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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, 10:30 A. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"How Russia Is Changing?"

Is Russia Communistic or drifting to State Capitalism? . . . The new constitution and its proposals . . . "The Stakhanov Movement" and its affect on production and wages . . . Is family life disappearing? . . . Why did they abolish abortion? . . . What is happening in the churches and synagogues, in the schools, in the collective farms, in the Red Army? . . . The changing Soviet policies on international affairs . . . Changes in the physical appearance of the country . . .

These and other questions will be dealt with in this lecture.

Rabbi Brickner has visited Russia a number of times in the last nine years and therefore has had an opportunity to observe very closely the changes that have taken place.

Services commence at 10:30 A. M. the doors close promptly at 11 o'clock when the lecture commences.

Friday Evening Twilight Service 5:30 to 6:00 Sabbath Morning Service 11:00 to 12:00

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RABBI BRICKNER TO HEAD SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION OF RABBINICAL BODY

At a recent meeting of the Executive Board of the Central Conference of American Rabbis held in Chicago, Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner was named chairman of the Commission on Social Justice, which is one of the most important committees of the Rabbinical Conference.

Rabbi Brickner was also appointed a member of a special joint committee of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Union of American lebrew Congregations, which was organized in Chicago at a joint meeting of the Executive Boards of these two bodies to devise plans for closer cooperation in the future between the rabbinical and lay arms of American Reform Judaism.

AN EARNEST PRAYER

Rabbi Jacob Isaac became dangerously ill, and the inhabitants of his town proclaimed a fast and universal prayer for the Rabbi's speedy convalescense. A villager chanced to come to town, and went to the tavern for a drink of brandy. Several townsfolk overheard him, and informed him that drinking was prohibited for the day.

The villager at once went to the synagogue and prayed: "O Lord, please cure the Holy Rabbi, so that I may have my drink."

Soon after the Rabbi began to recover his strength, and said: "The prayer of the villager was more acceptable than any of yours. He expressed the greatest longing and the most earnest supplication for my prompt recovery."

Hasidic Anthology.

SISTERHOOD

CULTURAL COURSE

Speaker: Rabbi B. R. Brickner.

Glenville 0723, or the Temple office.

Date: Friday, November 20th, 11 a.m. Subject: "Jewish Current Events."

For tickets call Mrs. Simon Lewis,

The Sisterhood gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donation:

To The Altar Fund: Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenberg in memory of Rebecca Hersch.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

TEACHERS TO SEE CHILDREN'S SERVICE

In connection with the Jewish Religious Teachers Association convention our Religious School will hold a special Children's Service and Pageant on Saturday morning, November 28th at 11:00 a. m.

The service is a new one prepared especially for the occasion by Mr. Brilliant and Mrs. Braverman.

Our Children's Services have achieved a nation-wide reputation. We have had requests from every part of the country for copies. The visiting teachers and Rabbis have evidenced a keen interest in their desire to see one of the Services given here by us at our Temple.

"A man who desires to help others by counsel or deed will refrain from dwelling on men's faults, and will speak but sparingly of human weaknesses. But he will speak at large of man's virtue and power, and the means of perfecting the same, that thus men may endeavor joyously to live, so far as in them lies, after the commandment of reason."

Benedict Spinoza.

OUR TEMPLE

LEON BLUM WANTS NO QUIBBLING IN JEWISH CAUSES

By Leon Blum

cerned, I am a French Jew, and I may conscientiously claim to be a good Frenchman as well. I was born in Paris, in the heart of France. My parents and grandparents lived in Paris. My ancestors were Alsatians, hence also French. I was reared as a Frenchman, attended French schools, my friends were French—and I labored for France.

I believe it was French culture that molded me to the greatest extent and thus also became an integral part of me.

I speak French perfectly without the slightest trace of a foreign accent. Even my features are entirely free from those racial traces which might be especially noticeable. Hence, I regard myself as being assimilated, wholly integrated. I feel with a sure inner conscience and certainty that there is no element (no matter how difficult it may be) of the French spirit, of the French concept of honor, or of French culture, which could possibly be foreign to me. Yet, although I regard myself as a true Frenchman, I know that I am at the same time a Jew.

Furthermore, I have never yet felt the slightest contradiction of these two phases of my conscience. For one can certainly be susceptible to a dual loyalty. Attachment to a country does not at all preclude the possibility of allegiance to another group of another human society . . .

Ought we forget that it is necessary to ameliorate the plight of Jews in other countries? And this for the reason that, in my opinion, Zionism was not created as a national demand—and this is not even today—but only because millions of Jews, the majority of the Jewish people, do not live under normal conditions in lands wherein they reside.

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MEN'S CLUB

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN FORGES AHEAD!

Forty-five Men's Club members attended a special membership meeting held last Thursday evening at the Temple. Team captains were selected to lead a membership drive for 600 members. Rabbi Brickner and President Harry L. Wolpaw addressed the meeting.

The following team captains were appointed: Irwin Benjamin, David Eisenberg, Jerry Frankel, I. J. Kabb, Henry Pasternak, P. J. Pasch, Burton Spiegle, and Sam Siegel. Members of the winning team will be guests at a dinner. The contest closes November 25th.

THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR

The Foreign Affairs Council will hold a dinner meeting on Tuesday, November 17th at the University Club, 3813 Euclid Avenue.

Carleton Beal will speak for the Loyalist point of view and Jose M. Torres-Perona for the Rebel point of view.

Mr. Beals has had a varied and highly interesting career as teacher, editor, explorer, author and special correspondent. He has traveled through Europe, Mexico and Central America.

Jose M. Torres-Perona is a contributor to "La Prensa" and American correspondent for a group of Spanish papers. Educated in Madrid, Bordeaux and Paris, he has travelled in Europe and South America, living for four years in Mexico, then Cuba.

The Temple wishes to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a donation from Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Schwartz in loving memory of Mrs. Schwartz's parents, Jacob and Carrie Newman.

Their names will be inscribed on the Memorial Placque of the Temple.

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It is, therefore, necessary to find a place in which this is possible. In diplomatic documents, this place is called "The National Homeland."

The Jews must have this homeland because the countries in which they have lived do not any longer permit them to feel at home there—legally or actually. This we must not forget. He who is better situated must not regard this as a reason for losing that solidarity which binds him to those Jews who are less fortunate, less secure, and all too often fearfully persecuted . . .

We Jews have often closed our eyes, sometime at fearful cost, to the realities of our circumstances. Today we cannot afford to quibble over the rightness and wrongness, the truth or falsity of being Zionistic. We must not permit ourselves the luxury of parlor discussions on the question. There are emergencies when normal plausible arguments must be cast aside.

Today we are faced with such emergencies. Let us, therefore, bear uppermost in mind that it is imperative to find a place somewhere where suffering, persecuted Jews may find a haven of peace and security. No one can say that Jewish and French interests are here in conflict. On the contrary, they parallel each other, and this is in perfect agreement with the fact that our love for our country and our loyalty to Jewish ideals can dwell harmoniously side by side in our world of thought.

Tel Aviv—The first strike since the temporary port at this all-Jewish city was inaugurated last May occurred over a controversy between contractors and workers who are not members of the Histadruth, the Jewish federation of labor in Palestine.

USE UNIONGRAMS

It's near! It's clear that the event of the season will be the

Alumni Thanksgiving Formal

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28th at the

Hotel Carter Rainbow Room

LEE (STUBBY) GORDON'S ORCHESTRA

Bids--\$2 a couple Alumni Members--\$.75 a couple

JEWISH TEACHERS CONVENE

The Jewish Teachers Association of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan will hold its convention in Cleveland during the Thanksgiving week-end. The visiting teachers and Rabbis will be the guests of the local Temples, and will observe the schools in session.

The three conservative congregations, The Jewish Center, The Temple on the Heights, and the Community Temple are this year participating together with The Temple on Ansel Road, the Council Religious Schools and the Euclid Avenue Temple who are the original members of the Jewish Teachers Association

Rabbi Brickner and Mr. Brilliant are past presidents and Mrs. Braverman a former secretary of the Jewish Teachers Association.

FUNDS

The Temple gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donations:

To The Prayer Book Fund: Mrs. R. S. Schwartz in memory of the birthday of her sister, Lillian N. Unger. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fischer and Mrs. Yetta Kline in memory of Maurice Lebensburger.

To The Yahrzeit Fund: Mrs. E. Manheim in memory of Israel Manheim. Mrs. Carrie Bernstein, Mrs. J. G. Lowitt, Mrs. H. E. Goldman, Mrs. S. G. Fromson in memory of their husband and father, Alex Bernstein. P. B. Arnold in memory of his father, Bernard Arnold. Mrs. Hettie Akers in memory of her mother, Lena Lobenthal. Wm. S. Kohn in memory of his mother, Pauline Kohn.

MEN'S CLUB ROUND TABLE

opening

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19th, 12:15 P. M.

at the

HOTEL ALLERTON

Rabbi Brickner will speak on Jewish Current Events and will lead the discussion

FINE FOOD
MODERATELY PRICED

COME AND BRING A FRIEND

WE WELCOME THE NEW MEMBERS

A hearty welcome is extended to the following who have recently affiliated themselves with our Temple membership. It is earnestly hoped that they will avail themselves of every opportunity offered them through our Temple.

Mrs. Lottie O. Adams

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Charles Roubicek

Lester E. Ruven

Frank E. Schnee

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Charles Schulhof

I. S. Schwartz

Meyer Selzman

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Adolph Stern

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Mrs. Mollie Weinberg

Sanford Wertheimer

S. P. Wilson

Bernard Winer

Sam H. Wolf

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Jacob Wurzman

Leo Wurzman

Joseph A. Yoelson

Charles H. Zucker

A PRAYER

Dear Lord, keep me from the littleness and meanness of ingratitude. Give me a heart full of thanksgiving and praise to Thee and overflowing with love for my fellow man and appreciation of his efforts and struggles.

May I never bear tales of evil or weakness of other people. If I watch my own mistakes I shall be in a far better business. I can better aid others by calling attention to their strong points. May I help to build another's reputation rather than to seek by word or act to tear it down.

Keep me this day free from the evil of selfishness. Of all sin, selfishness is the most heinous and diabolical. Selfishness carried to the extreme will make a person capable of the blackest crime. May I seek to lose selfishness in an allinspiring and all-pervading altruism. May my thoughts be for others, not self.

May we never be tempted to turn back nor even hesitate and falter because the road before us seems to be steep. The uphill road is the road to God and if we keep on climbing we shall finally reach the crest and with it rest and peace.

It is my daily prayer that I may be a good loser and good winner in the moral affairs of life. May I not be cast down when all goes wrong and my soul is troubled, and may I not be elated unduly when success comes and all is well. May I keep my poise and self-possession through it all.

Heavenly Father, give me persistence to finish the task I begin. May my zeal be quickened and courage renewed. May I continue to perform faithfully my work until the task is done.

THE CONTROVERSIES IN ISRAEL

A reader, observing the many arguments going on in Israel, concludes his letter with a sigh, "Will there never be a time without quarrels among us?"

But there is another question: Is it desirable for Israel to be without controversy?

The only seeming unity of opinion observed among peoples of the world is in the so-called totalitarian states. And even among the Nazis unity is but on the surface while underneath seethes the explosive dissent that is called "the underground movement."

We should not desire a perfect unity in which every Jew's mind ran with his neighbor's, in which Jewish opinion was regimented and Jewish life was no longer made quick and vigorous by dissent.

When we read of Jews disagreeing on Jewish policy, we feel comforted, for thus we are assured that Jewish life still is warm. When Jews no longer battle for their opinions then we shall fear that Jewish life is dying.

The controversies of Israel are the sign of a vigorous people. It will be a sad day in Israel's history when a Jew arises to announce an opinion and no Jew comes forward to challenge him.

We are often amused by the recurring myth that "Jews stick together" when we know that dissent happily is the element that keeps the body of Israel warm in his ripe age. Jews are agreed only on general principles, on their duty to keep the name of Israel good, on their obligations to distant brethren, on their purpose to live.

This is unity enough.

To those goals we march together, disputing on the way and thus keeping our ardor burning. Without controversy the long way to peace and justice would become hard, indeed.

When the road gets difficult for our plodding feet and Israel grows weary and asks, "How much farther? How much farther?" some one starts an argument; at once Israel's eyes glow again with the flame of controversy and Israel's feet become quick.

(B'nai B'rith Magazine).

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