
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE
BULLETIN
CLEVELAND, OHIO

DECEMBER 21 AT 8 O'CLOCK
FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

RABBI BRICKNER
will speak on
SHOLEM ASCH'S NEW BOOK
"ONE DESTINY"

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**An Epistle to the Christians**

**RABBI TO BROADCAST**

Rabbi Brickner has again been invited by Station WGAR to deliver a message of greetings to the Christian community on Christmas Day, December 25. He will speak at 6:15 p. m. The subject will be "Spiritual Reconversion."

**Assisting with the Torah:**

Max Amster and Bert Amster

**Assisted with the Torah last week:**

Joseph Babin and Joseph Persky

*Sabbath Morning Service*

in the Temple

11 o'clock to 12 noon

**MOTHER-DAUGHTER SERVICE**

Everybody welcome

Weekly Torah Reading:

"Vayehi"—Genesis 47.28-50.26

Haftorah: I Kings 2.1-12



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**BARNETT ROBERT BRICKNER**

Outstanding Rabbi, Educator and Social Worker.

A pioneer of the Reform Movement in Judaism in Canada.

For many years spiritual leader in one of the largest and most influential Congregations in the United States, in which he has distinguished himself through his efforts to maintain a traditional and progressive Judaism.

Educator, who has developed one of the most advanced religious schools in America.

Farsighted and Constructive Administrator in many Jewish and communal enterprises.

Tireless leader in the task of rallying Jewish Chaplains and aiding and advising them as they generously responded to our country's call in the Second World War.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

To Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hartz on their 35th wedding anniversary.

To Mrs. William Grossman who is celebrating her 80th birthday.

*Attention!***MEN'S CLUB MEMBERS**

HEAR

**DOROTHY FULDHEIM**

... at the next get-together of the Euclid Avenue Temple Mens' Club on Monday evening, January 7, at the Fenway Hall Hotel.

**WATCH FOR FURTHER DETAILS!**

**ANNUAL MEETING PAYS TRIBUTE TO RABBI BRICKNER**

The large gathering at the 99th Annual Congregational Meeting last Sunday warmly congratulated Dr. Brickner on the occasion of his having completed 20 years as spiritual leader of our congregation and also upon the receipt of the honorary degree which the Hebrew Union College bestowed upon him two weeks ago. A beautiful tribute was paid him by Nathan Loeser, oldest living ex-president of the congregation. A gift certificate for the purchase of a new automobile was presented to the Rabbi.

In his report Judge Maurice Bernon said that ours is one of the two largest Reformed Congregations in the country with a membership of 1624, an all-time high. Twenty years ago when Rabbi Brickner first came the congregation had a membership of 1000. The affiliated organizations have also grown. The Sisterhood has 1350 members, the Mens' Club 725, and the Alumni (junior and senior) 609 members, the largest alumni in the country. Our religious school, now totalling 915 children, admitted 225 new pupils this year. From our congregation families, 834 entered the service. To date, 221 have been discharged, 24 died in action, and one is still missing.

Mr. Bernon also reported that the Sisterhood has done an outstanding job on the sale of bonds, having sold over a million dollars' worth of bonds in the 6th War Loan Drive alone, and received two citations.

Enthusiastically and appreciatively received also was the program rendered by the noted Metropolitan Opera Company baritone, Frederick Lechner. Our own Erwin Jospe was at the piano.

The following members were elected to the Board of Trustees for a period of one to five years: Judge Maurice Bernon, Emil Elder, J. William Grodin, Irwin Loeser, James H. Miller, I. S. Rose, David Skall. Representing the Sisterhood Mrs. Abraham Gitson, Mrs. J. C. Newman, Mrs. Richard Bergman, Mrs. Bernard Kane, Mrs. Charles Korach. Representing the Mens' Club: Marvin Gardner and William Rosenfeld. Representing the Alumni: Allan Fuldauer and Howard Klein.

The new constitution for the congregation was adopted.

## A FEW EXCERPTS FROM THE WRITINGS OF ISAAC MAYER WISE

### Americans and Jews

The phrase, "We must be Americans first, Jews afterwards," which so many of our colleagues are so fond of using, is a mere string of words without real meaning, sound without sense. The system of government prevailing in the United States, and the Jewish religion, are both built upon the same rock of Old Testament, the Mosaic legislation. The religious and civil duties of the Jewish-American can never, by any possibility, conflict. What makes for the highest interests of the American State is precisely what the Jewish religion teaches.

—The American Israelite, November 19, 1896.

### OUR HOPE LIES WITH YOUTH

The rising generation, unprejudiced and not infected by any of the ultra notions, inclined naturally to progress and reform, the rising generation whose language we speak, whose sentiments we express, whose cause we defended with zeal and the fire of truth, with whom we work for the future of the American synagogue as essential to Judaism—this rising generation is our bodyguard and protection. The future is ours.

—The Israelite, March 23, 1860.

### RELIGION AND MORALS

Man's happiness and the perfection of his nature depend on the purity of his motives and the righteousness of his doings. Like love for God, man must learn to love the true, the good and the beautiful for their own sake, and to abhor falsehood, wickedness and impurity as being abominable in themselves. Thus man becomes godlike. Religion based upon falsehood is superstition, and superstition is the progenitor of fanaticism, injustice and impurity. As you forsake God, so will He forsake you; as you desert truth and reason, so will they abandon you. Man cannot worship God and feast with the devil. But the pagans did. Religion and morals were with them two different factors. Morals appeared to them as a social compact and a political necessity. The pious among them were no better by the fact of religion than the frivolous. The idea of holiness as a form of religious worship is of Mosaic origin.—Life and Selected Writings.

## ANTI-SEMITISM THEN AND NOW

Take it all in all, it is not hatred against the Jew, it is the delight in robbery and ruffianism which caused the excesses of Jew-baiting in Russia and Germany. In our opinion there is no such thing as Jew-baiting in the masses of either Germany or Russia, and where it demonstrates itself it is artificially produced by demagogues . . . who seek to overthrow and confuse . . . The present disease of Jew-baiting in Russia and Roumania, as well as in Germany, is the artificial product of political demagogues, which will last as long as the political affairs of those countries are not established on the principle of equity.—The American Israelite, January 6, 1882.

## "FOR THE SAKE OF HEAVEN"

By Martin Buber

This is not a novel in the ordinary sense. It is a religious novel. Its heroes are Hassidic Rabbis. Its background is the Napoleonic wars at the end of the 18th century and the beginning of the 19th. Its scene is laid in southeastern Europe, in Poland and Hungary, which were the byways, not highways, of civilization. Magic and superstition play their parts in the story, as well as human ambition, strife and love.

Rabbi Jacob Yitzhak, the "Seer" of Lublin and his disciple of the same name, the "Yehudi" of Pshysha, are the central figures in the story. Both are cast in heroic mold. The piety, spirituality and devotion of neither is open to doubt. But whereas the Seer, wearied of Israel's degradation and eager for its redemption, tries to prolong and extend the Napoleonic wars in the hope that Israel might be reestablished in Palestine, yet Yehudi, equally pained by the length of the Exile period and quite as anxious for the day of deliverance, prefers to wait for God's mercy and for the redemption by the hand of God. The other hassidic Rabbis range themselves on one side or the other. A controversy of extraordinary power and drama follows.

The author is Professor of Social Philosophy at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has had a profound influence on contemporary Jewish thought, and is best known as the founder of Neo-Hassidism.

This book is available in our library.

### Declaration

*of the conference on Judaism and American Democracy held at Hebrew Union College, on the occasion of the Seventieth anniversary of the founding of the College.*

We are at the dawn of a new age in which the world has suddenly been made more compact in time and space. We realize that the more the earth thus contracts the more humanity needs that broad vision which is embodied in both American Democracy and Judaism. The hope of civilization is more than ever in an immediate resurgence of the vital spiritual forces which lie in these two historic traditions.

Nihilism and materialism of our times have led us into two world wars. We have just emerged from the most devastating struggle in the annals of mankind. Now generals and statesmen and the scientists who fashioned the atomic bomb join with the religious leaders to proclaim that the salvation of the world depends upon the mobilization of our ethical, moral and spiritual resources. The American accent and the Judaic emphasis have always been that of the prophet—not on might and not on power, but on the spirit of God inherent in Man.

This Conference, which inaugurates the celebration of the Seventieth Anniversary of the Founding of the Hebrew Union College, the oldest rabbinical seminary in America, declares anew that in American Democracy and in Judaism, and very clearly in Reform Judaism, there exists a natural synthesis. Already in our Bible the essence of the democratic process is discerned. Rabbinic and Mediaeval Judaism are marked by the continued insistence on every man's right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, which are also at the very core of the American design for living. The devotion to one God, the respect for the individual person, the regard for the sacredness of human life, the establishment of checks and balances to insure justice and freedom of opportunity, the ennoblement of learning as the patrimony of the common man—all these are as much of our continuing Jewish lore as they are of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States and the vast body of American law.

American Democracy not only drew freely and frankly on Jewish principles in the composition of its fundamental charters, but also contributed mightily to the growth and progress of Judaism, which finds itself in perfect harmony

with it. We are certain that this spiritual reciprocity will endure.

We view with concern the recrudescence of subversive forces in American life, nevertheless we believe firmly that the heart of America is sound. This Conference declares its unswerving faith in the reality and vitality of American Democracy and in its manifest destiny to preserve for us and to bring to all mankind a realization of the blessings of liberty and justice.

Impelled by a sense of our prophetic heritage, we believe that, with all fellow Americans who are of like mind, we must keep alive in the larger community the awareness of the principle that all men, created in the image of God, are equal. America, more than any other nation, is the hope of the twentieth century for the establishment of peace and freedom. Though we Jews are comparatively few in number, we regard it as in line with the moral imperative of our unbroken tradition, to help in this universal task.

We declare that political democracy must be reinforced by economic democracy, that equality before the law is inadequate without the guarantee of economic security. We are confident that our democracy, which succeeded in mobilizing the spiritual and technological resources to fight and win a global war, has within it the genius to feed, house and educate all its people.

As we look back over the 70 years since the Hebrew Union College was founded, we are convinced that God's Providence has created this great American Jewry. Here, on this soil, there lies before us the unparalleled opportunity to develop a vigorous Jewish life, consonant with our glorious history. To accomplish this we must add strength to

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### MASS DEMONSTRATION

Sunday evening, December 23,  
8:15 p. m.

### PUBLIC MUSIC HALL

To voice the protest of Cleveland Jewry against the Palestine policy of the present British Labor Government.  
Prominent speakers will address the meeting.

**YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO  
STAY AWAY**



**THIS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22nd**  
**is the Day for**  
***Mothers and Daughters***

**11:00 A. M. - SERVICE**  
**in the Temple**

**READERS**

Mrs. George Pillersdorf and Louise  
 Mrs. A. P. Goulder and Serene  
 Mrs. Norman Less and Barbara  
 Mrs. Harry Cohn and Joy

Mothers Sermon ..... Mrs. A. Gitson  
 Daughter's Sermon ..... Barbara Wolpaw  
 Service arranged by

Mrs. Sigmund Braverman  
 Original hymn by Mrs. Harry Rosewater

**12:30 P. M. - LUNCHEON**  
**in Alumni Hall**

Mrs. A. Gitson, Chairman. Mrs. Morris  
 Keller will be assisted in the commissary  
 by Mrs. Morris Grossberger, Mrs. Ben  
 Karp, Mrs. Charles Jacobs.

Original Songs by Mrs. Harry Rosewater.  
 Accompaniment by Rosalind Gitson.  
 Invocation by Mrs. B. R. Brickner.

**SOUVENIRS**

**PRIZES**



**IN THE AUDITORIUM AT 2:30 P. M.**

**"TRIAL BY VERDICT"**

A play in ten scenes by Alice Kalish

Revised and directed by Ruth Kutler and Lucian F. Wolpaw

Musical accompaniment by Mrs. Sydney Klein;  
 stage manager, Mrs. Max Caplin

**CAST OF CHARACTERS**

Mrs. Maurice Winograd  
 Mrs. Harry Hart  
 Mrs. Alex Sill  
 Mrs. William Kutler  
 Mrs. S. S. Rosenberg  
 Barbara Wolpaw  
 Hetty Rose Herman  
 Merna Porus

Mrs. Albert Licker  
 Mrs. Laurence Beyer  
 Mrs. Julius Winograd  
 Mrs. Harold Kahn  
 Mrs. Donald Roth  
 Rosalind Gitson  
 Frema Ann Kutler  
 Cyril Robbins  
 Marilyn Winograd

Mrs. Harry Wolpaw  
 Mrs. Harry Herman  
 Mrs. Max Porus  
 Mrs. Milton Cowan  
 Joan Beyer  
 Patsy Klein  
 Frances Hart  
 Susan Sill



*If you cannot come to the luncheon be sure to attend the service at  
 11 o'clock and the entertainment at 2:30. No admission charge, no age limit.*

# LEST YOU FORGET

## TONS AND TONS OF THESE ARTICLES ARE STILL NEEDED

This is an appeal that comes to us from over-seas. People will starve if you do not help. Give not only what you can spare but make substantial sacrifices.

### FOODSTUFFS

Coffee  
Condensed or Evaporated Milk  
Dehydrated Vegetable Soup  
Dextrose  
Dried Peas, Beans, Rice, etc.  
Hard Bittersweet Chocolate  
Hard Candy  
Malted Milk Powder  
Packaged Sugar  
Sweetened Breakfast Cocoa  
Whole Milk Powder

### COMFORT ITEMS AND MEDICINES

Absorbent Cotton  
Adhesive Tape  
Aspirin  
Cleansing Tissue  
Combs  
Cosmetics (Lipsticks, face powder)  
Hair Brushes  
Hairpins, Bobby Pins  
Handkerchiefs  
Iodine  
Letter Paper, Envelopes  
Razor Blades  
Razors  
Sanitary Napkins  
Sewing Materials—  
    Thread, Needles, Yarn  
    Buttons, Pins, Thimbles,  
    Small Scissors  
Shaving Brushes  
Shaving Cream  
Small Metal Hand Mirrors

Soap—Bars of white laundry or bath soap  
    (NO naphtha or other odorous soaps)  
Toothbrushes, Toothpaste  
Vaseline  
Zinc Ointment

### CHILDREN'S ITEMS

Caps  
Childrens Underwear  
Crayons (Colors)  
Embroidery Pieces  
Notebooks  
Pencils  
Picture Books  
Socks  
Sweaters (May be hand knitted)  
Toys

### LAYETTES

(Complete Layettes Preferred)

Aluminum Pan  
Baby Dresses  
Baby Shirts  
Baby Soap  
Belly Bands  
Bunting  
Crib Blanket  
Diapers  
Nightgowns  
Nipples  
Petticoats  
Receiving Blanket  
Stockings  
Talcum Powder  
Wool Cops  
Wool Sweaters  
Wrappers

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the Synagogue, intensify our faith, promote Jewish religious education, in which the spirit of democracy is strongly imbedded, build a Jewish communal life on completely democratic principles, both locally and nationally and devote ourselves to the rehabilitation of European Jewry and the enlargement of opportunity for free and creative Jewish life in Palestine and in every land where Jews dwell.

Here in Cincinnati, where almost a century ago, Isaac Mayer Wise called

upon his people to help create "a universal republic" founded on equality, justice and freedom, we, his spiritual and faith, ever to advance this sacred cause.

Dr. Brickner was chairman of the committee which drafted this declaration.

### IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family of Hyman Mandle-zweig.