THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE BULLETIN CLEVELAND, OHIO

Concluding Late Griday Evening Service

FRIDAY, MAY 10th, AT 8 O'CLOCK

RABBI MILTON ROSENBAUM

will speak on

"BARRACKS AND BATTLES"

What a Rabbi believes are some important residual ideas derived from his experience as a combat chaplain.

Captain Rosenbaum, assistant rabbi of our temple, has been a chaplain in the Armed Forces since July, 1943. He served in the U. S. for eight months and then was sent to the Pacific Theater where he saw duty for 26 months in a variety of places which include: Oahu, Maken Islands, Tarawa, and New Hebrides Islands. With the 27th Infantry Division he participated in the battles of Saipan and Okinawa. He then flew to Japan with the first occupation troops. There Rabbi Rosenbaum served Jewish troops in almost a score of cities covering much of North Central Honshu and the Island of Hokkaido. After six months of occupation duty he was returned to the States and was released on April 26. He is now on terminal leave. We are happy to have him with us again.

Assisted with the Torah last week: Ben Folkman and Marvin Gardner

Sabbath Morning Service

11 A. M. to 12 Noon in the Memorial Chapel

Rabbi Brickner will Officiate

FRIDAY EVENING TWILIGHT SERVICES will be held in the Chapel from 5:30 - 6 p. m.

Beginning with Friday, May 17th



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THE SISTERHOOD

STATE TAX STAMPS collected and redeemed by a hard-working committee netted \$600 this past year. Orchids to Mrs. L. Stotter and Miss Stella Fishel, chairmen: and to Miss Nora New. Mrs. I. J. Kabb. Miss Gizelle Sobel and Mrs. Will Kohn for a job well done.

A SEWING DAY PARTY, honoring those members who have faithfully attended sewing meetings will be held by the Sisterhood on Tuesday, May 28. The committee promises a gala affair with dessert, prizes, gifts and games.

TO MRS. ELMER KAUFMAN double thanks. First, for her beautiful table decorations at the Sisterhood Annual Meeting, and second, for her class in flower arrangments which has been warmly received by those attending.

IGNORANCE OF JUDAISM

"He had been roused to the consciousness of knowing hardly anything about modern Judaism or the inner Jewish history. The Chosen People have been commonly treated as a people chosen for the sake of somebody else, and their thinking as something (no matter exactly what) that ought to have been entirely otherwise; and Deronda, like his neighbors, had regarded Judaism as a sort of eccentric fossilized form from which an accomplished man might dispense with studying, and leave to specialists. But there had flashed on him the hitherto neglected reality that Judaism was something still throbbing in human lives, still making for them the only conceivable vesture of the world." -George Eliot, 1819-1880.

CITATIONS AWARDED FOR BOND SALES

Mrs. Norman Less, who performed heroically as chairman of the War Bond Committee, reports that the Temple and the Sisterhood received citations from the Treasury Department for outstanding work in the 4th, 6th and 7th War Loan Drives. Mrs. Less also reports that our temple and its affiliated organizations sold a total of \$4.138.175 in bonds and stamps. Of this total, \$1,754,-302, were sold from September, 1945 through April, 1946.

Individual citations were awarded to: Mesdames Louis J. Cort, Sidney Weiss, Mortimer B, Kramer, Arthur Elsoffer, Howard Friedman, Elmer Kaufman. Bernard Walder, Harriet Freedman, David Geller, Barnett R. Brickner, Richard Bergman, Wilbur Goodman, Louis Benway, Marvin Gardner, Charles M. Korach, Charles Feldman, Ben Karp, Edward Allen, Samuel Kendis, Edwin Thalman, Harry S. Portugal, Eugene M. Klein, William Green and Norman ... H. Less

Our deepest appreciation to you, Mrs. Less, for a fine, patriotic job, that reflects credit upon you and upon our temple.

OUR THANKS to the ladies who so generously gave of their time to prepare and serve the luncheon for the children at the Club Day Rally: Mrs. Louis Cort. Mrs. Oliver Emerich. Mrs. Norman Less, Mrs. Abe Schmeidt, Mrs. I. J. Kabb, Mrs. Sidney Weiss, and Miss Rollie New. And a special thank you to Mrs. Kabb for donating and arranging the flowers for the rally.

OUR THANKS to the hostesses who served the luncheon at the Ministers' Seminar: Mrs. Sidney Weiss, chairman; Mrs. I. G. Shapiro, Mrs. Bernard Walders, Mrs. Jacob Elias, Mrs. Elmer Kaufman, Mrs. Abe Schmeidt, Mrs. Norman Less, Mrs. Harry Engelman, Mrs. Monroe Grosberger, Mrs. Max Green, Mrs. Richard Bergman, Mrs. Milton Cowan, Mrs. Herbert Rosenblatt, and Mrs. Eugene Breuer. Our thanks also, to Mrs. Morris Keller who catered the dinner. And a special thank you to Mrs. Elmer Kaufman and Mrs. Eugene Breuer for very lovely table floral arrangements.

DILWORTH LUPTON SAYS:

IT CAN'T BE MET BY TOLERANCE

Yesterday I sat with 200 Protestant ministers in a chapel at the Euclid Avenue Temple listening to a religious seminar. After the opening prayer by a Congregational minister, two rabbis from Cincinnati gave lectures. Then came a question period on religion.

Such a meeting would be possible in few countries beside America, and would have been quite unthinkable even here in Cleveland 30 or 40 years ago. Can you imagine it being held in Berlin before War II, or in Moscow or Madrid today?

Any sort of dictatorship fears diversity—whether in political, economic, scientific or religious thought. Russia went so far as to shut down on religion almost completely, and allowed a revival of religion only when the Communist Party felt sure that church and religious leaders had become subservient to the state, and, therefore, harmless.

But modern democracies not only permit diversity of all sorts of opinion, they thrive on it.

This has been recognized in politics and economics, but it is virtually a new discovery in the area of religious faith.

For many years we Americans were content for the most part to accept or at lease tolerate one another's religion. When I went to the Avondale public school in Cincinnati, Jewish and Christian children studied together, played together and our families intermingled socially. Anti-Catholicism or anti-Semitism never entered people's minds.

Since then two waves of religious intolerance have swept through the country. One of them had its origin in the Klu Klux Klan, the other in the Nazisympathizers of America.

This constant threat of a new upsurge of bigotry has forced us to realize that it can't be met by mere tolerance, or even by the friendly acceptance of other persons' faith such as we had years ago in Cincinnati. Today's intolerance, fomented largely by totalitarian influences in America aiming to divide and conquer democracy, can be met only by experiments in mutual understanding.

That was the purpose behind yesterday's seminar in the Euclid Avenue Temple. In his discussion of Jewish sermons in the Middle Ages, Dr. Israel Bettan revealed marked resemblances between the religious teachings of Jews and Christians. The other rabbi, Dr. James G. Heller, pleaded that they co-operate in solving—through the religious idealism of both faiths—the great social problems of the day.

For 16 years Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner has pioneered in annually holding such meetings for mutual understanding. But in these dangerous days when democracy—and the freedom of religion on which it depends—is in constant danger, both Christians and Jews should consider making these seminars more frequent and widespread.

Tolerance is not enough; we must understand and co-operate with one another.—The Cleveland Press.

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION AND THANKS have been received by Rabbi Brickner from Ministers who attended the Seminar:

Below are extracts from a few of such letters:

"It was very refreshing to hear some of the interpretations and reactions of Dr. Bettan and Dr. Heller. I still remember the lectures of Dr. Morgenstern at the first Institute I attended at your temple, sixteen years ago."

-Rev. Theo. F. Braun,

"You and your people proved to be most gracious hosts. It was a memorable experience of real fellowship which gives one's heart a life. Thank you." —Rev. J. G. Snyder.

"I think we need to get together as we did yesterday more often than we do, and face our differences honestly, acknowledging our weaknesses, and move forward toward better understanding of one another. On the whole, I think every one felt that it was well worth while. I am convinced of one thing and that is the need of being together more and of closer understanding."

-Rev. Stanley H. Mullen,

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PIRKE OVOS—ETHICS OF THE FATHERS

From the Sabbath after Passover until the Sabbath before the Feast of Weeks a chapter from the Pirke Ovos is read on each Sabbath. (See page 150 in Volume I of the revised Union Prayer Books and page 165 in Volume I of the newly revised edition.

Pirke Ovos, is a tractate of the Talmud and is known in the English as The Chapter of the Fathers or as The Ethics of the Fathers or as Sayings of the Fathers.

There are six chapters in this tractate, Pirke Ovos, dealing with religious, moral and ethical principles as they have come down from the sages of Israel.

What Is Pirke Ovos?

Sayings of the Fathers is the most widely known of all the 63 tractates of the Mishna, which is part of the Talmud. It is unique in character.

The Mishna is a code of laws governing Jewish life; its subject matter is, therefore, predominantly legal. But this tractate is almost entirely concerned with moral conduct. It consists, for the greater part, of the favorite maxims being the epitome of their wisdom and experience—of some 60 Rabbis, extending over a period of nearly 500 years, from 300 B. C. E. to 200 of the Christian era. It also contains anonymous sayings, and touches upon various historical and folk-lore themes.—Rabbi J. H. Hertz.

What Does "Ovos" Mean?

Ovos means Fathers, that is, the spiritual patriarchs who preserved and developed the Torah as the living tradition of Israel's Faith. In its open-portion. Ovos gives a "chain" of these teachers and a notable saying of each one.

Sayings of the Fathers is an appropriate English title, as the work preserves and transmits these winged words of wisdom and piety.

A great non-Jewish scholar and theologian, F. F. Moore, says: "The level of these sayings is very high, and for a knowledge of the ideals of rabbinical ethics and piety, no other easily accessible source is equal to Aboth."

Quotes From Ovos

The world rests on three things: on justice, on truth and on peace.

Hillel said: If I am not for myself, who will be for me? And, being for myself only, what am I? And, if not now, when?

Separate not thyself from the community.

Trust not in thyself until the days of thy death.

Judge not thy neighbor until thou art come into his place.

Be of the disciples of Aaron: one that loves peace, that loves mankind and brings them nigh to Torah.

Let thy house be a meeting place for the wise; sit amidst the dust of their feet; and drink in their words with thirst.

Provide thyself a teacher; get thee a companion; and judge all men charitably.

By three things is the world preserved: by truth, by judgment, and by peace; as it is said, Judge ye the truth and the judgment of peace in your gates.

Rabbi Judah said: Which is the right course that a man should choose for himself?—That which honors him in his own eyes and in the eyes of his fellowmen.

Rabbi Eliezer said: Let the honor of thy neighbor be as dear to thee as thine own; suffer not thyself to be easily angered; and repent one day before thy death.

Rabbi Joshua said: An envious eye, an evil mind, and hatred of fellowcreatures lead man to destruction.

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Rabbi Jose said: Let the property of thy neighbor be as dear to thee as thine own; qualify thyself for the study of the Torah, since it cannot be transmitted to thee like a heritage.

Rabbi Ishmael said: Be submissive to an elder, courteous to the young, and receive all men with cheerfulness.

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Ben Zoma said: Who is a wise man? He who learns from everybody, as it is (Continued on Page 6)

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Men's Club

ANNUAL MEETING and DINNER

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m.

Alumni Hall

An Informal and Informative Evening with our own Rabbi Brickner

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Rain or Shine

The Men's Club will hold

AN OLD-FASHIONED PICNIC

Wednesday, June 19th, 2 p. m. Richmond Country Club Reservations limited

TO THE ALTAR FUND Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dobrin, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Richard; Mr. and Mrs. William Sokoll in memory of Mr. Morris Brown; Mrs. S. Sokol in memory of Herman Thalheimer; Mr. and Mrs. Aaron M. Salzman and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Goldstein in memory of William Jacobus; Mr. William Morris in memory of Fanny Morris; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Keller in memory of Theresa Rice; Mrs. Cora F. Reinthal in memcry of Manuel Reinthal; Mr. Fred Ballenberg in memory of Mrs. Fred Ballenberg; Mrs. Theo Fishel.

IN MEMORIAM

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of Mrs. Amelia Schwarz and Miss Gussie Moses, who passed away in California.

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written: From all my teachers I have gotten understanding.

Who is a hero? He who controls his passions; as it is written: He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

Who is a rich man? He who rejoiceth in his lot; as it is written: When thou eatest the labor of thy hands happy art thou and it shall be well with thee.

Who is honored? He who honors his fellowmen; as it is written: For them that honor Me I will honor, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed.

Rabbi Simeon ben Elazar said: Seek not to appease thy neighbor in the hour of his wrath, nor to comfort him while his dead still lies before him.

Rabbi Meir said: Look not at the pitcher but at what it contains; many a new pitcher is full of old wine, and many an old one does not even hold new wine.

Rabbi Elazar Hakkappar said: Envy, sensuality, and ambition destroy man's life.

Know that everything is according to the reckoning; and let not thy imagination betray thee into the hope that the grave will be a place of refuge for thee. For without thy consent, wast thou created, and born into the living without any choice; thou art now living without thy volition, and wilt have to die without thy approval; so likewise without thy consent will thou have to render account before the supreme King, the Holy One, blessed is He.

There are seven things that mark the uncultured, and seven that mark the wise. The wise man does not speak before one who is greater in wisdom than he; he does not interrupt another in his speech; he is not hasty to answer; he asks pertinent questions, and answers to the point; he speaks first upon the matter first in order, and last upon the last; when he does not understand the matter under discussion, he confesses: I do not understand it; and when the truth is presented, he readily acknowledges it. The reverse of these things marks the uncultured man. THE GOODNESS OF GOD'S WORK

"Men frequently think that the evils in the world are more numerous than the good things; many sayings and songs of the nations dwell on this idea. They say that the good is found only exceptionally, while evil things are numerous and lasting. The origin of this error is to be found in the circumstance that men judge of the whole universe by examining one single person only. If anything happens to him contrary to his expectation, forthwith they conclude that the whole universe is evil. All mankind at present in existence forms only an infinitesimal portion of the permanent universe. It is of great advantage that man should know his station. Numerous evils to which persons are exposed are due to the defects existing in the persons themselves. We seek relief from our own faults; we suffer from evils which we inflict on ourselves, and we ascribe them to God, who is far from connected with them. As Solomon explained it: The foolishness of man perverteth his way, and his heart fretteth against the Lord."

-Moses Maimonides, 1135-1204.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Berne on the marriage of their son, Frederick Carl, to Joan Evelyn Ferbstein of Akron.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fraiberg on the engagement of their daughter, Lucille, to Daniel Weinstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Weinstein.

To Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lepon on the birth of a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rose on the birth of a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruml on the birth of a daughter.

To Dr. and Mrs. Robert Bachman on the birth of a daughter, Judy Ann.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kane on the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary on May 8.

To Mrs. Sara Weil on the celebration of her 89th birthday in April.

To Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Schulman on the birth of a son.

To Mrs. Rachel Spiegle on the celebration of her 81st birthday on May 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. Glickson on the marriage of their daughter, Alice Jean to Jordan C. Band.