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THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE

# BULLETIN

CLEVELAND, OHIO

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CHANUKAH SERVICE  
SUNDAY MORNING  
December 10th at 10:30

RABBI BRICKNER

*will speak on*

## "THE FATE OF DICTATORS"

WHAT MAKES AND UNMAKES THEM

An historical review of the  
path of dictatorship

A CHANUKAH SERMON

THE TEMPLE CHOIR, under the direction of Erwin Jospe, will present for the first time Grimm's musical service.

In addition to this there will be a special program of musical selections from Handel's Oratorio, "Judas Macabaeus."

The Choir has recently been enlarged and now has a membership of 20 singers.



There will be a special Chanukah candle  
lighting ceremony at the service

Friday evening twilight service 5:30 to 6 P. M.

Sabbath morning service 11 to 12 noon.



93rd CONGREGATIONAL MEETING THIS SUNDAY EVENING AT 8 P. M.

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### OUT-OF-TOWN STUDENTS TEA

Invitations are now being sent out to children of our members who attend out-of-town colleges for the Tea that is held annually at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner during the winter vacation.

If we do not have the name and address of your son or daughter attending an out-of-town college, please let us know immediately.

### ORATORIO BROADCAST AND CONCERT

The Cleveland Oratorio Singers under the direction of Mr. Erwin Jospe will broadcast selections from G. F. Handel's Oratorio "Judas Maccabaeus" on a coast to coast network program of the "Message of Israel" **Saturday evening, Dec. 9th at 7 P. M. over WHK** during the week of the Chanukah Festival.

**On Sunday, Dec. 10th at 1:00 P. M.** the Singers will broadcast over WTAM under the sponsorship of the Cleveland Art Museum.

**On Sunday, December 17th at 3:30 P. M.** the Singers will give the main performance at the Cleveland Art Museum accompanied by the Cleveland Chamber Orchestra.

**TUNE IN on the Chanukah Radio Broadcast** of the Bureau of Jewish Education on **Saturday, December 9th, from 6:45 to 7 P. M. over Station WTAM.**

This Chanukah program is one of a series of Jewish Holiday broadcasts which is part of the regular extension education program of the Bureau.

### "Interpreting World Events" Course

presents

**PROF. HENRY M. BUSCH**

subject

**"RECENT POLITICAL ALIGNMENTS AND THE WAR."**



**Tuesday, December 12th, 8:30 P. M.**

Admission 35c or by course ticket.

### SISTERHOOD

**A SPECIAL HOLIDAY DISPLAY** of merchandise made by the Sewing Groups will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 10 to 12 o'clock and on Friday afternoons from 3 to 4 o'clock.

### JEWS ALWAYS PERSECUTED?

"Many Jewish historians are wont to draw the picture solely in black. Isolating the Jews from other social groups, they stress the severe disabilities imposed upon them and the insecurity which pervaded their life. The time has come to revise these traditional notions. As a whole, the Jews were inferior in legal status to the most privileged classes, nobles, and clerics, but often they were fully equal to the Christian burghers. Although in the latter Middle Ages, discriminatory laws piled up in western and central Europe from generation to generation, in essence the Jews still remained a privileged group in most countries, belonging to the privileged minority."

"Nevertheless, the widespread belief that the Jewish life in medieval Europe consisted in an uninterrupted series of migrations and suffering, of disabilities and degradation, is to be relegated to the realm of popular misconceptions. The Middle Ages were neither in themselves the dark ages they were once thought to have been; nor were they as dark for the Jews, in comparison with the rest of the population, as is still widely believed.

—Baron, A Social and Religious History of the Jews.

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## **The Euclid Avenue Temple**

*Cordially invites you and your family  
to attend*

### **the Ninety-third Annual Congregational Meeting**

Sunday Evening, December Tenth,

(FIFTH DAY OF CHANUKAH)

8 o'clock

IN THE AUDITORIUM

#### *The Program*

Chanukah Candle Lighting Ceremony

Annual Reports and Elections

Movies of Temple Activities

"Daughters of America"—A Play

Social Hour and Refreshments

The Nominating Committee reports the following nominations to the Board of Trustees — for a five year term: Messrs. David Geller, Samuel Miller, David Schlesinger, Philip Frankel, Stephen Kraus, and Dr. S. F. M. Hirsch.

Representing the Sisterhood: Mrs. Emery Klineman, Mrs. Ida Kornhauser, and Mrs. Sam F. Deutsch.

Representing the Men's Club: Dr. Michael Krall and I. S. Rose.

Representing the Alumni Association: Sheridan Horwitz and Robert Desberg.

## POPULATION: PAST AND FUTURE

Recent discussions of the absorptive capacity of Palestine have led to inquiries as to its population in Roman days. Mr. Lloyd George asserted that it was four million and his figure was immediately challenged.

Juster, who wrote the standard work on the political and legal status of the Jews under the Roman Empire, gives the number as five million, and Professor Baron, in his learned "Social and Religious History of the Jews," gives the figure of two and one-half million. Mr. Aviyone, of the Rockefeller Museum, has recently stated that on the basis of the latest researches it is to be estimated that four million people lived in Palestine in the Roman era.

Skeptics will still argue that even if the figure of, say, four million is correct, this gives no clear guide to practical policy. That may be true, but it will be of some value if it serves to show that it is ridiculous to divorce the discussion of absorptive capacity from the standard of living. Clearly, on a low standard the country can hold as many as it did in the past. Indeed, allowing for superior technique and knowledge, Palestine could today hold the same population as in Herod's day with a standard of living three or four times as high, and with much less arduous labour than was then required. Alternatively, it could hold about twice as many on a lower standard of living. Tel-Aviv already has a population 50 per cent greater than that of the capital of the Second Commonwealth.

This is not really surprising to those who read the history of Palestine in the 19th century diligently. In 1800 the quarter of a million inhabitants were living in abject poverty, misery and disease, with a death rate exceeding the high birth-rate. Today, with a population

six times as large, the standard of living has risen and is still rising. No one has produced the slightest bit of evidence to suggest that Palestine is reaching the limits of her capacity to absorb a larger population.

The history of the past twenty years has indeed abundantly proved that zealous labour and scientific methods can consistently increase the economic absorptive capacity of Palestine and that its potential value for colonization is even greater than the Zionists have claimed. The future of the country to both the British Empire and to the Jews obviously depends on the encouragement of the heroic efforts that have already had unparalleled results. Palestine could be the homeland for a largely increased number of Jews, incidentally to the immense advantage of the Empire.

—Reprinted from "Palestine."

## JEWES ALONG THE BALTIC

The Russian drive for the control of the Baltic has turned the world's attention to these states of the north. Their proportion of Jewish inhabitants increases with their proximity to Central Europe. Finland, with its nearly four million people, has less than two thousand Jews. Estonia, with somewhat over a million inhabitants has forty-three hundred. Latvia, however, numbers a hundred thousand Jews among its two million people. And Lithuania has for long been a center of Jewish numbers and learning. Memel with its 20,000 Jews was taken by Germany last year. With the recent addition of the city of Vilna—acquired from the break-up of Poland—with its large Jewish population multiplied by refugees fleeing war-torn areas and Soviet or Nazi control, Lithuania, a land of two and a half million, today probably harbors a third of

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## **CHANUKAH VERSUS IMPERIALISM**

The beginning of Chanukah on the evening of December 6th calls to mind a struggle between types of imperialism that bears resemblance to the events of our own day. After the sudden death of Alexander the Great, Palestine found itself caught between two contending fragments of the Greek Empire: Syria and Egypt. The ruling class in Egypt felt secure in their control over the masses, and had no policy of active Hellenization. Syria, however, composed of various nationalities, sought to develop its unity through an aggressive program of cosmopolitan Greek culture. When under Syria, Palestine, too, felt this pressure.

At first relatively lenient, Hellenism won the support of the Jewish aristocracy, who saw in it an opportunity for the extension of trade and contacts. The conservative masses, however, sensed a danger to the Jewish faith, and inclined to be pro-Egyptian.

When Antiochus Epiphanes came to the Syrian throne, he pushed this Hellenistic policy to the extreme. By nature intolerant and conceited, he sensed also the menace of the rising Roman Empire. Therefore, he ordered universal worship of the Greek pantheon. When Israel refused, the Temple was converted into a Grecian altar, and all Jewish observance forbidden under pain of death. It was the overthrow of this rule, and the setting up of almost a century of fruitful independence that the Maccabean victory achieved.

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If I can stop one heart from breaking,  
 I shall not live in vain;  
 If I can ease one life the aching,  
 Or cool one pain,  
 Or help one fainting robin  
 Into his nest again,  
 I shall not live in vain.

—Emily Dickinson.

## **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

**ALL CHILDREN**, from the kindergarten through the High School Department will attend the **Chanukah Celebration** this Sunday morning, Dec. 10th at 10:00 A. M.

The program will open with a **Candle Lighting Ceremony** and will be followed by a special performance of **"Daughters of America."** The movie, **"Sons of Liberty"** and a Popeye cartoon will conclude the program. Every child will then receive a package of special Chanukah candy as a gift from the Sisterhood.

**There will be no sessions of the Religious School on Saturday, December 9th.**

**A BEAUTIFUL CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY** is conducted daily at 5:20 P. M. in our Temple lobby during Chanukah week.

**CHANUKAH GIFT CONTRIBUTIONS** to the Keren Ami are being made by all the children of the religious school on Sunday, Dec. 10th. Special envelopes have been prepared for the occasion and each child will contribute as much as his heart prompts him to.

## **MEN'S CLUB**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, NOON ROUND TABLE** at the New Russet Cafeteria. Guest speaker will be **Carl Friebolin**. Subject, "All of the People—Some of the Time." **Marvin Gardner** will be chairman of this session of the Round Table. Members are urged to come and bring a friend.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16th—EVENING SMOKER.** Guest speaker—**Raymond Clapper**, noted columnist. Subject: "Behind the Scenes in Washington." Keep this date open.



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a million Jews. Unfortunately, their status is steadily deteriorating under Nazi influence.

## HOLLAND'S JEWISH BACKGROUND

With the spotlight of the world turned on the Netherlands, Jewry recalls how great a refuge this land was in the trying days of the Spanish Inquisition and Expulsion. Holland, having emancipated itself from the political control of the Spanish Empire, likewise threw off its intolerance and came to grant religious freedom to numbers of Jews fleeing from the Iberian peninsula. It was in Amsterdam that Jewry rebuilt its strong commercial foundations, and regained its cultural creativity. This was the birthplace of the great philosopher Spinoza. It was here that Manasseh Ben-Israel developed into an interpreter of the Bible who was the most widely consulted by both Christians and Jews in his age. Turning his fame into benefit for his people, it was he who laid the basis for the readmission of Jews into England, through his writings and his extended personal interviews with Oliver Cromwell. It was likewise Jewish participation in the Dutch West Indies Company that helped secure rights of residence for the first Jews who came to North America. For it was the official order of this company that over-ruled Peter Stuyvesant's objection to their remaining in New Amsterdam.

In the present Jewish catastrophe, Holland has continued its role, providing a generous haven of refuge for tens of thousands. Besides these, the Netherlands counts over 150,000 Jews of extended residence in its population of eight and a half million.

"There is no freedom on earth or in any star for those who deny freedom to others."

## ALUMNI CULTURAL GROUPS

Choral—Monday, Dec. 11th.  
Dramatic—Wednesday, Dec. 13th.  
Discussion—Thursday, Dec. 14th.  
Music—Friday, Dec. 15th.  
Groups meet at 8:00 P. M.

## FUNDS

**To the Yahrzeit Fund:** Mrs. Harry Bayer in memory of mother, Carrie Kohn. Amelia Beer in memory of mother, Minna Beer. Mrs. J. Kornfeld in memory of husband, Joseph Kornfeld.

**To the Altar Fund:** Mrs. J. E. Weinberger in memory of birthday of Sallie Rosenblum. Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Kabb in memory of Pearl Amster.

**To the Betty Jane Finkle Fund:** Mrs. A. Bernstein in memory of Sarah Finkle.

**To the Library Fund:** Mr. and Mrs. Max Green in memory of Armin Green.

**To the Prayerbook Fund:** Mr. N. H. Margolis and Mrs. Wm. S. Bayer in memory of father, Louis Grossberg, and brother, Dr. Maurice H. Grossberg. Clarice R. Bayer in memory of grandmother, Carrie Kohn.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mrs. J. Kahn on the engagement of her son, Leon S. to Wally Salzinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Licht on the engagement of their son, Emanuel Morris to Celia Janice Binen.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bloom on their 30th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Zipkin on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buckstein on their 30th anniversary.

Mrs. E. Manheim on her 85th birthday.

## THE TALMUDIC RABBIS SAID:

"God gave the Torah to Israel but all nations are to benefit by it."

"The Torah was given in the wilderness, and like the wilderness it is free and open to all comers without formalities or introductions: all that wish to may come and study it."