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## B'nai Israel Sisterhood

The special meeting of the Sisterhood was held on Tuesday evening, June 19th, at the Center, with Mrs. B. Davis, president, presiding. The meeting was opened with a Bible reading by Mrs. I. A. Melnick. Reports of the various committees were read. Mr. H. Feldman, general chairman of the picnic, rendered his report. The Sisterhood takes this means of thanking all chairmen and aides of the various committees for their splendid work done for the picnic.

### Lawn Fete

All is now in readiness and committees are enthusiastically awaiting Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, June 25th, 26th and 27th, the dates of the annual lawn fete given by the Sisterhood, on the B'nai Israel grounds.

The committees have been successful in receiving some very fine donations and an unusually large variety of wares are being offered. Good music has been engaged for dancing, which will take place in the social hall. Several novelty booths will be introduced, such as the bingo booth and the country store, as well as the various booths offering ice cream, cigars, flowers, candy, cakes, pop, sandwiches, fruits and vegetables, lemonade, etc. The following names of committees and aides have been added to the lists already announced: Flower booths, Mesdames Max Unger, A. Shapiro, Ella Lewis, Leah Rothman and Hester Scheinman; dancing floor, Mesdames L. E. Miller, M. Blank, Saul Schein and Messrs. Isadore Watzman, Rubin Caplan and H. Feldman; cigarette booth, C. Glick and Miss Beatrice Lewis; sandwiches, Mesdames B. C. Barton, F. Cohen and Feldman; cakes, Miss Libbie Stept; pop, Mesdames A. LaVictore and M. Cohen; ice cream, Mesdames S. Rothman and I. A. Wasser.

The co-chairmen of the lawn fete, Mrs. L. H. Slessinger, Mrs. T. Rothman, Mrs. L. Siff and Mrs. I. Levine, assure all who attend a very pleasant evening.

## Southwestern District of Pennsylvania

### JEWISH RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

The confirmation exercises of the Nanty-Glo Religious School were held jointly with Windber and Johnstown in the Rodef Shalom Synagogue, in Johnstown, Pa., Sunday afternoon, June 10th, Rabbi M. H. Kaaplander confirming the children. Miss Miriam Schonfeld, Field Supervisor, presented prayer books to each of the confirmands, in behalf of the Mothers' Club of Nanty-Glo, Windber and Johnstown. Miss Schonfeld addressed the congregation and the confirmands on "The Significance of Confirmation and Its Influence on the Lives of the Children". After the service, the

Mothers' Club of the three towns tendered a reception to all present. The confirmands of the Nanty-Glo school are Edith Miller, Howard Donofsky, Harriet Edelstein, Gerald Newman and Marian Miller.

A joint confirmation of Canonsburg and Washington, Pa., took place in the Tree of Life Synagogue, in Canonsburg, Sunday afternoon, June 17th, with Rabbi Benjamin A. Lichter confirming the children. Canonsburg is under the supervision of Mr. Israel A. Davis, and Washington under Mr. David Weiner.

Many of the schools under the supervision of the Southwestern District of Pennsylvania have asked to have their superintendents of this year returned for next Fall. As far as possible, these requests will be granted. Other districts will have new men placed at the head of each school, as the requests for superintendents comes in. As several new districts will join our group next year, we have written the various districts asking them to write in their preferences as to teachers and superintendents, in order that we complete our organization of next year's staff.

The next issue of the Criterion will contain a notice of the names of the officers and representatives of the new committee of the Southwestern District of Pennsylvania.

## Young Ladies' Relief Society

The Young Ladies' Relief Society observed President's Day Sunday, June 17th, in the form of a luncheon, at the Morrowfield Hotel.

Following the luncheon the final meeting of the year was held. Reports from the various officers were heard and a message was delivered by the president, Miss Maye Middleman.

Election of new officers resulted as follows: President, Maye Middleman; vice-president, Mrs. Julius Fargotstein; treasurer, Hattie Zasloff; honorary treasurer, Fanny Marcus; recording secretary, Kathryn Futterman; financial secretary, Frances Rafael; corresponding secretary, Freda Miller.

The following made donations to the Honor Fund: Jean Simons, in honor of sister's recovery; Ann Hill, in memory of mother; Jennie Herron and Maye Middleman, in memory of their fathers on fathers' day; Mrs. E. London, in honor of daughter's birthday.

## Speaks in Synagogue

Miss Ruth Kovacs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kovacs, of North Second Street, Duquesne, Pa., gave a splendid talk on "The Place and Duty of Men", at the Beth Jacob Synagogue, on Saturday, June 16th. Dr. M. Nodel, of the Beth Jacob Synagogue, sponsored the talk.

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