

New Castle Jewry Lays Cornerstone for New Synagogue at Impressive Ceremonies

Dignity, reverence and sincerity marked the cornerstone laying of the Temple Israel, New Castle, on Wednesday afternoon, May 25th, the event being attended by the membership of the congregation and a number of guests. The main address was delivered by Rabbi M. C. Currick of Erie, and a number of New Castle men also spoke.

Marcus Feuchtwanger in Charge

The president of the congregation, Marcus Feuchtwanger, presided at the exercises and after the invocation by Rev. Rosen, of Tifereth Israel, made a short introductory address. At the conclusion of it he read the minutes of the proceedings leading up to the organization of Temple Israel and the names of contributors to the building fund.

Miss Florence Weinberg and Miss Dora Winnick sang a duet and following this the cornerstone box was filled with various articles. Among them were the minutes and list of contributors, a Star of David, presented by the Sisterhood of Rodef Sholem, of Pittsburgh, which was placed by Mrs. Isaac W. Frank, of Pittsburgh, a Year Book placed by Mrs. Marcus Feuchtwanger, and a list of members, placed by Mrs. Bernard Kline.

Rabbi Currick, of Erie, who made the main address of the day was most appropriate in his remarks. He complimented the congregation upon the courtesy shown the late Rabbi Leonard Levy, and spoke of the splendid work which had been done by the president of the congregation, Marcus Feuchtwanger. "This building in itself is not the temple," said Rabbi Currick. "The temple is the people who will worship here, the sincerity with which they worship and the conviction with which they follow that worship. Temple Israel has a wonderful future in store for it, if the people will take advantage of it. You are to be congratulated upon your new temple and I wish for you continued success."

Speakers from New Castle were City Solicitor Robert M. White, representing Mayor Dunap; Rev. P. C. Pearson, pas-

tor of Trinity Episcopal Church; State Senator George T. Weingartner, Representative Bart Richards, Fred L. Rentz, president of the New Castle Chamber of Commerce; Mark L. Rabinovitz, Esq.

History of the Congregation

Temple Israel is but a new congregation in the religious circles of New Castle. Organized January 14th, 1926, it has gone forward from strength to strength, building rapidly for the day when the place of worship now being erected can be occupied for the worship of the God of Humanity.

The organization meeting of January 14th, 1926, was held in the home of Bernard Kline. At this meeting were gathered Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kline, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Perelman, Dr. and Mrs. B. M. Berger, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Klafter, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ehrlich, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ehrlich, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cukerbraun, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cosel, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Levine, Mr. Robert Cosel, who represented Mrs. N. C. Linville; Jacob Cosel, J. A. Altschuler and Max B. Reinhart.

A formal organization was completed with the following temporary officers: Marcus Feuchtwanger, president; Jacob F. Perelman, vice president; Jacob Cosel, second vice president; Abe Levine, secretary; Samuel Klafter, treasurer.

It was decided that until a place of worship could be erected, services would be held in the homes of the members. On October 18, 1926, a meeting was held and a resolution adopted which called for the securing of a charter in the name of "Temple Israel of New Castle," founded in the memory of that outstanding man, Rabbi J. Leonard Levy, of Pittsburgh.

On March 7th, 1927, a charter was granted by the Lawrence County courts, and on March 10th, 1927, the first meeting under the charter was held. Permanent officers were selected, the officers being the ones who had been elected temporarily. To these were added the following trustees: Mrs. Nannette C. Linville, David Silverman, Dr. Benjamin M. Berger, Abe H. Gonick, M. M. Fisher, Bernard Kline, Harry Cukerbraun and Norman Ehrlich. A building committee was appointed, consisting of Bernard Kline, chairman; Norman Ehrlich, Michael M. Fisher, Harry Cukerbraun, Jacob F. Perelman, Jacob Cosel, Marcus Feuchtwanger.

On April 13th, 1927, a constitution and by-laws were adopted, and a contract authorized drawn for the erection of a new building to be located at the corner of Highland and Moody Avenues. The contract was signed on April 18th, 1927, and on April 20th, 1927, the ground was sanctified and broken, with Rabbi I. Philo, of Youngstown, Ohio, in charge. The building will be completed by September 15th, 1927.

Seven Hundred Fete Louis Lipsky at Testimonial Dinner

Zionist Leader is Presented by Admirers With Three Volumes of His Selected Writings

Over 700 prominent Zionists from New York and other cities throughout the country were present at the dinner given Sunday evening at the Astor Hotel by the Lipsky Jubilee Committee to celebrate his fiftieth anniversary and thirty years of service in the Zionist movement.

The selected writings of Lipsky, consisting of three volumes, and including a memoir on thirty years of Zionism in America, published for this occasion, were presented by Dr. Stephen S. Wise to Mr. Lipsky in behalf of the Jubilee Committee.

Isadore D. Morrison, one of the pioneer Zionist workers in America, acted as temporary toastmaster until the arrival of Dr. Wise. Mr. Morrison highly praised Mr. Lipsky for his devotion, zeal and skill displayed in his career in the Zionist movement and his qualities for leadership.

Mr. Morrison, during the course of his remarks, also rebuked severely Deputy Isaac Gruenbaum, of Poland, who recently visited the United States and published a series of articles in the Jewish press in Poland criticizing the American Jews. Mr. Lipsky is one of the few leaders who had the courage to admit mistakes when such were committed, Mr. Morrison stated.

Glowing tributes were paid to Mr. Lipsky by the speakers, who included Miss Henrietta Szold, Rev. Z. H. Masliansky, Mrs. Irma Lindheim, Mrs. Richard Gott-

heil, Reuben Brainin, Dr. Louis I. Newman, of San Francisco; Jacob Fischman, of the "Jewish Morning Journal"; Dr. S. Margoshes, of the "Day"; Nathan Straus, Abe Goldberg, Joseph Barondess, Morris Rothenberg and Mrs. Archibald Silverman, of Providence, R. I.

Abe Goldberg, in his address, compared Mr. Lipsky to Capt. Charles Lindbergh, the lone flyer across the Atlantic. Mr. Lipsky was also a lone man when he undertook, thirty years ago, to plunge into Zionist work at a time when Zionism was not understood.

Mr. Straus, who was introduced as "our grand old man," declared: "I object to being called an old man. I always feel young when I am among so many good Zionists. I believe that the people who are not yet in our ranks stay away, either out of ignorance or because they are afraid it is an expense." He then lauded the work of Mr. Lipsky.

Dr. Wise, in his address, referred to the present crisis in Palestine and argued against the defeatist spirit in some Zionist circles. The crisis was caused by the Fourth Allijah, by the middle class Jews, who came from Poland to Palestine. The crisis is not of the making of the Zionist Organization, but is the result of the ups and downs of Jewish life. The speaker warned Zionists against yielding to pessimistic views and trying to put the blame on this or that Zionist leader. "I warn you against dissension at the present moment and against making it appear that Palestine is to be handed over into the receivership of those who have stood aloof from the work," he stated. In praising the leadership of Mr. Lipsky, Dr. Wise pledged his support for unity in Zionist ranks.

Mr. Lipsky, in replying to the addresses, expressed his gratitude for the expressions of appreciation.

Following a few remarks pertaining to the nature of the celebration, Mr. Lipsky spoke of the present conditions in Palestine and the Zionist movement, which require new faith and confidence of Zionists. "This faith and this confidence can help us emerge from the present difficulties and pave the way for a renewed effort which will lead to the final success of Palestine," he stated.

Jewish Children's Aid Society

Owing to the holidays falling on Monday, June 6th, the benefit card party which was planned for that date has been postponed to Wednesday afternoon, June 8th, at Kaufmann's dining room. The admission is fifty cents, and very unusual prizes will be awarded at each table.

Miss Jo Olbum and Mrs. J. M. Kartub are joint hostesses for this affair, and reservations for tables can be made by calling Hazel 6279 or Hemlock 9049. Members and friends of the organization are asked to co-operate and help make this card party a successful one.

This affair closes the Five Dollar Drive which was launched a little over a month ago.

All workers on this drive are kindly asked to turn in the money for the drive on or before June 8th.

The last meeting of the year will take place Sunday afternoon at the "Y." Those who have not as yet paid dues for the year please do so at once to Miss Sadye Zamsky, 617 Herron Avenue.

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A. W. MELLON,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Washington, May 31, 1927.