

play is due to the coach, Mr. P. A. Sigel; our Superintendent, Mr. N. P. Kann, and Misses B. Rosenbloom, Esther Patz, Ellen Strauss and L. Slone. The work of Mr. Cohen in constructing the stage, and of Mrs. Cohen in making the costumes, was a great help towards the staging of the play.

Frances Brown told of the meaning of Purim. The children of the lower classes gave recitations and songs. Mr. L. Rosenbloom, in the name of the Educational Committee, presented each of the Cheder boys who sang Kabolath Sabbath, with a watch and chain, and the girls with a beautiful bracelet. Mr. J. Patz then presented a box of candy to every child present.

Speeches were made by the President, M. Rosenbloom, and some members. Mr. Mallin acted as Chairman throughout the program. The opening prayer and benediction were made by Rev. H. Tolochko. Music was furnished before and after the play by the Beth Israel Orchestra.

An unusually large attendance was present.

Beth Hamedrash Hagadol:—The following is the Honor Roll of the Hebrew Bible Classes:

Miss Siegel's Class—Mildred Kaufman, Beatrice Malling, Ruth Hoffman, Hymen Cohen; Miss Florence Ashinsky's Class—Lillian Lipson, Miriam Lewis, Ruth Witt; Miss Lipson's Class—Frances Winer, Sarah Malling, Marion Morris, Helen Ruben, Lester Smith, Marion Feldman.

Janet Winer, of Miss Lipson's Class, donated to the Bible Class Fund in honor of her eighth birthday.

Congregation Beth Jehuda of Manchester:—The Sabbath School classes gave a Purim entertainment on Sunday, March 23rd, at the Hippodrome Theater, Beaver Avenue, North Side. Credit for the success of the entertainment is due to the Superintendent, Mr. J. B. Kartub, and the teachers, the Misses M. Rosenberg, F. Price, J. Hadas and M. Epstein.

The programme, as arranged by Mr. Kartub, was as follows:

(1) Selection by the orchestra, which consisted of a group of Oakland boys: N. Albert, I. Schiller, G. Halpert, J. Hershkovitz, L. Blum, C. Jacobs, R. Schiller, A. Hershkovitz; Mr. Kartub, conductor; (2) Flower dance, Clara Kravitz; (3) Purim drill, Kindergarten class; (4) Violin solo, Mervin Ehrenfeld; (5) Purim play, "The Belle of Shushan": King, Harold Fletcher; Teresh, a guard, Joseph Edelstein; Bigthan, a guard, Merle Reinwasser; Esther, Blanche Mendelbaum; Mordecai, Harold Volkin; Haman, Mervin Ehrenfeld; Captain Bizetha, Leonard Volkin; Shillah, Esther Simon; First servant, Bennie Weisberg; Second servant, Louis Dorn; First lady, Irma Burke; Second lady, Rhoda Ehrenfeld; Third lady, Betty Dorn; Chamberlain, Herman Pink; Scribe, Robert Tiehner; Aide, Samuel Abramovitz; Private Kiryan, Irving Braun; Herald, George Fletcher. (6) Piano solo, Joseph Steiner; (7) Vocal solo, Aaron Nauhaus; (8) Toe dance, Rhoda Ehrenfeld; (9) Purim poem, Hilda Roth; (10) Gypsy dance, Lillie Droz; (11) Orchestra number.

South Side Religious School:—The annual Purim entertainment took place Sunday afternoon, March 23rd, at the Talmud Torah Congregation, under the supervision of Mr. Alex H. Schullman. The programme was as follows:

(1) Welcome address by the Superintendent; (2) Kindergarten frolic, by Miss Goldstein's Class; Edith Siss, Emmanuel Epstein, Doris Calkin and Benjamin Parker; (3) "Gut Purim" Song, by the School; (4) Poem of Purim, Max Glick; (5) Piano selection, Humoresque, Ralph Rosen; Announcement of honor pupils: Miss Goldstein's Class—Emmanuel Epstein; Miss Shapiro's Class—Cecil Berstein; Miss Fischer's Class—Leah Epstein; Miss Schultz's Class—Ethel Engelman; Miss Rothman's Class, Frank Engelman. (6) Story of Purim, Frank Engelman; (7) Violin duet, Jack White and Earl Kline, accompanied by Miss N. Cohen; (8) Spanish dance, Marian White; (9) Purim Ballade, under the direction of Miss Cohen and Miss Fischer; Esther, Cecil Burnstein; Mordecai, Morris Rubenstein; Haman, Andrew Shapiro; Chorus, Frank Engelman. (10) "On Purim" Song, by the School.

The School was highly honored by having Mrs. Louis Amshel, of the Council of Jewish Women, as their guest. She gave a very inspiring talk to the parents and students.

At the conclusion of the programme, refreshments were served.

Congregation B'nai Israel, East End:—Services are held daily in the community house, 327 North Negley Avenue, at 7 A. M. and 6 P. M. Friday evening at 6 and 8:30. Sabbath Day at 8:30 A. M. and 6 P. M. On Saturday, April 5, David Lando, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Lando, of Baywood Street, will be "Bar Mitzvah". Rabbi Lichter on the portion of the Law on Sabbath mornings.

Mrs. M. Krieger delivered an interesting talk on "Council Sabbath" last Friday evening. Rabbi Herman Hailperin will occupy the pulpit this Friday evening.

The joint Purim celebration of the East Liberty Branch of the Hebrew Institute and the Religious School of the B'nai Israel Congregation was held last Sunday evening at the East End Theater. The house was filled to its capacity and a splendid program of Hebrew and English plays and sketches was presented. Addresses were made by Mr. Savage, Mr. I. A. Abrams and Rabbi Lichter.

The Sunday morning assembly of the Religious School will be conducted this Sunday morning, March 30th, by Grade 9, Mr. Herman Saville, teacher.

The congregation is planning a congregational dinner to be held in the auditorium immediately after Passover.

Rabbi Lichter has been invited by his former congregation in Far Rockaway, N. Y., to attend the installation exercises of their newly elected Rabbi on Sunday, March 30th. He will return from New York on Friday.

Mr. Charles H. Joseph, Editor of the Jewish Criterion, will be the speaker on Friday evening, April 4th.

Beechview Religious School:—The parents and friends of the pupils of the Beechview Religious School were pleasantly entertained last Sunday afternoon, March Twenty-third, when the annual Purim entertainment was given at Boylan Hall, Beechview.

An excellent program, arranged by the superintendent, Mr. Leonard M. Arons, included songs by the kindergarten class, a play, "Casting of Lots", by the older pupils and coached by Mr. Henry Robinson, and novelty features and recitations by the younger pupils. The other teachers of the school are the Misses Mollie Segal, who furnished the piano accompaniment, Ann Robinson, Mamie Wilder, Leorah Goldstein and Minnie Kimball.

A feature of the afternoon was the announcement that the pupils had donated a basket of Purim goodies to the children at the Jewish Home for Babies.

Temple B'nai Israel, McKeesport, Pa.:—The overwhelming moral and financial success of the Purim performance at the Hippodrome Sunday evening is cause for gratification to the Sisterhood, under whose auspices it was held, the school committee and coaches, who are responsible for the dramatic end of the program.

The post-Purim masque of the Junior Temple takes place this Sunday evening at the social hall of the Temple.

Last Sunday morning witnessed the introduction of a Minyan in the chapel of the congregation for the accommodation of the more orthodox residents of the hill district. Traditional services are held every morning at 7, and evening at 6:30.

Members of the Junior Sisterhood enjoyed their first Bible Study meet-

ing Tuesday evening, Rabbi Alstet leading in the study of Psalm 23. Its musical rendition was given by Miss Belle Miller, Miss Hannah Berger, Chairman of the Circle, presiding.

The leap year dance of this organization is attracting considerable attention in the entire valley. Nothing has been spared to make this event unique in every respect. April 1st is the date, and Columbian Hall is the place.

Rabbi Alstet will lead the Senior Sisterhood this Tuesday afternoon in the study and interpretation of the Haggadah.

Subject of the Rabbi at services this evening, "A Tempest in a Teapot."

Our Neighboring Communities

Greensburg, Pa.:—"Council Sabbath" was observed by the C. J. W. Friday evening, March 21st, at the Beth Israel congregation. Mrs. Benjamin M. Ratner read the opening prayer; Mrs. Gus Lowenstein gave a very inspiring talk on the need of modern Esthers today and the influence of the mother in the home, and Mrs. S. W. Rose gave the closing prayer.

The children of the Beth Israel Hebrew Institute and Bible Classes gave a delightful Purim program, Sunday evening, March 23rd, to an overflow audience in the assembly rooms of the Synagogue. Owing to the large number unable to gain admittance, the program will be repeated Sunday evening, April 6th, at Odd Fellows' Hall. The Hebrew Classes presented a three-act playlet written and directed by Mr. J. Fox, the Superintendent, the first two acts given in Hebrew and depicting life in Russia with real Russian stage settings. The Russian "Kazatsky" danced by the children in the second act, was well received. The last act showed the same family in America years later and was given in English. The second playlet, "A Sick Purim", under the direction of Mrs. Samuel W. Rose, was also well acted by the children of the Bible Classes. Between the acts, songs and recitations in both Hebrew and English were given by the children. At the close of the program each child present received a "Haman Tash" filled with candy by the C. J. W., and an "Eskimo pie", the gift of Mrs. Alfred Engel.

The card party originally planned for March 19th, but postponed on account of conflicting dates, will be held next Wednesday evening, April 2nd, at the Girls' Club. Surrounding Section members and friends are cordially invited to attend. As the play will be progressive, it is desired that all players be in their places by eight o'clock. Bridge and 500 will be played.

Braddock, Pa.:—Lodge No. 516 I. O. E. B. will hold a Purim Entertainment at the Braddock Theater, Braddock Avenue, Sunday evening, March 30th, at 8:00 P. M. A programme of moving pictures and good music has been arranged. Children and their parents in Braddock and vicinity are invited to attend.

Washington, Pa.:—Preparations are being made for an informal Spring Dance to be given by the I. O. E. B. No. 576 on Wednesday evening, April 9th, at the George Washington Hotel. A well-known orchestra has been secured to furnish the music for this occasion. The committee in charge, consisting of Harry C. Grossman, Chairman; Maurice J. Samolsky, Meyer J. Slotsky, Theodore Levitt, Herbert Luchs and Theodore M. Grossman, is sparing no effort to make this affair an outstanding success of the season.

Punxsutawney, Pa.:—Under the auspices of the C. J. W. a Sunday School was established here March 10th. Reverend Menkes, of the Bradford Temple, and Mrs. G. Worthman, of Bradford, Vice-President of the Northwestern District of C. J. W., gave very helpful addresses to the Congregation Agudes Achim and to the teachers and pupils of the Sunday School.

On Wednesday night, March 19th, a Purim program and Box Social was held at the Synagogue under the auspices of the C. J. W.

Mrs. A. Brody, chairman of the Social Committee, ably planned and directed the following program: "Good Purim", recitation, by Evelyn Friedman; "A Legend of Purim", reading, Norabelle Abelman; "The Purim Basket", play, by Ruth Pete, Goldie Friedman, Miriam Jacobson, Sara Simon, Helen Ruben, Rebecca Earnstein Rosalind Goodman, Charlotte Newman; "Sonny's Purim", poem: Mildred Newman; Address, Reverend I. E. Simon;

BETH SHALOM CONGREGATION
Rabbi Philip Kleinman, of Temple Aaron, St. Paul, Minnesota, has accepted an invitation to visit Beth Shalom Congregation and will occupy the pulpit at the late service on Friday, April 4th, at 7:45 P. M., and will also deliver a sermon at the Saturday morning services, April 5th, at 9 o'clock.

On Sunday morning, April 6th, Rabbi Kleinman will address the children of the Bible classes in assembly.

On Sunday evening, April 7th, a reception will be tendered to the visiting Rabbi by the Congregation and Sisterhood.

An invitation is extended to all by the Congregation to attend the services and reception.

"My Jewish Home", recitation, Berenice Friedman; "Esther", poem, Myrtle Bernstein; "Esther Today", poem, Rosalind Light; "Haddassah", Rhea Gelman; "Eli, Eli", violin solo, Dorothy Goodman.

The program was followed by the auction of boxes by Mr. Max E. Kaufman.

JOYOUS PURIM FESTIVAL AT J. C. R. A. SANATORIUM

One of the most joyous celebrations held at the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Association Sanatorium at Duarte, was the Purim Festival, given by the patients on Purim night. Their talents as entertainers proved a revelation to more than fifty guests, including the medical staff and office force, and about seventy patients who formed an enthusiastic audience, filling the large dining hall.

Harry Checkman and May Luitman opened the program with a vocal duet. Nathan Rosen and J. Berman followed with a humorous sketch, and Cecil Eisenstein recited a stirring poem.

Guest performers were Grace and Adeline Immerman, who danced and sang, and Irene Martin, piano monologues, all from the Orpheum Circuit, and Minnie Gross, vocalist.

Joseph Lovinger, President of the entertainment committee, extended the thanks of all the patients to the professional performers who had so generously volunteered their talents.

Dancing completed the Purim festivities.

DR. HENRY SLONIMSKY RESIGNS FROM HEBREW UNION COLLEGE FACULTY

Dr. Henry Slonimsky recently resigned from the faculty of the Hebrew Union College. To signify their regret, the students of the College adopted a resolution expressing their sorrow and calling upon the Board of Governors, the Faculty and Dr. Slonimsky to secure a reconsideration of the resignation.

THE JEWISH HOME FOR THE AGED

The Jewish Home for the Aged has received this week from Mr. Bennie Neiman, executor of the estate of the late Oscar Simon, the sum of One Thousand Thirty-four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$1,034.50), being the "Home's proportionate share of the residue of this estate.

The "Home" has previously received the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) bequeathed by the late Mr. Simon in his last will and testament.

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