# THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE

# BULLETIN

CLEVELAND, OHIO

## FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

APRIL 16th, at 8:15 o'clock

# RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

# "ON BEING A REAL PERSON"

The new book by Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, excerpts from which recently appeared in the Reader's Digest. With rich wisdom, insight and practical usefulness, it deals with the every-day, personal problems of the average man and woman.

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Sabbath morning service 11 to 12 noon. Rabbi Rosenbaum will preach. Recital of Sacred Music by choir and organ will precede the service at 8 o'clock.

# Passover Services

# FIRST DAY Tuesday, April 20th, 11:00 A. M.

This is a service which all the family should attend. Children are required to be present with their mothers and fathers. Sermonettes by the winners of the Bondy Confirmation Class Speaking Contest and Rabbi Bricker. A full choir will sing.

# FRIDAY EVENING OF PASSOVER April 23rd, 8:00 P. M.

Mendelssohn's oratorio "ELIJAH" will be sung by the Choir at this service. It is a poetic Jewish tradition that the final redemption of all mankind will be heralded by the prophet Elijah, for whom every Jewish door is opened at the Seder.

CONCLUDING DAY Monday, April 26th, 10:30 A. M. YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICE

# Sisterhood Members . . .

Reserve

Tuesday afternoon, April 27th

# THE ANNUAL MEETING

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A treat is in store for you.

### WANT A SEDER GUEST?

There are a number of Jewish U. S. Army Air Cadets now training in Cleveland. Families that will hold a Seder at home on the First Night of Passover, Monday, April 19th, and wish to have Cadets as their guests at the Seder should call Mrs. Maurice Bruml, FA. 6575, Sisterhood Student Welfare Chairman. This home hospitality will be appreciated by these Jewish boys away from home.

## MR. J. H. MILLER HONORED

We are happy to announce that Mr. James H. Miller, President of our Temple, was elected to the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at its recent convention. Our Executive Secretary, Mr. B. I. Pincus, was elected Recording Secretary of the National Association of Temple Secretaries at the sessions of that body. Rabbi Brickner's paper on "The Future of Israel" was recorded as one of the highlights of the U.A.H.C. Convention.

## REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTED

Report Cards have been distributed to all children from grades 4 to 9, inclusive. Parents are requested to examine these cards carefully, to sign them and to turn them in to the teachers through their children.

Mr. Brilliant, our Educational Director, will be very happy to confer with any parent about his child's standing.

# NOTICE: MEN'S CLUBBERS

Any ten members in good standing may nominate by petition any member for election to the Board of Directors of the Men's Club before April 30th, in addition to those named by the Nominating Committee.

#### THE "ELIJAH" ORATORIO

The crowning musical event of our Temple season will be a presentation of Mendelssohn's oratorio "Elijah" at the Friday evening service of April 23rd. It will be rendered by our enlarged choir and a group of excellent solosits under the direction of Mr. Erwin Jospe.

Among the soloists are: Tillie S. Fine, Goldie Hoffman, Norman Roman, and Robert Marshall. Mr. Marshall, who was one of the finalists in the Metropolitan Auditions of the Air, has sung on the radio frequently and has appeared with New York and San Francisco Opera Companies.

The story of this great spiritual figure in Jewish history will be narrated by Rabbi Rosenbaum. The oratorio will take the place of the sermon at that service.

# THE DOOR TO GOD

It is almost impossible to open successfully the door of the soul to God if that same door is shut or barred to some human brother. Prejudices, hardness of heart, spirit of grudge, invariably close the eye of the soul and keep the inward life in the shadow of eclipse from God.

-Rufus M. Jones.

#### **FUNDS**

To the Altar Fund: Mr. and Mrs. Martin E. Blum in memory of Sam Kest. Mrs. J. Kohn in memory of Ida Norberg. Mrs. Theodore Fishel.

To the Yahrzeit Fund: Mrs. Mary Goodman in memory of husband, Albert B. Goodman.

To the Prayerbook Fund: Mrs. J. Goldberger and Mr. David M. Sey in memory of father, Louis Sey. Mrs. Simon A. Cohen in memory of parents, Jennie and William Lazarus.

To the Library Fund: Mr. and Mrs. Julius M. Goldman in memory of Arthur Tramer. Mr. Jack Aarons in memory of mother, Deena Aarons.

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# Alumni "Pop Concert"

Sunday Evening, April 18th, at 8:15 P. M. in Alumni Hall.

featuring

## ROSALINE BRISKIN Pianist

# WALTER MAYHALL

Flutist

REFRESHMENTS

DANCING

The Alumni Association will be host to the U.S. Army Air Cadets at Fenn College and Western Reserve University.

Committee: Gertrude Green, Chairman, Rita Federman, Gloria Lox, Ruth Gal, Alan Fuldauer, Jane Brudno, Ruth Bondy, Bernice Horwitz, Orlin Lindner, and Kathleen Senor.

#### REWARD IF RETURNED

Several months ago we read where a clever mid-western clergyman had put a lost-and-found ad in the local paper to get his congregation to come to church.

It worked very well-and just goes to prove that we have the right slant in asking you to "Take Time for Temple!" For . .

If you have LOST touch with Jewish

If you have FOUND need for spiritual calm .

Then a REWARD awaits you in your Temple,

When you RETURN for regular serv-

"TAKE TIME FOR TEMPLE." -Exchange.

#### WHOLLY ALIVE

Very few people slip out of life all at once . . . most of us died a little yesterday—some dear dream, some hope, a bit of our courage, some fine firmness in us that we thought never could sag; and tomorrow, unless we are superbly strong and clear, we shall probably die a little more.

When we are young, hurrying along in our eager "teens," we think we are gloriously alive—but surely he is most alive who is using every part of him-self—so, we are not wholly alive until we are beyond our first youth, until back of our desires and our dreams there lies knowledge, until many a purple evening, many a gray dawn have

traced a pattern in our hearts.

To understand instead of to condemn, to realize that losses are only a difficult kind of gain, to look into yourself and know that no part of you has begun to sag-neither your dreams, nor your desires, nor your high intent-to love, to laugh, to play, to still be able to weep . . that is to be wholly alive.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mrs. I. Miller on the engagement of her daughter, Muriel to Sanford Schwartz. Mr. Leo Baum on his 78th birthday.

#### THE FOUR SONS

In our times, as in all times, four types of Jews populate the arena of Jewish life.

The Jew who is at one with himself, his God and his people says, "My peo-ple needs me, and I shall find my high-est fulfillment in serving it" To him you shall say, "Because you are not ridden with gnawing misgiving about your people, you shall be happy and your days shall be fruitfull upon the earth. And you shall labor in joy to fulfill the highest injunction-'to perfect the world under the kingdom of the Almighty'."

The Jew who rushes in mad flight from himself says, "Judaism is my misfortune. How happy I would be if I could escape from Jewish life." To him you must say, "You are self-condemned to torment at your own hands. All your life you shall sail from port to port for asylum, but none shall take you in, for the world dreads and shuns those who bear false passports."

The Jew who has mastered all knowledge except that of his people says, "Why trouble myself with the paltry efforts of an insignificant group when I possess the wisdom of all humanity and all ages?" Him you shall rebuke, saying, "Wisdom can never be yours, for you have not learned that for twenty centuries Jewish masters have watered the shores of every human domain. Only when you learn to cherish your own heritage together with that of all man-

kind, will you be deemed truly wise."
The Jew who has been "sheltered" from his people, and seeks the road backs, asks, "How can I come to know Israel and lead a Jewish life?" To him you shall say, "Your desire alone will be its own fulfillment. Your wish alone tears the veil of estrangement between you and us. The rest is commentary. Go and learn it. If you will it, your quest for your people is not a dream."

—Haggadah Supplement Cornell Hillel

Foundation, 1941.

#### THE PASSOVER SYMBOLS

Each Jew is to regard himself on Passover as though he himself had just come out of slavery. It is well that we understand, therefore, the Passover symbols:

The Seder: Seder is a Hebrew word meaning order or procedure. On the first evening of Pesach, a special order or service known as the Seder is conducted. When our ancestors left Egypt they celebrated their freedom with a special ceremony. Ever since then Jews hav been observing this ceremony and it has come to be called the Seder.

The Four Cups of Wine: As in all Jewish ceremonies of rejoicing, so at the Seder, wine is used as a token of festivity. We drink four cups because of the lour promises made to our ancestors when they were freed from Egyptian slavery. These were: "And I will take you out" of the land of bondage; "And I will save" you; "And I will free "you from slavery;" And I will take" you to be a chosen people.

The Cup of Elijah: There is still another promise which was made to our forefathers—"And I will bring" you to the Promised Land. Therefore, a fifth cup of wine was provided. After many centuries, when the Jewish nation in Palestine was already destroyed, this cup came to be known as the Cup of Elijah. There is a beautiful legend that before the Messiah will come to lead the Jews back to Palestine and to establish everlasting peace in the world, the prophet Elijah will appear to announce the coming of Messiah. We express our wish and hope for the arrival of this glad messenger by providing a special cup of wine and by opening the door to admit the expected guest.

The Matzos: When our ancestors left Egypt, the Bible tells us, they had no time to bake their bread in an oven, so they took along dough and baked it in the sun while travelling. The matzos remind us of the bread of affliction or suffering which our ancestors ate in Egypt and of their haste to flee from

the land of slavery.

The Parsley: The parsley dipped in salt water, as well as the Moror dipped in Haroses are Oriental delicacies common at Eastern banquets. Another reason given is that the salt water is a reminder of briny tears shed by our ancestors and the parsley of the meager diet of our ancestors in Egypt.

The Moror: We eat a bitter vegetable, usually horseradish, as a remembrance of the bitter life of our forefathers when they were slaves in Egypt.

Moror in Hebrew means bitter. The Haroses: Haroses is made of nuts, apples, raisins, cinnamon and wine. It has the door of clay or mortar. We eat it to remember the bricks our ancestors made in Egypt and the mortar they used in building the palaces and temples for the Pharaohs.

The Roasted Bone: The roasted bone on the Seder plate is a rememberance of the Paschal lamb. When the Jews left Egypt they offered a lamb sacrifice to show their thanks giving for their freedom. In Palestine, also, when the Temple was in existence, such a

sacrifice was offered.

The Afikomon: Afikomon means after meal or dessert. It, too, reminds us of the way Passover was celebrated in olden times. At the end of the Seder each person received a small portion of the Paschal lamb for dessert.

The Egg: Egg (roasted) is the symbol of the tree will burnt-offering brought on every day of the Passover feast, during the existence of the Tem-

ple in Jerusalem.

-From "The Modern Hagada"

### FRIENDS

A friend is like an old song grown sweeter with the years,

A friend is one who shares our joys and wipes away our tears;

A friend will look for goodness in everything we do,

A friend is one who knows our faults yet finds our virtues, too;

A friend will share a crust of bread, or help to lift a load-

Happy are we who find a few good friends along the road.

# Story of the Week

The approach of Passover, which commemorates Israel's deliverance from bondage under the Egyptian Pharoahs, makes us think of the similar fate that is in store for the modern Pharohs. In that regard, we think you will enjoy this story:

A Nazi officer was berating the much beaten but still defiant Jew who stood

before him.

"How do you Jews dare stand against us Germans?" said the Nazi officer, starting to recount the strange names of places the Germans had captured. "We have taken Brest-Litovsk, Nikitovka, Smolensk and Dnepropetrovsk."

"But have you taken A-Meesa-Mesh-

una?" asked the Jew innocently

"No," answered the Nazi arrogantly, "but we intend to take that too!"