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

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"EUROPE--

**THE REAL ISSUES BEHIND THE WAR AND
WHAT ARE THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE?"**

This Sunday will mark the beginning of
Rabbi Brickner's fifteenth season of
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Friday Evening Twilight Service
5:30 to 6:00

Sabbath Morning Service
11:00 to 12:00 noon

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EARLY AMERICAN JEWS

The story of the Jew in early American life is entwined with the very beginnings: the periods of discovery and colonization. That Columbus' expeditions were possible only because of the financial support of two Spanish Marranos, Louis de Santangel, counselor of the King, and Gabriel Sanchez, treasurer of Aragon, is well known. As one historian put it: "Not Isabella's jewels, but her Jews, were responsible." Columbus likewise owed a debt to Jewish scientists, especially Judah Crescas, the "map Jew," and Abraham Zacuto, the astronomer. Five of his sailors were converted Jews and it seems that one, Luis de Torres, an interpreter, was the first to go ashore.

Although Spain at that time forbade all non-Catholics, and even new converts, from going to her colonies, such laws could not have been rigidly enforced, for it was deemed necessary to establish the Inquisition on the American shores, as well. This terrible institution preyed on Marranos seeking freedom. It claimed its first Jewish victim in Mexico City in 1574, and many more throughout the subsequent century. The secret Jews of Brazil therefore welcomed the conquest of that country by the liberty-loving Dutch in 1631. Many openly returned to Judaism. The reconquest of Portugal, however, dispersed the large Jewish colony. Although many fled to Holland, some joined the free Jewish settlement in Dutch Guiana, where they prospered in trade and the cultivation of sugar. Others entered the Jewish quarters of Curacao in the Dutch West Indies, or of Jamaica, which had been recently taken by the British. It was from these various colonies that the first Jews came to North America.

SISTERHOOD

THE SEWING GROUP opened last Tuesday with a very fine attendance. An invitation is extended to join this group, one of the most active in the Sisterhood calendar.

HAPPY OCCASIONS or illnesses should be reported to Mrs. I. J. Kabb, FA. 3577 or to the Temple office, CE. 0862. This information will be communicated to the Rabbi and to the visiting committee. Your cooperation will be sincerely appreciated.

SAVE AND BRING YOUR TAX STAMPS with you to the sewing meetings on Tuesday or drop them into a box provided for that purpose in the office. Help swell our scholarship fund.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. S. David Spizel on the engagement of their daughter Hilda, to Jerome Wolf.

Mrs. David Hyman on her 82nd birthday.

Mr. Lawrence E. Stone on the engagement of his daughter Nancy to Louis S. Weiss.

FUNDS

To the Yahrzeit Fund: Mrs. L. Handel in memory of husband. Miss Tillie Fishel in memory of Herman, Elizabeth and Otto Fishel. Mrs. M. Tuber in memory of parents Sam and Hanna Sapone. Mr. Alfred W. Haiman in memory of mother, Fannie S. Haiman.

To the Prayer Book Fund: Mr. George E. Jordan in memory of Richard M. and Joseph Jordan. Mrs. H. Rosenberg in memory of mother, Sarah Meisel.

To the Altar Fund: Mrs. E. K. Straus in memory of Aaron Straus. Mrs. Will S. Halle. Mrs. B. J. LaVetter in memory of parents, Fannie and William Kaufman. Mrs. H. H. Kahn in memory of father, Harry Lee. Mrs. E. I. Wallach in memory of mother, Mary Lee.

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Keren Kayemeth, and more than \$10,000 were spent on building the dormitories, school buildings, workshops, chicken-coop and stable, laundry and social rooms by the Youth Aliya Funds. The children are divided into separate classes and groups according to their predilections and abilities. But ultimately they have the same goal: after two years they will be prepared to take up an independent life on the soil of Palestine.

Their day is divided into two parts: the morning is devoted to practical work on the land, in the workshops, kitchen, etc. The afternoons are given over to theoretical studies: Hebrew language, Jewish history, Bible, Talmud, Hebrew literature, geography and topography and natural life of Palestine, English and Arabic; in short a comprehensive curriculum for an adjusted and productive life in Palestine.

When they leave the Children's Village after two years of study and work, they will be full-fledged farmers (and with a high-school education) ready to enter a kvutza, which is the goal for which they are being trained. Besides the above programme, they are, therefore, also being made familiar with the fundamentals of collective life: selfishness and mutual aid, and above all, love of the land.

It is not surprising that for many of them it is not easy immediately to grasp the principles of collective life, although these principles have been implemented from the first day of their arrival. But the teachers impart them to the young newcomers methodically and understandingly. Numerous questions arise in the puzzled minds of the youngsters as to equal duties and equal responsibilities, equal rights and complete absence of former class differences or differences of environment. But gradually they are enlightened.

I know that when I shall visit Kfar Hasidim a year or so hence, I shall find these youngsters full-fledged Palestinians, with that transformation so often seen in the Emek, which turns lads and lasses into responsible young people, workers and defenders of their homes, fully conscious of their task and mission and completely determined to realize it.

—From the Palestine Review, March 17, 1939.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

THE CLUB DEPARTMENT began its activities this past week with an excellent attendance. This department of our Temple activity is now entering its 13th year under the supervision of Mrs. Sigmund Braverman.

Following are the clubs available to the children of our Religious school.

For High School Age

Bezalel Art	Tuesday P. M.
Discussion and Debate	Tuesday evening
Boy Scouts	Tuesday evening
Club Leaders Training	Sunday A. M.
Girls' Fireside	Tuesday P. M.
High School Players	Thursday P. M.
High School Chorus	Sunday A. M.
Journalism	Sunday A. M.
Orchestra	Wednesday P. M.
Sharp Focus Club	Monday P. M.

For Junior High Age

Bezalel Art	Tuesday P. M.
Boys' Choir	Thursday P. M.
Boy Scouts	Tuesday evening
Girl Scouts	Thursday P. M.
Habima Players	Monday P. M.
Junior High Boys	Tuesday P. M.
Karnei Zion	Monday P. M.
Keren Ami Council	(to be announced)
Orchestra	Wednesday P. M.
Sharp Focus Club	Monday P. M.
Sosson	Thursday P. M.
Studio Players	Tuesday P. M.

For Intermediate Age

Boys' Choir	Thursday P. M.
Keren Ami Council	(to be announced)
Girl Scouts	Thursday P. M.
Maccabees	Thursday P. M.
Reuth	Wednesday P. M.
Studio Players	Tuesday P. M.

WINNERS IN THE SUCCAH BUILDING CONTEST are:

Primary Department, Carol Schnerb, George Klein, and Belma Aftergood.

Intermediate Department, Sanford Diamond, Joan Gomberg, Carolyn Cort, and Beryl Shapiro.

Junior High Department, Robert Frankel and Elaine Schwartz.

ESCAPE FROM INFERNO

Children's Village, Kfar Hasidim

By a score of mannerisms the children at Kfar Hasidim reminded me of the patrician homes in Germany where they were brought up. They have recently arrived in Palestine under the Youth Aliya scheme. They are doubly fortunate: they escaped the Nazi hell on the eve of the November pogroms, and having come from various training camps, they are armed with the essentials of preparatory training, so helpful and valuable for settling on the land. Some of their homes and families I knew intimately. The faces of these children bear the traces of refinement chiselled by their home environment of modesty and restraint, cultured worldliness and aristocratic Jewish tradition, which formed the framework of the lives of their forebears.

All of them are from orthodox families, of a type well-known in Jewish life. They enjoyed all the blessings of those secure orderly homes; they were candidates no doubt for the study of medicine, law and the Rabbinate, with good marriages and comfortable homes of their own ahead of them. And the parents certainly meant to spare them disappointment and disillusionment, not foreseeing any vicissitudes. Their road from the cradle to the grave seemed laid out on clearly defined, peaceful lines, such as their fathers and grandfathers had followed.

And suddenly, the dark apparition of Hitler with all its ghastly manifestations: the Synagogues in which they worshipped going up in flames, the Holy Scrolls which they kissed reverently being rent and trampled, the Jewish institutions destroyed, father in prison, uncle in the concentration camp, mother with no food to serve, friends and neighbors hiding in the woods. There is only God. But where is God?

All this terror and panic, all this abysmal doubt, the ghastly dropping of the heavens, are reflected in the eyes of these children in their talk and their bearing.

Even the freedom and friendliness of the new surroundings here have not yet

effaced their harried expressions or tranquillised their shaking voices, though the picture they present at the Children's Village at Kfar Hasidim is as delightful as a fairy-tale.

The calendar declares that it is still winter, but the surroundings at Kfar Hasidim say it is spring. The place is bathed in verdure and brilliant sunshine, and most of the day the children are out-of-doors. It has not taken them long to find familiar faces. They have met comrades from the Hahshara (training) camps "at home." The watchman perched on the top of the tower is an old friend from Germany; the older comrades with whom they share their quarters here were also known to them before. They seem to communicate by a code of glances and slight gestures.

Small wonder that I found many of them as in a trance. Some were still almost tiptoeing through the place, touching things with their finger-tips to make sure they were real, a sort of Alice-in-Wonderland experience, until they should be convinced that the beautiful garden patch, the new spacious stable, the shining kitchen and the glittering new implements were indeed real and theirs to have and use.

As their feet grow increasingly accustomed to the new surroundings, the clouds seem to vanish from their eyes, the ominous echoes from their tortured souls. All those harrowing memories of plunder and confiscation, of desperate cries for the chance of escaping to some distant land gradually leave them. But not entirely, for they cannot forget those left behind in the inferno and cannot fully realize that they are entirely away from it. For the time being they conclude that the present is a kind of holiday from life, a respite from reality, that this Children's Village at Kfar Hasidim is a sort of temporary Garden of Eden.

Every effort was made to create a background of peace and calm for these children. The tract of land on which the Village is founded was allotted by the

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A PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION

To Be Read at Sabbath and Festival Services

(From the London Jewish Chronicle)

The Chief Rabbi has composed the following special Prayer of Supplication, to be read in all Synagogues at every Sabbath and Festival after the Prayer for the King and the Royal Family:

The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength in Whom I will trust.

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war should rise against me, even then I will be confident,

He will keep the feet of the godly from stumbling, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by might shall no man prevail.

He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands perform not their enterprise.

Yea, none that wait on Thee shall be ashamed. They shall be ashamed that deal treacherously without cause.

Thou art a shelter unto me; Thou wilt save me from sorrow; Thou wilt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

For the Lord is our Judge, the Lord is our Lawgiver, the Lord is our King. He will save us.

Father of Mercy, with grief-laden souls we come before Thee today. Behold, a spirit of perverseness has come over a renowned nation. Its rulers proclaim an idolatry of race and blood. Strife and desolation and destruction are in their paths; they violate the boundaries of nations, and the way of peace they know not. The shout of the warrior and the roar of battle resound to the ends of the earth because of the fury of the oppressor. The terrors of war are upon us; they have come close to our gates. Yet we will not fear. Our fathers trusted in Thee and Thou didst deliver them. To Thee alone our eyes are lifted up. Who bringest low the haughty and protectest the upright in spirit. With Thine own wisdom direct the rulers and counsellors of our nation. Gird our hosts with strength and courage and victory on land and on sea. Keep Thou far from us

ALUMNI

MRS. SIGMUND BRAVERMAN spoke before the Alumni Current Problems group last Thursday, on the recent World Zionist Congress at Geneva, Switzerland, which she attended.

The Book Discussion group will meet Thursday, October 17th, with Ivan L. Miller, chairman.

The Dramatic Appreciation group headed by Minna S. Buxbaum and Joseph Rosensweig, will meet on Wednesday evening, October 18th.

The Music Appreciation group of which Alfred Korach is chairman, will meet on Tuesday evening, October 24th.

REFUGEE SINGERS IN PALESTINE

In an unusual effort to serve both practical necessity and artistic creation at one stroke, plans are being carried out to establish a colony of singers in Palestine. Gifted vocalists and composers from among Jewish refugees will gather in a single village where each will have his home, and a parcel of land for the support of himself and his family. It is the hope that such a village might become an historic center for symphonic choir festivals, dedicated to Jewish and especially biblical themes. A committee of prominent Jewish musicians and music-lovers, in America and elsewhere, is advancing the undertaking and has adopted as its motto the words of Nehemiah: "For the singers had builded them villages round about Jerusalem."

IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family of Regina Stern Schoenfeld and Emil Kahn.

pestilence and famine; and shield our homes from sorrow and hurt.

Our Father, our King! hearken unto our cry; save us for Thy name's sake, so that loyalty and faithfulness be indeed the stability of our times. Speedily cause righteousness to triumph and the lovers of justice to rejoice, and hasten the day when Thy tabernacle of peace shall be spread over all the children of men for evermore. Amen.

TEMPLE FLASHES

About 1400 people attended the Succoth meetings of the Sisterhood and the Men's Club to hear Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner discuss their experiences on their trip to Europe . . . About 1000 women attended the Sisterhood meeting, one of the largest gatherings in its history . . . Over 400 men attended the Men's Club meeting in the evening and listened to Rabbi Brickner's report with keen interest . . . Only 11c an evening! Really a remarkably low price for nine evenings of current events with Professor Busch, Dr. Meyer, and Rabbi Brickner. Tickets for members, \$1.00 each for the series, are available in the Temple office, and from members of the Sisterhood, Men's Club, and Alumni . . . The Temple was filled to capacity for the consecration services last Thursday. It was gratifying to see the large number of children who celebrated the concluding day of Succoth by attending services.

WANTED A PIANO, grand preferred, but upright acceptable for our newly decorated Recreation Hall. Call Mr. Erwin Jospe.

MEN'S CLUB

SMOKER

"Extremely gratifying," was the opinion of leading Men's Clubbers, as 400 members and friends filled the new streamlined Recreation Hall to hear Rabbi Brickner tell of recent experiences abroad. The occasion was the first Men's Club event of the season, a Smoker held a week ago Thursday. Dr. "Mike" Krall's second term as president is off to an enthusiastic start.

MEMBERSHIP

According to the "Program of the Year" booklet released by the Men's Club, members will get the biggest three and a half dollars worth of activity in years. "Hank" Pasternak, chairman of membership committee advises half of last year's total is in—urges quick signing up of old and new members in order to reap maximum benefits from membership.

ROUND TABLE

Next activity is the **Evening Round Table** to be held at the Temple **Thursday, October 26th**. Dr. S. S. Sidenberg, chairman, promises a very entertaining evening. Keep this date open and watch Men's Club Column for further details.

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