THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE BULLETIN CLEVELAND, OHIO

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE, 8:00 to 9:15 P. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak

THE NON-ZIONISTS' SPLIT OVER THE JEWISH STATE

Contrasting the Proskauer Statement (see P. 5) with the Die-hard Position of Lessing Rosenwald and The American Council of Judaism...How Sound are the Arguments of Extreme Anti-Zionists?

Assisted with the Torah Last Week: Max Green and Al Berk

Sabbath Morning Services in the Chapel 11 to 12 Noon

Torah Portion: YISRO, Exodus 18:1-20:23; Haftorah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, Feb. 1—3 P. M.—Alumni Annual Tea Dance—Alumni Hall
Tuesday, Feb. 3—4 P. M.—Junior Alumni "Information Please."
Wednesday, Feb. 4—8 P. M.—Meeting of Parents of Children of Confirmation Class.
Wednesday, Feb. 11—8:30 P. M.—Couples Club—Alumni Hall.
Saturday, Feb. 14—11 A. M.—Mother-Daughter Day, sponsored by Sisterhood.
Tuesday, Feb. 24—8:30 P. M.—Men's Club Fellowship Night—Interfaith Meeting—Auditorium.
Friday, Feb. 27—8 P. M.—Brotherhood Week Service.

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To Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Kabb on the birth of a Granddaughter, Wallis Weiler, Monday, January 19th.

FIVE CHRISTIAN MINISTERS AND A RABBI

Men's Club members-the next event is Interfaith Fellowship Night—a round-table discussion, with Rabbi Brickner and five Christian clergymen. The date has been changed to Tuesday, February 24. Come and invite a Christian friends.

FEBRUARY ...

Is a month of many anniversaries

but FIRST of all comes the

Alumni Association Annual Tea Dance

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Alumni Hall 3 P. M. to 6 P. M.

Dancing to

VINCE PATTIE'S

Orchestra

Refreshments will be served.

Members Non-Members No Charge 75c each

MAN'S MEASUREMENT

- A man's no bigger than the way He treats his fellow man!
- This standard has his measure been Since time itself began!
- He's measured not by tithes or creed High-sounding though they be:
- Nor by the gold that's put aside: Nor by his sanctity!
- He's measured not by social rank, When character's the test:
- Nor by his earthly pomp or show, Displaying wealth possessed!
- He's measured by his justice right, His fairness at his play.
- His squareness in all dealings made, His honest, upright way.
- These are his measures, ever near To serve him when they can;
- For man's no bigger than the way He treats his fellow man.

THE EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE

CAN EDUCATION

The various adult study groups instituted at our temple this year have yielded a number of interesting, and amusing sidelights. At the top of the list belongs the story about a member of our congregation who enrolled in the Monday night elementary Hebrew course. The next day his young granddaughter said to him: "Grand-daddy, if you want to do your lesson, I'll be glad to help you."

And at the first meeting of the Couples Club, the discussion group for young marrieds, members were asked to write on slips what they would like Rabbi Brickner to teach. Wrote one parent: "Help us to keep up with our children, so we'll know what they're talking about when they come home from religious school."

Wrote a father: "If I had received the kind of Jewish education my child is, I wouldn't need this course?

When the title, "Hebrew in Ten Easy Lessons" was announced as one of the courses for adults, laughter of a skepti-cal kind was heard here and there. But now five lessons have already taken place under the skillful instruction of Lillian Sugarman, and over a score of students will attest to the effectiveness of the course. "I can see now," one of the adult pupils averred, "that at the end of the course I'll be able to follow the Sabbath service without feeling that I've just arrived from Timbuctoo." The I've just arrived from Timbuctoo. text book being used in the course, by the way, is the work of Miss Sugarman and Mrs. Donald Palay, of our school, and it has been widely acclaimed as one of the finest ever devised. I called "Ha-Sha-ar" (The Gateway). It is

When laymen are called to read the ritual at a Friday night service, the experience can also be termed adult education. At the Alumni service last December, and again at the Men's Club service in January, the prayers were read by members of each group. One member of the Men's Club remarked: "For twenty years I've heard this prayer read on Friday nights, but never did I appreciate its full import. You know, it's really beautiful!"

This observation is reminiscent of the statement reported to have been uttered by the great rabbi, Akiba, who, when he was facing torture because of his refusal to renounce his faith, told his

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disciples, "All my life I have repeated the passage, "Thou shalt love the Lord with all thy heart, with all thy soul and with all thy might," but not until this monument did I fully understand the meaning of those words."

Now, don't misunderstand. I don't mean to compare the reading of a service with torture. But it is true that not until we concentrate upon something, and make it the focal point of our interest and attention, do we completely understand it. That's true of contract bridge, and also true of Judaism. Hence, the value of our adult educational program. Too many of us merely take our Judaism for granted, but have never focussed upon it. And, as a congregation, we have spent large sums on the education of our children, and very little on the education of adults. We must realize that the only way we can round out the education of our children is to provide the parents with sufficient information so that they will augment in the home what is acquired in the school.

It does seem that, by and large, adults are eager for more Jewish education. The home study group, the meetings of the parents of our confirmands, the classes and courses introduced this year are channels through which we are seeking to satisfy this hunger. But let us not forget that the primary source of education for adults is still the Sab-bath Eve and Sabbath Morning services. Each sermon preached on those oc-casions represents the distillation of the ancient lore of our people, as it bears on contemporary situations. And it is gratifying to hear again and again from a new member, "I really enjoyed the service. I thought it would be tedious, but it was really pleasant. I'm going to try to make it a habit to come regularly. We urge more of you to cultivate that habit.

And, speaking of adult education. don't forget that our library, with one of the largest collection of Jewish books, in the country is always available to you. Furthermore, we shall try to make this Bulletin an increasingly valuable storehouse of information that will enable you to become a better-informed (and therefore better adjusted) Jew.

If you should care to comment on anything in this column, please don't hesitate to write me.

-Rabbi Samuel M. Silver.

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THE EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE

A WARNING

Only 500 Tickets Are Available For The

SISTERHOOD'S

Mother-Daughter Luncheon

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14th

So, Get Yours Early—At The Temple Office. PRICE: \$2.00 each, For Full Waiter Service, Including Tip. Luncheon for Sisterhood Members and Their Daughters Only. No Telephone Reservations.

Don't Miss The Service In The Temple at 11 A. M.

See Mothers and Daughters in Service and Stirring Pagean.

LIFE WITH A JEWISH FATHER

FATHER AND THE ANGELS. By William Manners. New York, E. P. Dutton & Co., 1947. 224 pages. \$2.75.

This is an engaging story about the life of a small town Orthodox rabbi told by his son who almost became a rabbi himself. The father and son relationship is highlighted throughout, for the son greatly loved and admired his father who was an otherworldly, saintly man, full of the milk of human kindness. Fortunately, "Mother" was practical and hard-working and managed to keep the large household on strong foundations. Father had settled in Zanesville, Ohio, and served the little Jewish community in the manifold capacity of hazan, shohet, mohel and preacher,

Father was not given to profound thinking. In fact, whenever he was faced with questions beyond his capacity to answer, he would beg off with the protest: "Why do you bother my head?" Hence, there is missing from this story any discussion of the weightier Jewish problems that in those years agitated A merican Jews. His simple, naive answers about prayer and immortality served mainly to bypass these spiritual questionings on the part of his young son. True, Father did read Emerson and was acquainted with Plato and William James, but he revealed no real understanding of them.

The old rabbi was fazed by such mat-

ters as the observance of kashruth and intermarriage, but on the whole sought to imbue in his children loyalty to Judaism. He believed that Christianity was impracticable because it "disregards human nature." His warmly human personality, his ready willingness to bring help wherever the need arose, his innate kindliness and modesty, his gracious and gentle spirit won for him, from the town's physician, Dr. Scott, the praise that "he's the best Christian in this town."

It is regrettable that some errors have crept into the story: Jacob in the Bible did not wrestle with the Angel of Death. Butter, despite popular misinformation, is not necessarily forbidden on Passover. Occasional infelicities in English and grammatical mistakes mar an otherwise delightfully told story.

Father and the Angels is a welcome addition to American Jewish literature for its description for the valiant struggles of a sincere rabbi to raise his family to be loyal Jews, exemplary citizens and "good children;" to minister to the spiritual needs of the Jewish community; and to represent the best in Judaism to the larger community in which he lived. A delightful sense of humor runs through the book and a warm faith in humankind.

> -Rabbi Mortimer J. Cohen In "Jewish Bookland"

DISTINGUISHED NON-ZIONIST CLARIFIES POSITION OF AMERICAN JEWS TOWARD JEWISH PALESTINE

Nothing Inconsistent in Obligations to America and Sympathy with Jewish State, says Judge Proskauer, Head of American Jewish Committee.

(Judge Joseph Proskauer, President of the American Jewish Committee, is not a Zionist. But in the letter reprinted below, he takes a stand which dispels the notion that sympathy with a Jewish State will in any way affect the citizenship of American Jews. His statesmanlike position is in sharp variance with that adopted recently, by the American Council of Judaism. I shall contrast the utterances of Judge Proskauer and Lessing Rosenwald at the service this Friday night.

To the Editor of the New York Times:

As I write these words the press is carrying conflicting accounts of the implications for Jewry of the partition of Palestine. As president of the American Jewish Committee I deem it important that there should be a clear statement of what I believe to be the philosophy and attitude of the American Jew.

A Possible Inconsistency?

We are told by the anti-Semite, through malice, and by some sections of American Jewry, through confusion, that this partition has created a problem of possible inconsistency between our obligations as Americans and as Jews. There is no such problem. Five years ago our committee stated: "There can be no political identification of Jews outside of Palestine with whatever government may there be instituted." These words state an axiom and remain true today. The Jews of America suffer no political schizophrenia. Politically we are not split personalities, and in faith and in conduct we shall continue to demonstrate what the death rolls of our Army on many a battlefield have attested, that we are bone of the bone and flesh of the flesh of America.

What should be the attitude of Jews toward this newly to be created state? We have affirmed our sympathy with and our desire to cooperate with those Jews who wish to settle in Palestine. Now we find this embryo state already beset, with the horrors of violence and bloodshed and its shores largely closed to that suffering remnant of downtrodden European Jewry which yearns to go there. In helping them we emphasize that nothing can be done which in any degree constitutes a violation of the laws or the executive action of the United States.

famet R. Frichner

World Must Support Partition

But we have a right to represent to our Government for its action a great fundamental truth. The United Nations Assembly did not merely decide a dispute between two peoples-it prescribed a course of international conduct: it decreed that partition was a measure that made for the peace of the world. The world must support that decree. The responsible Jews in Palestine are engaged in no struggle of aggression or of aggrandizement. If any hot-heeded group is acting at variance with this position, Jewish leadership asks for nothing ex-cept that the mandate of the Assembly of the United Nations be executed. To enforce it requires policing of Palestine against the violence that has there been incited chiefly under the leadership of Arabs identified with Hitler.

It is vital not only to the Jews of Palestine but to the peace of the world that the dignity and integrity of a resolution of the Assembly of the United Nations be defended against such bloodthirsty attempts to thwart it as have appeared in Palestine during the last few weeks. To that end we urge on our State Department—first, that under the Security Council of the United Nations there must be created a sufficient constabulary to preserve peace and order in Palestine when the British withdraw and to make clear to the world that the decision of the United Nations Organization is not to be treated as a scrap of paper.

Maintenance of Order

Second, during this crucial interim between the decision of the Assembly and the actual withdrawal of the British, order must be maintained in Palestine.

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PRESIDENT TRUMAN ACCEPTS AN INVITATION

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dear Dr. Clinchy:

As never before the world needs brotherhood. The family of nations must practice brotherhood now if it is to have peace in the future. Pacts and treaties must be firmly grounded in the willingness of nations to grant to other nations every right and dignity they claim for themselves—which is the essence of brotherhood. The attainment of peace is thus an achievement of the human spirit.

Similarly, national unity and strength depend upon the willingness of men of all creeds, races, and national origins in America to respect one another's rights and to cooperate as citizens in all areas of common conviction, concern, and responsibility. Mutual understanding and impartial justice among Protestants, Catholic, and Jews are essential to the perpetuation of our nation's influence and well-being. Intolerance is a cancer in the body politic. We must maintain respect for the rights of every individual, inherent in his relation to God.

Convinced of these truths, I gladly accept the honorary chairmanship of national Brotherhood Week, February 22-29, 1948, and join the American Brotherhood of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in inviting our people to use this occasion to think deeply about these principles and to promote their application to all human relationships everywhere throughout the year. I recommend the co-operation of all agencies of religion, education, and community life, and of all media of communication, in making brotherhood a living reality in every corner of our country.

Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, National Conference of Christians and Jews, 381 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.

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It is not being maintained. Merely to place an embargo on the importation of munitions into Palestine, when the Mufti can draw arms from other Arab states, will certainly not tend to produce that order. Haganah is a force in Palestine which must be sharply differentiated from the terrorists. It is a band of Jewish men and women claiming no objective other than the defense of their lives, their hearts and their homes. The conduct of the Arabs in Palestine is a threat to international peace and we should ask of our Government that they support a policy that, through the United Nations, those who are defending the decision of the United Nations be given the means with which to make their defense effective.

This is not merely a pro-Jewish position. This is a pro-American position and a pro-United Nations position. Nor must we forget our ultimate. That is in the words of Dr. Weizmann, a state where Arabs do not dominate Jews and Jews do not dominate Arabs. There is a great basis of good-will between rightthinking Arabs and right-thinking Jews in Palestine upon which the structure of two such states can be built. This statement. I believe, raises a standard to which every right-thinking American, Jew or Christian, and every right-thinking supporter of the United Nations can with confidence and high hope adhere.

JOSEPH M. PROSKAUER.

President, The American Jewish Committee.

New York, Jan. 19, 1948.

IN SYMPATHY

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Barnett I. Axelrod on the passing of his father, Harry Axelrod; to Ray Fox on the loss of his father, Samuel Fox; to Lewis I. Benway, whose mother, Ida Benowitz, recently passed away; to Joseph L. Setron on the loss of his mother, Isabelle Setron.



Very sincerely yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN.