THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE BULLETIN CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE JANUARY 3 at 8 O'CLOCK



The young ex-chaplain who was the organizer of the Central Committee of Liberated Jews of Germany, and is now its Honorary President has a thrilling story to tell of the amazing courage of the DP's.

Assisted with the Torah last week: Albert L. Berk and Judge Lewis Drucker

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SABBATH MORNING SERVICE, 11 TO 12 NOON

Rabbi S. M. Silver will preach

Weekly Torah Portion. Vayechi Gen. 47.28-50.26; Haftorah: I Kings 2.1-12

Teacher, Meet Parent Parent, Meet Teacher at the

Parent-Teacher Reception

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 3 TO 5 P. M. ALUMNI HALL

Refreshments by Sisterhood Religious School Committee, Mrs. Louis Cort, Chairman

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WHO CAN RETELL

the unforgettable scenes that befell during our historic three-day Centennial **Celebration?** For another century, Clevelanders will talk about: The moving candle lighting ceremony by 16 descendants of pioneers . . . The pledge of rededication by rabbi and congregation by the light of the Chanukah candles ... Saturday's pageant, "On the Wing of a Century," hailed as Mrs. Braverman's finest opus ... Rabbi Wolsey's evocation of the past glories of the temple and his praise of its growth . . . Parents introducing their children to Rabbi Wolsey as the one who confirmed and married them . . . The radio salute over WGAR, with young Larry Bell "stealing the show." (Recordings of the radio prothe gram can be bought; inquire at the Temple office). Sunday's glittering civic night ... The surprise farewell gift and ovation for Erwin Jospe ... The delightful reminiscences by the young septuagenarian Nathan Loeser . . . Mayor Burke's tribute to "the contribution to our community life" made by the temple in distributing gifts to five welfare agencies . . . Judge Bernon's invitation to "dream of a new and more adequate building."... The tears in Rabbi Brick-ner's eyes when 1600 people, in one voice, invoked God's blessing upon him on his overseas departure . . . The reminder of war sacrifices when J. W. Grodin and David Skall (former Lt. Col. in the Air Forces) unveiled the beautiful service plaque . . . Admiral Hipp's gracious talk in presenting the rabbi with a Naval citation . . . The exquisite reception in Alumni Hall where beaming ladies presided over gleaming tables.

The indefatigable labors of Bernard I. Pincus and Renee Shulman . . . The helpfulness of the Boy Scouts . . . The bulletin boards covered with congratulagreetings from public officials, tory

every national and local Jewish organization, rabbis and educators from all parts of the country . . . The theme of the centennial lyrically summarized by Gov. Lausche: "May Euclid Avenue Temple live on, for as long as it lives, there will be an America. May America live on for as long as it lives, there will be a Euclid Avenue Temple.'

A LEGENDARY HERO

Rabbi Abraham Klausner, our guest preacher Friday evening, is a legendary hero to the DP's of Germany, whom he organized and rehabilitated with many acts of courage and initiative. He is on a nation-wide speaking tour for UJA. His message is a first-hand report. Don't miss it. At the service, our new music directors, Mr. Caplin and Mr. Beymer will be in charge for the first time since their appointments.

SISTERHOOD, PLEASE NOTE

A treat is in store for you Tuesday. January 14, when a dramatic reading will be presented at 2 p. m. in the Temple. Mrs. Morton Goldhamer is directing the program.

ALUMNI PROGRAM

The nationally celebrated Karamu Dancers will be presented by the Alum-ni Association Sunday, January 19 in the Auditorium. Dancing will follow in Alumni Hall.

RICHARD TUCKER CONCERT

Richard Tucker is being brought to Cleveland by the Cleveland Singing Society for a concert in Severance Hall, April 1.

IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of Isadore Friedman, Samuel Broth and Mrs. Jane Newman.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Saul Fox on the marriage of their daughter, Fay, to Leon Stone.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Weiss on their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Greenbaum on the birth of a granddaughter, Susan Jane Lawrence.

To Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Light on the birth of a son, Donald Allen.

To Mr. and Mrs. Norman Epstein on the birth of a son, David Barnett.

We Visit Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner

By Dilworth Lupton

Mrs. Lupton and I had tea with Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner last Saturday in front of their glowing fireplace. And we congratulated them on the Euclid Avenue Temple's 100th birthday, which was celebrated last week-end.

Our talk was mainly of that, but it veered off frequently into other subjects.

How had they met in the first place? Mrs. Brickner laughed. "Propinquity. Barnett's name began with a B and mine with an A, so our lecture room chairs were next to each other in Teacher's College at Columbia."

What about anti-Semitism and other forms of intolerance? "It seems fairly simple to me," answered the rabbi. "America is in the process of being born, and frictions between groups and between sets of ideas are inevitable. But they are merely growing pains."

As to Christianity and the Jewish religion, both Rabbi Brickner and his wife believe we are much closer to each other than we are likely to think. They spoke of the expanding interfaith work, a movement in which Mrs. Brickner is especially active.

And Rabbi Brickner added, "Since I came to Cleveland 21 years ago the Christian ministers have been most friendly with me and I with them. We have exchanged pulpits many times and have served on the same civic committees."

More sponge cake, more tea, more talk about affairs in general and life's humor. Then back again to serious subjects.

Said the rabbi thoughtfully, "You ask what is the biggest thing I have learned from my ministry here. More than anything else it has given me increasing faith in individuals. Almost every day I talk with someone who has found out how to endure almost unspeakable suffering and grief—and without any sense of martyrdom. From the Cleveland Press

"My religion has come not out of books but out of people. I have found God in the miracles of courageous living I see all about me, in the souls of people who through faith master trouble."

Reluctantly we moved toward the door where Rabbi Brickner stopped us for a moment.

"Before you go let me tell you just a word about our congregation. These past hundred years Jewish immigrants from Germany, Bohemia, Hungary, Poland, and Russia hace come to our Temple for worship. Gradually they have intermingled and intermarried and have forgotten their national origins in a sense of unity.

"That to me is a symbol of what the world is going to do. Think of it! The same generation that experienced two frightful wars was willing to talk about 'one world' and to start building it in the midst of war itself. For this reason I believe absolutely in the greatness of tomorrow."

"I WONDER WHY"

Why do we wait till a person's gone Before we tell of his worth? Why do we wait, why not tell him now He's the finest man on earth? Why do we wait till a person's gone To send him flowers galore, When a single rose would have meant so much If we'd taken it to his door? Why do we wait till he cannot hear The good things that we might say; Why put it off, why not tell him now And share in his joy today? Of course we're busy—that's our excuse But why O why do we wait

To tell a person our love for him Until it becomes too late?

Anonymous.

Our thanks to Mrs. Irwin Selman for her aid in the Centennial. From the Cleveland Press:

CLEVELAND SCHOOL CHILDREN OBSERVE CHANUKAH AND CHRISTMAS TOGETHER By Eugene Segal

After so much talk about racial conflicts, the joint celebration of their holidays by Christian and Jewish children in Cleveland Heights schools makes a pleasing sound.

Together, in friendship and fun, they observe Chanukah—the Jewish Feast of Lights—as well as Christmas. They sang each other's songs, decorated Christmas trees, and were told the stories of both holidays.

"This is what they wanted," said R. D. Tubaugh, English teacher at Roosevelt Junior High. "Nothing is forced upon them. Leave children alone and they will find grounds of common understanding. Nobody is born with prejudices."

In Tubaugh's eighth grade home room, the children asked and received permission to decorate the blackboards. What they evolved probably never has been seen before in the observance of either Jewish or Christian customs.

Santa Claus, the seven-branched candelabrum, the Three Wise Men, the Jewish Scroll of the Law and other symbols of both religions were mingled as a single symbol of a common purpose.

At Coventry School, the holiday assembly opened with the reading of a dedication by a sixth grade girl.

"As our religious holidays are observed," she read, "we should never lose sight of the fact that our country was founded by a group of people who came to these shores to escape religious persecution, and that because of this, there is clearly written into the Constitution of the United States one of the four freedoms—the right of every individual to worship God in his own way.

"In our year's procession of holidays, none is more welcomed than two that come in December — Christmas and Chanukah. Both are religious in origin and observance and both are a time of feasting and giving and happiness and thoughts of others.

To Express Faith

"There are no more beautiful symbols than light and gifts. We find both of these used by all as an expression of their faith, be it Judaism or Christianity. Can we not interpret these to be the gift of brotherly love and the lights of understanding and peace for all mankind?"

Inter-religious celebrations were held also at Taylor, Fairfax, Canterbury and Boulevard Schools.

At Taylor, the children met in assembly to see a Christmas pageant, a Chanukah tableau and to sing Christmas carols and Chanukah melodies. They sang "Silent Night" and then "Little Candle Fire" which is a song of Chanukah. It went like this:

> "On this night, let us light "One little candle fire, " Tis a sight, Oh, so bright, "One little candle fire, "They say fight for the right, "Say little candle fire, "So this night, let us light "One little candle fire."

ESCAPE INTO NOTHING

Major-General Brock Chisholm. psychologist, created an angry great storm some months ago when he protested aganst the Santa Claus ond other myths on which from time immemorial. our children have been reared. Most of us who had not studied the question had supposed that these myths passed harmlessly away with childhood. But Dr. Chisholm contends that they remain in the unconscious and may do a tremendous lot of damage. Our own view is that our children our younger generation, our adult population is being more dangerously contaminated not by the dirt of a new book, but by the overwhelming falseness of life as presented on the screen and in fiction generally. A spadeful of honest muck does not do as much the insidiously harm as suggestive screen movies which tend to create a world that does not exist. After all, we are said to eat a peck of dirt in the course of our lifetime. But it is not dirt that the contemporary world of entertainment offers us, it is bacteria; the escape it provides is escape unto vacuity.----From Toronto Globe.