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Friday Evening Service:

Saturday Morning Service

Rabbi Brickner will preach 11:00 to 12:00

Broadcast

Rabbi Brickner speaks next Sunday afternoon over Station WHK...4:00 to 4:30

"Recent Developments in Russia

What is happening in Russia is evoking tremendous interest all over the world.

The present conspiracy trial, the progress of the Five-year Plan—will it succeed, the rumored mutiny of the Red army, Russian imports to this country, what are American technicians and capital doing to build up Soviet Russia—the enemy of Capitalism, rumors of Communist propaganda in this country and in other countries of the world,—all of these are creating an atmosphere of bewilderment in the general public mind.

Rabbi Brickner who visited Russia on a study tour several years ago and who has been in constant touch with the situation, will deal with these recent developments in Russia in his lecture next Sun-

day morning.

Despite the inclemency of the weather last Sunday, which was the worst in many a day, there was a goodly attendance in temple.

Victor Chenkin - Dec. 16th

Without doubt, Victor Chenkin is one of the greatest character singers who has ever appeared on our American stage This internationally-renowned artist will be presented by our Course in a repertory of continental character songs including Russian, Italian, French, German and Hebrew, on Tuesday evening, December 16th.

Ralph Holmes of the Detroit Evening Times, after seeing Chenkin's performance, described it in these glowing terms: "Chenkin is an amazingly gifted actor. He becomes for the moment the character he is dressed to represent. Every inflection of voice, squint of eye, smirk and smile, scowl and frown, every beautifully co-ordinated gesture and pose seems a spontaneous actuality."

Patrons

We announce with pleasure that the following patrons have obtained twenty or more subscriptions to our Course:

Miss Gertrude Bondy

Mrs. Emil Brudno

Mrs. Max P. Goodman

Mrs. Ida Kornhauser

Mrs. H. Schreiber

Sunday Morning, December 7th, 10:30

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN RUSSIA"

The Conspiracy Trial

The Five-Year Economic Plan

The Politico Economic Conditions in that Country which are Affecting the Whole World

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Events of the Week

Friday:

11:00 A. M.—"Modern Social Problems." 5:30 P. M.—Friday Evening Prayer Service.

Saturday:

9:00 A. M .- Junior High School.

11:00 A. M.—Sabbath Service.

Sunday:

9:15 A. M .- Primary and Intermediate Depts.

10:30 A. M.-Sunday Morning Lecture Service.

4:00 P. M.—Rabbi Brickner Broadcasts over Station WHK.

5:00 P. M.-High School Forum.

Monday:

9:00-3:00 P. M.—Community Sewing.

Tuesday:

12:00 noon-Men's Club Round Table at Statler Hotel. Speaker: John Love, Columnist of the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Wednesday:

4:15 P. M.—Pre-Confirmation Class.

8:30 P. M.—Alumni Players present "Meet the Wife."

Friday:

11:00 A. M .- "Jewish Current Events."

Coming Events

Dec. 14-Combined Chanukah Rally of The Temple Men's Club and our Men's Club.

15-Chanukah.

16-Temple Course presents Victor Chenkin.

17-Sisterhood Chanukah Celebration.

19-"Books and Authors."

20-Children's Service.

21-Religious School Chanukah Play.

MEN'S CLUB Chanukah Rally - Dec. 14th

Our Men's Club, in conjunction with the Men's Club of The Temple will hold a combined Chanukah Rally at the Alcazar Hotel on Sunday evening, December 14th. This is part of the National Brotherhood Movement, and similar rallies are being conducted throughout the country, on Chanukah.

The program for the evening which will open with a dinner includes, Mr. Fred Butzel, head of the Community Chest of Detroit, Past President of Temple Beth-El, and an active participant in Jewish affairs of Detroit, as guest speaker. Mr. Arthur Dettelbach and Mr. Geo. W. Furth will act as chairmen of the evening.

Mr. Emanuel Rosenberg will kindle the Chanukah lights and will render a series

of Jewish folk songs.

Members of the Men's Club, in good standing for the year 1930-31, are entitled to one free reservation at the dinner, but must make their reservations no later than December 9th.

SISTERHOOD Chanukah Celebration

The Sisterhood will present its Chanukah program Wednesday, December 17th at 2:30 P. M., in the Auditorium.

"Judaism and Three Generations," a Symposium on our Religion of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow, will be presented by three generations of Jewish woman-hood—Mrs. Rebekah Kohut, Mrs. Irma L. Lindheim and Miss Marjorie Blahd.

Mrs. Kohut is one of America's most prominent women, President of the World Congress of Jewish Women, and Honorary Vice-President of the National Council of Jewish Women. She is author of "My Portion" and "As I Knew Them."

Mrs. Lindheim, former National President of Hadassah, only recently returned from a visit to Palestine and Europe. She is the author of "Palestine," and "The Immortal Adventure."

Miss Blahd will represent the Youth and will give the modern point of view She is the third generation and a confirmant of our temple, and a sophomore at college.

A dramatic tableau representing the Menorah and the lighting of the candles, will be presented under the Chairmanship of Mrs. S. Rosenberg and Mrs. Harry Wolpaw.

Mrs. Leon Strauss is Chairman of the Program.

SCANNING THE NEWS

Cincinnati: Unemployment in this country would be relieved to a considerable extent if the United States were to open extensive trade with Russia through the establishment of a revolving credit of \$300,000,000 with the Soviet government. This is the opinion of Max Senior, prominent Cincinnati Jewish philanthropist, which has been published in the form of a political letter by the League for the Organization of Progress.

Russia would pay for these loans in goods sold to this country, says Mr Senior. To assure the sale of \$50,000,000 worth of Russian goods a year, Mr. Senior proposes to set up a joint buying agency representing American merchants, just as the Amtorg represents the Soviet government here.

Washington: Further restriction of immigration by Congress at the opening of its next session early in December was virtually assured when President Hoover told a press conference at the White House that he was in agreement with Senator David Reed that economic conditions in the country require new immigration legislation.

Detroit: A kosher kitchen was opened here at 1130 Westminster to aid the needy and unemployed. Sponsors of the kitchen state that donations from Jewish merchants guarantee that the kitchen will go on during the emergency situation without necessitating appeals for funds for its upkeep.

San Francisco: Endorsing the suggestion of Rabbi Irving Reichert, the board of directors of Congregation Emanu-El voted at its last meeting to throw open the gymnasium of its Temple House as a dormitory for jobless and unemployed men if the emergency warrants during the Winter months.

United States: Preparations are being made for money-raising campaigns for Palestine, Eastern Europe, domestic charitable causes, religious and educational work. The economic depression foreshadows difficult hurdles for these fundobtaining efforts, yet it would seem that, pessimistic predictions notwithstanding, the drives will succeed and the budgets be covered.

Germany: The Hitlerites have delegated their anti-Jewish license to "Christian" student bodies that are creating disorders in universities throughout the Reich, demanding the expulsion of Jewish students.

Roumania: Jew-baiting in the universities is in full swing. King Carol, opening the Parliament at Bucharest, referred to his aim to safeguard fully the rights of the minorities in his country. Enthusiastic applause by the representatives of the various minorities greeted his words at the very instant when, on the streets, members of the Iron Guard shouted: "Kill the Jews!"

Poland: The elections have made Marshal Pilsudski's position stronger than ever and have created a brand-new Cabinet to whom new copies of memoranda will be sent from many lands by the various organizations protecting Jewish rights.

England: Government circles are taking note of world Jewry's protests against the Passfield White Paper. George Bernard Shaw's appeal for aid to East European Jewry in its present plight created a profound impression.

France: La Jeunesse Patriote, the French Fascist youth organization, is trying its hand at the anti-Semitic game. Thus far no great damage has been done, but reports state that an anti-Jewish plank has been definitely incorporated into the organization's official platform.

Russia: Complete quiet prevails on the Jewish front here. Little has been heard lately of persecution of Zionism or religion; it would seem that Stalin's regime is occupied with graver problems.

Italy: Premier Mussolini missed a splendid opportunity to dissociate Fascism from anti-Semitism when he greeted a delegation of Hitlerites at Rome and accepted them without reservation as worthy disciples of the black-shirt policy.

Paris: French Jews, headed by a Chief Rabbi, are preparing to celebrate the centenary of the death of a Catholic Bishop. It was this Bishop, Henri Gregoire, who was more than anyone else responsible for the emancipation of French Jewry by the Revolutionary Assembly a hundred and forty years ago.

Important

Because of the serious economic situation, the Jewish Social Service Bureau is making a very definite effort to conserve its funds and is, therefore, asking for cast-off clothing that may be used for its clientele. However, facilities for reconditioning such clothing are very limited and it is important that the articles given be only such practical garments and shoes as children can wear to school, girls and women in their various daily industries and men's and boys' clothing. Furthermore, the Bureau has no means of collecting these garments, but will be most appreciative if you will send them, at your earliest convenience, to the Euclid Avenue Temple.

Rabindranath Tagored

(From a recent address)

"The age belongs to the West and humanity must be grateful to you for your science. But you have exploited those who are helpless and humiliated, those who are unfortunate with this gift. A great portion of the world suffers from your civilization. It is your responsibility that you offer this as a gift and not make it a medium for cruel self-aggrandizement.

"You cannot realize how we of the East have suffered. There is between us the great barrier of your own material prosperity. I have great love and admiration for the West, not only for what I have received from it but for what it has been gathering for the future of man—its own science.

"But today we know that in spite of all this wealth and prosperity you are not happy. I have not seen any sign of happiness in all the countries of the West. Your country and the countries of Europe are lost and still groping for the spiritual qualities of the East.

"Columbus set out to find the passage to India and found the American Continent. Now the West should continue the journey and complete the voyage to India.

"You have not come to India over the unknown, uncharted sea of mystery to learn the spirit of Asia. Come in the proper spirit and claim your share. The things that have eternal values belong to all humanity and to all times. Come to us, accept us, acknowledge us, and realize that we are all brothers."

Sinclair Lewis

(From a recent address)

"In this country it isn't important that we authors are not taken very seriously, but it is important that we do not always take our own works seriously. I shall list for you the important things in America.

"First there is business; the Great God Business. The manufacturer of a carburetor is manifestly more important than any manufacturer of poetry. Business first and foremost.

"Then comes politics. Politics is the thing they keep down in Washington. It is the thing that takes a man who has been a bad second-rate lawyer in a little Western town and brings him to Washington, where he immediately becomes an expert on taxation and an authority on Yugo-slavian affairs—because he takes himself seriously.

"Golf is also to be taken seriously. It consists of hitting a little white ball with a collection of crooked sticks. No hero in the United States is so thorough a hero and a knight as Bobby Jones. Then comes baseball, in season, and football, where 80,000 persons gather to watch twenty-two young men chase each other across a field. Coming to town today I read an article by a man named Rockne, who seems to be some sort of a prophet in some mid-Western college. Now, these are the serious things.

"But I in my rashness, a rashness born, perhaps, of the fact that I have been awarded the Nobel Prize, venture to think that the writer of fiction who tried to give expression to the spirit of a time and a place and reveal the very soul of a man is also important. I venture to think that those who create poetry and music may be almost as important as the coach of a mid-Western football team or the manufacturer of a carburetor."

THE ALUMNI PLAYERS

presents

"MEET THE WIFE"

By Lynn Starling

A delightful comedy in three acts

WEDNESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 10th - - 8:30 P. M.

> under the direction of Miss Sylvia Stein

Cast includes: Jerome Bigelson, Tobnette Bigelson, Billy Engelman, Harry Grossberg, Bernice Kepner, Martha Mandelker, Joe Rosenzweig and Adolph Salsburg.

General Admisson - - 50c

(Each budget ticket holder is entitled to free admission for himself and one guest.)

Thanks

Hearty thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wertheimer and the Jewish Review & Observer for a gift of three hundred printed copies of the Sisterhood Constitution. Anyone desiring to own a copy may have one by applying for it at the temple office.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL High School Forum

This Sunday, December 7th at 5:00 P. M., the Rabbi will meet with the entire High School Department.

In addition, Mr. Ezra Shapiro, prominent Cleveland attorney and former President of the local Zionist Organization, will present moving pictures of Palestine which he himself took during his recent visit there.

Chanukah Play

The children of the Religious School are now busy preparing their annual Chanukah Play, a significant event in the school calendar, to be given Sunday afternoon, December 21st.

Mrs. S. Braverman is in charge of the entire production and she is assisted by Mr. Jerome Bigelson, Miss Ernestine Friedl, Miss Leah Jaffa, Miss Adele Levine, Mrs. N. Levitt, Mrs. F. S. McCullough, Mrs. Leon Raskoph, Miss Beatrice Smalley and Mr. Sanford Weiss.

Congregational Annual Meeting

The 84th Annual Meeting of our congregation, the oldest Jewish congregation in Cleveland, was held last Saturday night. Over 350 members attended the dinner, meeting and the dance which followed. It marked the close of Rabbi Brickner's fifth year as spiritual leader. The new Constitution, which provides among other new things for six women to serve on the Board—three representing the Sisterhood and three from the membership at large—was adopted, and twelve new members were elected to the Board of Trustees.

The reports showed that the congregation has a membership of well over 1200 families, 143 families having been added since July 1929. The budget for the new year is over \$80,000.

In his report, I. F. Freiberger, Acting President, announced that the trustees anticipated the construction of a chapel at the temple, to be used for small gatherings, weddings and auxiliary services. To construct the chapel, a part of the building will be remodeled. This project will not be undertaken immediately, however.

Reports of the educational work showed that there were more than a thousand children in the Religious School, and that about 200 of them were enrolled in fourteen clubs for supplementary work, and 100 in auxiliary classes in Hebrew.

Mr. Freiberger, in his report, commended Rabbi Brickner highly for his leadership of the congregation, and the high place he has come to hold in the esteem and leadership of the larger community. He is in demand as a speaker all over the country. The Sunday morning Lecture Services inaugurated with Rabbi Brickner's coming, are very well attended and have entirely justified themselves.

The Trustees elected are: to fill unexpired term of 1934—David Geller, Max Amster; term expiring 1935—Maurice Bernon, Arthur J. Halle, Irwin S. Loeser, Adolph Keller, William S. Kohn, James H. Miller; Sisterhood, one year—Mrs. J. O. Stein, Mrs. Ida Kornhauser, Mrs. Joseph Laronge; Men's Club one year—Arthur Dettelbach.

The Eternal Riddle

"Israel, my people God's greatest riddle, Will thy solution Ever be told?

"Fought—never conquered, Bent—never broken, Mortal—immortal, Youthful, though old.

"Egypt enslaved thee, Babylon crushed thee, Rome led thee captive, Homeless thy head.

"Where are those nations Mighty and fearsome? Thou hast survived them, They are long dead.

"Nations keep coming, Nations keep going, Passing like shadows, Wiped off the earth.

"Thou an eternal Witness remainest, Watching their burial, Watching their birth.

"Pray, has thy saga Likewise an ending, As its beginning Glorious of old?

"Israel, my people, God's greatest riddle, Will thy solution Ever be told?"

(P. M. Raskin).

Words, Words, Words,

"Some words," says Grenville Kleiser, "stab as with a rapier, others soothe like a mother's caress; some are like a beacon light, others like a flickering candle; some are like a symphony, others like jangling notes out of tune; some gay as a troubadour, some somber as a starless night; some are pompous as a court official, some humble as a penitent; some are swift as a winged arrow, others slow as a funeral dirge; some are frank as the call of a bird, others subtle as a creeping tiger; some are delicate as a spider's web, others firm as adamant; some are as mellow as a cathedral chime, others ominous as a doomsday knell."

I Am An Hebrew

"I will continue to hold my banner aloft. I find myself born-ay, born-into a people and a religion. The preservation of my people must be for a purpose, for God does nothing without a purpose. His reasons are unfathomable to me, but on my own reason I place little dependence; test it where I will it fails me. The simple, the ultimate in every direction is sealed to me. It is as difficult to understand matter as mind. The course of the planets are no harder to explain than the growth of a blade of grass. Therefore am I willing to remain a link in the great chain. What has been preserved for four thousand years was not saved that I should overthrow it. My people have survived the prehistoric paganism, the Babylonian polytheism, the aesthetic Hellenism, the sagacious Romanism, at once the blandishments and the presecutions of the Church; and it will survive the modern dilettanteism and current materialism, holding aloft the traditional Jewish ideals inflexibly until the world shall become capable of recognizing their worth."-(Cyrus Adler).

Story of The Week

In a Sunday School class, the teacher had just completed the story of Adam and Eve, and the class then proceeded to dramatize the tale.

"Adam, where are you?" asked a voice.

"Here I am," was the response.

"You ate the apple!"

"No, I didn't!"

"You're a liar!"

Here the teacher interrupted and asked the class what was wrong with the last speech.

One little hand waved frantically and when called upon, the little fellow promptly responded:

"He should have said: "Thou artst a liar!"