen which has been conducted by the Welfare Council of New York.

Dr. Isaac Goldberg, well-known author and critic, will be a lecturer on Hispano-American literature at Harvard University during the second half of the collegiate year 1931-32.

A proposal that Orthodox Jews be forbidden to post Mezuzahs on their doors, since these Mezuzahs are imported from Germany and since they "insult the feelings of Christians who enter Jewish homes" was made at a conference of Polish students who belong to the anti-Semitic National Democratic Party.

Madison, Wis.—Taking the cue from the Connorsville, Ind., Jewish congregation that has been meeting in a Methodist Episcopalian church and hearing sermons from a preacher of that denomination, a Unitarian congregation in this city is going quite a step further and is casting about for a liberal Jewish rabbi to take charge of spiritual affairs for the church. There will be no need for the rabbi to change his creed in any way or his Judaistic viewpoint.

He will only be called upon to use his own religious concepts in attacking the spiritual problems before his Unitarian flock, it has been explained by officers of the Congregation. No member of the rabbinate has as yet applied for the position however, it has been explained.

The tombstone of King Uzziah, who reigned from 779 to 739 B. C. E., has been discovered by Dr. E. L. Sukenik, Hebrew

University archeologist, he has announced. This is the first mention of an ancient Judaic king that has come to light in the exploration of antiquities.

### Jews Regret Dreyfus Play Closing.

Paris.—The closing of the play based on the Dreyfus affair, which was written by Jacques Richepin, has caused almost as much excitement as the running of the production involved. The League to Combat Anti-Semitism insists that the expose of the Dreyfus incident should be permitted to remain on the boards. The representatives of the League plan an interpellation in the Chamber of Deputies.

### Poland Drains Swamps for Jews.

Warsaw.—Poland has appointed a commission composed of representatives of the Department of Public Works, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of War to investigate the possibilities of draining the so-called "swamps of Pinsk," which are notorious malaria-breeding places, to make them fit for Jewish colonization.

### Magnes and Ettinger Visit U. S.

New York.—Judah Leib Magnes, Chancellor of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and Akiba Ettinger, who is largely responsible for the land redemption policy of the Jewish National Fund, of whose land department he is the chief, have arrived here.

Dr. Magnes emphasized that he had come to this country in the interests of the Hebrew University, which is largely an American institution, in view of the fact that more than eighty per cent of its income is derived from the United States.

Dr. Ettinger said that there are two paramount issues confronting the Jews in Palestine; one is the acquisition of further areas of land and the other is the creation of a rapprochement with the Arabs.

## Religious School

### Passover Celebration

Rabbi and Mrs. Bricker will conduct an abridged Seder for the children of our Religious School on Saturday and Sunday mornings, March 28th and 29th.

The presentation of the symbols and ceremonies of the holiday will be made by Miss Henrietta Joseph's 3-A class and Mrs. Rehmar's 9-C class. In addition, there will be special numbers presented.

### Oratorical Contests

For the 9th grade, the Bondy Contest will be held Saturday morning, April 11th. For the High School Department and confirmants of high school age, the Machol Contest will be held Sunday evening, April 19th.

### Senior Clubs Social

Members of the senior clubs will hold a social gathering Sunday afternoon, April 12th. Entertainment and games are being prepared, and a good time will be had by all.

### The Family Seder

There is no family gathering more beautiful than the Seder. It is traditional in spirit and ties us up with world Jewry. No ceremony in Jewish life makes a more profound impression on the mind of the child, than does the Seder. It emphasizes what has always been so central in Jewish life, namely: the unity of the family and the sanctity of the home.

We were pleased to discover that more than 85% of our membership was present at a family Seder last year, and we hope that our figures this year will show a large increase. Even if you have not been in the habit of observing this beautiful ritual, do so this year.

### Haggadahs

The Union Haggadah which contains in addition to the usual Haggadah material, both in Hebrew and in English, an interesting account of the origin of many of the Passover customs, may be purchased at the temple office at fifty cents each.

## Bar Mitzvah

Arthur Frankel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frankel, will be Bar Mitzvah this coming Sabbath morning, March 28th.

## We Gratefully Acknowledge the Following Contributions:

### Altar Fund

Misses Esther and Sarah Cohen—In memory of Mother Mrs. Bertha Cohen;

The New Family—In memory of Mother Mrs. Ellen New;

Mrs. Charles Frankel—In memory of Parents;

Mrs. M. A. Katz—In memory of Mother Mrs. Freda Kahn;

Mrs. David Sampliner and Miss Mildred Sampliner—In memory of Husband and Father.

The Altar flowers for next Sabbath are the gift of Mrs. Gertrude Joseph and daughters, Henrietta and Miriam—In memory of Mr. Abe Joseph, Husband and Father.

### Library Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Schreiber—In memory of Mr. Abe Joseph.

### Matzo Fund

Mrs. J. J. Federman.

### Scholarship Fund

Mrs. Jacob Firth, Mrs. Maybelle Pollock and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Thalman—In memory of Mr. S. John Firth.

## In Memoriam

We record in deep sorrow the passing away of

Rebecca Heller

Eva Perlin

Sarah Selker



## THE JEWISH HOLIDAYS "ON THE AIR"

The Seder Service, its history, its ceremonials, its songs, the Four Questions, etc., will be presented under the auspices of Mr. Nathan Brilliant, our Educational Director and Mrs. Sigmund Braverman, our Director of Extension Activities, next Saturday, March 28th at 7:00 P. M., over Station WHK. (Time subject to change.)

This is the first time that the Seder is presented to a radio audience, and it is planned as the first of a series of presentations of the Jewish holidays.

Participating in this presentation will be Mr. Emanuel Rosenberg, Miss Babette Devay, Bud Kepner, Bernard Kaufman, and our Choir consisting of Mrs. F. S. McCullough, Miss Jean Erisman, Mr. Norville Lewis and Mr. Sam Roberts.

This is being given under the auspices of our Religious School for the Extension Department of the Bureau of Jewish Education of Cleveland. This presentation ought to come into every Jewish home, and parents are especially urged to have their children listen in. It will be entertaining, novel and educational in character.

## QUOTATIONS

From Dr. Leon Harrison's "Religion of a Modern Liberal"

"We begin to look for the best instead of the worst in our fellows. There is much good in every man if we will only look for it with a sympathetic eye. The older I grow, the more I like people. There are very few, even among those generally considered disagreeable, in whom we cannot find redeeming qualities. Look for the best in others. Have faith in mankind."

One becoming unutterably weary of all these cowardly, weak and ridiculous petitions. If we move on, if we press forward, if we are determined to advance, we are fulfilling our own prayers. We can pray with hands and feet, with brain, muscle, heart and will. Hard work is worship. A good deed is devotion. A well-spent life is a living liturgy."

"If even the passionate pleadings of the noblest souls were heeded, would they not make heroes useless, reformers superfluous, saints and martyrs meaningless words! Are we paupers, then; are we imbeciles and weaklings, unable to make our own way, fight our own battles, and move along the pathway we have carved out and cleared? We can imagine the Eternal

"Then would the Temple of Humanity at last arise, whose foundations are laid in everlasting Law, whose walls are rectitude, and over which no roof shall spread save that which spans the universe, the firmament, in which shall gleam a single radiant light, a morning star, to usher in a brighter day for a holier, happier, nobler world."