JEWISH CHARITIES

SAVANNAH'S WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN

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The whirlwind campaign recently conducted by the Jewish Educational Alliance of Savannah for the purpose of securing a completion and equipment fund as well as a large membership met with considerable success. About \$10,000 was subscribed to the fund and about \$5000 more is promised after January 1st. Three hundred and fifty new members were secured. The Alliance now has a membership of 550. The actual campaign took place between November 15th and 20th and about twenty teams were placed in the field. Several teams consisted of young men, at the head of which were energetic young captains. There were also a number of teams composed of young ladies. These were headed by the following captains: No. 15, Miss Gussie Dich; No. 16, Miss Fannie Cooley; No. 17, Miss Fannie Marcus. The ladies secured more than 100 new members and brought in a considerable amount for the fund. The young people played a very prominent part throughout the campaign and their zeal and enthusiasm was most marked at the Young People's Rally, which was held Sunday evening, November 14th, at the Mordecai-Sheftall Chapel. This was termed the opening gun of the campaign. More than 500 young ladies and gentlemen were present. Addresses were made by the representatives of the various clubs and organizations connected with the Jewish Educational Alliance. Of the young men most prominent in the campaign Mr. Sam Hornstein, the energetic leader of Team No. 17, won most distinction. He and his associates succeeded in raising about \$1100, all of which came from young men. They were also instrumental in securing about 125 new members.

The complete success of the campaign is due to the large number of business and professional men who devoted their time and energy to the cause. This was especially true of the captains who headed the following teams: No. 1, Rabbi Charles Blumenthal; No. 2, L. Weitz; No. 3, Col. Jacob Gazan; No. 4, F. W. Rosenthal; No. 5, A. S. Kohler; No. 6, M. H. Bernstein; No. 8, Harold Ferst; No. 9, J. Maril; No. 10, H. Prager; No. 11, A. Rauzin; No. 12, Rabbi George Solomon; No. 13, D. A. Byck; No. 14, E. H. Abrahams. The ladies' organizations co-operated with the men and have formed a Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jewish Alliance, with Mrs. I. P. Mendes as chairman.

The beautiful new building, completed and erected at a cost of about \$50,000, the foundation for which was laid by the \$25,000 memorial gift from Colonel Sigo Myers, is now being furnished. The building will be occupied by January 1st and the official dedication will take place a few weeks later. In connection with the dedication, the "Council," consisting of all organizations connected with the Alliance, will issue a souvenir to be known as "The Scroll," which it is intended to make a bi-monthly magazine. Mr. Isidor Kadis, superintendent, is acting as editor-in-chief with Mr. Elry Stone as associate editor. The publication promises to be a very beautiful souvenir and will contain historical sketches of all the Jewish societies in Savannah. It will be profusely illustrated. From every indication the Jewish Educational Alliance will become a community center where will be concentrated all the Jewish activities of Savannah and where all organizations and especially the young people's clubs will find a home. A very fine plan of activities has been made up by the superintendent, which will be put in effect in the course of the next few months.

For the War Sufferers.

The meeting at Carnegie Hall in New York on December 21st will become historical. Seldom has more feeling been shown at a meeting and never, perhaps, at a Jewish gathering has so large a sum been pledged for the relief of unfortunate people. A substantial part of the million-dollar fund to be raised was contributed on the spot and there can be little doubt that the rest will be forthcoming. Mr. Louis Marshall, president of the American Jewish Committee, presided and addresses were made by him and by Dr. J. L. Magnes, Rev. Dr. William Rosenau, Bishop Greer, President Finley and others.

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