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SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 10:30 A. M.

## RABBI BRICKNER

*will speak on*

### "Some of My Best Friends Are Jews"

A review of the provocative book by Robert Gessner.

Mr. Gessner has written a challenging discussion of an important theme. His book has been the subject of much favorable comment by important critics.

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Friday Evening  
Twilight Service  
5:30 to 6:00

Sabbath Morning  
Service  
11:00 to 12:00

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## PALESTINE DAY CHILDREN'S SERVICE

and a

### NEW PAGEANT "HAVLAGAH"

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 23rd, AT 11:00 O'CLOCK

in the Temple

Certificates for the purchase of trees to be planted in Palestine will be distributed by Rabbi Brickner.

Participating in the Service are the following 1937 Confirmants: Margery Beitman, Shirley Burger, Bob Corday, Marjorie Gittelsohn, Richard Goulder, Syville Kohn, Frank Kramer, Richard Wald and Sarah Wolpaw.

Participating in the Pageant: Helen Eisenberg, Doris Friedman, Harold Gruener, Morton Klein, Isobel Lax, Betty Levine, Irv Newman, Irv Podell, Jane Schwartz, Ruth Schwartz, Ruth Singer, Elaine Stern, Daniel Tucker and the Y. J. Girls,

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Rabbi Brickner broadcasts every Sunday evening over Station WGAR, 7 to 7:30 P. M.

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### PEOPLE LIKE SERMONS

(From the Detroit News)

Preachers will be gratified by the result of the poll conducted by the American Institute of Public Opinion concerning the proposal for a "moratorium on preaching." Curiously enough, the original suggestion came from a preacher, Dr. Frederic S. Fleming, rector of Trinity Church, New York. He said he believed the church would give better service to itself and the world if sermons were discontinued for one or two years.

And what say those who listen to the preaching? The Institute poll shows that by overwhelming majority churchgoers of all denominations, including those who have not church membership, insist upon having the sermon.

The tradition of religious instruction from the pulpit is strongly entrenched in this country. In the main, the ministry has been well represented by men of intelligence, scholarship and devotion.

There has been a tendency to increase ritualism in many churches that formerly affected dislike of it, and this change of program necessarily has shortened the time of the sermon. The three-hour dissertation on theology patiently endured by the Puritan fathers would not be acceptable now, but the great majority of those who attend church enjoy a sermon of moderate length which interprets religious duties and experience in terms of modern conditions.

## SISTERHOOD

### Friday Morning Courses

January 22nd—Boris Goldovsky

January 29th—Henry Miller Busch

February 5th—Rabbi Brickner

February 12th—Henry Miller Busch

Doors close promptly at 11:15 o'clock.

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

During the absence from the city of Mrs. Ida Kornhauser please send all contributions for the Scholarship Fund to Mrs. Sam F. Deutsch, 1537 Glenmont Road.

### FUNDS

The Sisterhood gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donations:

**To The Altar Fund:** David Loveman in memory of his father, Marcus Loveman. Mrs. Emma L. Kohn in memory of her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Keller in memory of their parents.

**THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION** will hold its Annual Meeting at the Oakwood Club, Thursday evening, February 4th. Rabbi Milton Steinberg of New York will be the guest speaker. His subject will be "Essential Elements in the Reconstruction of Jewish Community Life in America."

The Charles Eisenman award will be made at the meeting.

Dinner reservations should be made immediately at the office of the Jewish Welfare Federation, CHerry 8176.

Six thousand one hundred and forty families and non-family persons were being aided each month during 1935 by Jewish charity organizations, in 118 urban areas. This constitutes nearly 14 per cent less than the average number aided each month in 1934. The average amount of monthly relief given by Jewish agencies during 1935 was \$26.00. The Salvation Army gave \$6.11 and the Catholic agencies \$13.15.

**THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL** is holding an institute on Friday and Saturday, January 22nd and 23rd, the subject of which will be "Dictatorship and Democracy."

The opening session will be in the auditorium of Cleveland College January 22nd at 5 p. m. Dr. Arnold Wolfers, professor of international relations and master of Pierson College at Yale University, will discuss "The Issues of Conflict Between Dictatorship and Democracy."

At 10 a. m. Saturday morning round table discussions will be held in Cleveland College class rooms.

Dr. Frederick L. Schuman and Lawrence Dennis, writer and lecturer, will hold a debate on "Dictatorship vs. Democracy" after a luncheon in the ballroom of the Hotel Cleveland, Saturday, January 23rd.

A panel discussion will follow in the Red Room of the Hotel Cleveland under the leadership of Professor Henry M. Busch with Hon. Newton D. Baker, the main speakers of the institute, the discussion group leaders and Dr. Brooks Emeny, director of the Council.

Meetings will be open to the public. Course tickets and single admissions to all sessions may be obtained at the office of the Foreign Affairs Council, 922 Society for Savings Building, MAin 1102.

**AN OPPORTUNITY** to increase your Jewish knowledge is offered by the Bureau of Jewish Education through the Institute of Jewish Studies. A new semester starts early in February offering the following: "A Bird's Eye View of Jewish History," by Rabbi Harold Goldfarb; four courses in Hebrew; "Comparative Religion," by Rabbi Melbourne Harris, and "Review of Current Jewish Books," by Mr. Nathan Brilliant and prominent guest speakers.

Sessions are held this year at the Jewish center.

### IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of Louis Triester and Max Wurtenberg.

Our deep sympathy is extended to Mrs. Sanford E. Rosen on the loss of her father, Hugo Magaziner.

## SENIOR ALUMNI

**PLANS ARE IN FULL SWING** for the Alumni Forum Supper to be held **February 14th** in the Recreation Hall. It will be in the nature of a **grand reunion of all confirmation classes from 1924 through 1933.** Hostesses from each of these classes have been selected.

The committee announces that its plans include a supper, an interesting speaker and dancing.

The committee in charge consists of Sylvia Licker, Rosalyn Korach, Joe Persky, Arnold Rosenberg, Robert Desberg, Howard S. Bernon, under the co-chairmanship of Rita and Leonard Freyman.

**DISCUSSION GROUP** Friday evening January 22nd at 8 p. m. at the Temple.

## FUNDS

The Temple gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donations:

**To The Yahrzeit Fund:** Mrs. Emil Glick in memory of her father, Samuel Grossman. Mrs. A. Gálblom in memory of her mother, Lottie Anthony. Mrs. Sam Hersh and family, Mrs. Ella Stern and Henry Goldberg in loving memory of Joseph Colbert. Mrs. Ben Rothman in memory of her daughter, Yetta Singer. Mrs. David Loveman in memory of her mother, Rosa Marks.

**To The Prayer Book Fund:** Yetta S. Brown in memory of Marcus Loveman. Mrs. B. Reader and Mrs. A. Senor in memory of Nathan Trau. Mrs. R. S. Schwartz in memory of Sophie Firth

**To The Memorial Chapel Fund:** Mrs. J. E. Steiner in memory of Joseph Colbert.

**To The Library Fund:** The Marionette Club and friends in memory of Miriam H. Wile.

### MEMORIAL CHAPEL FUND

The Temple acknowledges with thanks a donation from Edward S. Eckstein in loving memory of his parents, Caroline and Leopold Eckstein.

Their names will be inscribed on the plaque at the entrance of our Memorial Chapel.

## ORTHODOX JEWISH LAW

The Jewish laws by which orthodox Judaism regulates the conduct of its adherents are at present fixed and immovable. There is no established and generally recognized authority to modify or alter them. The Oral Law as developed in Jewish life had amplified and modernized the Written Law as contained in Sacred Scriptures. The teachers in the Mishnah had fixed the Oral Law. The interpretations of this Law in the discussions of the Amoraim as recorded in the Talmud was a step in its development. (The schools in Sura and Pumbedita and the Gaonim, in their responsa, carried on the work as did the distinguished rabbis in Spain, France, Germany and other countries. In their work they clarified some difficult questions of law but also instituted certain practices of paramount importance such as monogamy. In so doing they have evidence that there was in Jewish law, life, movement and adaptation.

From time to time, codifications of Jewish law were made by authoritative masters of the Torah, culminating in the **Shulhan Aruk** by Rabbi Joseph Caro, which appeared in 1567. Thereafter the recognition of authority to give generally binding legal decisions in orthodox Jewry seems to have disappeared, so that from a strictly legalistic point of view, the **Shulhan Aruk** of almost four hundred years ago, is still the binding law upon orthodox Jewry.

There is no generally recognized and established authority to alter, discard, modify or develop it. As matters are now in orthodox Jewry, every rabbi considers himself, no doubt by virtue of learning and due recognition, vested with authoritative powers to reinterpret and modify established Jewish laws according to the exigencies of the day.

If we, the Jewish people, ever come to the stage when we fail to respond to the call of Jewish education, we will have done what our enemies never succeeded in doing, what the Romans and Greeks and all the nations of the earth were unable to do. We will have destroyed ourselves. We will have written our own death warrant.—Louis Marshal.



**RE-ELECTED** to serve as officers of the Temple for 1937 was the entire slate that served so faithfully and well for last year:

**Myron A. Cohen, President.**

**Adolph Keller, First Vice President.**

**David G. Skall, Second Vice President.**

**I. N. Stone, Honorary Vice President.**

**Fred Frankel, Treasurer.**

**Oscar H. Steiner, Secretary.**

For the first time in many years a father and a son are both sitting on the Board of Trustees—Judge Maurice Beron, Chairman of the Religious School Committee, and his son, Howard, President of the Alumni Association.

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

### PARENTS PLEASE NOTE

Report cards have been mailed to the homes of all children in grades 4 through 9. Please examine the report cards carefully, sign them and return them to the teacher through your child.

You are also requested to return the signed slip indicating whether you plan to attend the Annual Parent Teachers Meeting on Sunday afternoon, January 31st, at 2:30 p. m.

An interesting program of a diversified nature and representative of every department and many phases of the work of the Religious School will be presented.

After the meeting teachers will be in their rooms to receive the parents.

An exhibition of the children's work will be displayed in the Recreation Hall and on the class room walls.

It is the duty of every parent to attend.

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## NEW HOME PROJECT FOR JEWS IS SET UP

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### Vast Swamp in Palestine to Be Developed Into 14,000 Acres of Farm Land

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### Refugees Will Do the Work, Which "May Cost Millions"—Arabs Also Will Benefit

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Swampland in Northern Palestine, adjacent to the Syrian border in the vicinity of Lake Huleh, will be reclaimed and developed for agricultural uses for the benefit of Jews and Arabs beginning in 1937. When the marshy land is drained and connected with neighboring ground it will create an area of 14,000 acres on which 2,500 homesteads may be established.

The project is the largest ever undertaken in modern times in Palestine for the benefit of Jews as well as Arabs.

The reclamation plans, prepared by a British engineering firm, provide for the drainage of the whole lake and swamp area. The plans also provide for a network of irrigation canals extending over the whole area. The project will require the services, for a number of years, of a considerable number of pioneer workers, including German refugees and other immigrants, "at a cost of possibly millions of dollars."

One-fourth of the area to be reclaimed, at Jewish expense, will be given to Arab farmers.

The charge that the Arabs were being pushed off their land has no foundation in fact, which, foreign officials in Palestine are beginning to realize. The Jews are actually adding to the habitable area of Palestine by such projects as the Lake Huleh plan.

If the Jews owned five times as much land as they now own, they would still own less than one-third of the land in Palestine.

Today we have a situation where 30 per cent of the population of Palestine which is Jewish owns less than 10 per cent of the land.



## JUNIOR ALUMNI FIRE SIDE

**Sunday, January 24th**

4:00 P. M.—Panel discussion by the Debate Group participating under the chairmanship of Mr. James Rice.

6:00 P. M.—Buffet Supper with members of the Men's Club as hosts.

7:00 P. M.—Dancing.

**Members Free**

**Others 25c**

## MEN'S CLUB

AN "ONEG SHABBAT" will be held on Friday evening, February 5th, at 8:30 p. m. at the Temple with the beautiful ceremony of the Kiddush, the blessing of the candles and the singing of folk songs.

A special feature of the evening will be the appearance of Rabbi Israel Chodos of White Plains, N. Y., who will enhance the program with a rare display of Jewish humor, droll talks and melodies. Rabbi Chodos has been aptly described as "tall as Abraham Lincoln, droll as Irwin Cobb and melodious as the best of cantors." He is a rare treat.

Dr. S. S. Sidenberg, chairman of the "Oneg Shabbat" committee, has prepared a large number of hosts and hostesses to greet people as they come in and seat them at the tables. "In the past any apparent lack of hospitality has been due to the influx of crowds larger than have been anticipated, and consequent insufficient preparation," Dr. Sidenberg says.

Active in preparing the "Oneg Shabbat" are: Sam Brown, Jack Grodin, Mrs. I. J. Kabb, Henry D. Pasternak and Mrs. J. O. Stein.