

Broohah (Blessing in Hebrew)
Righteousness
Elite
Ahova (Love in Hebrew)
Koach (Strength in Hebrew)
Szodokah (Charity in Heb.)
Talmidim (Scholars in Heb.)
Obedient
Nemen (River that flows thru Ponemun)
Erlaokitte
(Honesty in Yiddish)
BEN STONE,
Ohids, Pennsylvania.

BREAKSTONE WORLD

Beauty of soul
Reverence for the mind
Earnestly our goal
Amity to find
Knowledge to enrich
Sincerity in deed
Thoughtfulness we preach
Onward we speed
Nature's world to learn
Eagerly to the Clan we turn

JUDGE P. B. BREGSTONE
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HELLO BREAKSTONERS!!

(EDITORIAL)

WITH THE TRAVELING
BREAKSTONES—

Set aside the week of August 20th
for the

BREAKSTONE FAMILY REUNION

to be held at the Hotel Flagler,
Fallsburg, N. Y.

Hear Ye BREAKSTONE Clansmen!
GOOD NEWS AHEAD

A site has been chosen—and what
a site.

Fine Hotel—Good Eats—
Real Kosher Food

Food that will enchant.

Scenery you will never forget.

Grounds fit for the gods!

The sportsmen of the family will
enjoy the golf course, baseball
grounds and tennis courts. Also a
very fine bathing beach. COME—
let all BREAKSTONES board the
train, no matter where you are or
what you are doing; just creep out
of your shell and all joint in a week
of JOY and HAPPINESS.

Another year has passed and those
who are privileged to partake of this
festive occasion, all join arms—to at-
tend another week of celebration
and festivities for the year of 1932.

Let each BREAKSTONER do his
bit to help make this reunion a 100%
attendance. To complete this great
event, in which each BREAKSTON-
ER plays his part our Chairman, cou-
sin Jesse Rodman, is exerting every
effort for the comfort of each and
every one, and is planning a glorious
time for you ALL.

We want you all to come and see
what we can do—to make you PLAY
and LAUGH, ROMP and DANCE,
forgetting everything and just meet
again to greet each other with much
gaiety and mirth.

We'll writ you soon and tell you
more. We'll say Good-bye, Good
Luck.

Your Fond Cousins,

The N. Y. BREAKSTONE FAMILY

"Yours for a Bigger and Better
Reunion"

Are the members of the Break-
stone Clan going to be "weighed and
found wanting?" Or shall they
emerge from the battle unscathed?
The battle I speak of is not one for
the acquisition of lucre or lands.
No blood shall be shed, no women
made widows or children orphans.
It it a combat between the forces
of the Breakstone Family and those
of Old Man Depression. Have we
not in normal times boasted of our
loyalty? Have we not flaunted our
talents? Do we not speak with light
hearts and happy minds when some
friend inquires about our illustrious
family organization and annual re-
union? Old Man Depression is on
one side of the scale. Shall his pow-
er overweigh our loyalty and love?
Is it possible that his poisonous
gases, his excruciating guns and his
barbaric tactics annihilate our love
and loyalty or shall we withstand
the barrage by a display of "guts"
and retaliate with a counter-attack
of faithfulness and sincerity by a
100% attendance at Fallsburg?
Shall we be "weighed and found
wanting"? Do your part in the
winning of the battle. It is impera-
tive that you attend the 1932 reu-
nion of the Breakstone Clan.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard D. Gold-
stein, 3501 Putnam Place, New York,
have been "blessed evented" with a
daughter, Ina Carroll Goldstein.

DID YOU NOTICE?

Syvia Bressler's smiling counte-
nance in the Movietones, right next
to Governor Roosevelt, as he ac-
cepted the nomination of the Demo-
cratic Party for the Presidency of
the United States.

Mrs. Sadie B. Fisher of Wilkes-
barre, mother of Hammond Fish-
er, creator of the radio and com-
ic strip Joe Palooka, visited her
daughter, Mrs. Adele Shekter in
Jamaica during the past winter.

Mannie Breakstone of Pittsburgh
is at present the house guest of Ce-
lia and Sam Jacobson of New York.

Adella Breakstone of New York
and Cleveland is at present visiting
the Breakstone cousins in Chicago.

Jerome D. Breakstone visited his
mother in Washington, D. C.

Judd Breakstone took a trip, by
motor, through Washington, Phila-
delphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton, New
York.

J. L. Breakstone, brother of Dr.
Breakstone, is making an extensive
trip through the west with David
N. Bressler of New York.

Blanche Breakstone spent several
weeks in Pittsburgh this past win-
ter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Seeder spent a
day in Chicago on their return, by
motor, from Madison, Wisconsin,
where their son Stanley was a mem-
ber of the graduating class of the
University of Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaeter stopped in
Chicago, while en route to Califor-
nia, where they paid a visit to their
son who is a student at the Leeland-
Stanford University.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bressler and
daughter Sylvia are spending the
summer in Chicago and will attend
the reunion at Fallsburg.

Sylvia Singer of Grand Rapids,
Michigan and her brother Ben of
Springfield visited in Chicago sev-
eral times this past fall and winter.

Mrs. Becker and Mr. and Mrs.
Golden of Detroit spent several
days with Dr. and Mrs. Breakstone
at their Sheriden Road home.

Mr. and Mrs. Moe Breakstone
visited the smoky city, Pittsburgh,
for several days during July.

Mr. Alvin Silverman of Pitts-
burgh is spending the summer
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EDITORIAL

If traveling to the reunion by train, we desire that every Breakstone use the Erie Railroad as Adela Breakstone is connected with the Erie Railroad and each sale of a ticket to our convention means a feather in Adela's cap.

It is necessary that your reservation be in the hands of the management of the Flagler Hotel, not later than August 10.

Will all Breakstone cousins please send change of address to Miss Ida Gordon, 626 West 165 Street, New York, New York?

LETTERS

Dear Ernest,

Here is a bit of news for the "Breakstone World." I hope you will forgive my enclosing this note. Mr. Barcus' hobby is book collecting. Incidentally, he gathered quite a bit for his book of "Soviet Moscow in Sketch and Story."

By profession, my husband (I'm not quit used to this term) is an architect. His contract with Albert Kahn, was for one year. Previous to this, he worked here with him for many years.

Frank, your new cousin would be glad to write an article for the "World" if you request it.

Right now, we are just leaving on our honeymoon trip through the east, Virginia, Tennessee, well we haven't quite made a definite route, but we want mountains and plenty of them. Finally New York, and maybe the reunion.

Your cousin,
ESTHER GOODMAN BARCUS.

Dear Ernest,

August will mark the opening of the fifth Annual Breakstone Reunion. While the present economic situation may exert its influence to some degree, the writer is sure that it can not be so intense as to materially hinder a large attendance. The Breakstone Family has been so imbued with the spirit of these annual festivals that it will offer rigid resistance to the malignant activities of the depression, and will proceed eagerly to the Flagler Hotel, in Fallsburg, New York.

This admirable attitude has been manifested time and again at the local Breakstone meetings. The Breakstone Juniors, in particular, have displayed an enthusiasm that will undoubtedly aid immensely in securing a large turn-out this year. They have attended the local meetings and have paid their dues regularly, thus demonstrating conclusively their active interest. I know they are looking forward to the reunion with as much pleasant anticipation as ever, and feel confident, that under the efficient management and careful guidance of the New York Breakstones, that we shall enjoy once more a happy and hearty convention.

EDGAR BREAKSTONE

Dear Ernie,

I've had the following on my mind for some time and thought I might as well give you the benefit of it (if such it might be termed) for "The World."

Each time I speak of our family reunion to someone, and those times are not few, I become more impressed with the fact that our organization is truly a wonderful and beautiful thing.

We should cherish it, firstly because it is a comparatively rare institution, particularly in the Jewish race, and secondly, because any tie which binds so many people who are so widely separated geographically is a truly remarkable achievement.

Because of the wide diversity in ages and occupations it is naturally impossible for us all to have mutual interests and be therefore companionable to the same degree, but the one thing which unites us all and that we all share equally is the Breakstone Family. We're all boughs and branches of the same tree and that in itself is reason enough for congeniality to exist between each member of the family. That spirit is surely evidenced to anyone who has ever attended a reunion and makes it an incentive

never to miss another one.

The inspiration received from these reunions is not a temporary one; its memories linger throughout the year and leave one in joyous anticipation of the next. We have much to be thankful for, we Breakstones, and the one sure way of proving our gratitude is a one hundred per cent attendance at our next reunion. I personally am anxiously looking forward to seeing all those whose contacts have made my life a fuller one.

HELEN MORGENSTERN

IN THE PRESS

Phillip P. Bregstone's latest book "God's Gentlemen," was published in the Reform Advocate.

Dr. Benjamin Breakstone's name appeared in all Chicago dailies as a result of his skill in removing a twenty-five cent piece from the stomach of an eighteen-month-old child.

"Growth of Jewish Chicago"

Cousin Philip P. Bregstone, Chicago, informs us that his book "Chicago and Its Jews" is now in press and will be ready for distribution in the middle of next September. We have learned from many sources that the volume is a great achievement and we, his cousins, rejoice with him and are proud of his success. He permitted us the use of a part of his opening chapter to be republished in these columns.

CONFIRMATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Cluster announce the confirmation of their daughter, Gladys Belle, Friday morning, June 10, at congregation B'nai Jesurun.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Breakstone of 140 Hards Lane, Lawrence, Long Island, announce the Barmitzvoh of their son, Myron, on April 9, 1932, at the congregation Shaarai Tefila, Far Rock Away.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cluster, 25 West 81st Street, announce the Barmitzvoh of their son, Sanford, on Saturday, April 9, at the Riverside Synagogue.

GRATITUDE

Gratitude is a symptom of every disease. It makes its first appearance when the physician is called. It increases its severity as the disease progresses. It becomes very marked near the crisis of the disease. It is the most prominent symptom when convalescence begins. It lingers on during convalescence and disappears with the rest of the symptoms when the patient has entirely recovered.

A THOUGHT FOR EVERYBODY

It's a mighty good thing as you're
 running life's race
 Just to pause, as you go and come
 face to face
 With your conscience, and ask it a
 question or two,
 For it's right you should know what
 your life means to you.
 Have you done things worth while,
 have you drifted along,
 Have you filled it with sighs, have
 you filled it with song,
 Have you helped when you should,
 have you tried to do right,
 Have you struggled for good, or just
 fought for might?
 Have you given your hand to some
 fellow in need,
 Have you sneered at the man who
 was not of your creed
 Have you been open hearted and
 ready to do,
 Have you tried to be just, have you
 tried to be true?
 It's easy to preach, and it's easy to
 tell,
 Of the other chap's faults—but our
 own faults—ah, well!
 We are cowards at times—and the
 truth you will find,
 Is a thing we dislike, for it's rather
 unkind.
 But the past let it rest. Give a
 thought to today
 And tomorrow as well, for the time
 is growing gray;
 Do the things that you should, do the
 best that you can,
 Crown your life with your deeds, be
 a red blooded man.
 A kindness to a friend. Do it that
 very moment.
 Don't put it off. Don't wait
 What's the use of doing a kindness,
 If you do it a day too late?

DR. BENJ. H. BREAKSTONE
 Chicago, Illinois.

ANNIVERSARIES

Louis and Ida Wisinsky, of New York, celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary. All the Breakstone cousins join in extending congratulations to the celebrants.

DEATHS

Mrs. Sarah Breakstone Soloman, mother of Mildred, Seymore, Della, Lawrence; beloved sister of Esther Smith, Ida Greenfield, Lillian Feldman, and Nathan Breakstone. Services were held at the Riverside Memorial Chapel, 76 Street and Amsterdam Avenue. All the Breakstone cousins extend their most sincere sympathies.

Musings and Reflections

On a bright starry night, the twenty-eighth of May, in the year 1887, the stately steamer Vesuvius approached the gates of the New World. She cast her anchors in the harbor of New York. For hours a youth of twenty had been standing on the upper deck, his eyes gazing on the mighty figure of the Goddess of Liberty as she stood there in all her majestic dignity, sending illuminating rays of light to all the corners of the earth. Her arms outstretched, as she beckoned to all oppressed and persecuted humanity to come close to her bosom to find refuge in the land of the free and the brave, in the land of equality and opportunity.

An announcement had been made by the authorities of the ship that no passenger would set foot on the sacred ground of the promised land before the following morning. The steerage passengers were ordered to retire to their bunks. The youthful immigrant was in a feverish state of mind. Sleep had lost its power over him and the thought of spending sleepless hours on a bunk in the steerage, on this of all nights, was beyond endurance.

In the first days of his voyage he formed an acquaintance, with the ship's surgeon, a young German of the Junker type. On several occasions the youth had acted as interpreter between the doctor and his steerage patients. The doctor took a liking to the Yiddish lad who would converse fluently in his beloved German and recite the poems of his two favorite poets: Koerner and Uhland.

Thus, through the influence of the doctor he gained permission to spend the last night of his voyage on the upper deck of the ship. As he now stood looking out on the new world, a thought flashed across his mind he was reminded that this is the eve of Pentecost (Shebueth), when all pious Jews remain in the synagogue throughout the night, reading the Tikun Shebuth, to purify their souls that they may be fit to receive the Torah. Was he not to receive on the following morning the new Decalogue, the Torah which had been received amidst thunder and lightning of the firespitting cannons, by the children of the Colonists? Was he not to subscribe to the Declaration of Independence, which has been inspired by the all powerful spirit of Liberty which Thomas Jefferson brought to the new Sinai—Independence Hall?

True to his Jewish traditions, he remained awake throughout the night, watching and waiting for the opening of the skies. . . . In the morning he was the first to descend the gangplank to enter Castle Garden.

It was thus I entered the great city of New York, the reception hall to the new Western World.

VISITING EUROPE

Ralph Breakstone and his wife Gertrude are spending the summer in Ponemune with Ralph's mother. They will also visit their uncle Etienne in Amsterdam.

Ruby Josephson sailed July 4 for Moscow, Russia, to visit her aunt and grandma in Ponemune.

"UNTIL DEATH DO US PART"

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Goodman announce the marriage of their daughter Esther to Mr. Frank Aaron Barcus on Friday the sixth of May 1932.

Miriam Calvin was married during the early part of July.

ON THE AIR

Ham Fisher's serial, Joe Palooka, is broadcasted twice weekly over the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Lester Jacobson is heard daily over the NBC as he depicts the part of Skippy, the serial by Percy Crosby.

Dr. Benjamin Breakstone's health talks are still a weekly radio feature.

BREAKSTONE ACTIVITIES

On June 19 the New York Breakstones participated in their annual boat ride. It consisted of a ride up the Hudson River to Bear Mountains, where picnic lunches were served. Tillie Breakstone of Cleveland made a one day trip to New York in order to attend this activity. There stone family and ten Breakstone were sixty members of the Breakfriends in attendance.

WELCOME

We take this means of welcoming Esther Goodman's husband, Frank Barcus, as a member of the Breakstone Clan. We know he will prove a real Breakstone and a very active member of our organization. He has promised to send an article to each issue of the "Breakstone World." Being a writer, I know we shall enjoy reading his articles and appreciate his cooperation.

THE TWO WORDS

One day a harsh word rashly said
Upon an evil journey sped
And like a sharp and cruel dart
It pierced a fond and loving heart,
It turned a friend into a foe,
And everywhere brought pain and
woe.

A kind word followed it one day,
Flew swiftly on its blessed way,
It healed the wound, it soothed the
pain,

And friends of old were friends
again;
It made the hate and anger cease,
And everywhere brought joy and
peace.

And yet the harsh word left a trace
The kind word could not quite efface
And tho the heart its love regained
It bore a scar that long remained.
Friends could forgive but not forget,
Or lose the sense of keen regret.

Oh, if we would but learn to know
How swift and sure one word can go,
How would we weigh with utmost
care

Each thought before it sought the
air!

And only speak the words that move
Like white wings messages of Love.

DR. BENJ. H. BREAKSTONE
Chicago, Illinois

**REMINISCENCE FROM DR.
BREAKSTONE**

They were seated near the bedside of the sick wife—the doctor and the patient's husband. Presently the patient began to complain of her ailments. She had a pain in her side, a severe headache, a bad cough, and every other sickness which has troubled all mortals since the days of Adam. But, worse than everything else, her tongue was in good working order, and the doctor grew, first impatient, then angry and desperate. "My dear woman," said he, "let me take your temperature before another word."

The doctor placed the thermometer in the patient's mouth and instructed her to keep the lips pressed firmly against it. He then wrote his prescription, gave advice to the husband, and leisurely put on his coat and hat before removing the thermometer.

The doctor was almost at the door when the husband caught him by the shoulder. "Doctor," said he, "how much does that instrument cost?"

**"Knowledge And Wisdom Stand
Higher Than All Else"**

Sylvia Singer of Grand Rapids was graduated from Ypsilanti Normal College.

Edith Josephson of Patterson, New Jersey, daughter of Minnie Josephson, was graduated from Patterson Normal School for Teachers.

Dorothy Levy is continuing her studies at the University of Wisconsin Summer School.

Irving Breakstone, son of Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Breakstone, has returned from the University of Wisconsin and is now taking a summer course at the University of Chicago.

Edgar Breakstone of Pittsburgh, the illustrious president of the Breakstone Juniors, is now a Sophomore in the Chicago Medical College, Chicago. Judd Breakstone is now a member of the Junior class of the same college.

Lillian Fisher, daughter of Ettie Fisher, of Chicago is an undergraduate at Northwestern University.

Blanche D. Breakstone, who holds a teacher's position in Cicero, Illinois, BANG! BANG! BANG!, is at present attending the summer school of Northwestern University.

Myrtle Freedlin, a graduate of the University of Chicago, is now doing social work for the United Charities.

Edna Horwich is now teaching in Chicago where they pay their teachers — sometimes!

Mr. Manuel Breakstone of Pittsburgh is now a senior at the Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh.

Sidney Silverman of Pittsburgh is attending the summer session of the Philadelphia School of Optometry.

Alvin Silverman of Pittsburgh is planning on entering Harvard Law School this fall.

Miss Gertrude Breakstone of Pittsburgh, a freshman student in the Carnegie Institute of Technology counts among her activities there; reporter on Tech Tartan, member of glee club, member of the varsity swimming team.

Dorothy Oppenheim of Wilkesbarre is receiving her B. C. S. Degree from Rider College, Trenton, New Jersey in August.

Stanley Seeder is a member of the June graduating class at the University of Wisconsin.

THE MEANING OF A FRIEND

My "friend" you signed yourself,
but did you think,

Of all that friendship means to me
To me who needs a true and FAITH-
FUL FRIEND,

More than the weary river needs
the sea.

More than the faint roses need the
freshening rain

More than the daybreak needs the
sun again.

Say, did you pause and try to com-
prehend

Each thought that lingers in the
words "your friend"?

Are you prepared to suffer any pain
By which your sacrifice may prove
my gain?

Would you believe in me, should
Slander's sword

Be the strong weapon against my
simple word?

Are you prepared to stand by me
through ill,

And in misfortune be my true friend
still?

Or are you but a friend but when
fair days shine

While happiness and youth and love
are mine?

Nay, I must plead, if even such you
be

"I greatly need your friendship, give
it me."

DR. BENJ. H. BREAKSTONE
Chicago, Illinois.

Eunice Breakstone, of Oconto, Wis., has just become a registered nurse.

Harold Schwartz, Ambridge, Pa., becoming jealous of John Barrymore, decided that the only difference in their appearance was their noses so last week he travelled to Cincinnati where he underwent a plastic operation by a famous plastic surgeon. His nose is as yet in a cast, but we have high hopes that we will have an additional Adonis in our family.

**WITH THE TRAVELING
BREAKSTONES**

(Continued from page 1)

with his brother Morris Silverman of New Haven, Connecticut.

Miss Rosalind Taffie of New York is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. David Schwartz of Pittsburgh.

Esther Goodman Barcus and her husband, during their honeymoon trip, visited the members of the Breakstone family in the many cities of the east.

Saretta Morrison, daughter of Mrs. J. Breakstone, is visiting her mother at New London, Wis.