

will be opened shortly with appropriate ceremonies.

With this event will be inaugurated a season of unrivalled social activities. A Welcome Home Banquet will be given on Armistice Day, in honor of the safe return of all its ex-service men. This will be followed by a Reunion Dance on November 13th, in the Duquesne High School gymnasium, which promises to be an unequalled success, surpassing even the expectations of the committee in charge.

An election was held at a recent meeting, which resulted in the selection of Geo. R. Adler for President; Michael M. Mendlow, Vice President; Joseph Newman, Secretary, and Henry Escovitz, Treasurer. The new officers have already assumed their duties and it is expected, with a large increase in membership, that they will enlarge the scope of the organization's work, and uphold successfully the reputation made in pre-war times, as the leading Y. M. H. A. of Monongahela Valley.

BETH HAMEDRASH HOGODOL LADIES' AUXILIARY

A special meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Beth Hamedrash Hogodol will be held Sunday afternoon, October 26th, in the vestry room of the Synagogue, at 2:30 sharp.

Our aim is to make our Sunday School a success. A discussion for more teachers and greater attention. Every Jewish mother should be interested. Do not fail to attend.

By order of the President,
Mrs. Ida Dunn
Secretary, Mrs. Hoffman

AUXILIARY JEWISH HOME FOR BABIES

With all due excitement and huzzas and shouts of the merry-making members and the unusual amount of gaiety, the regular meeting, held in the form of a Get-Together Social, of the Auxiliary of the Jewish Home for Babies, held Tuesday, October 21st, 1919, at the Hebrew Institute was called to order and opened by the reading of the minutes of the two previous meetings. The minutes stood as approved.

The discussions of the Minstrel and Dance to be held December 10th, at the Y. M. H. A. were then in order and after such discussions, it was decided that further arrangements be left in the hands of the Committee.

The matter of the tablet to be placed in the Dormitory of the Home for Babies which was built by the Auxiliary, was discussed and it, too, was left to the good judgment of the House Committee to decide upon.

The usual order of business was then disposed of, in order that our undivided attention might be given to the guests of honor, who were then presented to us by our worthy President.

In serious vein, the members then listened with a most marked interest and appreciation to a most appropriate address delivered by Dr. S. Bloomberg on matters of vital interest to the girls relative to The Jewish Home for Babies, and each and every member felt herself very fortunate in hearing Dr. Bloomberg's address, and at the conclusion of this talk a rising vote of thanks was tendered the gentleman.

The girls were favored by the rendition of several solos by a young lady of exceptional talent.

An excellent repast was served and followed by various amusements and dances and amid an era of general good feeling and club spirit, the meeting adjourned.

YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION OF PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh Y. M. H. A. Transformed Into Cultural Center

Now that the Y. M. H. A. has gone "Over the Top" at home and abroad, in the trenches and in the Relief Campaigns it is vigorously asserting its right to recognition as a Jewish cultural center.

The program of Reconstruction is now inaugurated and no phase of activity has been overlooked.

Visitors are cordially invited to inspect the educational activities of the Y. M. H. A. in addition to its many other functions.

The following schedule indicates the broad policy of educational endeavor which the "Y" has created:—
Schedule of Educational Classes Now In Progress

- Monday—Current Events, Civics and General Information.
- Tuesday—Hebrew.
- Wednesday—Jewish Topics (Discussion Circle); French, Debating, Public Speaking.
- Thursday—Business Correspondence, English Language and Literature.

Friday—Jewish History, Judaism. Sunday—Stenography.

With a faculty of eight instructors in the Y. M. H. A. educational department the success of the classes is assured. All classes commence at 8 p. m. with exception of stenography which commences at 11 a. m.

Admission to all classes is free and all Jewish young men and women both members and non-members are invited.

Y. M. H. A. Schools Holds First Assembly

On Sunday, October 19th, students of the Y. M. H. A. School assembled in the Auditorium for the first time.

Superintendent Geoffrey defined the scope and purpose of the educational department after which various members of the faculty gave a series of interesting addresses. The subjects discussed included "Contemporary Jewish Problems as Viewed in the Light of History" by Chas. I. Cooper; "Dedicating the Human Voice" by Ben Lerner; "The Jewish Problem" by A. Herman; "Keeping Abreast of the Times" by I. A. Melnick. Classical musical selections by Mr. C. Levant marked the opening and closing of the meeting while Miss Ethel Rothman rendered some delightful vocal solos accompanied by Miss Sarah Melnick.

The first school assembly proved a great success and many additional students registered with Mr. Max Rogal, Honorary Secretary of the school.

Superintendent Geoffrey Organizes Y. M. H. A. in West Virginia

The remarkable progress of the Pittsburgh Y. M. H. A. has caused neighboring communities to appeal for guidance.

Superintendent Geoffrey has stimulated the "Y" movement in Donora and is at present organizing the Y. M. H. A. of Charleston, West Virginia. The Pittsburgh "Y" in defining its policy has determined to promote the movement in the surrounding Communities in addition to developing its own resources.

Y. M. H. A. Publishes Artistic Periodical

The Y. M. H. A. publication—"The Journal" has now assumed the dignity and artistic production commensurate with the growth of the organization.

No person interested in the Pittsburgh "Y" can afford to miss the Y. M. H. A. Journal, which is representative of the life of the institution.

Y. M. H. A. Organizes Athletic Teams For Winter Sports

Every club in the Y. M. H. A. is providing its team for the inter-club league now being organized. In addition a representative "Y" team is being formed to carry the athletic laurels of the Y. M. H. A. during the forthcoming season.

Y. M. H. A. Swimming Club Proves Great Success

The "Y" Swimming Club is now meeting regularly on Wednesday evenings at the "Y" Swimming Pool.

Admission is free to members and an instructor is in attendance.

Superior Club of the Y. M. H. A. Holds Dance

On Wednesday, October 22nd, the Superior Club of the Y. M. H. A. held an unusually attractive dance in the auditorium of the Y. M. H. A. A large attendance enjoyed the exquisite music and the affair proved a great success.

The Y. M. H. A. will continue to hold its regular Saturday Night Dances throughout the season.

DRIFTWOOD

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I have seen the look of happiness on a young mother's face when coming out of her dark agony she looked for the first time upon her child. I have seen two lovers meet after a cruel separation. And once I caught the look in a man's eyes when he laid aside the last page of a manuscript over which he had toiled for fifteen years. Every time I thought I had caught a glimpse of the joy perfect. But I never knew what happiness really meant until I watched the little old lady beginning her weary day with prayer.

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"No," said the girl savagely, "I don't believe in God."

She pushed her empty coffee cup and greasy dishes aside, leaned her elbows on the marble-topped table and stared defiantly at the universe. "No," she repeated sullenly, "I don't believe in God or nothing."

We had started to talk over our plates of beans and coffee in the little East Side lunch room. It had not been hard to draw Rosie into conversation. She seemed just bursting to talk. She wasn't exactly pretty as I remember her; but she was certainly vivid, with her rich coloring and her big eyes that seemed to mourn while her lips sneered. And how she could talk when once she got started!

"Yep, I work," she answered my question. "Work in a shirt waist factory. And I'm darn sick of it. Have to keep at it from morning till night till I get so tired I almost fall on my face—and then have to walk home to save carfare. What do I get for all my working, anyhow—a hole in the wall where I sleep and feed like this and clothes I'm ashamed to put on in the mornings. Aw, it makes me sick, that's what it does."

"You're not living at home?"

"Catch me! Giving every cent I earned to 'em and sleeping three in a bed and worse food than this. And them raising a hawl if I went to a movie with a fellow or held back enough to get me a pair of stockings. I began to work as soon as could get my age certificate and I stuck by 'em for three good years. Then I quit—same as Mollie."

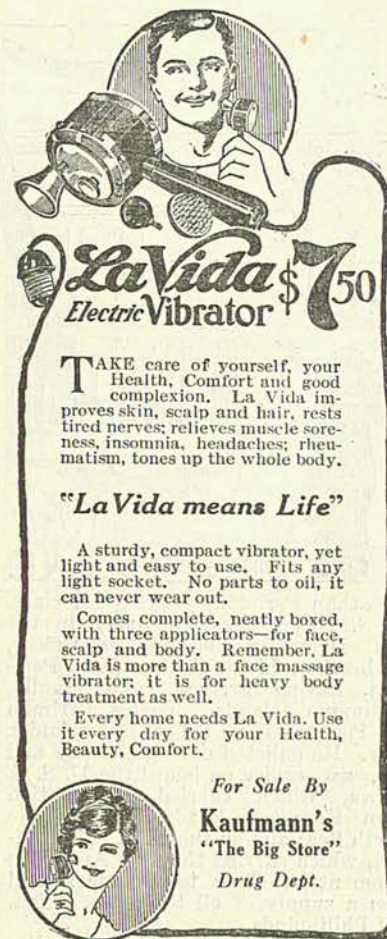
"Was Mollie your sister?"

"Yes. I sometimes wonder what she's doing now and where she is. She worked in the factory, too, but she got sick of it. Said there was ways of making easier money. Aw, I don't know. If you're a woman you always get the dirty end of it. You get it going and coming. If you're trying to live on Easy Street like Mollie, you go the way the rest of 'em do. And if you try to run straight you starve. What do I get out of life, anyhow?"

She reached over for a toothpick, used it vigorously, leaned back in her chair. She laughed, a bitter, cynical laugh. "Aint it a joke?" she confided. "I'm what my old man would call a regular goy now—don't even care if I eat kosher or not and all that sort of thing. And yet I guess I keep straight for one reason 'cause it seems a shame for a Jewish girl to go wrong like Mollie. Don't you think so?"

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA., NEWS

Punxsutawney and Reynoldsville, Pa., netted over \$65,000 for the Jewish War Relief Campaign. The Congregation Augdith Achin pledged \$500 towards this worthy cause. Much thanks is due Mrs. Rubin Cohn, Mr. Arthur Rosenthal, Rev. Nathenson and Philip Newman for their splendid work in this cause.



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