THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE BULLETIN CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

MARCH 3rd at 8:15 P. M.

# Welcome Home!



# **RABBI BRICKNER**

will speak on

# "How I Found the Troops"

The first in a series of talks reporting Rabbi Brickner's mission for the President and War Department to the various theatres of war.

Sabbath Morning Services

11 A. M. to 12 Noon RABBI JULIUS J. NODEL

"BE LITTLE IN THINE OWN SIGHT"

Sedrah: Exodus 27:20—30:10 Deuteronomy 25:17-19 Haftarah: I Samuel 15:2-34

"Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep It Holy"

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#### Religious School Notes

IN ORDER TO ALLOW SUFFI-CIENT TIME FOR THE PARENTS AND CHILDREN TO GO TO THE CARTER HOTEL FOR THE FATHER - SON, MOTHER - DAUGH-TER LUNCHEONS, SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH, RELIGIOUS SCHOOL WILL BE DISMISSED AT 11:30 A. M.

Clubs are in the midst of preparations for Purim. Some plan parties, others plays and one is preparing an opertta. The latest report is that 326 trees have been purchased from the Jewish National Fund to be planted in Palestine by the children of the Religious School . . . Children of the Primary department listened with wrapt attention to a fascinating story told by Mrs. Braverman last Sunday morning. . . Classes 4A, 8A and 9B had 100% attendance last week. . . . A movie on Palestine, 'Food for Victory' was shown to all the children of the school last week-end.

#### MR. NATHAN BRILLIANT SPEAKS ON ZIONISM

Mr. Nathan Brilliant, Director of Education, spoke to the Esquire Club, February 9th, on the subject "The Forgotten Ally,"

Friday evening, February 11th, he addressed the Cleveland Zionist Youth Commission Institute on the subject: "The Relationship Between Zionism and Americanism."

Tuesday morning, February 29th, Mr. Brilliant spoke to the students of Emerson High School on the subject "The History of Palestine and Zionism."

#### FUNDS

To the Altar Fund: Mr. Chester Warner in memory of Clara Diamond; Erna Arndt, Mrs. Sara White, Mrs. Jean Heisler, and Muriel Heisler in memory of Herbert Goodman; Dr. and Mrs. D. B. Licht in honor of the 20th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Camin; Mrs. Anna Mauff; Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Mielziner in memory of Samuel Baum; Mrs. Joseph Fischer in memory of Sophie Mahrer and Clara Steiner.

To the Prayerbook Fund: Charles L. Benjamin and daughters in memory of Rosa L. Benjamin; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Thalman in memory of Mrs. Rose Thalman; Mrs. Beatrice Susan in memory of Mrs. Hanna DeBrown; E. M. Hart in memory of Phillip Herskowits; Florence S. Deutsch in memory of Hannah Rosa Sacheroff; Josephine and Sam Gerson in memory of Louis Grossman; and Mollie Spizel; Joseph H. Diamond in memory of Clara Diamond; Anna M. Glick in memory of Harvey L. Mandelbaum; Mrs. Josephine Lederer in memory of Morris H. Tobias; Chester Warner in memory of Clara Diamond; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sirl in memory of Herbert Goodman; Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Eisenberg in memory of Jacob Selman; Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Eisenberg in memory of Samuel Eisenberg; Margie Kohane in memory of Elsie Berg Kohane.

To the Yahrzeit Fund: Anna Moss in memory of Laura Moss.

To the Library Fund: Abe Kohane in memory of Elsie Berg Kohane; Mr. and Mrs. Jack West in honor of Rabbi Brickner's safe arrival and the birth of his grandchildren.

To the Scholarship Fund: Mrs. Isidore Kaufman in memory of Thelka Rosenfeld; Mrs. H. L. Sinek in memory of Maria Pollak.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. A. Camin on their 20th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. William Haber upon the happy event of a daughter, Donna Sue, born to them January 22nd.

2nd C-Yeoman and Mrs. Irving Whitman upon the happy event of a son, Charles David, Born to them February 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Frankel upon the happy event of a daughter, Alice, born to them February 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Mielziner upon the celebration of their 45th Wedding Anniversary, February 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Devay upon the celebration of their 45th Wedding Anniversary, February 28th.

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Son

Luncheon

Rainbow Room Hotel Carter 12:30 p. m. A gift souvenir for every son.

A real "Magician"

Variety of other entertainment.

For all dads and lads.

Sons of Men's Club members who are in the Armed Forces are invited as special guests.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 5th RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

### **His Experiences at the Fighting Front!**

(The Rabbi will address each group separately)

 Tickets: \$2.25. \$1.75 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 11:30 a.m. so that families may meet and be at the Hotel Carter by 12:30 Mother Daughter Luncheon

> Ball Room Hotel Carter 12:30 p.m.

#### PURIM BEGINS ON

#### NIGHT OF MARCH 8

In this city and throughout the world, Jews will be celebrating the Feast of Purim on Wednesday evening, March 8 and Thursday, March 9. The celebra-tion this year will be of special interest because of the resemblance between Haman, the villain of the story, and his modern counterpart, Hitler of Germany. As in the former case, Jews everywhere will express the hope of celebrating in years to come the providential deliverance from their new oppressor.

This festival is based on the Biblical Book of Esther, which recounts the story of Mordecai, a Jew of Persia in the days when Haman was the prime. minister. Mordecai's orphaned niece, Esther, raised in his household, became the queen of King Ahasuerus. Haman had designs upon the wealth of the Jews. In his greed he planned nothing less than a wholesale extermination of the Jews of Persia, and what was more to his purpose, the confiscation of their possessions. His false accusation has re-echoed through the centuries: "There is a people dispersed among the peoples of thy Kingdom; and their laws are different; neither keep they the king's laws, therefore it profiteth not the king to suffer them." He also offered to divide the loot with the king. In a thoughtless moment, the decree of destruction was authorized. Here follows with rare artistry and dramatic effect the plea of Mordecai to his niece and her perilous intervention with the king, resulting in the utter destruction of the malefactor and the deliverance of her people.

Throughout the centuries Jews have observed this festival because it emphasizes the right to difference of opinion-the essence of democracy. There is a carnival character to the celebration and also an emphasis upon the in-junction of "Shalach Monos," sending gifts to friends and above all to the less fortunate members of the community.

In compliance with the current world-wide custom of retranslating the Biblical books into modern vernacular, the Union of American Hebrew Congregation has issued a new, widely-used Scroll of Esther, known as the Megillah, printed on parchment, in English vernacular and quaintly illustrated in colors.

THE ANNUAL EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE 'MEGILLAH NIGHT' SERV-ICE WILL BE HELD NEXT FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 10TH, 8:15 P. M.

#### Sisterhood Notes

Mesdames L. J. Cort, Mortimer Kramer. Norman Less and Sidney Weiss are helping to serve lunches in the cafeteria of the City Hospital, to the doctors and nurses. The Federation of Women's Clubs of Cleveland are sponsoring this program of civilian service The women are paid 50 cents corps. an hour. One-half of their pay goes to the Federation and one-half to the Sisterhood. \*

Due to lack of materials, work for those who have been making articles for the Red Cross is falling off. In order to increase and promote sales of other articles made at the Tuesday Sewing Group, Red Cross workers are urged to enroll in some of the other departments. Don't lose the habit of coming to Sewing every Tuesday!

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A new Sisterhood project has been started. Russian War Relief is supplying Americans with 3,000,000 kits to fill with household necessities for Russian families starting life anew in the vast areas now being liberated from the Nazi invaders. These kits will contain ordinary and inexpensive articles which all of us take for granted here, but which are practically non-existent in Russia's war-ruined and looted cities and villages. The kits are \$2.50 each. Won't you share in this vital and humane undertaking by filling as many kits as you can?

For further information, get in touch with Mrs. Bernard Walder, Yellowstone 6712.

#### **RABBI IN THE COMMUNITY**

Rabbi Nodel has been invited to speak for the Annual Membership Drive meeting of the Blue Star Mothers Service, Inc., Friday afternoon, March 3rd, at the Higbee Auditorium.

#### JUNIOR ALUMNI AFFAIR

Ed. Hirsh, who has assumed the leadership of Junior Alumni, announces that plans for the Junior Alumni Purim Carnival are in full swing. There will be the usual Purim side-shows, a Queen Esther Contest and Purim delicacies, in addition to a public "Trial of Haman."

#### AN EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED

The Men's Club and Sisterhood Father-Son, Mother-Daughter Luncheon on Sunday, March 5th, at the Carter Hotel, 12:30 p. m., promises to be one of the most outstanding events of this year.

The Luncheon will be held in honor of Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner who has just returned from an extensive religious mission to the fighting fronts of the War.

At the Mother-Daughter Luncheon, the program will open with the Presentation of the Flag by the Girl Scouts of the E. A. T. and the singing of the National Anthem. Mrs. Barnett R. Brickner will give the invocation and Mrs. J. C. Newman, the President's greeting, which will be followed by a short entertainment, planned especially for the daughters. Rabbi Brickner will talk to each gathering about his experiences overseas.

Gifts will be awarded to the oldest mother present and the mother with the most daughters. "Warsages," which were made by a committee of Sisterhood women with Mrs. Alex Sill as chairman, will be given to all daughters. Mrs. Frank Lausche, First Lady of Cleveland and Mrs. B. F. McQuate, Head of the Women's Division of the Cleveland Red Cross, will be guests of the Sisterhood. Mrs. Richard Bergman, Program Chairman of the Sisterhood, will be chairman of the day.

The Boy Scouts of the E. A. T. will present the flag at the Father-Son Luncheon. A magician and a short variety program has been planned for the entertainment of both young and old—dads and lads. Gift souvenirs will be presented to each son. Rabbi Nodel will deliver the Invocation. Sons of Men's Club members, now serving in the Armed Forces of the United States will be special guests. Mr. William Rosenfeld will be chairman of the day.

The Mother-Daughter Luncheon will be held in the **Ball Room** of the Carter Hotel and the Father-Son Luncheon in the **Rainbow Room**.

Please try to be on time-12:30 p. m.



#### UAHC COMMISSION SERVES NEEDS OF CONGREGATIONS

One of the most responsive nerve centers of the great Union of American Hebrew Congregations is the Commission on Synagogue Activities of the UAHC, in charge of Rabbi Jacob D. Schwarz.

This commission serves as the very efficient clearing house of information for 311 synagogues embraced by the UAHC. The commission's files indicate also that it is serving 257 synagogues not in the UAHC.

In addition to conducting its vast information service, the Commission is responsible for the following activities:

Stimulating the celebration of congregational anniversaries at five-year intervals.

Providing suitable discussion materials on current Jewish topics through publication of "Town Hall Discussion" (examples: "Religion in a World at War—The American Jew Looks Within"; "The World After the War— Judaism and a Just and Enduring Peace" and "Jewish Life in America Today— The American Jew Looks Outside").

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of the Magazine, LIBERAL JUDAISM and thus furnishing information, comments and suggestions on synagogue policy, program and projects to improve the work of the synagogue and its leadership.

Stimulating the annual observance of Isaac M. Wise Memorial Sabbath in honor of the birthday anniversary of the founder of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Hebrew Union College and the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

In the field of observance, the Commission's Committee on Ceremonies has produced a number of ceremonial objects such as an abridged Megillah in English, the ritual for Purim celebration in the synagogue and Chanuko lamp and stand. In preparation is a standard marriage certificate designed by artist Sol Nodel, to be presented by the congregation to its congregants on the occasion of marriages. These objects have been welcomed by the con-gregations. The Commission has also issued a Chanuko pageant, ceremonials for special Sabbaths, shoforos-with-mouthpieces, rabbinical robes and atoro, ceremonies for the synagogue suko, for the Seder, for the consecration of a new home, for installation of a rabbi and for installation of congregational officers.

#### TIRED OF GIVING?

"Go break to the hungry sweet Charity's bread,

For giving is living," the Angel said.

"Must I be giving again and again?"

The weary, wondering question came. "No," said the angel, piercing me through,

"Just stop—when the Lord stops giving to you."

-EDWIN MARKHAM

#### FOUR POINTS IN TOLERANCE

1. I will spread no rumor and no slander against any sect.

2. I will never try to indict a whole people by reason of the delinquency of any member.

3. I will daily deal with every man in business, in social and in political relations, only on the basis of his true individual worth.

4. In my daily conduct I will consecrate myself, hour by hour, to the achievement of the highest ideal of the dignity of mankind, human equality, human fellowship and human brotherhood. Judge Joseph M. Proskauer.



#### CUSTODIAN OF DIVINE SECRETS

The truth is that the Jews were the only people who, from the very beginning, knew God, the Creator of the heavens and the earth the only people consequently that could be the custodian of the divine secrets, and it preserved them in a religion that is without equal. The books which the Egyptians and the other nations called divine have long since been lost, and there scarcely remains a hazy memory of them in ancient histories. The sacred books of the Romans in which Numa, the author of their religion, wrote down the mysteries, perished at the hands of the The Senate had Romans themselves, them burned, believing that they might The same Romans overturn religion. destroyed finally the Sibylline books, long revered among them as prophetic. They had wished the people to believe that these books contained the decrees of the immortal gods concerning their empire, but they never perhaps showed in public, I do not say a single volume but a single oracle. The Jews were the only ones whose sacred Scriptures were held in ever greater veneration as they became better known.

Jacques Benigne Bossuet (1627-1740). French Bishop quoted in Joseph L. Baron's "Stars and Sand."