
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE

BULLETIN

CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

FEBRUARY 13th, at 8:00 o'clock

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THESE TIMES"

A Recital of Sacred Music by organ and choir—7:45 P. M.

EVENTS IN THE TEMPLE

Children's Service and Pageant

Saturday, Feb. 14, 11 A. M.

Rabbi Brickner and the following members of the Confirmation Class will read the service: Karl Zucker, Joan Rodenberg, Seville Heiner, Madelyn Brown, Edna Jaffe, Marshall Hess, Francine Goldman, Beverly Rudner, Revera Bradley.

Participating in the Pageant: Richard Schoenberg, Stanley Wertheim, Melvin Grossman, Lee Kohrman, Karl Zucker, Lewis Schultz, Marshall Hess, Malcolm Elsoffer, Elaine Tobkin of the Confirmation Class and Victor Lesser and Harvey Winoograd of the Fifth Grade.

Sisterhood

Wed. Feb. 18th—11 A. M. MRS HARRY L. WOLPAW in a dramatic reading of a current play.

Alumni

Sun. Feb. 15th—8:15 P. M. RABBI ROSENBAUM will review, "DRAGON SEED", Pearl Buck's timely new novel on the Japanese invasion of China.

Sat. Feb. 21st—11 P. M. SKATING PARTY at Skateland for Alumni and their friends. Admission 40c for Alumni members and 60c for non-members.

Junior Alumni

Sun. Feb. 15th—5 to 9 P. M. VICTORY HOP—Alumni Hall.

A CHALLENGE TO AMERICAN JEWS

by Rabbi Solomon Goldman

Jewishly the Jewish adult is uneducated. He may be, and often is, a skilled laborer, a shrewd businessman, a brilliant lawyer, a celebrated physician, a talented journalist, a far-seeing social worker, a benign philanthropist, an astute politician, a gifted artist, and in every way a gentleman, but he is unfamiliar with his people's past, its current history, its literature, its religion or philosophy. He belongs to many a Jewish organization and supports sundry Jewish causes, but that hardly helps dispel his ignorance. He is swamped with letters, circulars and pamphlets that in no way contribute to his enlightenment, for all this literature tells a weary, dreary tale of budgets, deficits, misery, persecution, hatred, tolerance and defense, all calculated to appeal to his heart but rarely to cultivate his mind.

What is wrong with him? Nothing but his ignorance. He just doesn't know anything about his people except what Jewish propagandists quote at him from anti-Semitic sources. Ignorant of its history and literature he stands in the presence of anti-Semitism like a sheep before the wolf. He could not disprove any charge made against Jews or explain a Jewish ceremony or recognize the most striking Biblical quotation whether in the work of Franklin, Washington, Patrick Henry, Lincoln or anywhere to save his life.

What can remedy the situation? What might help the Jewish adult? The simple and trite but none the less basic and inevitable answer is education. If a Jew is to find something to compensate him for his ceaseless martyrdom, if he is to sense the grandeur as much as the pain of his destiny, he must know Judaism. Membership in synagogues and lodges, contributions to charity and defense will avail him little if he is devoid of Jewish content. Jewish life will be debased in proportion to the increase of Jewish ignorance. The support of the Jewish community will decline with the decline of Jewish knowledge. The burdens and vexations of Jewish leadership will multiply with the multiplication of the uninitiate. Today the wheels of Jewish continuity are impelled by the momentum of yesterday. How about tomorrow? Tomorrow what will provide the motive power? What outside of their heritage can urge Jews on, can comfort them in their misery, and steel their will to survive?

REGARDING OUR SERVICES

The Congregation should be congratulated on the consistently fine attendance at the Friday evening services.

The period of sacred music, the weekly reading from the Torah, the Jewish sermon based on an interpretation of the Torah, the singing of the Kiddush, the Congregational singing—all have contributed to make it a warmer and richer service that is filling a great need in our lives.

Next Friday evening we introduce the newly revised Union Prayer Book which has just recently been published and which has many appealing innovations.

The introduction of new elements mentioned above, have made it necessary for the service to be extended beyond 9 p. m., but it will end no later than 9:15.

Those attending the services may plan accordingly.

PARKING

We want to remind the Congregation that the parking lot of St. Agnes Church at 79th and Euclid is available to members of the Congregation on Friday evening.

INTER-FAITH KINDNESS

We think you would like to know that the tapers kindled on top of our Holy Ark during Chanukah were donated by our neighbor, Father Gibbons, Rector of St. Agnes Catholic Church. Our thanks have been extended to him and to St. Agnes Church in the name of our congregation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Halle on their 35th anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Levine on the birth of a son.

Dr. Philip L. Gilbert on his election as commander of Cleveland Post No. 14 Jewish War Veterans of the U. S. A.

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*Father
Son
Luncheon*

Euclid Ballroom
Hotel Statler
12:45 P. M.

Program

- Guest Speaker: Mayor Frank Lausche.
- Surprise entertainment by outstanding personalities of the radio and stage.
- Mothers and Daughters versus Fathers and Sons in a "Quiz of Two Cities" program.
- Randolph "The Silent Knight of Magic".
- Contests, prizes and souvenirs for every boy and girl.

Have You Made Your Reservations ? ? ?

(They must be in by Thursday, Feb. 19th)

- Tickets: \$1.75. \$1.25 to members of the Men's Club and the Sisterhood and their children. Tickets may be secured at the temple office.
- Religious School will be dismissed at 12 noon so that families may meet and be at the Statler by 12:45 P. M.

*Mother
Daughter
Luncheon*

Grand Ballroom
Hotel Statler
12:45 P. M.

JUSTICE FOR THE NEGRO

Judaism, a universal religion, the mother of great religions, has frequently declared through its prophets and sages that in the sight of God, men of all races, creeds, and nations are equal. This doctrine of human brotherhood, we reaffirm during this Race Relations Week, as we join with teachers of other religious denominations in summoning all the children of men to recognize this truth as a command of God, to submit to it, and to transform those institutions or practices which deny it.

To reiterate this truth is always imperative, but especially during these times when an empire, backed by large resources, has put forth the thesis, supported with the aid of pseudo-scientists, and disseminated far and wide, that its peoples are members of a superior race, and therefore, that they have the right to dominate the earth, to dictate to other peoples, to seize their lands, to exploit their natural resources, to destroy their culture, and to reduce them to slavery. The upholding of the truth of the brotherhood of races is especially imperative for Americans now, for in the words of President Roosevelt: "We are fighting as our fathers have fought to uphold the doctrine that all men are equal in the sight of God."

This thought the prophet Malachi had in mind when he said: "Have we not one Father? Has not one God created us all?" Brotherhood such as envisioned by Genesis and Malachi can exist only among equals. It cannot exist between patrician and plebeian, between lord and serf, between master and slave, between members of superior and inferior races. That such brotherhood can be real is more than a pious, spiritual aspiration. It is verified by anthropology and by history.

The equality of races hailed by religion is reaffirmed by the findings of science and the facts of history. Whenever these findings are ignored, or these facts denied, God's law of love and justice is violated. Not infrequently, those who advocate the false teaching of racial superiority and bolster it with pseudo-scientific facts have ulterior motives, and seek to exploit racial vanities for

their own ignoble ends.

As we observe the American scene, we witness the universal allegiance to the religious teachings of the brotherhood of all men. We find, however, that practice does not follow profession and that this belief breaks down, especially with regard to the Negro race, emancipated by Abraham Lincoln, whose birthday on February 12th, inspired Race Relations Week. Negroes are victims of harsh discrimination and flagrant injustices, which cry aloud to God and to man for remedy and redress. They dwell, usually, in the worst slums, not by choice, but by the compulsion of law, public opinion, or threats of violence. The schools provided for their children out of public funds are usually the most poorly equipped. Their opportunities for earning a livelihood, are in many areas limited to the most menial tasks, irrespective of their character, their abilities, or their education. They are practically compelled to be the hewers of wood and the drawers of water in our country. Many trade unions, organized to champion the rights of workers, have denied membership to individuals of the Negro race, no matter how skilled or how well trained they were. Despite the social consequences, which are inevitable in a group that is victimized by such unfairness, the Negroes have maintained their morale, and have borne their burden without bitterness and vengefulness, and have displayed a heroism and a dignity which command admiration.

We Jews, who ourselves have been victims of injustice should be especially sensitive to this. If our prayers and repentance, joined with that of Americans of other faiths truly touch us, if our souls will be truly cleansed, we shall proceed in cooperation with men of good will to remove barriers, to eliminate injustices which undermine democracy and weaken faith, to the end that the pleas of millions of useful, decent Americans for justice will be answered, and the will of God more firmly established in the land we love.

—Excerpts from a A Message Issued by the Commission on Justice and Peace of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

LINCOLN'S PORTRAIT

Not on the eagle golden
Shall we behold his face;
Not yet on gleaming silver
The honored features trace;
But to the common copper,
The lowly coin instead,
Is given the distinction
Of bearing Lincoln's head.
The millionaire may seldom
Its noble outline grasp;
But childhood's chubby fingers
The image oft will clasp;
The poor man will esteem it
And mothers hold it dear—
The plain and common people
He loved when he was here.

—Anonymous

ONE MORE JEWISH HERO

Several years ago when Japan began its aggression upon the Chinese people, one of the outstanding commanders in the Chinese army was General Moshi-Ko. Under his leadership the Chinese army fought the enemy before Shanghai with such bravery that all the world marveled. With inadequate equipment General Moshi-Ko's forces inflicted tremendous losses upon the Japanese before Shanghai was taken.

It was only some time later that the world read with a happy smile that General Moshi-Ko was Chinese only by adoption and that he had been born Moses Abraham Kohn.

Born in Manchester, England, Moses Kohn, immigrated to Canada where he settled in Vancouver, British Columbia. An immigrant without financial means he set himself up as a dry-goods peddler and had a considerable trade in the Chinese quarter of that city. He so inspired the confidence of his Chinese customers that he became a one-man board of arbitration when disputes arose among the various Chinese factions. His popularity so increased among the Chinese that Dr. Sun Yat Sen, (the Chinese Washington) became aware of Kohn's interest in the welfare of the Chinese people. Dr. Sun therefore asked Kohn to act as purchasing agent for military supplies for the Chinese Republic. Since that time, Kohn has been high in the councils of the Chinese defense.

Since the Shanghai defense, General Moshi-Ko has been an intimate adviser of General Chiang Kai Shek in the work of organizing and modernizing the Chinese Army. —Jewish Morning Journal

STORY OF THE WEEK

The schoolmaster of the "Cheder" happened to be a modern man. He believed in teaching the young Jewish generation not only the Bible, but also science. In the frequent recesses he used to take, he would discuss with his disciples the beauties and mysteries of nature. He would tell them the names of different flowers, and birds, and explain to them what purpose God had in creating the various creatures. A cat, for instance was created for the express purpose of exterminating mice; dogs to watch our houses; horses to draw our burdens, etc.

"Now, tell me, Moishele," once the wordly instructor said to one of his young students, "tell me what was the purpose in creating sheep?"

"For the wool," answered the student of nature.

"And what do we make of wool?" inquired the scientific teacher.

The pupil did not know.

"Blockhead that you are!" reproached the erudite instructor, "what is your jacket made of?"

"Of my father's pants," replied the clever student.

OUR NATIONALITIES AND RELIGIONS

The ingredients of the United States, according to the nationalities and religions that comprise us, are interestingly revealed in the following statistics compiled by the Saturday Review:

In Nationalities We Are:

- 60 million Anglo-Saxon
- 15 million Teutonic
- 13 million colored Negro
- 10 million Irish
- 9 million Slavic
- 5 million Italian
- 4 million Scandinavian
- 2 million French
- 1 million Finnish
- 1 million Lithuanian
- 1 million Greek
- 1/3 million Indian
- 1/3 million Oriental, Filipino and Mexican.

In Religions We Are:

- 40 million Evangelical Protestants
- 22 million Roman Catholic
- 4½ million Jewish
- 2 million Anglican Episcopalian
- 1 million Greek Catholic
- 2/3 million Mormon
- 1/2 million Christian Scientist
- 1/10 million Quaker