
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE

BULLETIN

CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 10th, at 8:15 O'CLOCK

Megillah Night

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Dedicated to the Festival of Purim

Presentation of the eternal story of the Book of Esther and an epilogue prepared by Mr. Brilliant and Mrs. Braverman.

Mr. Brilliant will act as narrator and will be accompanied by organ, choir and soloists, under the direction of Mr. Jospe.

Soloists: Tillie S. Fine and Samuel Levine.

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Make this family night at temple. Parents are urged to come with their children, especially with those in the Confirmation and High School departments.

Last Friday evening the Temple was filled to capacity. A sound system carried the complete service to the overflow congregation seated in the auditorium.

## RABBI BRICKNER

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will speak on

"MY VISIT TO PERSIA—THE LAND OF QUEEN ESTHER"

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An Oneg Shabbat in Alumni Hall will follow the service.  
Hamantaschen and coffee will be served.

### *Sabbath Morning Services*

11 A. M. to 12 Noon

RABBI JULIUS J. NODEL

*will speak on*

"THE OPTIMISTIC SPIRIT OF PURIM"

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### Religious School Notes

All children of the Confirmation Department and High School (Grades 7 to 12) are expected to attend the Megillah Night Service which takes place Friday evening, March 10th at 8 p. m. There will be no sessions for the Confirmation Department (Grades 7, 8 and 9) on Saturday morning, March 11th. The primary and Intermediate Departments (Grades Kg. to 6) will report to their classes at 10 a. m. and at 10:30, there will be a general assembly in the Auditorium . . . Keren Ami Purim Gift envelopes have been distributed to all children in the school. They will deposit them in the collection baskets at Megillah Night Service or at the Sunday morning assembly. A costume Parade will be featured at the Primary and Intermediate Assembly . . . The High School Department will hold their own assembly on Sunday morning, March 12th . . . The Maccabees had 100 per cent attendance last week—The High School Hebrew 100 per cent . . . Hebrew 3 had 100 per cent . . . There will be NO sessions for Special Hebrew classes the week-end of Purim, March 10, 11 and 12.

### In Memoriam

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family of Mr. Sol P. Lindner.

### NOTICE

Vice-President Henry Wallace will speak over Station WHK on Thursday, March 9th, at 9:30 p. m. in connection with the American-Palestine Committee which is holding a conference at the Statler Hotel on that day. Senator Robert Wagner is the chairman.

### FUNDS

**To the Scholarship Fund:** Mrs. E. A. Friedman, Mrs. E. A. Green, Mrs. Joseph Amster in memory of Herbert Goodman.

**To the Ignatz and Rosa Stone Fund:** Mr. Walter E. Stone.

**To the Library Fund:** Mr. and Mrs. Max Green in honor of the birthday of their mother Mrs. F. C. Hofman, Lt. and Mrs. Wesley R. Fishel in memory of Helen Brudno Markus; Mrs. Reba C. Wilson in memory of Bessie Corsun; Mr. and Mrs. Max Green in memory of Earl M. Lieberman; Tina G. Bernstein in memory of father and brothers.

**To the Prayerbook Fund:** Mrs. William Schnurmacher in memory of Joseph Berman; Beatrice S. Marx and sisters in memory of Jennie Oppenheim; Mr. S. Schwartz, Mrs. E. P. Blaugrund, and Mrs. W. A. Pollack in memory of Stella Schwartz; the Tuesday Group in memory of Clara Diamond; the Glueck Family in memory of Rae Gerson; the Glueck Family in memory of Mrs. Bertha Less; in memory of Hulda Deutsch from her children; Mrs. William Antel in memory of Jennie Oppenheim.

**To the Jahrzeit Fund:** Mabel Lechner in memory of Joseph Berman; Mrs. N. Tronstein in memory of Nathan Tronstein; Paul Miller in memory of Rebecca Miller; Dorothy Feniger Lang in memory of Blanche and Ben Feniger.

**To the Betty Jane Finkle Fund:** In loving memory of Rebecca Gold from daughters, Mrs. Louis Reich, Mrs. Harry Weiss, Mrs. Herman Finkle, Mrs. William Rosenfeld, Mrs. David Benjamin, and Miss Sylvia Gold.

**To the Leonard B. Ganger Scholarship Fund:** Mr. and Mrs. Milton E. Ganger.

**To the Braille Fund:** Mrs. David Geller, Mrs. Sam Barnett, Mrs. Max Lefkovich, Mrs. Louis Rippner, Mrs. Henry Barger, Mrs. Hugo Taussig, Mrs. Sigmund Grossman, Mrs. A. J. Bialosky in memory of Henry Sulka; Mrs. Cora F. Reinthal in memory of David Fuld, Henry Fuld, and Morris G. Schaffner.

**To the Memory Book Fund:** Mr. and Mrs. Marvin, Louis and Herbert Laronge in memory of their uncle, Max Adler; Mrs. Bertha Klein in memory of the birthday of her son, Nelson W. Klein.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Barris upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Richard, Saturday morning in the Chapel.

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Mrs. Mary David on her 84th birthday, March 10th.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grossman on the engagement of their daughter, Beatrice, to Sanford Stein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stein.

## RABBI BRICKNER TO SPEAK FOR AMERICAN LEGION

Rabbi Brickner will be the guest speaker at the 25th Anniversary Luncheon of the Cuyahoga Council American Legion, Monday, March 20, 1944, at 12 o'clock in the Grand Ball Room of the Statler Hotel.

Other guests will be Mayor Lausche and representatives of the Cleveland newspapers.

Any members of the Euclid Avenue Temple who would care to attend the meeting can buy their tickets (\$2.00 each) from Mr. Ed Bergman, Prospect 2257.

## SISTERHOOD BRAILLIST USES NEW HEBREW CODE

Probably the only volunteer brailist in the United States using the new International Hebrew Braille Code is Mrs. Harry A. Cole, a member of the Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Cole has transcribed into Hebrew such books as *First Year in Hebrew*, *Elements of Hebrew* and *Sipurim Kalim*. Her work is in great demand by Hebrew braille readers.

A copy of *First Year in Hebrew* transcribed by Mrs. Cole, was used recently by a sightless lad in preparing for his Bar Mitzvah. A letter received from the boy's parents indicates the deep joy which the occasion brought to the family and also the continuing interest in the study of Hebrew which has been inspired in the lad.

Mrs. Cole will be glad to assist any other Sisterhood brailist familiar with Hebrew who may be interested in learning the new International Hebrew Braille Code. For further information on this subject please write to the Braille Chairman of the Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Mrs. Charles Korach, 1692 Lee Road.

—from "Topics and Trends."

## SENTENCE SERMONS

Nothing in all human life, least of all in religion, is ever right until it is beautiful.

—Harry Emerson Fosdick.

You are undone if you once forget that the fruits of the earth belong to us all, and the earth itself to nobody.

—Jean Jacques Rousseau.

Nothing makes the soul so pure, so religious, as the endeavor to create something perfect.

—Michelangelo.

## RED CROSS MESSAGE

We should like to call attention to the war fund to be raised by the Red Cross in Cleveland this year during the month of March. We have been asked by the Red Cross to inform our member organizations of the important work of this great agency and the need for generous support so that its many services at home and abroad can be rendered more effectively.

In war time wherever our boys may be the Red Cross is at their side. This year, the responsibilities of the Red Cross have greatly increased both as to money and personnel. Cleveland's quota this year must be increased nearly 50% to a total of \$3,000,000.

The active support of all good citizens, both financially and through volunteer services, is needed to help the Red Cross meet its responsibilities. You have always been warm and generous in your support of this organization and it is hoped that your active interest and help will again be forthcoming this year.

## SCRIPTURE CAKE

The recipe for Scripture Cake, so-called because it requires a knowledge of the Scriptures as well as of the culinary art, has been dug up by a Westchester housewife. How it will set on the digestive apparatus of the consumer can be told only by testing. Here is the recipe:

- 1—4½ cups of 1st Kings, iv, 22.
- 2—1½ cups Judges, v, 25.
- 3—2 cups Jeremiah, vi, 12.
- 4—2 cups 1st Samuel, xxx, 12.
- 5—2 cups Nahum, iii, 12.
- 6—1 cup Numbers, xvii, 8.
- 7—2 tablespoons 1st Samuel, xiv, 25.
- 8—6 articles of Jeremiah, xvii, 11.
- 9—A pinch of Leviticus, ii, 12.
- 10—A teaspoon of Amos, iv, 5.
- 11—Season to taste with 2nd Chronicles, ix, 9.

12—Add citron and follow Solomon's advice for making a good boy.

Proverbs, xxiii, 14, and you will have a good cake.

For the benefit of readers whose knowledge of the Bible is limited, the following definitions of the key numbers are given:

- 1, flour; 2, butter; 3, sugar; 4, raisins; 5, figs; 6, almonds; 7, honey; 8, eggs; 9, salt; 10, baking soda; 11, spices; 12, beat well.

—Boston Daily Globe.

## PURIM AMONG ORIENTAL JEWS

I must confess that a curious sense of solemnity filled me when, on my way from Jerusalem via Bagdad into the interior of Persia, I found myself in Shushan Habirah, at the graves of Mordecai and Esther. First came the impressive road from the Tigris plain to the high Persian plateau, a stair-like rising pass, on which for thousands of years the armies of all kings, merchants and pilgrims of all nations have traveled, that ancient caravan road to China which is a natural passage connecting East and West. Here the most ancient history of human-kind has left its traces. High up in the mountains stands the historically important Behistan Inscription of Darius, hewn into the rock, its reliefs and old, time-worn incisions still clear today.

Then there is Hamadan itself, one of the most ancient of cities, standing on the ruins of old Achmetha, the summer residence of the kings of the Medes.

But there was another reason why I felt that in this city I stood on holy ground: I recalled the Megillah Esther, the characters of which come to life as one stands beside the tomb of its heroes. One can fairly see the procession of mourning, fasting Jews. Mordecai in sack-cloth and ashes, beautiful, graceful Esther, hate-filled Haman, the vacillating king—and then the messengers who bear the tidings of salvation to all Jewish communities of the great Persian empire, the festive rejoicing of the Jews.

No wonder that at Purim everybody wants to make a pilgrimage to the graves of these heroes of the Megillah. Dark and narrow though the tomb is, everybody wants to perform the special mitzvah of hearing the reading of the Megillah at the historic site of the actual events.

Special forms of celebrating Purim have developed or have long been carefully preserved in Persia.

The coming of Purim is anticipated for weeks. In addition to long preparations for the holiday, such as the learning of the Megillah and of the "Tikkun Purim," there is the "preparation of Haman." For it is an ancient custom among the Oriental Jews, and among the Jews of Shushan Habirah in particular, to symbolize the fall and end of Haman at Purim by hanging an effigy of Haman on the gallows and then burning it. Even very old Hebrew and Arabic sources describe this custom.

A life-sized figure of Haman is con-

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structed out of old rags and mats, sewed up in the proper shape, with arms, legs, head, and trunk, stuffed with straw. Haman's face is then painted in, and the figure is put on the roof or in the corner of the courtyard, to await events.

When Purim approaches the great event comes for the children. They take down the Haman they have made, build a pyre in the courtyard or in some other open space, and in the middle of the pyre construct the gallows. Then the signal is given, Haman is hanged on the gallows, and the pyre is lighted.

As oil or benzine heats the bonfire all the children dance around it, and their delighted shrieks consign "Haman Harasha" to his doom. To destroy him even more quickly, stones are thrown at the painted face of the Haman effigy until its features become unrecognizable—in accordance with the verse "the memory of Amalek shall be blotted out."

—Dr. Walter Fischel.

A man who lives right and is right has more power in his silence than another by his words. Character is like bells which ring out sweet notes and which, when touched accidentally, resound with music.

—Phillips Brooks.