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FEBRUARY 21, 8:00 P. M.

## *American Brotherhood Service*



Rev. Mr. Newell

**REV. MR. ROBERT C. NEWELL**

of the Baptist Church of the Master,  
Cleveland,

and

**RABBI SAMUEL M. SILVER**



Rabbi Silver

will speak on

### **"IS REAL BROTHERHOOD POSSIBLE ONLY DURING WAR?"**

Two sermonettes by a minister and a rabbi on the means that must be adopted by Jews and Christians to make inter-faith cooperation as vivid in time of peace as it was during the war. The congregations of our neighboring churches have been invited to join us at this Brotherhood Week Service.

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### **SABBATH MORNING SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL AT 11 A. M.**

Weekly Torah Portion: "TERUMAH" Exodus 25.1-27.19. Haftorah: I Kings 5.26-6.13

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### **"YET LIFE GOES ON"**

(Excerpts from a letter by Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, on a United Jewish Appeal Mission in Europe, to Mrs. Brickner).

Warizlav (Breslau), Jan. 1 1947.

Here I am, sitting in an overcoat, all bundled up next to a cold radiator in a Polish hotel in what was formerly the old German city of Breslau. Today I leave with my guide from the Warsaw office of the JDC for Katowitz, and from there I will get the train tomorrow evening for Prague. This is lower Silesia, formerly German, which was ceded to Poland in compensation for what they lost to the Russians. In this area there are from forty to fifty thousand Jews. Nearly all of them were returned from Asiatic Russia where many of them lived five to six years. Being Polish, they were repatriated since they chose not to become Russian citizens. The stories they tell make your hair stand on end. These were the only Jews who were saved as families; the Jews who survived the German concentration camps are without anyone—alone—individuals! You should hear little children of ten and eleven tell how they

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**BROTHERHOOD SERVICE**

Brotherhood Month proclaimed by the President and fostered by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, will be observed at our service this Friday night. Brief messages on inter-religious cooperation will be delivered by Rabbi Silver and Mr. Robert C. Newell, minister of Cleveland's Baptist Church of the Master.

Mr. Newell will be remembered by the Sisterhood for his forceful statements during their December inter-faith meeting, led by Rabbi Brickner. A cum laude graduate of Hastings College, Nebraska, Mr. Newell received his theological training at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School. Since 1944, he has been ministering to our Euclid Avenue neighbors at the Church of the Master.

**Around the Temple**

**OUR SISTERHOOD:** Congrats to Mrs. Alex Sill and the dozens who helped her with Mother-Daughter Day. The three events were stunning successes with the attendance exceeding all records.

**MEN'S CLUB:** Father-Son Day affair was a smashing hit. Chairman Martin N. Goulder and committee are to be highly commended. Winners of the original song contest were: Jeffrey Belkin, Gerald Wedren, and Ronald Glazer. Also notable was the fine manner in which members conducted the service last Friday night. Everyone of Chairman Harry Wolpaw's committee acquitted himself on the pulpit with rabbinical polish. Next big event for Men's Club is the Purim Dance, Sunday night, March 9, at the Allerton Hotel. Please get tickets early this time.

**OUR RABBI** was spiritually present at Mother-Daughter, Father-Son events last week. Halting his roaming in Rome, Rabbi Brickner sent a cable which read in part:

"Greetings . . . This is the first time in 20 years I miss a Father-Son or Mother-Daughter affair. Where I have been in Europe there are very few Jewish parents with children . . . For our God-given happy privilege let us be grateful and resolve to help Jewish children in Europe to happier life. Hope to see you on Purim. Love."

At the present time, incidentally, the Rabbi is in Palestine.

**PARENTS BECOME APPARENT:**

Parents are coming back to Temple to brush up on Jewish learning. Last month, the parents of the Confirmation Class met to discuss Confirmation curriculum. The next meeting is Sunday, March 2nd, at 2:30 P. M. Now, the parents of kindergarteners and first graders are being invited to a meeting on Tuesday evening, February 25th at 8 p. m. After the meeting a social will take place with Mrs. Herbert Mendelsohn, Mrs. Harry Levitt and Mrs. David Apple in charge.

**M-H REUNION:** Members of M-H, honorary scholarship society of our religious school, are planning a reunion next month. At a preliminary meeting, Coleman Lieber and Alvin Kendis accepted co-chairmanship for this project.

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL:** The High School session, March 2nd, will be in the form of a round table conference. Students, teachers, Mrs. Braverman, Mr. Belkin, Rabbi Silver and members of M-H will discuss "The High School Takes Stock" . . . Over 315 trees were bought for planting in Palestine by children in the school for Chamisho Asor B'shvat. Mazel tov to pupils who won the lovely prints in the Tree-Puzzle Contest.

**BRAVO** to Music Director Reuben R. Caplin and the Festival Chorus for the superb and well-balanced program of Jewish music presented at "Songs of Israel" service last week.

In celebration of its 35th anniversary

**THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

invites the congregation to attend

# "Ribbons and Ruins—

A REPORT FROM CENTRAL EUROPE"

Bringing the homelands to Cleveland

SEE—exclusive color films taken by

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Nationalities Editor The Cleveland Press

HEAR—Andrica's stirring account of his unique six month tour by jeep.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 8:15 P. M., AUDITORIUM**

Mark the date—Come and bring your friends.

## DIG DEEP TO FIND PREJUDICE ROOTS

Youths at Avenue Temple Put  
Economics First

Prejudice has its oldest and deepest roots in the sour soil of world economics, it was affirmed in a round table discussion at a large interfaith youth rally in Euclid Avenue Temple yesterday afternoon.

Participating in the rally and the discussion were representatives from youth groups of a dozen Greater Cleveland churches and many members of the junior alumni of the temple, who were hosts.

The rally, characterized by older churchmen who were present as one of the liveliest interfaith meetings in recent years in the city, had as its general theme "Interfaith Relationships in the High School." Nearly 150 young people took part in the round table discussion, putting accent on "Knowing One Another Better."

Nathan Brilliant, director of the Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education, who channeled the discussion of the round table and served as moderator, said by way of introduction: "There are many similarities among the people of the world, but there is too much emphasis on differences. Differences, recognition of differences and hatred of them do not exist in the heart of the young

child. They are put into the minds of young people. How can they be eliminated?"

From that point on the young people took over. The subject of interfaith relationships at the high school level was to have been examined from four aspects, but time ran out nearly two hours later before the first four had been covered to the satisfaction of the participants.

Next to economic factors, the round table speakers found that prejudices were inculcated in the home and nourished by parents. Most of them agreed, however, that it would be impossible to eliminate or dispense with home influences.

A third source of prejudice was found to lie in the educational system. Teachers were held to be much more active in their prejudices than pupils.

Besides the host group, there were representatives from young people's groups from the following churches: Church of the Covenant, Fairmount Presbyterian, St. Paul's Episcopal, Trinity Evangelical and Reformed, Epworth-Euclid Methodist, Emmanuel Episcopal, Church of the Master, Euclid Avenue Congregational, First Unitarian, Calvary Presbyterian, Euclid Avenue Christian and Noble Road Presbyterian.

—From Cleveland Plain Dealer.

lived in the woods, with the Partisans—how they foraged for food, etc., and you would not believe that human beings could go through so much and live.

From the Russian area 4,000,000 Germans were evacuated back to Germany, leaving their farms, livestock, furniture, etc., intact. The Poles were invited to come from other parts and settle here; and millions did, leaving poor land in the north to come south to good farms. Jews returning from Russia, were also settled here, so that the populations of the

whole country have been here only for the last sixteen to eighteen months, and some six months. Yet life goes on. The city is a wreck, blasted to bits.

Last night I took dinner with Rabbi Treisman. His son, a Polish army officer and his daughter-in-law were all that are left to him of a large family. We talked for hours . . . so many problems! The religious element is separated from the secular groups of the Central Committee. He is kept busy converting Russian women married to Jews, circumcizing boys 7, 8, 9, 10 and older, trying to maintain a Tadmud Torah which I saw (so poor, no text books, no blackboards, no copy books, children shod in bad shoes). Without JDC support, they could not live. I last wrote you from Bergen-Belsen—the way to Berlin was hard driving: two hours to Hanover, then sleeping on a bench, with another couple—a British airman and his Latvian bride on the opposite bench. It was freezing cold. We arrived early in the morning and I was met by a Mr. Baer, a German Jew from the Joint Committee who took me to the Mess, and later I was comfortably billeted at the Harnach House, a wonderful villa for high officials. They rated me a very important person. Then I began to visit the camps around Berlin where about 4,500 Jews live in apartment blocks. Again the living conditions are terrible. I spoke to the Jews in the camps and over their radio, which was built by two Jews who are wizards at



Rabbi Brickner and Mr. Bren, of JDC, in a German blockhouse whence Nazis fired upon the Warsaw ghetto.

this business. I saw a Yeshiva here, a Jewish hospital taken over from the Germans; I had a press interview with the New York Times and the United Press. I rode around the heart of Berlin and saw the ruins. Over 80 percent of Berlin's dwellings are wrecked. The big department stores of Wertheim and Tietz are wrecked. The stations and hotels are rubble, like a city hit by an earthquake. It will take ages to clear it. It all looked ghastly covered with snow. The suburbs are not so badly damaged. Where people live and how no one knows. Kurfurstendam is beginning to take form again.

Saturday evening I had a long session with Izchak Gruenbaum, of the Jewish Agency, who is also now in Poland. On Sunday morning I flew in a Polish plane for 24 hours to Warsaw. It was freezing cold, but the flight was smooth. In Warsaw I went to the Polonia Hotel and met Mr. Bien of JDC and his staff. Bien is a sweet, intelligent person, beloved by all.

I saw the Ghetto of Warsaw. It is a shambles. A half-million Jews lost their lives there. Today five thousand are left. All of me was in agony. I cried over the destruction of my people, my own flesh and blood. I cannot describe the woe that filled my being. I sought out the synagogue. It is wrecked, shattered, but is being rebuilt as a historical museum. Typical and symbolic was a Pole gathering up the Jewish books, which were in tatters, and piling them up. That is how Jewish life there is—torn, destroyed, only remnants are left. I

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felt like Jeremiah weeping over the ruins. I visited the Jewish institutions, children's homes, schools, etc. It was not easy. Nor was it comfortable, driving over the icy roads. But so it goes.

I attended the trial of the military governor of Warsaw and heard him declare how he pleaded with Governor Franck to transfer him because the devastation of the ghetto was so ghastly and unfit for a military man. Franck agreed with him, but said it was the will of the Fuehrer. I heard another Nazi high police official declare how he detested the work of destroying the Jews. It was interesting to hear such admissions in a Polish court. There were many Jewish witnesses against the accused. One told how terrible the hunger was, causing one Jewish mother to eat the foot of her own dead child. You can't begin to understand what I have to listen to every day.

The next day I left Warsaw for lower Silesia where new Jewish life is beginning. The train was cold as ice. We slept six in a small cabin on shelves, three to a side. That I didn't freeze is a miracle. I met with the committee and visited a Kibbutz of 60 children. It was dismal and dirty. In an old apartment house I saw a clothing cooperative where over 125 Jewish tailors work. It was set up by JDC with government cooperation. They make shirts, suits, etc.

The present Polish government is most favorably disposed toward our people. We are the only minority in Poland. About 80,000 in 23,000,000.

I spent two days in nearby towns where our people live. I saw 600 Jewish coal miners around Waldberg. I saw Jewish Werkstaten in former concentration camps. It is infinitely better here than in German camps and many are convinced that it will be possible to build a new Jewish community life in this new Poland. The government has some promising Jewish members in the Ministry who are highly regarded. It has the situation of the underground Fascist bands under control. It is quieter and safer now.

This afternoon I leave by autobus for Katowicz and Sunday evening for Prague.

This has been a very hard trip to take. It should not be done in the winter.

I look forward to my trip to Palestine and will write you in subsequent letters what I shall see and do in the Holy Land.

## THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

announces a

### TEA - DANCE

SUNDAY, FEB. 23, 3 to 6 P. M.

Alumni Hall

Vince Pattie and his Orchestra

Gratis to Members.

Non-members 75c.

Refreshments

## IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of Morris Snyder and Jacob Cort.

## FUNDS

TO THE ALTAR FUND: Mrs. Jacob Klein in memory of William and Celia Grossman; Mrs. Julius Goldman and Mrs. B. W. Tramer in memory of Mrs. Mary Weitz; Allan W. Wolsey in memory of Mrs. Florence W. Wolsey and Jonathan L. Wolsey; Miss E. Arndt.

TO THE BRAILLE FUND: Mrs. Arthur H. Lichtig in memory of her husband; Mrs. Julius B. Fetterman and Edith P. Fetterman in memory of husband and father.

TO THE AMY RICE MEMORIAL FUND: Mr. and Mrs. E. Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Roseno, and Mr. and Mrs. James S. Wagner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Miller's 30th wedding anniversary.

TO THE PRAYER BOOK FUND: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Halle in memory of Morris N. Halle; S. Berger in memory of Esther Morse; Anna Wiener and Sadie Marks in memory of Minnie Hirsch.

TO THE YAHREZEIT FUND: Amelia and Hattie Beer in memory of Sadie Kahn; Emanuel Baum, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fisher in memory of Nettie Reinthal Baum and Sigfried Lowenthal; Mrs. A. Horowitz in memory of her mother, Goldie Goldberg.

TO THE LIBRARY FUND: Rae Horwitz in memory of Betty H. Kalter.

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schultz on the betrothal of their daughter, Alice, to Dr. Eugene Meckler.

To Mrs. Beatrice Marx on the marriage of her daughter, Judith to Ira J. Wieder.

To Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Sulzer on the birth of a son, Stuart Perry.

## DON'T MISS

"Inside Story," gripping inter-faith broadcast, over WGAR, Sunday, 1:45 P. M.

### RABBI BRICKNER ASKS HUGE JEWISH EXODUS

Rome—The immediate problem confronting all those who seek to alleviate the lot of European Jews is to evacuate 235,000 Jews from Germany, Austria, and Italy, Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Cleveland, one of the honorary chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, said today at the conclusion of a fact-finding tour of Europe on behalf of his organization.

He found that Jews everywhere, except those belonging to established communities in western Europe, wished to leave the countries where they now were living, and that a large majority of them wished to go to Palestine.

The carrying out of such a vast project, said Rabbi Brickner, would take three to five years, and most of the evacuees would have to be supported, or at least aided, during that period.

As Jews moved out of Germany, Austria, and Italy, Rabbi Brickner continued, their places will be taken by others from Poland, Hungary, Rumania and other countries, so that in the end it may be necessary to evacuate about half of the 1,500,000 Jews now living in continental Europe outside Russia.

In Germany and Austria, Rabbi Brickner found Jews concerned over what would happen to them when Allied troops moved out. Anti-Semitic sentiment is still strong in those countries, he reported, and Jews fear it may flare up when the Allies are no longer there to protect them.—From N. Y. Times.

### "HOW LUCKY I REALLY AM"

(This letter was received by Mrs. Braverman in reply to an invitation to attend a meeting of the M-H Honor Society).

I received your invitation this morning. It was the funniest feeling to be getting mail from the Temple again and it makes me realize how much I really miss the times I spent there. Of all the things in Cleveland that would make me leave Wisconsin, I think it would be the Temple and all the people that go with it. Up here at school . . . there is nothing that can take the place of the Temple. More and more I find myself referring to things I learned there and reminiscing about Hebrew classes, Confirmation, the Alumni, Lillian, you, Rabbi Brickner, all the kids, and everything else that added to the fun we had . . . I admit I have often been sorry for my move but on the whole I haven't regretted it. If anything, it has shown me what people,

who didn't have the same opportunities I had, are like and how lucky I really am . . . There is Hillel . . . a Zionist club . . . and a Reconstructionist group. The Welfare Fund Drive is now in full swing and I am in the middle of it. And so you see I haven't altogether lost touch with things although I'd rather be doing them in Cleveland . . . As much as I'd love to, I won't be able to attend the M-H meeting but I would like to know the outcome and its future activities. Give my regards to all my old friends.

—Renee Kohrman,  
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.

### UNUSUAL TREAT PROMISED AT JEWISH ARTS FESTIVAL

Enthusiastic members of the Jewish Arts Festival planning committees feel that Clevelanders are in for an unusual treat when the original production, "Songs Before Dawn" is unfolded at Severance Hall on Wednesday night, February 26.

"Songs Before Dawn", an interpretation through songs and dance of the life of our people, was created especially for the Festival by internationally known David Licht, who will direct the production as well. Fifteen songs have been skilfully and dramatically arranged into a well-staged and colorfully costumed production. As the story unfolds—the songs come to life.

The charm and gracefulness of the dance director, Eve Gentry has been conveyed to the well-trained dance troupe—so that one may expect considerable color and dash in the performance.

Eve Gentry, in charge of the choreography and dance direction, formerly of New York, is now a Cleveland resident. Trained in the classic ballet, and in the modern dance, she has also had considerable experience in the special field of the Jewish dance. She was a faculty member of the Hayna Holm School, and conducted classes in the Laban system of dance notation. She was an instructor and is vice-president of the New Dance School. She was choreographer at Bennington and at Coverse Colleges. During the war she performed in many hospitals and canteen groups as a soloist with the USO. Until the spring of 1945 Miss Gentry was known as Henrietta Greenhood when she changed her name for professional reasons.

Some tickets for the Festival are still available at the Jewish Community Council, Chester-12th Building.