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# Southwestern District of Pennsylvania

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## JEWISH RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

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A feature of our Religious School work is the organization of Post-Confirmation classes, organized in the form of clubs, which meet in the evenings during the week. The Torch-Bearers, the first class of this kind, was organized last year under the guidance of Mr. Milton Grossman, who leads the discussions in Jewish Current Events, Jewish Literature, and Post-Biblical History. This group of sixteen boys and girls are from West End and have promised to aid the Mothers' Club in carrying on the Religious School, and are co-operating in every way possible.

The first meeting of the Tri-County Institute was held on Sunday afternoon, November 4th, in the Beth Zion Temple, Johnstown, Pa, with Miss Eva Neafach, Vice-Chairman, presiding. Miss Miriam Schonfield, the speaker of the afternoon, gave five Model Lessons, and instructions in pedagogy. Representatives from Johnstown, Altoona, Barnesboro, Nanty-Glo, Windber and Portage were present.

Sunday morning, November 4th, Miss Schonfield visited the Nanty-Glo Religious School, organized the classes and taught the children. The secretary visited the Beth Jehuda Sabbath School, of which Mr. Abe Cohen is the superintendent. The school is progressing rapidly with an efficient corps of teachers and a capable superintendent.

A Roundtable for teachers from various schools was conducted in the home of the Field Supervisor, Monday evening, November 5th.

Miss Schonfield attended the Pennsylvania State Conference, National Council of Jewish Women, in Philadelphia, Pa.