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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st, 10:30 A. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"1933---HIGHLIGHTS AND SHADOWS"

Doors close at 11:00

(Violin Solo by Bernard Goodman at the Sunday Morning Service)

Friday Evening
Twilight Service
5:30 to 6:00

Sabbath Morning
Service
11:00 to 12:00

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TO GET OURSELVES OFF OUR HANDS

In his story, called "A Raw Youth," Dostoevsky puts these profound words into the mouth of an old saint: "A man who bows down to nothing can never bear the burden of himself." God is not a luxury, he is a necessity. When man loses faith in God he worships humanity; when faith in humanity fails, he worships science, as so many are trying to do today. When faith in science fails man worships himself, and at the altar of his own idolatry he receives a benediction of vanity. Hence the tedious egotism of our day, when men are self-centered and self-obsessed, unable to get themselves off their hands. Only God, the eternal Other, is equal to the need of the human soul. Dostoevsky himself found liberty at last, in a final prostration of his soul, stripped and humbled, before God.

—Joseph Fort Newton

(From Bulletin of the Riverside Church.)

MUSICAL AMERICA LAUDS WORK OF MR. GOLDMAN

Maurice Goldman, recently participated in a Chamber Operatic performance given by the Music Department of Western Reserve University in the small auditorium of Severance Hall.

Musical America comments: "... Mr. Goldman's singing as the Narrator in Monteverdi's lovely operetta brought out a Clevelander who has a beautiful voice, perfection in style and diction, and a flawless sense of drama."

SISTERHOOD

WELCOME HOME TEA, FRIDAY DECEMBER 29th

The Sisterhood Student Welfare Committee has arranged a Welcome Home to out-of-town College students, children of our members at a Tea to be given Friday afternoon, December 29th at 2:30 in the Temple Parlor. Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner will be the hosts.

SISTERHOOD ENTERTAINS THE BLIND

On Sunday, January 7th, the Welfare Committee of our Sisterhood, under the direction of Mrs. James Dworkin will present a program for the blind at the Grasselli House on East 55th Street. Maurice Spitalny and Miss Florence Hess generously contributed their talent for this program.

Because of the fact that the blind must be accompanied by another person only 125 are expected but more would be happy to attend these monthly Welfare programs given by the Cleveland society for the Blind if carfare were provided. Anyone wishing to contribute the 50c for carfare for this purpose kindly call Mrs. Ralph Wertheimer, at Fairmount 3478.

The Sisterhood gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donations:

To the Altar Fund: From Mrs. E. S. Weil and Miss Ida Bruml in memory of Mrs. David Goldsmith; Mr. and Mrs. L. Kohn in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Kohn and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Brown; Mrs. Nannie Firth, Mrs. Maybelle F. Pollock and Mrs. Edna F. Thalman in memory of their husband and father, Jacob Firth.

ALUMNI NEWS

CULTURAL GROUPS BEGIN ACTIVITIES JANUARY 8th

The Alumni Association announces the organization of a series of **cultural courses** for its members to be initiated at a general meeting **Monday evening, January 8th** in the Temple parlor. The leaders of the groups will be present at this meeting to explain what the content of their courses will be. Dates for further meetings of the individual groups will be set. Each group will meet once a month or more often if the group so decides.

Already organized are the following courses: **Jewish Life Today** to be conducted by Dr. Merlub Sobel, **Modern Literature and the Jew** to be conducted by Mr. Brilliant and a **Choral Group** to be conducted by Mr. Maurice Goldman. Other courses are being planned and will shortly be announced.

The committee in charge of the cultural work consists of Leo Grossman, Ruth Titchell, Irving Whitman with Jeannette Bialosky as Chairman.

WINTER FROLIC AT SHAKER TAVERN

Herbert Grodin, Chairman of the Dance Committee, announces the **Alumni Annual Winter Frolic** for **Saturday evening, January 13th**, at the beautiful **Shaker Tavern**—Music by Joe Feldman and his orchestra.

Admission charge is \$1.25 per couple. The membership card plus 50c admits one couple.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT TO HOLDERS OF ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP CARDS

The Lecture Course Committee has graciously consented to admit holders of Alumni membership cards to the Lectures of Dr. Will Durant on January 16th, Oswald Garrison Villard on January 30th and Lewis Browne on March 6th. Membership cards must be presented at the box office.

ODDITIES

The physical prowess and dexterity of many of the Talmudic Rabbis are related. Rabbi Abbaye could juggle with eight eggs without breaking one. Rabbi Levi, a well-known preacher used to perform the same juggling trick with eight knives without cutting himself. Rabbi Samuel, a physician and lawyer and astronomer, was able to do the same with eight glasses of water without spilling a drop. Rabbi Simeon ben Gamliel, good at juggling and sleight of hand could take eight burning candles or torches, throw them aloft one after another with one hand and catch them back in the other hand without letting them touch one another or burning himself; he could also bend down with his face to the ground, supported only by his two thumbs, kiss the floor and rise up again without any help, a feat which no one then could imitate.

(Young Judean.)

FUNDS

The Temple gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donations:

To the General Fund: From Mrs. H. L. Frensdorf in memory of Solomon Firth; Miss A. Wiener in memory of her mother Yetta Wiener; Mrs. Rose Miller in memory of her husband, Morris M. Miller.

To the Library Fund: From Clarence I. Goldsmith in memory of his parents Louise and Solomon Goldschmidt.

To the Memorial Chapel Fund: From the children in memory of their father, Morris M. Miller; Employees of the Cleveland Wire Works in memory of David H. Kahn, father of Mrs. Dorothy Spitalny.

In Memoriam

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of

Joseph Breitbart

Ida Goldstein

Regina Arnold

FROM PLATFORM OF WORLD ALLIANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP

"The recommendation for a consultative pact was contained in the Alliance platform for the coming year, prepared by a committee headed by Dean Luther A. Weigle, of the Yale Divinity School, and adopted unanimously by the goodwill congress at its closing session here. The Alliance advocated international control of arms manufacture and sale, opposed compulsory military training in college and universities, demanded just treatment of minorities, called for an increasing share for the worker in the product of his industry and assailed extreme nationalism which it described as "a pathological form of patriotism."

"We urge that our own nation as well as all other nations recognize that ultimately, in the interests of peace, the arms and armaments of the nations shall be reduced to the level of police forces for the maintenance of peace and order within their own borders, relying upon international machinery for defense against external aggression."

"The world alliance believes," the platform continued, "that the manufacture, sale and transportation of arms and munitions should be taken out of the hands of private individuals or corporations and carried on only by government agencies under international control."

"We urge," it went on, "that the United States at once and completely apply in its immigration regulations the principle of racial equality, because friendly co-operation between nations can be established only on a foundation in which racial discrimination has no part."

"The 'denial of liberty and withholding of common rights to racial and religious minorities in various countries' were characterized by the platform as 'among the most disturbing factors in international relations.'"

"Whatever theory may be held in regard to the state it must not be forgotten that the individual has rights

which the State may not justly abrogate and which are greater than the State and transcend ethical barriers," it continued.

"The just treatment of minorities is not only grounded in the future of civilization, but fundamental to all religion. Human conscience must not be coerced by State decree. The just treatment of all groups, races and creeds is necessary to the health of the State itself. The recognition of the brotherhood of man, a wholesome ideal for the State, is essential to the more expansive ideal of equality for all States."

"After 'confessing' that this nation had fallen short of the ideal, the platform dealt specifically with the situation in Germany, saying: 'The recent persecution and ostracism of Jews in Germany afford ample evidence that even in this year of enlightenment the struggle for religious liberty and social and economic freedom must be renewed and intensified.'" (From the New York Times).

PSALM 151

Wild beats the wave against Israel,
And there is no one to save;
Harsh blow the winds about Zion;
Strident, they muffle our cry
The heel of the Hun is upon us;
Yea, like a dull-glowing brand
Searing the soul with the hooked cross.
Tentacles reach out to seize us;
Vainly we flee to the grave.
But wait—the swastika totters!
Falls from the mountain of blood!
Like a meteor piercing the blackness—
Like a burning soul screaming thru
blackness—
Struck by the arm of the Lord.
Yet—Harsh blow the winds about Zion;
Strident they muffle our cry.
Wild beats the wave against Israel
On in a mad seething flood
Then comes a voice from the darkness,
Muffled like a sigh from the grave,
Whispering soft thru the grasses
Israel—Is there no one to save?

—Lincoln W. Lauterstein,
Mercersburg Academy, 1934
(Free Synagogue Bulletin).