
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE

BULLETIN

CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

November 12th, at 8:15 o'clock

Guest Speaker

DR. JACOB R. MARCUS

Professor of History, Hebrew Union College

will speak on



"AN OLD PEOPLE IN A NEW WORLD"

*Sabbath Morning
Services*

in the Chapel

11 A. M. to 12 Noon

RABBI NODEL

will preach on

"HERE AM I"

Haftarah: II Kings 4:1—37

Sedrah: Genesis 18:1—22:24

NORMAN ROMAN WILL CHANT THE
LITURGICAL RESPONSES

ERWIN JOSPE AT THE ORGAN

"Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep It Holy"

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The Romance of the Jew
in America

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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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Friday Evening, November 19th

RABBI NODEL

will speak on

Sholom Asch's

"THE APOSTLE"

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WHEN THE ALIENS LEFT

By Ernest L. Meyer
from "Common Ground"

We were talking the other day to a resident of our town, an American citizen who happened to have been born in Italy, a hard-working day laborer in a Bridgeport munitions plant.

He had two sons in the Army and another slated for service. Many of his friends and neighbors, also Italian Americans, are in defense work and have sons in the Army. Some of the fathers, through accident or negligence, have failed to become naturalized. Yet they are giving to our war effort their sons and their sinews.

Despite all this, he said sadly, they are still lumped as aliens, even as "undesirable foreigners," by certain strident Yankee patriots. He was especially bitter about people like Congress-

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SISTERHOOD CULTURAL CLASSES

The Sisterhood Cultural Classes will begin Tuesday, November 23.

Hebrew in Ten Easy Lessons will be offered from 11-12 noon every Tuesday morning under the instruction of Mrs. Sigmund Braverman.

Tuesday afternoons from 1:15 to 2:15 P. M., Mr. Nathan Brilliant will continue his courses in Bible Studies.

From 2:15 to 3:15 P. M. a new course in the Jewish Arts will be offered by Rabbi Nodel. The lectures in this course will cover Jewish music, drama, and the Fine arts.

In Memoriam

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family of Leonard Gan-
ger.

FUNDS

To the Prayerbook Fund: Mrs. Leonard Finesilver in memory of father, Morris Lebensburger. In memory of Isadore Weiss, by his daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Barris, in memory of Bertha Less. M. N. Halle, in memory of Mrs. Belle Freiberg. Mrs. Josephine L. Gerson, in memory of Leo Grossman. Mrs. Bertha Steiner, in memory of Mrs. Bertha Less. Mrs. Josephine L. Gerson, in memory of aunt, Jennie Wodicka Mertz. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moss in memory of Bertha Less.

To the Rabbi Brickner Prize Fund: Mrs. D. Sampliner and Mrs. Sol Ulmer, in memory of cousin, Leo Grossman. Chester Hess in memory of mother, Minnie Hess.

To the James M. Goldman Fund: Mrs. A. Bernstein, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Goldman, Mrs. S. G. Fromson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Lowitt in memory of Alex Bernstein.

To the Yahrzeit Fund: Philmore Heiser in memory of Edward Heiser.

To the Library Fund: Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Gittelson in memory of brother-in-law, Hyman Gittelson.

To the Altar Fund: Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Spitz in memory of Coleman Spitz. Mrs. J. Heisler in memory of aunt, Bertha Lee. Mrs. I. J. Kabb, Mrs. D. C. Vactor, Mrs. David Kohn in memory of mother, Rosalie Lomnitz. Mrs. Julius Meyerson in memory of mother, Rosalie Lomnitz.

To the Scholarship Fund: Dr. and Mrs. Kroll honoring the 80th birthday of Mrs. D. J. Zinner.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mrs. Adolph Deutsch in honor of her eightieth birthday.

WELCOME DR. MARCUS

We are delighted once more to welcome to the Euclid Avenue Temple Prof. Jacob Marcus, distinguished historian of the Hebrew Union College. Dr. Marcus has visited our congregation before, and has spoken on numerous other occasions. He is a close friend of Rabbi Brickner and has labored with the spiritual leader of our Temple on many important committees of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. We trust our membership will make every effort to attend the Friday evening services this week. Dr. Marcus is the author of "The Rise and Destiny of the German Jew", "The Jew in the Medieval World", and a number of standard works in Jewish biography and bibliography.

Friends Wish Rabbi Brickner "Godspeed" on World Wide Tour at Ninety-Seventh Annual Meeting

From Cleveland Plain Dealer, Nov. 8, 1943

The congregation of Euclid Avenue Temple last night bade godspeed to Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, who is leaving this week on a visit to the American forces in all parts of the world as representative of the Jews of America. More than 1,200 members and friends of Euclid Avenue Temple attended the farewell meeting, which was combined with the 97th annual meeting of the congregation and held in the Euclid Avenue Temple house.

Frank L. Weil of New York, president of the National Jewish Welfare Board, which nominated Rabbi Brickner for the high honor of making the tour of the battle fronts on behalf of American Judaism, delivered the principal address, emphasizing that the soldiers on the battle fronts wanted the uplift and support of religion and that the services of the temples and churches in giving spiritual sustenance to the men had been most remarkable.

He said the Jewish National Welfare Board operated for the whole Jewish religious community in the procurement of Jewish chaplains of whom there were 200 with the armed forces. In addition, he said, the board has 483 local army and navy committees, all engaged in religious activities. One of the noteworthy features of this work, he continued, is the wholehearted co-operation among Reform, Orthodox and Conservative Jews.

Weil read letters from soldiers stationed in New Guinea, Australia, India, Egypt and England, letters describing their spiritual experiences and expressing appreciation of the ministry of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

"Whatever their life has been, it is more religious now than before," he said referring to the Jewish soldiers. "Men are more religious in the army than in

civilian life. They attend services more regularly and they learn fellowship with people of other faiths. One of the most notable things about this war is the spirit of harmony in which both chaplains and men of different faiths have worked together and have respected each other."

Purpose Explained

Rabbi Brickner, in an address to the congregation, said his purpose in making the tour was "to visit not only the chaplains and men of Jewish faith but of all faiths, to bring them a message from the folks at home, to sustain in the men those values they hold dear and to assure them that those same values will be here at home when they come back again."

James H. Miller, president of the congregation, in his annual report, announced that the Euclid Avenue Temple membership was the largest in its history, numbering 1,451 families. He added that it was one of the two or three largest temples in the country.

The Friday night services instituted by Euclid Avenue Temple a few years ago proved themselves very successful, Miller said. He also announced that during Rabbi Brickner's absence the pulpit would be filled by visiting rabbis and by Rabbi Julius Nodel, assistant rabbi of Euclid Avenue Temple.

The following trustees were elected:

For Five Year Term—Herman Bercu, Myron A. Cohen, I. J. Kabb, Emery E. Klineman, Jack Simon, Frank Solomon.

For One Year Term—Eugene Klein (completing the term of S. A. Nathanson, now in the armed forces).

Representing the Sisterhood—Mrs. J. C. Newman, Mrs. Bernard Kane, Mrs. Charles Korach.

Representing the Men's Club—Harry Jacobson, Martin Goulder.

Representing the Alumni Association—Richard Bernon, Alvin Kendis.

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man Martin Dies and Westbrook Pegler, both of whom have been fulminating about "America for the American-born." . . .

That night we had a dream.

We dreamed that Westbrook Pegler rubbed his magic lamp and the genie appeared and the genie said: "What is thy will, master?"

And Pegler answered: "It is my will that straightway all the aliens in America be exiled to some distant and inhospitable spot and there do sufferance for their sins."

And the genie said: "Truly I can grant thy wish, master, but there is a law in my land which says that whosoever is sent into exile shall be allowed to take with him whatever he has created by his own efforts. This is, I think, a just law, and if you abide by it, I can grant your desire."

And Pegler said: "Indeed, your law is quite just. Let the aliens be deported, and let them take with them what they have created, for surely they have fashioned nothing but dissent and plots and labor racketeering and radical heresies and sins and sabotage. And to these they are welcome."

And the genie said: "So be it, master." And he uttered a few words of strange power and a miracle happened.

It followed on that very instant that a vast fleet of barges and boats was fashioned, and into them, millions upon millions, flocked the aliens, and they took with them what they had created in America.

They took the highways hewn out of the wilderness by Sicilians and Slavs, and great rafts of lumber felled in the forests by the Irish, the Swedes, the Norwegians, and many millions of square miles of earth made fertile by the Germans, the Swiss, the Danes, and the Dutch, and billions of garments woven by the Jews, and mountainous masses of coal dug from the pits by the Italians and Finns and Poles, and whole cities of skyscrapers and subways and railroads and mills and marts wrought by the sinews of many aliens from the four quarters of the world when the call went out that America needed immigrants to make America great.

And they took with them also their alien culture, their music and their songs, their languages and their literature, their books and their Bibles, their cookery, their piety and their passions,

their ideals and philosophy and folk dances and fun, which had been woven into the rich and multicolored fabric of America.

And a great want followed, and a great and strange silence.

And in that silence there was naught to be heard save the frightened whimpering of Westbrook Pegler, who gazed over the barren landscape robbed of highways and railroads and forests and cities and fertile farms. And Pegler cried: "Genie! Genie!"

But there was no answer, for the genie, an alien, was on one of the deportation boats to Bagdad.

And after that there was nothing, and night.

SUCCAH BUILDING CONTEST

The annual miniature Succah contest was held by the Euclid Avenue Temple during the Feast of Harvest for the 11th consecutive year. There were close to 75 participants from all the grades of the Religious School. Of special interest is one made by Sanford Goldstein which was constructed entirely out of toothpicks glued together.

Sanford said he started making it a year ago and has been working on it off and on during the course of the year. Other winners of the contest were:

Marjorie Cort, 2A; Susan Fuerst, 3B; Stanley Wohlgemuth, 3B; Phylliss Asquith, 4C; and Howard Praver, 4C.

BABIES BLESSED

At the service last Saturday morning the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Spitz (James Emanuel Spitz) and the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cowan (Ira James Cowan) were named and blessed.

A SHADY RETORT From the Talmud

An Athenian once went into an eating house in Jerusalem and ordered the boy, who offered to serve him, to bring some eggs and cheese.

After the boy had done so, the stranger said: "I shall give you this coin if you will tell me which of these cheeses is from the milk of white goats and which from black goats."

"That I shall be glad to do, sir," returned the witty lad, "if you will tell me which of these eggs came from a black hen and which from a white one..."

Says the Talmud further:

"Those who creep through bushes must expect to meet with briars."

THE HOME

The destiny of Judaism in America is inextricably bound up with the destiny of the American home. Let the Jewish home in this land disintegrate and there is no miracle or magic by which Judaism can survive. It certainly cannot survive if we are indifferent to the religious training of our children. Neither can the welfare of our nation be served if we rear our children as pagans. One can understand the attitude of parents who do not feel the crucial need of religion for themselves, but insist that their children shall have some. They realize that it is a dangerous experiment to launch boys and girls into life with a background of positive atheism or general indifferentism.

We want to see a generation of Jews grow up uncursed by a sense of inferiority and a propensity for cringing. We want to see them imbued with a sense of dignity and self-assurance in their status as Jews, as Americans, as human beings, but when we have made all our arguments and devised all our schemes, the results will inevitably depend upon the training of the children.

We want a new attitude toward international morality in the world, leading to a better adjustment of international relations, so that our world shall be organized not for war but for peace. But when we have completed all our elaborate plans and schemes involving external elements, the results will depend upon the training of the children.

Of course, some of you say that the institutions of organized religion ought to be doing this job. There can be no argument about that. Of course they should. Undeniably the religious school here has its opportunity and its responsibility, nor have the religious schools been derelict in this direction. The curriculum is being constantly improved. New and better textbooks and teaching material are being issued, physical equipment is being provided with increasing efficiency and attractiveness, and teachers are being developed with a sense of consecration and humility. But after all, what is being done and what can be done in the religious school on Sunday is only accessory and supplementary to the home. There are no substitutes for parents.

The home has a responsibility in this matter that has been delegated to any individual or institution. It is a tremendous fallacy to believe that religion is something that can be taught. It has

to be caught. It must be communicated by contagion, by kindling, by environment and example.

The history of every great religion bears testimony to this fact. One dynamic, prophetic spirit catches a vision of the kingdom of God on earth, and you have Judaism, Christianity and Mohammedanism sweeping the world with crusading fervor. No textbook can achieve such a miracle. No teacher can indoctrinate such an attitude. It must be communicated by contact. There are no substitutes for parents.

Irving Reichert, Rabbi of Temple
Emanu-el, San Francisco, Cal.

THIS INCREDIBLE WORLD!

First U. S. cabinet member who was a Jew was Oscar Straus in the Theodore Roosevelt Administration in 1906.

Luis De Santangel and Gabriel Sanchez (Jews) contributed money to finance Columbus expedition to North America.

First Jew in England to be called to the bar was Mr. (later Sir) Francis H. Goldsmid, in 1833. . . . He was also the first British Jew to be made a Queen's Counsel, 1858.

First Jewish lawyer in the United States was Sampson Shimson, who was admitted to the bar in 1802.

Hugo Preuss (a Jew) drafted the constitution of the Weimar Republic.

First Jew in Canada to attain cabinet rank was David Croll.

Tobias Kohn, of Hartford, Conn., introduced weaving in U. S. A. about 1850.

Maestre Bernal, Columbus' ship doctor, of Jewish origin, was the first white man to smoke tobacco.

Isaac Singer (a Jew) perfected the sewing machine.

First Jew to receive a medical degree in Canada was Dr. Hart, at McGill, 1835.

KEEP THE DATE OPEN!



Men's Club
Thanksgiving Eve.
Dance

Alumni Hall

WEDNESDAY EVE., NOV. 24th

Free to Members

MRS. BRAVERMAN HONORED

Last Friday evening, the present and past staff of the Euclid Avenue Temple numbering close to 100, honored Mrs. Sigmund Braverman for her 15 years of service as the Director of Extension Activities.

Mrs. Braverman's work has been characterized by its creativity. Under her skillful guidance, the Club Department and the Special Hebrew Department have grown in numbers and are today models of their kind in this country. She has served with loyalty and untiring devotion.

Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner was the principal speaker of the evening. Others on the program were Judge Maurice Bernon, Chairman of the Religious School Committee, the President of the Men's Club, the Sisterhood, the Alumni, Rabbi J. J. Nodel, and Nathan Brilliant.

Both the congregation and the staff each presented Mrs. Braverman with a gift.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

During Rabbi Brickner's absence the Confirmation Class will be instructed by Rabbi Nodel and Mr. Brilliant. The class will meet every Thursday afternoon from 4:30 to 5:30 p. m.

Story of the Week

Hitler wasn't feeling too happy when he is getting older every day, so he called the most celebrated Nazi physician.

Hitler asked the doctor to examine him and tell him what the doctor could do to help him stay young. So the Nazi doctor examined Hitler and said: "I'm sorry, but there is nothing that medical science can do to make you young again."

Hitler was greatly disappointed, so he sent for Doctor Ginsberg. To him he said: "Do you know who I am?" "Sure," said Ginsberg. "And," said Hitler, "you're not afraid of me?" "No," said the Jewish doctor. "Well," said Hitler, "what can you do to make me young again?"

Dr. Ginsberg examined Hitler and said: "Medical science cannot make you younger, but I can fix it so that you won't get any older!"

SISTERHOOD DRAMATIC READINGS

The season's first dramatic reading will be given Tuesday, November 16 at 1:30, in the Sisterhood Parlor. A current popular comedy will be read. Among those participating will be Mesdames: Bernard Krohn, Willard Livingstone, Julius Nodel, Louis Rose, Martin Rosenberg and William Rosenfeld. Mrs. Harry L. Wolpaw will direct the reading group. A most enjoyable afternoon is anticipated.

SERVICE MEN'S RECORD

We are trying to keep our roll of honor and our records of all service men and women in our congregation up-to-date. If you know of any changes in the addresses of our boys in service will you kindly use the attached form and mail it to the Euclid Avenue Temple office, 8206 Euclid Ave.

Name of person in the Service

Rank and branch

Relationship to signer

Present mailing address

Your Name

Your Address

Your Telephone Number