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FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE MARCH 20, AT 8:00 O'CLOCK

# **RABBI BRICKNER**

will speak on

# **'THE JEWISH ARMY CONTROVERSY'**

A clarification of the misunderstandings that have developed around the plan of creating a Jewish army based in Palestine. Some of the questions that will be treated are: Why do the British object? How does it affect America? From what countries is the army to be recruited? Does it put a military interpretation upon Judaism?

Sabbath Morning Services 11 to 12 noon-Rabbi Rosenbaum will preach

If you are not having a home Seder, celebrate our Festival of Freedom with us at the

# CONGREGATIONAL SEDER

Wednesday, April 1st, 6:30 P. M.

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SISTERHOOD CULTURAL COURSE will present Mrs. Harry Wolpaw in a dramatic reading of a current play on Wednesday, March 25th, at 11 A. M.

# Story of the Week

Everybody conceded that Isaac Levine and his bride were an ideal couple. All things considered, they were quite happy. But Isaac's bride had one failing: Her cooking never seemed to please her loving husband. No matter how delicious her dinner was, her spouse invariably remarked: "It's all right, dear, but nobody can beat my mother's cooking."

One day, through a slight inadvertence on her part, the dinner burned and had a decided taste of smoke. The young thing was sorely distraught. Her cooking displeased her helpmate as it was, and now that it smelled of smoke, it would surely evoke a rebuke. The most logical thing to do was not to serve the dinner at all. Finally, however, she decided to venture his wrath.

So placing the soup on the table, the young woman retired to the kitchen, and watched through the doorway her lord and master, apprehensively awaiting a verbal explosion.

To her complete astonishment, however, as soon as her spouse swallowed the first spoonful of soup, his countenance assumed a most beatific expression.

"Darling," he cooed tenderly, "today the soup is wonderful. It's just the way my mother cooks."

SORRY, the names of Mrs. I. G. Shapiro and Mrs. R. Gittelsohn were omitted from the list of contributors to the Purim Basket Fund published last week.

### FUNDS

To the Scholarship Fund—Dora and Tina Bernstein in memory of Moritz, Rosalie, Adolph and Gus Bernstein. Mrs. George Koller in memory of father, David Seidenfeld. Mrs. Leo Desberg for sister, Julia Berne.

To the Altar Fund: Mrs. Josie Devay in memory of father of Mrs. M. Loeb of Washington and gratitude for recovery of Mr. H. Schindler of Bridgeport, Conn. Morris Rollie and Nora New and Mrs. E. N. Goodman in memory of parents Nathan and Ellen New....Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frankel in memory of Mary Bruml. Mrs. H. Rosenblatt in memory of mother Frances Harris. Mrs. Irene Rettenberg in memory of mother Hannah Rosa Sacheroff and Sara Hollander.

To the Betty Jane Finkle Fund: Mrs. L. B. Rich in memory of Rebecca Gold. Doughters in memory of Rebecca Gold.

To the Prayerbook Fund: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Aarons in memory, of grandmother, Dina Aarons. The Ladies' Coat Department of the May Company in memory of Arthur H. Lichtig. Grace and Norman Tatar in memory of Bernard Edelman. E. Baum in memory of Mary Bruml and Hattie Faller. Mrs. Joseph 7. Korach in memory of sister, Pearl Schlang. Mabel Lechner in memory of father, Joseph Berman. Mrs. William Schnurmacher in memory of Joseph Berman.

To the Library Fund: Bertha A. Lichtig in memory of husband, Arthur H. Lichtig. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lubeck in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Marvin.

To the Yahrzeit Fund: Mrs. Samuel Wilson in memory of mother, Bessie Corsun. Mr. Sam Baum in memory of Cora Baum. Anna Moss in memory of mother, Laura Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Max Wechsler in memory of Esther Wechsler Newman. Mrs. Spivack in memory of Henry David Spivack.

To the Baby Blessing Fund: Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morris in honor of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Englander.

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#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mrs. E. A. Overbeke on the engagement of her daughter Jane to Edward Kain.

Miss Belle Colman on her 92nd birthday.

Mr. Horatio Joseph on his 76th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Abrams on the marriage of their son, Leonard, to Linda Unger.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spitz on the marriage of their daughter, Miriam, to Robert Boodman.

# CHRISTIAN AND JEWISH LEADERS ISSUE DECLARATION ON COMMON RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

A declaration of fundamental religious beliefs held in common by Protestants, Catholics and Jews was made public recently by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. It expresses the loyalty of the signers to their respective religious convictions and recognizes "differences in many important beliefs." But the religious and lay leaders emphasize "certain basic convictions" which they share. These common convictions are described as:

1. Belief in one God, creator and sustainer of the Universe.

2. Rejection of all attempts to explain man in "merely material terms."

3. Belief that God's "all-holy will" is the ultimate sanction of human morality, and rejection of all deterministic interpretations of man.

4. Belief that education or social theories which state man's duties, standards and happiness without reference to God are "doomed to failure."

5. Belief that "God's fatherly providence" extends equally to every human being and rejection of theories of race which affirm the essential superiority of one racial strain over another.

6. Belief that the republican form of government is the "most desirable for our nation and for countries of similarly democratic traditions; "belief that political forms can bring liberty and happiness to a society only when moral and religious principles are accepted and practiced."

7. Belief that individual rights are an endowment from God and rejection of all denials of this principle as "certain to result in the enslavement of man." -J.T.A.



### PASSOVER

The Exodus is considered the most important event in all Jewish history. For over two hundred years Jews had been slaves in Egypt. They settled in the Nile country the Bible tells us, at the invitation of Joseph. When later the Pharaohs launched an ambitious building program, the Hebrews were forced into service and gradually became slaves. How intense was their suffering is vividly described in the Book of Exodus.

At last a leader arose—Moses—who brought them out of bondage. They were free to march to the land promised to their forefathers. The Exodus proved to be the birth of the Jewish nation. Their common suffering as slaves served to unite the tribes, and to give them the goal of living as a free people in a country of their own.

It was natural that this great event should be remembered ever after, and that the day of emancipation should become a national holiday for all times. Centuries later, the rabbis of the Talmud said, "In every generation, every Jew should see himself as if it were he who was redeemed from slavery in Egypt." —From Jewish Holidays and Festivals, by Ben Edidin.

#### J.N.F. CELEBRATION

The 40th anniversary of the Jewish National Fund will be celebrated on March 25th, Wednesday evening. The Cleveland Meeting will be held at the Jewish Center with Mrs. Archibald Silverman as guest speaker.

#### MEN IN SERVICE

If members of your family are in the armed service please communicate with Mrs. Alex Sill, WA. 2692, who is representing our temple to the Statistic Division of the Army and Navy Committee.

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## **ABOUT THE JEWS**

#### OF SWITZERLAND

Like Switzerland as a that whole country's Jewish community is small, but brave. The 18,000 native Jewish inhabitants of the little nation that stands out as an island of freedom in a sea of tyranny, have provided a haven for 3,000 refugees temporarily residing among them. To charitable funds, which are used mainly for the support of these refugees. Swiss Jews contribute an average of 24 per capita. This small community, happily blending their lives as Swiss citizens and as Jews, carry on an active Jewish program of cultural, religious, and Zionist activities. It was only two years ago that Zurich's 6,000 Jews erected a splendid new Community House to serve the Jewish needs of the community.

Switzerland's decisive action against the infiltration of Nazi philosophy provides the favorable atmosphere in which the Jewish community has been able to thrive. In the Berne trials of 1934, Swiss jurists rejected the Protocols of the Elders of Zion as forgeries. In the kidnapping of Berthold Jakob by the Nazis in 1935, the Swiss government acted with determination, bringing about the return of the Jewish journalist to Swiss territory and the punishment of one of the kidnappers. Following the November 1938 German pogroms, activities of Nazi agitators were banned.

-The Synagogue.

#### ONE TASK REMAINS

"Only one task remains for all mankind-To vindicate the majesty of Truth.

That attribute of God;

- And Conscience that bears witness to the Truth
- In the blind breast of man; Conscience that proves
- Man's kinship with the Eternal, and prefers
- Death to its surrender of its glimpse of right,

Loss of all else to loss of that one good;

- Conscience. whose last imperatives reveal
- The ultimate nature of the Soul of things,

Above the State, above the universe,

- Immanent, yet transcending all things made.
- The Supreme Being, God."

-Alfred Noyes, in "If Judgment Comes"

#### WHY I AM A JEW

I am a Jew because born of Israel and having lost it, I felt it revive within me more alive than I am myself.

I am a Jew because born of Israel, and having found it again. I would have it live after me even more alive than it is within me.

I am a Jew because the faith of Israel demands no abdication of my mind.

I am a Jew because the faith of Israel asks every possible sacrifice of my soul

I am a Jew because in all places where there are tears and suffering the Jew weeps.

I am a Jew because in every age when the cry of despair is heard the Jew hopes.

I am a Jew because the message of Israel is the most ancient and the most modern.

I am a Jew because Israel's promise is a universal promise.

I am a Jew because for Israel the world is not finished; men will complete it.

I am a Jew because for Israel man is not yet created; men are creating him.

I am a Jew because Israel places Man and his Unity above nations and above Israel itself.

I am a Jew because above Man, image cf the Divine Unity, Israel places the unity which is divine.

EDMOND FLEG.

## AMERICA IS AMERICANS

- What is America? Well, Mister, if you don't know, nobody does.
- It's your America. You helped make it. You're fighting for it right now. You and me both.
- You've got the answer, deep down in the marrow of your bones,
- And in the throbbing of your heart-
- The same heart that lumps in your throat
- When you hear "The Star Spangled Banner,'
- The same heart that leaped and tightened, that Sunday afternoon, when the word came through: "They've bombed Hawaii."

We've got the answers, all of us.

- But we don't often stop to think them into words.
- We short-cut them, like we do the name itself.

Not the United States of America,

Not even North America

-N. Y. Times. Just America.

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