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Sunday Morning, APRIL 17th, 10:30

**RABBI GARRY AUGUST**

Author of "God's Gentlemen", a new novel.

will preach on

**"THE JEW AT BAY"**

**PASSOVER פסח SERVICES**

Thursday, April 21st, - 10:00 A. M.

Rabbi Brickner will preach

**Friday Evening Twilight Service, 5:30 to 6:00**

**Sabbath Morning Service, 11:00 to 12:00**

**PASSOVER ON THE AIR! TUNE IN.**

**Station WHK - Tuesday, April 19th at 6:45 P. M.**

**Short Talk on Passover by Rabbi Brickner**

**Sequence told by Mrs. Sigmund Braverman**

**Typical Seder Songs by our Choir under direction  
of Mr. Griffith Jones**

**Kiddush by Maurice Goldman**

**"The Four Questions" by Ruth Dworkin**

**"An Only Kid" by Alfred Baum**

**Rabbi Brickner broadcasts over Station WHK this Sunday afternoon from 5:15 to 5:45**

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Office, Cleveland, Ohio, under the Act of March 3rd 1879.

### Memorial (Yizkor) Service

On Wednesday, April 27th, the concluding day of Passover, the beautiful custom of memorializing our beloved departed will again be part of the service for the morning. This traditional custom on the last day of Passover was reintroduced into our service for the first time two years ago and met with a very welcome response from the membership of the congregation who attended in large numbers.

A special memorial service is being prepared. Rabbi Brickner urges upon the members to attend the services on the first day of Passover, Thursday, April 21st at 10 A. M., and on the last day, Wednesday, April 27th at 10 A. M.

### Buy a Union Haggadah

If you plan to have a Seder at home do not spoil it by failure to possess the Seder booklet, the Haggadah, without which the Seder can have no meaning. The Haggadah as edited by the Central Conference of American Rabbis is a beautiful book, profusely illustrated—a welcome addition to any library shelf, and its price is only 50 cents. Our office will supply you.

### Rabbi's Article Appears in Braille

An article by Rabbi B. R. Brickner, "The Current God-Idea," which was reprinted in the Current Jewish Record has appeared in the Jewish Braille Review, a magazine for the blind, the only one of its kind in the world.

## SISTERHOOD

### Thank You!

The Sisterhood wishes to express its appreciation to the Printz-Biederman Company and to Arthur M. Sindheim for materials donated to the Reconditioning Clothes Department.

The Sisterhood also wishes to acknowledge the receipt of the following contributions for the Passover Relief Fund:

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Altschul and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Weitz in memory of Mr. Wm. Sinek; Mrs. A. Bercu, Mrs. Mary David, Miss Rose Harris, Mrs. David Kohn in memory of her father, Mr. Leopold Adler; Mrs. Herbert Rosenblatt, Mrs. E. M. Salavon, Mrs. J. Solomon, Mrs. J. O. Stein, Mrs. Louis Steiner.

## MEN'S CLUB

### Picnic to Conclude Season

An outing and picnic limited exclusively to the members of the Men's Club was decided upon as the closing event of the season's activities. Further announcements with reference to date, place and nature of the day, will be made in a subsequent issue of this bulletin.

### Round Table Ends Successful Season

With its session last Monday, the Round Table concluded its sixth year. In a summary of the year's activities the chairman pointed out that of a total of twenty-five sessions sixteen have been personally conducted by Rabbi Brickner. Prominent guest speakers among whom were representatives of local institutions which members of the Men's Club were studying, conducted the remainder of the sessions.

The Round Table is an institution of public discussion. Unique in its way not only in our own congregation but in Cleveland and it has been copied by Men's Clubs all over the country.

Sessions will be resumed again early next fall.

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

### Oratorical Contests

The annual Machol Oratorical Contest will this year be held **Sunday morning, May 1st**. It is open to any confirmant of the temple of high school age.

The Bondy Contest, open to members of the Confirmation Class, will be held on **Saturday morning, April 30th**.

### Passover Assemblies

A novel Seder will be presented for the children of our Religious School, Saturday and Sunday mornings, April 16th and 17th. The program utilizes both stage and screen simultaneously. The following children of the Special Hebrew Classes are participating:

Frieda Abram, Muriel Benowitz, Dorothy Frankel, Robert Fromson, Eleanor Gal, Robert Miller, Harold Rothman, Leona Silverstein, Judith Steiner, Beverley Swirsky and Zelda Urdang.

### Correction

We regret that the name of Burton Levitt was inadvertently omitted from the list of children in our Confirmation Class who participated in the Children's Service last week.

### Funds

**We Gratefully Acknowledge the Following Contributions:**

#### Prayer Book Fund

From Mrs. Chas. Korach in memory of her mother, Ella Cohn;

#### Altar Fund

From Miss Clara Steiner in memory of her mother;

Mrs. Arthur Fox in memory of her mother, Mina Machol;

Mrs. Sam Schaffner in memory of Mrs. Lillie Schaffner;

Miss Esther Cohen in memory of her mother;

Misses Carrie and Dina New in memory of Harry New;

Mrs. Theo. Fishel in memory of Emanuel Emsheimer.

## "God's Gentleman"

Garry August, Rabbi of a Reformed Jewish congregation, the Temple Israel of Gary, Indiana, and an intimate friend and classmate of our own Rabbi, is the author of a remarkable new novel just published by Knopf.

In this story of a young Rabbi in a mid-western community, the author, reveals in significant and dramatic fashion the current of Jewish life in America today.

He tells of Rabbi Daniel Sharwell, young and idealistic, who is thwarted in his every attempt to carry to his congregation a message of spiritual dignity and integrity. Rabbi Sharwell finds his people intent only upon accumulating wealth and upon imitating the gentiles and winning their approval. To his pleas for a finer vision, they are hostile. The whole force of the strange amalgam of Jewish tradition and American habits rises up to frustrate him. Haunted by an old love reborn, weakened by his own sentimentalities and passions, he succumbs to the Babbitty and puniness of soul which surround him. In the end he goes through a shattering emotional crisis which throws a brilliant light not only upon his own career, but also upon the careers of millions of Jews scattered through the towns and cities of modern America.

Garry August is rabbi of Temple Israel, in Gary, Indiana. He was born at Cleveland, Ohio in 1894, and was graduated from Western Reserve University in 1914 with the highest honors, and from the Hebrew Union College at Cincinnati in 1919. Within the past six years Dr. August has run a weekly book column in the St. Joseph, Missouri Gazette and in the Gary Post-Tribune and also contributed articles on music to various periodicals. He is now at work on another novel.

Rabbi Brickner, who has read the novel, states that the author's technique is that of an accomplished literateur, his plot and characterization are life-like and compelling. "GOD'S GENTLEMAN" is a forceful narrative that will rivet the reader's attention and hold it from the first page to the last.

The book is a decided addition to American literature, and is bound to attract considerable attention.

## PASSOVER—THE FEAST OF EMANCIPATION

On Wednesday evening, April 20th, 1932, the Jewish people all over the world will begin its celebration of the Feast of Emancipation, known in Hebrew as "Pesach." According to the Bible, says a statement issued by the Tract Commission of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, this holiday is celebrated for a period of seven days, and it is observed by eating unleavened bread—Matzoth. This holiday looms among the most significant festivals of the Jewish calendar, for the idea of freedom upon which it is based constitutes a basic concept in Jewish thought and a basic cause for which humanity has been fighting throughout its history.

Like its sister festivals, Shabuoth and Sukkoth, Passover has a twofold background. Its earliest origin may be traced back to the time when the Jewish people tilled the soil of Palestine. To them the return of spring was a most important event. It ushered in the time of reaping the barley harvest, the first fruits of which the people would bring to the Temple at Jerusalem and offer to God amidst great rejoicing. Thus, originally, Passover was a nature festival which marked the beginning of the season of spring.

As the agricultural background disappeared from Jewish life, however, there came the idea that Passover marks the anniversary of the liberation of the children of Israel from the yoke of slavery. With the flight of centuries, this idea of freedom was increasingly emphasized, so that today it embodies the primary message of Passover.

According to the Book of Exodus, the Jewish people who dwelt in Egypt thousands of years ago were forced into slavery. The Pharaohs made their life bitter with heavy toil and unceasing labor. They forced them to build the mighty cities of Pithom and Rameses and to construct proud palaces and pyramids. The children of Israel groaned beneath the yoke of slavery, for their affliction was beyond endurance.

At that time Moses was born and was brought up in the house of the Egyptian ruler. When he beheld the slavery and bitterness of his people, his sense of jus-

tice and righteousness welled up within him. He kindled the hearts of his down-trodden brethren with a yearning for freedom. With the unswerving courage of a prophet, he appeared before Pharaoh and demanded in the name of God: "Send forth my people, so that they may worship God, so that they may become a holy people unto God." At first, the proud Pharaoh refused, but was finally obliged to yield. And on the fourteenth of Nisan, the gates of Egypt were opened, and under the leadership of Moses, the children of Israel began their epic march through the desert.

Today, the Jewish people celebrate the Feast of Passover to commemorate this epoch-making event. The first evening of this holiday looms among the most beautiful home festivals of the Jewish year; it is observed by an elaborate meal, called in Hebrew the "Seder," at which the heroic liberation of the children of Israel is recited by the members of the household.

### A Passover Hymn From the Haggadah

O! speed'ly build Thy temple shrine,  
Thy holy House restore,  
And send again Thy light divine,  
As in the days of yore.  
O Thou! whose special care we are  
Where'er our lot be cast  
Become again our guiding star  
As in the distant past.

O! build again a firmer throne  
For Judah's royal race,  
And give his sceptre rule alone  
And pour on him Thy grace,  
His sons ingather to their fold,  
Far scattered and away,  
And in his realm let Justice hold  
Her firm triumphant sway!

But more than Temple, shrine, or dome,  
Within our hearts build sure  
For Thee, O Lord, a dwelling home  
Predestined to endure.  
And vouchsafe, Lord, the world all o'er,  
A brighter day to shine,  
And in one bond, forever more  
All mankind entwine.

J. F.

(From the Rodeph Sholom Bulletin, Phila.)