
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE

BULLETIN

CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

November 5th, at 8:15 o'clock

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"ONE WORLD" AT WAR... AND AFTER

Sabbath Morning Services

in the Chapel

11 A. M. to 12 Noon

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RABBI NODEL

will preach on

"SOME LEGENDS ABOUT
A PATRIARCH"

Sedrah: Genesis 12:1—17:27

Haftorah Isaiah 40:27—41:16

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NORMAN ROMAN WILL CHANT THE
LITURGICAL RESPONSES

ERWIN JOSPE AT THE ORGAN

"Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep It Holy"

Inspired by the book "One World" by Wendell Wilkie, Rabbi Brickner will speak on some of his own reflections on leaving for a Global Tour.

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THIS WILL BE RABBI BRICKNER'S LAST
APPEARANCE IN HIS PULPIT BEFORE
LEAVING FOR OVERSEAS.

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Last Friday night there was not a vacant seat. The Temple was filled to capacity.

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A RECITAL OF SACRED MUSIC
BY ORGAN AND CHOIR
8:00 P. M.

Erwin Jospe, Directing

Doors open at 7:45 P. M.

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FROM RABBI BRICKNER

Dear members of:

The Temple
The Sisterhood
The Men's Club
The Alumnus

I am about to leave on my overseas mission. When and where I am going is a military secret.

My parting word to you is a request that you stand by and help carry on during the next few months of my absence.

Plan to attend the services regularly. I have invited a number of prominent rabbis, who with Rabbi Nodel, will occupy my pulpit. They are coming at a sacrifice. Don't let me and the Temple down! Let's have a filled Temple to greet them each week.

The Temple has a fine and loyal staff. My associates, Rabbi Nodel, Mr. Brilliant, Mrs. Braverman, Miss Kessler, Mr. Jospe, the teachers and clerical staff, will be on the job, as will all the officers and committees.

The program for the season has been carefully laid out. All that is now required is that you co-operate. I leave with an easy heart, confident that I will find things in wonderful shape when I return.

May God keep you all while I am visiting your boys overseas.

Shalom, U'Lhitraoth! Goodbye and Au Revoir!

Barnett R. Brickner

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CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ganger in honor of the marriage of their daughter, Helen May, to Robert Keller.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lewis in honor of the marriage of their daughter, Emilie to Edward S. Blazer.

APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Julius J. Nodel, R.N., wife of Rabbi Nodel, has been appointed Supervisor of Cleveland Hospitals for Red Cross training of nurse's aids. Mrs. Nodel attended the University of Denver and is a graduate of the Mt. Sinai School of Nursing, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

INTOLERANCE

"It makes little difference which intolerance is uppermost, or whether the cause is fear or economic jealousy or morbid pride or sick self-distrust; the result will always be the same. Intolerance in the long run is as destructive for the intolerant as for his victim. Anti-Semitism may be an injury to the Semite, but it is a disease for the anti-Semite.

—Henry Siedel Canby.

In Memoriam

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family of Leo Grossman.

**THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE**

cordially invite

You and Your Family

to attend

**THE NINETY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE CONGREGATION**

and to wish

GODSPEED TO RABBI BRICKNER

ON HIS TOUR OF THE THEATERS OF WAR

Sunday Evening, November 7, 1943

at 8:30 o'clock

at the Euclid Avenue Temple House

8206 Euclid Avenue

A GOOD JEW

No one can take exception of the statement which one hears frequently: "I am not religious." Such confession may well indicate a certain sense of inadequacy which is not inconsistent with, but rather natural to a modest and sensitive nature. To feel and say that one fails in an attainment, may well be a mark of progress along the path to the desired goal.

Too often, however, do we hear the statement, "I am not religious," followed by, "But I am a good Jew." This juxtaposition, for which so many well meaning people are responsible, is in truth an offence to Judaism. Anyone who knows aught of the meaning of Jewish history and Jewish character, must feel remorse and even terror when he hears this oft repeated formula.

The offense lies in one of two errors, and frequently probably in a little of both. The assertion of Jewish "goodness" is used in a very restricted sense, referring to a measure of pride in the Jewish name and willingness to defend it against attack. This aspect of Jewish loyalty is not to be despised. It is essential to the Jewish character. But it is far from the whole of Jewish virtue, which includes every aspect of life's rich and varied claims. This shrunken conception of "good Jewishness" may be carried into a life which departs in many, many respects from the life of scrupulous honesty and love demanded

of the Jew, the individual laying to his conscience the flattering unction that he is "proud of being a Jew." In extreme cases such a character is Israel's most dangerous enemy. But even in the case of those whose lives are decent of view must eventually prove disappointing and poor.

On the other hand, "I am not religious but I am a good Jew" frequently indicates a wholly distorted idea of the meaning of being religious. In the mind of the speaker there lurks an association of religion with some specific ceremonial performances more often than not regarded as burdensome and inappropriate. Where this interpretation obtains, failure to observe ceremonies carries with it also neglect of all that discipline in the search for and service of God, which is the essential characteristic of Jewish life. To be religious means to be a god-fearing man. Nothing less and nothing more. The expression of religion must be in virtuous acts, loving sentiments and reverent spirit. The attainment of the ideal of religion is worthy of constant unremitting effort. Such effort is the Jewish path.

Is it too much to hope that men will learn to say, "I am not religious but I am trying to become a good Jew"?

—The Synagogue Review,
London, England.

"Bon Voyage" Rabbi Brickner



The Euclid Avenue Temple is honored by the fact that Rabbi Brickner has been nominated by the National Jewish Welfare Board and appointed by the President of the United States to visit the American forces in all parts of the world as the representative of the Jewish Faith.

In honor of our beloved Rabbi, we dedicate this issue of the Bulletin to him.

We pray for his safe passage and return to us.

Dear Rabbi:

Honored as we, of the Euclid Avenue Temple, are by your appointment for your great overseas mission, we are none the less saddened by the fact that you will be away from us for the next few months.

Rest assured, that in your absence, we shall try to keep the Congregation on the same high level of achievement which you made possible for us.

The Congregation wishes you good health and Godspeed on your mission.

If you run into any of our boys, tell them that you are bringing to each of them our personal love and good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES H. MILLER,
President, Euclid Avenue Temple

My dear Rabbi Brickner:

I have learned that you are about to leave on the important mission that has been assigned to you by the United States Government of visiting the American boys who are now fighting for the preservation of our Nation on the different war fronts of Europe.

It has been said to me that your principal service will be to build through your religious office the morale of the American boys in the armed services. Rich spirit, deep patriotism and courageous action inevitably must have as their basis the fine moral qualities that abide with people who have a deep faith in religion and God. In the end the success of the American boy in a large measure will depend upon his devotion to the sacred influence of religion.

I know of no one who has finer qualifications to minister to the spiritual needs of the youth of our Nation. Cleveland is proud that you have been chosen as a representative of the Jewish faith to serve in this important capacity.

Personally, and in behalf of the people of Cleveland, I wish you good fortune and bon voyage.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK J. LAUSCHE

Mayor of Cleveland

My Dear Rabbi Brickner:

On the occasion of your departure for a world tour for purposes of conferring with Army and Navy chaplains, I wish, on behalf of myself and Church Federation to pay tribute to the marvelous, creative, religious and civic leadership you have given both to our city and nation.

No one is more deserving of such a high honor; no one is better fitted to discharge the duties which such a responsibility involves. Through the years, you have been a power making for righteousness; and it is with gratitude to God that I, on behalf of Church Federation, express our love and appreciation of you; and pray that God may guard you at all times as you carry out this hazardous and important mission.

Affectionately yours,

D. R. SHARPE,

President of the Cleveland
Church Federation

With Esteem and Affection

Dear Dr. Brickner:

On the eve of your departure for a very important mission, please accept my hearty wishes for a safe and fruitful journey.

I know that your message to commanding officers, chaplains and all the men of our armed forces will have an encouraging and lasting effect.

You have a clear comprehension of what we are fighting for, and I have confidence in your ability to inspire men with a spiritual purpose.

We are all praying not only for a military victory but for a conquest over all the evils which cause human suffering and misery.

Sincerely yours,
W. R. ARNOLD,
Chief of Chaplains

Dear Rabbi Brickner:

Both personally and on behalf of the National Jewish Welfare Board, I extend to you greetings and best wishes upon the occasion of your departure abroad to visit our forces.

It is a signal honor that you have been chosen for this significant mission, but it is a most worthy honor. In your service as a spiritual leader of the Euclid Avenue Temple for so many years and in your service as Administrative Chairman of the Committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities of the J.W.B. during the past year, you have shown an understanding and sympathy as well as a forthrightness and courage which qualify you highly for this undertaking.

The good wishes of the Jewish Community of America go with you in your task and we look forward to the great work you will perform while abroad and to the fine results you will bring us upon your return in your report on the spiritual welfare of our men in the armed forces.

Sincerely yours,
FRANK L. WEIL,

President, National Jewish Welfare Board.

RABBI'S FAREWELL SERVICE

Our late Friday evening service on November 5th at 8:15 will be Rabbi Brickner's last for some time, and he will use the occasion to speak on some important matters pertaining to his leaving. It is hoped that a large congregation will be present to hear Rabbi Brickner speak on "One World—At War and After."

My dear Doctor Brickner:

I have tried hard to find a way to accept your kind invitation to be in Cleveland November 7th, but circumstances will not permit. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and to you and your congregation, congratulations on the honor conferred upon you.

Cordially,
R. D. WORKMAN,
Chief of Naval Chaplains.

Dear Rabbi Brickner:

Betty and I both feel that you are eminently fitted for the very important job of being an ambassador from those of us in the States to the men at the front.

I know, too, that you will bring back with you impressions of the soldier's with you impressions of the soldiers' fighting morale that will stiffen our own determination to end this war as quickly as possible and bring the lasting peace proclaimed by Jesus and the great Jewish Prophets.

Loyally yours,
DR. DILWORTH LUPTON.

Dear Dr. Brickner:

... I was delighted to read the article (in the New York Times) and to learn that it was just a continuance of your many years in the field of Jewish service, and I write to extend to you on your trip my very best wishes.

May God bless you and bring you back to continue for years the fine work you have been doing.

With all good wishes,
Cordially yours,
MEIER STEINBRINK,
Justice, Supreme Court of the
State of New York

SPEAKER AT ANNUAL MEETING

MR. FRANK L. WEIL, the guest speaker of the 97th annual meeting, is President of the National Jewish Welfare Board. He is also a member of the Executive Board of the National Council of Boy Scouts of America, and Vice-President of the United Service Organizations for National Defense (USO). He was president of the 92nd Street Y. M. H. A. of New York for eight years.

He obtained his B. S. degree from Columbia College in 1915 and his LL. B. from Columbia Law School in 1917.

RELIGIOUS LEADERS STRESS EARLY CARE OF CHILDREN AS BARRIER AGAINST INTOLERANCE

Discussion by Roman Catholic, Jewish and Protestant clergy of the topic, "Religion—Its Place in Community Services for Children," drew from the Rev. Frederick M. Elliot of American Unitarian Association, the forthright comment that such recent outbreaks of racial and religious prejudice as those recently stirring Boston would not be possible "in a community where the religious education of children had been thoroughly and skillfully carried on over a period of years." Finding the cause more deep-seated than the "juvenile delinquency" to which Mayor Tobin attributed these outbreaks, Dr. Elliot said: "We must take with new seriousness what can happen to this country; in Boston we have allowed a community to grow up on a Nazi pattern and we can't take much pride in it." We have not, he said, "sufficiently taught little children to love each other as children of the same Father."

The Roman Catholic Viewpoint

To the query on the place of religion in community services for children, the Rev. Michael J. Ahern, S. J., of Weston College, said: "My answer must be based on my conception of religion, which is, of course, the Catholic concept." There can be no doubt for the Catholic, he added, that religion must play an important part in any service for children. Deploing the frequent break-up of homes, he said: "It is fundamental in the Catholic educational theory that the primary responsibility for the religious education of the child rests on the parents."

Explaining that, as a member of Governor Saltonstall's committee, he did not feel free to speak of "what had occurred in Boston in the past week," Rabbi Joshua L. Liebman, of Temple Israel, said, "I feel more deeply than ever that we may win the war and lose the peace, and that Hitler may win the war spiritually if the hatreds and tensions and conflicts that have so long torn the Continent of Europe are allowed to grow unchecked. Explaining that "acceptance" is fundamental in the good life, Rabbi Liebman seemed to echo much that the conference has heard from specialists in the field of child guidance.

"Being accepted in spite of shortcomings, loved unconditionally by par-

ents," he said, "is inherent in the religious teaching of Judaism. An individual must have respect for himself before he can respect others."

Dr. Lawrence K. Frank, speaking as a parent, and out of long experience in child development reminded his listeners that young children start out in life without strong prejudices, without discriminations of race or color or religion.

"The problem before us, he asserted, "is not so much one of teaching toleration, as to prevent the growth of an intolerance which, with the young child, is not there in the first place."

A PRAYER

"Give me a good digestion, Lord
And also something to digest.
Give me a healthy body, Lord;
With sense to keep it at its best.
Give me a healthy mind, Lord,
To keep the good and pure in sight,
Which seeing sin, is not appalled
But finds a way to set it right.
Give me a mind that is not bored,
That does not whimper, whine or sigh;
Don't let me worry overmuch
About the fussy thing called I.
Give me a sense of humor, Lord;
Give me the grace to see a joke.
To get some happiness from life,
And pass it on to other folk.

—Author Unknown.

THOUGHTS

"Character" is what you have left when you have been stripped of everything else you can lose.

Think of our boys in the army this way: For your tomorrows they are giving their todays.

Adversity gauges the caliber of great souls. Prosperity sifts out the small ones.

Seize your opportunities as they come, and you will not have to chase after them as they go.

No one ever is so stupid that he cannot invent a seemingly good excuse for his follies.

FOR ONE COMMON PURPOSE

We are all of us fellow travelers along the same road and, as such it behooves us to work together for one common purpose, the greatest amount of happiness for each and all of our companions.

Hendrick Van Loon.

IT'S YOUR TEMPLE

1. Be Friendly—

The best way to become known and acquainted, is to attend regular services and make yourself known. He who would have friends, must show himself friendly.

2. Be Interested—

"Not interested" is an admission of personal neglect. Members do not become inactive because they lose interest; they lose interest because they cease to be active.

3. Be Critical—

The Temple will be best served by those who will see its faults and do something about them. The "quitter" type tries to cover his own deficiencies.

"You" and "They" now become "We" and "Us." The Temple will become as good or bad, as useful or useless, as you. Ask yourself often: "What kind of Temple would we have if all the members were like me?"

5. Be Tolerant—

Our Temple is a liberal Temple. We can learn more from those who disagree with us than from those with whom we agree.

6. Be Fair—

Carry your part of the load in service and in financial support, according to your talents and economic means.

7. Be Hopeful—

Expect much from your Temple. Demand that your Temple take you out of yourself and into unselfish concerns. Successful Temple relations, like all other relations, come, not by magic, but by intelligent devotion.

8. Be Considerate—

The people around you may be interested in the service and sermon even if you are not. If you must talk please do so where it will not disturb others.

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REMEMBER THE MEMORY BOOK

Many people are under the wrong impression that the Memory Book of the Euclid Avenue Temple, receives donations only in memory of some beloved one who has passed away.

This is not the case.

Happy occasions, joyous events, pleasant memories in life can also be remembered by your contribution to the Memory Book Fund.

The funds received are used for philanthropic activities.

Make donations to Mrs. Joseph Laronge, 2810 Overlook road, or call the Temple office.

CONFIRMATION OF RABBI BRICKNER'S PREDICTION IN ROSH HOSHONAH SERMON

Stockholm, Sweden, Oct. 24, (AP)—Germany's home front crisis apparently is growing despite the severe measures of the Gestapo, and reports in neutral capitals point to a German collapse early next year, perhaps in a few weeks.

The reports themselves and the tone of the German press have taken a pessimistic tinge in the past week. The reports of imminent collapse, however, still must be viewed with considerable reserve. A German visiting Sweden said Germany could fight on for at least eighteen months.

Dr. Jenny, a prominent Swiss journalist, writing in the Basler National Zeitung, said: "In wide circles it is considered possible that Germany will break within a few weeks as the German people have reached a dead point."

The Swedish newspaper Nya Dagligt Allehanda, in an Ankara dispatch, reported that Dr. Knut Wilhelm Reif, former German war correspondent for the Frankfurter Zeitung, said in the interview: "Hitler and his men only prolong the war but, despite the Gestapo terror, the collapse will come sooner than is expected." He went to Turkey after the paper ceased publication two months ago.

The Swedish labor paper Arbetaren said:

"The attitude of the German inner front is being entirely transformed under the influence of new realities. It has switched from admiration for the Fuehrer to a bitterness of feeling by a people who have been duped. If contact is established between this rising popular displeasure and the generals' opposition to Hitler's prestige and strategy, it may ignite an electric spark sufficient to set the whole Nazi power structure ablaze, loosing an irremediable catastrophe. It may happen before Christmas or it might be delayed until after the new year."

TOLERATION

An aged man, whom Abraham hospitably invited to his tent, refused to join him in prayer to the one spiritual God. Learning that he was a fire-worshipper, Abraham drove him from his door. That night God appeared to Abraham in a vision and said: "I have borne with that ignorant man for seventy years: could you not have patiently suffered him one night?"—Midrash.

LION OF JUDAH

Gaunt, proud Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia, distinguished as the poor ruler deposed by Fascist aggression who has regained his power, holds another distinction. He is one of the few non-Jewish sovereigns of history to employ a Hebrew term as his most honored title, namely, "Lion of Judah." The title is derived from the Abyssinian tradition that his Imperial Family is descended from King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, whose royal visit to the wise kings is recorded in I Kings, Chapter 10. The same tradition is also cherished by the 50,000 Falashas of Abyssinia, who cling to the Jewish faith in the ancient Mosaic form in which they first knew it. The Falashas, however, keep themselves rigidly apart from the non-Jewish populace. Among them and among the Ruling House, the Semitic strain has long been regarded as a badge of honor.

The "Lion of Judah" has lived up to his name, refusing to yield to Mussolini's bombs. He promised that his people would fight on "until they force Italy from the country or are themselves exterminated." When he found it impossible to remain, he fled first to Jerusalem, where his people maintained their magnificent Coptic Church, and then to England, to set up the first government-in-exile. Today "The Lion of Judah" rules his own land again.

—Rabbi Alan S. Green, D.D.,
in "Liberal Judaism."

THE CHILDREN'S REVOLT

A novel "revolt" was staged recently by a party of Jerusalem school children who had gone out to help settlers in a "kibbutz" to bring in the harvest of Emek Jezreel. The sturdy boys and girls, 16-year-olds, complained that they were being discriminated against when they found that the food served to them was better than the settlers themselves were receiving.

"We want the same kind of fare as you are getting," they protested. "No favoritism for us. We've come here to share your life and intend to do it in every respect."

Delighted by this new show of independence, the "kibbutz" managers adjusted the youngsters' diet.

Freedom is that faculty which enlarges the usefulness of all other faculties.—Kant.

BALFOUR WEEK

The week between October 31st and November 7th has been designated Balfour Week, celebrating the 26th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration, issued on November 2nd, 1917. At no time in the past 26 years has Palestine and the Zionist situation been more critical. The unqualified endorsement of the Zionist program by the American Jewish Conference was a great step in the right direction. As peace plans are discussed with increasing emphasis upon freedom for all peoples, rights for all minorities, security for all men, the place of Palestine in the future of world Jewry must be clearly understood by the coming peace. It is important that every Jewish man, woman and child be acquainted with the problem of Palestine. Let's devote this week to individual reading and study.

—Temple Tidings—Ft. Worth, Texas.

WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT FREEDOM

Freedom is a word that has recently been much in our thoughts and on our lips. From the ancients down many wise things have been written and said about freedom. Here are a few of them:

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Who, then, is free? The wise who can command his passions, who fears not want, nor death, nor chains, firmly resisting his appetites and depriving the honors of the world, who relies wholly on himself, whose angular points of character have all been rounded off and polished.—Horace.

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None can love freedom heartily but good men; the rest love not freedom but license.—Milton.

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Countries are well cultivated, not as they are fertile but as they are free.—Montesquieu.

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God Almighty has given to all men a natural right to be free, and they have it ordinarily in their power to make themselves so, if they please.—James Otis.

There are approximately 4,500 Jews in the Italian Peninsula. 10,000 are refugees from Nazi held areas. As the Allied armies march northward more and more of these find freedom for the first time in over two years