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This Saturday, March 7th, at 11:00 A. M.

CHILDREN'S PURIM SERVICE AND PAGEANT

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PURIM SERVICE

SUNDAY, MARCH 8th, 10:30 A. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"Popular Fallacies About The Jews"

WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM OUR ENEMIES

Our enlarged Jewish choir will render a special program of selections from the beautiful "Esther Cantata" by the great English composer, William J. Bradbury.

Selections from the Megillah will be read.

This will be a festive service.

You and your family are urgently requested to attend and celebrate Purim with us.

Friday Evening Twilight Service - 5:30 to 6:00

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REMEMBER!

A good way to celebrate Purim is by helping others. Rabbi Brickner again this year is sending Purim baskets to needy families. Will you help? Send your contribution to the Rabbi.

Thanks to the following who have already contributed:

Mrs. Max Jacobson, Balfour and Joy Brickner, Henry Sidenberg, Bobby and Billy Klineman, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sobel, Mrs. Charles Rosenblatt, Mrs. Rich, Mrs. Black and several anonymous.

SELF-REALIZATION

But social idealism which limits its vision and activity to the improvement of the economic and political aspects of human life cannot be a sufficient substitute for other-worldly salvation. If this worldly salvation means the realization of oneself in this world, it implies functioning to best advantage in all the human relationships into which we are born, as well as in those to which we have committed ourselves. To function thus means so to conduct ourselves in all those relationships as to evoke the best in those with whom we interact. To attain this-worldly salvation either as parents or as children, as husbands or as wives, as friends or as associates, is to feel and to act in accordance with the foregoing ethical principle. From this standpoint, all self-realization presupposes a vital interest in the selfrealization of those whose lives touch our own. The failure on the part of many social idealists to apply some of their idealism to those they live and work with accounts for their sense of frustration, despite their public achievements. Judaism in Transition-Kaplan.

SISTERHOOD

PALESTINE MOVIES

On Friday, March 6th at 11:00 a.m., Mr. Nathan Brilliant will show the moving pictures taken on his recent trip to Palestine.

A group of Palestinian Folk Songs will be sung by Mr. Maurice Goldman.

SEW WHAT!

What you can "sew" is something for the First Annual Domestic Arts Exposition which will be given in the Recreation Hall, Tuesday, March 31st, from 11:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.

Please bring and register your afghans, quilts, and antique needlework on Monday afternoon, the day before the exposition opens. Competent judges will make the awards.

DAUGHTERS DAY

The Sisterhood has designated Saturday, March 21st as "Daughters Day" to honor the mothers and the daughters of the Temple.

The daughters will conduct a special Service at 11:00 a.m. in the Temple. Mrs. Barnett R. Brickner will deliver the sermon.

Luncheon will be served at 12:30 in the recreation hall after which everyone will meet the "Inquiring Reporter of the Sisterhood."

An original play written by Dorothy Pasch Steiner will be given in the Auditorium at 2:30.

Mrs. David R. Bamberger is chairman of the day, Mesdames Harry A. Bernon, M. E. Blahd, Sol Friedman, chairmen of the luncheon, Mrs. Emery E. Klineman, chairman of Religious Services, Mrs. Sigmund Braverman, chairman of symposium and Mrs. Albert Ullman, chairman of attendance.

The luncheon is open to Mothers with daughters of 12 years of age and over. Others are welcome to the Services at 11:00 a.m. and to the entertainment at 2:30 p. m.

Luncheon tickets may be secured from any chairman or from Mrs. Simon Lewis, 1317 Eddy Road, Glenville 0723. Reservations will close Tuesday, March 17, 1936.

UPTON CLOSE, FAR EAST EXP

PURIM RADIO BROADCAST

On Saturday, March 7th, from 7:30 to 8:00 P. M., the Bureau of Jewish Education will present a radio program over station WTAM in celebration of Purim. A musical dramatization of the story of Purim will be presented.

Participating in the dramatic program are: Jerome Bigelson, Wilton Kahn, Adolph Salsburg, Sylvia Stein, Haskell Tichell and Mrs. Harry Wolpaw.

The musical portion of the program will be presented by the following: Maurice Goldman, Tillie Schenker, Norman Roman and Bertha Cohen. Miss Laura Bender will accompany at the piano.

This undertaking is part of the Extension Education program of the Bureau of Jewish Education of which Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner is President and A. H. Friedland, Director. Mrs. Sigmund Braverman is Chairman of the Radio Program Committee which arranged and prepared this program.

A PRAYER

The following Prayer, composed by James Hilton, author of "Goodbye Mr. Chips," was thought to be so beautiful, that it is being published for the benefit of the members of the Congregation.

"Let us pray to God, the Unconquer-

able Spirit in Man.

"Help us to rebuild the world for more splendid lives than ours; add wisdom to the ardor of the young, and loving-kindness to the musings of the old; make our eyes aware of things that are too gentle to proclaim themselves; give us emotion far beyond the fret of nerves; free us from fear of our own brothers, and from the triple curse of greed, intolerence and vainglory.

"Lift the dark cloud of war from our future, and grant comfort to all quiet, kindly folk who carry peace in their hearts amidst the stress of conflict; strengthen them also to endure what

may befall.

"Bring down the tyrant, befriend the victims of injustice, and equate the rewards of labor nearer to the needs of men; and accustom us to work, not for the snatched profit, but for the common good and for the planned destiny of mankind. . . .

"Give patience to those who wait restlessly for this, and hope to those who have ceased to believe that it will come; and fill our hearts with faith in a Kingdom of Heaven which our children's children may some day find on earth. Amen."

OUR NEW PRESIDENT

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Euclid Avenue Temple held on Wednesday evening, February 26th the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:



President, Myron A. Cohen.
First Vice President, Adolph Keller.
Second Vice President, David G. Skall.
Honorary Vice President, I. N. Stone.
Treasurer, Fred Frankel.
Secretary, Oscar H. Steiner.

JR. SISTERHOOD PLANS AFFAIR

The Jr. Sisterhood, a Junior organization consisting of girls of High School age, will hold their annual dance on Saturday, March 21st at 9:30 p.m. in the Recreation Hall. Sal Cummings and his orchestra.

PLEASE NOTE!

I. S. "Nig" Rose, the incomparable stager of Father-Son Dinners announces that he has a limited number of the souvenir pencils left over which can be obtained for 50c each. First come, first served.

F, WILL REPLACE FANNIE HURST, TUES

The Alumni Associations of
THE TEMPLE
and the
EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE

present

"ADAM"

by Ludwig Lewisohn
SUNDAY EVENING, MARCH 15th
Directed by
HOWARD DE SYLVA

Dancing after the Play

INTER-HIGH SCHOOL

PURIM DANCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 7th 9:00 P.M. at the TEMPLE ON THE HEIGHTS

HAL ZEIGER AND ORCHESTRA

Participating

The High School Departments of the Jewish Center, The Temple, The Temple on the Heights and the Euclid Avenue Temple.

Purim this Year, is on Sunday, March 8th

The end of an attempt at persecution is observed by Jews all over the world with the festival of Purim, the Feast of Lots, which begins this year at sundown Saturday, March 7. The celebration marks the anniversary of the loyalty of Queen Esther to her people and her gallantry in saving them from wanton destruction.

Purim has its historical roots in the ancient kingdom of Persia four centuries before the beginning of the Common Era. The story is that Ahasuerus, King of the Persians, displeased because his wife Vashti was disobedient, deposed her and married Esther, a Jewish girl, and a cousin of Mordecai, one of the important men in the kingdom.

King Ahasuerus selected Haman, a favorite general, as his prime minister and from that time on trouble threatened the Jews. Because he had a quarrel with Mordecai, Haman plotted against all the Jews in the kingdom. He went to his sovereign with false tales of Jewish disloyalty and convinced Ahasuerus that he should issue an edict for the annihilation of the Jewish people in his domain.

Armed with this royal order, the Prime Minister, Haman, drew lots to decide on which day the massacre should occur. Hence the name Purim, Feast of Lots. When Mordecai heard of the impending peril, he hastened to Esther and begged her to intercede with the king in behalf of her people. At first she demurred. The king did not know

she was a Jewess, and besides the death penalty hovered over anyone who came to the king without his express command. Unless he extended to her, when she entered, his golden scepter as a symbol of life, she knew she would be doomed to die.

But in the classic words of the Book of Esther which is read on every Purim in the Synagogue, Mordecai replied, 'Think not within thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, any more than all the Jews. or if thou holdest thy peace at this time, then will relief and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place, but thou and thy father's house will perish; and who knoweth but that thou art come to royal estate for just such a time as this?"

So Esther went to the king. He extended the golden sceptre to her and promised her any favor she desired. She asked him to come to a banquet she had prepared, and when he came she told him the story of Haman and his false accusations and his plot against the Jews, which threatened even herself, for she was a Jewess.

The king was furious with Haman and ordered him hanged on the same gibbet that he, Haman, had prepared for Mordecai.

In memory of this deliverance from a tyrant's power, the Jews observe Purim with feasting and gaiety. Presents are given to the poor; carnivals are held; plays are presented; and rejoicing is manifest everywhere.

THE ETERNAL CONFLICT

(From "The Jew of Rome" by Dr. Lion Feuchtwanger)

"He had looked on at the triumphs of Titus after the war, he as the sole Jew there. He had seen the leaders of the revolt. Simon Bar Giora and John of Gishala, marching past him in chains, doomed to death, one with a chaplet of nettles and withered twigs round his head, the other in a ridiculous coat of mail made of tin. He recalled clearly the stifling, choking fear that had fallen upon him then lest they might look up and see him. He had experienced many evil things, hunger and deadly thirst, scourging, shame of every kind, and he had often faced death. But that day was the worst he had ever been asked to go through; that day had not been human. Was he to submit to the same thing now a second time?

"The first time he had had a valid inner justification; he was the historian, he had to see, he had to be there; it was his duty to see. Were his reasons any less strong now? No, on the contrary, they stood more firm than before. Consideration for the good of the community and for his own good demanded that he should bow his head. Reason also demanded it, and he existed to serve reason. If he did not bow to this necessity, he would be sacrificing the meaning of his whole life, all that he had done, written, and endured till now.

"He made a sweeping movement with his hand, and swept away all doubt. His resolve stood; it was a good resolve, the only possible one. And now he would brood no longer on the disgusting business. He brought out his manuscript and set to work . . .

"'And is it certain, anyway,' he asked himself, 'that there would be evil consequences if I obeyed my feelings and stood on my dignity? If I defied the Emperor, wouldn't it be bound to impress the Romans? They jeer at the Jews, at their cowardice, at their submissiveness, their lack of dignity. If I were to refuse now, publicly and greatly, wouldn't that show the Romans that

CHILDREN'S PURIM SERVICE

A new children's service and pageant have been prepared by Mr. Nathan Brilliant and Mrs. Sigmund Braverman for the Purim Children's Service for Saturday, March 7th at 11:00 a. m.

Participating in the Service are the following members of the Confirmation Class: Jerry Berger, Harold Davis, Shirley Grossman, Elaine H. Levy, Miriam Licht, Eunice Podis, Judith Rehmar, Allen Robbins and Jean Rosen.

Participating in the Pageant are the following: Joan Altman, Muriel Camble, Evelyn Cohen, Mildred Cohen, Bernice Horwitz, Joyce Kahn, Alvin Kendis, Maurice Lebensburger, Orlin Lindner, Ruth Schwartz, Iris Spitalny, Shirley Whitman and Jean Wodicka.

they can beat the Jews and kill them, but never make them bow? There are two things which the historians of all times and all people praise alike: success and dignity. The school books are filled with successful exploits and dignified actions; they have little to say about reasonable actions, and reason has never been praised yet by any historian.'

"But even while he was thinking these things, he felt ashamed of himself. He did not want to think vainly and short-sightedly. He refused to be a school book hero . . ."

He answered the Jews in council:

"'I am the only man today who can show the Romans that a Jew can behave with dignity."

"'And what will you have gained,' the Grand Doctor asked courteously, 'if you show the Romans that? The Avengers of Israel will regard your demonstration as an incitement to rise again. Do you imagine that a rising would be any more sensible or successful today than fifteen years ago?' And Justus summed up impatiently and crushingly: 'With your beautiful gesture you would probably secure yourself a half-hour of profound satisfaction and seem a great man in your own eyes. But tens of thousands would pay with death or a life of misery for that half hour of happiness enjoyed by Josephus the writer.'" (pp. 552-556.)

, MARCH 17th, ON THE COURSE

"HA-MAN, WHAT NOW" NUMBER

The Men's Club Page

GOOD PURIM TO ALL

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Dr. L. B. Podis, Editor

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Oscar H. Steiner, President Harry L. Wolpaw, Vice President. Dr. A. Marcus, Secretary David Schlesinger, Treasurer

WINS SIGNAL HONOR

Oscar H. Steiner, president of the Men's Club, was elected Secretary of the Euclid Avenue Temple at the annual election of officers Wednesday evening, February 26th.



A brilliant speaker of pleasing personality and dynamic energy, Mr. Steiner augurs well to carry on for the Temple proper the excellent work he did for the Men's Club.

His co-workers bid him Godspeed in the new office he assumes March 1st.

HA-MAN, WHAT NOW?

It is no exaggeration to say that the entire membership of the Temple, numbering some 1300 families and a goodly part of Cleveland's Jewry are looking forward with eager anticipation to the night of March 8th, when the Men's Club Production "Ha-man, What Now?" will be presented at the Temple Auditorium.

INTEREST IS MANIFEST!

Seldom has so much interest been evidenced in a brainchild of the Men's Club. The desire to patronize the show is heightened by the fact that not only will folks see a masterful "big time" production, but the actual proceeds of the play will go to endow a special fund for the Religious School.

WHAT 75c WILL BUY!

A 75c seat at "Ha-man, What Now?" is guaranteed to purchase an eyefull of 60 splendid actors, lavish stage scenery and dazzling costumes—an earfull of specially arranged tunes and melodies—a soulfull of grandeur at the historic, traditional significance of our race—and a body full of belly laughs at the most amusing situations you have ever witnessed.

DON'T PROCASTINATE!

You have heard about the thief of time, etc. Don't delay another minute. Call up the Temple office and reserve your tickets. Better still, stop in and buy your reserved seats—that will insure you getting them "down in front."

Remember, One Performance Only, Sunday evening, March 8th at 8:30 P. M. Children's performance Sunday afternoon, the same day.

FREE TO EVERY PATRON

A handsome Yearbook and Program will be presented to each and every patron of the show. You will want to keep this as a souvenir of the most successful year in Men's Club history. The book contains a greeting and message from Rabbi Brickner, President Myron A. Cohen and the "Who's Who" of the Temple, richly adorned with photographs.

WE POINT WITH PRIDE

to the yeoman workers of the Men's Club—men like Chester Hess, Lou Benway, Henry Pasternak, Burt Spiegle, Dave Spiegel, Dr. J. E. Laskin, Dr. S. S. Sidenberg, Mal Siegel, Otto Zinner, and Dr. Al Marcus.

Men who have given unstintingly of their time and labor to ensure the success of "Ha-man, What Now!"