THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE BULLETIN CLEVELAND. OHIO

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

January 1st, at 10:30 A. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"THE FIVE LEADING EVENTS OF 1938"

The Men's Club presents

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO ROUND TABLE

vith

Dr. Paul Douglas, Dr. Walter Laves and Dr. Maynard Krueger

TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 24th, 8:30 P. M. in the auditorium

ALL SEATS RESERVED 50c AND 75c

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Friday evening twilight service 5:30 to 6:00 P. M. Sabbath morning service 11:00 to 12:00 noon

Rabbi Brickner broadcasts every Sunday over Station WGAR---2:30 to 3:00 P. M.

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THE PRESIDENT REPORTS

(Continued from last week)

General Activities

In addition to the religious services, the Euclid Avenue Temple has become a great cultural and social center for all of our people. It is literally a beehive of activity at all times. Time, unfortunately, does not permit the detailing of all those activities and events.

Public Relations

Much good will is created through our Rabbi's radio work. He is heard very frequently over national networks and has been delivering weekly broadcasts from Cleveland for the past thirteen years. He has thousands of followers as is evidenced by the many letters which come to his desk from his radio audience.

The Ministers Institute—On March 30, the fourth annual "Institute on Judaism" was held in cooperation with the Cleveland Church Federation and the Ministerial Association of Greater Cleveland. Our temple was host to several hundred ministers of this city who met for the entire day, listened to addresses by Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Rabbi Brickner, and Dr. Thomas W. Graham, Dean of the Graduate School of Theology at Oberlin College.

The discussion that followed the addresses were eloquent evidence of the important purpose served by the Institutes to promote better mutual understanding through these ministers who are eager to inform their congregations. Luncheon was served by our Sisterhood ladies.

(From the President's Report at the 92nd Annual Congregational Meeting. To be continued).

SISTERHOOD

THE FRIDAY MORNING CULTURAL COURSE adjourned for the holiday season will be resumed on Friday, January 13th at 11:00 A. M. Rabbi Brickner will review an important book.

Boris Goldovsky, Joseph Remenyi and Henry Miller Busch are the speakers for the remaining half of the Friday Morning Cultural Course.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

THERE WILL BE NO SESSIONS of the Religious School on Saturday, December 31st and on Sunday, Jan. 1st. This includes the Special Hebrew Department and the Bible Classes.

CONTEST WINNERS

WHAT'S IN A MEZUZAH?

Many have wondered: What's in a Mezuzah? The prevalent notion that this little ceremonial object contains the ten commandments is in error. Its contents, engraved on parchment, are two passages from the Book of Deuteronomy. One is the watchword of Judaism: "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is One. And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might," and the three subsequent sentences (Deut. 6:4-9). The other recounts the blessings that will follow if Israel serves God with all its heart. (Deut. 11: 13-21). Each of these passages includes the injunction: "Thou shalt write them upon the door-posts of thy house." The Mezuzah is a reminder, when coming in or going out, of the unity of God, and that He alone endures-a contemplation which helps to lead man on the right path.

SANCTUARY-OR MIRAGE

The suggestion that Jewish refugees from Germany be resettled in remote parts of Africa and British Guiana is too impractical for serious consideration.

It bespeaks the sincerity of Prime Minister Chamberlain's efforts to deal with the problem that he holds up no resy picture in his discussion of proposals for such settlement projects.

Of Tanganvika he notes:

"Thorough investigation will be required before a definite indication of the available areas can be given. The area that might be available comprises about 50,000 acres of land."

Fifty thousand acres would accommodate, at most, but a few thousand farmers.

Of British Guiana, Chamberlain ob-

"Agricultural development in these areas (the areas proposed for settlement) has been prevented by unfavorable conditions and lack of communications. It would, therefore, be essential that careful surveys by experts should be made before any definite scheme can be formulated."

Similar problems arise in Nyasaland and Northern Rhcdesia, other colonies suggested for refugee settlements.

The upshot is that no early relief from the German crisis can be expected by resettlement in any of those areas. By the time necessary surveys and inspections can be completed—well, the thought of the possibilities within Germany chills the blood.

It is better that Chamberlain be frank in admitting that "the possibilities of settlement are strictly limited."

But the need, alas, is anything but limited. It is an emergency. It must be faced as an emergency.

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There is one logical refuge, a refuge which would be at least temporary and perhaps permanent. We refer to Palestine.

Palestine is equipped to accommodate immediately substantial numbers of

MEN'S CLUB

BRINGS CHICAGO ROUND TABLE

On January 24th, 1939, Tuesday evening, the Men's Club will bring the University of Chicago Round Table to our auditorium in an extemporaneous discussion of "American Foreign Policy and the Peace of Munich." This program is the oldest, cultural and educational program on the air. It has been broadcast over a national hook-up for the past seven years and has a tremendous following.

Although the expense of bringing the Chicago Round Table to Cleveland is great, the Men's Club has decided to keep the price of admission very low. The front part of the auditorium will be reserved for 75c seats and the rear part will sell for 50c. All seats are reserved.

Tickets may be obtained from Chester Hess, chairman of ticket sales and from the following members of his committee: Henry Pasternak, Harry L. Wolpaw, Jack Gródin, Harry Jacobson, Marvin Gardner, Leo Newman and Dr. Michael Krall.

Mr. Alfred I. Soltz is chairman of this meeting.

IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of William Antel, Jussman Epstein, and Henry Rotbart.

Jewish refugees. It would take years to equip any of the less populated British colonies for large-scale immigration.

We are aware that the immediate objection will be that the Arab-Jewish problem in Palestine is sufficiently intense now, that any such program would involve grave if not disastrous complications.

Yet British genius for negotiation and compromise should, we believe, prove equal to that situation.

We say: "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

The Midrash says: "Better one bird tied up than a hundred flying."

ALUMNI

CULTURAL GROUPS

Book Discussion will meet on Tuesday, January 3rd, at 8:00 P. M. in the Library, continuing the review of 'The Importance of Living."

Dramatic Group will meet on Thursday, January 5th at 8:00 P. M. in the Conference Room.

Discussion Group will meet on Friday, January 6th at 8:00 P. M. in the Library.

WHY PERSECUTE JEWS

"We are delighted at the unity with which straight-thinking churchmen of every denomination are raising against those who seek to kindle fires of hatred against Jewish people. "The New World", a Chicago Catholic publication, typically editorializes as follows:

"The church owes much to Judaism. No Catholic can repudiate this debt, either in an attitude toward history or towards that morality which was struck in stone on the slopes of Mount Sinai. Above all, no real Christian can deny the Jew his right to live.

"Catholics, themselves, insist upon being heard in the courts of justice and right. The Jew has the same privilege to plead before the tribunals of the world as a man and as a creature of God.

"Our Savior sprang from the Jewish nation. No Christian can consistently deny His race the essential rights of man without profaning Him who died for all, Jew or Gentile, slave or free."

"Nationalistic hatred is an evil monster which the Advocate would like to wipe out; it has no place on American soil! It belongs in the same quarantine as religious prejudice."

-St. Louis Union Labor Advocate.

"UNLESS THE LORD BUILD THE HOUSE"

There may be those who feel they can live quite happily without either religious discipline or communion with God. But they are in grave error. The restlessness which characterizes us, the confusion which has come in our times, the

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The Library again issues a call for funds. Never before have publishing houses issued so many books on Jewish subjects in English. To function effectively our Library must be up-to-date. Contributions should be sent to our Temple office.

Entire shelves or individual books may be donated in memory of some dear one, or on the occasion of some happy event.

increasing percentage of neuroses among us. and the general unhappiness of all of us in the midst of the greatest affluence the world has yet seen, has come upon us primarily because of the lack of that sense of communion with God which made our forefathers happy in spite of their poverty and their physical suffering. We resemble most closely those little children who, not having yet learned to interpret the symptoms of weariness and hunger, cry when bedtime or mealtime comes, and yet refuse either to go to bed or take their food Living in a gilded palace, as it were. we are still miserable, for we are essentially orphans, having lost that most precious of all values in life, the sense of the Fatherhood of God.

The feeling of deprivation grows sharper and more poignant, instead of less severe, as we grow older. The time comes to each of us when the burdens of life seem far too heavy to carry, when the brightness of youth begins to fade, and we notice the lengthening shadows which presage our end.

More than ever then do we become homesick; homesick, not for our houses or for our countries, but homesick for the universal Parent of all of us for that deep affection which is the heart of the universe itself, for the mercy of God; yet a wall of iron has been placed between us and Him, and we cannot find Him. What greater good can man achieve, either for himself or for the world, than to contribute his effort to piercing this wall, and bring the Father and the Children once more into loving communion with one another!

-Prof. Louis Finkelstein.